

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

February 20, 2025

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

AGENDA

LETTER

Benton Hills Community Development District
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER
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February 13, 2025

Board of Supervisors
Benton Hills Community Development District

Dear Board Members:

The Board of Supervisors of the Benton Hills Community Development District will hold a Regular Meeting on February 20, 2025 at 11:30 a.m., at the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce, 15588 Aviation Loop Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604. The agenda is as follows:

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Public Comments
3. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Supervisors [Seat 3 - Erika Filotas, Seat 4 - Martha Schiffer, Seat 5 - Harriet Stone] *(the following will be provided in a separate package)*
 - A. Required Ethics Training and Disclosure Filing
 - Sample Form 1 2023/Instructions
 - B. Membership, Obligations and Responsibilities
 - C. Guide to Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees
 - D. Form 8B: Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County, Municipal and other Local Public Office
4. Acceptance of Resignation of Garth Noble [Seat 1]
5. Consider Appointment to Fill Unexpired Term of Seat 1; *Term Expires November 2026*
 - Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Supervisor
6. Consideration of Resolution 2025-01, Canvassing and Certifying the Results of the Landowners' Election of Supervisors held Pursuant to Section 190.006(2), Florida Statutes, and Providing for an Effective Date
7. Consideration of Resolution 2025-02, Electing and Removing Officers of the District and Providing for an Effective Date

ATTENDEES:

Please identify yourself each time you speak to facilitate accurate transcription of meeting minutes.

8. Presentation of Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report
9. Presentation of Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report
10. Consideration of Resolution 2025-03, Authorizing the Issuance of its Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds (Hernando County, Florida), Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds"); Determining Certain Details of the Series 2025 Bonds and Establishing Certain Parameters for the Sale Thereof; Approving the form of and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a First Supplemental Trust Indenture; Authorizing the Negotiated Sale of the Series 2025 Bonds; Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Bond Purchase Contract With Respect to the Series 2025 Bonds and Awarding the Series 2025 Bonds to the Underwriter Named Therein; Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Distribution of a Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum Relating to the Series 2025 Bonds and its Use by the Underwriter in Connection With the Offering for Sale of the Series 2025 Bonds; Approving the Execution and Delivery of a Final Limited Offering Memorandum Relating to the Series 2025 Bonds; Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Continuing Disclosure Agreement; Providing for the Application of the Series 2025 Bond Proceeds; Authorizing the Proper Officials to Do All Things Deemed Necessary in Connection with the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds; Making Certain Declarations; Repealing Resolution No. 2023-07; Providing an Effective Date and for Other Purposes
11. Consideration of Resolution 2025-04, Setting Forth the Specific Terms of the District's Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025; Making Certain Additional Findings and Confirming and/or Adopting an Engineer's Report and a Supplemental Assessment Report; Delegating Authority to Prepare Final Reports and Update this Resolution; Confirming the Maximum Assessment Lien Securing the Bonds; Addressing the Allocation and Collection of the Assessments Securing the Bonds; Addressing Prepayments; Addressing True-Up Payments; Providing for the Supplementation of the Improvement Lien Book; and Providing for Conflicts, Severability and an Effective Date
12. Consideration of Forms of Issuer's Counsel Documents
 - A. Collateral Assignment Agreements
 - B. Completion Agreement
 - C. Declaration of Consent
 - D. Disclosure of Public Finance
 - E. Notice of Special Assessments

F. True Up Agreement

13. Ratification Items

- A. Acquisition of Phase 1 Improvements
- B. Bill of Sale [Phase 1 Irrigation Improvements]
- C. SOLitude Lake Management, LLC Pond Maintenance Services Agreement
- D. Onorato's Landscape Design of Tampa Bay, Inc. Agreement for Landscape Maintenance Services

14. Consideration of Resolution 2025-05, Designating the Location of the Local District Records Office and Providing an Effective Date

15. Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as December 31, 2024

16. Approval of Minutes

- A. August 15, 2024 Public Hearings and Regular Meeting
- B. November 5, 2024 Landowners' Meeting

17. Staff Reports

- A. District Counsel: *Kutak Rock LLP*
- B. District Engineer: *Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.*
- C. District Manager: *Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC*

- NEXT MEETING DATE: March 20, 2025 at 11:30 AM

○ QUORUM CHECK

SEAT 1		<input type="checkbox"/> IN PERSON	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
SEAT 2	MEGAN GERMINO	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PERSON	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
SEAT 3	ERIKA FILOTAS	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PERSON	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
SEAT 4	MARTHA SCHIFFER	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PERSON	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
SEAT 5	HARRIET STONE	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PERSON	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

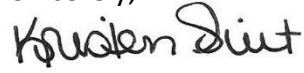
18. Board Members' Comments/Requests

19. Public comments

20. Adjournment

If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (410) 207-1802.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristen Suit". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kristen Suit
District Manager

FOR BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF TO ATTEND BY TELEPHONE

CALL-IN NUMBER: 1-888-354-0094

PARTICIPANT PASSCODE: 943 865 3730

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NOTICE OF TENDER OF RESIGNATION

To: Board of Supervisors
Benton Hills Community Development District
Attn: District Manager
2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

From:  Signed by:
2020590587EF4F7... Printed Name

Date: 1/7/2025
Date

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the Board of Supervisors of the *Benton Hills Community Development District*. My tendered resignation will be deemed to be effective as of the time a quorum of the remaining members of the Board of Supervisors accepts it at a duly noticed meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

I certify that this Notice of Tender of Resignation has been executed by me and ☐ personally presented at a duly noticed meeting of the Board of Supervisors, ☐ scanned and electronically transmitted to gillyardd@whhassociates.com or ☐ faxed to 561-571-0013 and agree that the executed original shall be binding and enforceable and the fax or email copy shall be binding and enforceable as an original.

 Signed by:
2020590587EF4F7...
Signature

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RESOLUTION 2025-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT CANVASSING AND CERTIFYING THE RESULTS OF THE LANDOWNERS' ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS HELD PURSUANT TO SECTION 190.006(2), FLORIDA STATUTES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Benton Hills Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Hernando County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 190.006(2), Florida Statutes, a landowners' meeting is required to be held within 90 days of the District's creation and every two years following the creation of the District for the purpose of electing supervisors of the District; and

WHEREAS, such landowners' meeting was held on November 5, 2024, the Minutes of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A, and at which the below recited persons were duly elected by virtue of the votes cast in his/her favor; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District, by means of this Resolution, desires to canvass the votes and declare and certify the results of said election.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

Section 1. The following persons are found, certified, and declared to have been duly elected as Supervisor of and for the District, having been elected by the votes cast in their favor as shown:

NAME OF SUPERVISOR	SEAT NUMBER	NUMBER OF VOTES
Erika Filotas	3	289
Martha Schiffer	4	289
Harriet Stone	5	280

Section 2. In accordance with Section 190.006(2), Florida Statutes, and by virtue of the number of votes cast for the Supervisor, the above-named person is declared to have been elected for the following term of office:

NAME OF SUPERVISOR	TERM OF OFFICE	SEAT NUMBER
Erika Filotas	4-year term	3
Martha Schiffer	4-year term	4
Harriet Stone	2-year term	5

Section 3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2025.

Attest:

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT**

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

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RESOLUTION 2025-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ELECTING AND REMOVING OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Benton Hills Community Development District (“District”) is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Supervisors desires to elect and remove certain Officers of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

SECTION 1. The following is/are elected as Officer(s) of the District effective February 20, 2025:

_____ is elected Chair
_____ is elected Vice Chair
_____ is elected Assistant Secretary
_____ is elected Assistant Secretary
_____ is elected Assistant Secretary

SECTION 2. The following Officer(s) shall be removed as Officer(s) as of February 20, 2025:

<u>Garth Noble</u>	<u>Chair</u>
<u>John Kakridas</u>	<u>Assistant Secretary</u>

SECTION 3. The following prior appointments by the Board remain unaffected by this Resolution:

Craig Wrathell is Secretary

Kristen Suit is Assistant Secretary

Craig Wrathell is Treasurer

Jeff Pinder is Assistant Treasurer

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of February, 2025.

ATTEST:

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

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RESTATED FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL ENGINEER'S REPORT

January 2025

**PREPARED FOR:
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**



ENGINEER:
Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.
966 Candlelight Boulevard
Brooksville, Florida 34601

**RESTATED FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE
BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

January 2025

1. PURPOSE

This report supplements the *Engineer's Report*, dated June 30, 2022 ("**Master Report**") in order to address the first phase of the District's CIP to be known as the "**2025 Project**" a/k/a "**Assessment Area One Project.**" This report further supersedes and restates that prior *First Supplemental Engineer's Report* dated September, 2023. All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Master Report.

2. 2025 Project

The District's 2025 Project includes the portion of the CIP that is necessary for the development of what is known as "Phases 1 and 1A" (together, "**Assessment Area One**") of the District. A legal description and sketch for Assessment Area One are shown in **Exhibit A**.

Product Mix

The table below shows the product types that will be part of the 2025 Project:

Product Types

Product Type	2025 Project / Assessment Area One Units (Phases 1 and 1A)
40'	77
50'+	192
TOTAL	269

List of 2025 Project Improvements

The various improvements that are part of the overall CIP – including those that are part of the 2025 Project – are described in detail in the Master Report, and those descriptions are incorporated herein. The 2025 Project includes, generally stated, the following items relating to Assessment Area One: public roadways, stormwater management, utilities, hardscape/landscape/irrigation, conservation, the differential cost of undergrounding electrical conduit, soft costs, etc. Additionally, the 2025 Project includes certain master improvements, including the development of the turn lane into the project from Kettering Road, turn lane improvements at the intersection of Cortez Boulevard and Kettering Road, and offsite utility improvements.

Permits

All permits and approvals necessary for the development of the 2025 Project have been obtained.

Permit	Status
Hernando County	
1. Project Rezoning (Entire Development)	H-21-44 approved on October 12, 2021
2. Condition Plat (Entire Development)	1436705 approved on October 10, 2022
3. Subdivision Construction Plans (Phase 1 & Offsite)	1441405 approved on December 13, 2022
4. FDEP Water Permit (Phase 1 & Offsite)	0127189-018-DS-C approved on October 26, 2022
5. FDEP Sewer Permit (Phase 1 & Offsite)	S22-25 approved on October 20, 2022
6. Subdivision Construction Plans (Phase 1A)	1472018 approved on June 5, 2024
7. FDEP Water Permit (Phase 1A)	W24-08 approved on June 7, 2024
8. FDEP Sewer Permit (Phase 1A)	S24-13 approved one June 7, 2024
Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission	
1. Gopher Tortoise Relocation Permit	GTC-22-0419A approved October 31, 2022
Southwest Florida Water Management District	
1. Environmental Resource Permit (Phase 1)	43041036.002 approved September 16, 2022
2. Environmental Resource Permit (Phase 1A)	43041036.004 approved January 10, 2024

Estimated Costs / Benefits

The table below shows the costs that are necessary for delivery of the Assessment Area One lots for the 2025 Project, which includes the roads, utilities, and other improvements specific to Assessment Area One as well as “master” improvements as described above.

ESTIMATED COSTS OF DELIVERING THE ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT

Improvement	2025 Project Estimated Cost	Operation & Maintenance Entity
Roadways	\$ 2,649,652.00	County
Stormwater System	\$ 2,384,941.00	CDD
Utilities (Water & Sewer)	\$ 2,202,958.00	County
Undergrounding of Electric Conduit	\$ 155,929.00	CDD
Conservation/Mitigation	\$ 49,500.00	CDD
Landscape/Hardscape/Irrigation	\$ 946,687.00	CDD
Recreational Amenities	\$ 2,250,000.00	CDD
Off-Site Improvements	\$ 1,997,000.00	County
Professional Fees	\$ 561,707.00	n/a
Contingency	\$ 1,319,837.00	As above
TOTAL	\$ 14,518,211.00	

- a. The probable costs estimated herein do not include anticipated carrying cost, interest reserves or other anticipated CDD expenditures that may be incurred.

- b. The developer reserves the right to finance any of the improvements outlined above, and have such improvements owned and maintained by a property owner's or homeowner's association, in which case such items would not be part of the CIP.
- c. The District may enter into an agreement with a third-party, or an applicable property owner's or homeowner's association, to maintain any District-owned improvements, subject to the approval of the District's bond counsel.
- d. Reimbursement associated with the approved oversizing agreement for water and wastewater for the offsite utilities financed by the District will be governed by the acquisition agreement between the District and the project developer. It is anticipated that the Hernando County Utilities Department will provide a reimbursement in the amount of \$468,832.00 upon satisfaction by the Developer for the offsite utility improvements listed in the agreement.
- e. Because the 2025 Project is a system of improvements, future bonds, secured by special assessments levied on lands outside of the 2025 Project area, may be issued to finance certain master improvements that were constructed as part of the 2025 Project.

3. CONCLUSION

The 2025 Project will be designed in accordance with current governmental regulations and requirements. The 2025 Project will serve its intended function so long as the construction is in substantial compliance with the design. It is further our opinion that:

- the estimated cost to the 2025 Project as set forth herein is reasonable based on prices currently being experienced in the jurisdiction in which the District is located, and is not greater than the lesser of the actual cost of construction or the fair market value of such infrastructure;
- all of the improvements comprising the 2025 Project are required by applicable development approvals issued pursuant to Section 380.06, Florida Statutes;
- the 2025 Project is feasible to construct, there are no technical reasons existing at this time that would prevent the implementation of the 2025 Project, and it is reasonable to assume that all necessary regulatory approvals will be obtained in due course; and
- the assessable property within Assessment Area One will receive a special benefit from the 2025 Project that is at least equal to the costs of the 2025 Project.

As described above, this report identifies the benefits from the 2025 Project to the lands within Assessment Area One of the District. The general public, property owners, and property outside Assessment Area One will benefit from the provisions of the 2025 Project; however, these are incidental to the 2025 Project, which is designed solely to provide special benefits peculiar to property within Assessment Area One. Special and peculiar benefits accrue to property within Assessment Area One and enable properties within its boundaries to be developed.

The 2025 Project will be owned by the District or other governmental units and such 2025 Project is intended to be available and will reasonably be available for use by the general public (either by being part of a system of improvements that is available to the general public or is otherwise available to the general public) including nonresidents of the District. All of the 2025 Project is or will be located on lands owned or to be owned by the District or another governmental entity or on perpetual easements in favor of the District or other governmental entity. The 2025 Project, and any cost estimates set forth herein, do not include any earthwork, grading or other improvements on private lots or property. The District will pay the lesser of the cost of the components of the 2025 Project or the fair market value.

Please note that the 2025 Project as presented herein is based on current plans and market conditions which are subject to change. Accordingly, the 2025 Project, as used herein, refers to sufficient public infrastructure of the kinds described herein (i.e., stormwater/floodplain management, sanitary sewer, potable water, etc.) to support the development and sale of the planned residential units in the Assessment Area One of the District, which (subject to true-up determinations) number and type of units may be changed with the development of the site. Stated differently, during development and implementation of the public infrastructure improvements as described for Assessment Area One for the District, it may be necessary to make modifications and/or deviations for the plans, and the District expressly reserves the right to do so.

Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.

Brian Malmberg, P.E. Date _____
Florida Reg. No. 59405

EXHIBIT A: Legal Descriptions and Sketch of 2025 Project Area a/k/a Assessment Area One
 (a/k/a Phases 1 and 1A)

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BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Preliminary Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report

February 20, 2025



Provided by:

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This Preliminary Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report (the "Amended Supplemental Report") was developed to amend the Preliminary First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report (the "Supplemental Report") dated September 7, 2023 and to supplement the Master Special Assessment Methodology Report (the "Master Report") dated June 30, 2022 and to provide a supplemental financing plan and a supplemental special assessment methodology for the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") located in unincorporated Hernando County, Florida. This Amended Supplemental Report was developed in relation to funding by the District of a portion of the costs of public infrastructure improvements (the "Capital Improvement Plan" or "CIP") contemplated to be provided by the District to support the development of 269 residential dwelling units projected to be developed within Phase 1 and Phase 1A of the District (collectively "Assessment Area One").

1.2 Scope of the Amended Supplemental Report

This Amended Supplemental Report presents the projections for financing a portion of the Capital Improvement Plan described in the Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report (the "Restated Engineer's Report") dated January 2025 as well as the Master Engineer's Report (collectively the "Engineer's Report" and the portion of the CIP financed with the District's Series 2025 Bonds (hereinafter defined), the "2025 Project") dated June 30, 2022, as well as describes the method for the allocation of special benefits and the apportionment of special assessment debt resulting from the provision and funding the 2025 Project by the District.

1.3 Special Benefits and General Benefits

Public infrastructure improvements undertaken and funded by the District as part of the 2025 Project create special and peculiar benefits, different in kind and degree than general benefits, for properties within the District as well as general benefits to the public at large. However, as discussed within this Amended Supplemental Report, these general benefits are incidental in nature and are readily distinguishable from the special and peculiar benefits which accrue to property within the District. The District's CIP, including the 2025 Project, enables properties within the District to be developed.

There is no doubt that the general public will benefit from the provision of the 2025 Project. However, these benefits are only incidental since the 2025 Project is designed to provide special benefits peculiar to property within the District. Properties outside of the District are not directly served by the 2025 Project and do not depend upon the 2025 Project to obtain or to maintain their development entitlements. This fact alone clearly distinguishes the special benefits which the District properties receive compared to those lying outside of its boundaries.

The 2025 Project will provide public infrastructure improvements which are all necessary in order to make the lands within the District developable and saleable. The installation of such improvements will cause the value of the developable and saleable lands within the District to increase by more than the sum of the financed cost of the individual components of the 2025 Project. Even though the exact value of the benefits provided by the 2025 Project is hard to estimate at this point, it is without doubt greater than the costs associated with providing same.

1.4 Organization of the Amended Supplemental Report

Section Two describes the development program as proposed by the Developer, as defined below.

Section Three provides a summary of the Capital Improvement Plan, including the 2025 Project, as determined by the District Engineer.

Section Four discusses the supplemental financing program for the District.

Section Five discusses the supplemental special assessment methodology for the District.

2.0 Development Program

2.1 Overview

The District will serve the Benton Hills development, a master planned residential development located in unincorporated Hernando County, Florida (the "Development"). The land within the District consists of approximately 198.59 +/- acres and is generally located just south of Cortez Boulevard, north of Powerline Road, east of I-75 and west of McKethan Road. Of the aforementioned acreage,

Assessment Area One accounts for approximately 133.383 +/- acres.

2.2 The Development Program

The development of Benton Hills is anticipated to be conducted by Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. or an affiliated entity (the “Developer”). Based upon the most current information provided by the Developer, the current development plan envisions a total of 659 residential units developed in two (2) or more phases. Assessment Area One is anticipated to account for 269 residential units, although land use types and unit numbers may change throughout the development period. Table 1 in the *Appendix* illustrates the land development plan within the District.

3.0 The Capital Improvement Plan

3.1 Overview

The public infrastructure costs to be funded by the District are described by the District Engineer in the Engineer’s Report. Only public infrastructure that may qualify for bond financing by the District under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes and under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, was included in these estimates.

3.2 Capital Improvement Plan

The Capital Improvement Plan needed to serve the District is projected to consist of roadways, stormwater system, utilities (water & sewer), undergrounding of electric conduit, conservation/mitigation, landscape/ hardscape/ irrigation, recreational amenities, and off-site improvements, along with contingency and professional costs, all as set forth in more detail in the Engineer’s Report.

Even though all of the infrastructure included in the CIP will comprise an interrelated system of master improvements, which means that all of the improvements will serve the entire District and all improvements will be interrelated such that they will reinforce one another, according to the Engineer’s Report, the public infrastructure improvements are projected to be constructed in up to two construction phases or projects coinciding with two phases of land development.

The sum of all public infrastructure improvements as described in the Engineer’s Report will comprise an interrelated system of

improvements, which means all of the improvements comprising the overall Capital Improvement Plan, once constructed, will serve the entire District, and improvements will be interrelated such that they will reinforce one another. At the time of this writing, the total cost of the CIP is estimated at \$14,518,211. Table 2 in the *Appendix* illustrates the specific components of the public infrastructure improvements and their costs.

4.0 Financing Program

4.1 Overview

As noted above, the District is embarking on a program of capital improvements which will facilitate the development of lands within the District. Generally, construction of public improvements is either funded by the Developer and then acquired by the District or funded directly by the District. In this instance, the District may acquire public infrastructure from the Developer, construct it directly, or a combination of both.

The District intends to issue Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) in the estimated principal amount of \$4,580,000* (the "Series 2025 Bonds") to fund an estimated \$4,066,352.50* in total CIP costs, with the balance of the CIP costs anticipated to be contributed by the Developer.

4.2 Types of Bonds Proposed

The proposed supplemental financing plan for the District provides for the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds in the total estimated principal amount of \$4,580,000* to finance a portion of the CIP costs in the total amount estimated at \$4,066,352.50*, representing the amount of construction proceeds generated from the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds.

The Series 2025 Bonds as projected under this supplemental financing plan are structured to be amortized in 30 annual installments following an approximately 3-month capitalized interest period. Interest payments on the Series 2025 Bonds would be made every May 1 and November 1, and annual principal payments on the Series 2025 Bonds would be made on either every May 1 or November 1.

* Preliminary, subject to change.

In order to finance the 2025 Project, the District would need to borrow funds and incur indebtedness in the total amount estimated at \$4,580,000*. The difference is comprised of funding a debt service reserve, capitalized interest, and paying costs of issuance, including the underwriter's discount. Preliminary sources and uses of funding as well as financing assumptions for the Series 2025 Bonds are presented in Table 3 in the *Appendix*.

5.0 Assessment Methodology

5.1 Overview

The issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds provides the District with funds necessary to construct/acquire a portion of the CIP as outlined in *Section 3.2* and described in more detail by the District Engineer in the Engineer's Report. These improvements lead to special and general benefits, with special benefits accruing to properties within the boundaries of the District. General benefits accrue to areas outside, but are only incidental in nature. The debt incurred in financing the public infrastructure will be secured by assessing properties that derive special and peculiar benefits from the 2025 Project. All properties in the District receive benefits from the 2025 Project, which properties will be assessed for their fair share of debt issued in order to finance the 2025 Project.

5.2 Benefit Allocation

The current development plan for the District envisions the development of a total of 659 residential units developed in two (2) or more phases. Assessment Area One is anticipated to account for 269 residential units, although unit numbers, land uses and product types may change throughout the development period.

The master public infrastructure included in the Capital Improvement Plan will comprise an interrelated system of master improvements, which means that all of the improvements will serve the entire District and such public improvements will be interrelated in such way that, once constructed, they will reinforce each other and their combined benefit will be greater than the sum of their individual benefits. All of the product types within the District will benefit from each infrastructure improvement category, as the improvements provide basic infrastructure to all product types and all phases within the District and benefit all product types in all phases within the District as an integrated system of improvements.

Even though all of the infrastructure included in the CIP will comprise an interrelated system of master improvements, the public infrastructure improvements are projected to be constructed in two (2) or more infrastructure construction phase or projects coinciding with two (2) or more phases of land development.

As stated previously, the public infrastructure improvements included in the CIP have a logical connection to the special and peculiar benefits received by the land within the District, as without such improvements, the development of the properties within the District would not be possible. Based upon the connection between the improvements and the special and peculiar benefits to the land within the District, the District can assign or allocate a portion of the District's debt through the imposition of non-ad valorem assessments, to the land receiving such special and peculiar benefits. Even though these special and peculiar benefits are real and ascertainable, the precise amount of the benefit cannot yet be calculated with mathematical certainty. However, such benefit is more valuable than the assessment related to the financed cost of constructing the improvements.

In following the Master Report, this Amended Supplemental Report proposes to allocate the benefit associated with the CIP to the different unit types proposed to be developed within the District in proportion to their density of development and intensity of use of infrastructure as measured by a standard unit called an Equivalent Residential Unit ("ERU"). Table 4 in the *Appendix* illustrates the ERU weights that are proposed to be assigned to the unit types contemplated to be developed within the District based on the densities of development and the intensities of use of infrastructure, total ERU counts for each unit type, and the share of the benefit received by each unit type.

The rationale behind the different ERU values is supported by the fact that generally and on average units with smaller lot sizes will use and benefit from the improvements which are part of the District less than units with larger lot sizes, as, for instance, generally and on average units with smaller lot sizes will produce less storm water runoff, may produce fewer vehicular trips, and may need less water/sewer capacity than units with larger lot sizes. As the exact amount of the benefit is not possible to be calculated at this time, the use of ERU measures serves as a reasonable approximation of the relative amount of benefit received by representatives of different unit types from the District's CIP.

Based on the ERU benefit allocation illustrated in Table 4, Table 5 in the *Appendix* presents the allocation of the amount of CIP costs allocated to the various unit types proposed to be developed within the District based on the ERU benefit allocation factors present in Table 4. Further, Table 5 illustrates the approximate costs that are projected to be financed with the Series 2025 Bonds, and the approximate costs of the portion of the CIP costs to be contributed by the Developer, as the case may be. With the Series 2025 Bonds funding approximately \$4,066,352.50* in costs of the CIP, the Developer is anticipated to fund improvements valued at an estimated cost of \$10,451,858.50* which will not be funded with proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds.

Finally, Table 6 in the *Appendix* present the apportionment of the bond assessments securing each series of the Series 2025 Bonds (the "Series 2025 Bond Assessments") and also present the annual levels of the projected annual debt service assessments per unit.

Amenities - No Series 2025 Bond Assessments will be allocated herein to any platted amenities or other platted common areas planned for the development. If owned by a homeowner's association, the amenities and common areas would be considered a common element for the exclusive benefit of certain property owners, and would not be subject to Series 2025 Bonds Assessments. If the amenities are owned by the District, then they would be governmental property not subject to the Series 2025 Bond Assessments and would be open to the general public, subject to District rules and policies.

Governmental Property - If at any time, any portion of the Property contained in the District is sold or otherwise transferred to a unit of local, state, or federal government (without consent of such governmental unit to the imposition of Series 2025 Bond Assessments thereon), or similarly exempt entity, all future unpaid Series 2025 Bond Assessments for such tax parcel shall become due and payable immediately prior to such transfer.

5.3 Assigning Series 2025 Bond Assessments

The land in Assessment Area One is only partially platted for its intended final use. Out of the projected 269 residential units, the 183 residential units that comprise Phase 1 have already been platted and assigned individual parcel numbers by the Hernando County Property Appraiser's Office. The 86 residential units that comprise Phase 1A remain unplatted.

* Preliminary, subject to change.

The Series 2025 Bond Assessments will be allocated to each platted parcel which has been assigned individual parcel numbers by the Hernando County Property Appraiser's Office on a first platted-first assigned basis based on the planned use for that platted parcel as reflected in Table 6 in the *Appendix*. Consequently, the 183 residential units of Phase 1 which have been platted will cumulatively be allocated a sum of \$3,026,845.43* in Series 2025 Bond Assessments. For the remaining 86 residential units of Phase 1A that either have been platted but not yet assigned individual parcel numbers by the Hernando County Property Appraiser's Office or remain unplatted, the precise location of the various product types by lot or parcel is unknown and consequently the Series 2025 Bond Assessments will initially be levied on the remaining developable and unplatted land and platted land which has not yet been assigned individual parcel numbers by the Hernando County Property Appraiser's Office on an equal pro-rata gross acre basis and thus the total bonded debt in the amount of \$1,553,154.57* (\$4,580,000* minus the \$3,026,845.43* allocated to the platted lots within Phase 1 which have been assigned individual parcel numbers by the Hernando County Property Appraiser's Office) will be preliminarily levied on approximately 33.48 +/- gross acres (remaining unplatted parcel as described in Exhibit "B" attached hereto) at an approximate rate of \$46,390.52* per acre.

When the balance of the land is platted and assigned individual parcel numbers by the Hernando County Property Appraiser's Office, the Series 2025 Bond Assessments will be allocated to each platted parcel on a first platted-first assigned basis based on the planned use for that platted parcel as reflected in Table 6 in the *Appendix*. Such allocation of Series 2025 Bond Assessments from unplatted gross acres to platted parcels will reduce the amount of the Series 2025 Bond Assessments levied on unplatted gross acres within Assessment Area One.

Transferred Property. In the event unplatted land within Assessment Area One is sold to a third party (the "**Transferred Property**"), the Series 2025 Bond Assessments will be assigned to such Transferred Property at the time of the sale based on the maximum total number of ERUs (as herein defined) assigned by the Developer to that Transferred Property, subject to review by the District's methodology consultant, to ensure that any such assignment is reasonable, supported by current development rights and plans, and otherwise consistent with this First Supplemental Report. The owner of the Transferred Property will be responsible for the total Series 2025 Bond Assessments applicable to the

* Preliminary, subject to change.

Transferred Property, regardless of the total number of ERUs ultimately actually platted. This total Series 2025 Bond Assessment is allocated to the Transferred Property at the time of the sale.

5.4 Lienability Test: Special and Peculiar Benefit to the Property

As first discussed in *Section 1.3*, Special Benefits and General Benefits, improvements undertaken by the District create special and peculiar benefits to certain properties within the District. The District's improvements benefit assessable properties within the District and accrue to all such assessable properties on an ERU basis.

Improvements undertaken by the District can be shown to be creating special and peculiar benefits to the property within the District. The special and peculiar benefits resulting from each improvement are:

- a. added use of the property;
- b. added enjoyment of the property;
- c. decreased insurance premiums; and
- d. increased marketability and value of the property.

Specifically, to the District, the improvements which are part of the 2025 Project make the land in the District developable and saleable and when implemented jointly as parts of the 2025 Project, provide special and peculiar benefits which are greater than the benefits of any single category of improvements. These special and peculiar benefits are real and ascertainable, but not yet capable of being calculated and assessed in terms of numerical value; however, such benefits are more valuable than either the cost of, or the actual assessment levied for, the improvement or debt allocated to the parcel of land.

5.5 Lienability Test: Reasonable and Fair Apportionment of the Duty to Pay

A reasonable estimate of the proportion of special and peculiar benefits received by the various product types from the improvements is delineated in Table 4 (expressed as the ERU factors) in the *Appendix*.

The apportionment of the assessments is fair and reasonable because it was conducted on the basis of consistent application of the methodology described in *Section 5.2* across all assessable property within the District according to reasonable estimates of the special and peculiar benefits derived from the 2025 Project.

Accordingly, no acre or parcel of property within the District will be lienied for the payment of any non-ad valorem special assessment more than the determined special benefit peculiar to that property.

5.6 True-Up Mechanism

The District's assessment program is predicated on the development of lots in a manner sufficient to include all of the planned ERUs as set forth in Table 1 in the Appendix ("Development Plan"). At such time as lands are to be platted (or re-platted) or site plans are to be approved (or re-approved), the plat or site plan (either, herein, "Proposed Plat") shall be presented to the District for a "true-up" review as follows:

- a. If a Proposed Plat within the District results in the same amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2025 Bond Assessments) able to be imposed on the "Remaining Unplatted Developable Lands" within the District (i.e., those remaining unplatted developable lands after the Proposed Plat is recorded) as compared to what was originally contemplated under the Development Plan, then the District shall allocate the Series 2025 Bond Assessments to the product types being platted and the remaining property in accordance with this Amended Supplemental Report, and cause the Series 2025 Bond Assessments to be recorded in the District's Improvement Lien Book.
- b. If a Proposed Plat within the District results in a greater amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2025 Bond Assessments) able to be imposed on the Remaining Unplatted Developable Lands within the District as compared to what was originally contemplated under the Development Plan, then the District may undertake a pro rata reduction of Series 2025 Bond Assessments for all assessed properties within the District, may allocate additional ERUs/ densities for a future bond financing, or may otherwise address such net decrease as permitted by law.
- c. If a Proposed Plat within the District results in a lower amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2025 Bond Assessments) able to be imposed on the Remaining Unplatted Developable Lands within the District as compared to what was originally contemplated under the Development Plan, then the District shall require the landowner(s) of the lands encompassed by the Proposed Plat to pay a "True-Up Payment" equal to the difference between: (i) the Series 2025 Bond Assessments originally contemplated to be imposed on the lands subject to the Proposed Plat, and (ii) the Series 2025 Bond Assessments able to be imposed on the lands subject to the

Proposed Plat, after the Proposed Plat (plus applicable interest, collection costs, penalties, etc.).

With respect to the foregoing true-up analysis, the District's Assessment Consultant, in consultation with the District Engineer and District Counsel, shall determine in his or her sole discretion what amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2025 Bond Assessments) are able to be imposed on the Remaining Unplatted Developable Lands within the District, taking into account a Proposed Plat, by reviewing: a) the original, overall development plan showing the number and type of units reasonably planned for the District, b) the revised, overall development plan showing the number and type of units reasonably planned for the District, c) proof of the amount of entitlements for the Remaining Unplatted Developable Lands within the District, d) evidence of allowable zoning conditions that would enable those entitlements to be placed in accordance with the revised development plan, and e) documentation that shows the feasibility of implementing the proposed development plan. Prior to any decision by the District not to impose a true-up payment, a supplemental methodology shall be produced demonstrating that there will be sufficient Series 2025 Bond Assessments to pay debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds and the District will conduct new proceedings under Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes upon the advice of District Counsel.

Any True-Up Payment shall become due and payable that tax year by the landowner of the lands subject to the Proposed Plat within the District, shall be in addition to the regular assessment installment payable for such lands, and shall constitute part of the debt assessment liens imposed against the Proposed Plat property until paid. A True-Up Payment shall include accrued interest on the Series 2025 Bonds to the interest payment date that occurs at least 45 days after the True-Up Payment (or the second succeeding interest payment date if such True-Up Payment is made within forty-five (45) calendar days before an interest payment date (or such other time as set forth in the supplemental indenture for the Series 2025 Bonds)).

All Series 2025 Bond Assessments levied run with the land, and such assessment liens include any True-Up Payments. The District will not release any liens on property for which True-Up Payments are due, until payment has been satisfactorily made. Further, upon the District's review of the final plat for the developable acres within the District, any unallocated Series 2025 Bond Assessments shall become due and payable and must be paid prior to the District's

approval of that plat. This true-up process applies for both plats and/or re-plats.

Such review shall be limited solely to the function and the enforcement of the District's assessment liens and/or true-up agreements. Nothing herein shall in any way operate to or be construed as providing any other plat approval or disapproval powers to the District. For further detail on the true-up process, please refer to the True-Up Agreement and applicable assessment resolution(s).

5.7 Preliminary Assessment Roll

Based on the per gross acre assessment proposed in Section 5.2, the Series 2025 Bond Assessments in the estimated amount of \$3,026,845.43* are proposed to be levied uniformly over the area described in Exhibit "A" while the remaining Series 2025 Bond Assessments in the estimated amount of \$1,553,154.57* are proposed to be levied uniformly over the area described in Exhibit "B". Excluding any capitalized interest period, debt service assessment shall be paid in thirty (30) annual installments of principal and corresponding semi-annual installments of interest for the Series 2025 Bonds.

6.0 Additional Stipulations

6.1 Overview

Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC was retained by the District to prepare a methodology to fairly allocate the special assessments related to the District's 2025 Project. Certain financing, development and engineering data was provided by members of District Staff and/or the Developer. The allocation methodology described herein was based on information provided by those professionals. Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC makes no representations regarding said information transactions beyond restatement of the factual information necessary for compilation of this Amended Supplemental Report. For additional information on the structure of the Series 2025 Bonds and related items, please refer to the Offering Statement associated with this transaction.

Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC does not represent the District as a Municipal Advisor or Securities Broker nor is Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC registered to provide such services as described in Section 15B of the Securities Exchange

* Preliminary, subject to change.

Act of 1934, as amended. Similarly, Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC does not provide the District with financial advisory services or offer investment advice in any form.

7.0 Appendix

Table 1

Benton Hills

Community Development District

Development Plan

Product Type	Assessment Area One Units	Future Assessment Area(s) Units	Total Number of Units
SF 40'	77	278	355
SF 50'	192	112	304
Total	269	390	659

Table 2

Benton Hills

Community Development District

Project Costs - 2025 Project

Improvement	Total Costs
Roadways	\$ 2,649,652.00
Stormwater System	\$ 2,384,941.00
Utilities (Water & Sewer)	\$ 2,202,958.00
Undergrounding of Electric Conduit	\$ 155,929.00
Conservation/ Mitigation	\$ 49,500.00
Landscape/ Hardscape/ Irrigation	\$ 946,687.00
Recreational Amenities	\$ 2,250,000.00
Off-site Improvements	\$ 1,997,000.00
Professional Fees	\$ 561,707.00
Contingency	\$ 1,319,837.00
Total	\$ 14,518,211.00

Table 3

Benton Hills

Community Development District

Preliminary Sources and Uses of Funds

Series 2025

Sources

Bond Proceeds:

Par Amount \$4,580,000.00

Total Sources	\$4,580,000.00
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Uses

Project Fund Deposits:

Project Fund \$4,066,352.50

Other Fund Deposits:

Debt Service Reserve Fund \$158,500.00

Capitalized Interest Fund \$63,547.50

Delivery Date Expenses:

Costs of Issuance \$291,600.00

Total Uses	\$4,580,000.00
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Financing Assumptions

Coupon Rate: 5.55%

Capitalized Interest Period: 3 months

Term: 30 Years

Underwriter's Discount: 2%

Cost of Issuance: \$200,000

Table 4

Benton Hills

Community Development District

Benefit Allocation

Product Type	Total Number of Units	ERU Weight	Total ERU
SF 40'	355	0.80	284.00
SF 50'	304	1.00	304.00
Total	659		588.00

Product Type	Assessment Area One Units	ERU Weight	Assessment Area 1 Total ERU	Percent of Total ERU
SF 40'	77	0.80	61.60	10.48%
SF 50'	192	1.00	192.00	32.65%
Total	269		253.60	43.13%

Product Type	Future Assessment Area(s) Units	ERU Weight	Future Assessment Area(s) Total ERU	Percent of Total ERU
SF 40'	278	0.80	222.40	37.82%
SF 50'	112	1.00	112.00	19.05%
Total	390		334.40	56.87%

Table 5

Benton Hills

Community Development District

Cost Allocation - 2025 Project

Product Type	Infrastructure Allocation Based on ERU Method	Infrastructure Financed with Series 2025 Bonds	Infrastructure Funded with Proceeds of Future Bonds and/or Contributed by the Developer*
SF 40'	\$3,526,505.51	\$987,726.00	\$2,538,779.51
SF 50'	\$10,991,705.49	\$3,078,626.50	\$7,913,078.99
Total	\$14,518,211.00	\$4,066,352.50	\$10,451,858.50

* Can be funded with proceeds of future bonds

Table 6

Benton Hills

Community Development District

Bond Assessment Apportionment

Product Type	Total Number of Units	Total Cost Allocation*	Series 2025 Bond Assessment Apportionment	Series 2025 Bond Assessment Apportionment per Unit	Annual Series 2025 Bond Assessment Debt Service per Unit - paid in March**
SF 40'	77	\$3,526,505.51	\$1,112,492.11	\$14,447.95	\$1,086.96
SF 50'	192	\$10,991,705.49	\$3,467,507.89	\$18,059.94	\$1,358.70
Total	269	\$14,518,211.00	\$4,580,000.00		

* Please note that cost allocations to units herein are based on the ERU benefit allocation illustrated in Table 4

** Includes costs of collection estimated of 4% (subject to change) and an early payment discount of 4% (subject to change)

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Parcel Key	Product Type	Assessment
1821489	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821498	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821504	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821513	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821522	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821531	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821540	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821559	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821568	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821577	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821586	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821595	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821602	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821611	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821620	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821639	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821648	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821657	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821666	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821675	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821684	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821693	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821700	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821719	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821728	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821737	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821746	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821755	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821764	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821773	SF 50'	\$ 18,059.94
1821782	SF 50'	\$ 18,059.94
1821791	SF 50'	\$ 18,059.94
1821808	SF 50'	\$ 18,059.94
1821817	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821826	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821835	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821844	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821853	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821862	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821871	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821880	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821899	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821906	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821915	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95
1821924	SF 40'	\$ 14,447.95

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1821933	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1821942	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1821951	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1821960	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1821979	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1821988	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1821997	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822004	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822013	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822022	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822031	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822040	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822059	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822068	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822077	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822086	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822095	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822102	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822111	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822120	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822139	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822148	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822157	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822166	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822175	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822184	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822193	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822200	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822219	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822228	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822237	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822246	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822255	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822264	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822273	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822282	SF 40'	\$	14,447.95
1822291	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822308	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822317	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822326	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822335	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822344	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822353	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822362	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822371	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822380	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822399	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94

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1822406	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822415	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822424	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822433	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822442	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822451	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822460	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822479	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822488	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822497	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822503	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822512	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822521	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822530	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822549	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822558	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822567	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822576	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822585	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822594	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822601	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822610	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822629	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822638	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822647	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822656	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822665	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822674	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822683	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822692	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822709	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822718	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822727	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822736	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822745	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822754	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822763	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822772	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822781	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822790	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822807	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822816	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822825	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822834	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822843	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822852	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822861	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94

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1822870	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822889	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822898	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822905	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822914	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822923	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822932	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822941	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822950	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822969	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822978	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822987	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1822996	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823003	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823012	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823021	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823030	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823049	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823058	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823067	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823076	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823085	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823094	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823101	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823110	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823129	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823138	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823147	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823156	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823165	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823174	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823183	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823192	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823209	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823218	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823227	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823236	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823245	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823254	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823263	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823272	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823281	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823290	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
1823307	SF 50'	\$	18,059.94
Total		\$	3,026,845.43

Exhibit “B”

Series 2023 Bond Assessments in the amount of \$1,553,154.57* are proposed to be levied over the area as described below:

* Preliminary, subject to change.

BENTON HILLS PHASE 1A

A SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA
AND A REPLAT OF DRAINAGE & OPEN SPACE TRACT 1, OF BENTON HILLS PHASE 1, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 46,
PAGES 5 THRU 12 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

DESCRIPTION

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17, RUN N00°03'26"E, 70.85 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID WEST LINE N00°03'26"E, 1254.01 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17 S89°39'00"E, 1683.69 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID NORTH LINE, RUN S00°21'00"W, 235.58 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1095.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 14°13'03", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S80°28'06"W, 271.02 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 271.72 FEET TO A REVERSE CURVE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 355.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 18°54'39", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S82°48'54"W, 116.64 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 117.17 FEET; THENCE S02°13'35"W, 120.00 FEET; THENCE S02°15'34"W, 50.00 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTH, HAVING A RADIUS OF 525.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 0°34'10", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S88°01'31"E, 5.22 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 5.22 FEET TO A REVERSE CURVE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 15.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 81°57'34", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S47°19'49"E, 19.67 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 21.46 FEET; THENCE S06°21'02"E, 206.00 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1025.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 3°04'47", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S07°53'28"E, 55.09 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 55.10 FEET TO A REVERSE CURVE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 15.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 98°23'22", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S39°45'52"W, 22.71 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 25.76 FEET; THENCE S01°02'27"E, 50.00 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTH, HAVING A RADIUS OF 865.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 0°38'35", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF N88°38'15"E, 9.71 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 9.71 FEET TO A REVERSE CURVE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 15.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 77°50'02", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S52°46'01"E, 18.85 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 20.38 FEET TO A REVERSE CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1030.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 4°58'44", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S16°20'22"E, 89.48 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 89.51 FEET; THENCE S18°49'45"E, 53.98 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 25.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 81°50'48", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S22°05'39"W, 32.75 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 35.07 FEET TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 585.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 24°10'44", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S50°55'41"W, 245.04 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 246.87 FEET TO A REVERSE CURVE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTH, HAVING A RADIUS OF 25.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 80°23'08", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S79°01'54"W, 32.27 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 35.07 FEET; THENCE N60°46'32"W, 10.33 FEET; THENCE N29°13'28"E, 120.00 FEET; THENCE N60°46'32"W, 171.15 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 595.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 31°50'28", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF N76°41'46"W, 328.42 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 330.66 FEET; THENCE S02°37'00"E, 120.00 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTH, HAVING A RADIUS OF 475.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 6°42'18", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S84°01'51"W, 55.55 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 55.59 FEET; THENCE N09°19'18"W, 120.00 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 595.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 6°05'30", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S50°11'57"W, 603.60 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 633.04 FEET; THENCE N70°58'45"W, 27.60 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE TO THE RIGHT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 125.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 71°03'16", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF N35°35'32"W, 145.27; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 155.02 FEET; THENCE S89°56'06"W, 50.00 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE LEFT, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE TO THE NORTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 175.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 35°27'26", AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF S17°47'38"E, 106.58 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE 108.30 FEET; THENCE N89°56'34"W, 84.84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
CONTAINING 33.48 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, THIS PLAT WAS ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2024, SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR APPROVAL FOR RECORD AND HAS BEEN APPROVED BY SAID COMMISSION, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT SAID PLAT IS HEREBY APPROVED AND SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF THIS COUNTY, AND THAT THE DEDICATION OF ALL STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES SHOWN THEREON IS HEREBY ACCEPTED BY SAID COMMISSION FOR HERNANDO COUNTY AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY, AND SHALL BE BINDING ON ALL PERSONS THEREAFTER.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST: _____ BY: _____
CLERK CHAIRMAN

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE:

I, _____, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

THIS PLAT, WAS FILED FOR RECORD ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2024,

FILE NUMBER _____, AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK _____, PAGE _____

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL BY COUNTY ATTORNEY:

THIS PLAT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO FORM.

BY: _____ DATE: _____
COUNTY ATTORNEY

ABSTRACTORS CERTIFICATE:

WE, FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, A TITLE COMPANY DULY LICENSED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, HAVE COMPLETED A PROPERTY INFORMATION REPORT, PROPERTY INFORMATION REPORT FOR THE STATE OF A SUBDIVISION PLAT, FATIC FILE NO. 2169-6195618, AND, BASED ON SAID REPORT FIND THAT THE TITLE TO THE PROPERTY IS VESTED IN MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC, THAT THE CURRENT TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID, AND THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT ENCUMBERED BY ANY MORTGAGES, OTHER ENCUMBRANCES OR EASEMENTS OTHER THAN SHOWN IN THAT PROPERTY INFORMATION REPORT FOR THE FILING OF A SUBDIVISION PLAT, FATIC FILE NO. 2169-6195618.

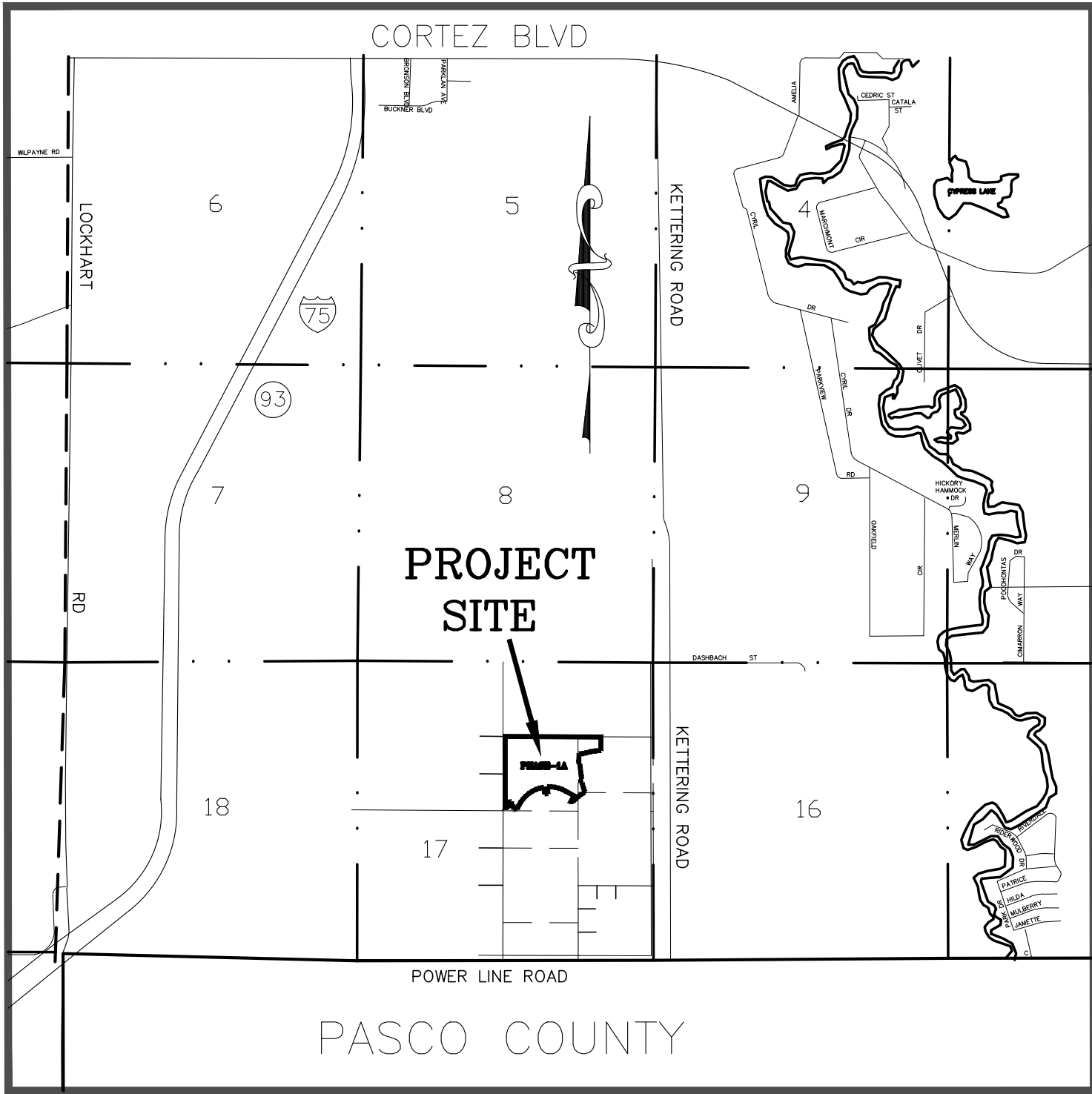
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

BY: _____
DAVID H. ROBERTS, AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY

PLAT PREPARED BY:

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VICINITY MAP NOT TO SCALE

1. BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON BASED ON THE FLORIDA STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, WEST ZONE, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983 (NAD 83), 2011 ADJUSTMENT, ESTABLISHING A BEARING OF N00°03'26"E ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17-23-21. BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE GRID BEARINGS.

2. THIS PLAT, AS RECORDED IN ITS GRAPHIC FORM, IS THE OFFICIAL DEPICTION OF THE SUBDIVIDED LANDS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND WILL IN NO CIRCUMSTANCES BE SUPPLANTED IN AUTHORITY BY ANY OTHER GRAPHIC OR DIGITAL FORM OF THE PLAT.

3. THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE NOT RECORDED ON THIS PLAT THAT MAY BE FOUND IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

4. ALL PLATTED UTILITY EASEMENTS SHALL PROVIDE THAT SUCH EASEMENTS SHALL ALSO BE EASEMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, NO SUCH CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES SHALL INTERFERE WITH FACILITIES AND SERVICES OF AN ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE, GAS, OR OTHER PUBLIC UTILITY. IN THE EVENT A CABLE TELEVISION COMPANY DAMAGES THE FACILITIES OF A PUBLIC UTILITY, IT SHALL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DAMAGES. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THOSE PRIVATE EASEMENTS GRANTED TO OR OBTAINED BY A PARTICULAR ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE, GAS, OR OTHER PUBLIC UTILITY. SUCH CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION SHALL COMPLY WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL SAFETY CODE AS ADOPTED BY THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

5. FINAL CONVEYANCE OF ANY ROADWAY AND/OR UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS IS SUBJECT TO FINAL ACCEPTANCE BY THE COUNTY AND/OR STAFF, AND, AS PART OF THE ACCEPTANCE PROCESS, SUCH IMPROVEMENTS MAY BE CONVEYED FROM EITHER THE DEVELOPER AND/OR THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT. UPON ANY SUCH CONVEYANCE, THE COUNTY SHALL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE OWNERSHIP, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS.

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP AND DEDICATION:

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC. ("OWNER") , A CORPORATION UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DECLARES THAT IT IS THE FEE AND SIMPLE TITLE HOLDER OF THE LANDS HEREIN PLATTED, AND THE OWNER DOES HEREBY DEDICATE TO THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ("CDD") ALL "DRAINAGE TRACTS", AND AS DEDICATOR, DOES HEREBY DEDICATE TO THE PUBLIC, THE PURCHASERS, AND HERNANDO COUNTY ALL STREETS, RIGHTS-OF-WAYS AS DEPICTED HEREON, FOR THE GROUND LEVEL, ABOVEGROUND, AND BELOW GROUND INSTALLATIONS, CONSTRUCTION, UPGRADES, CONNECTIONS, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF SAID AREAS.

THE UTILITIES EASEMENTS AS DESIGNATED ON THIS PLAT ARE HEREBY RESERVED TO THE DECLARANT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS AND GRANTED TO HERNANDO COUNTY AND PUBLIC SERVICE PROVIDERS TO THE SUBDIVISION ON A NON-EXCLUSIVE BASIS FOR THE GROUND LEVEL, ABOVEGROUND, AND BELOW GROUND INSTALLATIONS, CONSTRUCTION, UPGRADES, CONNECTIONS, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF SAID UTILITIES AND SERVICE.

THE 30. FOOT HCUD UTILITY EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS TRACT-3 AND TRACT-4 IS HEREBY DEDICATED TO THE HERNANDO COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT AS AN EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT.

IN ADDITION, THE OWNER DOES FURTHER DEDICATE TO THE CDD NON-EXCLUSIVE, PERPETUAL EASEMENTS OVER THE FOLLOWING TRACTS AND IN ORDER TO ACCESS, CONSTRUCT, ACQUIRE, OWN, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, REPAIR AND REPLACE CDD IMPROVEMENTS SUCH AS ROADS, WATER/SEWER/RECLAIM UTILITIES, HARDSCAPE/LANDSCAPE/IRRIGATION, STREET LIGHTS, ETC. WITHIN THE FOLLOWING:

- A. ALL RIGHT-OF-WAY TRACTS; AND
- B. ALL DRAINAGE EASEMENTS; AND
- C. ALL UTILITY EASEMENTS.

AND SAID OWNER FURTHER DOES HEREBY DEDICATE TO THE PERPETUAL USE OF THE PUBLIC AND HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, ALL LANDS UPON WHICH OR WITHIN WHICH WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS OR FACILITIES EXIST; AND FURTHER DO HEREBY DEDICATE TO THE PERPETUAL USE OF THE HERNANDO COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT, WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND FACILITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WATER OR SEWER LINES OR PIPES, FIRE HYDRANTS, WELLS, LIFT STATIONS, PUMPING STATIONS, BUILDINGS, SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS, OTHER WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM PLANTS AND OTHER APPURTENANT FACILITIES LYING WITHIN OR UPON THE LANDS DEPICTED ON THIS PLAT; AND FURTHER DO HEREBY RESERVE UNTO ITSELF, ITS HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE CDD, THE RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN ALL SUCH DEDICATED LANDS, STREETS, WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS OR FACILITIES AND APPURTENANCES UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SAID LANDS, IMPROVEMENTS, FACILITIES AND APPURTENANCES IS ASSUMED BY HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND FURTHER DO HEREBY RESERVE UNTO ITSELF, ITS HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY PRIVATE UTILITY FURNISHING WATER AND SEWER SERVICES AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, THE TITLE TO ANY LANDS OR IMPROVEMENTS DEDICATED TO THE PUBLIC OR TO THE COUNTY IF FOR ANY REASON SUCH DEDICATION SHALL BE EITHER VOLUNTARILY OR INVOLUNTARILY VACATED, VOIDED OR INVALIDATED.

THE OWNER INTENDS TO DEDICATE AND CONVEY TRACTS 1,2,3 AND 4 TO THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN FEE SIMPLE BY SUBSEQUENT, SEPARATE INSTRUMENT.

In witness whereof, the Owner has caused this plat and dedication to be executed by their duly elected officer.

OWNER: MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC, a Florida limited liability company

Witness _____ Witness _____
Print Name _____ Print Name _____ By: _____ STEVE HARDING,
FLORIDA REGIONAL MANAGER

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HERNANDO

The individual who executed the foregoing dedication as DIVISION President of MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida Limited Liability Company under the laws of the State of Florida, and being duly sworn, acknowledged then and there before me that they executed the same as officers of such Company heretofore duly authorized be the Board of Directors of such Company as the act and deed of such Corporation, before me by means of [] physical presence or [] online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2024, by STEVE HARDING,, as vice president of MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida Limited Liability Company, on behalf of the company, who [] is personally known to me or [] has produced _____ as identification.

My Commission Expires _____
Commission Number _____ Name: _____

CDD ACCEPTANCE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT HEREBY ACCEPTS THE DEDICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGES RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEDICATION.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

BY: _____ DATE: _____

NAME: _____
CHAIR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____ DATE: _____

NAME: _____
SECRETARY

HOA ACCEPTANCE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BENTON HILLS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION, HEREBY ACCEPTS THE DEDICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGES RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEDICATION. PURSUANT TO SECTION 193.0235, F.S., ALL TRACTS DEDICATED TO A HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION HEREUNDER ARE INTENDED TO BE USED AS COMMON ELEMENTS FOR THE EXCLUSIVE BENEFIT OF LOT OWNERS

HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

BY: _____ DATE: _____

NAME: _____
PRESIDENT

BY: _____ DATE: _____

NAME: _____
WITNESS

SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE:

I, SCOTT M. OSBORNE, HEREBY CERTIFY THIS PLAT HAS BEEN PREPARED UNDER MY DIRECTION AND SUPERVISION AND THAT IT IS A CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF LANDS PLATTED; THAT THIS PLAT COMPLIES WITH ALL PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 177, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND WITH ALL OF THE PLAT REQUIREMENTS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____ DATE: _____
SCOTT M. OSBORNE
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR AND MAPPER
FLORIDA REGISTRATION NUMBER 6028

BENTON HILLS PHASE 1A

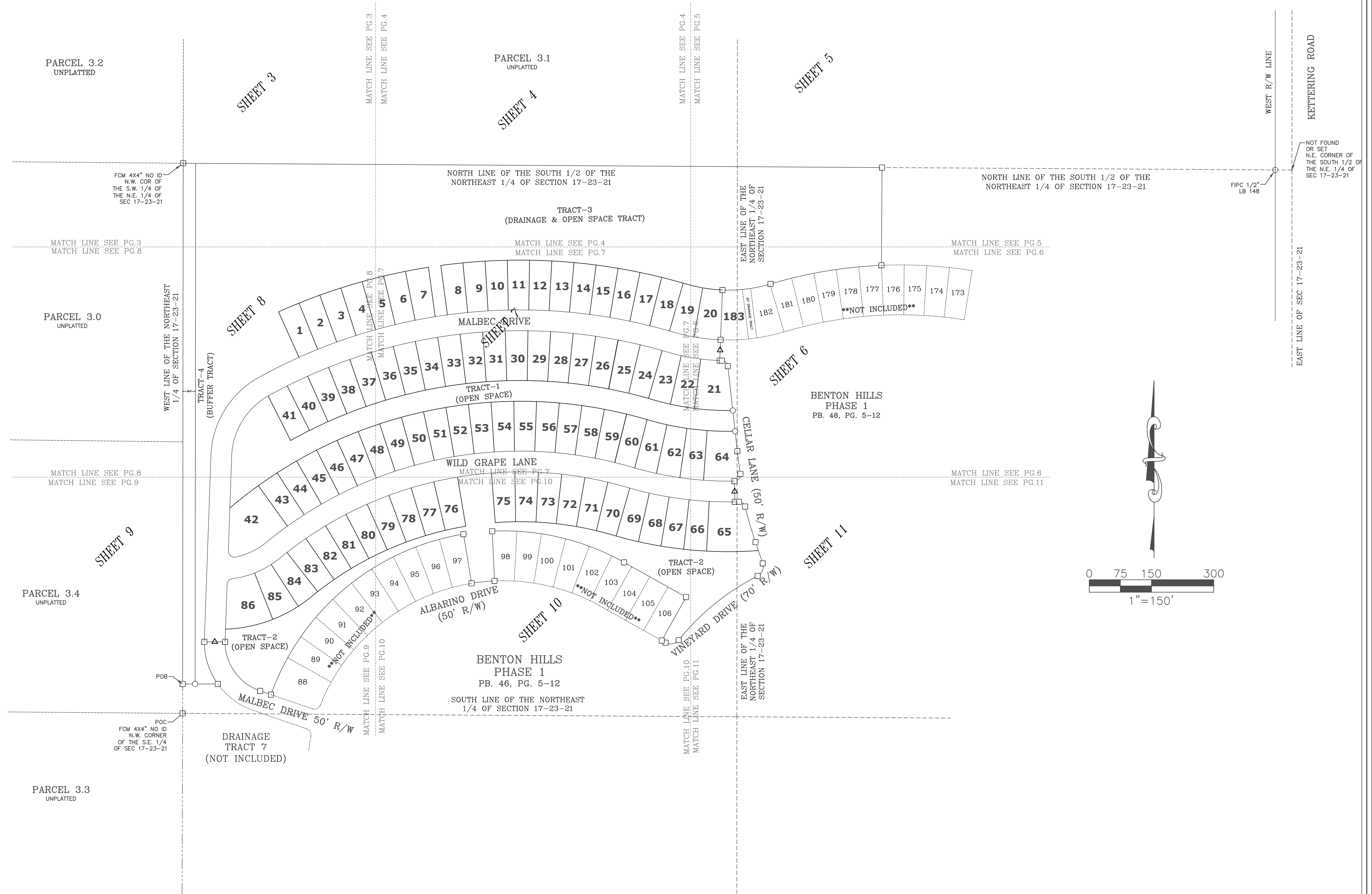
A SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA
AND A REPLAT OF DRAINAGE & OPEN SPACE TRACT 1, OF BENTON HILLS PHASE 1, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 46,
PAGES 5 THRU 12 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PLAT BOOK :
AND PAGE :

KEY SHEET

GENERAL NOTES:

- BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON BASED ON THE FLORIDA STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, WEST ZONE, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983 (NAD 83), 2011 ADJUSTMENT, ESTABLISHING A BEARING OF N00°03'26"E ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17-23-21. BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE GRID BEARINGS.
- THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE NOT RECORDED ON THIS PLAT THAT MAY BE FOUND IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA
- HORIZONTAL COORDINATE VALUES SHOWN HEREON REFLECT FLORIDA STATE PLANE COORDINATES SYSTEM WEST ZONE, AND ARE REFERENCED TO THE NORTH AMERICAN DATUM 1983 (NAD83), ADJUSTMENT OF 2011. STATE PLANE COORDINATES SHOWN HEREON WERE PROJECTED FROM PUBLISHED COORDINATES FOR SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 18 EAST, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.
- ALL DISTANCES SHOWN HEREON ARE GROUND DISTANCES.
- SUBDIVISION PLATS BY NO MEANS REPRESENT A DETERMINATION ON WHETHER PROPERTIES WILL OR WILL NOT FLOOD, LAND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THIS PLAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE SUBJECT TO FLOODING; THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIVISION HAS INFORMATION REGARDING FLOODING AND RESTRICTIONS ON DEVELOPMENT.
- ALL PLATTED UTILITY EASEMENTS SHALL PROVIDE THAT SUCH EASEMENTS SHALL ALSO BE EASEMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, NO SUCH CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES SHALL INTERFERE WITH FACILITIES AND SERVICES OF AN ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE, GAS, OR OTHER PUBLIC UTILITY. IN THE EVENT A CABLE TELEVISION COMPANY DAMAGES THE FACILITIES OF A PUBLIC UTILITY, IT SHALL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DAMAGES. THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THOSE PRIVATE EASEMENTS GRANTED TO OR OBTAINED BY A PARTICULAR ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE, GAS, OR OTHER PUBLIC UTILITY. SUCH CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION SHALL COMPLY WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL SAFETY CODE AS ADOPTED BY THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.
- THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREON APPEARS TO BE IN FLOOD ZONE "X" (AREA DETERMINED TO LIE OUTSIDE THE 1% ANNUAL FLOODPLAIN) AS SCALED FROM THE FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP COMMUNITY NUMBER 120110, MAP NUMBER 12053C, PANEL NUMBER(S) 0309-D, 0336-D, AND 0328-D, EFFECTIVE DATE 02/02/2012.
- ALL CURVILINEAR LOT LINES ARE RADIAL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED AS NON RADIAL (NR).



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LEGEND AND ABBREVIATIONS:

POB = POINT OF BEGINNING
POC = POINT OF COMMENCEMENT
DRA = DRAINAGE RETENTION AREA
PRM = PERMANENT REFERENCE MONUMENT
PCP = PERMANENT CONTROL POINT

LEGEND AND ABBREVIATIONS:

ID = IDENTIFICATION
LB = LICENSED BUSINESS
OR = OFFICIAL RECORD
PG = PAGE

LEGEND AND ABBREVIATIONS:

SF = SQUARE FEET
CCR = CERTIFIED CORNER RECORD
SEC = SECTION
SCM = SET CONCRETE MONUMENT
FCM = FOUND CONCRETE MONUMENT
FN&D = FOUND NAIL AND DISK
R/W = RIGHT-OF-WAY

LEGEND AND ABBREVIATIONS:

□ = FOUND CONCRETE MONUMENT
■ = SET 4"x4" CONCRETE MONUMENT PRM (LB #7200)
○ = FOUND IRON PIN & CAP (AS SHOWN)
● = SET IRON PIN AND CAP (5/8"IR LB #7200)
△ = FOUND NAIL AND DISK (AS SHOWN)
▲ = SET NAIL AND DISK PCP (LB #7200)

BENTON HILLS PHASE 1A
SHEET 2 OF 11

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ITS BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS (HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA), SERIES 2025 (ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT) (THE "SERIES 2025 BONDS"); DETERMINING CERTAIN DETAILS OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE THEREOF; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE; AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATED SALE OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH RESPECT TO THE SERIES 2025 BONDS AND AWARDING THE SERIES 2025 BONDS TO THE UNDERWRITER NAMED THEREIN; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM RELATING TO THE SERIES 2025 BONDS AND ITS USE BY THE UNDERWRITER IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING FOR SALE OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS; APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FINAL LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM RELATING TO THE SERIES 2025 BONDS; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2025 BOND PROCEEDS; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO DO ALL THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS; MAKING CERTAIN DECLARATIONS; REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2023-07; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") is a local unit of special purpose government duly organized and existing under the provisions of the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act") and created by Ordinance No. 2022-11 enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County (the "County") on April 26, 2022, and effective April 26, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the District duly adopted Resolution No. 2022-25 on June 30, 2022, declaring the levy and collection of special assessments (the "Special Assessments") pursuant to the Act and Chapter 170, Florida Statutes, indicating the location, nature and estimated cost of the improvements which cost is to be defrayed by the Special Assessments, providing the manner in which the Special Assessments will be made, designating the benefited lands upon which the

Special Assessments will be levied, authorizing the preparation of a preliminary assessment roll and fixing the time and place of a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and Resolution No. 2022-26 duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the District (the "Board") on June 30, 2022 (the "Bond Resolution"), the Board has approved the form of a Master Trust Indenture (the "Master Indenture"), between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee (the "Trustee"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District previously adopted Resolution No. 2023-07 (the "Prior Resolution") on September 7, 2023, authorizing the issuance of a Series of Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$7,500,000 to finance a portion of the District's public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the amount of time that has lapsed since the adoption of the Prior Resolution and changes to the development plan for the District, the documents approved pursuant to, and in connection with the Prior Resolution no longer reflect the proposed financing; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby wishes to repeal the Prior Resolution and authorize the issuance of the herein defined Series 2025 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the District duly adopted Resolution No. 2022-30 on August 22, 2022, authorizing the construction of public infrastructure within the District boundaries which are to be developed in three phases, as described more particularly in the Engineer's Report for the Benton Hills Community Development District, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025 and summarized in Schedule I attached to this Resolution, and equalizing, approving, confirming and levying the Special Assessments on the property within the District benefited by the Assessment Area One Project (as defined herein); and

WHEREAS, the District has determined to issue its Benton Hills Community Development District (Hernando County, Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds") for the primary purpose of providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of public infrastructure for 269 residential units (the "Assessment Area One Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Series 2025 Bonds constitute Bonds validated and confirmed by a final judgment of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Hernando County, Florida, rendered on the 18th day of October, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2022, the District approved a Master Special Assessment Methodology Report for Benton Hills Community Development District dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the Preliminary Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report for Benton Hills Community Development District dated February 20, 2025, and approved by the District on February 20, 2025 (collectively, the "Assessment Methodology Report"), each prepared by the District's Methodology Consultant, Wrathell, Hunt and Associates,

LLC, setting forth the District's methodology for allocating debt to property within the District, setting forth the District's methodology for allocating debt in connection with the Series 2025 Bonds to property within the District ("Assessment Area One"); and

WHEREAS, the Series 2025 Bonds will be secured by special assessments levied and imposed on assessable land within the District in accordance with the Assessment Methodology Report and comprising Assessment Area One; and

WHEREAS, there has been submitted to this meeting with respect to the issuance and sale of the Series 2025 Bonds and submitted to the Board:

- (i) a form of First Supplemental Trust Indenture between the Trustee and the District attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "First Supplemental Indenture" and together with the Master Indenture, the "Indenture");
- (ii) a form of Bond Purchase Contract with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds between FMSbonds, Inc. (the "Underwriter") and the District attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Bond Purchase Contract"), together with the form of a disclosure statement attached to the Bond Purchase Contract in accordance with Section 218.385, Florida Statutes;
- (iii) a form of Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum relating to the Series 2025 Bonds attached hereto as Exhibit C (the "Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum");
- (iv) a form of Rule 15c2-12 Certificate of the District relating to the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, attached hereto as Exhibit D (the "Rule 15c2-12 Certificate"); and
- (v) a form of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement") to be entered into among the District, the dissemination agent named therein (the "Dissemination Agent"), and any landowner constituting an "Obligated Person" under the terms of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit E;

WHEREAS, any capitalized term used herein and not otherwise expressly defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Indenture; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Benton Hills Community Development District, as follows:

Section 1. Authorization of Issuance of Series 2025 Bonds. There are hereby authorized and directed to be issued the Benton Hills Community Development District (Hernando County, Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,500,000, for the purposes of (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, (ii) making a deposit

to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in an amount equal to the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, (iii) funding a portion of the interest coming due on the Series 2025 Bonds, and (iv) paying certain costs of issuance in respect of the Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be issued under and secured by the Indenture the form of which by reference is hereby incorporated by reference into this resolution as if set forth in full herein.

Section 2. Details of the Series 2025 Bonds. The District hereby determines that the Series 2025 Bonds shall mature in the amounts and at the times, shall bear interest at the rates, be redeemable at the redemption prices and in the manner as determined by the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors of the District (the "Chairperson") or any member of the Board of Supervisors designated by the Chairperson (a "Designated Member"), prior to the sale of said Series 2025 Bonds, all in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Bond Resolution and within the parameters set forth in Section 5 hereof.

Section 3. First Supplemental Indenture. The District hereby approves and authorizes the execution of the First Supplemental Indenture by the Chairperson or any Designated Member and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Board of Supervisors (the "Secretary") and the delivery of the First Supplemental Indenture in substantially the form thereof attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the Chairperson or Designated Member executing the same, with such execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval and the District's approval of any changes therein from the form of First Supplemental Indenture attached hereto.

Section 4. Negotiated Sale. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be sold by a negotiated sale to the Underwriter. It is hereby determined by the District that a negotiated sale of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Underwriter will best effectuate the purposes of the Act, is in the best interests of the District and is necessitated by, in general, the characteristics of the issues and prevailing market conditions and specifically, the following additional reasons:

(i) because of the complexity of the financing structure of the Series 2025 Bonds, including the pledge of Special Assessments as security for the Series 2025 Bonds, it is desirable to sell the Series 2025 Bonds pursuant to a negotiated sale so as to have an underwriter involved from the outset of the financing to assist in these matters;

(ii) because of changing market conditions for tax-exempt bonds and the necessity of being able to adjust the terms of the Series 2025 Bonds, it is in the best interests of the District to sell the Series 2025 Bonds by a negotiated sale;

(iii) the Underwriter has participated in structuring the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds and can assist the District in attempting to obtain the most attractive financing for the District;

(iv) the Series 2025 Bonds do not bear a credit rating and will be offered initially only to accredited investors within the meaning of Chapter 517, Florida Statutes, and the rules of the Florida Department of Financial Services promulgated thereunder; and

(v) the District will not be adversely affected if the Series 2025 Bonds are not sold pursuant to a competitive sale.

Section 5. Bond Purchase Contract. The District hereby approves the form of the Bond Purchase Contract submitted by the Underwriter and attached hereto as Exhibit B, and the sale of the Series 2025 Bonds by the District upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Bond Purchase Contract is hereby approved. The Chairperson or a Designated Member are each hereby authorized, acting individually, to execute the Bond Purchase Contract and to deliver the Bond Purchase Contract to the Underwriter. The Bond Purchase Contract shall be in substantially the form of the Bond Purchase Contract attached hereto as Exhibit B with such changes, amendments, modifications, omissions and additions as may be approved by the Chairperson or the Designated Member; provided, however,

(i) If the Series 2025 Bonds are subject to optional redemption, which determination will be made on or before the sale date of the Series 2025 Bonds, the first optional call date and the redemption price shall be determined on or before the Bond Purchase Contract is executed;

(ii) The interest rate on the Series 2025 Bonds shall not exceed an average net interest cost rate, which shall be computed by adding 300 basis points to The Bond Buyer "20 Bond Index" published immediately preceding the first day of the calendar month in which the bonds are sold, as provided in Section 215.84(3), Florida Statutes, as amended;

(iii) The aggregate principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds shall not exceed \$7,500,000;

(iv) The Series 2025 Bonds shall have a final maturity not later than the maximum term allowed by Florida law, which is currently thirty (30) years of principal amortization; and

(v) The price at which the Series 2025 Bonds shall be sold to the Underwriter shall not be less than 98.0% of the aggregate face amount of the Series 2025 Bonds, exclusive of original issue discount.

Execution by the Chairperson or a Designated Member of the Bond Purchase Contract shall be deemed to be conclusive evidence of approval of such changes.

Section 6. Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum; Final Limited Offering Memorandum. The District hereby approves the form of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum submitted to this meeting and attached hereto as Exhibit C and authorizes its distribution and use in connection with the limited offering for sale of the Series 2025 Bonds. The preparation of a final Limited Offering Memorandum relating to the Series 2025 Bonds (the "Limited Offering Memorandum") is hereby approved and the Chairperson or any Designated Member is hereby authorized to execute such final Limited Offering Memorandum to be dated the date of the award of the Series 2025 Bonds and, upon such award, to deliver the same to the Underwriter for use by it in connection with the sale and distribution of the Series 2025 Bonds. The Limited Offering Memorandum shall be substantially in the form of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum attached hereto as Exhibit C, with such changes as shall be approved by the Chairperson or Designated Member as necessary to conform the details of the Series 2025

Bonds and such other insertions, modifications and changes as may be approved by the Chairperson or Designated Member. The execution and delivery of the Limited Offering Memorandum by the Chairperson or Designated Member shall constitute evidence of the approval thereof. The District hereby authorizes the use of the Limited Offering Memorandum and the information contained therein in connection with the offering and sale of the Series 2025 Bonds. The Chairperson is further authorized to deem the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum "final" within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, in the form as mailed, and in furtherance thereof to execute the Rule 15c2-12 Certificate evidencing the same substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibit D.

Section 7. Continuing Disclosure. The District hereby authorizes and approves the execution and delivery of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement by and among the District, the Dissemination Agent and any landowner constituting an "Obligated Person" under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, by the Chairperson or a Designated Member substantially in the form presented to this meeting and attached hereto as Exhibit E, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the Chairperson or Designated Member executing the same, with such execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval and the District's approval of any changes therein from the form of Continuing Disclosure Agreement attached hereto. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is being executed by the District in order to assist the Underwriter in complying with Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) promulgated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Section 8. Application of Bond Proceeds. The proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be applied in the manner required in the First Supplemental Indenture.

Section 9. Further Official Action; Ratification of Prior and Subsequent Acts. The Chairperson, the Secretary and each member of the Board of Supervisors of the District and any other proper official of the District are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and instruments (including, without limitation, any documents required by the Trustee to evidence its rights and obligations with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds, any documents required in connection with implementation of a book-entry system of registration, and investment agreements relating to the investment of the proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds and any agreements in connection with maintaining the exclusion of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds from gross income of the holders thereof) and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or desirable for carrying out the transactions contemplated by this Resolution, including changing the series designation or the dated date of any and all documents on behalf of the District which are necessary and desirable in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. In the event that the Chairperson or the Secretary is unable to execute and deliver the documents herein contemplated, such documents shall be executed and delivered by the respective designee of such officer or official or any other duly authorized officer or official of the District. The Secretary or any Assistant Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to apply and attest the official seal of the District to any agreement or instrument authorized or approved herein that requires such a seal and attestation. The Chairperson or any Designated Member may, among other things, change the date of any document accompanying this Resolution as an exhibit. Execution by the Chairperson or a Designated Member of such document shall be deemed to be

conclusive evidence of approval of such change of date. All of the acts and doings of such members of the Board, the officers of the District, and the agents and employees of the District, which are in conformity with the intent and purposes of this Resolution, whether heretofore or hereafter taken or done, shall be and are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Section 10. Repeal Prior Resolution. The Prior Resolution is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced by the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 11. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or ineffective for any reason, the remainder of this Resolution shall continue in full force and effect, it being expressly hereby found and declared that the remainder of this Resolution would have been adopted despite the invalidity or ineffectiveness of such section, paragraph, clause or provision.

Section 12. Inconsistent Proceedings. All resolutions or proceedings, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions hereof are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed or amended to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 13. Ratification of Prior Acts. All actions previously taken by or on behalf of the District in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds are hereby authorized, ratified and confirmed.

Section 14. Public Meetings. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the District concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Resolution were adopted in open meetings of the District, and that all deliberations of the District that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 15. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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PASSED in Public Session of the Board of Supervisors of Benton Hills Community Development District, this 20th day of February, 2025.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Attest:

Secretary,
Board of Supervisors

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

SCHEDULE I

DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT

The Assessment Area One Project includes, but is not limited to the following public infrastructure described in the Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for the Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025, prepared by Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.

Improvement	2025 Project Estimated Cost	Operation & Maintenance Entity
Roadways	\$ 2,649,652.00	County
Stormwater System	2,384,941.00	CDD
Utilities (Water & Sewer)	2,202,958.00	County
Undergrounding of Electric Conduit	155,929.00	CDD
Conservation/Mitigation	49,500.00	CDD
Landscape/Hardscape/Irrigation	946,687.00	CDD
Recreational Amenities	2,250,000.00	CDD
Off-Site Improvements	1,997,000.00	County
Professional Fees	561,707.00	n/a
Contingency	1,319,837.00	As above
TOTAL	\$14,518,211.00	

- a. The probable costs estimated herein do not include anticipated carrying cost, interest reserves or other anticipated CDD expenditures that may be incurred.
- b. The developer reserves the right to finance any of the improvements outlined above, and have such improvements owned and maintained by a property owner's or homeowner's association, in which case such items would not be part of the CIP.
- c. The District may enter into an agreement with a third-party, or an applicable property owner's or homeowner's association, to maintain any District-owned improvements, subject to the approval of the District's bond counsel.
- d. Reimbursement associated with the approved oversizing agreement for water and wastewater for the offsite utilities financed by the District will be governed by the acquisition agreement between the District and the project developer. It is anticipated that the Hernando County Utilities Department will provide a reimbursement in the amount of **\$468,832.00** upon satisfaction by the Developer for the offsite utility improvements listed in the agreement.
- e. Because the 2025 Project is a system of improvements, future bonds, secured by special assessments levied on lands outside of the 2025 Project area, may be issued to finance certain master improvements that were constructed as part of the 2025 Project.

EXHIBIT A

FORM OF FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE

between

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)**

and

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

as Trustee

Dated as of [_____] 1, 2025

**Authorizing and Securing
\$ _____
BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025
(ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)**

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THIS FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE (the "First Supplemental Trust Indenture"), dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 between the **BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT** (together with its successors and assigns, the "Issuer" or the "District"), a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and **U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**, a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America and having a designated corporate trust office in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as trustee (said national banking association and any bank or trust company becoming successor trustee under this First Supplemental Trust Indenture being hereinafter referred to as the "Trustee");

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer is a local unit of special purpose government duly organized and existing under the provisions of the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act") created pursuant to Ordinance No. 2022-11 enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County (the "County") which became effective on April 26, 2022, for the purposes of delivering community development services and facilities to property to be served by the District (as defined below); and

WHEREAS, the premises governed by the Issuer (the "District Lands") (as further described in Exhibit A attached to the Master Indenture (as defined herein)), currently consist of approximately 198.59 acres of land located entirely within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has been created for the purpose of delivering certain community development services and facilities for the benefit of the District Lands; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has determined to undertake, in one or more phases, the acquisition and/or construction of public infrastructure improvements and community facilities as set forth in the Act for the special benefit of the District Lands (the "Project"), as described in the Engineer's Report for the Benton Hills Community Development District dated June 30, 2022, and summarized in Exhibit B to the Master Indenture and Exhibit A attached hereto, prepared by Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has adopted Resolution No. 2022-26 on June 30, 2022 (the "Authorizing Resolution"), authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$38,410,000 in aggregate principal amount of its Special Assessment Bonds (the "Bonds") to finance all or a portion of the planning, design, acquisition and construction costs of certain improvements pursuant to the Act for the special benefit of the District Lands or portions thereof and approving the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of the Master Indenture; and

WHEREAS, Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "Developer"), [is the owner of lands within the District] that are planned to be developed as 659 units of a residential community, and at this time, will construct or cause the Issuer to construct all of the public infrastructure necessary to serve the first two phases of the development comprising 269 units along with certain master infrastructure of the District (the "Assessment Area One Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has determined to undertake the development of the Assessment Area One Project and has determined to issue a first Series of Bonds, designated as the Benton

Hills Community Development District (Hernando County, Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds"), pursuant to that certain Master Indenture and this First Supplemental Trust Indenture (hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the "Series 2025 Indenture"); and

WHEREAS, in the manner provided herein, the net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds will be used for the purposes of (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, (ii) funding a deposit to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, (iii) paying a portion of the interest coming due on the Series 2025 Bonds, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Series 2025 Bonds will be secured by a pledge of Series 2025 Pledged Revenues (as herein defined) to the extent provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE WITNESSETH, that to provide for the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, the security and payment of the principal or redemption price thereof (as the case may be) and interest thereon, the rights of the Bondholders and the performance and observance of all of the covenants contained herein and in said Series 2025 Bonds, and for and in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained and of the purchase and acceptance of the Series 2025 Bonds by the Holders thereof, from time to time, and of the acceptance by the Trustee of the trusts hereby created, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Issuer does hereby assign, transfer, set over and pledge to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee, its successors in trust and its assigns forever, and grants a lien on all of the right, title and interest of the Issuer in and to the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues as security for the payment of the principal, redemption or purchase price of (as the case may be) and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds issued hereunder, all in the manner hereinafter provided, and the Issuer further hereby agrees with and covenants unto the Trustee as follows:

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same and, to the extent the same may be lawfully granted, any other revenues, property, contracts or contract rights, accounts receivable, chattel paper, instruments, general intangibles or other rights and the proceeds thereof, which may, by delivery, assignment or otherwise, be subject to the lien created by the Series 2025 Indenture with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds.

IN TRUST NEVERTHELESS, for the equal and ratable benefit and security of all present and future Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds issued and to be issued under this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, without preference, priority or distinction as to lien or otherwise (except as otherwise specifically provided in this First Supplemental Trust Indenture) of any one Series 2025 Bond over any other Series 2025 Bond, all as provided in the Series 2025 Indenture.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that if the Issuer, its successors or assigns, shall well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, or make due provision for the payment of the principal or redemption price of the Series 2025 Bonds issued, secured and Outstanding hereunder and the interest due or to become due thereon, at the times and in the manner mentioned in such Series 2025 Bonds and the Series 2025 Indenture, according to the true intent and meaning thereof and hereof, and the

Issuer shall well and truly keep, perform and observe all the covenants and conditions pursuant to the terms of the Series 2025 Indenture to be kept, performed and observed by it, and shall pay or cause to be paid to the Trustee all sums of money due or to become due to it in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof, then upon such final payments this First Supplemental Trust Indenture and the rights hereby granted shall cease and terminate, otherwise this First Supplemental Trust Indenture to be and remain in full force and effect.

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

In this First Supplemental Trust Indenture capitalized terms used without definition shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Master Indenture and, in addition to certain terms defined in the recitals above, the following terms shall have the meanings specified below, unless otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

"Acquisition Agreement" shall mean that certain Agreement by and between the District and the Developer regarding the acquisition of certain work product, improvements and real property dated [_____] __, 2025.

"Arbitrage Certificate" shall mean that certain Arbitrage Certificate, including arbitrage rebate covenants, of the Issuer, dated [_____] __, 2025, relating to certain restrictions on arbitrage under the Code with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds.

"Assessment Area One" shall mean the District Lands securing repayment of the Series 2025 Bonds and comprising the first two phases of development and containing the Assessment Area One Project.

"Assessment Area One Project" shall have the meaning as described in the recitals hereof.

"Assessment Resolutions" shall mean Resolution Nos. 2022-25, 2022-30 and [2025-__] of the Issuer adopted on June 30, 2022, August 22, 2022 and [_____, 2025], respectively, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

"Authorized Denomination" shall mean, with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds, on the date of issuance in the denominations of \$5,000 and any integral multiple thereof; provided, however, if any initial Beneficial Owner (as defined in the Master Indenture) does not purchase at least \$100,000 of the Series 2025 Bonds at the time of initial delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds, such Beneficial Owner must either execute and deliver to the Issuer and the Underwriter on the date of delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds the investor letter in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D or otherwise establish to the satisfaction of the Underwriter that such Beneficial Owner is an "accredited investor," as described in Rule 501(a) under Regulation D of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Collateral Assignment" shall mean the agreement wherein certain rights and material documents necessary to complete the development of the Assessment Area One lands by the Developer are collaterally assigned to the District as security for the Developer's obligation to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments imposed against such lands which are within Assessment

Area One of the District and subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments and owned by the Developer from time to time.

"Completion Agreement" shall mean the Agreement between the District and the Developer regarding the completion of certain improvements dated [_____] __, 2025.

"Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement" shall mean all of the following: (i) all homes subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments have been built and have received a certificate of occupancy, (ii) all of the outstanding principal portion of the Series 2025 Special Assessments has been assigned to such homes, and (iii) there shall be no Events of Default under the Series 2025 Indenture, all as certified by the District Manager in writing and upon which the Trustee may conclusively rely.

"Continuing Disclosure Agreement" shall mean the Continuing Disclosure Agreement for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds, dated [_____] __, 2025, by and among the Issuer, the dissemination agent named therein, and the Developer, in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds.

"Declaration of Consent" shall mean that certain instrument executed by the Developer declaring consent to the jurisdiction of the District and the imposition of the Series 2025 Special Assessments.

"Developer" shall have the meaning as described in the recitals hereof.

"District Lands" shall have the meaning as described in the recitals hereof.

"District Manager" shall mean Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, and its successors and assigns.

"Engineer's Report" shall mean the Engineer's Report for the Benton Hills Community Development District dated as of June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025, each prepared by Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.

"Interest Payment Date" shall mean May 1 and November 1 of each year, commencing [May 1, 2025].

"Majority Holders" means the Beneficial Owners of more than fifty percent (50%) in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds.

"Master Indenture" shall mean the Master Trust Indenture, dated as of [_____] 1, 2025, by and between the Issuer and the Trustee, as supplemented and amended with respect to matters pertaining solely to the Master Indenture or the Series 2025 Bonds (as opposed to supplements or amendments relating to any Series of Bonds other than the Series 2025 Bonds as specifically defined in this First Supplemental Trust Indenture).

"Paying Agent" shall mean U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, and its successors and assigns as Paying Agent hereunder.

"Prepayment" shall mean the payment by any owner of property of the amount of Series 2025 Special Assessments encumbering its property, in whole or in part, prior to its scheduled due date, including optional prepayments. The term "Prepayment" also means any proceeds received as a result of accelerating and/or foreclosing the Series 2025 Special Assessments. "Prepayments" shall include, without limitation, Series 2025 Prepayment Principal.

"Project" shall have the meaning as described in the recitals hereof.

"Quarterly Redemption Date" shall mean each February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 of any calendar year.

"Redemption Price" shall mean the principal amount of any Series 2025 Bond plus the applicable premium, if any payable upon redemption thereof pursuant to this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Registrar" shall mean U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association and its successors and assigns as Registrar hereunder.

"Regular Record Date" shall mean the fifteenth day (whether or not a Business Day) of the calendar month next preceding each Interest Payment Date or the date on which the principal of the Series 2025 Bonds are to be paid.

"Resolution" shall mean, collectively, (i) Resolution No. 2022-26 of the Issuer adopted on June 30, 2022, pursuant to which the Issuer authorized the issuance of not exceeding \$38,410,000 aggregate principal amount of its Bonds to finance the construction or acquisition of the Project, and (ii) [Resolution No. 2025-03] of the Issuer adopted on [February 20, 2025], pursuant to which the Issuer authorized, among other things, the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, specifying the details of the Series 2025 Bonds and awarding the Series 2025 Bonds to the purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds.

"Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Acquisition and Construction Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(a) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture in connection with the components of the Assessment Area One Project.

"Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Bond Redemption Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(g) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Bonds" shall have the meaning as described in the recitals hereof.

"Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Acquisition and Construction Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(a) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount" shall mean the subaccount so designated, established as a separate subaccount under the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account pursuant to Section 4.01(g) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Indenture" shall mean collectively, the Master Indenture and this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Interest Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Debt Service Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(d) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount" shall mean the subaccount so designated, established as a separate subaccount under the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account pursuant to Section 4.01(g) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Pledged Revenues" shall mean (a) all revenues received by the Issuer from Series 2025 Special Assessments levied and collected on the assessable lands within Assessment Area One within the District, including, without limitation, amounts received from any foreclosure proceeding for the enforcement of collection of such Series 2025 Special Assessments or from the issuance and sale of tax certificates with respect to such Series 2025 Special Assessments, and (b) all moneys on deposit in the Funds and Accounts established under the Series 2025 Indenture created and established with respect to or for the benefit of the Series 2025 Bonds; provided, however, that Series 2025 Pledged Revenues shall not include (A) any moneys transferred to the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and investment earnings thereon, (B) moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund, and (C) "special assessments" levied and collected by the Issuer under Section 190.022 of the Act for maintenance purposes or "maintenance assessments" levied and collected by the Issuer under Section 190.021(3) of the Act (it being expressly understood that the lien and pledge of the Series 2025 Indenture shall not apply to any of the moneys described in the foregoing clauses (A), (B) and (C) of this proviso).

"Series 2025 Prepayment Principal" shall mean the portion of a Prepayment corresponding to the principal amount of Series 2025 Special Assessments being prepaid pursuant to Section 4.05 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture or Series 2025 Special Assessments collected as a result of an acceleration of the Series 2025 Special Assessments pursuant to Section 170.10, Florida Statutes, if such Series 2025 Special Assessments are being collected through a direct billing method.

"Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount" shall mean the subaccount so designated, established as a separate subaccount under the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account pursuant to Section 4.01(g) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Rebate Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Rebate Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(j) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Reserve Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Debt Service Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(f) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Reserve Requirement" or "Reserve Requirement" shall be (i) initially, an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds as calculated from time to time; and (ii) upon the occurrence of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, and thereafter, be an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds as calculated from time to time. Upon satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, such excess amount shall be released from the Series 2025 Reserve Account and transferred to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4.01(a) and 4.01(f) hereof. For the purpose of calculating the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, fifty percent (50%) of maximum annual debt service, or ten percent (10%) of maximum annual debt service, as the case may be, shall be recalculated in connection with each extraordinary mandatory redemption described in Sections 3.01(b)(i) and 3.01(b)(iii) hereof (but not upon the optional or mandatory sinking fund redemption thereof) and such excess amount shall be released from the Series 2025 Reserve Account and, other than as provided in the immediately preceding sentence, transferred to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount as applicable, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 3.01(b)(i), 3.01(b)(iii), 4.01(f), 4.01(i) and 4.05(a) hereof. Amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account may, upon final maturity or redemption of all Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds be used to pay principal of and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds at that time. Initially, the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement shall be equal to \$_____.

"Series 2025 Revenue Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(b) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account" shall mean the Account so designated, established as a separate Account within the Debt Service Fund pursuant to Section 4.01(e) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

"Series 2025 Special Assessments" shall mean the Special Assessments levied on the assessable lands within Assessment Area One of the District as a result of the Issuer's acquisition and/or construction of the Assessment Area One Project, corresponding in amount to the debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds and designated as such in the methodology report relating thereto.

"Substantially Absorbed" means the date at least 75% of the principal portion of the Series 2025 Special Assessments has been assigned to residential units within Assessment Area One that have received certificates of occupancy. The District shall present the Trustee with a certification that the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed and the Trustee may rely conclusively upon such certification and shall have no duty to verify if the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed.

"True-Up Agreement" shall mean the Agreement dated [_____] __, 2025, by and between the Issuer and the Developer relating to the true-up of Series 2025 Special Assessments.

"Underwriter" shall mean FMSbonds, Inc., the underwriter of the Series 2025 Bonds.

The words "hereof," "herein," "hereto," "hereby," and "hereunder" (except in the form of Series 2025 Bonds), refer to the entire Series 2025 Indenture.

Every "request," "requisition," "order," "demand," "application," "notice," "statement," "certificate," "consent," or similar action hereunder by the Issuer shall, unless the form or execution thereof is otherwise specifically provided, be in writing signed by the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson and the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer or the Secretary or Assistant Secretary or Responsible Officer of the Issuer.

All words and terms importing the singular number shall, where the context requires, import the plural number and vice versa.

[END OF ARTICLE I]

ARTICLE II THE SERIES 2025 BONDS

SECTION 2.01. Amounts and Terms of the Series 2025 Bonds; Issue of Series 2025 Bonds No Series 2025 Bonds may be issued under this First Supplemental Trust Indenture except in accordance with the provisions of this Article and Articles II and III of the Master Indenture.

(a) The total principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds that may be issued under this First Supplemental Trust Indenture is expressly limited to \$_____. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be numbered consecutively from R-1 and upwards.

(b) Any and all Series 2025 Bonds shall be issued substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, with such appropriate variations, omissions and insertions as are permitted or required by the Series 2025 Indenture and with such additional changes as may be necessary or appropriate to conform to the provisions of the Resolution. The Issuer shall issue the Series 2025 Bonds upon execution of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture and satisfaction of the requirements of Section 3.01 of the Master Indenture; and the Trustee shall, at the Issuer's request, authenticate such Series 2025 Bonds and deliver them as specified in the request.

SECTION 2.02. Execution. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be executed by the Issuer as set forth in the Master Indenture.

SECTION 2.03. Authentication. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be authenticated as set forth in the Master Indenture. No Series 2025 Bond shall be valid until the certificate of authentication shall have been duly executed by the Trustee, as provided in the Master Indenture.

SECTION 2.04. Purpose, Designation and Denominations of, and Interest Accruals on, the Series 2025 Bonds.

(a) The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued hereunder in order to provide funds for the purposes of (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, (ii) funding a deposit to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, (iii) paying a portion of the interest coming due on the Series 2025 Bonds and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be designated "Benton Hills Community Development District (Hernando County, Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project)" and shall be issued as fully registered Bonds without coupons in Authorized Denominations.

(b) The Series 2025 Bonds shall be dated as of the date of initial delivery. Interest on the Series 2025 Bonds shall be payable on each Interest Payment Date to maturity or prior redemption. Interest on the Series 2025 Bonds shall be payable from the most recent Interest Payment Date next preceding the date of authentication thereof to which interest has been paid, unless the date of authentication thereof is a May 1 or November 1 to which interest has been paid, in which case from such date of authentication, or unless the date of authentication thereof is prior to [May 1, 2025], in which case from the date of initial delivery or unless the date of authentication thereof is between a Record Date and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, in which case from such Interest Payment Date.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.07 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture in connection with a book entry only system of registration of the Series 2025 Bonds, the principal or Redemption Price of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent upon presentation of such Series 2025 Bonds. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.07 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture in connection with a book entry only system of registration of the Series 2025 Bonds, the payment of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds shall be made on each Interest Payment Date to the Registered Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds by check or draft drawn on the Paying Agent and mailed on the applicable Interest Payment Date to each Registered Owner as such Registered Owner appears on the Bond Register maintained by the Registrar as of the close of business on the Regular Record Date, at his address as it appears on the Bond Register. Any interest on any Series 2025 Bond which is payable, but is not punctually paid or provided for on any Interest Payment Date (hereinafter called "Defaulted Interest") shall be paid to the Registered Owner in whose name the Series 2025 Bond is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date to be fixed by the Trustee, such date to be not more than fifteen (15) nor less than ten (10) days prior to the date of proposed payment. The Trustee shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be sent by Electronic Means or mailed, first-class, postage-prepaid, to each Registered Owner of record as of the fifth (5th) day prior to such mailing, at his address as it appears in the Bond Register not less than ten (10) days prior to such Special Record Date. The foregoing notwithstanding, any Registered Owner of Series 2025 Bonds in an aggregate principal amount of at least \$1,000,000 shall be entitled to have interest paid by wire transfer to such Registered Owner to the bank account number on file with the Paying Agent, upon requesting the same in a writing received by the Paying Agent at least fifteen (15) days prior to the relevant Record Date, which writing shall specify the bank, which shall be a bank within the continental United States, and bank account number to which interest payments are to be wired. Any such request for interest payments by wire transfer shall remain in effect until rescinded or changed, in a writing delivered by the Registered Owner to the Paying Agent, and any such rescission or change of wire transfer instructions must be received by the Paying Agent at least fifteen (15) days prior to the relevant Record Date.

SECTION 2.05. Debt Service on the Series 2025 Bonds.

(a) The Series 2025 Bonds will mature on May 1 in the years and in the principal amounts, and bear interest at the rates as set forth below, subject to the right of prior redemption in accordance with their terms.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
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(b) Interest on the Series 2025 Bonds will be computed in all cases on the basis of a 360 day year of twelve 30 day months. Interest on overdue principal and, to the extent lawful, on overdue interest will be payable at the numerical rate of interest borne by the Series 2025 Bonds on the day before the default occurred.

SECTION 2.06. Disposition of Series 2025 Bond Proceeds. From the net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds received by the Trustee in the amount of \$_____ (par amount of \$_____, [less/plus] [net] original issue [discount/premium] of \$_____ and less an underwriter's discount of \$_____ which is retained by the underwriter of the Series 2025 Bonds):

(a) \$_____, which is an amount equal to the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, shall be deposited in the Series 2025 Reserve Account of the Debt Service Reserve Fund;

(b) \$_____, shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Interest Account of the Debt Service Fund and applied to pay interest coming due on the Series 2025 Bonds through [_____
1, 2025];

(c) \$_____, shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund for payment of the costs of issuing the Series 2025 Bonds; and

(d) \$_____, representing the balance of the net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds, shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund, which the Issuer shall cause to be applied only to the payment of costs of the Assessment Area One Project in accordance with Section 4.01(a) hereof, Article V of the Master Indenture and the terms of the Acquisition Agreement.

SECTION 2.07. Book-Entry Form of Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be issued as one fully registered bond for each maturity of Series 2025 Bonds and deposited with The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), which is responsible for establishing and maintaining records of ownership for its participants.

As long as the Series 2025 Bonds are held in book-entry-only form, Cede & Co. shall be considered the Registered Owner for all purposes hereof and in the Master Indenture. The Series 2025 Bonds shall not be required to be presented for payment. DTC shall be responsible for maintaining a book-entry-only system for recording the ownership interest of its participants ("Direct Participants") and other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The Direct Participants and Indirect Participants will be responsible for maintaining records with respect to the beneficial ownership interests of individual purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds ("Beneficial Owners").

Principal and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co. prior to and at maturity shall be payable directly to Cede & Co. in care of DTC. Disbursal of such amounts to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of DTC. Payments by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct Participants and Indirect Participants and not of DTC, the Trustee or the Issuer.

Individuals may purchase beneficial interests in Authorized Denominations in book-entry-only form, without certificated Series 2025 Bonds, through Direct Participants and Indirect Participants.

During the period for which Cede & Co. is Registered Owner of the Series 2025 Bonds, any notices to be provided to any Beneficial Owner will be provided to Cede & Co. DTC shall be responsible for notices to Direct Participants and Direct Participants shall be responsible for notices to Indirect Participants, and Direct Participants and Indirect Participants shall be responsible for notices to Beneficial Owners.

The Issuer and the Trustee, if appropriate, shall enter into a blanket letter of representations with DTC providing for such book-entry-only system. Such agreement may be terminated at any time by either DTC or the Issuer in accordance with the procedures of DTC. In the event of such termination, the Issuer shall select another securities depository, and in that event, all references herein to DTC or Cede & Co., shall be deemed to be for reference to such successor. If the Issuer does not replace DTC, the Trustee will register and deliver to the Beneficial Owners replacement Series 2025 Bonds in the form of fully registered Series 2025 Bonds in accordance with the instructions from Cede & Co.

In the event DTC, any successor of DTC or the Issuer, but only in accordance with the procedures of DTC, elects to discontinue the book-entry only system, the Trustee shall deliver bond certificates in accordance with the instructions from DTC or its successor and after such time Series 2025 Bonds may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds in other Authorized Denominations upon surrender thereof at the designated corporate trust office of the Trustee.

SECTION 2.08. Appointment of Registrar and Paying Agent. The Issuer shall keep, at the designated corporate trust office of the Registrar, books (the "Bond Register") for the registration, transfer and exchange of the Series 2025 Bonds, and hereby appoints U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as its Registrar to keep such books and make such registrations, transfers, and exchanges as required hereby. U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association hereby accepts its appointment as Registrar and its duties and responsibilities as Registrar hereunder. Registrations, transfers and exchanges shall be without charge to the Bondholder requesting such registration, transfer or exchange, but such Bondholder shall pay any taxes or other governmental charges on all registrations, transfers and exchanges.

The Issuer hereby appoints U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Paying Agent for the Series 2025 Bonds. U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association hereby accepts its appointment as Paying Agent and its duties and responsibilities as Paying Agent hereunder.

SECTION 2.09. Conditions Precedent to Issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. In addition to complying with the requirements set forth in the Master Indenture in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, all the Series 2025 Bonds shall be executed by the Issuer for delivery to the Trustee and thereupon shall be authenticated by the Trustee and delivered to the Issuer or upon its order, but only upon the further receipt by the Trustee of:

- (a) Certified copies of the Assessment Resolutions;
- (b) A copy of the executed Master Indenture and an executed copy of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture;
- (c) Opinions of District Counsel and Bond Counsel;

(d) A certificate of an authorized officer to the effect that, upon the authentication and delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds, the Issuer will not be in default in the performance of the terms and provisions of the Master Indenture or this First Supplemental Trust Indenture;

(e) Copies of executed investor letters in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D if such investor letter is required, as determined by the Underwriter; and

(f) Executed copies of the Arbitrage Certificate, the True-Up Agreement, the Acquisition Agreement, Declaration of Consent, the Completion Agreement, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and the Collateral Assignment.

Payment to the Trustee of the net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be conclusive evidence that the foregoing conditions have been fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Issuer and the Underwriter.

[END OF ARTICLE II]

ARTICLE III REDEMPTION OF SERIES 2025 BONDS

SECTION 3.01. Redemption Dates and Prices. The Series 2025 Bonds shall be subject to redemption at the times and in the manner provided in Article VIII of the Master Indenture and in this Article III. All payments of the Redemption Price of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be made on the dates hereinafter required. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 3.01, if less than all the Series 2025 Bonds of a maturity are to be redeemed pursuant to an extraordinary mandatory redemption, the Trustee shall select the Series 2025 Bonds or portions of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed by lot. Partial redemptions of Series 2025 Bonds shall, to the extent possible, be made in such a manner that the remaining Series 2025 Bonds held by each Bondholder shall be in Authorized Denominations, except for the last remaining Series 2025 Bond.

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity in the amounts, at the times and in the manner provided below. All payments of the Redemption Price of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be made on the dates specified below. Upon any redemption of Series 2025 Bonds other than in accordance with scheduled mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts, the Issuer shall cause to be recalculated and delivered to the Trustee revised mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts recalculated so as to amortize the Outstanding principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds in substantially equal annual installments of principal and interest (subject to rounding to Authorized Denominations of principal) over the remaining term of the Series 2025 Bonds. The mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts as so recalculated shall not result in an increase in the aggregate of the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for all Series 2025 Bonds in any year. In the event of a redemption or purchase occurring less than 45 days prior to a date on which a mandatory sinking fund redemption amount is due, the foregoing recalculation shall not be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts due in the year in which such redemption or purchase occurs, but shall be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for the immediately succeeding and subsequent years.

(a) Optional Redemption. The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Issuer, in whole or in part, on any date on or after May 1, 20__ (less than all Series 2025 Bonds of a maturity to be selected by lot), at a Redemption Price equal to the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest from the most recent Interest Payment Date through which interest has been paid to the redemption date from moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such optional redemption shall be in part, the Issuer shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be optionally redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

(b) Extraordinary Mandatory Redemption in Whole or in Part. The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption prior to maturity by the Issuer in whole or in part, on any date (other than in the case of clause (i) below, which extraordinary mandatory redemption in part must occur on a Quarterly Redemption Date), at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus interest accrued to the redemption date, as follows:

(i) from Series 2025 Prepayment Principal deposited into the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account following the payment in whole or in part of Series 2025 Special Assessments on any assessable property within Assessment Area One of the District in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.05(a) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, together with any excess moneys transferred by the Trustee from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount as a result of such Prepayment and pursuant to Sections 4.01(f) and 4.05(a) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture. If such redemption shall be in part, the Issuer shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

(ii) from moneys, if any, on deposit in the Funds, Accounts and subaccounts held by the Trustee hereunder (other than the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account) sufficient to pay and redeem all Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds and accrued interest thereon to the redemption date or dates in addition to all amounts owed to Persons under the Master Indenture.

(iii) upon the Completion Date, from any funds remaining on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.01(a) hereof, not otherwise reserved to complete the Assessment Area One Project and transferred to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such redemption shall be in part, the Issuer shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

(c) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption. The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
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* Maturity.

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Year	Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount	Year	Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount
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* Maturity.

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Year	Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount	Year	Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount
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SECTION 3.02. Notice of Redemption. When required to redeem Series 2025 Bonds under any provision of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture or directed to redeem Series 2025 Bonds by the Issuer, the Trustee shall give or cause to be given to Registered Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, notice of the redemption, as set forth in Article VIII of the Master Indenture.

[END OF ARTICLE III]

ARTICLE IV
ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS;
ADDITIONAL COVENANTS OF THE ISSUER; PREPAYMENTS;
REMOVAL OF SERIES 2025 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LIENS

SECTION 4.01. Establishment of Certain Funds and Accounts.

(a) The Trustee shall establish a separate account within the Acquisition and Construction Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account." Net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall initially be deposited into the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in the amount set forth in Section 2.06 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, together with any moneys subsequently transferred or deposited thereto, including moneys transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account after satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement as certified in writing by the District Manager and upon which the Trustee may conclusively rely, and such moneys shall be applied as set forth in this Section 4.01(a), Section 5.01 of the Master Indenture, the Acquisition Agreement and the Engineer's Report. Funds on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall only be requested by the Issuer to be applied to the Costs of the Assessment Area One Project, subject to Section 4.01(f) herein. Upon satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account in excess of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, as applicable and as calculated by the District shall then be transferred by the Trustee to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account, as directed in writing to the Trustee by the District Manager, upon consultation with the Consulting Engineer, and applied as provided in this Sections 4.01(a) and 4.01(f) hereof.

Following the Completion Date for the Assessment Area One Project, all moneys remaining in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account that have not been requisitioned within thirty (30) days after satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement shall be transferred to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount, as directed in writing by the Issuer or the District Manager, on behalf of the Issuer to the Trustee. Except as provided in Sections 3.01(b)(iii) and 5.06 hereof, only upon presentment to the Trustee of a properly signed requisition in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C, shall the Trustee withdraw moneys from the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account. After no funds remain therein, the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall be closed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall not be closed until the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement shall have occurred and the excess funds from the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall have been transferred to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account, as directed in writing to the Trustee by the District Manager, and applied in accordance with this Section 4.01(a) or as otherwise provided in Section 4.01(f) hereof. The Trustee shall not be responsible for determining the amount in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account allocable to the Assessment Area One Project or any transfers made to such Account in accordance with direction from the District Manager.

The Trustee shall make no such transfers from the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount if an Event of Default exists, with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds of which the Trustee has notice as described in

Section 11.06 of the Master Indenture or of which the Trustee has actual knowledge as described in Section 11.06 of the Master Indenture. Except as provided in Section 3.01(b)(iii) or Section 5.06 hereof, only upon presentment to the Trustee of a properly signed requisition in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C, shall the Trustee withdraw moneys from the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account. Pursuant to the Master Indenture, the Trustee shall establish a separate account within the Acquisition and Construction Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account." Net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account in the amount set forth in Section 2.06 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture. Upon presentment to the Trustee of a properly signed requisition in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C, the Trustee shall withdraw moneys from the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account to pay the costs of issuing the Series 2025 Bonds. Six months after the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, any moneys remaining in the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account in excess of the amounts requested to be disbursed by the Issuer shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Interest Account and the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account shall be closed. Any deficiency in the amount allocated to pay the cost of issuing the Series 2025 Bonds shall be paid from excess Series 2025 Pledged Revenues on deposit in the Series 2025 Revenue Account, as provided in Section 4.02 FIFTH. After no funds remain in the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account, such Account shall be closed.

(b) Pursuant to Section 6.03 of the Master Indenture, the Trustee shall establish a separate Account within the Revenue Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Revenue Account." Series 2025 Special Assessments (except for Prepayments of Series 2025 Special Assessments which shall be identified as such by the Issuer to the Trustee and deposited in the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount) shall be deposited by the Trustee into the Series 2025 Revenue Account which shall be applied as set forth in Section 6.03 of the Master Indenture and Section 4.02 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture. The Trustee may conclusively rely that unless expressly indicated in writing by the District as a Prepayment upon deposit thereof with the Trustee, payments of Series 2025 Special Assessments otherwise received by the Trustee are to be deposited into the Series 2025 Revenue Account.

(c) [RESERVED].

(d) Pursuant to Section 6.04 of the Master Indenture and Section 4.02 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, the Trustee shall establish a separate Account within the Debt Service Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Interest Account." Moneys deposited into the Series 2025 Interest Account pursuant to Section 6.04 of the Master Indenture and Section 4.02 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, shall be applied for the purposes provided therein and used to pay interest on the Series 2025 Bonds.

(e) Pursuant to Section 6.04 of the Master Indenture, the Trustee shall establish a separate account within the Debt Service Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account." Moneys shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account as provided in Section 6.04 of the Master Indenture and Section 4.02 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, and applied for the purposes provided therein and in Section 3.01(c) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture.

(f) Pursuant to Section 6.05 of the Master Indenture, the Trustee shall establish a separate Account within the Debt Service Reserve Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Reserve Account." Net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount set forth in Section 2.06 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture, and such moneys, together with any other moneys deposited into the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall be applied for the purposes provided in the Master Indenture and in this Section 4.01(f) and Section 4.05 of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture. Notwithstanding any provisions in the Master Indenture to the contrary, the Issuer covenants not to substitute the cash and Investment Securities on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account with a Debt Service Reserve Insurance Policy or a Debt Service Reserve Letter of Credit. Except as provided in the next paragraph, all investment earnings on moneys in the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall remain on deposit therein.

On each March 15 and September 15 (or, if such date is not a Business Day, on the Business Day next preceding such day), the Trustee shall determine the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account resulting from investment earnings and transfer any excess therein above the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account and if such Account is closed, to the Series 2025 Revenue Account in accordance with Section 6.05 of the Master Indenture.

Subject to the provisions of Section 4.05 hereof, on any date the Issuer receives notice from the District Manager that the Landowner or any other landowner wishes to prepay its Series 2025 Special Assessments relating to the benefited property of such landowner, or as a result of a mandatory true-up payment, the Issuer shall, or cause the District Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, to calculate the principal amount of such Prepayment taking into account a credit against the amount of Series 2025 Prepayment Principal due by the amount of money in the Series 2025 Reserve Account that will exceed the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement for the Series 2025 Bonds, taking into account the proposed Prepayment. Such excess shall be transferred to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account, as a result of such Prepayment. The District Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall make such calculation within ten (10) Business Days after such Prepayment and shall instruct the Trustee in writing to transfer such amount of credit given to the respective landowner from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account to be used for the extraordinary mandatory redemption of the Series 2025 Bonds in accordance with Section 3.01(b)(i) hereof. The Trustee is authorized to make such transfers and has no duty to verify such calculations. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall be transferred by the Trustee, in the amounts directed in writing by the Majority Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount, if as a result of the application of Article X of the Master Indenture, the proceeds received from lands sold subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments and applied to redeem a portion of the Series 2025 Bonds is less than the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds indebtedness attributable to such lands.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, the Trustee shall deposit such excess as directed by the District Manager in writing on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account and pay such amount as designated in a requisition in the form attached

hereto as Exhibit C to the Issuer submitted by the Developer within thirty (30) days of such transfer which requisition shall be executed by the Issuer and the Consulting Engineer. Such payment is authorized notwithstanding that the Completion Date might have been declared provided the Developer can establish, to the satisfaction of the Consulting Engineer, Costs of the Assessment Area One Project that were not paid from moneys initially deposited in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account. In the event that there are no unreimbursed costs to pay to the Developer, such excess moneys transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall be deposited into the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account upon direction to the Trustee by the District. If no completed requisition as provided in this section is submitted to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of moneys having been transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account as a result of the satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, such excess moneys in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall then be transferred by the Trustee to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount and applied to the redemption of Series 2025 Bonds as provided in Section 4.01(a) hereinabove.

In addition, and together with the moneys transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account pursuant to this paragraph, if the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount, is not sufficient to redeem a principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds in an Authorized Denomination, the Trustee is authorized upon the prior written direction of the Issuer to withdraw amounts from the Series 2025 Revenue Account to round up the amount in the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount to the nearest Authorized Denomination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no transfers from the Series 2025 Revenue Account shall be made to pay interest on and/or principal of the Series 2025 Bonds for the redemption pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(iii) if as a result the deposits required under Section 4.02 FIRST through FIFTH cannot be made in full.

(g) Pursuant to Section 6.06 of the Master Indenture, the Trustee shall establish a separate Series Bond Redemption Account within the Bond Redemption Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account" and within such Account, a "Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount," a "Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount," and a "Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount." Except as otherwise provided in this First Supplemental Trust Indenture regarding Prepayments or in connection with the optional redemption of the Series 2025 Bonds, moneys to be deposited into the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account as provided in Section 6.06 of the Master Indenture, shall be deposited to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount.

(h) Moneys that are deposited into the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount (including all earnings on investments held therein) shall be used to call for the extraordinary mandatory redemption (i) in whole, pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(ii) hereof, the Outstanding amount of Series 2025 Bonds or (ii) in whole or in part pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(iii) and Section 4.01(a) hereof.

(i) Moneys in the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount (including all earnings on investments held in such Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount) shall be accumulated therein to be used to call for redemption pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(i) hereof an amount of Series 2025 Bonds

equal to the amount of money transferred to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account for the purpose of such extraordinary mandatory redemption on the dates and at the price provided in such Section 3.01(b)(i) hereof. In addition, and together with the moneys transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account pursuant to paragraph (f) above, if the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount is not sufficient to redeem a principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds in an Authorized Denomination, the Trustee upon the prior written direction from the Issuer, shall be authorized to withdraw amounts from the Series 2025 Revenue Account to deposit to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount to round-up the amount to the nearest Authorized Denomination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no transfers from the Series 2025 Revenue Account shall be directed by the Issuer to pay interest on and/or principal of the Series 2025 Bonds for the redemption pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(i) hereof if as a result the deposits required under Section 4.02 FIRST through FIFTH cannot be made in full.

(j) The Issuer hereby directs the Trustee to establish a separate account in the Rebate Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Rebate Account." Moneys shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Rebate Account, as provided in the Arbitrage Certificate and applied for the purposes provided therein.

(k) Moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount shall be used to optionally redeem all or a portion of the Series 2025 Bonds pursuant to Section 3.01(a) hereof.

SECTION 4.02. Series 2025 Revenue Account. The Trustee shall transfer from amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Revenue Account to the Funds and Accounts designated below, the following amounts, at the following times and in the following order of priority:

FIRST, upon receipt but no later than the Business Day next preceding each Interest Payment Date, commencing [May 1, 2025], to the Series 2025 Interest Account of the Debt Service Fund, an amount equal to the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds becoming due on the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, less any amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Interest Account not previously credited;

SECOND, no later than the Business Day next preceding each May 1, commencing [May 1, 2025], to the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account, an amount equal to the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds subject to sinking fund redemption on such May 1, less any amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account not previously credited;

THIRD, upon receipt but no later than the Business Day next preceding each Interest Payment Date while Series 2025 Bonds remain Outstanding, to the Series 2025 Reserve Account, an amount equal to the amount, if any, which is necessary to make the amount on deposit therein equal to the Reserve Requirement for the Series 2025 Bonds;

FOURTH, notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time the Series 2025 Bonds are subject to redemption on a date which is not a May 1 or November 1 Interest Payment Date, the Trustee shall be authorized to transfer to the Series 2025 Interest Account, the amount necessary to pay interest on the Series 2025 Bonds subject to redemption on such date; and

FIFTH, subject to the foregoing paragraphs, the balance of any moneys remaining after making the foregoing deposits shall be first deposited into the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account upon the written request of the Issuer to cover any deficiencies in the amount allocated to pay the cost of issuing the Series 2025 Bonds and next, any balance in the Series 2025 Revenue Account shall remain on deposit in such Series 2025 Revenue Account, unless needed for the purposes of rounding the principal amount of a Series 2025 Bond subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption pursuant to Section 4.01(i) hereof to an Authorized Denomination, or unless pursuant to the Arbitrage Certificate, it is necessary to make a deposit into the Series 2025 Rebate Fund, in which case, the Issuer shall direct the Trustee to make such deposit thereto.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a redemption of Series 2025 Bonds from Prepayments on deposit in the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount, the Trustee is further authorized, upon written direction from the Issuer, to transfer from the Series 2025 Revenue Account to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount sufficient funds to cause the redemption of the next closest Authorized Denomination of Series 2025 Bonds, as provided in Section 4.01(i) hereof.

SECTION 4.03. Power to Issue Series 2025 Bonds and Create Lien. The Issuer is duly authorized under the Act and all applicable laws of the State to issue the Series 2025 Bonds, to execute and deliver the Series 2025 Indenture and to pledge the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues for the benefit of the Series 2025 Bonds to the extent set forth herein. The Series 2025 Pledged Revenues are not and shall not be subject to any other lien senior to or on a parity with the lien created in favor of the Series 2025 Bonds, except as otherwise permitted under the Master Indenture and in Section 5.04 hereof. The Series 2025 Bonds and the provisions of the Series 2025 Indenture are and will be valid and legally enforceable obligations of the Issuer in accordance with their respective terms. The Issuer shall, at all times, to the extent permitted by law, defend, preserve and protect the pledge created by the Series 2025 Indenture and all the rights of the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds under the Series 2025 Indenture against all claims and demands of all persons whomsoever.

SECTION 4.04. Assessment Area One Project to Conform to Engineer's Report. Simultaneously with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, the Issuer will promptly proceed to construct and/or acquire the Assessment Area One Project, as described in Exhibit A hereto and in the Engineer's Report relating thereto, all pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Acquisition Agreement.

SECTION 4.05. Prepayments; Removal of Series 2025 Special Assessment Liens.

(a) At any time any owner of property subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments may, at its option, or as a result of acceleration of the Series 2025 Special Assessments because of non-payment thereof, shall, or by operation of law, require the Issuer to reduce or release and extinguish the lien upon its property by virtue of the levy of the Series 2025 Special Assessments by paying or causing there to be paid, to the Issuer all or a portion of the Series 2025 Special Assessment, which shall constitute Series 2025 Prepayment Principal, plus, except as provided below, accrued interest to the next succeeding Quarterly Redemption Date (or the first succeeding Quarterly Redemption Date that is at least forty-five (45) days after such Prepayment, if such Prepayment is made within forty-five (45) calendar days before the next succeeding Quarterly

Redemption Date, as the case may be), attributable to the property subject to Series 2025 Special Assessments owned by such owner. To the extent that such Prepayments are to be used to redeem Series 2025 Bonds pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(i) hereof, in the event the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account will exceed the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement for the Series 2025 Bonds as a result of a Prepayment in accordance with this Section 4.05(a) and the resulting extraordinary mandatory redemption in accordance with Section 3.01(b)(i) of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture of Series 2025 Bonds, the excess amount shall be transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount, as a credit against the Series 2025 Prepayment Principal otherwise required to be paid by the owner of such lot or parcel, upon written instructions of the Issuer to the Trustee together with a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Issuer, upon which the Trustee may conclusively rely, stating that, after giving effect to such transfers sufficient moneys will be on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account to equal or exceed the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement.

(b) Upon receipt of Series 2025 Prepayment Principal as described in paragraph (a) above, subject to satisfaction of the conditions set forth therein, the Issuer shall immediately pay the amount so received to the Trustee, and the Issuer shall take such action as is necessary to record in the official improvement lien book of the District that the Series 2025 Special Assessment has been paid in whole or in part and that such Series 2025 Special Assessment lien is thereby reduced, or released and extinguished, as the case may be.

The Trustee may conclusively rely on the Issuer's determination of what moneys constitute Prepayments. The Trustee shall calculate the amount available for the extraordinary mandatory redemption of the applicable Series 2025 Bonds pursuant to Section 3.01(b)(i) forty-five (45) days prior to each Quarterly Redemption Date.

[END OF ARTICLE IV]

ARTICLE V

COVENANTS AND DESIGNATIONS OF THE ISSUER

SECTION 5.01. Collection of Series 2025 Special Assessments. The Series 2025 Special Assessments levied for each full year on platted lots shall be collected pursuant to the uniform method provided for in Sections 197.3632 and 197.3635 Florida Statutes, (the "Uniform Method") unless, after making reasonable efforts, and for a particular fiscal year, the District is unable to use the Uniform Method, the District will bill and collect directly. The Series 2025 Special Assessments levied on unplatted lots or lands shall be billed and collected directly by the District for which the timing for using the Uniform Method will not yet allow for using such method pursuant to the Act and Chapters 170 and 197, Florida Statutes. Prior to an Event of Default, the election to collect and enforce Series 2025 Special Assessments in any year pursuant to any one method shall not, to the extent permitted by law, preclude the District from electing to collect and enforce Series 2025 Special Assessments pursuant to any other method permitted by law in any subsequent year. Following an Event of Default, Series 2025 Special Assessments levied on platted lots shall be collected pursuant to the Uniform Method and Series 2025 Special Assessments levied on unplatted lots or lands shall be billed and collected directly by the District pursuant to the Act and Chapters 170 and 197, Florida Statutes, and not pursuant to the Uniform Method, in each case unless the Trustee, acting at the direction of the Majority Holder of the Series 2025 Bonds Outstanding, provides written consent/direction to a different method of collection. All Series 2025 Special Assessments that are billed and collected directly by the District and not via the Uniform Method shall be due and payable by the Landowner no later than thirty (30) days prior to each Interest Payment Date; provided, however, that such Series 2025 Special Assessments shall not be deemed to be delinquent unless and until they are not paid by the applicable Interest Payment Date with respect to which they have been billed. The assessment methodology shall not be materially amended without the written consent of the Majority Holder.

SECTION 5.02. Continuing Disclosure. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery hereof, the Issuer and the Developer has executed and delivered a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in order to assist the Underwriter in complying with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. The Issuer covenants and agrees to comply with the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement applicable to it; however, as set forth therein, failure to so comply shall not constitute an Event of Default hereunder, but shall instead be enforceable by mandamus or any other means of specific performance.

SECTION 5.03. Investment of Funds and Accounts. The provisions of Section 7.02 of the Master Indenture shall apply to the investment and reinvestment of moneys in the Funds, Accounts and subaccounts therein created hereunder.

SECTION 5.04. Additional Bonds. The District covenants not to issue any other Bonds or other debt obligations secured by the Series 2025 Special Assessments. In addition, the Issuer covenants not to issue any other Bonds or debt obligations [for capital projects] secured by Special Assessments on the assessable lands within the District that are subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments, until the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed. The District shall present the Trustee with a certification that the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed and the Trustee may rely conclusively upon such certification and shall have no duty to verify if the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed. In the

absence of such written certification, the Trustee is entitled to assume that the Series 2025 Special Assessments have not been Substantially Absorbed. Such covenant shall not prohibit the District from issuing refunding Bonds or any Bonds or other obligations secured by Special Assessments levied on District Lands not subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments or to finance any other capital projects that is necessary to remediate any natural disaster, catastrophic damage, or failure with respect to the Assessment Area One Project.

SECTION 5.05. Requisite Owners for Direction or Consent. Anything in the Master Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, any direction or consent or similar provision which requires greater than fifty percent of the Owners, shall in each case be deemed to refer to and shall mean, the Majority Holders.

SECTION 5.06. Acknowledgement Regarding the Moneys in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account Following an Event of Default. In accordance with the provisions of the Series 2025 Indenture, the Series 2025 Bonds are payable solely from the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues and any other moneys held by the Trustee under the Series 2025 Indenture for such purpose. Anything in the Series 2025 Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, the Issuer hereby acknowledges that the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues include, without limitation, all amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund then held by the Trustee, and that upon the occurrence of an Event of Default with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds, (i) the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues may not be used by the Issuer (whether to pay costs of the Assessment Area One Project or otherwise) without the consent of the Majority Holder and (ii) the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues may be used by the Trustee, at the direction or with the approval of the Majority Holder, to pay costs and expenses incurred in connection with the pursuit of remedies under the Series 2025 Indenture, provided, however notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary the Trustee is also authorized to utilize the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues to pay fees and expenses as provided in Section 10.12 of the Master Indenture.

[END OF ARTICLE V]

ARTICLE VI
THE TRUSTEE; THE PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR

SECTION 6.01. Acceptance of Trust. The Trustee accepts and agrees to execute the trusts hereby created and agrees to perform such trusts upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Series 2025 Indenture. The Trustee agrees to act as Paying Agent, Registrar and Authenticating Agent for the Series 2025 Bonds.

SECTION 6.02. Trustee's Duties. The Trustee shall not be responsible in any manner for the due execution of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture by the Issuer or for the recitals contained herein (except for the certificate of authentication on the Series 2025 Bonds), all of which are made solely by the Issuer. Nothing contained herein shall limit the rights, benefits, privileges, protection and entitlement inuring to the Trustee under the Master Indenture.

[END OF ARTICLE VI]

ARTICLE VII MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION 7.01. Interpretation of First Supplemental Trust Indenture. This First Supplemental Trust Indenture amends and supplements the Master Indenture with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds, and all of the provisions of the Master Indenture, to the extent not inconsistent herewith, are incorporated in this First Supplemental Trust Indenture by reference. To the maximum extent possible, the Master Indenture and the First Supplemental Trust Indenture shall be read and construed as one document.

SECTION 7.02. Amendments. Any amendments to this First Supplemental Trust Indenture shall be made pursuant to the provisions for amendment contained in the Master Indenture.

SECTION 7.03. Counterparts. This First Supplemental Trust Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

SECTION 7.04. Appendices and Exhibits. Any and all schedules, appendices or exhibits referred to in and attached to this First Supplemental Trust Indenture are hereby incorporated herein and made a part of this First Supplemental Trust Indenture for all purposes.

SECTION 7.05. Payment Dates. In any case in which an Interest Payment Date or the maturity date of the Series 2025 Bonds or the date fixed for the redemption of any Series 2025 Bonds shall be other than a Business Day, then payment of interest, principal or Redemption Price need not be made on such date but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day, with the same force and effect as if made on the due date, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period after such due date if payment is made on such next succeeding Business Day.

SECTION 7.06. No Rights Conferred on Others. Nothing herein contained shall confer any right upon any Person other than the parties hereto and the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds, and no other person is intended to be a third-party beneficiary hereof to be entitled to assert or preserve any claim hereunder.

SECTION 7.07. Signatures. All notices, approvals, consents, requests and any communications hereunder must be in writing (provided that any communication sent to the Trustee hereunder must be in the form of a document that is signed manually or by way of a digital signature provided by the Issuer (or such other digital signature provider as specified in writing to the Trustee by the authorized representative), in English.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Benton Hills Community Development District has caused this First Supplemental Trust Indenture to be executed by the Chairperson of its Board of Supervisors and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by the Secretary of its Board of Supervisors and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association has caused this First Supplemental Trust Indenture to be executed by one of its authorized signatories, all as of the day and year first above written.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

[SEAL]

Attest:

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: Secretary, Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

**U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,**
as Trustee, Paying Agent and Registrar

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT

The Assessment Area One Project includes, but is not limited to components of the following public infrastructure improvements described below:

Improvement	2025 Project Estimated Cost	Operation & Maintenance Entity
Roadways	\$ 2,649,652.00	County
Stormwater System	2,384,941.00	CDD
Utilities (Water & Sewer)	2,202,958.00	County
Undergrounding of Electric Conduit	155,929.00	CDD
Conservation/Mitigation	49,500.00	CDD
Landscape/Hardscape/Irrigation	946,687.00	CDD
Recreational Amenities	2,250,000.00	CDD
Off-Site Improvements	1,997,000.00	County
Professional Fees	561,707.00	n/a
Contingency	1,319,837.00	As above
TOTAL	\$14,518,211.00	

- a. The probable costs estimated herein do not include anticipated carrying cost, interest reserves or other anticipated CDD expenditures that may be incurred.
- b. The developer reserves the right to finance any of the improvements outlined above, and have such improvements owned and maintained by a property owner's or homeowner's association, in which case such items would not be part of the CIP.
- c. The District may enter into an agreement with a third-party, or an applicable property owner's or homeowner's association, to maintain any District-owned improvements, subject to the approval of the District's bond counsel.
- d. Reimbursement associated with the approved oversizing agreement for water and wastewater for the offsite utilities financed by the District will be governed by the acquisition agreement between the District and the project developer. It is anticipated that the Hernando County Utilities Department will provide a reimbursement in the amount of **\$468,832.00** upon satisfaction by the Developer for the offsite utility improvements listed in the agreement.
- e. Because the 2025 Project is a system of improvements, future bonds, secured by special assessments levied on lands outside of the 2025 Project area, may be issued to finance certain master improvements that were constructed as part of the 2025 Project.

Source: Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for the Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025, prepared by Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.

EXHIBIT B

[FORM OF SERIES 2025 BOND]

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF FLORIDA**

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BOND, SERIES 2025
(ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)**

<u>Interest Rate</u> _____%	<u>Maturity Date</u> May 1, 20__	<u>Date of Original Issuance</u> [_____] __, 2025	<u>CUSIP</u> _____
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Registered Owner: CEDE & CO.

Principal Amount:

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS that the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "Issuer"), for value received, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner shown above or registered assigns, on the maturity date set forth above, from the sources hereinafter mentioned, the principal amount set forth above (with interest thereon at the interest rate per annum set forth above, computed on a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months). Principal of and interest on this Bond are payable by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as paying agent (said U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association and/or any bank or trust company to become successor paying agent being herein called the "Paying Agent"), made payable to the Registered Owner and mailed on each Interest Payment Date commencing [May 1, 2025] to the address of the Registered Owner as such name and address shall appear on the registry books of the Issuer maintained by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Registrar (said U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association and any successor Registrar being herein called the "Registrar") at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the calendar month preceding each Interest Payment Date or the date on which the principal of a Bond is to be paid (the "Record Date"), provided however presentation is not required for payment while the Series 2025 Bonds are registered in book-entry only form. Such interest shall be payable from the most recent Interest Payment Date next preceding the date of authentication hereof to which interest has been paid, unless the date of authentication hereof is a May 1 or November 1 to which interest has been paid, in which case from the date of authentication hereof, or unless such date of authentication is prior to [May 1, 2025], in which case from the date of initial delivery, or unless the date of authentication hereof is between a Record Date and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, in which case from such Interest Payment Date. Any such interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Registered Owner on such Record Date and may be paid to the person in whose name this Bond is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such defaulted interest to be fixed by the Paying Agent, notice whereof shall be given to Bondholders of record as of the fifth (5th) day prior

to such mailing, at their registered addresses, not less than ten (10) days prior to such Special Record Date, or may be paid, at any time in any other lawful manner, as more fully provided in the Series 2025 Indenture (defined below). Any capitalized term used in this Bond and not otherwise defined shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Series 2025 Indenture.

THE SERIES 2025 BONDS ARE LIMITED OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER PAYABLE SOLELY OUT OF THE SERIES 2025 PLEDGED REVENUES PLEDGED THEREFOR UNDER THE SERIES 2025 INDENTURE AND NEITHER THE PROPERTY, THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT, NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE ISSUER, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA (THE "COUNTY"), THE STATE OF FLORIDA (THE "STATE"), OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, IS PLEDGED AS SECURITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS, EXCEPT THAT THE ISSUER IS OBLIGATED UNDER THE SERIES 2025 INDENTURE TO LEVY AND TO EVIDENCE AND CERTIFY, OR CAUSE TO BE CERTIFIED, FOR COLLECTION, SERIES 2025 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS (AS DEFINED IN THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE (AS DEFINED BELOW)) TO SECURE AND PAY THE SERIES 2025 BONDS. THE SERIES 2025 BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN INDEBTEDNESS OF THE ISSUER, THE COUNTY, THE STATE, OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY PROVISION OR LIMITATION.

This Bond is one of an authorized issue of Series 2025 Bonds of the Benton Hills Community Development District, a community development district duly created, organized and existing under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes (the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980), as amended (the "Act"), Ordinance No. 2022-11 (the "Ordinance") enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County (the "County") which became effective on April 26, 2022, designated as "Benton Hills Community Development District (Hernando County, Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025" (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds"), in the aggregate principal amount of _____ and 00/100 Dollars (\$ _____) of like date, tenor and effect, except as to number. The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued under authority of the laws and Constitution of the State, including particularly the Act, to pay, among other things, the costs of constructing and/or acquiring a portion of the Assessment Area One Project (as defined in the herein referred to Series 2025 Indenture). The Series 2025 Bonds shall be issued as fully registered Series 2025 Bonds in Authorized Denominations, as set forth in the Series 2025 Indenture. The Series 2025 Bonds are issued under and secured by a Master Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (the "Master Indenture"), as supplemented by a First Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (the "First Supplemental Trust Indenture" and together with the Master Indenture, the "Series 2025 Indenture"), each by and between the Issuer and the Trustee, executed counterparts of which are on file at the designated corporate trust office of the Trustee in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Reference is hereby made to the Series 2025 Indenture for the provisions, among others, with respect to the custody and application of the proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds issued under the Series 2025 Indenture, the operation and application of the Series 2025 Reserve Account within the Debt Service Reserve Fund and other Funds and Accounts (each as defined in the Series 2025 Indenture) charged with and pledged to the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, the levy and the evidencing and certifying for collection, of the Series 2025

Special Assessments, the nature and extent of the security for the Series 2025 Bonds, the terms and conditions on which the Series 2025 Bonds are issued, the rights, duties and obligations of the Issuer and of the Trustee under the Series 2025 Indenture, the conditions under which such Series 2025 Indenture may be amended without the consent of the Registered Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds, the conditions under which such Series 2025 Indenture may be amended with the consent of the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds outstanding, and as to other rights and remedies of the Registered Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds.

It is expressly agreed by the Registered Owner of this Bond that such Registered Owner shall never have the right to require or compel the exercise of the ad valorem taxing power of the Issuer, the County, the State or any other political subdivision thereof, or taxation in any form of any real or personal property of the Issuer, the County, the State or any other political subdivision thereof, for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on this Bond or the making of any other sinking fund and other payments provided for in the Series 2025 Indenture, except for Series 2025 Special Assessments to be assessed and levied by the Issuer as set forth in the Series 2025 Indenture.

By the acceptance of this Bond, the Registered Owner hereof assents to all the provisions of the Series 2025 Indenture.

This Bond is payable from and secured by Series 2025 Pledged Revenues, as such term is defined in the Series 2025 Indenture, all in the manner provided in the Series 2025 Indenture. The Series 2025 Indenture provides for the levy and the evidencing and certifying, of non-ad valorem assessments in the form of Series 2025 Special Assessments to secure and pay the Series 2025 Bonds.

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity in the amounts, at the times and in the manner provided below. All payments of the Redemption Price of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be made on the dates specified below. Upon any redemption of Series 2025 Bonds other than in accordance with scheduled mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts, the Issuer shall cause to be recalculated and delivered to the Trustee revised mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts recalculated so as to amortize the Outstanding principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds in substantially equal annual installments of principal and interest (subject to rounding to Authorized Denominations of principal) over the remaining term of the Series 2025 Bonds. The mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts as so recalculated shall not result in an increase in the aggregate of the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for all Series 2025 Bonds in any year. In the event of a redemption or purchase occurring less than forty-five (45) days prior to a date on which a mandatory sinking fund redemption payment is due, the foregoing recalculation shall not be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts due in the year in which such redemption or purchase occurs, but shall be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for the immediately succeeding and subsequent years.

Optional Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Issuer, in whole or in part, on any date on or after May 1, 20__ (less than all Series 2025 Bonds of

a maturity to be selected by lot), at a Redemption Price equal to the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest from the most recent Interest Payment Date through which interest has been paid to the redemption date from moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such optional redemption shall be in part, the Issuer shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be optionally redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

Extraordinary Mandatory Redemption in Whole or in Part

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption prior to maturity by the Issuer in whole or in part, on any date (other than in the case of clause (i) below, which extraordinary mandatory redemption in part must occur on a Quarterly Redemption Date), at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus interest accrued to the redemption date, as follows:

(i) from Series 2025 Prepayment Principal deposited into the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account following the payment in whole or in part of Series 2025 Special Assessments on any assessable property within Assessment Area One of the District in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.05(a) of the First Supplemental Trust Indenture, together with any excess moneys transferred by the Trustee from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount as a result of such Prepayment and pursuant to Sections 4.01(f) and 4.05(a) of the First Supplemental Trust Indenture. If such redemption shall be in part, the Issuer shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

(ii) from moneys, if any, on deposit in the Funds, Accounts and subaccounts held by the Trustee under the First Supplemental Trust Indenture (other than the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account) sufficient to pay and redeem all Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds and accrued interest thereon to the redemption date or dates in addition to all amounts owed to Persons under the Master Indenture.

(iii) upon the Completion Date, from any funds remaining on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in accordance with the provisions of the First Supplemental Trust Indenture, not otherwise reserved to complete the Assessment Area One Project and transferred to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such redemption shall be in part, the Issuer shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
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* Maturity.

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
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* Maturity.

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The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Year	Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount	Year	Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount

* Maturity.

Except as otherwise provided in the Series 2025 Indenture, if less than all of the Series 2025 Bonds subject to redemption shall be called for redemption, the particular such Series 2025 Bonds or portions of such Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by lot by the Registrar as provided in the Series 2025 Indenture.

Notice of each redemption of the Series 2025 Bonds is required to be sent by Electronic Means or mailed by the Registrar, postage prepaid, not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date to each Registered Owner of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed at the address of such Registered Owner recorded on the bond register maintained by the Registrar. The Issuer may provide that the any optional redemption of Series 2025 Bonds issued under the Series 2025 Indenture may be subject to certain conditions; provided that the notice of such conditional optional redemption must expressly state that such optional redemption is conditional and describe the conditions for such redemption. On the date designated for redemption, notice having been given and money for the payment of the Redemption Price being held by the Paying Agent, all as provided in the Series 2025 Indenture, the Series 2025 Bonds or such portions thereof so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable at the Redemption Price provided for the redemption of such Series 2025 Bonds or such portions thereof on such date, interest on such Series 2025 Bonds or such portions thereof so called for redemption shall cease to accrue, such Series 2025 Bonds or such portions thereof so called for redemption shall cease to be entitled to any benefit or security under the Series 2025 Indenture and the Registered Owners thereof shall have no rights in respect of such Series 2025 Bonds or such portions thereof so called for redemption except to receive payments of the Redemption Price thereof so held by the Paying Agent. Further notice of redemption shall be given by the Registrar to certain registered securities depositories and information services as set forth in the Series 2025 Indenture, but no defect in said further notice nor any failure to give all or any portion of such further notice shall in any manner defeat the effectiveness of a call for redemption if notice thereof is given as above prescribed.

The Registered Owner of this Bond shall have no right to enforce the provisions of the Series 2025 Indenture or to institute action to enforce the covenants therein, or to take any action

with respect to any Event of Default under the Series 2025 Indenture, or to institute, appear in or defend any suit or other proceeding with respect thereto, except as provided in the Series 2025 Indenture.

In certain events, on the conditions, in the manner and with the effect set forth in the Series 2025 Indenture, the principal of all the Series 2025 Bonds then Outstanding under the Series 2025 Indenture may become and may be declared due and payable before the stated maturity thereof, with the interest accrued thereon.

Modifications or alterations of the Series 2025 Indenture or of any Series 2025 Indenture supplemental thereto may be made only to the extent and in the circumstances permitted by the Series 2025 Indenture.

Any moneys held by the Trustee or Paying Agent in trust for the payment and discharge of any Bond which remain unclaimed for two (2) years after the date when such Bond has become due and payable, either at its stated maturity date or by call for earlier redemption shall be paid to the Issuer, thereupon and thereafter no claimant shall have any rights against the Trustee or Paying Agent to or in respect of such moneys.

If the Issuer deposits or causes to be deposited with the Trustee funds or Government Obligations (as defined in the Master Indenture) sufficient to pay the principal or Redemption Price of any Series 2025 Bond becoming due at maturity or by call for redemption in the manner set forth in the Series 2025 Indenture, together with the interest accrued to the due date, or date of redemption, as applicable, the lien of such Series 2025 Bonds as to the trust estate with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds shall be discharged, except for the rights of the Registered Owners thereof with respect to the funds so deposited as provided in the Series 2025 Indenture.

This Bond shall have all the qualities and incidents, including negotiability, of investment securities within the meaning and for all the purposes of the Uniform Commercial Code of the State.

This Bond shall initially be issued in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for DTC, and so long as this Bond is held in book-entry-only form Cede & Co. shall be considered the Registered Owner for all purposes hereof, including the payment of the principal of and interest on this Bond. Payment to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of DTC. Payments by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to individual Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct Participants and Indirect Participants and not of DTC, the Issuer or the Trustee.

The Issuer shall keep books for the registration of the Series 2025 Bonds at the designated corporate trust office of the Registrar in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Subject to the restrictions contained in the Series 2025 Indenture, and except when the Series 2025 Bonds are registered in book-entry-only form, the Series 2025 Bonds may be transferred or exchanged by the Registered Owner thereof in person or by his attorney duly authorized in writing only upon the books of the Issuer kept by the Registrar and only upon surrender thereof together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by the Registered Owner or his duly authorized attorney. In all cases in which the privilege of transferring or exchanging Series 2025 Bonds is

exercised, the Issuer shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Series 2025 Bonds in authorized form and in like aggregate principal amount in accordance with the provisions of the Series 2025 Indenture. Every Bond presented or surrendered for transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Trustee, Paying Agent or the Registrar, duly executed by the Bondholder or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Transfers and exchanges shall be made without charge to the Bondholder, except that the Issuer or the Trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Series 2025 Bonds. Neither the Issuer nor the Registrar on behalf of the Issuer shall be required (i) to issue, transfer or exchange any Series 2025 Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business fifteen (15) days before the day of mailing of a notice of redemption of Series 2025 Bonds selected for redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (ii) to transfer or exchange any Series 2025 Bond so selected for redemption in whole or in part.

The Issuer, the Trustee, the Paying Agent and the Registrar shall deem and treat the person in whose name any Bond shall be registered upon the books kept by the Registrar as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not such Bond shall be overdue, and notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing thereon made by anyone other than the Issuer, the Trustee, any Paying Agent, the Registrar or the Authenticating Agent) for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond as the same becomes due, and for all other purposes. All such payments so made to any such Registered Owner or upon his order shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, and neither the Issuer, the Trustee, the Paying Agent, nor the Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, to happen, and to be performed, precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond exist, have happened and have been performed in regular and due form and time as required by the laws and Constitution of the State of Florida applicable thereto, including particularly the Act, and that the issuance of this Bond, and of the issue of the Series 2025 Bonds of which this Bond is one, is in full compliance with all constitutional and statutory limitations or provisions.

This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any benefit or security under the Series 2025 Indenture until it shall have been authenticated by execution of the Trustee, or such other authenticating agent as may be appointed by the Trustee under the Series 2025 Indenture, of the certificate of authentication endorsed hereon.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Benton Hills Community Development District has caused this Bond to be signed by the facsimile signature of the Chairperson of its Board of Supervisors and a facsimile of its seal to be imprinted hereon, and attested by the facsimile signature of the Secretary of its Board of Supervisors, all as of the date hereof.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

(SEAL)

Attest:

By: _____
Secretary, Board of Supervisors

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Series 2025 Bonds delivered pursuant to the within mentioned Series 2025 Indenture.

Date of Authentication: _____

**U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Trustee**

By: _____
Authorized Signatory

STATEMENT OF VALIDATION

This Bond is one of a series of Bonds which were validated by judgment of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Hernando County, Florida, rendered on the 18th day of October, 2022.

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

By: _____
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

(SEAL)

Attest:

By: _____
Secretary, Board of Supervisors

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of the within Bond, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM	-	as tenants in common
TEN ENT	-	as tenants by the entireties
JT TEN	-	as joint tenants with rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common

UNIFORM TRANSFER MIN ACT - _____ Custodian _____
(Cust) (Minor)

Under Uniform Transfer to Minors Act _____
(State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto

(please print or typewrite name and address of assignee)

the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints

Attorney to transfer the within Bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Signature Guarantee:

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange or a commercial bank or trust company

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name of the Registered Owner as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

Please insert social security or other identifying number of assignee.

EXHIBIT C

FORMS OF REQUISITIONS

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025
(ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)**

(Acquisition and Construction)

The undersigned, a Responsible Officer of the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") hereby submits the following requisition for disbursement under and pursuant to the terms of the Master Trust Indenture by and between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), dated as of [_____] 1, 2025, as supplemented by that certain First Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025, (collectively, the "Series 2025 Indenture") (all capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Series 2025 Indenture):

- (A) Requisition Number:
- (B) Identify Acquisition Agreement, if applicable;
- (C) Name of payee pursuant to Acquisition Agreement:
- (D) Amount Payable:
- (E) Purpose for which paid or incurred (refer also to specific contract if amount is due and payable pursuant to a contract involving progress payments):
- (F) Fund or Account and subaccount, if any, from which disbursement to be made:

Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund.

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

- 1. obligations in the stated amount set forth above have been incurred by the District,
- 2. each disbursement set forth above is a proper charge against the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund; and
- 3. each disbursement set forth above was incurred in connection with the Costs of the Assessment Area One Project.

The undersigned hereby further certifies that there has not been filed with or served upon the District notice of any lien, right to lien, or attachment upon, or claim affecting the right to

receive payment of, any of the moneys payable to the payee set forth above, which has not been released or will not be released simultaneously with the payment hereof.

The undersigned hereby further certifies that such requisition contains no item representing payment on account of any retained percentage which the District is at the date of such certificate entitled to retain.

Attached hereto or on file with the District are copies of the invoice(s) or applicable contracts from the vendor of the property acquired or the services rendered, as well as applicable conveyance instruments (e.g. deed(s), bill(s) of sale, easement(s), etc.) with respect to which disbursement is hereby requested.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Responsible Officer

Date: _____

**CONSULTING ENGINEER'S APPROVAL FOR
NON-COST OF ISSUANCE OR [NON-OPERATING COSTS REQUESTS ONLY]**

The undersigned Consulting Engineer hereby certifies that this disbursement is for a Cost of the Assessment Area One Project and is consistent with: (i) the applicable acquisition or construction contract; (ii) the plans and specifications for the portion of the Assessment Area One Project with respect to which such disbursement is being made; and (iii) the report of the Consulting Engineer, as such report shall have been amended or modified on the date hereof. The Consulting Engineer further certifies and agrees that for any acquisition (a) the portion of the Assessment Area One Project that is the subject of this requisition is complete, and (b) the purchase price to be paid by the District for the portion of the Assessment Area One Project to be acquired with this disbursement is no more than the lesser of (i) the fair market value of such improvements and (ii) the actual cost of construction of such improvements.

Consulting Engineer

Date: _____

FORMS OF REQUISITIONS

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA) SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025 (ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)

(Costs of Issuance)

The undersigned, a Responsible Officer of the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") hereby submits the following requisition for disbursement under and pursuant to the terms of the Master Trust Indenture by and between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), dated as of [_____] 1, 2025, as supplemented by that certain First Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (collectively, the "Series 2025 Indenture") (all capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Series 2025 Indenture):

- (A) Requisition Number:
- (B) Amount Payable:
- (C) Purpose for which paid or incurred: Costs of Issuance
- (D) Fund or Account and subaccount, if any, from which disbursement to be made:

Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

1. this requisition is for Costs of Issuance payable from the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account that have not previously been paid;
2. each disbursement set forth above is a proper charge against the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account;
3. each disbursement set forth above was incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds; and
4. each disbursement represents a cost of issuance which has not previously been paid.

The undersigned hereby further certifies that there has not been filed with or served upon the District notice of any lien, right to lien, or attachment upon, or claim affecting the right to receive payment of, any of the moneys payable to the payee set forth above, which has not been released or will not be released simultaneously with the payment hereof.

The undersigned hereby further certifies that such requisition contains no item representing payment on account of any retained percentage which the District is at the date of such certificate entitled to retain.

Attached hereto or on file with the District are copies of the invoice(s) from the vendor of the services rendered, with respect to which disbursement is hereby requested.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Responsible Officer

Date: _____

EXHIBIT D
FORM OF INVESTOR LETTER

[Date]

Benton Hills Community Development District
c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC
2300 Glades Rd., Ste. # 410W
Boca Raton, FL 33431

FMSbonds, Inc.
20660 W. Dixie Highway
North Miami Beach, FL 33180

Re: \$_____ Benton Hills Community Development District (Hernando County,
Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned is authorized to sign this letter [on behalf of Name of Non-Individual Investor], as the beneficial owner (the "Investor") of \$_____ of the above-referenced Bonds [state maturing on _____, bearing interest at the rate of ____% per annum and CUSIP #] (herein, the "Investor Bonds").

In connection with the purchase of the Investor Bonds by the Investor, the Investor hereby makes the following representations upon which you may rely:

1. The Investor has authority to purchase the Investor Bonds and to execute this letter, any other instruments and documents required to be executed by the Investor in connection with the purchase of the Investor Bonds.

2. The Investor meets the criteria of an "accredited investor" as described in one or more of the categories derived from Rule 501(a) under Regulation D of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") summarized below, and therefore, has sufficient knowledge and experience in financial and business matters, including purchase and ownership of municipal and other tax-exempt obligations including those which are not rated or credit-enhanced, to be able to evaluate the risks and merits of the investment represented by the Bonds. Please check the appropriate box below to indicate the type of accredited investor:

☐ a bank, registered broker, dealer or investment adviser (or investment adviser, exempt from registration under Section 203(l) or (m) within the meaning of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940), insurance company, registered investment company, business development company, small business investment company; or rural business investment company;

☐ an employee benefit plan, within the meaning of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, if a bank, insurance company, or registered investment

adviser makes the investment decisions, or if the employee benefit plan has total assets in excess of \$5 million;

☐ an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, corporation, Massachusetts or similar business trust, partnership or limited liability company, not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Investor Bonds with assets exceeding \$5 million;

☐ a business in which all the equity owners are "accredited investors;"

☐ a natural person who has individual net worth, or joint net worth with the person's spouse, or spousal equivalent, that exceeds \$1 million at the time of the purchase, excluding the value of the primary residence of such person except that mortgage indebtedness on the primary residence shall not be included as a liability;

☐ a natural person with income exceeding \$200,000 in each of the two most recent years or joint income with a spouse or spousal equivalent exceeding \$300,000 for those years and a reasonable expectation of the same income level in the current year;

☐ a trust with total assets in excess of \$5,000,000, not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Investor Bonds whose purchase is directed by a sophisticated person;

☐ an entity, of a type other than those set forth above, that owns investments in excess of \$5,000,000 and that was not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Investor Bonds;

☐ a natural person holding in good standing one or more professional certifications or designations or credentials from a designated accredited educational institution qualifying an individual for "accredited investor" status;

☐ a "family office" with at least \$5,000,000 in assets under management, that was not formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Investor Bonds, and whose prospective investment is directed by a person capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment; or

☐ a "family client" of a family office described in the prior bullet point whose prospective investment is directed by that family office.

3. The Investor has been supplied with an (electronic) copy of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum dated [____], 2025 of the Issuer and relating to the Bonds (the "Offering Document") and has reviewed the Offering Document and represents that such Offering Document has provided full and meaningful disclosure in order to make an informed decision to invest in the Investor Bonds.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings given to such terms in the Indenture.

Very truly yours,

[Name], [Type of Entity]

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Or

[Name], an Individual

EXHIBIT B

FORM OF BOND PURCHASE CONTRACT

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)**

**\$[_____]
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025
(ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)**

BOND PURCHASE CONTRACT

[_____, 2025

Board of Supervisors
Benton Hills Community Development District
Hernando County, Florida

Dear Board of Supervisors:

FMSbonds, Inc. (the "Underwriter") offers to enter into this Bond Purchase Contract (the "Purchase Contract") with Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District"). The District is located entirely within Hernando County, Florida (the "County"). This offer of the Underwriter shall, unless accepted by the District, acting through its Board of Supervisors (the "Board"), expire at 4:00 P.M. prevailing time within the jurisdiction of the District on the date hereof, unless previously withdrawn or extended in writing by the Underwriter. This Purchase Contract shall be binding upon the District and the Underwriter upon execution and delivery. Any capitalized word not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum (as hereinafter defined). In conformance with Section 218.385, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Underwriter hereby delivers to the District the Disclosure and Truth-In-Bonding Statements attached hereto as Exhibit A.

1. Purchase and Sale. Upon the terms and conditions and upon the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein, the Underwriter hereby agrees to purchase from the District and the District hereby agrees to sell and deliver to the Underwriter, all (but not less than all) of its \$[_____] aggregate principal amount of Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Bonds"). The Bonds shall be dated their date of delivery and shall mature on the dates, shall bear interest at the rates, and shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, all as provided in Exhibit B attached hereto. The purchase price for the Series 2025 Bonds shall be \$[_____] (representing the \$[_____] aggregate principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds, [plus/less net original issue premium/discount of \$[_____] and] less an underwriter's discount of \$[_____]). The payment for and delivery of the Bonds and the other actions contemplated hereby to take place at the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined) being hereinafter referred to as the "Closing."

2. The Bonds. The Bonds are to be issued by the District, a local unit of special-purpose government of the State of Florida (the "State"), created pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended, any successor statute thereto, the Florida Constitution, and other applicable provisions of law (the

"Act"), and by Ordinance No. 2022-11, duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County on April 26, 2022 (the "Ordinance"). The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act and secured pursuant to the provisions of a Master Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (the "Master Indenture"), as supplemented by a First Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (the "First Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Master Indenture, the "Indenture"), each by and between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and Resolution No. 2022-26 and Resolution No. 2025-[_____] adopted by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the District on June 30, 2022 and [January 21], 2025, respectively (collectively, the "Bond Resolution"). The Series 2025 Special Assessments, the revenues from which constitute the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues, have been, or will be prior to the time of Closing, levied by the District on the lands within the District specially benefited by the Assessment Area One Project pursuant to the Assessment Resolutions (as such terms are defined in the Indenture).

3. Limited Offering; Establishment of Issue Price. It shall be a condition to the District's obligation to sell and to deliver the Bonds to the Underwriter, and to the Underwriter's obligation to purchase, accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds, that the entire principal amount of the Bonds be issued, sold and delivered by the District and purchased, accepted and paid for by the Underwriter at the Closing and that the District and the Underwriter receive the opinions, documents and certificates described in Section 8(c) hereof.

(a) The Underwriter agrees to assist the District in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the District at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, in a form reasonably satisfactory to Bond Counsel, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the Underwriter, the District and Bond Counsel, to accurately reflect, as applicable, the sales price or prices or the initial offering price or prices to the public of the Bonds.

(b) Except as otherwise indicated in Exhibit B, the District will treat the first price at which 10% of each maturity of the Bonds (the "10% test") is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity. At or promptly after the execution of this Purchase Contract, the Underwriter shall report to the District the price or prices at which the Underwriter has sold to the public each maturity of Bonds. If at that time the 10% test has not been satisfied as to any maturity, the Underwriter agrees to promptly report to the District the prices at which the Bonds of that maturity have been sold by the Underwriter to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or until all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public provided that, the Underwriter's reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Issuer or bond counsel. For purposes of this Section, if Bonds mature on the same date but have different interest rates, each separate CUSIP number within that maturity will be treated as a separate maturity of the Bonds.

(c) The Underwriter confirms that it has offered the Bonds to accredited investors constituting the public on or before the date of this Purchase Contract at the offering price or prices (the "initial offering price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields,

set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto, except as otherwise set forth therein. Exhibit B also sets forth, as of the date of this Purchase Contract, the maturities of the Bonds for which the 10% test has not been satisfied and for which the District and the Underwriter agree that the restrictions set forth in the next sentence shall apply, which will allow the District to treat the initial offering price to the public of each such maturity as of the sale date as the issue price of that maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"). So long as the hold-the-offering-price rule remains applicable to any maturity of the Bonds, the Underwriter will neither offer nor sell unsold Bonds of that maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:

(1) the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or

(2) the date on which the Underwriter has sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The Underwriter will advise the District promptly after the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date whether it has sold 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

(d) The Underwriter confirms that:

(i) any selling group agreement and any third-party distribution agreement relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each dealer who is a member of the selling group and each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement, as applicable:

(A) (i) to report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Bonds of that maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the Underwriter that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity, provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Underwriter, and (ii) to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the Underwriter,

(B) to promptly notify the Underwriter of any sales of Bonds that, to its knowledge, are made to a purchaser who is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (each such term being used as defined below), and

(C) to acknowledge that, unless otherwise advised by the dealer or broker-dealer, the Underwriter shall assume that each order submitted by the dealer or broker-dealer is a sale to the public.

(ii) any selling group agreement relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Bonds of that maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the Underwriter or the dealer that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity, provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Underwriter or the dealer, and (B) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the Underwriter or the dealer and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

(e) The District acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth in this section, the Underwriter will rely on (i) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (ii) in the event that a third-party distribution agreement was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in the third-party distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The District further acknowledges that the Underwriter shall not be liable for the failure of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement, to comply with its corresponding agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds.

(f) The Underwriter acknowledges that sales of any Bond to any person that is a related party to an Underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (each such term being used as defined below) shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this section. Further, for purposes of this section:

(i) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,

(ii) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the District (or with the Underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public

(including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public),

(iii) a purchaser of any of the Bonds is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (A) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and

(iv) "sale date" means the date of execution of this Purchase Contract by all parties.

4. Use of Documents. Prior to the date hereof, the District has caused to be prepared and provided to the Underwriter the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, dated [____], 2025 (the "Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum"), of the District, relating to the Bonds that the District has deemed final as of its date, except for certain permitted omissions (the "Permitted Omissions"), as contemplated by Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") in connection with the limited offering of the Bonds. The Underwriter has reviewed the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum prior to the execution of this Purchase Contract. The District has, prior to the date hereof, authorized the use of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum by the Underwriter. The District shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, at its expense, to the Underwriter within seven (7) business days after the date hereof but not later than the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined) and in sufficient time to accompany any confirmation that requests payment from any customer such number of copies of the final Limited Offering Memorandum (the "Limited Offering Memorandum" and, together with the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, the "Limited Offering Memoranda") as the Underwriter shall reasonably request to comply with the requirements of the Rule and all applicable rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"). The Underwriter agrees to file the Limited Offering Memorandum with the MSRB not later than two (2) business days after the Closing Date. The Underwriter agrees that it will not confirm the sale of any Bonds unless a final written confirmation of sale is accompanied or preceded by the delivery of a copy of the Limited Offering Memorandum. The District hereby approves the circulation and use by the Underwriter of the Limited Offering Memoranda with respect to the Bonds.

5. Definitions. For purposes hereof, (a) this Purchase Contract, the Bonds, the Indenture, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement to be dated as of the Closing Date, by and among the District, by Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "Developer"), and Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, as dissemination agent (the "Dissemination Agent"), the Trustee and the District Manager in substantially the form attached to the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum as APPENDIX F thereto (the "Disclosure Agreement") and the DTC Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations entered into by the District are referred to herein

collectively as the "Financing Documents" and (b) [the Completion Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date, Acquisition Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated [____], 2025, the Collateral Assignment Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date in recordable form, the True-Up Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date in recordable form, and the Declaration of Consent to Jurisdiction of the Benton Hills Community Development District, Imposition of Special Assessments and Imposition of Lien of Record (Assessment Area One) by Developer dated as of [____, 202_] in recordable form are collectively referred to herein as the "Ancillary Agreements."]

6. Representations, Warranties and Agreements. The District hereby represents, warrants and agrees as follows:

(a) The Board is the governing body of the District, and the District is and will be on the Closing Date duly organized and validly existing as a unit of special-purpose government created pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State, including, without limitation, the Act;

(b) The District has full legal right, power and authority to: (i) adopt the Bond Resolution and the Assessment Resolutions; (ii) enter into the Financing Documents and Ancillary Agreements; (iii) sell, issue and deliver the Bonds to the Underwriter as provided herein; (iv) apply the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds for the purposes described in the Limited Offering Memoranda; (v) authorize and acknowledge the use of the Limited Offering Memoranda and authorize the execution of the Limited Offering Memorandum; and (vi) carry out and consummate the transactions contemplated by the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements, and the Limited Offering Memoranda. The District has complied, and on the Closing Date will be in compliance in all material respects, with the terms of the Act and with the obligations on its part contained in the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements and the Bonds;

(c) At meetings of the Board that were duly called and noticed and at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, the Board duly adopted the Bond Resolution and the Assessment Resolutions, and the same are in full force and effect and have not been supplemented, amended, modified or repealed, except as set forth therein. By all necessary official Board action, the District has duly authorized and approved the use and delivery of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum and the execution and delivery of the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements, the Bonds and the Limited Offering Memorandum, has duly authorized and approved the performance by the District of the obligations on its part contained in the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements and the Bonds and the consummation by it of all other transactions contemplated by this Purchase Contract and the Limited Offering Memoranda in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Upon execution and delivery by the District and the Trustee (and assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of the Indenture by the Trustee), the Indenture will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of the District, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, and similar laws affecting creditors' rights and subject, as to enforceability, to general principles of

equity (regardless of whether enforcement is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law). Upon execution by the District and the other parties thereto (and assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of such agreements by the other parties thereto) the Financing Documents and the Ancillary Agreements will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligations of the District, enforceable in accordance with their respective terms; subject only to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights and subject, as to enforceability, to general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law);

(d) Except as may be expressly disclosed in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, the District is not in material breach of or material default under any applicable provision of the Act or any applicable constitutional provision or statute or, to the best of its knowledge, administrative regulation of the State or the United States of America or any applicable judgment or decree, or any loan agreement, indenture, bond, note, resolution, agreement, or other material instrument to which the District is a party or to which the District or any of its property or assets is otherwise subject, and to the best of its knowledge, no event has occurred and is continuing which with the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a material default or material event of default under any such instrument; and the execution and delivery of the Bonds, the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements and the Limited Offering Memorandum, the approval of the delivery of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, and the adoption of the Bond Resolution and the Assessment Resolutions, and compliance with the provisions on the District's part contained therein, will not conflict with or constitute a material breach of or material default under any applicable constitutional provision, or law, or, to the best of its knowledge, any administrative regulation, judgment, decree, loan agreement, indenture, bond, note, resolution, agreement, or other instrument to which the District is a party or to which the District or any of its property or assets is otherwise subject, nor will any such execution, delivery, adoption, or compliance result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge, or other security interest or encumbrance of any nature whatsoever upon any of the property or assets of the District or under the terms of any such law, regulation or instrument, except as provided by the Assessment Resolutions, the Bonds and the Indenture. To the best of its knowledge, no event has occurred which, with the lapse of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute an event of default (as therein defined) under the Bonds, the Financing Documents or the Ancillary Agreements;

(e) All authorizations, approvals, licenses, permits, consents and orders of any governmental authority, legislative body, board, agency or commission having jurisdiction of the matters which are required for the due authorization by, or which would constitute a condition precedent to, or the absence of which would materially adversely affect, the due performance by the District of its obligations, to issue the Bonds, or under the Bonds, the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, Financing Documents or the Ancillary Agreements have been duly obtained, except for such approvals, consents and orders as may be required under the Blue Sky or securities laws of any state in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds;

(f) The descriptions of the Bonds, the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements and the Assessment Area One Project to the extent referred to in the Limited

Offering Memoranda, conform in all material respects to the Bonds, the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Agreements and the Assessment Area One Project, respectively;

(g) The Bonds, when issued, executed and delivered in accordance with the Indenture and when sold to the Underwriter as provided herein, will be validly issued and outstanding obligations of the District, entitled to the benefits of the Indenture and upon such issuance, execution and delivery of the Bonds, the Indenture will provide, for the benefit of the holders from time to time of the Bonds, a legally valid and binding pledge of and first lien on the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues. On the Closing Date, all conditions precedent to the issuance of the Bonds set forth in the Indenture will have been complied with or fulfilled;

(h) As of the date hereof, there is no claim, action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, government agency, public board or body, pending or, to its best knowledge, threatened against the District: (i) contesting the corporate existence or powers of the Board or the titles of the respective officers of the Board to their respective offices; (ii) affecting or seeking to prohibit, restrain or enjoin the sale, issuance or delivery of the Bonds or the application of the proceeds of the sale thereof for the purposes described in the Limited Offering Memoranda or the collection of the Series 2025 Special Assessments or the pledge of and lien on the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues, pursuant to the Indenture; (iii) contesting or affecting specifically as to the District the validity or enforceability of the Act or any action of the District in any respect relating to the authorization for the issuance of the Bonds, or the authorization of the Assessment Area One Project, the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, the Financing Documents and Ancillary Agreements to which the District is a party, or the application of the proceeds of the Bonds for the purposes set forth in the Limited Offering Memoranda; (iv) contesting the federal tax status of the Bonds; or (v) contesting the completeness or accuracy of the Limited Offering Memoranda or any supplement or amendment thereto;

(i) To the extent applicable, the District will furnish such information, execute such instruments and take such other action in cooperation with the Underwriter as the Underwriter may reasonably request in order to: (i) qualify the Bonds for offer and sale under the Blue Sky or other securities laws and regulations of such states and other jurisdictions of the United States as the Underwriter may designate; and (ii) determine the eligibility of the Bonds for investment under the laws of such states and other jurisdictions, and the District will use its best efforts to continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for the initial limited offering and distribution of the Bonds; provided, however, that the District shall not be required to execute a general or special consent to service of process or to qualify to do business in connection with any such qualification or determination in any jurisdiction or register as a broker/dealer;

(j) As of its date (unless an event occurs of the nature described in paragraph (1) of this Section 6) and at all times subsequent thereto, up to and including the Closing Date, the statements and information contained in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum (other than Permitted Omissions) and in the Limited Offering Memorandum are and will be accurate in all material respects for the purposes for which their use is

authorized and do not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that no representation is made concerning information contained in the Limited Offering Memoranda under the captions "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Book-Entry Only System," "THE DEVELOPMENT," "THE DEVELOPER," "TAX MATTERS," "SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT," "LITIGATION – The Developer" and "UNDERWRITING";

(k) If the Limited Offering Memorandum is supplemented or amended pursuant to subsection (1) of this Section 6, at the time of each supplement or amendment thereto and (unless subsequently again supplemented or amended pursuant to such paragraph) at all times subsequent thereto up to and including the Closing Date, the Limited Offering Memorandum as so supplemented or amended will be accurate in all material respects for the purposes for which their use is authorized and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that no representation is made concerning information contained in the Limited Offering Memoranda under the captions "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Book-Entry Only System," "THE DEVELOPMENT," "THE DEVELOPER," "TAX MATTERS," "SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT," "LITIGATION – The Developer" and "UNDERWRITING";

(l) If between the date of this Purchase Contract and the earlier of (i) the date that is ninety (90) days from the end of the "Underwriting Period" as defined in the Rule, or (ii) the time when the Limited Offering Memorandum is available to any person from the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access system (but in no event less than twenty-five (25) days following the end of the Underwriting Period), any event shall occur, of which the District has actual knowledge, which might or would cause the Limited Offering Memorandum, as then supplemented or amended, to contain any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, the District shall notify the Underwriter thereof, and, if in the opinion of the Underwriter such event requires the preparation and publication of a supplement or amendment to the Limited Offering Memorandum, the District will at its expense (unless such supplement or amendment is the direct result of information provided by the Developer or Underwriter, then at the expense of said relevant person) supplement or amend the Limited Offering Memorandum in a form and in a manner approved by the Underwriter. The end of the Underwriting Period shall be the next business day after the Closing Date;

(m) Since its inception, there has been no material adverse change in the properties, businesses, results of operations, prospects, management or financial or other condition of the District, except as disclosed in the Limited Offering Memoranda, and the District has not incurred liabilities that would materially adversely affect its ability to discharge its obligations under the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, either Series of the Bonds, the Financing Documents or the Ancillary Agreements, direct or contingent, other than as set forth in or contemplated by the Limited Offering Memoranda;

(n) The District has not and is not now in default in the payment of the principal of or the interest on any governmental security issued or guaranteed by it after December 31, 1975 which would require the disclosure pursuant to Section 517.051, Florida Statutes or Rule 69W-400.003 of the Florida Department of Financial Services;

(o) Except as may be disclosed in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, the District has never failed to comply with any continuing disclosure obligations undertaken by the District in accordance with the continuing disclosure requirements of the Rule;

(p) Any certificate signed by any official of the District and delivered to the Underwriter will be deemed to be a representation by the District to the Underwriter as to the statements made therein; and

(q) From the date of this Purchase Contract through the Closing Date, the District will not issue any bonds (other than the Bonds), notes or other obligations payable from the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues.

7. Closing. At 10:00 a.m. prevailing time on [____], 2025 (the "Closing Date") or at such later time as may be mutually agreed upon by the District and the Underwriter, the District will, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, deliver to the Underwriter, the Bonds in definitive book-entry only form, duly executed and authenticated, together with the other documents hereinafter mentioned, and, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Underwriter will accept such delivery and pay the purchase price of the Bonds as set forth in Section 1 hereof, in federal or other immediately available funds to the order of the District. Delivery of the Bonds as aforesaid shall be made pursuant to the FAST system of delivery of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, or at such other place as may be mutually agreed upon by the District and the Underwriter. The Bonds shall be typewritten, shall be prepared and delivered as fully registered bonds in book-entry only form, with one bond for each maturity, registered in the name of Cede & Co. and shall be made available to the Underwriter at least one (1) business day before the Closing Date for purposes of inspection and packaging, unless otherwise agreed by the District and the Underwriter.

8. Closing Conditions. The Underwriter has entered into this Purchase Contract in reliance upon the representations, warranties and agreements of the District contained herein, and in reliance upon the representations, warranties and agreements to be contained in the documents and instruments to be delivered on the Closing Date and upon the performance by the District of its obligations hereunder, both as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date. Accordingly, the Underwriter's obligations under this Purchase Contract to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds are conditioned upon the performance by the District of its obligations to be performed hereunder and under such documents and instruments at or prior to the Closing Date, and are also subject to the following additional conditions:

(a) The representations and warranties of the District contained herein shall be true, complete and correct, on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date, as if made on the Closing Date;

(b) At the time of the Closing, the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, the Bonds, the Financing Documents and the Ancillary Agreements shall each be in full force and effect in accordance with their respective terms and the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolutions, the Indenture and the Limited Offering Memoranda shall not have been supplemented, amended, modified or repealed, except in any such case as may have been agreed to by the Underwriter;

(c) At or prior to the Closing Date, the Underwriter and the District shall have received each of the following:

(1) The Limited Offering Memorandum and each supplement or amendment, if any, thereto, executed on behalf of the District by the Chairperson of the Board or such other authorized member of the Board;

(2) A copy of each of the Bond Resolution and the Assessment Resolutions certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Board under seal as having been duly adopted by the Board of the District and as being in full force and effect;

(3) Executed copies of each of the Financing Documents and Ancillary Agreements in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's counsel;

(4) The opinion, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the District, of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Bond Counsel, in the form included in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum as APPENDIX C or otherwise in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel, together with a letter of such counsel, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the Underwriter and the Trustee, to the effect that the foregoing opinion addressed to the District may be relied upon by the Underwriter and the Trustee to the same extent as if such opinion were addressed to them;

(5) The supplemental opinion, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the Underwriter, of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Bond Counsel, in the form annexed as Exhibit C hereto or otherwise in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(6) The opinion, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the District, the Underwriter and the Trustee of Kutak Rock LLP, counsel to the District, in the form annexed as Exhibit D hereto or in form and substance otherwise acceptable to the Underwriter and its counsel;

(7) An opinion, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the Underwriter, Underwriter's Counsel, the District and Bond Counsel, of counsel to the Trustee, in form and substance acceptable to Bond Counsel, Underwriter, Underwriter's Counsel, and the District;

(8) A customary authorization and incumbency certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, signed by authorized officers of the Trustee in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(9) The opinion, dated as of the Closing Date and addressed to the District, the Trustee and the Underwriter, of Williams, Parker, Harrison, Dietz & Getzen, PLLC, counsel to the Developer, in the form annexed as Exhibit E hereto or in form and substance otherwise acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's counsel;

(10) Certificate of the Developer dated as of the Closing Date, in the forms annexed as Exhibit F hereto or otherwise in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(11) A copy of the Ordinance;

(12) A certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, signed by the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson and the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Board, setting forth that: (i) each of the representations of the District contained herein was true and accurate in all material respects on the date when made, has been true and accurate in all material respects at all times since, and continues to be true and accurate in all material respects on the Closing Date as if made on such date; (ii) the District has performed all obligations to be performed hereunder as of the Closing Date; (iii) except as may be disclosed in the Limited Offering Memorandum, the District has never been in default as to principal or interest with respect to any obligation issued or guaranteed by the District; (iv) the District agrees to take all reasonable action necessary to use the Uniform Method as the means of collecting the Series 2025 Special Assessments as described in the Indenture; and (v) the Limited Offering Memoranda (other than the information under the captions "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Book-Entry Only System," "THE DEVELOPMENT," "THE DEVELOPER," "TAX MATTERS," "SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT," "LITIGATION – The Developer" and "UNDERWRITING," as to which no view need be expressed) as of their respective dates, and as of the date hereof, do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact which should be included therein for the purposes for which the Limited Offering Memoranda are to be used, or which is necessary in order to make the statements contained therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;

(13) A customary signature and no litigation certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, signed on behalf of the District by the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson and Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Board in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(14) Evidence of compliance by the District with the requirements of Section 189.051, Florida Statutes;

(15) Executed copies of the District's certification as to arbitrage and other matters relative to the tax status of the Bonds under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

(16) Executed copy of Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G relating to the Bonds;

(17) A certificate of the District's consulting engineer, dated as of the Closing Date, in the form annexed as Exhibit G hereto or otherwise in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(18) A certificate of the District manager and methodology consultant in the form annexed as Exhibit H hereto or otherwise in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(19) A certificate of the District whereby the District deemed the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum final for purposes of the Rule as of the date of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum except for the Permitted Omissions;

(20) To the extent required under the Indenture, an investor letter from each initial beneficial owner of the Bonds in the form attached to the Indenture;

(21) Such additional documents as may be required by the Indenture to be delivered as a condition precedent to the issuance of either Series of the Bonds;

(22) Evidence of compliance by the District with the requirements of Section 215.84, Florida Statutes;

(23) A certified copy of the final judgment of the Circuit Court in and for Hernando County Florida validating the Bonds and appropriate certificate of no-appeal;

(24) A copy of the for Master Special Assessment Methodology Report dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the final Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report dated the date hereof, as the same may be amended and supplemented from time to time, relating to the Bonds;

(25) A copy of the Master Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated June 30, 2022 (the "Master Report"), as supplemented by a report entitled Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025 (the "Supplemental Report" and, together with the Master Report, the "Engineer's Report");

(26) Acknowledgments in recordable form by all mortgage holders, if any, on lands within the District as to the superior lien of the Series 2025 Special

Assessments, in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(27) Declarations of Consent to Jurisdiction of the District, Imposition of Special Assessments and Imposition of Lien of Record by the Developer and any other landowners with respect to all real property which is subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments, in recordable form and otherwise in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter and Underwriter's Counsel;

(28) Evidence acceptable to the Underwriter in its sole discretion that the District has engaged a dissemination agent acceptable to the Underwriter (the "Dissemination Agent") for the Bonds;

(29) A certificate of the Dissemination Agent (i) acknowledging its agreement to serve as the initial Dissemination Agent for the District and undertake the obligations of the Dissemination Agent as set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Agreements (ii) representing that the Dissemination Agent is aware of the continuing disclosure requirements set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Agreements and the Rule and that it has policies and procedures in place to ensure its compliance with its obligations under the Disclosure Agreements, and (iii) covenanting to comply with its obligations under the Disclosure Agreements; and

(30) Such additional legal opinions, certificates, instruments and other documents as, the Underwriter, Underwriter's Counsel or Bond Counsel may reasonably request to evidence the truth and accuracy, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, of the District's representations and warranties contained herein and of the statements and information contained in the Limited Offering Memoranda and the due performance or satisfaction by the District and the Developer on or prior to the Closing of all the agreements then to be performed and conditions then to be satisfied by each.

If the District shall be unable to satisfy the conditions to the obligations of the Underwriter to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds contained in this Purchase Contract (unless waived by the Underwriter in its sole discretion), or if the obligations of the Underwriter to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds shall be terminated for any reason permitted by this Purchase Contract, this Purchase Contract shall terminate and neither the Underwriter nor the District shall be under any further obligation hereunder, except that the respective obligations of the District and the Underwriter set forth in Section 10 hereof shall continue in full force and effect.

9. Termination. The Underwriter shall have the right to terminate its obligations under this Purchase Contract to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds by notifying the District in writing of its election to do so if, after the execution hereof and prior to the Closing: (i) legislation shall have been introduced in or enacted by the Congress of the United States or enacted by the State, or legislation pending in the Congress of the United States shall have been amended, or legislation shall have been recommended to the Congress of the United States or otherwise endorsed for passage (by press release, other form of notice or otherwise) by

the President of the United States, the Treasury Department of the United States, the Internal Revenue Service or the Chairperson or ranking minority member of the Committee on Finance of the United States Senate or the Committee on Ways and Means of the United States House of Representatives, or legislation shall have been proposed for consideration by either such committee, by any member thereof, or legislation shall have been favorably reported for passage to either House of Congress of the United States by a committee of such House to which such legislation has been referred for consideration, or a decision shall have been rendered by a court of the United States or the State, including the Tax Court of the United States, or a ruling shall have been made or a regulation shall have been proposed or made or a press release or other form of notice shall have been issued by the Treasury Department of the United States, or the Internal Revenue Service or other federal or State authority, with respect to federal or State taxation upon revenues or other income of the general character to be derived by the District or by any similar body, or upon interest on obligations of the general character of the Bonds, which may have the purpose or effect, directly or indirectly, of materially and adversely affecting the tax exempt status of the District, its property or income, its securities (including either Series of the Bonds) or the interest thereon, or any tax exemption granted or authorized by the State or, which in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, affects materially and adversely the market for either Series of the Bonds, or the market price generally of obligations of the general character of the Bonds; (ii) the District or the Developer have, without the prior written consent of the Underwriter, offered or issued any bonds, notes or other obligations for borrowed money, or incurred any material liabilities, direct or contingent, or there has been an adverse change of a material nature in the financial position, results of operations or condition, financial or otherwise, of the District or the Developer, other than in the ordinary course of their respective business; (iii) any event shall have occurred or shall exist which, in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, would or might cause the information contained in the Limited Offering Memorandum, as then supplemented or amended, to contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or (iv) the District fails to adopt the Assessment Resolutions or fails to perform any action to be performed by it in connection with the levy of either Series of the Series 2025 Special Assessments.

10. Expenses.

(a) The District agrees to pay, and the Underwriter shall not be obligated to pay, any expenses incident to the performance of the District's obligations hereunder, including, but not limited to: (i) the cost of the preparation and distribution of the Indenture; (ii) the cost of the preparation and printing, if applicable, of the Limited Offering Memoranda and any supplements thereto, together with a reasonable number of copies which the Underwriter may request; (iii) the cost of registering the Bonds in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, which will act as securities depository for such Bonds; (iv) the fees and disbursements of counsel to the District, the District Manager, the Dissemination Agent, Bond Counsel, the District Engineer, the Underwriter, Underwriter's Counsel, the District's methodology consultant, the District Engineer, and any other experts or consultants retained by the District; and (v) the cost of recording in the Official Records of the County any Financing Documents, Ancillary Agreements or other documents or certificates that are required to be recorded pursuant to the terms of this Purchase Contract. It is anticipated that such expenses shall be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds. The District shall submit for

recording all documents required to be provided in recordable form hereunder within three business days after the Closing Date, which obligation shall survive the Closing.

(b) The Underwriter agrees to pay all advertising expenses in connection with the Bonds, if any.

11. No Advisory or Fiduciary Role. The District acknowledges and agrees that (i) the purchase and sale of the Bonds pursuant to this Agreement is an arm's-length commercial transaction between the District and the Underwriter, (ii) in connection with such transaction and with the discussions, undertakings and processes leading up to such transaction, the Underwriter is and has been acting solely as a principal and not as an advisor (including, without limitation, a Municipal Advisor (as such term is defined in Section 975(e) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act)), agent or a fiduciary of the District, (iii) the Underwriter has not assumed an advisory or a fiduciary responsibility in favor of the District with respect to the limited offering of the Bonds or the discussions, undertakings and process leading thereto (whether or not the Underwriter, or any affiliate of the Underwriter, has provided or is currently advising or providing services to the District on other matters) or any other obligation to the District except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement, (iv) the Underwriter has financial and other interests that differ from those of the District, (v) the District has consulted with its own legal and financial advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate in connection with the offering of the Bonds, and (vi) the Underwriter has provided to the District prior disclosures under Rule G-17 of the MSRB, which have been received by the District.

12. Notices. Any notice or other communication to be given to the District under this Purchase Contract may be given by delivering the same in writing to the District Manager at Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Rd., Ste. # 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, and any notice or other communication to be given to the Underwriter under this Purchase Contract may be given by delivering the same in writing to FMSbonds, Inc., 20660 W. Dixie Highway, North Miami Beach, Florida 33180, Attention: Jon Kessler.

13. Parties in Interest; Survival of Representations. This Purchase Contract is made solely for the benefit of the District and the Underwriter (including the successors or assigns of the Underwriter) and no other person shall acquire or have any right hereunder or by virtue hereof. All of the District's representations, warranties and agreements contained in this Purchase Contract shall remain operative and in full force and effect and survive the closing on the Bonds, regardless of: (i) any investigations made by or on behalf of the Underwriter and (ii) delivery of and payment for the Bonds pursuant to this Purchase Contract.

14. Effectiveness. This Purchase Contract shall become effective upon the execution by the appropriate officials of the District and shall be valid and enforceable at the time of such acceptance. To the extent of any conflict between the provisions of this Purchase Contract and any prior contract between the parties hereto, the provisions of this Purchase Contract shall govern.

15. Headings. The headings of the sections of this Purchase Contract are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to be a part hereof.

16. Amendment. No modification, alteration or amendment to this Purchase Contract shall be binding upon any party until such modification, alteration or amendment is reduced to writing and executed by all parties hereto.

17. Governing Law. This Purchase Contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

18. Counterparts; Facsimile; PDF. This Purchase Contract may be signed in any number of counterparts with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were signatures upon the same instrument. Facsimile and pdf signatures shall be deemed originals.

[Signature page follows.]

Very truly yours,

FMSBONDS, INC.

By: _____
Theodore A. Swinarski,
Senior Vice President – Trading

Accepted and agreed to this
____ day of _____, 2025.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
[Garth Noble], Chair
Board of Supervisors

EXHIBIT A

DISCLOSURE AND TRUTH-IN-BONDING STATEMENT

[____], 2025

Benton Hills Community Development District
Hernando County, Florida

Re: \$[_____] Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment
Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Bonds")

Dear Board of Supervisors:

Pursuant to Chapter 218.385, Florida Statutes, and with respect to the issuance of the above-referenced Bonds, FMSbonds, Inc. (the "Underwriter"), having purchased the Bonds pursuant to a Bond Purchase Contract dated [____], 2025 (the "Bond Purchase Contract"), by and between the Underwriter and Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District"), furnishes the following information in connection with the limited offering and sale of the Bonds. Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them under the Bond Purchase Contract.

1. The total underwriting discount paid to the Underwriter pursuant to the Bond Purchase Contract for the Bonds is approximately \$[____] per \$1,000.00 or \$[_____].
2. There are no "finders" as such term is used in Sections 218.385 and 218.386, Florida Statutes, in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.
3. The nature and estimated amounts of expenses to be incurred by the Underwriter in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are set forth in Schedule I attached hereto.
4. The management fee charged by the Underwriter is: \$0/\$1,000 or \$0.
5. Any other fee, bonus or other compensation estimated to be paid by the Underwriter in connection with the Bonds to any person not regularly employed or retained by the Underwriter in connection with the Bonds to any person not regularly employed or retained by the Underwriter is as follows: None. GrayRobinson, P.A. has been retained as counsel to the Underwriter and will be compensated by the District.
6. Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 218.385(2) and (3), Florida Statutes, as amended, the following truth-in-bonding statements are made with respect to the Bonds.

7. The address of the Underwriter is:

FMSbonds, Inc.
20660 W. Dixie Highway
North Miami Beach, Florida 33180

The District is proposing to issue \$[_____] aggregate amount of the Bonds for the purposes of: (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, (ii) funding a deposit to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, (iii) paying a portion of the interest coming due on the Bonds, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds. This debt or obligation is expected to be repaid over a period of approximately [_____] (__) years, [_____] (__) months, and [_____] (__) days. [There shall be no more than thirty (30) principal installments.] At a net interest cost of approximately [_____] % for the Bonds, total interest paid over the life of the Bonds will be \$[_____].

The source of repayment for the Bonds is the Series 2025 Special Assessments, imposed and collected by the District. Based solely upon the assumptions set forth in the paragraph above, the issuance of the Bonds will result in approximately \$[_____] (representing the average annual debt service payments due on the Bonds) of the District's special assessment revenues not being available to the District on an annual basis to finance other services of the District; provided however, that in the event that the Bonds were not issued, the District would not be entitled to impose and collect the Series 2025 Special Assessments in the amount of the principal of and interest to be paid on the Bonds.

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Sincerely,

FMSBONDS, INC.

By: _____
Theodore A. Swinarski,
Senior Vice President - Trading

SCHEDULE I

Expenses for Bonds:

<u>Expense</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DALCOMP	\$[_____]
Clearance	
CUSIP	
DTC	
FINRA/SIPC	
MSRB	
<u>Electronic Orders</u>	
TOTAL:	\$[_____]

EXHIBIT B

TERMS OF BONDS

1. **Purchase Price:** \$[_____] (representing the \$[_____] aggregate principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds, [plus/less net original issue premium/discount of \$[_____] and] less an underwriter's discount of \$[_____]).
2. **Principal Amounts, Maturities, Interest Rates, Yields and Prices:**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Price</u>
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[*Yield calculated to the first optional call date of ____, 20__.]

The Underwriter has offered the Series 2025 Bonds to the public on or before the date of this Purchase Contract at the initial offering prices set forth herein and has sold at least 10% of each maturity of the Series 2025 Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than such initial offering prices[, except for the following maturities: _____].

4. **Redemption Provisions:**

Optional Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing after May 1, 20__ may, at the option of the District be called for redemption prior to maturity as a whole or in part, at any time, on or after May 1, 20__ (less than all Series 2025 Bonds of a maturity to be selected by lot), at a Redemption Price equal to the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest from the most recent Interest Payment Date through which interest has been paid to the redemption date from moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such optional redemption shall be in part, the District shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be optionally redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
	\$

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*Maturity

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
	\$

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*Maturity

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
	\$

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*Maturity

Upon any redemption of Series 2025 Bonds other than in accordance with scheduled mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts, the District shall cause to be recalculated and delivered to the Trustee revised mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts recalculated so as to amortize the Outstanding principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds in substantially equal annual installments of principal and interest (subject to rounding to Authorized Denominations of principal) over the remaining term of the Series 2025 Bonds. The mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts as so recalculated shall not result in an increase in the aggregate of the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for all Series 2025 Bonds in any year. In the event of a redemption or purchase occurring less than forty-five (45) days prior to a date on which a mandatory sinking fund redemption amount is due, the foregoing recalculation shall not be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts due in the year in which such redemption or purchase occurs, but shall be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for the immediately succeeding and subsequent years.

Extraordinary Mandatory Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption prior to maturity by the District in whole or in part, on any date (other than in the case of clause (i) below, which extraordinary mandatory redemption in part must occur on a Quarterly Redemption Date), at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus interest accrued to the redemption date, as follows:

(i) from Series 2025 Prepayment Principal deposited into the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account following the payment in whole or in part of Series 2025 Special Assessments on any assessable property within Assessment Area One of the District in accordance with the provisions of the First Supplemental Trust Indenture, together with any excess moneys transferred by the Trustee from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount as a result of such Series 2025 Prepayment and pursuant to the First Supplemental Indenture. If such redemption shall be in part, the District shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level;

(ii) from moneys, if any, on deposit in the Funds, Accounts and subaccounts held by the Trustee under the First Supplemental Indenture (other than the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account) sufficient to pay and redeem all Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds and accrued interest thereon to the redemption date or dates in addition to all amounts owed to Persons under the Master Indenture;

(iii) upon the Completion Date, from any funds remaining on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in accordance with the provisions set forth in the First Supplemental Indenture, not otherwise reserved to complete the Assessment Area One Project and transferred to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such redemption shall be in part, the District shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

"Quarterly Redemption Date" shall mean each February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 of any calendar year.

EXHIBIT C

BOND COUNSEL'S SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION

[____], 2025

Benton Hills Community Development District
Hernando County, Florida

FMSbonds, Inc.
North Miami Beach, Florida

Re: \$[____] Benton Hills Community Development District (Hernando County,
Florida) Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District"), a community development district established and existing pursuant to Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), in connection with the issuance by the District of its \$[____] aggregate principal amount of Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds"). In such capacity, we have rendered our final approving opinion (the "Opinion") of even date herewith relating to the Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 Bonds are secured pursuant to that certain Master Trust Indenture, dated as of [____] 1, 2025 (the "Master Indenture"), as supplemented by that certain First Supplemental Trust Indenture, dated as of [____] 1, 2025 (the "First Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Master Indenture, the "Series 2025 Indenture"), each by and between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee.

In connection with the rendering of the Opinion, we have reviewed records of the actions taken by the District in connection with the authorization, sale and issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, were present at various meetings and participated in various discussions in connection therewith and have reviewed such other documents, records and other instruments as we deem necessary to deliver this opinion.

The District has entered into a Bond Purchase Contract dated [____], 2025 (the "Purchase Contract"), for the purchase of the Series 2025 Bonds. Capitalized words used, but not defined, herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Purchase Contract.

Based upon the forgoing, we are of the opinion that:

1. The sale of the Series 2025 Bonds by the District is not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), pursuant to the exemption provided in Section 3(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

2. The Series 2025 Indenture is exempt from qualification pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

3. The information in the Limited Offering Memorandum under the captions "INTRODUCTION," "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS" and "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS," insofar as such statements constitute descriptions of the Series 2025 Bonds or the Series 2025 Indenture, are accurate as to the matters set forth or documents described therein (provided, we express no opinion with respect to any financial, statistical and demographic information and information under the caption "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Book-Entry Only System," and any other information in the Limited Offering Memorandum concerning DTC and its book-entry system of registration), and the information under the captions "TAX MATTERS" and "AGREEMENT BY THE STATE" are correct as to matters of law.

This letter is furnished by us as Bond Counsel. No attorney-client relationship has existed or exists between our firm and FMSbonds, Inc. (the "Underwriter") in connection with the Series 2025 Bonds or by virtue of this letter. This letter is delivered to the Underwriter solely for its benefit as Underwriter and may not be used, circulated, quoted or otherwise referred to or relied upon by the Underwriter for any other purpose or by any other person other than the addressees hereto. This letter is not intended to, and may not be, relied upon by holders of the Series 2025 Bonds.

Respectfully submitted,

EXHIBIT D

ISSUER'S COUNSEL'S OPINION

[_____], 2025

Benton Hills Community Development District
Hernando County, Florida

FMSbonds, Inc.
North Miami Beach, Florida

U.S. Bank, National Association
Orlando, Florida
(solely for reliance upon Sections C.1., C.2. and C.3.)

Re: \$[_____] Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment
 Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We serve as counsel to the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District"), a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, in connection with the sale by the District of its \$[_____] Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Bonds"). This letter is delivered to you pursuant to Section 3.01(2), of the Master Indenture (defined below), Section 2.09(c) of the First Supplemental Trust Indenture (defined below), and Section 8(c)(6) of the Bond Purchase Contract (referenced below), and is effective as of the date first written above. Each capitalized term not otherwise defined herein has the meaning given it to it in the Indenture (defined herein).

A. DOCUMENTS EXAMINED

In rendering the opinions set forth below, we have examined and/or relied upon the following documents and have made such examination of law as we have deemed necessary or appropriate:

1. Ordinance No. 2022-11, duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the Hernando County, Florida (the "County"), which was effective as of April 26, 2022 ("**Establishment Ordinance**");
2. the *Master Trust Indenture*, dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 ("**Master Indenture**"), as supplemented with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds by the *First Supplemental Trust Indenture*, dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 ("**First Supplemental Trust Indenture**") and, together with the Master Indenture, "**Series 2025 Indenture**", each by and between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee ("**Trustee**");

3. Resolution No. 2022-26 and Resolution No. 2025-[] adopted by the District on June 30, 2022, and [January 21], 2025, respectively (collectively, "**Bond Resolution**");
4. *Master Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District*, dated June 30, 2022 (the "**Master Report**"), as supplemented by a report entitled *Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District*, dated January 2025 (the "**Supplemental Report**" and, together with the Master Report, the "**Engineer's Report**"), which describes among other things, the "**Assessment Area One Project**";
5. *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report* dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the final *Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report* dated [], 2025 (collectively, "**Assessment Methodology**");
6. Resolution Nos. 2022-25 and 2022-30, (collectively, "**Assessment Resolution**"), establishing the debt service special assessments ("**Debt Assessments**"), securing the Bonds;
7. the *Final Judgment* issued on October 18, 2022, by the Circuit Court for the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Hernando County, Florida in Case No. 2022-CA-000738 and the Certificate of No Appeal issued therefor;
8. the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum dated [], 2025 ("**PLOM**") and Limited Offering Memorandum dated [], 2025 ("**LOM**");
9. certain certifications by FMSbonds, Inc. ("**Underwriter**"), as underwriter to the sale of the Bonds;
10. certain certifications of Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc., as District Engineer;
11. certain certifications of Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, as District Manager and Assessment Consultant;
12. general and closing certificate of the District;
13. an opinion of Greenberg Traurig, P.A. ("**Bond Counsel**"), issued to the District in connection with the sale and issuance of the Bonds;
14. an opinion of Holland & Knight LLP ("**Trustee Counsel**"), issued to the District and Underwriter in connection with the sale and issuance of the Bonds;
15. an opinion of Williams, Parker, Harrison, Dietz & Getzen, PLLC, counsel to the Developer (defined herein), issued to the District and the Underwriter in connection with the sale and issuance of the Bonds;
16. the following agreements ("**Bond Agreements**"): [to be confirmed]
 - (a) the Continuing Disclosure Agreement dated [], 2025, by and among the District, Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "**Developer**"), and Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC as dissemination agent;
 - (b) the Bond Purchase Contract between Underwriter and the District and dated [], 2025 ("**BPA**");
 - (c) the Acquisition Agreement, between the District and the Developer and dated [], 2025;
 - (d) the Completion Agreement, between the District and the Developer and dated [], 2025;

- (e) the True-Up Agreement, between the District and the Developer and dated [____], 2025;
- (f) the Collateral Assignment, between the District and the Developer and dated [____], 2025;
- 17. Declaration of Consent to Jurisdiction executed by the Developer;
- 18. Certificate of Developer; and
- 19. such other documents as we have deemed necessary or appropriate in rendering the opinions set forth below.

We have also attended various meetings of the District and have participated in conferences from time to time with representatives of the District, the District Engineer, the District Manager and Assessment Consultant, the Underwriter, Bond Counsel, counsel to the Underwriter, the Developer, counsels to the Developer, and others relative to the LOM and the related documents described herein.

B. RELIANCE

This opinion is solely for the benefit of the (i) District; (ii) the Underwriter; and (iii) the Trustee; however, the Trustee may only rely on this opinion for the limited purposes of the opinions stated in Sections C.1, C.2, and C.3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no attorney-client relationship has existed or exists between the undersigned and the Underwriter or Trustee in connection with the Bonds by virtue of this opinion. This opinion may not be relied on by any other party or for any other purpose without our prior written consent.

C. OPINIONS

Based on the foregoing, and subject to the qualifications and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. **Authority** – Under the Florida Constitution and laws of the State, the District has been duly established and validly exists as a local unit of special purpose government and a community development district under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes (the "Act"), with such powers as set forth in the Act, and with good, right and lawful authority: (a) to enter into and to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolution, the Indenture, the Bonds and the Bond Agreements; (b) to issue the Bonds for the purposes for which they are issued; (c) to impose, levy, collect and enforce the Debt Assessments and pledge the Pledged Revenues to secure the Bonds as provided in the Indenture; (d) to adopt the Bond Resolution and the Assessment Resolution; and (e) to perform its obligations under the terms and conditions of the Bond Resolution, the Assessment Resolution, the Bond Agreements, the Bonds and the Indenture.

2. **Assessments** – The proceedings by the District with respect to the Debt Assessments have been in accordance with Florida law. The District has taken all action necessary to levy and impose the Debt Assessments as set forth in the Assessment Resolution, Assessment Methodology, and/or other applicable documents. The Debt Assessments constitute legal, valid, binding and enforceable first liens upon the property against which such Debt Assessments are

assessed, co-equal with the lien of all state, county, district and municipal taxes and assessments, and superior in dignity to all other liens, titles and claims, until paid.

3. **Agreements** – The (a) Bond Resolution, (b) Assessment Resolution, (c) Bonds, (d) Indenture, and (d) Bond Agreements (assuming due authorization, execution and delivery of documents (c) – (d) listed herein by any parties thereto other than the District) have been duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by the District, have been duly approved and adopted and/or issued by the District, are in full force and effect, constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the District, and are enforceable against the District in accordance with their respective terms. All conditions prescribed in the Indenture as precedent to the issuance of the Bonds have been fulfilled.

4. **Validation** – The Bonds have been validated by a final judgment of the Circuit Court in and for Hernando County, Florida, of which no timely appeals were filed.

5. **Governmental Approvals** – As of the date hereof, all necessary consents, approvals, waivers or other actions by or filings with any governmental authority or other entity that are required for: (a) the adoption of the Bond Resolution and the Assessment Resolution; (b) the issuance, sale, execution and delivery of the Bonds upon the terms set forth in the BPA, PLOM, and LOM; (c) the execution and delivery of the Indenture and Bond Agreements; and (d) the performance by the District of the transactions required hereby, have been duly obtained or made and are in full force and effect.

6. **PLOM and LOM** – The District has duly authorized the execution, delivery and distribution by the Underwriter of the PLOM and LOM. To our knowledge, and based upon our review of the PLOM and LOM and without having undertaken to determine independently the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in the PLOM and LOM, and as of the date of their respective issuances, and with respect to the PLOM, the date of the BPA, and with respect to the LOM, the date hereof, nothing has come to our attention which would lead us to believe that the PLOM and LOM contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements contained therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, provided however that the opinions stated herein extend only to the following provisions of the PLOM and LOM: "INTRODUCTION" (as it relates to the District only), "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Prepayment of Series 2025 Special Assessments," "ENFORCEMENT OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS," "THE DISTRICT" (excluding the subcaptions "The District Manager and Other Consultants"), "THE DEVELOPMENT – Developer's Agreements" (solely as to the description of the agreements), "AGREEMENT BY THE STATE," "LEGALITY FOR INVESTMENT," "LITIGATION – The District," "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" (as it relates to the District only), "VALIDATION," and "AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVAL," and further provided however that the opinions stated herein do not extend to any statements that constitute descriptions of the Bonds or the Indenture. No information or opinion is offered as to any remaining provisions of the PLOM or LOM.

7. **Litigation** – As the District's Registered Agent for service of process and the fact that we have not been served with notice, there is no litigation pending or, to the best of our knowledge, threatened against the District: (a) seeking to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery

of the Bonds or the application of the proceeds thereof, or the imposition, levy or collection of the Debt Assessments or the Pledged Revenues pledged for the payment of the debt service on the Bonds; (b) contesting or affecting the authority for the Debt Assessments, the authority for the issuance of the Bonds or the validity or enforceability of the Bonds, the Indenture, the Bond Agreements or the transactions contemplated thereunder; (c) contesting or affecting the establishment or existence of the District or any of its Supervisors, officers or employees, its assets, property or condition, financial or otherwise, or contesting or affecting any of the powers of the District, including its power to enter into the Indenture or the Bond Agreements, or its power to determine, assess, levy, collect and pledge the Debt Assessments for the payment of the debt service on the Bonds; or (d) specifically contesting the exclusion from federal gross income of interest on the Bonds.

8. ***Compliance with Laws*** – To the best of our knowledge, the District is not, in any manner material to the issuance of the Bonds or the Debt Assessments, in breach of or default under any applicable provision of the Act or constitutional provision, statute, or administrative regulation of the State of Florida, or any applicable judgment or decree, any loan agreement, indenture, bond, note, resolution, agreement (including the Bond Agreements and Indenture), or any other material instrument to which the District is a party or to which the District or any of its property or assets is otherwise subject, and to the best of our knowledge, no event has occurred and is continuing which with the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a material default or event of default by the District under any such instrument; provided, however, that no opinion is expressed as to compliance with any state or federal tax or securities laws.

9. ***Authority to Undertake the Assessment Area One Project*** – The District has good right and lawful authority under the Act to undertake, finance, acquire, construct, own, and operate the Assessment Area One Project, subject to obtaining such licenses, orders or other authorizations as are, at the date of such opinion, required to be obtained from any agency or regulatory body.

D. CERTAIN ASSUMPTIONS

In rendering the foregoing opinions, we have assumed the following: (1) that all public records, certifications, agreements and other documents examined by us that have been executed or certified by public officials acting within the scope of their official capacities are authentic, truthful and accurate; (2) that copies of such public records, certifications, agreements, and other documents furnished to us are authentic and conform to the originals; (3) that all signatures on executed public records, certifications, agreements and other documents are genuine; and (4) that all public records, certifications, agreements and other documents have been properly authorized and are binding on each of the other parties thereto. Such assumptions do not apply to District documents.

E. CERTAIN QUALIFICATIONS

The foregoing opinions are subject to the following qualifications:

1. The opinions or statements expressed above are based solely on the laws of Florida in effect at the time of issuance of the Bonds. Accordingly, we express no opinion nor make any statement regarding the effect or application of the laws of the federal government (including but

not limited to the Internal Revenue Code or any proposed changes thereto), or any other state or other jurisdiction.

2. Our opinion as to enforceability of any document is subject to limitations imposed by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation, readjustment of debt, or similar laws, relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), and to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases, including the fact that specific performance and other equitable remedies are granted only in the discretion of a court.

3. Nothing herein shall be construed as an opinion regarding the possible applicability of state securities or "blue sky" laws or federal securities laws, as to which no opinion is expressed.

4. We further express no opinion as to the necessity for an interest rate waiver under Florida law, or the applicability of any provision or section of the Internal Revenue Code.

5. We express no opinion and make no representations with regard to financial information or statistical data. We express no opinion as to compliance with any state or federal tax laws.

6. We have not reviewed, and therefore express no opinion, regarding any land use, real property or other related items, including but not limited to the Developer's and/or any other landowner's ownership interests in any property within the District, and whether the Developer and/or any other landowner owns any of the real property subject to the recordable Bond Agreements and/or Declaration of Consent and whether the Developer is able to convey good and marketable title to any particular real property or interest therein and related to the Assessment Area One Project.

7. With respect to any of the opinions set forth in this letter which are based on or qualified by the phrase "to our knowledge," the words "to our knowledge" signify that, in the course of our representation of the District, no facts have come to our attention that would give us actual knowledge that any such opinions or other matters are not accurate. Except to the extent expressly set forth herein, we have not undertaken any independent investigation to determine the existence or absence of any such facts, and no inference as to our knowledge of the existence of such facts should be drawn from the fact of our representation of District.

8. The opinions set forth herein are based on factual representations made to us as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention, or to reflect any changes in law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of a particular result, and are not binding on the courts or any other entity; rather, our opinions represent our professional judgment based on our review of existing law, and in reliance on the representations and covenants that we deem relevant to such opinions.

Very truly yours,

KUTAK ROCK LLP

For the Firm

EXHIBIT E

FORM OF DEVELOPER'S COUNSEL'S OPINION

[____], 2025

Benton Hills Community Development District
Hernando County, Florida

FMSbonds, Inc.
North Miami Beach, Florida

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Greenberg Traurig, P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida

GrayRobinson, P.A.
Tampa, Florida

Re: \$[____] Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment
 Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Bonds")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am counsel to Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. (the "Developer"), which is the developer and owner of certain land within the planned community located in the Hernando County, Florida, and commonly referred to as "[Benton Hills]," as such lands are described in the Limited Offering Memoranda (as hereinafter defined). This opinion is rendered at the request of the Developer in connection with the issuance by the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") of the above-referenced Bonds, as further described in the District's Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum dated [____], 2025 and the District's final Limited Offering Memorandum, dated [____], 2025, including the appendices attached thereto (collectively, the "Limiting Offering Memoranda"). Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Limited Offering Memoranda.

It is my understanding that the Bonds are being issued for the purposes of: (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, (ii) funding a deposit to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in an amount equal to the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, (iii) paying a portion of the interest coming due on the Bonds, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

In my capacity as counsel to the Developer, I have examined originals or copies identified to my satisfaction as being true copies of the Limiting Offering Memoranda, the Continuing

Disclosure Agreement to be dated as of the Closing Date (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement"), by and among the District, the Developer, and Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, as dissemination agent, the [Completion Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date, the Collateral Assignment Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date in recordable form, the Acquisition Agreement dated [_____, 202_], and the True-Up Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date in recordable form, and the Declaration of Consent to Jurisdiction of the District, Imposition of Special Assessments and Imposition of Lien of Record dated as of the Closing Date and executed by the Developer] (the "Declaration of Consent") (collectively, the "Documents") and have made such examination of law as I have deemed necessary or appropriate in rendering this opinion. In connection with the forgoing, I also have reviewed and examined (i) the [Developer's Articles of Incorporation filed with the State of Florida on June 21, 1965], and (ii) certificate of good standing issued by the State of Florida for the Developer on [_____, 202_] (collectively, the "Organizational Documents").

In rendering this opinion, I have assumed, without having made any independent investigation of the facts, the genuineness of all signatures (other than those of the Developer) and the authenticity of all documents submitted to me as originals and the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to me as certified, conformed or photostatic copies, and the legal capacity of all natural persons.

In basing the opinions set forth in this opinion on "my knowledge," the words "my knowledge" signify that, in the course of my representation of Developer, no facts have come to my attention that would give me actual knowledge or actual notice that any such opinions or other matters are not accurate. Except as otherwise stated in this opinion, I have undertaken no investigation or verification of such matters.

Based on the forgoing, I am of the opinion that:

1. The Developer is a corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.
2. The Developer has the power to conduct its business and to undertake the funding of the development of the lands in the District as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda and to enter into the Documents.
3. The Documents have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Developer and are in full force and effect. Assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of such instruments by the other parties thereto and their authority to perform such instruments, the Documents constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Developer, enforceable in accordance with their respective terms.
4. Nothing has come to my attention that would lead me to believe the information contained in the Limited Offering Memoranda under the captions "THE DEVELOPMENT," "THE DEVELOPER," "LITIGATION – The Developer," and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" (as it relates to the herein defined Developer only) does not accurately and fairly present the information purported to be shown or contains any untrue statement of a material fact nor omits to state any

material fact necessary to make the statement made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the dates of the Limited Offering Memoranda or as of the date hereof.

5. The execution, delivery and performance of the Documents by the Developer do not violate (i) the operating agreements or by-laws of the Developer, (ii) to my knowledge, any agreement, instrument or Federal or Florida law, rule or regulation known to me to which any the Developer is a party or by which any of such entity's assets are or may be bound; or (iii) to my knowledge, any judgment, decree or order of any administrative tribunal, which judgment, decree, or order is binding on the Developer or its assets.

6. Nothing has come to my attention that would lead me to believe that the Developer is not in compliance in all material respects with all provisions of applicable law in all material matters relating to the Developer as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda. Except as otherwise described in the Limited Offering Memoranda, (a) I have no knowledge that the Developer has not received all government permits, consents and licenses required in connection with the construction and completion of the development of the Assessment Area One Project and the District Lands as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda; (b) I have no knowledge of any default of any zoning condition, land use permit or development agreement which would adversely affect the Developer's ability to complete development of the Assessment Area One Project and the District Lands as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda and all appendices thereto; and (c) I have no knowledge and am not otherwise aware of any reason to believe that any permits, consents and licenses required to complete the development of the District Lands as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda will not be obtained in due course as required by the Developer.

7. To the best of my knowledge after due inquiry, the levy of the Series 2025 Special Assessments on the applicable lands within Assessment Area One within the District will not conflict with or constitute a breach of or default under any agreement, indenture or other instrument to which the Developer is a party or to which the Developer or any of its properties or assets are subject.

8. To the best of my knowledge after due inquiry, there is no litigation pending which would prevent or prohibit the development of the Assessment Area One Project or the District Lands in accordance with the descriptions thereof in the Limited Offering Memoranda and the Engineer's Report annexed thereto or which may result in any material adverse change in the respective business, properties, assets or financial condition of the Developer.

9. To the best of my knowledge after due inquiry, the Developer has not made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, filed a petition in bankruptcy, petitioned or applied to any tribunal for the appointment of a custodian, receiver or any trustee or commenced any proceeding under any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, dissolution or liquidation law or statute of any jurisdiction. To the best of my knowledge after due inquiry, the Developer has not indicated its consent to, or approval of, or failed to object timely to, any petition in bankruptcy, application or proceeding or order for relief or the appointment of a custodian, receiver or any trustee.

10. To the best of my knowledge after due inquiry, the Developer is not in default under any mortgage, trust indenture, lease or other instrument to which it or any of its assets are subject, which default would have a material adverse effect on the Bonds or the development of the Assessment Area One Project or the District Lands.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and I disclaim any obligation to update this opinion letter for events occurring after the date of this opinion letter. The foregoing opinion applies only with respect to the laws of the State of Florida and the federal laws of the United States of America and I express no opinion with respect to the laws of any other jurisdiction. Nothing herein shall be construed as an opinion regarding the possible applicability of state securities or "blue sky" laws, as to which no opinion is expressed. This letter is for the benefit of and may be relied upon solely by the addressees and this opinion may not be relied upon in any manner, nor used, by any other persons or entities.

My opinion as to enforceability of any document is subject to limitations imposed by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation, readjustment of debt, or similar laws relating to or affecting creditor's rights generally and general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), and to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

Very truly yours,

EXHIBIT F

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF DEVELOPER

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation (herein, the "Developer"), DOES HEREBY CERTIFY, that:

1. This Certificate is furnished pursuant to Section 8(c)(10) of the Bond Purchase Contract dated [____], 2025 (the "Purchase Contract") between Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") and FMSbonds, Inc. (the "Underwriter") relating to the sale by the District of its \$[____] original aggregate principal amount of Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds"). Capitalized terms used, but not defined, herein shall have the meaning assigned thereto in the Purchase Contract.

2. The Developer is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

3. Representatives of the Developer have provided information to the District to be used in connection with the offering by the District of its Series 2025 Bonds, pursuant to a Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum dated [____], 2025 and the Limited Offering Memorandum, dated [____], 2025, including the appendices attached thereto (collectively, the "Limited Offering Memoranda").

4. [The Declaration of Consent to Jurisdiction of Benton Hills Community Development District and to Imposition of Special Assessments dated [____], 2025 executed by the Developer and to be recorded in the public records of Hernando County, Florida (the "Declaration of Consent"), the Acquisition Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated [____], 2025 (the "Acquisition Agreement"), the Completion Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date (the "Completion Agreement"), the Collateral Assignment Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date in recordable form (the "Collateral Assignment"), and the True-Up Agreement by and between the District and the Developer dated as of the Closing Date in recordable form (the "True-Up Agreement" and together with the Acquisition Agreement, the Completion Agreement and the Collateral Assignment, the "Ancillary Documents"), constitute valid and binding obligations of the Developer, enforceable against the Developer in accordance with their respective terms.]

5. The Developer has reviewed and approved the information contained in the Limited Offering Memoranda under the captions "THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND THE ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT," "THE DEVELOPMENT," "THE DEVELOPER," "BONDOWNERS' RISKS" (as it relates to the herein defined Developer, the Development and non-specific Bondholder risks), "LITIGATION – The Developer" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" (as it pertains to the Developer) and warrants and represents that such information did not as of their respective dates, and does not as of the date hereof, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the

light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. In addition, the Developer is not aware of any other information in the Limited Offering Memoranda that contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

6. The Developer represents and warrants that it has complied with and will continue to comply with Chapter 190.048, Florida Statutes, as amended.

7. As of the date hereof, there has been no material adverse change in the business, properties, assets or financial condition of the Developer which has not been disclosed in the Limited Offering Memoranda.

8. The Developer hereby represents that it owns the Assessment Area One lands in the District that will be subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda, and the Developer hereby consents to the levy of the Series 2025 Special Assessments on the lands in Assessment Area One owned by the Developer. The levy of the Series 2025 Special Assessments on the Assessment Area One lands in the District will not conflict with or constitute a breach of or default under any agreement, mortgage, lien or other instrument to which the Developer is a party or to which its property or assets are subject.

9. The Developer has not made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, filed a petition in bankruptcy, petitioned or applied to any tribunal for the appointment of a custodian, receiver or any trustee or commenced any proceeding under any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment of debt, dissolution or liquidation law or statute of any jurisdiction. The Developer has not indicated its consent to, or approval of, or failed to object timely to, any petition in bankruptcy, application or proceeding or order for relief or the appointment of a custodian, receiver or any trustee.

10. The Developer acknowledges that the Series 2025 Bonds have the debt service requirements set forth in the Limited Offering Memorandum and that the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be levied by the District at times, and in amounts sufficient, to enable the District to pay debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds when due.

11. To the best of our knowledge, the Developer is not in default under any other resolution, ordinance, agreement or indenture, mortgage, lease, deed of trust, note or other instrument to which the Developer is subject or by which the Developer or its properties are or may be bound, which would have a material adverse effect on the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Financing Documents, the Ancillary Documents, the Declaration of Consent or on the Development and is current in the payment of all ad valorem, federal and state taxes associated with the Development.

12. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Limited Offering Memoranda, there is no action, suit or proceedings at law or in equity by or before any court or public board or body pending or, solely to the best of our knowledge, threatened against the Developer (or any basis therefor) (a) seeking to restrain or enjoin the execution or delivery of Financing Documents, Declaration of Consent and/or Ancillary Documents to which the Company is a party, (b) contesting or affecting the validity or enforceability of the Financing Documents, Declaration of

Consent and/or Ancillary Documents, or any and all such other agreements or documents as may be required to be executed, or the transactions contemplated thereunder, (c) contesting or affecting the establishment or existence of the Developer or of the Developer's business, assets, property or conditions, financial or otherwise, or contesting or affecting any of the powers of the Developer, or (d) that would have a material and adverse effect upon the ability of the Developer to (i) complete the development of lands within the District as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda, (ii) pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments, or (iii) perform its various obligations as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda.

13. To the best of our knowledge after due inquiry, the Developer is in compliance in all material respects with all provisions of applicable law in all material matters relating to the Development as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda, including applying for all necessary permits. Except as otherwise described in the Limited Offering Memoranda, (a) the Development is zoned and properly designated for its intended use; (b) all government permits other than certain permits, which permits are expected to be received as needed, have been received; (c) the Developer is not aware of any default of any zoning condition, permit or development agreement which would adversely affect the Developer's ability to complete or cause the completion of development of the District Lands, including without limitation, the lands in Assessment Area One, as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda and all appendices thereto; and (d) there is no reason to believe that any permits, consents and licenses required to complete the development of the District Lands, , including without limitation, the lands in Assessment Area One, as described in the Offering Memoranda will not be obtained as required.

14. The Developer acknowledges that it will have no rights under Chapter 170, Florida Statutes, as amended, to prepay, without interest, the Series 2025 Special Assessments imposed on lands in Assessment Area One of the District owned by the Developer within thirty (30) days following completion of the Assessment Area One Project and acceptance thereof by the District.

15. Except as expressly set forth in the Limited Offering Memoranda, the Developer has never failed to comply in all material respects with any disclosure obligations pursuant to SEC Rule 15c2-12.

16. The Developer is not in default of any obligations to pay special assessments, and the Developer is not insolvent.

Dated: [_____], 2025.

**MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA,
INC.,** a Florida corporation

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Title: _____

EXHIBIT G

CERTIFICATE OF ENGINEER

CERTIFICATE OF COASTAL ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. (the "Engineers"),
DOES HEREBY CERTIFY, that:

1. This certificate is furnished pursuant to Section 8(c)(17) of the Bond Purchase Contract dated [____], 2025 (the "Purchase Contract"), by and between Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") and FMSbonds, Inc. with respect to the District's \$[____] original aggregate principal amount of Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Bonds"). Capitalized terms used, but not defined, herein shall have the meaning assigned thereto in the Purchase Contract or the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum dated [____], 2025 and the Limited Offering Memorandum, dated [____], 2025, including the appendices attached thereto, relating to the Bonds (collectively, the "Limited Offering Memoranda"), as applicable.

2. The Engineers have been retained by the District as the District Engineer.

3. To the best of our knowledge, the plans and specifications for the Assessment Area One Project improvements (as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda and the Report as defined below)) were approved by all regulatory bodies required to approve them. All environmental and other regulatory permits or approvals required in connection with the construction of the Assessment Area One Project were obtained or are expected to be obtained in the ordinary course.

4. The Engineers prepared the report entitled Master Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated June 30, 2022 (the "Master Report"), as supplemented by a report entitled Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025 (the "Supplemental Report" and, together with the Master Report, the "Report"). The Report was prepared in accordance with generally accepted engineering principles. The Report is included as "APPENDIX A: ENGINEER'S REPORT" to the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum and the Limited Offering Memorandum and a description of the Report and certain other information relating to the Assessment Area One Project are included in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum and the Limited Offering Memorandum under the captions "THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND THE ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT" and "THE DEVELOPMENT." The Report and said information are true and complete in all material respects, contain no untrue statement of a material fact, and do not omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

5. The Engineers hereby consent to the inclusion of the Report as "APPENDIX A: ENGINEER'S REPORT" to the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum and the Limited Offering Memorandum and to the references to the Engineers in the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum and the Limited Offering Memorandum.

6. To the best of our knowledge, the Assessment Area One Project, to the extent constructed, has been constructed in sound workmanlike manner and in accordance with industry standards.

7. The price being paid by the District to the Developer for acquisition of the improvements included within the Assessment Area One Project will not exceed the lesser of the cost of the Assessment Area One Project or the fair market value of the assets acquired by the District.

8. Except as otherwise described in the Limited Offering Memoranda, (a) all government permits required in connection with the construction of the Assessment Area One Project and the development of the District as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda have been received or are expected to be received in the ordinary course; (b) we are not aware of any default of any zoning condition, land use permit or development agreement which would adversely affect the ability to complete development of the Assessment Area One Project and the District as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda and all appendices thereto; and (c) we have no actual knowledge and are not otherwise aware of any reason to believe that any permits, consents and licenses required to complete the development of the Assessment Area One Project and the District as described in the Limited Offering Memoranda will not be obtained in due course as required by the Developer, or any other person or entity, necessary for the development of the Assessment Area One Project as describe in the Limited Offering Memoranda and all appendices thereto.

9. To the best of our knowledge, and based on information provided by the Hernando County, there is adequate water and sewer service capacity to serve the District.

Date: [____], 2025

**COASTAL ENGINEERING
ASSOCIATES, INC.**

By: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____

EXHIBIT H

CERTIFICATE OF DISTRICT MANAGER AND METHODOLOGY CONSULTANT

[____], 2025

Benton Hills Community Development District
Hernando County, Florida

FMSbonds, Inc.
North Miami Beach, Florida

Re: \$[____] Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment
 Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned representative of Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC ("WHA"), DOES
HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. This certificate is furnished pursuant to Section 8(c)(18) and (29) of the Bond Purchase Contract dated [____], 2025 (the "Purchase Contract"), by and between Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") and FMSbonds, Inc. with respect to the District's \$[____] original aggregate principal amount of Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds"). Capitalized terms used, but not defined, herein shall have the meaning assigned thereto in the Purchase Contract or the Limited Offering Memoranda relating to the Series 2025 Bonds, as applicable.

2. WHA has acted as district manager and methodology consultant to the District in connection with the sale and issuance by the District of its Series 2025 Bonds and has participated in the preparation of the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum dated [____], 2025 and the Limited Offering Memorandum, dated [____], 2025, including the appendices attached thereto (collectively, the "Limited Offering Memoranda").

3. In connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, we have been retained by the District to prepare the Master Special Assessment Methodology Report dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the final Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report dated [____], 2025 (collectively, the "Assessment Methodology"), which Assessment Methodology has been included as an appendix to the Limited Offering Memoranda. We hereby consent to the use of such Assessment Methodology in the Limited Offering Memoranda and consent to the references to us therein.

4. As District Manager, nothing has come to our attention that would lead us to believe that the Limited Offering Memoranda, as they relate to the District, the Assessment Area One Project, or any information provided by us, and the Assessment Methodology, as of their respective dates and as of this date, contained or contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted

or omits to state a material fact necessary to be stated therein in order to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

5. The information set forth in the Limited Offering Memoranda under the subcaptions "ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF ASSESSMENTS," "THE DISTRICT," "FINANCIAL STATEMENTS," "LITIGATION" (insofar as such description relates to the District), "DISCLOSURE REQUIRED BY FLORIDA BLUE SKY REGULATIONS," "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE," "CONTINGENT FEES," and in "APPENDIX D: ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY" did not as of the respective dates of the Limited Offering Memoranda and does not as of the date hereof contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

6. To the best of our knowledge, there has been no change which would materially adversely affect the assumptions made or the conclusions reached in the Assessment Methodology and the considerations and assumptions used in compiling the Assessment Methodology are reasonable. The Assessment Methodology and the assessment methodology set forth therein were prepared in accordance with all applicable provisions of Florida law.

7. As District Manager and Registered Agent for the District, we are not aware of any litigation pending or, to the best of our knowledge, threatened against the District restraining or enjoining the issuance, sale, execution or delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity of the Series 2025 Bonds or any proceedings of the District taken with respect to the issuance or sale thereof, or the pledge or application of any moneys or security provided for the payment of the Series 2025 Bonds, or the existence or powers of the District.

8. The Series 2025 Special Assessments, as initially levied and as may be reallocated from time to time as permitted by resolutions adopted by the District, are sufficient to enable the District to pay the debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds through the final maturity thereof.

9. WHA hereby acknowledges its agreement to serve as the Dissemination Agent for the District for the Series 2025 Bonds and undertake the obligations of the Dissemination Agent as set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement dated [_____], 2025 (the "Disclosure Agreement") by and among the District, Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. and WHA, as Dissemination Agent, and acknowledged by WHA, as District Manager, and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee. WHA hereby represents that it is aware of the continuing disclosure requirements set forth in the Disclosure Agreement and Rule 15c2-12 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, that it has policies and procedures in place to ensure its compliance with its obligations under the Disclosure Agreement, and that it will comply with its obligations under the Disclosure Agreement.

Dated: [_____], 2025.

WRATHELL HUNT & ASSOCIATES,
LLC, a Florida limited liability company

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT C

FORM OF PRELIMINARY LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM

PRELIMINARY LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM DATED [_____] , 2025

**NEW ISSUE - BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY
LIMITED OFFERING**

NOT RATED

In the opinion of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Bond Counsel, assuming the accuracy of certain representations and certifications and the continuing compliance with certain tax covenants, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions, interest on the Series 2025 Bonds (as hereinafter defined) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; and, further, interest on the Series 2025 Bonds will not be an item of tax preference for purposes of the alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. In the case of the alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") on applicable corporations (as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code), interest on the Series 2025 Bonds is not excluded from the determination of adjusted financial statement income. See "TAX MATTERS" herein for a description of certain other federal tax consequences of ownership of the Series 2025 Bonds. Bond Counsel is further of the opinion that the Series 2025 Bonds and the interest thereon are not subject to taxation under the laws of the State of Florida, except as to estate taxes and taxes under Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, on interest, income or profits on debt obligations owned by corporations as defined in said Chapter 220. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)**

\$6,255,000*

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025
(ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)**

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: As described herein

The Benton Hills Community Development District Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Series 2025 Bonds") are being issued by the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District" or the "Issuer") in fully registered form, without coupons, in authorized denominations of \$5,000 and any integral multiple thereof. The Series 2025 Bonds will bear interest at the fixed rates set forth in the inside cover page hereof, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months, payable semi-annually on each May 1 and November 1, commencing [May 1, 2025]. The Series 2025 Bonds, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). Purchases of beneficial interests in the Series 2025 Bonds will be made in book-entry-only form and purchasers of beneficial interests in the Series 2025 Bonds will not receive physical bond certificates. For so long as the book-entry only system is maintained, the principal of and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds will be paid from the sources provided by the Indenture (as defined herein) by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), directly to Cede & Co., as the registered owner thereof. Disbursement of such payments to the Direct Participants is the responsibility of DTC and disbursement of such payments to the beneficial owners is the responsibility of the Direct Participants and Indirect Participants, as more fully described herein. Any purchaser, as a beneficial owner of a Series 2025 Bond, must maintain an account with a broker or dealer who is, or acts through, a Direct Participant in order to receive payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Series 2025 Bond. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Book-Entry Only System" herein.

The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued for the purposes of: (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project (as defined herein), (ii) funding a deposit to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement (as defined herein), (iii) paying a portion of the interest coming due on the Series 2025 Bonds, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. See "ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS" and "APPENDIX B: PROPOSED FORMS OF MASTER INDENTURE AND FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE" hereto.

The District is a local unit of special-purpose government of the State of Florida (the "State"), created in accordance with the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), and by Ordinance No. 2022-11, duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the Hernando County, Florida (the "County") on April 26, 2022 (the "Ordinance"). The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act, Resolution No. 2022-26 and Resolution No. 2025-[_____] adopted by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the District on June 30, 2022 and [January 21], 2025, respectively (collectively, the "Resolution"), and a Master Trust Indenture dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (the "Master Indenture"), as supplemented by a First Supplemental Trust Indenture, dated as of [_____] 1, 2025 (the "First Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Master Indenture, the "Indenture"), each by and between the District and the Trustee. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

The Series 2025 Bonds are payable from and secured solely by the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues. The "Series 2025 Pledged Revenues" shall mean (a) all revenues received by the District from the Series 2025 Special Assessments (as defined herein) levied and collected on the assessable lands within Assessment Area One within the District including without limitation, amounts received from any foreclosure proceeding for the enforcement of collection of such Series 2025 Special Assessments or from the issuance and sale of tax certificates with respect to such Series 2025 Special Assessments, and (b) all moneys on deposit in the Funds and Accounts established under the Indenture, created and established with respect to or for the benefit of the Series 2025 Bonds; provided, however, that the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues shall not include (A) any moneys transferred to the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and investment earnings thereon, (B) moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund and (C) "special assessments" levied and collected by the District under Section 190.022, Florida Statutes, for maintenance purposes or "maintenance assessments" levied and collected by the District under Section 190.021(3), Florida Statutes (it being expressly understood that the lien and pledge of the Indenture shall not apply to any of the moneys described in the foregoing clauses of (A), (B) and (C) of this proviso). See "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS" herein.

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to optional redemption, mandatory sinking fund and extraordinary mandatory redemption at the times, in the amounts, and at the redemption prices more fully described herein under the caption "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS — Redemption Provisions."

THE SERIES 2025 BONDS ARE LIMITED OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT PAYABLE SOLELY OUT OF THE SERIES 2025 PLEDGED REVENUES PLEDGED THEREFOR UNDER THE INDENTURE, AND NEITHER THE PROPERTY, THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT, NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE DISTRICT, THE COUNTY, THE STATE OF FLORIDA (THE "STATE"), OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, IS PLEDGED AS SECURITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS, EXCEPT THAT THE DISTRICT IS OBLIGATED UNDER THE INDENTURE TO LEVY AND TO EVIDENCE AND CERTIFY, OR CAUSE TO BE CERTIFIED, FOR COLLECTION SERIES 2025 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO SECURE AND PAY THE SERIES 2025 BONDS. THE SERIES 2025 BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN INDEBTEDNESS OF THE DISTRICT, THE COUNTY, THE STATE, OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY PROVISION OR LIMITATION.

The Series 2025 Bonds involve a degree of risk (see "BONDOWNERS' RISKS" herein) and are not suitable for all investors (see "SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT" herein). Pursuant to Florida law, the Underwriter (as defined herein) is limiting this offering to "accredited investors" within the meaning of Chapter 517, Florida Statutes, as amended, and the rules of the Florida Department of Financial Services promulgated thereunder. The limitation of the initial offering to accredited investors does not denote restrictions on transfer in any secondary market for the Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 Bonds are not credit enhanced or rated and no application has been made for credit enhancement or a rating with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds.

This cover page contains certain information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of the Series 2025 Bonds. Investors must read this entire Limited Offering Memorandum to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

MATURITY SCHEDULE

\$ _____	— _____%	Term Bond due May 1, 20____	, Yield _____%	, Price _____	CUSIP # _____	**
\$ _____	— _____%	Term Bond due May 1, 20____	, Yield _____%	, Price _____	CUSIP # _____	**
\$ _____	— _____%	Term Bond due May 1, 20____	, Yield _____%	, Price _____	CUSIP # _____	**

The Series 2025 Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued by the District and accepted by the Underwriter, subject to the receipt of the opinion of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Tallahassee, Florida, Bond Counsel, as to the validity of the Series 2025 Bonds and the excludability of interest thereon from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriter by its counsel, GrayRobinson, P.A., Tampa, Florida, for the District by its counsel, Kutak Rock LLP, Tallahassee, Florida, and for the Developer (as defined herein) by its counsel, Williams, Parker, Harrison, Dietz & Getzen, PLLC, Sarasota, Florida. It is expected that the Series 2025 Bonds will be delivered in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC on or about _____, 2025.

FMSbonds, Inc.

Dated: _____, 2025

* Preliminary, subject to change.

** The District is not responsible for the use of CUSIP numbers, nor is any representation made as to their correctness. They are included solely for the convenience of the readers of this Limited Offering Memorandum.

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

[Garth Noble, Chair*
Martha Schiffer, Vice Chair*
George Hernandez, Assistant Secretary*
Chris Torres, Assistant Secretary*
Chris Babcock, Assistant Secretary[*]]

* Affiliated with one of the Developer or its affiliates

[District manager to update above.]

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NO DEALER, BROKER, SALESPERSON OR OTHER PERSON HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE DISTRICT TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS, OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED IN THIS LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM, AND IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH OTHER INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE DISTRICT. THIS LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS AND THERE SHALL BE NO OFFER, SOLICITATION, OR SALE OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS BY ANY PERSON IN ANY JURISDICTION IN WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR SUCH PERSON TO MAKE SUCH OFFER, SOLICITATION OR SALE.

THE INFORMATION SET FORTH HEREIN HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE DEVELOPER (AS HEREINAFTER DEFINED), THE DISTRICT, PUBLIC DOCUMENTS, RECORDS AND OTHER SOURCES, WHICH SOURCES ARE BELIEVED TO BE RELIABLE BUT WHICH INFORMATION IS NOT GUARANTEED AS TO ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS BY, AND IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS A REPRESENTATION OF, THE UNDERWRITER NAMED ON THE COVER PAGE OF THIS LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM. THE UNDERWRITER HAS REVIEWED THE INFORMATION IN THIS LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM 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. THE INFORMATION AND EXPRESSIONS OF OPINION HEREIN CONTAINED ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE AND NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM, NOR ANY SALE MADE HEREUNDER, SHALL, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, CREATE ANY IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE DISTRICT, THE DEVELOPER OR IN THE STATUS OF THE DEVELOPMENT, ASSESSMENT AREA ONE OR THE ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT (AS SUCH TERMS ARE HEREINAFTER DEFINED) SINCE THE DATE HEREOF.

THE SERIES 2025 BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, NOR HAS THE INDENTURE BEEN QUALIFIED UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939, AS AMENDED, IN RELIANCE UPON CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS SET FORTH IN SUCH ACTS. THE REGISTRATION, QUALIFICATION OR EXEMPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW PROVISIONS OF ANY JURISDICTIONS WHEREIN THESE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE REGISTERED, QUALIFIED OR EXEMPTED SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS A RECOMMENDATION THEREOF. NEITHER THE DISTRICT, THE COUNTY, THE STATE, NOR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS THEREOF HAVE GUARANTEED OR PASSED UPON THE MERITS OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS, UPON THE PROBABILITY OF ANY EARNINGS THEREON OR UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM.

"FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS" ARE USED IN THIS DOCUMENT BY USING FORWARD LOOKING WORDS SUCH AS "MAY," "WILL," "SHOULD,"

"INTENDS," "EXPECTS," "BELIEVES," "ANTICIPATES," "ESTIMATES," OR OTHERS. THE READER IS CAUTIONED THAT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO A VARIETY OF UNCERTAINTIES THAT COULD CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS TO DIFFER FROM THE PROJECTED RESULTS. THOSE RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES INCLUDE GENERAL ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS CONDITIONS, CONDITIONS IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS AND REAL ESTATE MARKET, THE DISTRICT'S COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, AND VARIOUS OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY BE BEYOND THE DISTRICT'S, THE DEVELOPER'S CONTROL. BECAUSE THE DISTRICT AND THE DEVELOPER CANNOT PREDICT ALL FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE DECISIONS, ACTIONS, EVENTS, OR FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENS MAY BE DIFFERENT FROM WHAT IS INCLUDED IN FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS.

THE ACHIEVEMENT OF CERTAIN RESULTS OR OTHER EXPECTATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INVOLVE 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. THE DISTRICT AND THE DEVELOPER DOES NOT PLAN TO ISSUE ANY UPDATES OR REVISIONS TO THOSE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS IF OR WHEN ANY OF THEIR EXPECTATIONS CHANGE OR EVENTS, CONDITIONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES ON WHICH SUCH STATEMENTS ARE BASED OCCUR, OTHER THAN AS DESCRIBED UNDER "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" HEREIN.

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THIS PRELIMINARY LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM IS IN A FORM DEEMED FINAL BY THE DISTRICT FOR PURPOSES OF RULE 15C2-12 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED, EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN INFORMATION PERMITTED TO BE OMITTED PURSUANT TO RULE 15C2-12(B)(1).

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LIMITED OFFERING MEMORANDUM
BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA)

\$6,255,000*
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025
(ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT)

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Limited Offering Memorandum, including the cover page, inside cover, and appendices hereto, is to provide certain information in connection with the issuance and sale by Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District" or the "Issuer") of its \$6,255,000* aggregate principal amount of Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (the "Series 2025 Bonds").

PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD BE AWARE OF CERTAIN RISK FACTORS, ANY OF WHICH, IF MATERIALIZED TO A SUFFICIENT DEGREE, COULD DELAY OR PREVENT PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF AND/OR INTEREST ON THE SERIES 2025 BONDS. THE SERIES 2025 BONDS ARE NOT A SUITABLE INVESTMENT FOR ALL INVESTORS. PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE STATE LAW, THE UNDERWRITER IS LIMITING THIS INITIAL OFFERING OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS TO ONLY ACCREDITED INVESTORS WITHIN THE MEANING OF CHAPTER 517, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, AND THE RULES OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES PROMULGATED THEREUNDER. THE LIMITATION OF THE INITIAL OFFERING TO ACCREDITED INVESTORS DOES NOT DENOTE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER IN ANY SECONDARY MARKET FOR THE SERIES 2025 BONDS. See "SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT" and "BONDOWNERS' RISKS" herein.

The District is a local unit of special-purpose government of the State of Florida (the "State"), created in accordance with the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), and by Ordinance No. 2022-11, duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the Hernando County, Florida (the "County") on April 26, 2022 (the "Ordinance"). The District was established for the purpose of financing the acquisition and construction of and managing the maintenance and operation of certain community development services and facilities within and without its boundaries. The Act authorizes the District to issue bonds for purposes, among others, of financing and refinancing the costs of planning, financing, acquisition, design construction, reconstruction, equipping and installation of potable water and wastewater facilities.

The District encompasses approximately 198.59 acres of land (the "District Lands") located within the unincorporated boundaries of Hernando County, Florida (the "County"). For more complete information about the District, its Board of Supervisors and the District Manager,

* Preliminary, subject to change.

see "THE DISTRICT" herein. The District Lands are being developed as a residential community known as "[Benton Hills]" (the "Development"). The District is planned to contain a residential community known as "[Benton Hills]" and referred to herein as the "Development." At buildout the Development is planned to contain 659 single-family homes. The Development is generally located south of Cortez Boulevard, north of Powerline Road, east of Interstate-75, and west of Kettering Road. See "THE DEVELOPMENT" herein for more information. The District is issuing the Series 2025 Bonds in order to finance a portion of the public infrastructure improvements associated with Phases 1 and 2 of the Development (the "Assessment Area One Project"). As set forth in the Assessment Methodology (as defined herein), the Series 2025 Special Assessments are initially levied on the approximately 133.4 gross acres of land which comprise Assessment Area One. As platting occurs, the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be assigned to the 382 lots planned for Assessment Area One on a first platted, first assigned basis. See "ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF ASSESSMENTS" herein for more information.

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "Developer") owns [all] of the assessable land within [the Development] and will serve as the sole land developer and homebuilder. See "THE DEVELOPER" herein for more information. [confirm or disclose other land owners.]

The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act, Resolution No. 2022-26 and Resolution No. 2025-[] adopted by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the District on June 30, 2022 and [January 21], 2025, respectively (collectively, the "Resolution"), and a Master Trust Indenture dated as of [] 1, 2025 (the "Master Indenture"), as supplemented by a First Supplemental Trust Indenture, dated as [] 1, 2025 (the "First Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Master Indenture, the "Indenture"), each by and between the District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued for the purposes of: (i) providing funds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping and installation of the Assessment Area One Project, (ii) funding a deposit to the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement (as defined herein), (iii) paying a portion of the interest coming due on the Series 2025 Bonds, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. See "ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS" and "APPENDIX B: PROPOSED FORMS OF MASTER INDENTURE AND FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE" hereto.

The Series 2025 Bonds are payable from and secured solely by the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues. The "Series 2025 Pledged Revenues" shall mean (a) all revenues received by the District from the Series 2025 Special Assessments (as defined herein) levied and collected on the assessable lands within Assessment Area One within the District including without limitation, amounts received from any foreclosure proceeding for the enforcement of collection of such Series 2025 Special Assessments or from the issuance and sale of tax certificates with respect to such Series 2025 Special Assessments, and (b) all moneys on deposit in the Funds and Accounts established under the Indenture, created and established with respect to or for the benefit of the

Series 2025 Bonds; provided, however, that the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues shall not include (A) any moneys transferred to the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and investment earnings thereon, (B) moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund and (C) "special assessments" levied and collected by the District under Section 190.022, Florida Statutes, for maintenance purposes or "maintenance assessments" levied and collected by the District under Section 190.021(3), Florida Statutes (it being expressly understood that the lien and pledge of the Indenture shall not apply to any of the moneys described in the foregoing clauses of (A), (B) and (C) of this provision). See "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS" herein.

Set forth herein are brief descriptions of the District, the Assessment Area One Project, the Developer and the Development, together with summaries of terms of the Series 2025 Bonds, the Indenture, and certain provisions of the Act. All references herein to the Indenture and the Act are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents and the Act and all references to the Series 2025 Bonds are qualified by reference to the definitive forms thereof and the information with respect thereto contained in the Indenture. Proposed forms of the Master Indenture and the First Supplemental Indenture appear as APPENDIX B attached hereto.

This Limited Offering Memorandum speaks only as of its date and the information contained herein is subject to change.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS

General Description

The Series 2025 Bonds will be dated, will bear interest at the rates per annum (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) and, subject to the redemption provisions set forth below, will mature on the dates and in the amounts set forth on the inside cover pages of this Limited Offering Memorandum. Interest on the Series 2025 Bonds will be payable semi-annually on each May 1 and November 1, commencing [May 1, 2025], until maturity or prior redemption. U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association is the initial Trustee, Paying Agent and Registrar for the Series 2025 Bonds.

The Series 2025 Bonds will be issued in fully registered form, without coupons, in authorized denominations of \$5,000 and any integral multiple thereof provided, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture. The Series 2025 Bonds will initially be offered only to "accredited investors" within the meaning of Chapter 517, Florida Statutes, as amended, and the rules of the Florida Department of Financial Services promulgated thereunder; provided, however, the limitation of the initial offering to Accredited Investors does not denote restrictions on transfer in any secondary market for the Series 2025 Bonds. See "SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT" herein.

Upon initial issuance, the Series 2025 Bonds shall be issued as one fully registered bond for each maturity of Series 2025 Bonds and deposited with The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), which is responsible for establishing and maintaining records of ownership for its participants. As long as the Series 2025 Bonds are held in book-entry-only form, Cede & Co. shall be considered the registered owner for all purposes of the Indenture. DTC shall be responsible for

maintaining a book-entry-only system for recording the ownership interest of its participants ("Direct Participants") and other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The Direct Participants and Indirect Participants will be responsible for maintaining records with respect to the beneficial ownership interests of individual purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds ("Beneficial Owners"). Principal and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co. prior to and at maturity shall be payable directly to Cede & Co. in care of DTC. Disbursal of such amounts to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of DTC. Payments by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct Participants and Indirect Participants and not of DTC nor its nominee, the Trustee or the District. During the period for which Cede & Co. is registered owner of the Series 2025 Bonds, any notices to be provided to any Beneficial Owner will be provided to Cede & Co. DTC shall be responsible for notices to Direct Participants and Direct Participants shall be responsible for notices to Indirect Participants, and Direct Participants and Indirect Participants shall be responsible for notices to Beneficial Owners. In the event DTC, any successor of DTC or the District, but only in accordance with the procedures of DTC, elects to discontinue the book-entry only system for the Series 2025 Bonds, the Trustee shall deliver bond certificates in accordance with the instructions from DTC or its successor, and after such time the Series 2025 Bonds may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of such Series 2025 Bonds in other Authorized Denominations upon surrender thereof at the designated corporate trust office of the Trustee. See "– Book-Entry Only System" herein.

Redemption Provisions

Optional Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing after May 1, 20____ may, at the option of the District be called for redemption prior to maturity as a whole or in part, at any time, on or after May 1, 20____ (less than all Series 2025 Bonds of a maturity to be selected by lot), at a Redemption Price equal to the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest from the most recent Interest Payment Date through which interest has been paid to the redemption date from moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Optional Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such optional redemption shall be in part, the District shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be optionally redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20____ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
	\$

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*Maturity

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
	\$

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*Maturity

The Series 2025 Bonds maturing on May 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption from the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account on May 1 in the years and in the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts set forth below at a Redemption Price of 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Amount</u>
	\$

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*Maturity

Upon any redemption of Series 2025 Bonds other than in accordance with scheduled mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts, the District shall cause to be recalculated and delivered to the Trustee revised mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts recalculated so as to amortize the Outstanding principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds in substantially equal annual installments of principal and interest (subject to rounding to Authorized Denominations of principal) over the remaining term of the Series 2025 Bonds. The mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts as so recalculated shall not result in an increase in the aggregate of the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for all Series 2025 Bonds in any year. In the event of a redemption or purchase occurring less than forty-five (45) days prior to a date on which a mandatory sinking fund redemption amount is due, the foregoing recalculation shall not be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts due in the year in which such redemption or

purchase occurs, but shall be made to the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for the immediately succeeding and subsequent years.

Extraordinary Mandatory Redemption

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption prior to maturity by the District in whole or in part, on any date (other than in the case of clause (i) below, which extraordinary mandatory redemption in part must occur on a Quarterly Redemption Date), at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed, plus interest accrued to the redemption date, as follows:

(i) from Series 2025 Prepayment Principal deposited into the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account following the payment in whole or in part of Series 2025 Special Assessments on any assessable property within Assessment Area One of the District in accordance with the provisions of the First Supplemental Trust Indenture, together with any excess moneys transferred by the Trustee from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount as a result of such Series 2025 Prepayment and pursuant to the First Supplemental Indenture. If such redemption shall be in part, the District shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level;

(ii) from moneys, if any, on deposit in the Funds, Accounts and subaccounts held by the Trustee under the First Supplemental Indenture (other than the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account) sufficient to pay and redeem all Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds and accrued interest thereon to the redemption date or dates in addition to all amounts owed to Persons under the Master Indenture;

(iii) upon the Completion Date, from any funds remaining on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in accordance with the provisions set forth in the First Supplemental Indenture, not otherwise reserved to complete the Assessment Area One Project and transferred to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account. If such redemption shall be in part, the District shall select such principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed from each maturity so that debt service on the remaining Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds is substantially level.

"Quarterly Redemption Date" shall mean each February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 of any calendar year.

Notice of Redemption

When required to redeem Series 2025 Bonds under the Indenture or when directed to do so by the District, the Trustee shall cause notice of the redemption, either in whole or in part, to be mailed at least thirty (30) but not more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date to all Owners of Series 2025 Bonds to be redeemed (as such Owners appear on the Bond Register on the fifth (5th) day prior to such mailing), at their registered address, but failure to mail any such notice or defect in the notice or in the mailing thereof shall not affect the validity of the redemption of the Series 2025 Bonds for which notice was duly mailed in accordance with the Indenture. If, at the time of mailing of notice of an optional redemption, the District shall not have deposited

with the Trustee or Paying Agent moneys sufficient to redeem or purchase all of the Series 2025 Bonds called for redemption, such notice shall expressly state that the redemption is conditional and is subject to the deposit of the redemption moneys with the Trustee or Paying Agent, as the case may be, not later than the opening of business on the redemption date, and such notice shall be of no effect unless such moneys are so deposited.

Book-Entry Only System

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") will act as securities depository for the Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 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 Series 2025 Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Series 2025 Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with 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 Series 2025 Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2025 Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Series 2025 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 Series 2025 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 Series 2025 Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2025 Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2025 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 Series 2025 Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not affect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2025 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 Series 2025 Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Series 2025 Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Series 2025 Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Series 2025 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 Series 2025 Bonds within a series or maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such series or maturity to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Series 2025 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 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 Series 2025 Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments on the Series 2025 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 District or the Trustee, 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 Trustee, or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be

requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District or the Trustee, 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 Direct and Indirect Participants.

A Beneficial Owner shall give notice to elect to have its Series 2025 Bonds purchased or tendered, through its Participant, to the Trustee, and shall effect delivery of such Series 2025 Bonds by causing the Direct Participant to transfer the Participant's interest in the Series 2025 Bonds, on DTC's records, to the Trustee. The requirement for physical delivery of Series 2025 Bonds in connection with an optional tender or a mandatory purchase will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the Series 2025 Bonds are transferred by Direct Participants on DTC's records and followed by a book-entry credit of tendered Series 2025 Bonds to the Trustee's DTC account.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District or the Trustee. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Series 2025 Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository) pursuant to the procedures of DTC. In that event, Security certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS

General

THE SERIES 2025 BONDS ARE LIMITED OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE SERIES 2025 PLEDGED REVENUES PLEDGED THEREFOR UNDER THE INDENTURE, AND NEITHER THE PROPERTY, THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT, NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE DISTRICT, THE COUNTY, THE STATE OF FLORIDA (THE "STATE"), OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, IS PLEDGED AS SECURITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS, EXCEPT THAT THE DISTRICT IS OBLIGATED UNDER THE INDENTURE TO LEVY AND TO EVIDENCE AND CERTIFY, OR CAUSE TO BE CERTIFIED, FOR COLLECTION SERIES 2025 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO SECURE AND PAY THE SERIES 2025 BONDS. THE SERIES 2025 BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN INDEBTEDNESS OF THE DISTRICT, THE COUNTY, THE STATE, OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY PROVISION OR LIMITATION.

The Series 2025 Bonds are payable from and secured solely by the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues. The "Series 2025 Pledged Revenues" shall mean (a) all revenues received by the District from the Series 2025 Special Assessments levied and collected on the assessable lands within Assessment Area One within the District including without limitation, amounts received

from any foreclosure proceeding for the enforcement of collection of such Series 2025 Special Assessments or from the issuance and sale of tax certificates with respect to such Series 2025 Special Assessments, and (b) all moneys on deposit in the Funds and Accounts established under the Indenture, created and established with respect to or for the benefit of the Series 2025 Bonds; provided, however, that the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues shall not include (A) any moneys transferred to the Series 2025 Rebate Fund and investment earnings thereon, (B) moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account of the Acquisition and Construction Fund and (C) "special assessments" levied and collected by the District under Section 190.022, Florida Statutes, for maintenance purposes or "maintenance assessments" levied and collected by the District under Section 190.021(3), Florida Statutes (it being expressly understood that the lien and pledge of the Indenture shall not apply to any of the moneys described in the foregoing clauses of (A), (B) and (C) of this proviso).

The "Series 2025 Special Assessments" consist of the non-ad valorem special assessments imposed and levied by the District against the assessable lands within Assessment Area One of the District specially benefited by the Assessment Area One Project, or any portions thereof, pursuant to Section 190.022 of the Act, and the Assessment Resolutions (as defined in the Indenture) and assessment proceedings conducted by the District (together with the Assessment Resolutions, the "Assessment Proceedings"). Non-ad valorem assessments are not based on millage and are not taxes, but are a lien against the homestead as permitted in Section 4, Article X of the Florida State Constitution. The Series 2025 Special Assessments will constitute a lien against the land as to which the Series 2025 Special Assessments are imposed. See "ENFORCEMENT OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS" herein.

The Series 2025 Special Assessments are levied in an amount corresponding to the debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds on the basis of benefit received by the lands within Assessment Area One within the District as a result of the Assessment Area One Project. The Assessment Methodology (as hereinafter defined), which describes the methodology for allocating the Series 2025 Special Assessments to the assessable lands within the Assessment Area One, is included as APPENDIX D attached hereto.

In the Master Indenture, the District will covenant that, if any Series 2025 Special Assessment shall be either in whole or in part annulled, vacated or set aside by the judgment of any court, or if the District shall be satisfied that any such Series 2025 Special Assessment is so irregular or defective that the same cannot be enforced or collected, or if the District shall have omitted to make such Series 2025 Special Assessment when it might have done so, the District shall either (i) take all necessary steps to cause a new Series 2025 Special Assessment to be made for the whole or any part of such improvement or against any property benefited by such improvement or (ii) in its sole discretion, make up the amount of such Series 2025 Special Assessment from any legally available moneys, which shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Account in the Revenue Fund. In case such second Series 2025 Special Assessment shall be annulled, the District shall obtain and make other Series 2025 Special Assessments until a valid Series 2025 Special Assessment shall be made.

Prepayment of Series 2025 Special Assessments

[The Assessment Proceedings provide that an owner of property subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments may prepay the entire remaining balance of such Series 2025 Special Assessment at any time, or a portion of the remaining balance of such Series 2025 Special Assessments up to two times, if there is also paid, in addition to the prepaid principal balance of the Series 2025 Special Assessment, an amount equal to the interest that would otherwise be due on such prepaid amount on the next succeeding interest payment date for the Series 2025 Bonds or, if prepaid during the forty-five (45) day period preceding such interest payment date, to the interest payment date following such next succeeding interest payment date. Prepayment of the Series 2025 Special Assessments does not entitle the property owner to any discounts for early payment.]

Pursuant to the Act and the Assessment Proceedings, an owner of property subject to the levy of Series 2025 Special Assessments may pay the entire balance of the Series 2025 Special Assessments remaining due, without interest, within thirty (30) days after the Assessment Area One Project has been completed or acquired by the District, and the Board has adopted a resolution accepting the Assessment Area One Project pursuant to Chapter 170.09, Florida Statutes. The Developer[, as the sole land owner in Assessment Area One,] will covenant to waive this right on behalf of itself and its respective successors and assigns with respect to the lands it owns in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS – Prepayment and Redemption Risk" herein.

The Series 2025 Bonds are subject to extraordinary redemption as indicated under "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Redemption Provisions – Extraordinary Mandatory Redemption" from optional and required prepayments of Series 2025 Special Assessments by property owners.

Additional Bonds

Under the Indenture, the District will covenant not to issue any other Bonds or other debt obligations secured by the Series 2025 Special Assessments. In addition, the District will covenant not to issue any other Bonds or debt obligations [for capital projects,] secured by Special Assessments on the assessable lands within the District that are subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments, until the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed. "Substantially Absorbed" means the date at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the principal portion of the Series 2025 Special Assessments has been assigned to residential units within Assessment Area One that have received certificates of occupancy. The District shall present the Trustee with a certification that the Series 2025 Special Assessments have been Substantially Absorbed and the Trustee may conclusively rely upon such certification and shall have no duty to verify if the Series 2025 Special Assessments are Substantially Absorbed. In the absence of such written certification, the Trustee is entitled to assume that the Series 2025 Special Assessments have not been Substantially Absorbed. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, the District shall not be precluded from imposing Special Assessments or non-ad valorem assessments on land within the District for the health, safety, and welfare of the District's residents or for purposes of remediating any natural disaster, catastrophic damage, or failure that has occurred with respect to any capital project or any component thereof.

The District and/or other public entities may impose taxes or other special assessments on the same properties encumbered by the Series 2025 Special Assessments without the consent of the Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds. The District expects to impose certain non-ad valorem special assessments called maintenance assessments, which are of equal dignity with the Series 2025 Special Assessments on the same lands upon which the Series 2025 Special Assessments are imposed, to fund the maintenance and operation of the District. See "THE DEVELOPMENT – Taxes, Fees and Assessments" and "BONDOWNERS' RISKS" herein for more information.

Covenant Against Sale or Encumbrance

In the Master Indenture, the District has covenanted that (a) except for those improvements comprising the Projects that are to be conveyed by the District to the County, the State Department of Transportation or another governmental entity, as to which no assessments of the District will be imposed and (b) except as otherwise permitted in the Master Indenture, it will not sell, lease or otherwise dispose of or encumber any Projects or any part thereof. See "APPENDIX B: PROPOSED FORMS OF MASTER INDENTURE AND FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE" herein.

Acquisition and Construction Account

The Indenture establishes a separate account within the Acquisition and Construction Fund designated as the "Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account." Net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall initially be deposited into the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in the amount set forth in the First Supplemental Indenture, together with any moneys subsequently transferred or deposited thereto, including moneys transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account after satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement (as defined herein) as certified in writing by the District Manager and upon which the Trustee may conclusively rely, and such moneys shall be applied as set forth in the Indenture, the Acquisition Agreement and the Engineer's Report. Funds on deposit in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall only be requested by the District to be applied to the Costs of the Assessment Area One Project, subject to the First Supplemental Indenture. Upon satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account in excess of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, as applicable and as calculated by the District shall then be transferred by the Trustee to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account, as directed in writing to the Trustee by the District Manager, upon consultation with the Consulting Engineer, and applied as provided in the First Supplemental Indenture.

Following the Completion Date for the Assessment Area One Project, all moneys remaining in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account that have not been requisitioned within thirty (30) days after satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement shall be transferred to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount, as directed in writing by the District or the District Manager, on behalf of the District to the Trustee. Except as provided in the First Supplemental Indenture, only upon presentment to the Trustee of a properly signed requisition in substantially the form attached to the First Supplemental Indenture, shall the Trustee withdraw moneys from the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account. After no funds remain therein, the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Fund shall be closed.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall not be closed until the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement shall have occurred and the excess funds from the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall have been transferred to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account, as directed in writing to the Trustee by the District Manager, and applied in accordance with the First Supplemental Indenture. The Trustee shall not be responsible for determining the amount in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account allocable to the Assessment Area One Project or any transfers made to such Account in accordance with direction from the District Manager.

The Trustee shall make no such transfers from the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount if an Event of Default exists with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds of which the Trustee has notice as described in the Master Indenture or which the Trustee has actual knowledge. Except as provided in the First Supplemental Indenture, only upon presentment to the Trustee of a properly signed requisition in substantially the form attached as an exhibit to the First Supplemental Indenture, shall the Trustee withdraw moneys from the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account.

Reserve Account

The Indenture establishes a Series 2025 Reserve Account within the Debt Service Reserve Fund solely for the benefit of the Series 2025 Bonds. Net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be deposited into the Series 2025 Reserve Account in the amount of the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement as set forth in the First Supplemental Indenture, and such moneys, together with any other moneys deposited into the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall be applied for the purposes in the Indenture.

"Series 2025 Reserve Requirement" or "Reserve Requirement" shall (i) initially, an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds as calculated from time to time; and (ii) upon the occurrence of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, and thereafter, be an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds as calculated from time to time. Upon satisfaction of the Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, such excess amount shall be released from the Series 2025 Reserve Account and transferred to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account in accordance with the provisions of the First Supplemental Indenture. For the purpose of calculating the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement, fifty percent (50%) of maximum annual debt service, or ten percent (10%) of maximum annual debt service, as the case may be, shall be recalculated in connection with each extraordinary mandatory redemption described in the First Supplemental Indenture (but not upon the optional or mandatory sinking fund redemption thereof) and such excess amount shall be released from the Series 2025 Reserve Account and, other than as provided in the immediately preceding sentence, transferred to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount as applicable, in accordance with the provisions of the First Supplemental Indenture. Amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account may, upon final maturity or redemption of all Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds be used to pay principal of and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds at that time. Initially, the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement shall be equal to \$_____.

"Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement" shall mean all of the following: (i) all homes subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments have been built and have received a certificate of occupancy, (ii) all of the principal portion of the Series 2025 Special Assessments has been assigned to such homes, and (iii) there shall be no Events of Default under the Series 2025 Indenture, all as certified by the District Manager in writing and upon which the Trustee may conclusively rely.

Notwithstanding any provisions in the Master Indenture to the contrary, the District will covenant in the Indenture not to substitute the cash and Investment Securities on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account with a Debt Service Reserve Insurance Policy or a Debt Service Reserve Letter of Credit. Except as provided in the next paragraph, all investment earnings on moneys in the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall remain on deposit therein.

On each March 15 and September 15 (or, if such date is not a Business Day, on the Business Day next preceding such day), the Trustee shall determine the amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account resulting from investment earnings and transfer any excess therein above the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account and if such Account is closed, to the Series 2025 Revenue Account in accordance with the Indenture.

Subject to the provisions of the First Supplemental Indenture, on any date the District receives notice from the District Manager that the Landowner or any other landowner wishes to prepay its Series 2025 Special Assessments relating to the benefited property of such landowner, or as a result of a mandatory true-up payment, the District shall, or cause the District Manager, on behalf of the District, to calculate the principal amount of such Prepayment taking into account a credit against the amount of Series 2025 Prepayment Principal due by the amount of money in the Series 2025 Reserve Account that will exceed the Series 2025 Reserve Requirement for the Series 2025 Bonds, taking into account the proposed Prepayment. Such excess shall be transferred to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account, as a result of such Prepayment. The District Manager, on behalf of the District, shall make such calculation within ten (10) Business Days after such Prepayment and shall instruct the Trustee in writing to transfer such amount of credit given to the respective landowner from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account to be used for the extraordinary mandatory redemption of the Series 2025 Bonds in accordance with the First Supplemental Indenture. The Trustee is authorized to make such transfers and has no duty to verify such calculations. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account shall be transferred by the Trustee, in the amounts directed in writing by the Majority Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount, if as a result of the application of Article X of the Master Indenture, the proceeds received from lands sold subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments and applied to redeem a portion of the Series 2025 Bonds is less than the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds indebtedness attributable to such lands.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon satisfaction of Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, the Trustee shall deposit such excess as directed by the District Manager in writing on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account and pay such amount as designated in a requisition in the form attached as an exhibit to

the First Supplemental Indenture to the District submitted by the Developer within thirty (30) days of such transfer which requisition shall be executed by the District and the Consulting Engineer. Such payment is authorized notwithstanding that the Completion Date might have been declared provided the Developer can establish, to the satisfaction of the Consulting Engineer, Costs of the Assessment Area One Project that were not paid from moneys initially deposited in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account. In the event that there are no unreimbursed Costs to pay to the Developer, such excess moneys transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall be deposited into the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount of the Series 2025 Bond Redemption Account upon direction to the Trustee by the District. If no completed requisition as provided in this section is submitted to the Trustee within thirty (30) days of moneys having been transferred from the Series 2025 Reserve Account to the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account as a result of the satisfaction of the Reserve Conditions for Reduction of Reserve Requirement, such excess moneys in the Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account shall then be transferred by the Trustee to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount and applied to the redemption of Series 2025 Bonds as provided in the First Supplemental Indenture.

It shall be an event of default under the Indenture if at any time the amount in the Series 2025 Reserve Account is less than the Reserve Requirement therefor as a result of the Trustee withdrawing an amount therefrom to satisfy the Debt Service Requirement for the Series 2025 Bonds and such amount has not been restored within ninety (90) days of such withdrawal.

Deposit and Application of the Pledged Revenues

The Indenture establishes a Series 2025 Revenue Account within the Revenue Fund. Series 2025 Special Assessments (except for Prepayments of Series 2025 Special Assessments which shall be identified as such by the District to the Trustee and deposited in the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount) shall be deposited by the Trustee into the Series 2025 Revenue Account. Pursuant to the Indenture, the Trustee shall transfer from amounts on deposit in the Series 2025 Revenue Account to the Funds and Accounts designated below, the following amounts, at the following times and in the following order of priority:

FIRST, upon receipt but no later than the Business Day next preceding each Interest Payment Date, commencing [May 1, 2025], to the Series 2025 Interest Account of the Debt Service Fund, an amount equal to the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds becoming due on the next succeeding Interest Payment Date, less any amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Interest Account not previously credited;

SECOND, no later than the Business Day next preceding each May 1, commencing May 1, 2025, to the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account, an amount equal to the principal amount of Series 2025 Bonds subject to sinking fund redemption on such May 1, less any amount on deposit in the Series 2025 Sinking Fund Account not previously credited;

THIRD, upon receipt but no later than the Business Day next preceding each Interest Payment Date while Series 2025 Bonds remain Outstanding, to the Series 2025 Reserve Account, an amount equal to the amount, if any, which is necessary to make the amount on deposit therein equal to the Reserve Requirement for the Series 2025 Bonds;

FOURTH, notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time the Series 2025 Bonds are subject to redemption on a date which is not a May 1 or November 1 Interest Payment Date, the Trustee shall be authorized to transfer to the Series 2025 Interest Account, the amount necessary to pay interest on the Series 2025 Bonds subject to redemption on such date; and

FIFTH, subject to the foregoing paragraphs, the balance of any moneys remaining after making the foregoing deposits shall be first deposited into the Series 2025 Costs of Issuance Account upon the written request of the District to cover any deficiencies in the amount allocated to pay the cost of issuing the Series 2025 Bonds and next, any balance in the Series 2025 Revenue Account shall remain on deposit in the Series 2025 Revenue Account, unless needed for the purposes of rounding the principal amount of a Series 2025 Bond subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption pursuant to the First Supplemental Indenture to an Authorized Denomination, or unless pursuant to the Arbitrage Certificate, it is necessary to make a deposit into the Series 2025 Rebate Fund, in which case, the District shall direct the Trustee to make such deposit thereto.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a redemption of Series 2025 Bonds from Prepayments on deposit in the Series 2025 Prepayment Subaccount, the Trustee is further authorized, upon written direction from the District, to transfer from the Series 2025 Revenue Account to the Series 2025 General Redemption Subaccount sufficient funds to cause the redemption of the next closest Authorized Denomination of Series 2025 Bonds, as provided in in the First Supplemental Indenture.

Investments

The Trustee shall, as directed by the District in writing, invest moneys held in the Series Accounts in the Debt Service Fund and any Series Account within the Bond Redemption Fund only in Government Obligations and certain specified types of Investment Securities (as defined in the Master Indenture). The Trustee shall, as directed by the District in writing, invest moneys held in the Series 2025 Reserve Account of the Reserve Fund in Investment Securities. All deposits in time accounts shall be subject to withdrawal without penalty and all investments shall mature or be subject to redemption by the holder without penalty, not later than the date when the amounts will foreseeably be needed for purposes set forth in the Master Indenture. All securities securing investments under the Indenture shall be deposited with a Federal Reserve Bank, with the trust department of the Trustee, as authorized by law with respect to trust funds in the State, or with a bank or trust company having a combined net capital and surplus of not less than \$50,000,000. The interest and income received upon such investments and any interest paid by the Trustee or any other depository of any Fund or Account and any profit or loss resulting from the sale of securities shall be added or charged to the Fund or Account for which such investments are made; provided, however, that if the amount in any Fund or Account equals or exceeds the amount required to be on deposit therein, subject to the Indenture, any interest and other income so received shall be deposited in the applicable Series Account of the Revenue Fund. Upon request of the District, or on its own initiative whenever payment is to be made out of any Fund or Account, the Trustee shall sell such securities as may be requested to make the payment and restore the proceeds to the respective Fund or Account in which the securities were held. The Trustee shall not be accountable for any depreciation in the value of any such security or for any loss resulting from the sale thereof, except as provided in the Master Indenture. If net proceeds from the sale of

securities held in any Fund or Account shall be less than the amount invested and, as a result, the amount on deposit in such Fund or Account is less than the amount required to be on deposit in such Fund or Account, the amount of such deficit shall be transferred to such Fund or Account from the related Series Account of the Revenue Fund. The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for keeping the moneys held by it hereunder invested or for any losses because such amounts were not invested. See "APPENDIX B: PROPOSED FORMS OF MASTER INDENTURE AND FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE" attached hereto.

Master Indenture Provisions Relating to Bankruptcy or Insolvency of a Developer

For purposes the following, (a) the Series 2025 Bonds secured by and payable from Special Assessments levied against property owned by any Insolvent Taxpayer (defined below) are collectively referred to herein as the "Affected Bonds" and (b) the Special Assessments levied against any Insolvent Taxpayer's property and pledged under a Supplemental Indenture as security for the Affected Bonds are collectively referred to herein as the "Affected Special Assessments." The Master Indenture contains the following provisions which, pursuant to the Indenture, shall be applicable both before and after the commencement, whether voluntary or involuntary, of any case, proceeding or other action by or against any owner of any tax parcel subject to the Affected Special Assessments (herein, an "Insolvent Taxpayer") under any existing or future law of any jurisdiction relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, assignment for the benefit of creditors, or relief of debtors (a "Proceeding"). For as long as any Affected Bonds remain Outstanding, in any Proceeding involving the District, any Insolvent Taxpayer, the Affected Bonds or the Affected Special Assessments, the District shall be obligated to act in accordance with any direction from the Trustee with regard to all matters directly or indirectly affecting at least three percent (3%) of the Outstanding aggregate principal amount of the Affected Bonds or for as long as any Affected Bonds remain Outstanding, in any proceeding involving the District, any Insolvent Taxpayer, the Affected Bonds or the Affected Special Assessments or the Trustee. The District has agreed in the Master Indenture that it shall not be a defense to a breach of the foregoing covenant that it has acted upon advice of counsel in not complying with this covenant.

In the Master Indenture, the District has acknowledged and agreed that, although the Affected Bonds were issued by the District, the Owners of the Affected Bonds are categorically the party with the ultimate financial stake in the transaction and, consequently, the party with a vested and pecuniary interest in a Proceeding. In the event of any Proceeding involving any Insolvent Taxpayer: (a) the District has agreed in the Master Indenture that it shall follow the direction of the Trustee in making any election, giving any consent, commencing any action or filing any motion, claim, obligation, notice or application or in taking any other action or position in any Proceeding or in any action related to a Proceeding that affects, either directly or indirectly, the Affected Special Assessments, the Affected Bonds or any rights of the Trustee under the Indenture; (b) the District has agreed in the Master Indenture that it shall not make any election, give any consent, commence any action or file any motion, claim, obligation, notice or application or take any other action or position in any Proceeding or in any action related to a Proceeding that affects, either directly or indirectly, the Affected Special Assessments, the Affected Bonds or any rights of the Trustee under the Indenture that is inconsistent with any direction from the Trustee; (c) to the extent permitted by law, the Trustee shall have the right, but is not obligated to, (i) vote in any such Proceeding any and all claims of the District, or (ii) file any motion, pleading, plan or objection in any such Proceeding on behalf of the District, including without limitation, motions

seeking relief from the automatic stay, dismissal of the Proceeding, valuation of the property belonging to the Insolvent Taxpayer, termination of exclusivity, and objections to disclosure statements, plans of liquidation or reorganization, and motions for use of cash collateral, seeking approval of sales or post-petition financing. If the Trustee chooses to exercise any such rights, the District shall be deemed to have appointed the Trustee as its agent and granted to the Trustee an irrevocable power of attorney coupled with an interest, and its proxy, for the purpose of exercising any and all rights and taking any and all actions available to the District in connection with any Proceeding of any Insolvent Taxpayer, including without limitation, the right to file and/or prosecute any claims, to propose and prosecute a plan, to vote to accept or reject a plan, and to make any election under Section 1111(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and (d) the District shall not challenge the validity or amount of any claim submitted in such Proceeding by the Trustee in good faith or any valuations of the lands owned by any Insolvent Taxpayer submitted by the Trustee in good faith in such Proceeding or take any other action in such Proceeding, which is adverse to Trustee's enforcement of the District claim and rights with respect to the Affected Special Assessments or receipt of adequate protection (as that term is defined in the Bankruptcy Code). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the District has agreed in the Master Indenture that the Trustee shall have the right (i) to file a proof of claim with respect to the Affected Special Assessments, (ii) to deliver to the District a copy thereof, together with evidence of the filing with the appropriate court or other authority, and (iii) to defend any objection filed to said proof of claim. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS – Bankruptcy Risks" herein.

Events of Default and Remedies

The Master Indenture provides that each of the following shall be an "Event of Default" under the Indenture, with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds:

- (a) if payment of any installment of interest on any Series 2025 Bond is not made when it becomes due and payable; or
- (b) if payment of the principal or Redemption Price of any Series 2025 Bond is not made when it becomes due and payable at maturity or upon call or presentation for redemption; or
- (c) if the District, for any reason, fails in, or is rendered incapable of, fulfilling its obligations under the Indenture or under the Act, as determined by the Majority Holder of the Series 2025 Bonds; or
- (d) if the District proposes or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors or enters into a composition agreement with all or a material part of its creditors, or a trustee, receiver, executor, conservator, liquidator, sequestrator or other judicial representative, similar or dissimilar, is appointed for the District or any of its assets or revenues, or there is commenced any proceeding in liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement of debts, debtor rehabilitation, creditor adjustment or insolvency, local, state or federal, by or against the District and if such is not vacated, dismissed or stayed on appeal within ninety (90) days; or
- (e) if the District defaults in the due and punctual performance of any other covenant in the Indenture or in any Series 2025 Bond and such default continues for sixty (60) days after written notice requiring the same to be remedied shall have been given to the District by the

Trustee, which may give such notice in its discretion and shall give such notice at the written request of the Majority Holder of the Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds; provided, however, that if such performance requires work to be done, actions to be taken, or conditions to be remedied, which by their nature cannot reasonably be done, taken or remedied, as the case may be, within such sixty (60) day period, no Event of Default shall be deemed to have occurred or exist if, and so long as the District shall commence such performance within such sixty (60) day period and shall diligently and continuously prosecute the same to completion; or

(f) if at any time the amount in the Series 2025 Reserve Account is less than the Reserve Requirement as a result of the Trustee withdrawing an amount therefrom to satisfy the Debt Service Requirement on the Series 2025 Bonds and such amount has not been restored within ninety (90) days of such withdrawal; or

(g) if, at any time after eighteen months following issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, more than twenty percent (20%) of the "maintenance special assessments" levied by the District on District lands upon which the Series 2025 Special Assessments are levied to secure the Series 2025 Bonds pursuant to Section 190.021(3), Florida Statutes, as amended, and collected directly by the District have become due and payable and have not been paid, when due.

The Trustee shall not be required to rely on any official action, admission or declaration by the District before recognizing that an Event of Default under (c) above has occurred.

No Series 2025 Bonds shall be subject to acceleration. Upon occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds, no optional redemption or extraordinary mandatory redemption of Series 2025 Bonds pursuant to the Indenture shall occur unless all of the Series 2025 Bonds will be redeemed or if 100% of the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds agree to such redemption; provided however, nothing in this section shall prevent a pro rata default distribution pursuant to the Indenture.

If any Event of Default with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee, in its discretion may, and upon the written request of the Holders of not less than a majority of the aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Series 2025 Bonds and receipt of indemnity to its satisfaction shall, in its own name:

(a) by mandamus, or other suit, action or proceeding at law or in equity, enforce all rights of the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds, including, without limitation, the right to require the District to carry out any agreements with, or for the benefit of, the Bondholders of the Series 2025 Bonds and to perform its or their duties under the Act;

(b) bring suit upon the Series 2025 Bonds;

(c) by action or suit in equity require the District to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds;

(d) by action or suit in equity enjoin any acts or things which may be unlawful or in violation of the rights of the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds; and

(e) by other proceeding in law or equity, exercise all rights and remedies provided for by any other document or instrument securing the Series 2025 Bonds.

If any proceeding taken by the Trustee on account of any Event of Default with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds is discontinued or is determined adversely to the Trustee, then the District, the Trustee, the Paying Agent and the Bondholders of the Series 2025 Bonds shall be restored to their former positions and rights under the Indenture as though no such proceeding had been taken.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Series 2025 Series then subject to remedial proceedings under the Master Indenture shall have the right to direct the method and place of conducting all remedial proceedings by the Trustee under the Indenture, provided that such directions shall not be otherwise than in accordance with law or the provisions of the Indenture.

ENFORCEMENT OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS

General

The primary sources of payment for the Series 2025 Bonds are the Series 2025 Special Assessments imposed on lands in Assessment Area One within the District specially benefited by the Assessment Area One Project, pursuant to the Assessment Proceedings. See "ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF ASSESSMENTS" herein and "APPENDIX D: ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY" attached hereto.

The determination, order, levy, and collection of Series 2025 Special Assessments must be done in compliance with procedural requirements and guidelines provided by State law. Failure by the District, the Hernando County Tax Collector (the "Tax Collector") or the Hernando County Property Appraiser (the "Property Appraiser") to comply with such requirements could result in delay in the collection of, or the complete inability to collect, Series 2025 Special Assessments during any year. Such delays in the collection of Series 2025 Special Assessments, or complete inability to collect the Series 2025 Special Assessments, would have a material adverse effect on the ability of the District to make full or punctual payment of the debt service requirements on the Series 2025 Bonds. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS." To the extent that landowners fail to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments, delay payments, or are unable to pay the same, the successful pursuance of collection procedures available to the District is essential to continued payment of principal of and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds.

For the Series 2025 Special Assessments to be valid, the Series 2025 Special Assessments must meet two requirements: (1) the benefit from the Assessment Area One Project to the lands subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments must exceed or equal the amount of the Series 2025 Special Assessments, and (2) the Series 2025 Special Assessments must be fairly and reasonably allocated across all such benefitted properties.

Pursuant to the Act and the Assessment Proceedings, the District may collect the Series 2025 Special Assessments through a variety of methods. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS." Initially, the District will directly issue annual bills to landowners requiring payment of the Series 2025 Special Assessments for lands that have not yet been platted, and will enforce that bill through foreclosure proceedings. See "ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF

ASSESSMENTS" herein and "APPENDIX D: ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY" hereto. As lands within the District are platted, the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be added to the Hernando County tax roll and collected pursuant to the Uniform Method (as described below). The following is a description of certain statutory provisions relating to each of these collection methods. Such description is not intended to be exhaustive and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such statutes.

Direct Billing & Foreclosure Procedure

As noted above, and pursuant to Chapters 170 and 190 of the Florida Statutes, in certain circumstances the District shall directly levy, collect and enforce the Series 2025 Special Assessments. In this context, Section 170.10 of the Florida Statutes provides that upon the failure of any property owner to timely pay all or any part of the annual installment of principal and/or interest of a special assessment due, including the Series 2025 Special Assessments, the whole assessment, with the interest and penalties thereon, shall immediately become due and payable and subject to foreclosure. Generally stated, the governing body of the entity levying the special assessment, in this case the District, may foreclose by commencing a foreclosure proceeding in the same manner as the foreclosure of a real estate mortgage, or, alternatively, by commencing an action under Chapter 173, Florida Statutes, which relates to foreclosure of municipal tax and special assessment liens. Such proceedings are in rem, meaning that the action would be brought against the land, and not against the landowner. In light of the one year tolling period required before the District may commence a foreclosure action under Chapter 173, Florida Statutes, it is likely the District would commence an action to foreclose in the same manner as the foreclosure of a real estate mortgage rather than proceeding under Chapter 173, Florida Statutes.

Enforcement of the obligation to pay Series 2025 Special Assessments and the ability to foreclose the lien of such Series 2025 Special Assessments upon the failure to pay such Series 2025 Special Assessments may not be readily available or may be limited because enforcement is dependent upon judicial action which is often subject to discretion and delay. Additionally, there is no guarantee that there will be demand for any foreclosed lands sufficient to repay the Series 2025 Special Assessments. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS" herein.

Uniform Method Procedure

Subject to certain conditions, and for platted lands (as described above), the District may alternatively elect to collect the Series 2025 Special Assessments using the Uniform Method. The Uniform Method of collection is available only in the event the District complies with statutory and regulatory requirements and enters into agreements with the Tax Collector and Property Appraiser providing for the Series 2025 Special Assessments to be levied and then collected in this manner.

If the Uniform Method of collection is used, the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be collected together with County, school, special district, and other ad valorem taxes and non-ad valorem assessments (together, "Taxes and Assessments"), all of which will appear on the tax bill (also referred to as a "tax notice") issued to each landowner in the District. The statutes relating to enforcement of Taxes and Assessments provide that such Taxes and Assessments become due and payable on November 1 of the year when assessed, or as soon thereafter as the certified tax roll is

received by the Tax Collector, and constitute a lien upon the land from January 1 of such year until paid or barred by operation of law. Such taxes and assessments – including the Series 2025 Special Assessments – are to be billed, and landowners in the District are required to pay, all Taxes and Assessments without preference in payment of any particular increment of the tax bill, such as the increment owing for the Series 2025 Special Assessments. In other words, any partial prepayment by a landowner must be distributed in equal proportion to all taxing districts and levying authorities.

All Taxes and Assessments are payable at one time, except for partial payment schedules as may be provided by Florida law such as Sections 197.374 and 197.222, Florida Statutes. Partial payments made pursuant to Sections 197.374 and 197.222, Florida Statutes, are distributed in equal proportion to all taxing districts and levying authorities applicable to that account. If a taxpayer does not make complete payment of the total amount, he or she cannot designate specific line items on his or her tax bill as deemed paid in full. Therefore, in the event the Series 2025 Special Assessments are to be collected pursuant to the Uniform Method, any failure to pay any one line item, would cause the Series 2025 Special Assessments to not be collected to that extent, which could have a significant adverse effect on the ability of the District to make full or punctual payment of the debt service requirements on the Series 2025 Bonds.

Under the Uniform Method, if the Series 2025 Special Assessments are paid during November when due or during the following three months, the taxpayer is granted a variable discount equal to 4% in November and decreasing one percentage point per month to 1% in February. All unpaid Taxes and Assessments become delinquent on April 1 of the year following assessment.

The Tax Collector is required to collect the Taxes and Assessments on the tax bill prior to April 1 and, after that date, to institute statutory procedures upon delinquency to collect such Taxes and Assessments through the sale of "tax certificates," as discussed below. Delay in the mailing of tax notices to taxpayers may result in a delay throughout this process. Neither the District nor the Underwriter can give any assurance to the holders of the Series 2025 Bonds (1) that the past experience of the Tax Collector with regard to tax and special assessment delinquencies is applicable in any way to the Series 2025 Special Assessments, (2) that future landowners and taxpayers in the District will pay such Series 2025 Special Assessments, (3) that a market may exist in the future for tax certificates in the event of sale of such certificates for taxable units within the District, and (4) that the eventual sale of tax certificates for real property within the District, if any, will be for an amount sufficient to pay amounts due under the Assessment Proceedings to discharge the lien of the Series 2025 Special Assessments and all other liens that are coequal therewith.

Collection of delinquent Series 2025 Special Assessments under the Uniform Method is, in essence, based upon the sale by the Tax Collector of "tax certificates" and remittance of the proceeds of such sale to the District for payment of the Series 2025 Special Assessments due. Prior to the sale of tax certificates, the landowner may bring current the delinquent Taxes and Assessments and cancel the tax certificate process by paying the total amount of delinquent Taxes and Assessments plus all applicable interest, costs and charges. If the landowner does not act, the Tax Collector is required to attempt to sell tax certificates by public bid to the person who pays the delinquent Taxes and Assessments owing, and any applicable interest, costs and charges, and

who accepts the lowest interest rate per annum to be borne by the certificates (but not more than 18%).

If there are no bidders, the tax certificate is issued to the County. The County is to hold, but not pay for, the tax certificate with respect to the property, bearing interest at the maximum legal rate of interest, which is currently 18%. The Tax Collector does not collect any money if tax certificates are issued, or struck off, to the County. The County may sell such certificates to the public at any time after issuance, but before a tax deed application is made, at the face amount thereof plus interest at the rate of not more than 18% per annum, costs and charges. Proceeds from the sale of tax certificates are required to be used to pay Taxes and Assessments (including the Series 2025 Special Assessments), interest, costs and charges on the real property described in the certificate.

Unless full payment for a tax deed is made to the clerk of court, including documentary stamps and recording fees, any tax certificate in the hands of a person other than the County may be redeemed and canceled, in whole or in part (under certain circumstances), at any time before a tax deed is issued, and at a price equal to the face amount of the certificate or portion thereof together with all interest, costs, and charges due. Regardless of the interest rate actually borne by the certificates, persons redeeming tax certificates must pay a minimum interest rate of 5%, unless the rate borne by the certificates is zero percent. The proceeds of such a redemption are paid to the Tax Collector who transmits to the holder of the tax certificate such proceeds less service charges, and the certificate is canceled. Redemption of tax certificates held by the County is effected by purchase of such certificates from the County, as described above.

For any holder other than the County, a tax certificate expires seven years after the date of issuance, if a tax deed has not been applied for, and no other administrative or legal proceeding, including a bankruptcy, has existed of record, the tax certificate is null and void. After an initial period ending two years from April 1 of the year of issuance of a certificate, during which period actions against the land are held in abeyance to allow for sales and redemptions of tax certificates, and before the expiration of seven years from the date of issuance, the holder of a certificate may apply for a tax deed to the subject land. The applicant is required to pay to the Tax Collector at the time of application all amounts required to redeem or purchase all other outstanding tax certificates covering the land, plus interest, any omitted taxes or delinquent taxes and interest, and current taxes, if due (as well as any costs of resale, if applicable). If the County holds a tax certificate on property valued at \$5,000 or more and has not succeeded in selling it, the County must apply for a tax deed two years after April 1 of the year of issuance of the certificate or as soon thereafter as is reasonable. The County pays costs and fees to the Tax Collector but not any amount to redeem any other outstanding certificates covering the land. Thereafter, the property is advertised for public sale.

In any such public sale conducted by the Clerk of the Circuit Court, the private holder of the tax certificate who is seeking a tax deed for non-homestead property is deemed to submit a minimum bid equal to the amount required to redeem the tax certificate, charges for the cost of sale, including costs incurred for the service of notice required by statute, redemption of other tax certificates on the land, and all other costs to the applicant for the tax deed, plus interest thereon. In the case of homestead property, the minimum bid is also deemed to include, in addition to the amount of money required for the minimum bid on non-homestead property, an amount equal to

one-half of the latest assessed value of the homestead. If there are no higher bids, the holder receives title to the land, and the amounts paid for the certificate and in applying for a tax deed are credited toward the purchase price. The holder is also responsible for payment of any amounts included in the bid not already paid, including but not limited to, documentary stamp tax, recording fees, and, if property is homestead property, the moneys to cover the one-half value of the homestead. If there are other bids, the holder may enter the bidding. The highest bidder is awarded title to the land. The portion of proceeds of such sale needed to redeem the tax certificate, together with all subsequent unpaid taxes plus the costs and expenses of the application for deed, with interest on the total of such sums, are forwarded to the holder thereof or credited to such holder if such holder is the successful bidder. Excess proceeds are distributed first to satisfy governmental liens against the land and then to the former title holder of the property (less service charges), lienholder of record, mortgagees of record, vendees of recorded contracts for deeds, and other lienholders and any other person to whom the land was last assessed on the tax roll for the year in which the land was assessed, all as their interest may appear.

Except for certain governmental liens, certain easements, and certain restrictive covenants and restrictions, no right, interest, restriction or other covenant survives the issuance of a tax deed. Thus, for example, outstanding mortgages on property subject to a tax deed would be extinguished.

If there are no bidders at the public sale, the clerk shall enter the land on a list entitled "lands available for taxes" and shall immediately notify the County Commission that the property is available. At any time within ninety (90) days from the date the property is placed on the list, the County may purchase the land for the opening bid, or may waive its rights to purchase the property. Thereafter, and without further notice or advertising, any person, the County or any other governmental unit may purchase the land by paying the amount of the opening bid. Ad valorem taxes and non-ad valorem assessments accruing after the date of public sale do not require repetition of the bidding process but are added to the minimum bid. Three years from the date the property was offered for sale, unsold lands escheat to the County in which they are located, free and clear, and all tax certificates, accrued taxes, and liens of any nature against the property, including the Series 2025 Special Assessments, are canceled and a deed is executed vesting title in the governing board of such County.

There can be no guarantee that the Uniform Method will result in the payment of Series 2025 Special Assessments. For example, the demand for tax certificates is dependent upon various factors, which include the rate of interest that can be earned by ownership of such certificates and the underlying value of the land that is the subject of such certificates and which may be subject to sale at the demand of the certificate holder. Therefore, the underlying market value of the property within the District may affect the demand for certificates and the successful collection of the Series 2025 Special Assessments, which is the primary source of payment of the Series 2025 Bonds. Additionally, legal proceedings under Federal bankruptcy law brought by or against a landowner who has not yet paid his or her property taxes or assessments would likely result in a delay in the sale of tax certificates. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS."

BONDOWNERS' RISKS

There are certain risks inherent in an investment in bonds issued by a public authority or governmental body in the State and secured by special assessments. Certain of these risks are described in other headings of this Limited Offering Memorandum. Certain additional risks are associated with the Series 2025 Bonds offered hereby and are set forth below. Prospective investors in the Series 2025 Bonds should have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of an investment in the Series 2025 Bonds and have the ability to bear the economic risks of such prospective investment, including a complete loss of such investment. This heading does not purport to summarize all risks that may be associated with purchasing or owning the Series 2025 Bonds, and prospective purchasers are advised to read this Limited Offering Memorandum in its entirety for a more complete description of investment considerations relating to the Series 2025 Bonds.

Concentration of Land Ownership

As of the date hereof, the Developer own[s] all of the assessable lands within Assessment Area One, which are the lands that will be subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments securing the Series 2025 Bonds. Payment of the Series 2025 Special Assessments is primarily dependent upon their timely payment by the Developer and the other future landowners in Assessment Area One. Non-payment of the Series 2025 Special Assessments by any of the landowners could have a substantial adverse impact upon the District's ability to pay debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds. See "THE DEVELOPER" and "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS" herein.

Bankruptcy and Related Risks

In the event of the institution of bankruptcy or similar proceedings with respect to the Developer or any other owner of benefited property, delays could occur in the payment of debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds, as such bankruptcy could negatively impact the ability of: (i) the Developer and any other landowner to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments; (ii) the Tax Collector to sell tax certificates in relation to such property with respect to the Series 2025 Special Assessments being collected pursuant to the Uniform Method; and (iii) the District to foreclose the lien of the Series 2025 Special Assessments not being collected pursuant to the Uniform Method. In addition, the remedies available to the Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds under the Indenture are in many respects dependent upon judicial actions which are often subject to discretion and delay. Under existing constitutional and statutory law and judicial decisions, the remedies specified by federal, state and local law and in the Indenture and the Series 2025 Bonds, including, without limitation, enforcement of the obligation to pay Series 2025 Special Assessments and the ability of the District to foreclose the lien of the Series 2025 Special Assessments if not being collected pursuant to the Uniform Method, may not be readily available or may be limited. The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds (including Bond Counsel's approving opinion) will be qualified as to the enforceability of the various legal instruments by limitations imposed by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors enacted before or after such delivery. The inability, either partially or fully, to enforce remedies available with

respect to the Series 2025 Bonds could have a material adverse impact on the interest of the Owners thereof.

A 2011 bankruptcy court decision in Florida held that the governing body of a community development district, and not the bondholders or indenture trustee, was the creditor of the landowners/debtors in bankruptcy with respect to claims for special assessments, and thus only the district could vote to approve or disapprove a reorganization plan submitted by the debtors in the case. The district voted in favor of the plan. The governing body of the district was at that time elected by the landowners rather than qualified electors. Under the reorganization plan that was approved, a two-year moratorium was placed on the debtor landowners' payment of special assessments. As a result of this non-payment of assessments, debt service payments on the district's bonds were delayed for two years or longer. The Master Indenture provides for the delegation of certain rights from the District to the Trustee in the event of a bankruptcy or similar proceeding with respect to an "Insolvent Landowner" (as previously defined). See "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Indenture Provisions Relating to Bankruptcy or Insolvency of a Landowner" herein. The District cannot express any view whether such delegation would be enforceable.

Series 2025 Special Assessments Are Non-Recourse

The principal security for the payment of the principal and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds is the timely collection of the Series 2025 Special Assessments. The Series 2025 Special Assessments do not constitute a personal indebtedness of the landowners of the land subject thereto, but are secured by a lien on such land. There is no assurance that the Developer or subsequent landowners will be able to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments or that they will pay such Series 2025 Special Assessments even though financially able to do so. Neither the Developer nor any other subsequent landowners have any personal obligation to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments. Neither the Developer nor any subsequent landowners are guarantors of payment of any Series 2025 Special Assessments, and the recourse for the failure of the Developer or any subsequent landowner to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments is limited to the collection proceedings against the land subject to such unpaid Series 2025 Special Assessments, as described herein. Therefore the likelihood of collection of the Series 2025 Special Assessments may ultimately depend on the market value of the land subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments. While the ability of the Developer or subsequent landowners to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments is a relevant factor, the willingness of the Developer or subsequent landowners to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments, which may also be affected by the value of the land subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments, is also an important factor in the collection of Series 2025 Special Assessments. The failure of the Developer or subsequent landowners to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments could render the District unable to collect delinquent Series 2025 Special Assessments and provided such delinquencies are significant, could negatively impact the ability of the District to make the full or punctual payment of debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds.

Regulatory and Environmental Risks

The development of the District Lands is subject to comprehensive federal, state and local regulations and future changes to such regulations. Approval is required from various public

agencies in connection with, among other things, the design, nature and extent of planned improvements, both public and private, and construction of the infrastructure in accordance with applicable zoning, land use and environmental regulations. Although all such approvals required to date have been received and any further approvals are anticipated to be received as needed, failure to obtain any such approvals in a timely manner could delay or adversely affect the completion of the development of the District Lands. See "THE DEVELOPMENT – Development Approvals" herein for more information.

The value of the land within the District, the success of the Development, the development of Assessment Area One and the likelihood of timely payment of principal and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds could be affected by environmental factors with respect to the land in the District. Should the land be contaminated by hazardous materials, this could materially and adversely affect the value of the land in the District, which could materially and adversely affect the success of the development of the lands within the District and the likelihood of the timely payment of the Series 2025 Bonds. The District has not performed, nor has the District requested that there be performed on its behalf, any independent assessment of the environmental conditions within the District. See "THE DEVELOPMENT – Environmental" for information on environmental site assessments obtained or received. Such information is being provided solely for informational purposes, and nothing herein or in such assessments grants any legal rights or remedies in favor of the Series 2025 Bondholders in the event any recognized environmental conditions are later found to be present on District Lands. Nevertheless, it is possible that hazardous environmental conditions could exist within the District or in the vicinity of the District and that such conditions could have a material and adverse impact upon the value of the benefited lands within the District. No assurance can be given that unknown hazardous materials, protected animals or vegetative species, etc., do not currently exist or may not develop in the future, whether originating within the District or from surrounding property, and what effect such may have on the development or sale of the lands in Assessment Area One.

The value of the lands subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments could also be adversely impacted by flooding or wind damage caused by hurricanes, tropical storms, or other catastrophic events. In addition to potential damage or destruction to any existing development or construction in or near the District, such catastrophic events could potentially render the District Lands unable to support future development. The occurrence of any such events could materially adversely impact the District's ability to pay principal and interest on the Series 2025 Bonds. The Series 2025 Bonds are not insured, and the District's casualty insurance policies do not insure against losses incurred on private lands within its boundaries.

Economic Conditions and Changes in Development Plans

The successful development of Assessment Area One and the sale of residential units therein, once such homes are built, may be affected by unforeseen changes in general economic conditions, fluctuations in the real estate market and other factors beyond the control of the Developer. Moreover, the Developer has the right to modify or change plans for development of the Development from time to time, including, without limitation, land use changes, changes in the overall land and phasing plans, and changes to the type, mix, size and number of units to be developed, and may seek in the future, in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Act, to contract or expand the boundaries of the District.

Other Taxes and Assessments

The willingness and/or ability of an owner of benefited land to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments could be affected by the existence of other taxes and assessments imposed upon such property by the District, the County or any other local special purpose or general purpose governmental entities. County, school, special district taxes and special assessments, and voter-approved ad valorem taxes levied to pay principal of and interest on debt, including the Series 2025 Special Assessments, collected pursuant to the Uniform Method are payable at one time. Public entities whose boundaries overlap those of the District could, without the consent of the owners of the land within the District, impose additional taxes on the property within the District. The District anticipates imposing operation and maintenance assessments encumbering the same property encumbered by the Series 2025 Special Assessments. In addition, lands within the District may also be subject to assessments by property owners' and homeowners' associations. See "THE DEVELOPMENT – Taxes, Fees and Assessments" herein for additional information.

Under Florida law, a landowner may contest the assessed valuation determined for its property that forms the basis of ad-valorem taxes such landowner must pay. During this contest period, the sale of a tax certificate under the Uniform Method will be suspended. If the Series 2025 Special Assessments are being collected along with ad valorem taxes pursuant to the Uniform Method, tax certificates will not be sold with respect to such Series 2025 Special Assessment, even though the landowner is not contesting the amount of the Series 2025 Special Assessment. However, Section 194.014, Florida Statutes, requires taxpayers challenging the assessed value of their property to pay all non-ad valorem assessments and at least 75% of their ad valorem taxes before they become delinquent. Likewise, taxpayers who challenge the denial of an exemption or classification or a determination that their improvements were substantially complete must pay all non-ad valorem assessments and the amount of ad valorem taxes that they admit in good faith to be owing. If a taxpayer fails to pay property taxes as set forth above, the Value Adjustment Board considering the taxpayer's challenge is required to deny such petition by written decision by April 20 of such year.

Limited Secondary Market for Series 2025 Bonds

The Series 2025 Bonds may not constitute a liquid investment, and there is no assurance that a liquid secondary market will exist for the Series 2025 Bonds in the event an Owner thereof determines to solicit purchasers for the Series 2025 Bonds. Even if a liquid secondary market exists, there can be no assurance as to the price for which the Series 2025 Bonds may be sold. Such price may be lower than that paid by the current Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds, depending on the progress of development of the Development and the lands within Assessment Area One, as applicable, existing real estate and financial market conditions and other factors.

Inadequacy of Reserve Account

Some of the risk factors discussed herein, which, if materialized, would result in a delay in the collection of the Series 2025 Special Assessments, may not adversely affect the timely payment of debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds because of the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account. The ability of the Series 2025 Reserve Account to fund deficiencies caused by delinquencies in the payment of the Series 2025 Special Assessments is dependent on the amount,

duration and frequency of such deficiencies. Moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account may be invested in certain obligations permitted under the Indenture. Fluctuations in interest rates and other market factors could affect the amount of moneys in the Series 2025 Reserve Account to make up deficiencies. If the District has difficulty in collecting the Series 2025 Special Assessments, the moneys on deposit in the Series 2025 Reserve Account would be rapidly depleted and the ability of the District to pay debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds could be materially adversely affected. In addition, during an Event of Default under the Indenture, the Trustee may withdraw moneys from the Reserve Account and such other Funds, Accounts and subaccounts created under the Master Indenture to pay its extraordinary fees and expenses incurred in connection with such Event of Default. If in fact the Series 2025 Reserve Account is accessed for any purpose, the District does not have a designated revenue source for replenishing such account. Moreover, the District may not be permitted to re-assess real property then burdened by the Series 2025 Special Assessments in order to provide for the replenishment of the Series 2025 Reserve Account. See "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Reserve Account" herein for more information about the Series 2025 Reserve Account.

Legal Delays

If the District should commence a foreclosure action against a landowner for nonpayment of Series 2025 Special Assessments that are not being collected pursuant to the Uniform Method, such landowner and/or its mortgagee(s) may raise affirmative defenses to such foreclosure action. Although the District expects that such affirmative defenses would likely be proven to be without merit, they could result in delays in completing the foreclosure action. In addition, the District is required under the Indenture to fund the costs of such foreclosure. It is possible that the District will not have sufficient funds and will be compelled to request the Holders of the Series 2025 Bonds to allow funds on deposit under the Indenture to be used to pay the costs of the foreclosure action. Under the Code (as defined herein), there are limitations on the amounts of proceeds from the Series 2025 Bonds that can be used for such purpose.

IRS Examination and Audit Risk

The Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") routinely examines bonds issued by state and local governments, including bonds issued by community development districts. In 2016, the IRS concluded its lengthy examination of certain issues of bonds (for purposes of this subsection, the "Audited Bonds") issued by Village Center Community Development District (the "Village Center CDD"). During the course of the audit of the Audited Bonds, Village Center CDD received a ruling dated May 30, 2013, in the form of a non-precedential technical advice memorandum ("TAM") concluding that Village Center CDD is not a political subdivision for purposes of Section 103(a) of the Code because Village Center CDD was organized and operated to perpetuate private control and avoid indefinitely responsibility to an electorate, either directly or through another elected state or local government body. Such a conclusion could lead to the further conclusion that the interest on the Audited Bonds was not excludable from gross income of the owners of such bonds for federal income tax purposes. Village Center CDD received a second TAM dated June 17, 2015, which granted relief to Village Center CDD from retroactive application of the IRS's conclusion regarding its failure to qualify as a political subdivision. Prior to the conclusion of the audits, the Audited Bonds were all refunded with taxable bonds. The audit of the Audited Bonds that were issued for utility improvements were closed without change to the tax exempt status of those

Audited Bonds on April 25, 2016, and the audit of the remainder of the Audited Bonds (which funded recreational amenity acquisitions from entities related to the principal landowner in the Village Center CDD) was closed on July 14, 2016, without the IRS making a final determination that the interest on the Audited Bonds in question was required to be included in gross income. However, the IRS letter to the Village Center CDD with respect to this second set of Audited Bonds noted that the IRS found that the Village Center CDD was not a "proper issuer of tax-exempt bonds" and that those Audited Bonds were private-activity bonds that did not fall in any of the categories that qualify for tax-exemption. Although the TAMs and the letters to the Village Center CDD from the IRS referred to above are addressed to, and binding only on, the IRS and Village Center CDD in connection with the Audited Bonds, they reflect the audit position of the IRS, and there can be no assurance that the IRS would not commence additional audits of bonds issued by other community development districts raising issues similar to the issues raised in the case of the Audited Bonds based on the analysis set forth in the first TAM or on the related concerns addressed in the July 14, 2016 letter to the Village Center CDD.

On February 23, 2016, the IRS published proposed regulations designed to provide prospective guidance with respect to potential private business control of issuers by providing a new definition of political subdivision for purposes of determining whether an entity is an appropriate issuer of bonds the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal tax purposes. The proposed regulations required that a political subdivision (i) have the power to exercise at least one sovereign power, (ii) be formed and operated for a governmental purpose, and (iii) have a governing body controlled by or have significant uses of its funds or assets otherwise controlled by a government unit with all three sovereign powers or by an electorate that is not controlled by an unreasonably small number of unrelated electors. On October 4, 2017, the Treasury Department ("Treasury") announced that it would withdraw the proposed regulations, stating that, "while Treasury and the IRS continue to study the legal issues relating to political subdivisions, Treasury and the IRS currently believe that these proposed regulations should be withdrawn in their entirety, and plan to publish a withdrawal of the proposed regulations shortly in the Federal Register. Treasury and the IRS may propose more targeted guidance in the future after further study of the relevant legal issues." Notice of withdrawal of the proposed regulations was published in the Federal Register on October 20, 2017.

It has been reported that the IRS has closed audits of other community development districts in the State with no change to such districts' bonds' tax-exempt status, but has advised such districts that such districts must have public electors within the timeframe established by the applicable state law or their bonds may be determined to be taxable retroactive to the date of issuance. Pursuant to the Act, general elections are not held until the later of six years from the date of establishment of the community development district or the time at which there are at least 250 qualified electors in the district. The District, unlike Village Center CDD, was formed with the intent that it will contain a sufficient number of residents to allow for a transition to control by a general electorate. [Currently, all of the members of the Board of the District were elected by the landowners and none were elected by qualified electors.] The Developer will certify as to its expectations as to the timing of the transition of control of the Board of the District to qualified electors pursuant to the Act. Such certification by the Developer does not ensure that such certification shall be determinative of, or may influence the outcome of any audit by the IRS, or any appeal from such audit, that may result in an adverse ruling that the District is not a political subdivision for purposes of Section 103(a) of the Code. Further, there can be no assurance that an

audit by the IRS of the Series 2025 Bonds will not be commenced. The District has no reason to believe that any such audit will be commenced, or that any such audit, if commenced, would result in a conclusion of noncompliance with any applicable State or federal law.

Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds are advised that, if the IRS does audit the Series 2025 Bonds, under its current procedures, at least during the early stages of an audit, the IRS will treat the District as the taxpayer, and the Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds may have limited rights to participate in those proceedings. The commencement of such an audit could adversely affect the market value and liquidity of the Series 2025 Bonds until the audit is concluded, regardless of the ultimate outcome. In addition, in the event of an adverse determination by the IRS with respect to the tax-exempt status of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, it is unlikely the District will have available revenues to enable it to contest such determination or enter into a voluntary financial settlement with the IRS. Further, an adverse determination by the IRS with respect to the tax-exempt status of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds would adversely affect the availability of any secondary market for the Series 2025 Bonds. Should interest on the Series 2025 Bonds become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, not only will Owners of Series 2025 Bonds be required to pay income taxes on the interest received on such Series 2025 Bonds and related penalties, but because the interest rate on such Series 2025 Bonds will not be adequate to compensate Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds for the income taxes due on such interest, the value of the Series 2025 Bonds may decline.

THE INDENTURE DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR ANY ADJUSTMENT IN THE INTEREST RATES ON THE SERIES 2025 BONDS IN THE EVENT OF AN ADVERSE DETERMINATION BY THE IRS WITH RESPECT TO THE TAX-EXEMPT STATUS OF INTEREST ON THE SERIES 2025 BONDS. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS SHOULD EVALUATE WHETHER THEY CAN OWN THE SERIES 2025 BONDS IN THE EVENT THAT THE INTEREST ON THE SERIES 2025 BONDS BECOMES TAXABLE AND/OR THE DISTRICT IS EVER DETERMINED TO NOT BE A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR PURPOSES OF THE CODE AND/OR SECURITIES ACT (AS HEREINAFTER DEFINED).

Loss of Exemption from Securities Registration

The Series 2025 Bonds have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or any state securities laws, because of the exemption for securities issued by political subdivisions. It is possible that federal or state regulatory authorities could in the future determine that the District is not a political subdivision for purposes of federal and state securities laws, including without limitation as the result of a determination by the IRS, judicial or otherwise, of the District's status for purposes of the Code. In such event, the District and purchasers of Series 2025 Bonds may not be able to rely on the exemption from registration under the Securities Act relating to securities issued by political subdivisions. In that event, the Owners of the Series 2025 Bonds would need to ensure that subsequent transfers of the Series 2025 Bonds are made pursuant to a transaction that is not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws.

Federal Tax Reform

Various legislative proposals are mentioned from time to time by members of Congress of the United States of America and others concerning reform of the internal revenue (tax) laws of the United States. In addition, the IRS may, in the future, issue rulings that have the effect of challenging the interpretation of existing tax laws. Certain of these proposals and interpretations, if implemented or upheld, could have the effect of diminishing the value of obligations of states and their political subdivisions, such as the Series 2025 Bonds, by eliminating or changing the tax-exempt status of interest on such bonds. Whether any such proposals will ultimately become or be upheld as law, and if so, the effect such proposals could have upon the value of bonds such as the Series 2025 Bonds cannot be predicted. However, it is possible that any such law or interpretation could have a material and adverse effect upon the availability of a liquid secondary market and/or the value of the Series 2025 Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to the impact of any proposed or pending legislation. See also "TAX MATTERS" herein.

State Tax Reform

It is impossible to predict what new proposals may be presented regarding tax reform and/or community development districts during upcoming legislative sessions, whether such new proposals or any previous proposals regarding the same will be adopted by the Florida Senate and House of Representatives and signed by the Governor, and, if adopted, the form thereof. On October 31, 2014, the Auditor General of the State released a 31-page report which requests legislative action to establish parameters on the amount of bonds a community development district may issue and provide additional oversight for community development district bonds. This report renewed requests made by the Auditor General in 2011 that led to the Governor of the State issuing an Executive Order on January 11, 2012 (the "Executive Order") directing the Office of Policy and Budget in the Executive Office of the Governor ("OPB") to examine the role of special districts in the State. As of the date hereof, the OPB has not made any recommendations pursuant to the Executive Order nor has the Florida legislature passed any related legislation. It is impossible to predict with certainty the impact that any existing or future legislation will or may have on the security for the Series 2025 Bonds. It should be noted that Section 190.016(14) of the Act provides in pertinent part that "[t]he state pledges to the holders of any bonds issued under this act that it will not limit or alter the rights of the district to ... levy and collect the ... assessments ... and to fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such bonds ... and that it will not in any way impair the rights or remedies of such holders."

Insufficient Resources or Other Factors Causing Failure to Complete Development

The cost to finish the Assessment Area One Project will exceed the net proceeds from the Series 2025 Bonds. There can be no assurance, in the event the District does not have sufficient moneys on hand to complete the Assessment Area One Project, that the District will be able to raise, through the issuance of additional bonds or otherwise, the moneys necessary to complete the Assessment Area One Project. Further, the Indenture sets forth certain limitations on the issuance of additional bonds. See "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Additional Bonds" for more information.

Although the Developer will agree to fund or cause to be funded the completion of the Assessment Area One Project regardless of the insufficiency of proceeds from the Series 2025 Bonds and will enter into a completion agreement with the District as evidence thereof, there can be no assurance that the Developer will have sufficient resources to do so. Such obligation of the Developer is an unsecured obligation. See "THE DEVELOPER" herein for more information.

There are no assurances that the Assessment Area One Project and any other remaining development work associated with Assessment Area One will be completed. Further, even if development of Assessment Area One is completed, there are no assurances that all of the planned homes will be constructed and sold within Assessment Area One. See "THE DEVELOPER" herein for more information.

Pandemics and Other Public Health Emergencies

The COVID-19 pandemic severely impacted global financial markets, unemployment levels and commerce generally. It is possible that, in the future, the spread of epidemic or pandemic diseases and/or government health and public safety restrictions imposed in response thereto could adversely impact the District, the Developer, the timely and successful completion of the Development, and the construction and sale to purchasers of residential units therein. Such impacts could include delays in obtaining development approvals, construction delays, supply chain delays, or increased costs. See also "Economic Conditions and Changes in Development Plans" and "Insufficient Resources or Other Factors Causing Failure to Complete Development" herein.

Cybersecurity

The District relies on a technological environment to conduct its operations. The District, its agents and other third parties the District does business with or otherwise relies upon are subject to cyber threats including, but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computer and other sensitive digital networks and systems. Entities or individuals may attempt to gain unauthorized access to such parties' digital systems for the purposes of misappropriating assets or information or causing operational disruption and damage. No assurances can be given that any such attack(s) will not materially impact the operations or finances of the District, which could impact the timely payment of debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds.

Prepayment and Redemption Risk

In addition to being subject to optional and mandatory sinking fund redemptions, the Series 2025 Bonds are subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption, including, without limitation, as a result of prepayments of the Series 2025 Special Assessments by the Developer or subsequent owners of the property within Assessment Area One. Any such redemptions of the Series 2025 Bonds would be at the principal amount of such Series 2025 Bonds being redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. In such event, owners of the Series 2025 Bonds may not realize their anticipated rate of return on the Series 2025 Bonds and owners of any Premium Bonds (as defined herein) may receive less than the price they paid for the Series 2025 Bonds. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2025 BONDS – Redemption Provisions," "– Purchase of Series 2025 Bonds" and "SECURITY FOR AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF THE SERIES

2025 BONDS – Prepayment of Series 2025 Special Assessments" herein for more information.
[any other landowners?]

Payment of Series 2025 Special Assessments after Bank Foreclosure

In the event a bank forecloses on property because of a default on a mortgage in favor of such bank on any of the assessable lands within Assessment Area One of the District, and then the bank itself fails, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"), as receiver, will then become the fee owner of such property. In such event, the FDIC will not, pursuant to its own rules and regulations, likely be liable to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments levied on such property. In addition, the District would require the consent of the FDIC prior to commencing a foreclosure action.

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ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

The table that follows summarizes the estimated sources and uses of proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds:

	<u>Total Series 2025 Bonds</u>
Sources of Funds:	
Principal Amount	\$ _____
[Plus/Less: Original Issue Premium/Discount]	_____
Total Sources	<u>\$ _____</u>
Use of Funds:	
Deposit to Series 2025 Acquisition and Construction Account	\$ _____
Deposit to Series 2025 Interest Account ⁽¹⁾	_____
Deposit to Series 2025 Reserve Account	_____
Costs of Issuance ⁽²⁾	_____
Total Uses	<u>\$ _____</u>

(1) Includes capitalized interest through [_____ 1, 2025].

(2) Costs of issuance include, without limitation, underwriter's discount, legal fees and other costs associated with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds.

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DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The following table sets forth the scheduled debt service on the Series 2025 Bonds:

Period Ending November 1	Series 2025 Bonds		Total Debt Service
	Principal	Interest	
Totals			

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THE DISTRICT

General

The District is an independent local unit of special-purpose government of the State created in accordance with the Act by the Ordinance (described below). The District encompasses approximately 198.59 gross acres of land, located within Hernando County, Florida. The District is generally located south of Cortez Boulevard, north of Powerline Road, east of I-75 and west of Kettering Road. The District was established under County Ordinance No. 2022-11, duly enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County on April 26, 2022 (the "Ordinance"). The District Lands are being developed as a residential community known as "[Benton Hills]" (the "Development"). For more information, see "THE DEVELOPMENT" herein.

Governance

The Act provides that a five-member Board of Supervisors (the "Board") serves as the governing body of the District. Members of the Board (the "Supervisors") must be residents of the State and citizens of the United States. Initially, the Supervisors were appointed in the Ordinance. Within 90 days after formation of the District, an election was held pursuant to which new Supervisors were elected on an at-large basis by the owners of the property within the District. Ownership of land within the District entitles the owner to one vote per acre (with fractions thereof rounded upward to the nearest whole number). A Supervisor serves until expiration of his or her term and until his or her successor is chosen and qualified. If, during a term of office, a vacancy occurs, the remaining Supervisors may fill the vacancy by an appointment of a Supervisor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

The landowners in the District elect two Supervisors to four-year terms and three Supervisors to two-year terms at bi-annual elections. After the first election of the Board, the next election by landowners will be the first Tuesday in the applicable November. Thereafter, the elections will take place every two years on a date in November established by the Board. Upon the later of six years after the initial appointment of Supervisors and the year when the District next attains at least 250 qualified electors, Supervisors whose terms are expiring will begin to be elected (as their terms expire) by qualified electors of the District. A qualified elector is a registered voter who is at least eighteen years of age, a resident of the District and the State and a citizen of the United States. At the election where Supervisors are first elected by qualified electors, two Supervisors must be qualified electors and be elected by qualified electors, each elected to four-year terms. The seat of the remaining Supervisor whose term is expiring at such election shall be filled by a Supervisor who is elected by the landowners for a four-year term and who is not required to be a qualified elector. Thereafter, as terms expire, all Supervisors must be qualified electors and must be elected by qualified electors to serve staggered four-year terms.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if at any time the Board proposes to exercise its ad valorem taxing power, prior to the exercise of such power, it shall call an election at which all Supervisors shall be elected by qualified electors in the District. Elections subsequent to such decision shall be held in a manner such that the Supervisors will serve four-year terms with staggered expiration dates in the manner set forth in the Act.

The Act provides that it shall not be an impermissible conflict of interest under State law governing public officials for a Supervisor to be a stockholder, officer or employee of an owner of the land within the District.

The current members of the Board and the date of expiration of the term of each member are set forth below:

[District manager to update below]

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Garth Noble*	Chair	November 2026
Martha Schiffer*	Vice-Chair	November 2024
George Hernandez*	Assistant Secretary	November 2026
Chris Torres*	Assistant Secretary	November 2024
Chris Babcock[*]	Assistant Secretary	November 2024

* Affiliated with the Developer or its affiliates.

A majority of the Supervisors constitutes a quorum for the purposes of conducting the business of the District and exercising its powers and for all other purposes. Action taken by the District shall be upon a vote of the majority of the Supervisors present unless general law or a rule of the District requires a greater number. All meetings of the Board are open to the public under the State's "sunshine" or open meetings law.

Legal Powers and Authority

The District is an independent unit of local government created pursuant to, and established in accordance with, the Act. The Act was enacted in 1980 to provide a uniform method for the establishment of independent districts to manage and finance basic community development services, including capital infrastructure required for community developments throughout the State of Florida. The Act provides legal authority for community development districts (such as the District) to finance the acquisition, construction, operation and maintenance of the major infrastructure for community development pursuant to its general law charter.

Among other provisions, the Act gives the District's Board of Supervisors the authority to, among other things, (a) finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate and maintain systems, facilities, and basic infrastructure for, among other things: (i) water management and control for lands within the District and to connect any of such facilities with roads and bridges; (ii) water supply, sewer and waste-water management, reclamation and reuse systems or any combination thereof and to construct and operate connecting intercept or outlet sewers and sewer mains and pipes and water mains, conduits, or pipelines in, along, and under any street, alley, highway, or other public place or ways, and to dispose of any effluent, residue, or other byproducts of such system or sewer system; (iii) District roads equal to or exceeding the specifications of the county in which such District roads are located and street lights, landscaping, hardscaping and undergrounding of electric utility lines; (iv) conservation areas, mitigation areas, and wildlife habitat; (v) any other project, facility, or service required by a development approval, interlocal agreement, zoning condition, or permit issued by a governmental

authority with jurisdiction in the District, and (vi) with the consent of the local general-purpose government within the jurisdiction of which the power is to be exercised, parks and facilities for indoor and outdoor recreational uses, and security; (b) borrow money and issue bonds of the District; (c) impose and foreclose special assessments liens as provided in the Act; and (d) exercise all other powers, necessary, convenient, incidental or proper in connection with any of the powers or duties of the District stated in the Act.

The Act does not empower the District to adopt and enforce any land use plans or zoning ordinances and the Act does not empower the District to grant building permits. These functions are to be performed by general purpose local governments having jurisdiction over the lands within the District.

The Act exempts all property owned by the District from levy and sale by virtue of an execution and from judgment liens, but does not limit the right of any bondholders to pursue any remedy for enforcement of any lien or pledge of the District in connection with its bonds, including the Series 2025 Bonds.

The District Manager and Other Consultants

The chief administrative official of the District is the District Manager. The Act provides that the District Manager shall have charge and supervision of the works of the District and shall be responsible for preserving and maintaining any improvement or facility constructed or erected pursuant to the provisions of the Act, for maintaining and operating the equipment owned by the District, and for performing such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board. Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, serves as District Manager. The District Manager's corporate office is located at 2300 Glades Rd., Ste. # 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

The Act further authorizes the Board to hire such employees and agents as it deems necessary. Thus, the District has employed the services of Kutak Rock LLP, Tallahassee, Florida, as District Counsel; Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Tallahassee, Florida, as Bond Counsel. Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, also serves as Methodology Consultant for the Series 2025 Bonds.

No Outstanding Bond Indebtedness

The District has not previously issued any bonds or other similar debt obligations.

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THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND THE ASSESSMENT AREA ONE PROJECT

Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc. (the "District Engineer") prepared a report entitled Master Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated June 30, 2022 (the "Master Report"), as supplemented by a report entitled Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report for Benton Hills Community Development District, dated January 2025 (the "Supplemental Report" and, together with the Master Report, the "Engineer's Report"), which sets forth certain public infrastructure improvements necessary for the development of the 659 residential units planned for the Development (the "Capital Improvement Plan"). In the Master Report, the District Engineer estimated the total cost of the Capital Improvement Plan to be approximately \$28,917,674.

Land development associated with the Development is being phased. Two Assessment Areas have been created in order to facilitate the Development's financing plan. Assessment Area One consists of approximately 133.4 acres of land comprising Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Development and is planned to contain 382 single-family residential units and the amenity. Assessment Area Two consists of approximately 65.2 acres of land comprising Phase 3 of the Development and is planned to contain 277 single-family residential units.

The portion of the Capital Improvement Plan associated with Assessment Area One is referred to herein as the "Assessment Area One Project." The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued to finance a portion of the Assessment Area One Project. The District Engineer, in the Engineer's Report, estimates the total cost of the Assessment Area One Project to be approximately \$18,840,510, as more particularly described below. See "APPENDIX E: ENGINEER'S REPORT" for more information.

<u>Assessment Area One Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Costs</u>
Roadways	\$4,019,350
Stormwater System	2,216,630
Utilities (Water, Sewer)	2,681,470
Hardscape/Landscape/Irrigation	2,319,210
Undergrounding of Electric Conduit	382,000
Recreational Amenities	2,250,000
Conservation/Mitigation	49,500
Offsite Improvements (Turn Lanes, Utilities)	1,833,500
Professional Services	1,376,080
Contingency	<u>1,712,770</u>
Total	\$18,840,510

Land development associated with Assessment Area One commenced in November 2022 and will be completed in two phases. Land development for Phase One is substantially complete, with final completion expected by _____. Land development for Phase Two is expected to be completed by July 2025. As of [_____], the Developer has spent approximately \$[7.3] million on development within Assessment Area One, a portion of which includes the Assessment Area One Project. The available net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds are expected to be approximately

\$5.37 million* and such proceeds will be used by the District towards the funding and/or acquisition of a portion of the Assessment Area One Project from the Developer. The Developer will enter into a completion agreement that will obligate the Developer to complete the Assessment Area One Project. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS – Insufficient Resources or Other Factors Causing Failure to Complete Development" herein.

The District Engineer has indicated that all permits necessary to construct the Assessment Area One Project have either been obtained or are reasonably expected to be obtained in the ordinary course. See "APPENDIX E: ENGINEER'S REPORT" for more information.

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* Preliminary, subject to change.

ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF ASSESSMENTS

The Master Special Assessment Methodology Report dated June 30, 2022 (the "Master Methodology"), as supplemented by Preliminary Supplemental Assessment Methodology Report dated [January 21], 2025 (the "Supplemental Methodology" and together with the Master Methodology, the "Assessment Methodology"), which allocates the Series 2025 Special Assessments to the lands within the District, has been prepared by Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, Boca Raton, Florida (the "Methodology Consultant"). See "EXPERTS" herein for more information. The Assessment Methodology is included herein as APPENDIX D. Once the final terms of the Series 2025 Bonds are determined, the Supplemental Methodology will be revised to reflect such final terms. Once levied and imposed, the Series 2025 Special Assessments are a first lien on the assessed lands within the District until paid or barred by operation of law, co-equal with other taxes and assessments levied by the District and other units of government. See "ENFORCEMENT OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS" herein.

As set forth in the Supplemental Assessment Methodology, the Series 2025 Special Assessments are initially levied on the approximately 133.4 gross acres of land which comprise Assessment Area One. As platting occurs, the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be assigned to the lots in Assessment Area One on a first platted, first assigned basis. Assuming that all of the planned 382 residential units are developed and platted, then the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be allocated on a per unit basis below and as set forth in the Assessment Methodology. See "APPENDIX D: ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY" for more information.

<u>Product Type</u>	<u>No. of Units</u>	Annual Series 2025 Special Assessments	Series 2025 Bonds Par
		<u>Per Unit*/**</u>	<u>Debt Per Unit*</u>
Single-Family 40'	188	\$1,087	\$14,530
Single-Family 50'	194	\$1,359	\$18,162
Total	382		

*Preliminary, subject to change.

** Includes a gross-up for costs of collection estimated at 4% and early payment discount allowance at 4% for when the Series 2025 Special Assessments are collected by the Uniform Method.

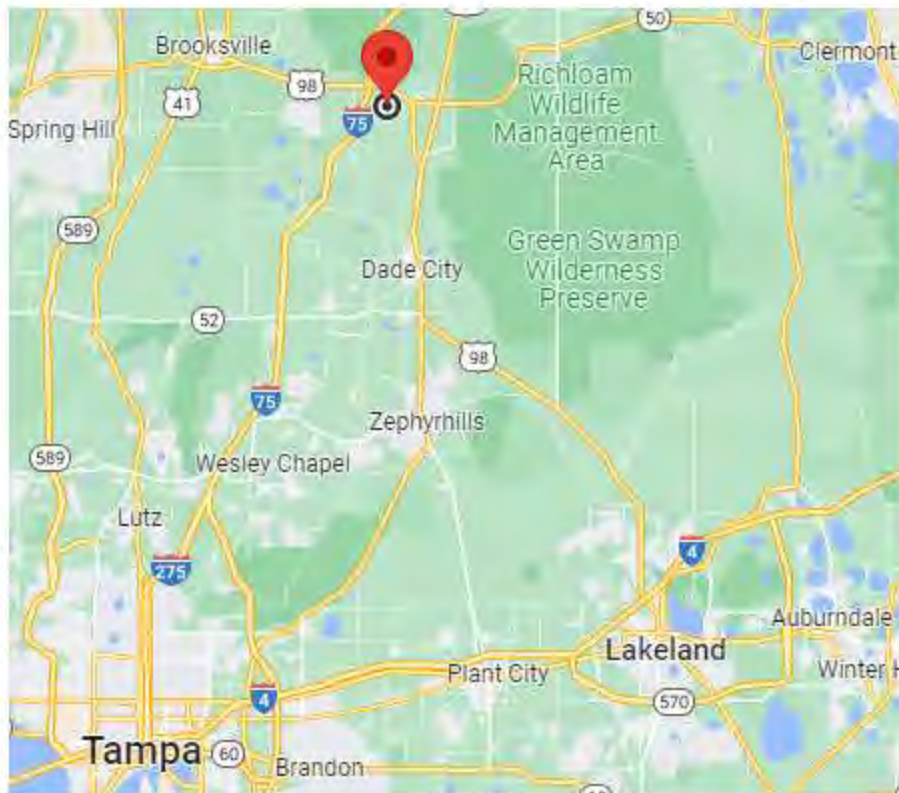
The District anticipates levying assessments to cover its operation and administrative costs that are initially expected not to exceed \$[800 or 1,300] per single-family unit annually, but such amounts are subject to change. The land within the District has been and will continue to be subject to taxes and assessments imposed by taxing authorities other than the District. These taxes would be payable in addition to the Series 2025 Special Assessments and any other assessments levied by the District. In addition, exclusive of voter approved millages levied for general obligation bonds, as to which no limit applies, the County and the School Board of Hernando County each levy ad valorem taxes upon the land in the District. The District has no control over the level of ad valorem taxes and/or special assessments levied by other taxing authorities. It is possible that in future years taxes levied by these other entities could be substantially higher than in the current year. See "THE DEVELOPMENT – Taxes, Fees and Assessments" for more information.

The information appearing below under the captions "THE DEVELOPMENT" and "THE DEVELOPER" has been furnished by the Developer for inclusion in this Limited Offering Memorandum and, although believed to be reliable, such information has not been independently verified by Bond Counsel, the District or its counsel, or the Underwriter or its counsel, and no persons other than the Developer make any representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of such information supplied by them. The following information is provided by the Developer as a means for the prospective bondholders to understand the anticipated development plan and risks associated with the Development. The Developer is not guaranteeing payment of the Series 2025 Bonds or the Series 2025 Special Assessments.

THE DEVELOPMENT

General

The boundaries of the District include approximately 198.59 gross acres of land located within unincorporated Hernando County, Florida (the "County"). The District is planned to contain a residential community known as "[Benton Hills]" and referred to herein as the "Development." At buildout the Development is planned to contain 659 single-family homes. The Development is generally located south of Cortez Boulevard, north of Powerline Road, east of Interstate-75, and west of Kettering Road. [The nearby Walmart Distribution Center which is located approximately 0.5 miles from the Development is expected to be a significant driver of demand for homes in the Development.] Set forth below is a map that shows the general location of the Development.



The Development is intended to continue upon the success of a nearby community "Trilby" being developed and constructed by LGI Communities, which has been averaging approximately 12 per month. [update/confirm.]

Land development associated with the Development is being phased. Two Assessment Areas have been created in order to facilitate the Development's financing plan. Assessment Area One consists of approximately 133.4 acres of land comprising Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Development and is planned to contain 382 single-family residential units and the amenity. Assessment Area Two consists of approximately 65.2 acres of land comprising Phase 3 of the Development and is planned to contain 277 single-family residential units.

The Series 2025 Bonds are being issued to finance a portion of the Assessment Area One Project. The Series 2025 Bonds will be secured by the Series 2025 Assessments which will initially be levied on the approximately 133.4 acres which comprise Assessment Area One. As lots are platted, the Series 2025 Assessments will be assigned to the 382 single-family residential lots planned for Assessment Area One on a first platted, first assigned basis as set forth in the Assessment Methodology attached hereto. See "ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF ASSESSMENTS" for more information.

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "Developer"), owns [all] of the assessable land within [Assessment Area One] and will serve as land developer and homebuilder for the Development. See "THE DEVELOPER" herein for more information. [who owns remaining district lands?]

At buildout Assessment Area One is planned to contain 382 single-family homes consisting of (i) 188 single-family homes on 40' wide lots and (ii) 194 single-family homes on 50' wide lots. Homes within Assessment Area One are expected to range in size from 1,269 square feet to 2,340 square feet with prices ranging from \$269,990 to \$343,990. The target market for the Development is first-time homebuyers and move-up buyers. See "Residential Product Offerings" below for more information.

Land Acquisition and Finance Plan

The Developer acquired the approximately 133.4 acres comprising Assessment Area One on August 4, 2022 for approximately \$2,865,000. There are currently no mortgages on the District Lands. [Who owns remainder of district lands?]

Total expected development costs for Assessment Area One, [including, without limitation, the completion of the amenity and landscape/hardscape], are approximately [\$18.8 million (which includes an approximately \$1.7 million contingency)]. As of [_____], the Developer has spent approximately \$7.3 million on development within the District. The available net proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds are expected be approximately \$[5.37] million* and such proceeds will be used by the District towards the funding and/or acquisition of a portion of the Assessment Area One Project from the Developer. The Developer will enter into a completion agreement that will obligate the Developer to the Assessment Area One Project. See

* Preliminary, subject to change.

"BONDOWNERS' RISKS – Insufficient Resources or Other Factors Causing Failure to Complete Development" herein.

Development Plan and Status

Land development associated with Assessment Area One commenced in November 2022. Mass grading for all of Assessment Area One is complete, infrastructure installation will be completed in two phases as set forth below.

Phase One. Phase One is planned to contain 183 single-family detached homes consisting of (i) 77 homes on 40' wide lots and (ii) 106 homes on 50' wide lots. Land development for Phase One is substantially complete, with final completion expected by _____. A plat for the 183 lots comprising Phase One [was][is expected to be] recorded in _____.

Phase Two. Phase Two is planned to contain 199 single-family detached homes consisting of (i) 111 homes on 40' wide lots and (ii) 88 homes on 50' wide lots. Phase Two is mass graded, all ponds have been excavated and master stormwater is complete. Land development for Phase Two is [expected to be completed by July 2025]. A plat for the 199 lots comprising Phase Two is expected to be recorded by _____.

Sales and vertical construction within Assessment Area One are expected to commence by _____. Closings with homebuyers are expected to commence by the _____ quarter of 202__.

It is expected that approximately [96] homes will be delivered to end users per annum until buildout. This anticipated absorption is based upon estimates and assumptions made by the Developer that are inherently uncertain, though considered reasonable by the Developer, and are subject to significant business, economic, and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond the control of the Developer. As a result, there can be no assurance such absorption rate will occur or be realized in the time frame anticipated.

Residential Product Offerings

The target customers for units within the Development are first time homebuyers and move-up buyers. Below is a summary of the expected types of units and starting price points for units in the Development.

<u>Product Type</u>	<u>Square Footage</u>	<u>Beds/Baths</u>	<u>Starting Price Range</u>
Single-Family 40'	1,269 - 2,168	3-2 / 4-2	\$269,990 - \$315,990
Single-Family 50'	1,491 - 2,340	3-2 / 4-2	\$296,990 - \$343,990

Development Approvals

[any outstanding permits?]

[any material development obligations? offsites?]

The land within the Development, including, without limitation, the land therein subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments, is zoned to allow for the contemplated residential uses described herein. All permits have been received by jurisdictional agencies to allow for the development contemplated herein or are reasonably expected to be received in the ordinary course. See "APPENDIX E: ENGINEER'S REPORT" for more information on outstanding permits.

Environmental

The Developer obtained a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment dated April 2021 (the "ESA"), [covering approximately 196.1 of the District's approximately 198.59 acres of land, including all of the land in Assessment Area One]. The ESA revealed no Recognized Environmental Conditions in connection with such lands. See "BONDOWNERS' RISK – Regulatory and Environmental Risks" herein for more information regarding potential environmental risks.

Amenities

The Development is planned to contain a community site with an approximately 4,200 square foot clubhouse, [swimming pools, fitness centers, tot lot, and various recreation fields] [pls confirm or update with additional features as necessary] (collectively, the "Amenity"). Construction of the Amenity [commenced / is expected to commence in _____] and is expected to be completed by [June 2025]. The estimated cost of the Amenity is approximately [\$2.2 million].

Utilities

Potable water, wastewater treatment and reclaimed wastewater (reuse services) for the Development are expected to be provided by the County. Electric power is expected to be provided by Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative. All utility services are available to the property.[confirm]

Taxes, Fees and Assessments

[Update subsection after receipt of Supplemental Methodology.] As set forth in the Supplemental Assessment Methodology, the Series 2025 Special Assessments are initially levied on the approximately 133.4 gross acres of land which comprise Assessment Area One. As platting occurs, the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be assigned to the 382 lots planned for Assessment Area One on a first platted, first assigned basis. Assuming that all of the planned 382 residential units are developed and platted, then the Series 2025 Special Assessments will be allocated on a per unit basis below and as set forth in the Assessment Methodology. See "ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY AND THE ALLOCATION OF ASSESSMENTS" herein.

<u>Product Type</u>	<u>No. of Units</u>	Annual Series 2025	Series 2025 Bonds Par
		<u>Special Assessments</u> <u>Per Unit*/**</u>	<u>Debt Per Unit*</u>
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The District will levy assessments to cover its operation and maintenance costs that will be approximately \$[800 or 1,300] per residential unit annually, which amount is subject to change. In addition, residents within the Development will be required to pay homeowners association fees which are currently estimated to be \$100 per month per unit. The land within the District has been and is expected to be subject to taxes and assessments imposed by taxing authorities other than the District. The total millage rate imposed on taxable properties in the District for 2022 was approximately [15.684] mills, which millage rate is subject to change in future tax years. These taxes would be payable in addition to the Series 2025 Special Assessments and any other assessments levied by the District. In addition, exclusive of voter approved millages levied for general obligation bonds, as to which no limit applies, the County and the School District of Hernando County, Florida may each levy ad valorem taxes and/or special assessments upon the land in the District. The District has no control over the level of ad valorem taxes and/or special assessments levied by other taxing authorities. It is possible that in future years taxes levied by these other entities could be substantially higher than in the current year.

Education

The public schools for children residing in the Development are expected to be Brooksville Elementary School, D.S. Parrott Middle School, and Hernando High School, which are located approximately 14 miles, 18 miles, and 14 miles from the Development, respectively, and which were each rated "C" by the Florida Department of Education in 2024. The Hernando County School Board may change school boundaries from time to time and there is no requirement that students residing in the Development be permitted to attend the schools which are closest to the Development.

Competition

The following communities have been identified by the Developer as being competitive with the Development because of their proximity to the Development, price ranges and product types: Trilby Crossing, Heritage Hills and Hilltop Point.

This heading does not purport to list all of the existing or planned communities in the area of the Development, but rather provide a list of those that the Developer feels pose primary competition to the Development.

Developer Agreements

The Developer will enter into a completion agreement that will obligate the Developer to complete any portions of the Assessment Area One Project not funded with proceeds of the Series 2025 Bonds. In addition, the Developer will execute and deliver to the District a Collateral Assignment Agreement (the "Collateral Assignment"), pursuant to which the Developer will collaterally assign to the District, to the extent assignable and to the extent that they are solely owned or controlled by the Developer, development rights relating the Assessment Area One Project. Notwithstanding such Collateral Assignment, in the event the District forecloses on the lands subject to the Series 2025 Special Assessments as a result of a Developer's or subsequent landowners' failure to pay such assessments, there is a risk that the District will not have all permits and entitlements necessary to complete the Assessment Area One Project or the development of Assessment Area One. Finally, in the event the Assessment Area One lands have not been platted by the time of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds, the Developer will also enter into a True-Up Agreement in connection with its obligations to pay true-up payments in the event that debt levels remaining on unplatted lands in Assessment Area One increase above the maximum debt levels set forth in the Assessment Methodology. See "APPENDIX D: ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY" herein for additional information regarding the "true-up mechanism." Such obligations of the Developer are unsecured obligations. See "BONDOWNERS' RISKS – Insufficient Resources or Other Factors Causing Failure to Complete Development" and "THE DEVELOPER" herein for more information regarding the Developer.

THE DEVELOPER

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. (the "Developer") was formed in August 2006, and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Meritage Homes Corporation ("Meritage Corp."). Meritage Corp. stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MTH. Meritage Corp. is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act of 1934, as amended, and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements, and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The file number for Meritage Corp. is No-1-09977. Such reports, proxy statements, and other information can be inspected and copied at the Public Reference Section of the SEC, Room 100 F Street, N.E., Washington D.C. 20549 and at the SEC's internet website at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of such materials can be obtained by mail from the Public Reference Section of the SEC at prescribed rates. All documents subsequently filed by Meritage Corp. pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act of 1934 after the date of this Limited Offering Memorandum will be available for inspection in the same manner as described above.

Neither the Developer nor Meritage Corp. is guaranteeing payment of the Series 2025 Bonds or the Series 2025 Special Assessments. Meritage Corp. has not entered into any agreements in connection with the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds.

TAX MATTERS

General

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), includes requirements that the District must continue to meet after the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds in order that the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds be and remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District's failure to meet these requirements may cause the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. The District has covenanted in the Indenture to take the actions required by the Code in order to maintain the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds.

In the opinion of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Bond Counsel, assuming the accuracy of certain representations and certifications and continuing compliance by the District with the tax covenants referred to above, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds is excludable from gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes; and, further, interest on the Series 2025 Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. In the case of the alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55(b)(2) of the Code on applicable corporations (as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code), interest on the Series 2025 Bonds is not excluded from the determination of adjusted financial statement income. Bond Counsel is further of the opinion that the Series 2025 Bonds and the interest thereon are not subject to taxation under the laws of the State, except as to estate taxes and taxes under Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, on interest, income, or profits on debt obligations owned by corporations as defined in said Chapter 220. Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any other tax consequences regarding the Series 2025 Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the status of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds under the tax laws of any state other than the State.

The above opinion on federal tax matters with respect to the Series 2025 Bonds will be based on and will assume the accuracy of certain representations and certifications of the District and the Developer, and compliance with certain covenants of the District to be contained in the transcript of proceedings and that are intended to evidence and assure the foregoing, including that the Series 2025 Bonds will be and will remain obligations the interest on which is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Bond Counsel will not independently verify the accuracy of those certifications and representations. Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any other consequences regarding the Series 2025 Bonds.

Except as described above, Bond Counsel will express no opinion regarding the federal income tax consequences resulting from the receipt or accrual of the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, or the ownership or disposition of the Series 2025 Bonds. Prospective purchasers of Series 2025 Bonds should be aware that the ownership of Series 2025 Bonds may result in other collateral federal tax consequences, including (i) the denial of a deduction for interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry the Series 2025 Bonds, (ii) the reduction of the loss reserve deduction for property and casualty insurance companies by the applicable statutory percentage of certain items, including the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, (iii) the inclusion of the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds in the earnings of certain foreign corporations doing business

in the United States for purposes of a branch profits tax, (iv) the inclusion of the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds in the passive income subject to federal income taxation of certain Subchapter S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits at the close of the taxable year, (v) the inclusion of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds in the determination of the taxability of certain Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits to certain recipients of such benefits, (vi) net gain realized upon the sale or other disposition of property such as the Series 2025 Bonds generally must be taken into account when computing the Medicare tax with respect to net investment income or undistributed net investment income, as applicable, imposed on certain high income individuals and specified trusts and estates and (vii) receipt of certain investment income, including interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, is considered when determining qualification limits for obtaining the earned income credit provided by Section 32(a) of the Code. The nature and extent of the other tax consequences described above will depend on the particular tax status and situation of each owner of the Series 2025 Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the impact of these and any other tax consequences.

Bond Counsel's opinion is based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinion is further based on factual representations made to Bond Counsel as of the date of issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds. Bond Counsel assumes no duty to update or supplement its opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to Bond Counsel's attention, or to reflect any changes in law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a particular result, and is not binding on the IRS or the courts; rather, such opinion represents Bond Counsel's professional judgment based on its review of existing law, and in reliance on the representations and covenants that it deems relevant to such opinion.

Original Issue Discount and Premium

Certain of the Series 2025 Bonds ("Discount Bonds") may be offered and sold to the public at an original issue discount ("OID"). OID is the excess of the stated redemption price at maturity (the principal amount) over the "issue price" of a Discount Bond determined under Code Section 1273 or 1274 (*i.e.*, for obligations issued for money in a public offering, the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses and brokers) at which a substantial amount of the obligation of the same maturity is sold pursuant to that offering). For federal income tax purposes, OID accrues to the owner of a Discount Bond over the period to maturity based on the constant yield method, compounded semiannually (or over a shorter permitted compounding interval selected by the owner). The portion of OID that accrues during the period of ownership of a Discount Bond (i) is interest excludable from the owner's gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent, and subject to the same considerations discussed above, as other interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, and (ii) is added to the owner's tax basis for purposes of determining gain or loss on the maturity, redemption, prior sale, or other disposition of that Discount Bond.

Certain of the Series 2025 Bonds ("Premium Bonds") may be offered and sold to the public at a price in excess of their stated redemption price (the principal amount) at maturity (or earlier for certain Premium Bonds callable prior to maturity). That excess constitutes bond premium. For federal income tax purposes, bond premium is amortized over the period to maturity of a Premium Bond, based on the yield to maturity of that Premium Bond (or, in the case of a Premium Bond callable prior to its stated maturity, the amortization period and yield may be required to be

determined on the basis of an earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on that Premium Bond), compounded semiannually (or over a shorter permitted compounding interval selected by the owner). No portion of that bond premium is deductible by the owner of a Premium Bond. For purposes of determining the owner's gain or loss on the sale, redemption (including redemption at maturity), or other disposition of a Premium Bond, the owner's tax basis in the Premium Bond is reduced by the amount of bond premium that accrues during the period of ownership. As a result, an owner may realize taxable gain for federal income tax purposes from the sale or other disposition of a Premium Bond for an amount equal to or less than the amount paid by the owner for that Premium Bond.

Owners of Discount and Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisers as to the determination for federal income tax purposes of the amount of OID or bond premium properly accruable in any period with respect to the Discount or Premium Bonds and as to other federal tax consequences, and the treatment of OID and bond premium for purposes of state and local taxes on, or based on, income.

Changes in Federal and State Tax Law

From time to time, there are legislative proposals suggested, debated, introduced, or pending in Congress or in the State legislature that, if enacted into law, could alter or amend one or more of the federal tax matters, or state tax matters, respectively, described above including, without limitation, the excludability from gross income of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds, or adversely affect the market price or marketability of the Series 2025 Bonds, or otherwise prevent the holders from realizing the full current benefit of the status of the interest thereon. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposal may be enacted, or whether, if enacted, any such proposal would affect the Series 2025 Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to the impact of any proposed or pending legislation.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Interest paid on tax-exempt bonds such as the Series 2025 Bonds is subject to information reporting to the Internal Revenue Service in a manner similar to interest paid on taxable obligations. This reporting requirement does not affect the excludability of interest on the Series 2025 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. However, in conjunction with that information reporting requirement, the Code subjects certain non-corporate owners of Series 2025 Bonds, under certain circumstances, to "backup withholding" at the rates set forth in the Code, with respect to payments on the Series 2025 Bonds and proceeds from the sale of Series 2025 Bonds. Any amount so withheld would be refunded or allowed as a credit against the federal income tax of such owner of Series 2025 Bonds. This withholding generally applies if the owner of Series 2025 Bonds (i) fails to furnish the payor such owner's social security number or other taxpayer identification number ("TIN"), (ii) furnished the payor an incorrect TIN, (iii) fails to properly report interest, dividends, or other "reportable payments" as defined in the Code, or (iv) under certain circumstances, fails to provide the payor or such owner's securities broker with a certified statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that the TIN provided is correct and that such owner is not subject to backup withholding. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2025 Bonds may also wish to consult with their tax advisors with respect to the need to furnish certain taxpayer information in order to avoid backup withholding.

AGREEMENT BY THE STATE

Under the Act, the State pledges to the holders of any bonds issued thereunder, including the Series 2025 Bonds, that it will not limit or alter the rights of the issuer of such bonds, including the District, to own, acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, maintain, operate or furnish the projects, including the Assessment Area One Project funded by the Series 2025 Bonds, subject to the Act or to levy and collect taxes, assessments, rentals, rates, fees and other charges provided for in the Act and to fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such bonds and that it will not in any way impair the rights or remedies of such holders.

LEGALITY FOR INVESTMENT

The Act provides that bonds issued by community development districts are legal investments for savings banks, banks, trust companies, insurance companies, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, and other fiduciaries, and for any board, body, agency, instrumentality, county, municipality or other political subdivision of the State, and constitute securities that may be deposited by banks or trust companies as security for deposits of state, county, municipal or other public funds, or by insurance companies as required or voluntary statutory deposits.

SUITABILITY FOR INVESTMENT

In accordance with applicable provisions of Florida law, the Series 2025 Bonds may initially be sold by the District only to "accredited investors" within the meaning of Chapter 517, Florida Statutes, as amended, and the rules of the Florida Department of Financial Services promulgated thereunder. The limitation of the initial offering to accredited investors does not denote restrictions on transfer in any secondary market for the Series 2025 Bonds. Investment in the Series 2025 Bonds poses certain economic risks. No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized by the District or the Underwriter to give any information or make any representations, other than those contained in this Limited Offering Memorandum, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by either of the foregoing.

ENFORCEABILITY OF REMEDIES

The remedies available to the owners of the Series 2025 Bonds upon an event of default under the respective Indenture are in many respects dependent upon judicial actions, which are often subject to discretion and delay. Under existing constitutional and statutory law and judicial decisions, including the federal bankruptcy code, the remedies specified by the Indenture and the Series 2025 Bonds may not be readily available or may be limited. The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds will be qualified, as to the enforceability of the remedies provided in the various legal instruments, by limitations imposed by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors and enacted before or after such delivery.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This District will covenant in a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, the proposed form of which is set forth in APPENDIX E hereto, to provide its annual audited financial statements to certain information repositories as described in APPENDIX E, commencing with the audit for the District fiscal year ending September 30, [2024]. Attached hereto as APPENDIX F is a copy of the District's unaudited monthly financial statements for the period ended [November 30, 2024]. The District does not have audited financial statements because the District has not met the threshold requiring an audit. The Series 2025 Bonds are not general obligation bonds of the District and are payable solely from the Series 2025 Pledged Revenues.

By the end of the first full fiscal year after its creation, each community development district in Florida must have a separate website with certain information as set forth in Section 189.069, F.S., including, without limitation, the district's proposed and final budgets and audit. Additional information regarding the District's website is available from the District Manager at the address set forth under "THE DISTRICT – The District Manager and Other Consultants."

LITIGATION

The District

There is no litigation of any nature now pending or, to the knowledge of the District threatened, seeking to restrain or enjoin the issuance, sale, execution or delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds, or in any way contesting or affecting (i) the validity of the Series 2025 Bonds or any proceedings of the District taken with respect to the issuance or sale thereof, (ii) the pledge or application of any moneys or security provided for the payment of the Series 2025 Bonds, (iii) the existence or powers of the District or (iv) the validity of the Assessment Proceedings.

The Developer

The Developer has represented to the District that there is no litigation of any nature now pending or, to the knowledge of such entity, threatened, which could reasonably be expected to have a material and adverse effect upon the ability of such Developer to complete the development of the lands within Assessment Area One, as described herein, materially and adversely affect the ability of such entity to pay the Series 2025 Special Assessments imposed against the land within Assessment Area One owned by such Developer or materially and adversely affect the ability of such Developer to perform its various obligations described in this Limited Offering Memorandum.

NO RATING

No application for a rating of the Series 2025 Bonds has been made to any rating agency, nor is there any reason to believe that the District would have been successful in obtaining an investment grade rating for the Series 2025 Bonds had application been made.

DISCLOSURE REQUIRED BY FLORIDA BLUE SKY REGULATIONS

Section 517.051, Florida Statutes, and the regulations promulgated thereunder requires that the District make a full and fair disclosure of any bonds or other debt obligations that it has issued or guaranteed and that are or have been in default as to principal or interest at any time after December 31, 1975 (including bonds or other debt obligations for which it has served only as a conduit issuer such as industrial development or private activity bonds issued on behalf of private business). The District is not and has never been in default on any bonds or other debt obligations since December 31, 1975.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The District and the Developer will enter into the Continuing Disclosure Agreement (the "Disclosure Agreement") in the proposed form of APPENDIX E, for the benefit of the Series 2025 Bondholders (including owners of beneficial interests in such Series 2025 Bonds), to provide certain financial information and operating data relating to the District and the Development by certain dates prescribed in the Disclosure Agreement (the "Reports") with the MSRB through the MSRB's EMMA system. The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Reports is set forth in "APPENDIX E: PROPOSED FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT." Under certain circumstances, the failure of the District or the Developer to comply with their respective obligations under the Disclosure Agreement constitutes an event of default thereunder. Such a default will not constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture, but such event of default under the Disclosure Agreement would allow the Series 2025 Bondholders (including owners of beneficial interests in such Series 2025 Bonds) to bring an action for specific performance.

The District has not previously issued any bonds and has not previously entered into any continuing disclosure obligations pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Rule"). [The Developer has previously entered into continuing disclosure undertakings pursuant to the Rule, with respect to bonds issued by other community development districts. A review of filings made pursuant to such prior undertakings indicates that the Developer has not materially failed to comply with the requirements thereunder within the last five years.] The District will appoint the District Manager as the dissemination agent. Both the District and the Developer anticipate satisfying all future disclosure obligations pursuant to the Disclosure Agreement.

UNDERWRITING

FMSbonds, Inc. (the "Underwriter"), has agreed, pursuant to a contract with the District, subject to certain conditions, to purchase the Series 2025 Bonds from the District at a purchase price of \$_____ (par amount of the Series 2025 Bonds, less [an original issue discount of \$_____ and] an Underwriter's discount of \$_____). The Underwriter's obligations are subject to certain conditions precedent and the Underwriter will be obligated to purchase all of the Series 2025 Bonds if any Series 2025 Bonds are purchased.

The Series 2025 Bonds may be offered and sold to certain dealers, banks and others at prices lower than the initial offering prices, and such initial offering prices may be changed from time to time by the Underwriter.

CONTINGENT FEES

The District has retained Bond Counsel, District Counsel, the Consulting Engineer, the District Manager/Methodology Consultant, the Underwriter (who has retained Underwriter's Counsel) and the Trustee (which has retained Trustee's counsel), with respect to the authorization, sale, execution and delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds. Except for the payment of certain fees to District Counsel, the Consulting Engineer and the District Manager, the payment of fees of the other professionals is each contingent upon the issuance of the Series 2025 Bonds.

EXPERTS

Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc., as District Engineer, has prepared the Engineer's Report included herein as APPENDIX A, which report should be read in its entirety. Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, as the District Manager, has prepared the Assessment Methodology included herein as APPENDIX D, which report should be read in its entirety. As a condition to closing on the Series 2025 Bonds, both the District Engineer and the Methodology Consultant will consent to the inclusion of their reports in this Limited Offering Memorandum.

VALIDATION

Bonds issued pursuant to the terms of the Master Indenture have been validated by a judgment of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida in and for Hernando County, Florida, issued on October 18, 2022. The period of time during which an appeal can be taken from such judgment has expired without an appeal having been taken.

LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters related to the authorization, sale and delivery of the Series 2025 Bonds are subject to the approval of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Tallahassee, Florida, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriter by its counsel, GrayRobinson, P.A. Tampa, Florida. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the District by its counsel, Kutak Rock LLP, Tallahassee, Florida. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Developer by its counsel, Williams, Parker, Harrison, Dietz & Getzen, PLLC, Sarasota, Florida.

The form of opinion of Bond Counsel attached hereto as APPENDIX C is based on existing law, which is subject to change, and is further based on factual representations made to Bond Counsel as of the date hereof. Bond Counsel assumes no duty to update or supplement its opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to Bond Counsel's attention, or to reflect any changes in law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a particular result and is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service or the courts; rather, such opinion represents Bond Counsel's professional judgment based on its review of existing law, and in reliance on the representations and covenants that it deems relevant to such opinion.

MISCELLANEOUS

Any statements made in this Limited Offering Memorandum involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly so stated, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representations are made that any of the estimates will be realized.

The references herein to the Series 2025 Bonds and other documents referred to herein are brief summaries of certain provisions thereof. Such summaries do not purport to be complete and reference is made to such documents for full and complete statements of such provisions.

This Limited Offering Memorandum is submitted in connection with the limited offering of the Series 2025 Bonds and may not be reproduced or used, as a whole or in part, for any purpose. This Limited Offering Memorandum is not to be construed as a contract with the purchaser or the Beneficial Owners of any of the Series 2025 Bonds.

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AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVAL

The execution and delivery of this Limited Offering Memorandum has been duly authorized by the Board of Supervisors of Benton Hills Community Development District.

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

By: _____
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

APPENDIX A
ENGINEER'S REPORT

APPENDIX B

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FORM OF RULE 15c2-12 CERTIFICATE

**Benton Hills Community Development District
(Hernando County, Florida)
\$_____ * Special Assessment Bonds,
Series 2025
(Assessment Area One Project)**

The undersigned hereby certifies and represents to FMSbonds, Inc. ("Underwriter") that he is the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors of Benton Hills Community Development District (the "District") is authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate, and further certifies on behalf of the District to the Underwriter as follows:

1. This Certificate is delivered to enable the Underwriter to comply with Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule") in connection with the offering and sale of the above captioned bonds (the "Series 2025 Bonds").

2. In connection with the offering and sale of the Series 2025 Bonds, there has been prepared a Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum, dated the date hereof, setting forth information concerning the Series 2025 Bonds and the District (the "Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum").

3. As used herein, "Permitted Omissions" shall mean the offering price, interest rate, selling compensation, aggregate principal amount, principal amount per maturity, delivery dates, ratings, the identity of the Underwriter and other terms of the Series 2025 Bonds depending on such matters.

4. The undersigned hereby deems the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum "final" as of its date, within the meaning of the Rule, except for the Permitted Omissions, and the information therein is accurate and complete except for the Permitted Omissions.

5. If, at any time prior to the execution of a Bond Purchase Contract, any event occurs as a result of which the Preliminary Limited Offering Memorandum might include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, the District will promptly notify the Underwriter thereof.

* Preliminary, subject to change.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand this ____ day of _____, 2025.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Chairperson

EXHIBIT E

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

This Continuing Disclosure Agreement (this "Disclosure Agreement") dated as of [____], 2025 is executed and delivered by the Benton Hills Community Development District (the "Issuer" or the "District"), [Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation] (the "Developer"), and Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, as "Dissemination Agent" (as defined herein) in connection with the Issuer's Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are secured pursuant to a Master Trust Indenture dated as of [____] 1, 2025 (the "Master Indenture") and a First Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of [____] 1, 2025 (the "First Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Master Indenture, the "Indenture"), each entered into by and between the Issuer and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America and having a designated corporate trust office in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as trustee (the "Trustee"). The Issuer, the Developer and the Dissemination Agent covenant and agree as follows:

1. **Purpose of this Disclosure Agreement.** This Disclosure Agreement is being executed and delivered by the Issuer, the Developer and the Dissemination Agent for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners (as defined herein) of the Bonds and to assist the Participating Underwriter (as defined herein) of the Bonds in complying with the Rule (as defined herein). The Issuer has no reason to believe that this Disclosure Agreement does not satisfy the requirements of the Rule and the execution and delivery of this Disclosure Agreement is intended to comply with the Rule. To the extent it is later determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, a governmental regulatory agency, or an attorney specializing in federal securities law, that the Rule requires the Issuer or other Obligated Person (as defined herein) to provide additional information, the Issuer and each Obligated Person agree to promptly provide such additional information.

The provisions of this Disclosure Agreement are supplemental and in addition to the provisions of the Indenture with respect to reports, filings and notifications provided for therein, and do not in any way relieve the Issuer, the Trustee or any other person of any covenant, agreement or obligation under the Indenture (or remove any of the benefits thereof) nor shall anything herein prohibit the Issuer, the Trustee or any other person from making any reports, filings or notifications required by the Indenture or any applicable law.

2. **Definitions.** Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Disclosure Agreement shall have the meaning assigned in the Rule or, to the extent not in conflict with the Rule, in the Indenture. The following capitalized terms as used in this Disclosure Agreement shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Filing Date" means the date set forth in Section 3(a) hereof by which the Annual Report is to be filed with each Repository.

"Annual Financial Information" means annual financial information as such term is used in paragraph (b)(5)(i)(A) of the Rule and specified in Section 4(a) of this Disclosure Agreement.

"Annual Report" shall mean any Annual Report provided by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Agreement.

"Assessment Area" shall mean that portion of the District lands subject to the Assessments.

"Assessments" shall mean the non-ad valorem Series 2025 Special Assessments pledged to the payment of the Bonds pursuant to the Indenture.

"Audited Financial Statements" means the financial statements (if any) of the Issuer for the prior Fiscal Year, certified by an independent auditor as prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or otherwise, as such term is used in paragraph (b)(5)(i) of the Rule and specified in Section 4(a) of this Disclosure Agreement.

"Audited Financial Statements Filing Date" means the date set forth in Section 3(a) hereof by which the Audited Financial Statements are to be filed with each Repository if the same are not included as part of the Annual Report.

"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 Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

"Bond Year" means the annual period beginning on the second day of November of each year and ending on the first day of November of the following year.

"Business Day" means any day other than (a) a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which banks located in the city in which the designated corporate trust office of the Trustee is located are required or authorized by law or executive order to close for business, and (b) a day on which the New York Stock Exchange is closed.

"Disclosure Representative" shall mean (i) as to the Issuer, the District Manager or its designee, or such other person as the Issuer shall designate in writing to the Dissemination Agent from time to time as the person responsible for providing information to the Dissemination Agent; and (ii) as to each entity comprising an Obligated Person (other than the Issuer), the individuals executing this Disclosure Agreement on behalf of such entity or such person(s) as such entity shall designate in writing to the Dissemination Agent from time to time as the person(s) responsible for providing information to the Dissemination Agent.

"Dissemination Agent" shall mean the Issuer or an entity appointed by the Issuer to act in the capacity as Dissemination Agent hereunder, or any successor Dissemination Agent designated in writing by the Issuer pursuant to Section 8 hereof. Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC has been designated as the initial Dissemination Agent hereunder.

"District Manager" shall mean Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, and its successors and assigns.

"EMMA" means the Electronic Municipal Market Access system for municipal securities disclosures located at <http://emma.msrb.org/>.

"EMMA Compliant Format" shall mean a format for any document provided to the MSRB (as hereinafter defined) which is in an electronic format and is accompanied by identifying information, all as prescribed by the MSRB.

"Financial Obligation" means a (a) debt obligation, (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (c) guarantee of an obligation or instrument described in either clause (a) or (b). Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

"Fiscal Year" shall mean the period commencing on October 1 and ending on September 30 of the next succeeding year, or such other period of time provided by applicable law.

"Limited Offering Memorandum" shall mean that Limited Offering Memorandum dated [____], 2025, prepared in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

"Listed Events" shall mean any of the events listed in Section 6(a) of this Disclosure Agreement.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Obligated Person(s)" shall mean, with respect to the Bonds, those person(s) who either generally or through an enterprise fund or account of such persons are committed by contract or other arrangement to support payment of all or a part of the obligations on such Bonds (other than providers of municipal bond insurance, letters of credit, or other liquidity facilities), which person(s) shall include the Issuer, and for the purposes of this Disclosure Agreement, the Developer for so long as such Developer or its affiliates, successors or assigns (excluding residential homebuyers who are end users) are the owners of District Lands responsible for payment of at least 10% of the Assessments.

"Participating Underwriter" shall mean FMSbonds, Inc.

"Quarterly Filing Date" shall mean for the quarter ending: (i) March 31, each May 1; (ii) June 30, each August 1; (iii) September 30, each November 1; and (iv) December 31, each February 1 of the following year. The first Quarterly Filing Date shall be [August] 1, 2025.

"Quarterly Report" shall mean any Quarterly Report provided by any Obligated Person (other than the Issuer) pursuant to, and as described in, Section 5 of this Disclosure Agreement.

"Repository" shall mean each entity authorized and approved by the SEC (as hereinafter defined) from time to time to act as a repository for purposes of complying with the Rule. The Repositories approved by the SEC may be found by visiting the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov/info/municipal/nrmsir.htm>. As of the date hereof, the Repository recognized by the SEC for such purpose is the MSRB, which currently accepts continuing disclosure submissions through its EMMA web portal. As used herein, "Repository" shall include the State Repository, if any.

"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 has and may be amended from time to time.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"State" shall mean the State of Florida.

"State Repository" shall mean any public or private repository or entity designated by the State as a state repository for the purposes of the Rule.

3. **Provision of Annual Reports.**

(a) Subject to the following sentence, the Issuer shall provide the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent no later than March 31st following the close of the Issuer's Fiscal Year (the "Annual Filing Date"), commencing with the Annual Report for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2025 which shall be due no later than March 31, 2026. The Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Agreement; *provided that* the Audited Financial Statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report, and may be submitted in accordance with State law, which currently requires such Audited Financial Statements to be provided up to, but no later than, nine (9) months after the close of the Issuer's Fiscal Year (the "Audited Financial Statements Filing Date"). [The Issuer shall file its Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2024 on or before June 30, 2025.] The Issuer shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, provide to the Repository the components of an Annual Report which satisfies the requirements of Section 4(a) of this Disclosure Agreement within thirty (30) days after same becomes available, but in no event later than the Annual Filing Date or Audited Financial Statements Filing Date, if applicable. If the Issuer's Fiscal Year changes, the Issuer shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 6.

(b) If on the fifteenth (15th) day prior to each Annual Filing Date or the Audited Financial Statements Filing Date, as applicable, the Dissemination Agent has not received a copy of the Annual Report or Audited Financial Statements, as applicable, the Dissemination Agent shall contact the Disclosure Representative by telephone and in writing (which may be via email) to remind the Issuer of its obligation to provide the Annual Report or Audited Financial Statements, as applicable, pursuant to Section 3(a). Upon such reminder, the Disclosure Representative shall either (i) provide the Dissemination Agent with an electronic copy of the Annual Report or the Audited Financial Statements, as applicable, in accordance with Section 3(a) above, or (ii) advise the Dissemination Agent in writing that the Issuer will not be able to file the Annual Report or Audited Financial Statements, as applicable, within the times required under this Disclosure Agreement, state the date by which the Annual Report or the Audited Financial Statements for such year, as applicable, will be provided and instruct the Dissemination Agent that a Listed Event as described in Section 6(a)(xvii) has occurred and to immediately send a notice to the Repository in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

(c) If the Dissemination Agent has not received an Annual Report by 12:00 noon on the first (1st) Business Day following the Annual Filing Date for the Annual Report or the Audited Financial Statements by 12:00 noon on the first (1st) Business Day following the Audited Financial Statements Filing Date for the Audited Financial Statements, then a Listed Event as described in Section 6(a)(xvii) shall have occurred and the Dissemination Agent shall immediately send a notice to the Repository in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A.

(d) The Dissemination Agent shall:

(i) determine each year prior to the Annual Filing Date the name, address and filing requirements of the Repository; and

(ii) promptly upon fulfilling its obligations under subsection (a) above, file a notice with the Issuer stating that the Annual Report or Audited Financial Statements has been provided pursuant to this Disclosure Agreement, stating the date(s) it was provided and listing all Repositories with which it was filed.

(e) All documents, reports, notices, statements, information and other materials provided to the MSRB under this Disclosure Agreement shall be provided in an EMMA Compliant Format.

4. **Content of Annual Reports.**

(a) Each Annual Report shall be in the form set in Schedule A attached hereto and shall contain the following Annual Financial Information with respect to the Issuer:

(i) All fund balances in all Funds, Accounts and subaccounts for the Bonds and the total amount of Bonds Outstanding, in each case as of December 31st following the end of the most recent prior Fiscal Year.

(ii) The method by which Assessments are being levied (whether on-roll or off-roll) and the amounts being levied by each method in the Assessment Area for the current Fiscal Year, and a copy of the assessment roll (on roll and off roll) for the Assessments certified for collection in the Assessment Area for the current Fiscal Year.

(iii) The method by which Assessments were levied (whether on-roll or off-roll) and the amounts levied by each method in the Assessment Area for the most recent prior Fiscal Year.

(iv) The amount of Assessments collected in the Assessment Area from the property owners during the most recent prior Fiscal Year.

(v) If available, the amount of delinquencies in the Assessment Area greater than one hundred fifty (150) days, and, in the event that delinquencies amount to more than ten percent (10%) of the amounts of the Assessments due in any year, a list of delinquent property owners.

(vi) If available, the amount of tax certificates sold for lands within the Assessment Area, if any, and the balance, if any, remaining for sale from the most recent Fiscal Year.

(vii) The amount of principal and interest to be paid on the Bonds in the current Fiscal Year.

(viii) The most recent Audited Financial Statements of the Issuer.

(ix) In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of this Disclosure Agreement, a description of such amendment or waiver in the next Annual Report, and in each case 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 in accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the Issuer. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements: (i) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 6(b); and (ii) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

To the extent any of the items set forth in subsections (i) through (vii) above are included in the Audited Financial Statements referred to in subsection (viii) above, they do not have to be separately set forth (unless Audited Financial Statements are being delivered later than March 31st after the close of the Issuer's Fiscal Year pursuant to Section 3(a) hereof). Any or all of the items listed above may be incorporated by reference from other documents, including limited offering memorandums and official statements of debt issues of the Issuer or related public entities, which have been submitted to the MSRB or the SEC. If the document incorporated by reference is a final limited offering memorandum or official statement, it must be available from the MSRB. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

(b) Any Annual Financial Information containing modified operating data or financial information is required to explain, in narrative form, the reasons for the modification and the impact of the change in the type of operating data or financial information being provided.

5. Quarterly Reports.

(a) Each Obligated Person (other than the Issuer), or the Developer on behalf of any other Obligated Person that fails to execute an Assignment (as hereinafter defined), shall provide an electronic copy of the Quarterly Report to the Dissemination Agent no later than five (5) days prior to the Quarterly Filing Date. Promptly upon receipt of an electronic copy of the Quarterly Report, but in any event no later than the applicable Quarterly Filing Date, the Dissemination Agent shall provide a Quarterly Report to the Repository.

(b) Each Quarterly Report shall contain an update of the following information to the extent available with respect to the Assessment Area only:

(i) The number of lots planned.

Lot Ownership Information

- (ii) The number of lots owned by the Developer.
- (iii) The number of lots owned by homebuilders. (Note: if the Developer and the homebuilder are the same entity, then only report the info in (ii).)
- (iv) The number of lots owned by homebuyers.

Lot Status Information

- (v) The number of lots developed.
- (vi) The number of lots platted.

Home Sales Status Information

- (vii) The number of homes sold (but not closed) with homebuyers, during quarter.
- (viii) The number of homes sold (and closed) with homebuyers, during quarter.
- (ix) The total number of homes sold and closed with homebuyers (cumulative).

Material Changes/Transfers

(x) Material changes to any of the following: (1) builder contracts, if applicable, (2) the number of lots planned to be developed, (3) permits/approvals, and (4) existing mortgage debt of the Obligated Person or the incurrence of new mortgage debt by the Obligated Person since the date hereof.

(xi) Any sale, assignment or transfer of ownership of lands by the Obligated Person to a third party which will in turn become an Obligated Person hereunder.

(c) If an Obligated Person sells, assigns or otherwise transfers ownership of real property in the Assessment Area (a "Transferor Obligated Person") to a third party (a "Transferee"), which will in turn be an Obligated Person for purposes of this Disclosure Agreement as a result thereof (a "Transfer"), the Transferor Obligated Person hereby agrees to use its best efforts to contractually obligate such Transferee to agree to comply with the disclosure obligations of an Obligated Person hereunder for so long as such Transferee is an Obligated Person hereunder, to the same extent as if such Transferee were a party to this Disclosure Agreement (an "Assignment"). The Transferor Obligated Person shall notify the District and the Dissemination Agent in writing of any Transfer within five (5) Business Days of the occurrence thereof. Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve the Developer from its obligations hereunder except to the extent a written Assignment from a Transferee is obtained and delivered to the Dissemination Agent and then only to the extent of such Assignment.

6. **Reporting of Listed Events.**

(a) This Section 6 shall govern the giving of notices of the occurrence of any of the following Listed Events:

- (i) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (ii) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (iii) Unscheduled draws on the Series 2025 Reserve Account reflecting financial difficulties;
- (iv) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;*
- (v) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;*
- (vi) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (vii) Modifications to rights of Bond holders, if material;
- (viii) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (ix) Defeasances;
- (x) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (xi) Rating changes;*
- (xii) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer or any Obligated Person (which is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer or any 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 Issuer or any Obligated Person, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing 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 Issuer or any Obligated Person);

* Not applicable to the Bonds at their date of issuance.

(xiii) Consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or any Obligated Person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or any 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;

(xiv) Appointment of a successor or additional Trustee or the change of name of the Trustee, if material;

(xv) Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer or Obligated Person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer or Obligated Person, any of which affect security holders, if material;

(xvi) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of the Financial Obligation of the Issuer or Obligated Person, any of which reflect financial difficulties;

(xvii) Failure to provide (A) any Annual Report or Audited Financial Statements as required under this Disclosure Agreement that contains, in all material respects, the information required to be included therein under Section 4(a) of this Disclosure Agreement, or (B) any Quarterly Report that contains, in all material respects, the information required to be included therein under Section 5(b) of this Disclosure Agreement, which failure shall, in all cases, be deemed material under federal securities laws; and

(xviii) Any amendment to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements as required pursuant to Section 4(a)(ix) hereof.

(b) The Issuer shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the above subsection (a) Listed Events to the Dissemination Agent in writing in sufficient time in order to allow the Dissemination Agent to file notice of the occurrence of such Listed Event in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) Business Days after its occurrence, with the exception of the Listed Events described in Section 6(a)(xvii) and (xviii), which notice will be given in a timely manner. Such notice shall instruct the Dissemination Agent to report the occurrence pursuant to subsection (d) below. Such notice by the Issuer to the Dissemination Agent shall identify the Listed Event that has occurred, include the text of the disclosure that the Issuer desires to make, contain the written authorization of the Issuer for the Dissemination Agent to disseminate such information, and identify the date the Issuer desires for the Dissemination Agent to disseminate the information (provided that such date is in compliance within the filing dates provided within this Section 6(b)).

(c) Notwithstanding anything contained in Section 6(b) above, each Obligated Person other than the Issuer shall notify the Issuer and the Dissemination Agent of the occurrence of a Listed Event described in subsections (a)(x), (xii), (xiii), (xv), (xvi), or (xvii) that has occurred with respect to such Obligated Person in compliance with the notification and filing requirements provided in Section 6(b).

(d) If the Dissemination Agent has been instructed by the Issuer to report the occurrence of a Listed Event, the Dissemination Agent shall immediately file a notice of such occurrence with each Repository.

7. **Termination of Disclosure Agreement.** This Disclosure Agreement shall terminate upon the defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds.

8. **Dissemination Agent.** Upon termination of the Dissemination Agent's services as Dissemination Agent, whether by notice of the Issuer or the Dissemination Agent, the Issuer agrees to appoint a successor Dissemination Agent or, alternatively, agrees to assume all responsibilities of Dissemination Agent under this Disclosure Agreement for the benefit of the Holders of the Bonds. If at any time there is not any other designated Dissemination Agent, the District shall be deemed to be the Dissemination Agent. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC. The acceptance of such designation is evidenced by the execution of this Disclosure Agreement by a duly authorized signatory of Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC. Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, may terminate its role as Dissemination Agent at any time upon delivery of sixty (60) days prior written notice to the District and each Obligated Person. The District may terminate the agreement hereunder with the Dissemination Agent at any time upon delivery of sixty (60) days prior written notice to the Dissemination Agent and each Obligated Person.

9. **Amendment; Waiver.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Agreement, the Issuer and the Dissemination Agent may amend this Disclosure Agreement, and any provision of this Disclosure Agreement may be waived, if such amendment or waiver is supported by an opinion of counsel expert in federal securities laws, acceptable to the Issuer, to the effect that such amendment or waiver would not, in and of itself, cause the undertakings herein to violate the Rule if such amendment or waiver had been effective on the date hereof but taking into account any subsequent change in or official interpretation of the Rule.

Notwithstanding the above provisions of this Section 9, no amendment to the provisions of Section 5(b) hereof may be made without the consent of each Obligated Person, if any.

10. **Additional Information.** Nothing in this Disclosure Agreement shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Agreement 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 Agreement. 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 Agreement, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Disclosure Agreement to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

11. **Default.** In the event of a failure of the Issuer, the Disclosure Representative, any Obligated Person or the Dissemination Agent to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Agreement, the Trustee may (and, at the request of any Participating Underwriter or the Beneficial Owners of at least twenty-five percent (25%) aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Bonds and receipt of indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee, shall), or any beneficial owner of a Bond may

take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer, the Disclosure Representative, any Obligated Person or a Dissemination Agent, as the case may be, to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Agreement. A default under this Disclosure Agreement by any Obligated Person shall not be deemed a default by the Issuer hereunder and no default hereunder shall be deemed an Event of Default under the Indenture, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Agreement in the event of any failure of the Issuer, the Disclosure Representative, any Obligated Person, or a Dissemination Agent, to comply with this Disclosure Agreement shall be an action to compel performance.

12. **Duties of Dissemination Agent.** The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Agreement between the District, the Developer and such Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have no obligation to notify any other party hereto of an event that may constitute a Listed Event. The District, each Obligated Person and the Disclosure Representative covenant that they will supply, in a timely fashion, any information reasonably requested by the Dissemination Agent that is necessary in order for the Dissemination Agent to carry out its duties under this Disclosure Agreement. The District, each Obligated Person and the Disclosure Representative acknowledge and agree that the information to be collected and disseminated by the Dissemination Agent will be provided by the District, Obligated Person(s), the Disclosure Representative and others. The Dissemination Agent's duties do not include authorship or production of any materials, and the Dissemination Agent shall have no responsibility hereunder for the content of the information provided to it by the District, any Obligated Person or the Disclosure Representative as thereafter disseminated by the Dissemination Agent. Any filings under this Disclosure Agreement made to the MSRB through EMMA shall be in an EMMA Compliant Format.

13. **Beneficiaries.** This Disclosure Agreement shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Developer, the Dissemination Agent, the Trustee, the Participating Underwriter and the Owners of the Bonds (the Dissemination Agent, the Trustee, Participating Underwriter and Owners of the Bonds being hereby deemed express third party beneficiaries of this Disclosure Agreement), and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

14. **Tax Roll and Budget.** Upon the request of the Dissemination Agent, the Trustee or any Bondholder, the Issuer, through its District Manager, if applicable, agrees to provide such party with a certified copy of its most recent tax roll provided to the Hernando County Tax Collector and the Issuer's most recent adopted budget.

15. **Governing Law.** The laws of the State of Florida and Federal law shall govern this Disclosure Agreement and venue shall be any state or federal court having jurisdiction in Hernando County, Florida.

16. **Counterparts.** This Disclosure Agreement may be executed in several counterparts and each of which shall be considered an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument. A scanned copy of the signatures delivered in a PDF format may be relied upon as if the original had been received.

17. **Trustee Cooperation.** The Issuer represents that the Dissemination Agent is a bona fide agent of the Issuer and the Issuer instructs the Trustee to deliver to the Dissemination Agent at the expense of the Issuer, any information or reports readily available to and in the possession of the Trustee that the Dissemination Agent requests in writing.

18. **Binding Effect.** This Disclosure Agreement shall be binding upon each party to this Disclosure Agreement and upon each successor and assignee of each party to this Disclosure Agreement and shall inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, each party to this Disclosure Agreement and each successor and assignee of each party to this Disclosure Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, as to the Developer or any assignee or successor thereto that becomes an Obligated Person pursuant to the terms of this Disclosure Agreement, only successors or assignees to such parties who are, by definition, Obligated Persons, shall be bound or benefited by this Disclosure Agreement.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Disclosure Agreement as of the date and year set forth above.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AS ISSUER AND
OBLIGATED PERSON**

[SEAL]

By: _____
[Garth Noble], Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

By: _____
_____, Secretary

**MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC., AS
OBLIGATED PERSON**

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

**WRATHELL HUNT & ASSOCIATES, LLC,
and its successors and assigns, AS
DISSEMINATION AGENT**

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

CONSENTED TO AND AGREED TO BY:

DISTRICT MANAGER

**WRATHELL HUNT & ASSOCIATES,
LLC, AS DISTRICT MANAGER**

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

Acknowledged and agreed to for purposes of
Sections 11, 13 and 17 only:

**U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE**

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT A

**FORM OF NOTICE TO REPOSITORIES OF FAILURE
TO FILE [ANNUAL REPORT]
[AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS][QUARTERLY REPORT]**

Name of Issuer: Benton Hills Community Development District

Name of Bond Issue: \$[_____] original aggregate principal amount of Special
Assessment Bonds, Series 2025

Obligated Person(s): Benton Hills Community Development District;
_____.

Original Date of Issuance: [_____] , 2025

CUSIP Numbers: _____

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the [Issuer][Obligated Person] has not provided an [Annual Report] [Audited Financial Statements] [Quarterly Report] with respect to the above-named Bonds as required by [Section 3] [Section 5] of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement dated [_____] , 2025, by and between the Issuer, the Developer and the Dissemination Agent named therein. The [Issuer][Obligated Person] has advised the undersigned that it anticipates that the [Annual Report] [Audited Financial Statements] [Quarterly Report] will be filed by _____, 20____.

Dated: _____

_____, as Dissemination Agent

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

cc: Issuer
Trustee

SCHEDULE A

FORM OF DISTRICT'S ANNUAL REPORT (Due 3/31)

1. Fund Balances

Combined Trust Estate Assets	<u>Quarter Ended – 12/31</u>
Acquisition and Construction Fund	
Revenue Fund	
Reserve Fund	
Prepayment Fund	
Other	
Total Bonds Outstanding	
TOTAL	

2. Assessment Certification and Collection Information

1. For the Current District Fiscal Year – Manner in which Assessments are collected (On Roll vs. Off Roll)

	<u>\$ Certified</u>
On Roll	\$ _____
Off Roll	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____

2. Attach to Report the following:
- A. On Roll – Copy of certified assessment roll for the District's current Fiscal Year
- B. Off Roll – List of folios for all off roll Assessments, together with annual Assessment assigned to each folio

3. For the immediately ended Bond Year, provide the levy and collection information

<u>Total Levy</u>	<u>\$ Levied</u>	<u>\$ Collected</u>
On Roll	\$ _____	\$ _____
Off Roll	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL		

4. If available, the amount of delinquencies in the Assessment Area greater than one hundred fifty (150) days, and, in the event that delinquencies amount to more than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Assessments due in any year, a list of delinquent property owners

5. If available, the amount of tax certificates sold for lands within the Assessment Area, if any, and the balance, if any, remaining for sale from the most recent Fiscal Year

6. The amount of principal and interest to be paid on the Bonds in the current Fiscal Year

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION 2025-04

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE SPECIFIC TERMS OF THE DISTRICT'S SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2025; MAKING CERTAIN ADDITIONAL FINDINGS AND CONFIRMING AND/OR ADOPTING AN ENGINEER'S REPORT AND A SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT REPORT; DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO PREPARE FINAL REPORTS AND UPDATE THIS RESOLUTION; CONFIRMING THE MAXIMUM ASSESSMENT LIEN SECURING THE BONDS; ADDRESSING THE ALLOCATION AND COLLECTION OF THE ASSESSMENTS SECURING THE BONDS; ADDRESSING PREPAYMENTS; ADDRESSING TRUE-UP PAYMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTATION OF THE IMPROVEMENT LIEN BOOK; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Benton Hills Community Development District ("**District**") has previously indicated its intention to undertake, install, establish, construct or acquire certain public improvements and to finance such public improvements through the issuance of bonds secured by the imposition of special assessments on benefited property within the District; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") has previously adopted, after proper notice and public hearing, Resolution 2022-30 ("**Master Assessment Resolution**"), relating to the imposition, levy, collection and enforcement of such special assessments, and establishing a master lien over the property within the District, which lien remains inchoate until the District issues bonds, as provided in the Master Assessment Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Master Assessment Resolution provides that as each series of bonds is issued to fund all or any portion of the District's improvements, a supplemental resolution may be adopted to set forth the specific terms of the bonds and certify the amount of the lien of the special assessments securing any portion of the bonds, including interest, costs of issuance, the number of payments due, and the application of receipt of any true-up proceeds; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2025, and in order to finance all or a portion of what is known as the "2025 Project" ("**Project**"), the District adopted Resolution 2025-03 ("**Delegated Award Resolution**"), which authorized the District to enter into a *Bond Purchase Contract* and sell its Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 ("**Bonds**") within certain parameters set forth in the Delegated Award Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to secure the Bonds by levying debt service special assessments ("**Assessments**") pursuant to the terms of the Master Assessment Resolution, in accordance with the supplemental trust indenture applicable to the Bonds and associated financing documents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and consistent with the Master Assessment Resolution and Delegated Award Resolution, the District desires to authorize the finalization of its Assessments, among other actions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. **INCORPORATION OF RECITALS.** All of the above representations, findings and determinations contained above are recognized as true and accurate and are expressly incorporated into this Resolution.

2. **AUTHORITY FOR THIS RESOLUTION.** This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Florida law, including Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*, and the Master Assessment Resolution.

3. **ADDITIONAL FINDINGS; ADOPTION OF ENGINEER'S REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT REPORT.** The Board hereby finds and determines as follows:

- a. The *Engineer's Report*, as further amended and supplemented from time to time, attached to this Resolution as **Exhibit A ("Engineer's Report")**, identifies and describes, among other things, the presently expected components and estimated costs of the Project. The District hereby confirms that the Project serves a proper, essential and valid public purpose. The Engineer's Report is hereby approved, adopted, and confirmed in substantial form. The District authorizes and ratifies its use in connection with the sale of the Bonds, subject to any changes deemed necessary under Section 4.a herein.
- b. The *Amended and Restated Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*, attached to this Resolution as **Exhibit B ("Supplemental Assessment Report")**, applies the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated June 30, 2022 ("**Master Assessment Report**") to the Project and the proposed terms of the Bonds. The Supplemental Assessment Report is hereby approved, adopted and confirmed in substantial form. The District authorizes and ratifies its use in connection with the sale of the Bonds, subject to any changes deemed necessary under Section 4.a. herein.
- c. Generally speaking, and subject to the terms of **Exhibit A** and **Exhibit B**, the Project benefits all developable property within the District, as further described in **Exhibit C** attached hereto ("**Assessment Area**"). Moreover, the benefits from the Project funded by the Bonds equal or exceed the amount of the special assessments ("**Assessments**"), as described in **Exhibit B**, and such the Assessments are fairly and reasonably allocated across the Assessment Area. It is reasonable, proper, just and right to assess the portion of the costs of the Project to be financed with the Bonds to the specially benefited properties within the

Assessment Area as set forth in Master Assessment Resolution and this Resolution.

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MAXIMUM ASSESSMENT LIEN SECURING THE BONDS; DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR DISTRICT STAFF TO ISSUE FINAL REPORTS AND UPDATE THIS RESOLUTION.** As provided in the Master Assessment Resolution, this Resolution is intended to set forth the terms of the Bonds and the final amount of the lien of the Assessments. In connection with the closing on the sale of the Bonds, District Staff is authorized to:

- a. Prepare final versions of the Engineer's Report and Supplemental Assessment Report attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and **Exhibit B**, respectively, to incorporate final pricing terms and make such other revisions as may be deemed necessary, provided however that:
 - i. the Assessments shall be levied and imposed within the parameters of the Master Assessment Resolution and this Resolution,
 - ii. the final versions shall be approved by the Chairperson or, in the Chairperson's absence, the Vice Chairperson, and in the absence or unavailability of the Vice Chairperson, any other member of the Board, which approval shall be conclusively evidenced by execution of the Bond Purchase Contract and closing on the Bonds, and
 - iii. the actual amounts financed, costs of issuance, expected costs of collection, and the total amount of assessments pledged to the issuance of the Bonds, which amount shall be consistent with the lien imposed by the Master Assessment Resolution, shall all be as set forth in the final Supplemental Assessment Report.
- b. After pricing, the District Manager is directed to attach a **Composite Exhibit D** to this Resolution showing: (i) Maturities and Coupon of Bonds, (ii) Sources and Uses of Funds for Bonds, and (iii) Annual Debt Service Payment Due on Bonds; and
- c. Upon closing on the District's Bonds, the District's Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to record a Notice of Assessments in the Official Records of the County in which the District is located, or such other instrument evidencing the actions taken by the District. The lien of the Assessments shall be the principal amount due on the Bonds, and together with interest and collection costs, and shall cover all developable acreage within the Assessment Area, as further provided in the Assessment Roll included in the Supplemental Assessment Report, and as such land is ultimately defined and set forth in site plans or other designations of developable acreage.

5. **ALLOCATION AND COLLECTION OF THE ASSESSMENTS.**

- a. The Assessments shall be allocated in accordance with **Exhibit B** and the Master Assessment Report. The final Supplemental Assessment Report shall reflect the actual terms of the issuance of the Bonds. The Assessments shall be paid in not more than thirty (30) years of installments of principal and interest, excluding any capitalized interest period.
- b. The District hereby certifies the Assessments for collection and authorizes and directs District staff to take all actions necessary to meet the time and other deadlines imposed for collection by the County and other Florida law. The District's Board each year shall adopt a resolution addressing the manner in which the Assessments shall be collected for the upcoming fiscal year. The decision to collect Assessments by any particular method – e.g., on the tax roll or by direct bill – does not mean that such method will be used to collect the Assessments in future years, and the District reserves the right in its sole discretion to select collection methods in any given year, regardless of past practices.

6. **IMPACT FEE CREDITS.** [RESERVED.]

7. **PREPAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS.** Any owner of property subject to the Assessments may, at its option, pre-pay the entire amount of the Assessments any time, or a portion of the amount of the Assessments up to two (2) times, plus any applicable interest, attributable to the property subject to the Assessments owned by such owner. In connection with any prepayment of Assessments, the District may grant a discount equal to all or part of the payee's proportionate share of financing costs (e.g., reserves) to the extent such discounts are provided for under the applicable trust indenture. Except as otherwise set forth herein, the terms of the Master Assessment Resolution addressing prepayment of assessments shall continue to apply in full force and effect.

8. **APPLICATION OF TRUE-UP PAYMENTS.** The terms of the Master Assessment Resolution, Master Assessment Report and Supplemental Assessment Report addressing True-Up Payments, as defined therein, shall continue to apply in full force and effect.

9. **IMPROVEMENT LIEN BOOK.** Immediately following the closing on the District's Bonds, the Assessments as reflected herein shall be recorded by the Secretary of the Board in the District's Improvement Lien Book. The Assessments shall be and shall remain a legal, valid and binding first lien against all benefitted property as described in **Exhibit B** until paid and such lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, municipal or other governmental taxes and superior in dignity to all other liens, titles, and claims.

10. **ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION.** The Chairperson, the Secretary, and all other Supervisors, officers and staff of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or desirable in connection with the issuance and delivery of the Bonds, and final levy

of the Assessments, and the consummation of all transactions in connection therewith, including the execution of all certificates, documents, papers, notices, and agreements necessary to the undertaking and fulfillment of all transactions referred to in or contemplated by this Resolution. The Vice Chairperson is hereby authorized to act in the stead of the Chairperson in any undertaking authorized or required of the Chairperson hereunder, and in the absence of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, any other member of the District's Board of Supervisors is so authorized, and any Assistant Secretary is hereby authorized to act in the stead of the Secretary in any undertaking authorized or required of the Secretary hereunder.

11. **CONFLICTS.** This Resolution is intended to supplement the Master Assessment Resolution, which remains in full force and effect and is applicable to the Bonds except as modified herein. This Resolution and the Master Assessment Resolution shall be construed to the maximum extent possible to give full force and effect to the provisions of each resolution, provided however that to the extent of any conflict, this Resolution shall control. All District resolutions or parts thereof in actual conflict with this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflict, superseded and repealed.

12. **SEVERABILITY.** If any section or part of a section of this Resolution is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the validity, force and effect of any other section or part of a section of this Resolution shall not thereby be affected or impaired unless it clearly appears that such other section or part of a section of this Resolution is wholly or necessarily dependent upon the section or part of a section so held to be invalid or unconstitutional.

13. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this 20th day of February, 2025.

ATTEST:

**BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

Exhibit A: *Engineer's Report*
Exhibit B: *First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*
Exhibit C: Legal Description of the Assessment Area
Comp. Exhibit D: Maturities and Coupon of Bonds
Sources and Uses of Funds for Bonds
Annual Debt Service Payment Due on Bonds

Exhibit A: *Engineer's Report*

ENGINEER'S REPORT

PREPARED FOR:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

ENGINEER:



Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.
966 Candlelight Boulevard
Brooksville, Florida 34601

June 30, 2022

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to provide a description of the capital improvement plan ("CIP") and estimated costs of the CIP, for the Benton Hills Community Development District.

2. GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION

The District is located entirely within Hernando County, Florida, and covers approximately 198.59 acres of land, more or less. **Exhibit 1** depicts the general location of the project. The site is generally located just south of Cortez Boulevard, north of Powerline Road, east of I-75 and west of McKethan Road. The metes and bounds description of the external boundary of the proposed District is set forth in **Exhibit 2**.

3. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The CIP is intended to provide public infrastructure improvements for the lands within the District, which are planned for 659 residential homes. The proposed site plan for the District is attached as **Exhibit 3** to this report, and the plan enumerates the proposed lot count, by type, for the District. The following charts show the planned product types and land uses for the District:

Table 1 - Planned Units

Product Type	TOTALS
40' Wide Lots	355
50' Wide Lots	304
TOTAL	659

Table 2 - Acreage

Land Use	Acreage
Lot Development	89.80
Roads	37.36
Common Areas/Recreation	6.30
Stormwater Ponds	14.0
Open Space	34.57
Dedicated Right of Way	4.60
Lift Station	0.06
Landscape Tracts	11.90
TOTAL	198.59

The CIP infrastructure includes:

Roadway Improvements:

The CIP includes subdivision roads within the District. Generally, all roads within the residential pods will be twenty (20) foot wide 2-lane un-divided roads with five (5) foot sidewalks on both sides. A twenty-four (24) foot wide 2-lane un-divided collector road with a ten (10) foot wide multi-purpose path and five (5) foot sidewalk will be constructed through the project from Kettering Road to Powerline Road. Such roads include the roadway asphalt, base, and subgrade, roadway curb and gutter, striping and signage within rights-of-way abutting non-lot lands. Sidewalks abutting lots will be constructed by the homebuilders. All roads will be designed in accordance with County standards.

All internal roadways will be open to the public and financed, owned, operated and maintained by the District.

Stormwater Management System:

The stormwater collection and outfall system is a combination of roadway curbs, curb inlets, manholes, pipe, control structures and dry retention ponds designed to treat and attenuate stormwater runoff from District lands. The stormwater system within the project will include ponds designed to provide total stormwater containment for the 100-year storm with no discharge other than percolation and evaporation. The stormwater system will be designed consistent with the criteria established by the Southwest Florida Water Management District for stormwater/floodplain management systems. The District will finance, own, operate and maintain the stormwater system.

No private earthwork is included in the CIP. Accordingly, the District will not fund any costs of mass grading of lots or the transportation of any fill to private lots.

Water & Wastewater Utilities:

As part of the CIP, the District intends to construct water and wastewater infrastructure within the District. The water and wastewater systems will be conveyed to and owned and maintained by the County once it has been certified complete and cleared for use.

The on-site water supply improvements include water mains that will be located within rights-of-way and used for potable water service and fire protection. Water main connections will be made along Kettering Road and extended through the site along the proposed collector road. A stub-out for future connection to Powerline Road will be provided.

Wastewater improvements for the project will include an onsite eight (8) inch diameter gravity collection system and onsite pump station.

The District will not fund any sewer laterals serving private lots or located on private property.

Hardscape, Landscape, and Irrigation:

The District will construct and/or install landscaping, irrigation and hardscaping within District common areas and rights-of-way. This project will at a minimum meet the landscaping requirements of the County.

All such landscaping, irrigation and hardscaping will be owned, maintained and funded by the District. Such infrastructure, to the extent that it is located in rights-of-way owned by the County will be maintained pursuant to a right-of-way agreement to be entered into with the County.

Streetlights / Undergrounding of Electrical Utility Lines

The District intends to lease street lights through an agreement with Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative in which case the District would fund the street lights through an annual operations and maintenance assessment. As such, streetlights are not included as part of the CIP.

The CIP does however include the incremental cost of undergrounding of electrical utility lines within right-of-way and utility easements throughout the community. Any lines and transformers located in such areas would be owned by Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative and not paid for by the District as part of the CIP.

Recreational Amenities:

In conjunction with the construction of the CIP, the District intends to construct a Clubhouse, resort pool, sport courts, playground and activity lawn as part of the development amenities. These improvements will be funded, owned and maintained by the District, or alternatively may be funded by the developer and turned over to a homeowners' association for ownership, operation and maintenance. All such improvements, if constructed by the District, will be open to the general public subject to any applicable fees and requirements set forth in the District rules and policies. If funded by the developer and owned by a homeowner's association, such facilities shall be considered common areas for the exclusive benefit of the homeowners.

Environmental Conservation/Mitigation

There is a 0.94 acre isolated freshwater marsh feature wetland impact associated with the proper construction of the District's infrastructure which will require 0.254 state herbaceous UMAM functional credits to offset impacts to the wetland. The District will be responsible for the design, permitting, and construction of the environmental mitigation. These costs are included within the CIP.

Off-Site Improvements

The offsite improvements for the CIP consist of construction of a 145 foot southbound right turn lane into the project from Kettering Road as well as participation in the addition of left turn lane(s) at the intersection of Cortez Boulevard and Kettering Road. Offsite utility improvements include approximately 5,000 LF of 6-inch forcemain and 5,000 LF of 16-inch

and architectural fees, (ii) permitting and plan review costs, and (iii) development/construction management services fees that are required for the design, permitting, construction, and maintenance acceptance of the public improvements and community facilities.

All of the foregoing improvements are required by applicable development approvals. Note that, except as stated herein, there are no impact fee or similar credits available from the construction of any such improvements.

4. PERMITTING/CONSTRUCTION COMMENCEMENT

All necessary permits for the construction of the CIP have either been obtained or are currently underreview by respective governmental authorities, and include the following:

Hernando County

1. Project Rezoning Complete – H-21-44 Approved on October 12, 2021
2. Conditional Plat – Initial Submittal to Hernando County made January 21, 2022
3. Hernando County Subdivision Construction Plans – Anticipated submittal May 6, 2022
4. FDEP Water & Sewer Permits – Anticipated submittal July 7, 2022

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

1. Gopher Tortoise Relocation Permit – Anticipated submittal May 27, 2022

Southwest Florida Water Management District

1. Environmental Resource Permit – Anticipated submittal May 6, 2022

5. COST ESTIMATE / MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY

The table below presents, among other things, the Cost Estimate for the CIP, and sets forth the entity responsibility for each improvement. It is our professional opinion that the costs set forth in the table below are reasonable and consistent with market pricing.

TABLE 3 – Cost Estimate & Responsible Owner

Facility Description	Cost Estimate	Financing Entity	O&M Entity
Roadways	\$6,933,900	CDD	County
Stormwater Management	\$3,823,980	CDD	CDD
Utilities (Water, Sewer)	\$4,625,880	CDD	County
Hardscape/Landscape/Irrigation	\$4,000,940	CDD	CDD
Undergrounding of Conduit	\$659,000	CDD	CDD
Recreational Amenities	\$2,250,000	CDD or Developer	CDD or HOA
Conservation/Mitigation	\$ 49,500	CDD	CDD
Off-Site Improvements	\$1,833,500	CDD	County
-Roadways			
-Utilities			
Professional Services	\$2,112,094	CDD	CDD
Contingency (10%)	\$2,628,880		
TOTAL	\$28,917,674		

* The probable costs estimated herein do not include anticipated carrying cost, interest reserves or other anticipated CDD expenditures that may be incurred.

** Excludes earthwork and grading of each lot in conjunction with lot development and home construction, which will be provided by home builder.

6. CONCLUSIONS

The CIP will be designed in accordance with current governmental regulations and requirements. The CIP will serve its intended function so long as the construction is in substantial compliance with the design. It is further our opinion that:

- The estimated cost to the CIP as set forth herein is reasonable based on prices currently being experienced in Hernando County, Florida;
- All of the improvements comprising the CIP are required by applicable development approvals;
- The CIP is feasible to construct, there are no technical reasons existing at this time that would prevent the implementation of the CIP, and it is reasonable to assume that all necessary regulatory approvals will be obtained in due course;
- The reasonably expected economic life of the CIP is anticipated to be at least 20+ years;

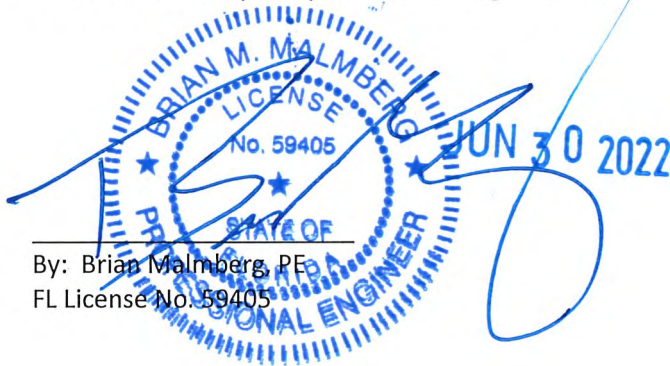
- The assessable property within the District will receive a special benefit from the CIP; and
- The CIP will function as a system of improvements benefitting lands within the District.

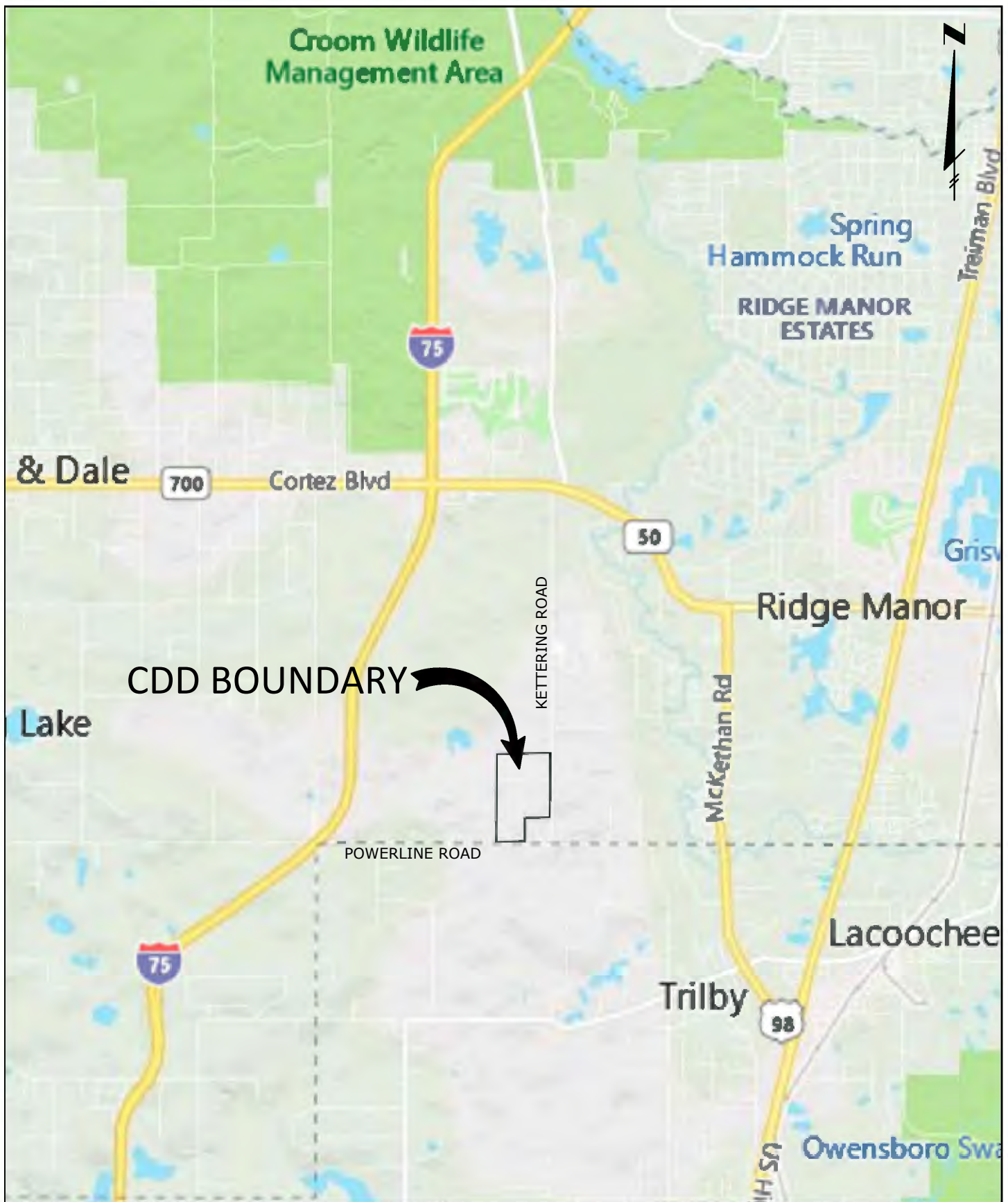
The professional service for establishing the Opinion of Probable Construction Costs is consistent with the degree of care and skill exercised by members of the same profession under similar circumstances.

The CIP will be owned by the District or other governmental units and such CIP is intended to be available and will reasonably be available for use by the general public (either by being part of a system of improvements that is available to the general public or is otherwise available to the general public) including nonresidents of the District. All of the CIP is or will be located on lands owned or to be owned by the District or another governmental entity or on public easements in favor of the District or other governmental entity. The CIP, and any cost opinion set forth herein, do not include any earthwork, grading or other improvements on private lots or property.

Please note that the CIP as presented herein is based on current plans and market conditions which are subject to change. Accordingly, the CIP, as used herein, refers to sufficient public infrastructure of the kinds described herein (i.e., stormwater, sanitary sewer, potable water, etc.) to support the development and sale of the planned residential units in the District, which (subject to true-up determinations) number and type of units may be changed with the development of the site. Stated differently, during development and implementation of the public infrastructure improvements as described for the District, it may be necessary to make modifications and/or deviations for the plans, and the District expressly reserves the right to do so.

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COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 21 EAST, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 17 N89°42'41"W, 1340.57 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 N00°01'52"E, 79.83 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF POWERLINE ROAD AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE N89°42'30"W, 1340.73 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 SAID SECTION 17; THENCE LEAVING SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE RUN ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST 1/4 N00°10'04"E, 2574.17 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17 N00°03'26"E, 1324.86 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17 S89°39'00"E, 2631.06 FEET TO THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF KETTERING ROAD; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE S00°00'12"W, 1324.87 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE S00°01'41"E, 1325.66 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE LEAVING SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE RUN N89°39'40"W, 1298.59 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17 S00°03'11"W, 1246.93 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF POWERLINE ROAD AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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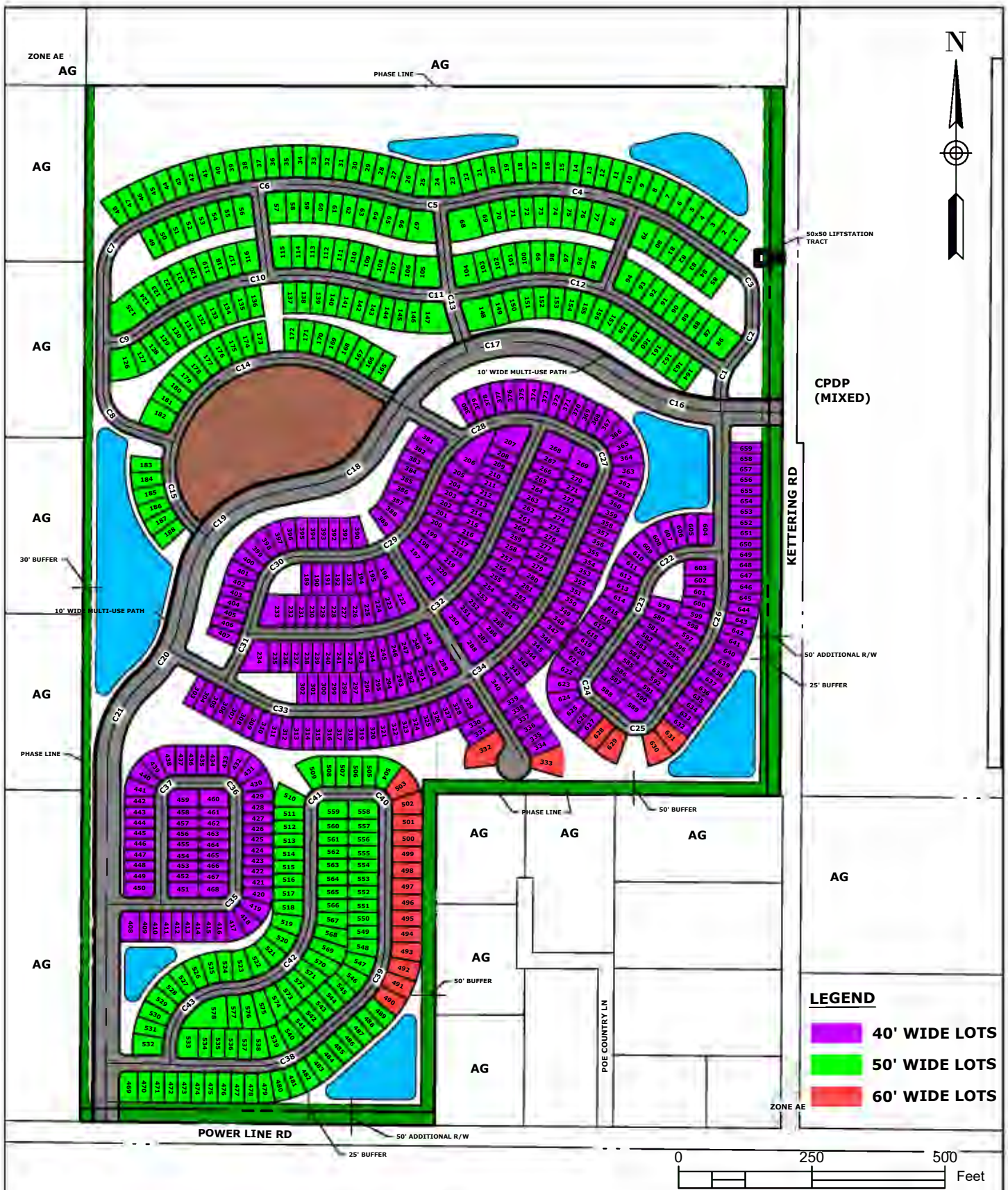
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Exhibit B: *First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Preliminary First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This Preliminary First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report (the “Preliminary First Supplemental Report”) was developed to supplement the Master Special Assessment Methodology Report (the “Master Report”) dated June 30, 2022 and to provide a supplemental financing plan and a supplemental special assessment methodology for Assessment Area One (to be defined further herein) of the Benton Hills Community Development District (the “District”), located in unincorporated Hernando County, Florida, as related to funding a portion of the costs of the acquisition and construction of public infrastructure improvements contemplated to be provided by the District to support the development of 382 residential dwelling units projected to be developed within Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the District (collectively “Assessment Area One”).

1.2 Scope of the Preliminary First Supplemental Report

This Preliminary First Supplemental Report presents the projections for financing a portion of what is known as the “2023 Project,” which refers to the portion of the District’s overall “Capital Improvement Plan” related to the development and supporting the development of Assessment Area One. The 2023 Project is described in the First Supplemental Engineer’s Report developed by Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc. (the “District Engineer”) and dated September 2023 (the “Supplemental Engineer’s Report”). This Preliminary First Supplemental Report also describes the method for the allocation of special benefits and the apportionment of special assessment debt resulting from the provision and funding a portion of the 2023 Project with proceeds of indebtedness projected to be issued by the District.

1.3 Special Benefits and General Benefits

The public infrastructure improvements undertaken and funded by the District as part of the 2023 Project create special and peculiar benefits, different in kind and degree than general benefits, for properties within Assessment Area One as well as general benefits to properties outside of Assessment Area One and to the public at large. However, as discussed within this Preliminary First Supplemental Report, these general benefits are incidental in nature and are readily distinguishable from the special and peculiar benefits which accrue to property within Assessment Area One. The District’s 2023 Project enables properties within the boundaries of Assessment Area One to be developed.

There is no doubt that the general public and property owners of property outside Assessment Area One will benefit from the provision of the 2023 Project. However, these benefits are only incidental since the 2023 Project is designed solely to provide special benefits peculiar to property within Assessment Area One. Properties outside Assessment Area One are not directly served by the 2023 Project and do not depend upon the 2023 Project to obtain or to maintain their development entitlements. This fact alone clearly distinguishes the special benefits which Assessment Area One properties receive compared to those lying outside of Assessment Area One's boundaries.

The 2023 Project will provide public infrastructure improvements which are all necessary in order to make the lands within Assessment Area One developable and saleable. The installation of such improvements will cause the value of the developable and saleable lands within Assessment Area One to increase by more than the sum of the financed cost of the individual components of the 2023 Project. Even though the exact value of the benefits provided by the 2023 Project is hard to estimate at this point, it is nevertheless greater than the costs associated with providing the same.

1.4 Organization of the Preliminary First Supplemental Report

Section Two describes the development program for Assessment Area One as proposed by the Developer, as defined below.

Section Three provides a summary of the 2023 Project as determined by the District Engineer.

Section Four discusses the financing program for Assessment Area One.

Section Five introduces the special assessment methodology for Assessment Area One.

2.0 Development Program

2.1 Overview

The District serves the Benton Hills development, a master planned residential development located in unincorporated Hernando County, Florida. The land within the District consists of approximately 198.59 +/- acres and is generally located just south of

Cortez Boulevard, north of Powerline Road, east of I-75 and west of McKethan Road.

2.2 The Assessment Area One Development Program

The development of Assessment Area One is anticipated to be conducted by Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. or an affiliated entity (the "Developer"). Based upon the information provided by the Developer and the District Engineer, the current development plan for Assessment Area One envisions a total of 382 residential dwelling units, although unit numbers, land use types and phasing may change throughout the development period. Table 1 in the *Appendix* illustrates the development plan for Assessment Area One.

3.0 The 2023 Project

3.1 Overview

The public infrastructure costs to be funded by the District are described by the District Engineer in the Engineer's Report. Only public infrastructure that may qualify for bond financing by the District under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes and under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, was included in these estimates.

3.2 2023 Project

The 2023 Project comprises a portion of the Capital Improvement Plan for the District and is designed to serve and will benefit the 382 residential dwelling units that are projected to be developed within Assessment Area One. According to the Supplemental Engineer's Report, the 2023 Project is comprised of roadways, stormwater management, utilities (water, sewer), hardscape/ landscape/ irrigation, undergrounding of conduit, recreational amenities, conservation/ mitigation, and offsite improvements (roadways, utilities) the costs of which, along with contingencies and professional services, were estimated by the District Engineer at \$18,840,510.

The public infrastructure improvements that comprise the CIP will serve and provide benefit to all land uses in the District and will comprise an interrelated system of improvements, which means all of improvements will serve the entire District and improvements will be interrelated such that they will reinforce one another.

Table 2 in the *Appendix* illustrates the specific components of the CIP.

4.0 Financing Program

4.1 Overview

As noted above, the District is embarking on a program of public infrastructure improvements which will facilitate the development of lands within Assessment Area One. Generally, construction of public infrastructure improvements is either funded by the Developer and then acquired by the District or funded directly by the District. The choice of the exact mechanism for providing public infrastructure improvements has not yet been made at the time of this writing, and the District may either acquire the public infrastructure from the Developer or construct it, or even partly acquire it and partly construct it.

The District intends to issue Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2023 (Assessment Area One Project) in the estimated principal amount of \$6,255,000* (the "Series 2023 Bonds") to fund a portion of the 2023 Project costs in the estimated total amount of \$5,370,625.00*. It is anticipated that any costs of the 2023 Project which are not funded by the Series 2023 Bonds will be completed or funded by the Developer pursuant to a Completion Agreement and an Acquisition Agreement that will be entered into by the Developer and the District.

4.2 Types of Bonds Proposed

The financing plan for the District provides for the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds in the estimated principal amount of \$6,255,000* to finance a portion of the 2023 Project costs in the estimated total amount of \$5,370,625.00*. The Series 2023 Bonds are structured to be amortized in 30 annual installments. Interest payments on the Series 2023 Bonds would be made every May 1 and November 1, and principal payments on the Series 2023 Bonds would be made on either May 1 or November 1.

In order to finance a portion of the costs of the 2023 Project in the estimated total amount of \$5,370,625.00*, the District will need to borrow more funds and incur indebtedness in the estimated principal amount of \$6,255,000*. The difference is comprised of debt service reserve, capitalized interest, and costs of issuance, which include the

* Preliminary, subject to change.

underwriter's discount. Preliminary sources and uses of funding for the Series 2023 Bonds are presented in Table 3 in the *Appendix*.

5.0 Assessment Methodology

5.1 Overview

The issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds provides the District with funds necessary to construct/acquire the infrastructure improvements which are part of the 2023 Project outlined in *Section 3.2* and described in more detail by the District Engineer in the Supplemental Engineer's Report. These improvements lead to special and general benefits, with special benefits accruing to the assessable properties within the boundaries of Assessment Area One and general benefits accruing to areas outside of Assessment Area One but being only incidental in nature. The debt incurred in financing the public infrastructure will be secured by assessing properties that derive special and peculiar benefits from the 2023 Project. All properties that receive special benefits from the 2023 Project will be assessed for their fair share of the debt issued in order to finance all or a portion of the 2023 Project.

5.2 Benefit Allocation

The most current development plan envisions the development of 382 residential dwelling units consisting of 188 Single-family 40' units and 194 Single-family 50' units, although unit numbers and land use types may change throughout the development period.

The public infrastructure included in the CIP will comprise an interrelated system of public infrastructure improvements, which means that all of the improvements will serve in each respective assessment area within the District and such public improvements will be interrelated in such way that, once constructed, they will reinforce each other, and their combined benefit will be greater than the sum of their individual benefits. As a practical matter, this means that public improvements that are not financed by the Series 2023 Bonds may be constructed by the Developer or funded by a future series of bonds.

As stated previously, the public infrastructure has a logical connection to the special and peculiar benefits received by the properties within the District, as without such improvements, the development of such properties within the District would not be possible. Based upon the connection between the improvements

and the special and peculiar benefits to the designated lands within the District, the District can assign or allocate a portion of the District's debt through the imposition of non-ad valorem assessments, to the lands within the District receiving such special and peculiar benefits. Even though these special and peculiar benefits are real and ascertainable, the precise amount of the benefit cannot yet be calculated with mathematical certainty. However, such benefit is more valuable than the assessment related to the financed cost of constructing the District.

In following the Master Report, this Preliminary First Supplemental Report proposes to allocate the benefit associated with the CIP to the different unit types proposed to be developed within the District in proportion to their density of development and intensity of use of infrastructure as measured by a standard unit called an Equivalent Residential Unit ("ERU"). Table 4 in the *Appendix* illustrates the ERU weights that are proposed to be assigned to the unit types contemplated to be developed within the District based on the densities of development and the intensities of use of infrastructure, total ERU counts for each unit type, and the share of the benefit received by each unit type.

The rationale behind the different ERU values is supported by the fact that generally and on average units with smaller lot sizes will use and benefit from the improvements which are part of the District less than units with larger lot sizes, as, for instance, generally and on average units with smaller lot sizes will produce less storm water runoff, may produce fewer vehicular trips, and may need less water/sewer capacity than units with larger lot sizes. Additionally, the value of the units with larger lot sizes is likely to appreciate by more in terms of dollars than that of the units with smaller lot sizes as a result of the implementation of the infrastructure improvements. As the exact amount of the benefit and appreciation is not possible to be calculated at this time, the use of ERU measures serves as a reasonable approximation of the relative amount of benefit received by representatives of different unit types from the District's CIP.

Based on the ERU benefit allocation illustrated in Table 4, Table 5 in the *Appendix* presents the allocation of the amount of CIP costs allocated to the various unit types proposed to be developed within the District based on the ERU benefit allocation factors present in Table 4. Further, Table 5 illustrates the approximate costs that are projected to be financed with the Series 2023 Bonds, and the approximate costs of the portion of the CIP costs to be contributed by the Developer, as the case may be. With the Series 2023 Bonds

funding approximately \$5,370,625.00* in costs of the CIP, the Developer is anticipated to fund improvements valued at an estimated cost of \$13,469,885.00* which will not be funded with proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds.

Finally, Table 7 in the *Appendix* present the apportionment of the bond assessments securing each series of the Series 2023 Bonds (the "Series 2023 Bond Assessments") and also present the annual levels of the projected annual debt service assessments per unit.

Amenities - No Series 2023 Bond Assessments will be allocated herein to any platted amenities or other platted common areas planned for the development. If owned by a homeowner's association, the amenities and common areas would be considered a common element for the exclusive benefit of certain property owners, and would not be subject to Series 2023 Bonds Assessments. If the amenities are owned by the District, then they would be governmental property not subject to the Series 2023 Bond Assessments and would be open to the general public, subject to District rules and policies.

Governmental Property - If at any time, any portion of the Property contained in the District is sold or otherwise transferred to a unit of local, state, or federal government (without consent of such governmental unit to the imposition of Series 2023 Bond Assessments thereon), or similarly exempt entity, all future unpaid Series 2023 Bond Assessments for such tax parcel shall become due and payable immediately prior to such transfer.

Contributions - As referenced in the Master Report, Developer has opted to "buy down" the Series 2023 Bond Assessments on particular product types and/or lands using a contribution of cash, infrastructure or other consideration, and in order for Series 2023 Bond Assessments to reach certain target levels. The amount of such "buy down" for the Series 2023 Bond Assessments is identified in Table 5. Note that any "true-up," as described herein, may require a payment to satisfy "true-up" obligations as well as additional contributions to maintain such target assessment levels. Any amounts contributed by the Developer to pay down the Series 2023 Bond Assessments will not be eligible for "deferred costs" or any other form of repayment.

* Preliminary, subject to change.

5.3 Assigning Series 2023 Bond Assessments

As the land within the District is not yet platted for its intended final use and the precise location of the various land use types by lot or parcel is unknown, the Series 2023 Bond Assessments will initially be levied on all land within the District on an equal pro-rata gross acre basis. Thus, the Series 2023 Bond Assessments in the estimated amount of \$6,255,000* will be preliminarily levied on approximately 133.38 +/- gross acres at the estimated rate of \$46,895.03* per gross acre.

When the land is platted, the Series 2023 Bond Assessments will be allocated to each platted parcel on a first platted-first assigned basis based on the planned land use for that platted parcel as reflected in Table 7 in the *Appendix*. Such allocation of Series 2023 Bond Assessments from unplatted gross acres to platted parcels will reduce the amounts of Series 2023 Bond Assessments levied on unplatted gross acres within the District.

Transferred Property. In the event unplatted land is sold to a third party (the “Transferred Property”), the Series 2023 Bond Assessments will be assigned to such Transferred Property at the time of the sale based on the maximum total number of ERUs (as herein defined) assigned by the Developer to that Transferred Property, subject to review by the District’s methodology consultant, to ensure that any such assignment is reasonable, supported by current development rights and plans, and otherwise consistent with this Preliminary First Supplemental Report. The owner of the Transferred Property will be responsible for the total Series 2023 Bond Assessments applicable to the Transferred Property, regardless of the total number of ERUs ultimately actually platted. This total amount of Series 2023 Bond Assessments is allocated to the Transferred Property at the time of the sale. If the Transferred Property is subsequently sub-divided into smaller parcels, the total Series 2023 Bond Assessments initially allocated to the Transferred Property will be re-allocated to the smaller parcels pursuant to the methodology as described herein (i.e., equal assessment per gross acre until platting).

5.4 Lienability Test: Special and Peculiar Benefit to the Property

As first discussed in *Section 1.3*, Special Benefits and General Benefits, public infrastructure improvements undertaken by the District create special and peculiar benefits to certain properties within Assessment Area One. The District's public infrastructure

* Preliminary, subject to change.

improvements benefit assessable properties within Assessment Area One and accrue to all such assessable properties on an ERU basis.

Public infrastructure improvements undertaken by the District can be shown to be creating special and peculiar benefits to the property within Assessment Area One. The special and peculiar benefits resulting from each improvement are:

- a. added use of the property;
- b. added enjoyment of the property;
- c. decreased insurance premiums; and
- d. increased marketability and value of the property.

The public infrastructure improvements which are part of the 2023 Project make the land in Assessment Area One developable and saleable and when implemented jointly as parts of the 2023 Project, provide special and peculiar benefits which are greater than the benefits of any single category of improvements. These special and peculiar benefits are real and ascertainable, but not yet capable of being calculated and assessed in terms of numerical value; however, such benefits are more valuable than either the cost of, or the actual assessment levied for, the improvement or debt allocated to the parcel of land.

5.5 Lienability Test: Reasonable and Fair Apportionment of the Duty to Pay

A reasonable estimate of the proportion of special and peculiar benefits received by the various land use types from the improvements is delineated in Table 4 (expressed as the ERU factors).

The apportionment of the assessments is fair and reasonable because it was conducted on the basis of consistent application of the methodology described in *Section 5.2* across all assessable property within Assessment Area One according to reasonable estimates of the special and peculiar benefits derived from the 2023 Project.

Accordingly, no acre or parcel of property within Assessment Area One will be liened for the payment of the Series 2023 Bond Assessments more than the determined special benefit peculiar to that property.

5.6 True-Up Mechanism

The District's assessment program is predicated on the development of lots in a manner sufficient to include all of the planned Equivalent Residential Units ("ERUs") as set forth in Table 4 in the *Appendix* ("Development Plan"). At such time as lands are to be platted (or replatted) or site plans are to be approved (or re-approved), the plat or site plan (either, herein, "Proposed Plat") shall be presented to the District for a "true-up" review as follows:

- a. If a Proposed Plat results in the same amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2023 Bond Assessments) able to be imposed on the "Remaining Developable Unplatted Lands" (i.e., those remaining developable unplatted lands after the Proposed Plat is recorded) as compared to what was originally contemplated under the Development Plan, then the District shall allocate the Series 2023 Bond Assessments to the product types being platted and the remaining property in accordance with this Second Supplemental Report, and cause the Series 2023 Bond Assessments to be recorded in the District's improvement lien book.
- b. If a Proposed Plat results in a greater amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2023 Bond Assessments) able to be imposed on the Remaining Developable Unplatted Lands as compared to what was originally contemplated under the Development Plan, then the District may undertake a pro rata reduction of Series 2023 Bond Assessments for all assessed properties within the Property, or may otherwise address such net decrease as permitted by law.
- c. If a Proposed Plat results in a lower amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2023 Bond Assessments) able to be imposed on the Remaining Developable Unplatted Lands as compared to what was originally contemplated under the Development Plan, then the District shall require the landowner(s) of the lands encompassed by the Proposed Plat to pay a "True-Up Payment" equal to the difference between: (i) the Series 2023 Bond Assessments originally contemplated to be imposed on the lands subject to the Proposed Plat, and (ii) the Series 2023 Bond Assessments able to be imposed on the lands subject to the Proposed Plat, after the Proposed Plat (plus applicable interest, collection costs, penalties, etc.).

With respect to the foregoing true-up analysis, the District's Assessment Consultant, in consultation with the District Engineer and District Counsel, shall determine in his or her sole discretion what amount of ERUs (and thus Series 2023 Bond Assessments) are able to be imposed on the Remaining Developable Unplatted

Lands, taking into account a Proposed Plat, by reviewing: a) the original, overall development plan showing the number and type of units reasonably planned for the development, b) the revised, overall development plan showing the number and type of units reasonably planned for the development, c) proof of the amount of entitlements for the Remaining Developable Unplatted Lands, d) evidence of allowable zoning conditions that would enable those entitlements to be placed in accordance with the revised development plan, and e) documentation that shows the feasibility of implementing the proposed development plan. Prior to any decision by the District not to impose a true-up payment, a supplemental methodology shall be produced demonstrating that there will be sufficient assessments to pay debt service on the applicable series of bonds and the District will conduct new proceedings under Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes upon the advice of District Counsel.

Any True-Up Payment shall become due and payable prior to the recordation of the plat by the landowner of the lands subject to the Proposed Plat, shall be in addition to the regular assessment installment payable for such lands, and shall constitute part of the debt assessment liens imposed against the Proposed Plat property until paid. A True-Up Payment shall include accrued interest on the applicable bond series to the interest payment date that occurs at least 45 days after the True-Up Payment (or the second succeeding interest payment date if such True-Up Payment is made within forty-five (45) calendar days before an interest payment date (or such other time as set forth in the supplemental indentures for the applicable bond series)).

All Series 2023 Bond Assessments levied run with the land, and such assessment liens include any True-Up Payments. The District will not release any liens on property for which True-Up Payments are due, until payment has been satisfactorily made. Further, upon the District's review of the final plat for the developable acres, any unallocated Series 2023 Bond Assessments shall become due and payable and must be paid prior to the District's approval of that plat. This true-up process applies for both plats and/or re-plats.

Such review shall be limited solely to the function and the enforcement of the District's assessment liens and/or true-up agreements. Nothing herein shall in any way operate to or be construed as providing any other plat approval or disapproval powers to the District. For further detail on the true-up process, please refer to the True-Up Agreement and applicable assessment resolution(s).

5.7 Preliminary Assessment Roll

The Series 2023 Bond Assessments in the estimated amount of \$6,255,000* are proposed to be levied over the area described in Exhibit "A".

Excluding any capitalized interest period, debt service assessments shall be paid in no more than thirty (30) annual principal installments.

6.0 Additional Stipulations

6.1 Overview

Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC was retained by the District to prepare a methodology to fairly allocate the special assessments related to the District's Capital Improvement Plan. Certain financing, development and engineering data was provided by members of District Staff and/or the Developer. The allocation Methodology described herein was based on information provided by those professionals. Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC makes no representations regarding said information transactions beyond restatement of the factual information necessary for compilation of this Preliminary First Supplemental Report. For additional information on the bond structure and related items, please refer to the Offering Statement associated with bond issuance.

Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC does not represent the District as a Municipal Advisor or Securities Broker nor is Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC registered to provide such services as described in Section 15B of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Similarly, Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC does not provide the District with financial advisory services or offer investment advice in any form.

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7.0 Appendix

Table 1

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Development Plan

Product Type	Assessment	Assessment	Total Number of Units
	Area 1	Area 2	
SF 40'	188	167	355
SF 50'	194	110	304
Total	382	277	659

Table 2

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Project Costs

Improvement	Total Costs
Roadways	\$4,019,350
Stormwater Management	\$2,216,630
Utilities (Water, Sewer)	\$2,681,470
Hardscape/ Landscape/ Irrigation	\$2,319,210
Undergrounding of Conduit	\$382,000
Recreational Amenities	\$2,250,000
Conservation/ Mitigation	\$49,500
Offsite Improvements (Roadways, Utilities)	\$1,833,500
Professional Services	\$1,376,080
Contingency	\$1,712,770
Total	\$18,840,510

Table 3

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Preliminary Sources and Uses of Funds - Assessment Area 1

Series 2023

Sources

Bond Proceeds:	
Par Amount	\$6,255,000.00
Total Sources	\$6,255,000.00

Uses

Project Fund Deposits:	
Project Fund	\$5,370,625.00
Other Fund Deposits:	
Debt Service Reserve Fund	\$215,250.00
Capitalized Interest Fund	\$344,025.00
Delivery Date Expenses:	
Costs of Issuance	\$325,100.00
Total Uses	\$6,255,000.00

Table 4

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Benefit Allocation

Product Type	Total Number of Units	ERU Weight	Total ERU
SF 40'	355	0.80	284.00
SF 50'	304	1.00	304.00
Total	659		588.00

Product Type	AA1 Number of Units	ERU Weight	AA1 Total ERU	Percent of Total ERU
SF 40'	188	0.80	150.40	
SF 50'	194	1.00	194.00	
Total	382		344.40	58.57%

Product Type	AA2 Number of Units	ERU Weight	AA2 Total ERU	Percent of Total ERU
SF 40'	167	0.80	133.60	
SF 50'	110	1.00	110.00	
Total	277		243.60	41.43%

Table 5

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Assessment Area 1 Cost Allocation

Product Type	Infrastructure Allocation Based on ERU Method	Infrastructure Financed with Series 2023 Bonds	Infrastructure Funded with Proceeds of Future Bonds and/or Contributed by the Developer*
SF 40'	\$8,227,679.16	\$2,345,360.05	\$5,882,319.12
SF 50'	\$10,612,830.84	\$3,025,264.95	\$7,587,565.88
Total	\$18,840,510.00	\$5,370,625.00	\$13,469,885.00

* Can be funded with proceeds of future bonds

Table 6

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Assessment Area 1 Cost Allocation - Minimum Required Contribution Calculations

Product Type	Minimum Infrastructure Allocation Based on ERU Method	Minimum Infrastructure Financed with 2023 Bonds	Minimum Infrastructure Funded with Proceeds of Future Bonds and/or Contributed by the Developer
SF 40'	\$2,345,360.05	\$2,345,360.05	\$0.00
SF 50'	\$3,025,264.95	\$3,025,264.95	\$0.00
Total	\$5,370,625.00	\$5,370,625.00	\$0.00

Note: Tables 5 and 6 quantify the amount of benefit from the 2023 Project attributable to the different unit types within Assessment Area 1. Based on this information, Table 6 shows the minimum additional bonds/contributions of completed improvements required to buy-down the Assessment to the target levels shown in Table 7 (i.e., \$0.00). In lieu of the District issuing additional bonds to finance the full cost of the 2023 Project and levying additional assessments, and pursuant to the Completion Agreement and/or Acquisition Agreement, the Developer will be required to construct all of the improvements that are part of the 2023 Project attributable to Assessment Area 1 - please note that contributions do not include financing costs because the contributions are not being financed, and so instead include only construction cost offsets.

Table 7

Benton Hills

Community Development District 1

Bond Assessment Apportionment

Product Type	Total Number of Units	Total Cost Allocation*	Series 2023 Bond Assessment Apportionment	Series 2023 Bond Assessment Apportionment per Unit	Annual Series 2023 Bond Assessment Debt Service per Unit - paid in March**
SF 40'	188	\$2,345,360.05	\$2,731,567.94	\$14,529.62	\$1,086.96
SF 50'	194	\$3,025,264.95	\$3,523,432.06	\$18,162.02	\$1,358.70
Total	382	\$5,370,625.00	\$6,255,000.00		

* Please note that cost allocations to units herein are based on the ERU benefit allocation illustrated in Table 4

** Includes costs of collection estimated at 4% and subject to change, early payment discount at 4% and subject to change and assumes payment in March

Exhibit “A”

Series 2023 Bond Assessments in the amount of \$6,255,000* are proposed to be levied over the area as described below:

* Preliminary, subject to change.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A parcel of land lying within Section 17, Township 23 South, Range 21 East, Hernando County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

For a POINT OF REFERENCE commence at the Southwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 17; thence N.00°10'04"E., along the West boundary of said Southeast 1/4 of Section 17, a distance of 1,392.49 feet for a POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue along said West boundary, N.00°10'04"E., a distance of 1,261.59 feet to the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 17; thence N.00°03'26"E., along the West boundary of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 17, a distance of 1,324.86 feet to the North boundary of the South 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 17; thence S.89°39'00"E., along said North boundary, a distance of 2,631.06 feet to the West right-of-way line of Kettering Road; thence along said West right-of-way of Kettering Road the following two (2) courses: (1) S.00°00'12"W., a distance of 1,324.87 feet; (2) S.00°01'41"E., a distance of 1,325.66 feet to the South boundary of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 17; thence N.89°39'40"W., along said South boundary, a distance of 1,069.54 feet; thence N.00°20'20"E., a distance of 108.52 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Northerly 59.41 feet along the arc of a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 65.00 feet, a central angle of 52°22'21", and a chord bearing and distance of N.19°38'18"E., 57.37 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Northerly 47.93 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 35.01 feet, a central angle of 78°26'48", and a chord bearing and distance of N.06°35'35"E., 44.27 feet; thence along a line non-tangent to said curve, N.32°38'18"W., a distance of 228.97 feet to a point of curvature; thence Westerly 22.91 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 15.00 feet, a central angle of 87°30'29", and a chord bearing and distance of N.76°23'33"W., 20.75 feet; thence along a line non-tangent to said curve, N.34°12'01"W., a distance of 50.13 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Northerly 24.28 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 15.00 feet, a central angle of 92°43'46", and a chord bearing and distance of N.13°43'35"E., 21.71 feet; thence N.32°38'18"W., a distance of 210.32 feet to a point of curvature; thence Westerly 22.61 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 15.00 feet, a central angle of 86°21'35", and a chord bearing and distance of N.75°49'06"W., 20.53 feet; thence along a line non-tangent to said curve, N.34°58'00"W., a distance of 50.30 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Northerly 24.65 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 15.00 feet, a central angle of 94°10'14", and a chord bearing and distance of N.14°26'49"E., 21.97 feet; thence N.32°38'18"W., a distance of 210.90 feet to a point of curvature; thence Westerly 21.79 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 15.00 feet, a central angle of 83°14'37", and a chord bearing and distance of N.74°15'37"W., 19.93 feet; thence along a line non-tangent to said curve, N.25°52'55"W., a distance of 50.00 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Northeasterly 193.54 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 275.00 feet, a central angle of 40°19'23", and a chord bearing and distance of N.43°57'23"E., 189.57 feet; thence N.23°47'41"E., a distance of 146.44 feet to a point of curvature; thence Northeasterly 118.51 feet along the arc of a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 375.00 feet, a central angle of 18°06'26", and a chord bearing and distance of N.32°50'54"E., 118.02 feet to a point of reverse curvature; thence Northerly 26.88 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 15.00 feet, a central angle of 102°40'39", and a chord bearing and distance of N.09°26'13"W., 23.43 feet; thence along a line non-tangent to said curve, N.60°53'10"W., a distance of 104.22 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Southwesterly 148.00 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 495.00 feet, a central angle of 17°07'51", and a chord bearing and distance of S.32°21'37"W., 147.45 feet; thence S.23°47'41"W., a distance of 146.44 feet to a point of curvature; thence Southwesterly 178.43 feet along the arc of a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 155.00 feet, a central angle of 65°57'21", and a chord bearing and distance of S.56°46'22"W., 168.74 feet; thence S.89°45'03"W., a distance of 167.16 feet to a point of curvature; thence Southwesterly 377.47 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 295.00 feet, a central angle of 73°18'48", and a chord bearing and distance of S.53°05'38"W., 352.24 feet; thence S.16°26'14"W., a distance of 36.05 feet; thence N.72°28'44"W., a distance of 160.35 feet to a non-tangent point of curvature; thence Southerly 42.05 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 485.00 feet, a central angle of 04°58'02", and a chord bearing and distance of S.15°02'16"W., 42.03 feet; thence S.12°33'15"W., a distance of 145.46 feet to a point of curvature; thence Southwesterly 255.26 feet along the arc of a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 415.00 feet, a central angle of 35°14'30", and a chord bearing and distance of S.30°10'30"W., 251.25 feet to a point of reverse curvature; thence Southwesterly 405.13 feet along the arc of a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 485.00 feet, a central angle of 47°51'39", and a chord bearing and distance of S.23°51'55"W., 393.46 feet; thence along a line non-tangent to said curve, N.89°49'56"W., a distance of 54.67 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Containing 133.383 acres, more or less.

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METES AND BOUND DESCRIPTION

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ASSESSMENT AREA ONE (PHASE 1)
MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, LLC

DATE
08/22/23

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EX-A.1

Exhibit C: Legal Description of the Assessment Area

Comp. Exhibit D: Maturities and Coupon of Bonds
 Sources and Uses of Funds for Bonds
 Annual Debt Service Payment Due on Bonds

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT (2025 BONDS)

THIS COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into, by and between:

Benton Hills Community Development District, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and whose mailing address is District’s Manager, c/o Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (“**District**”); and

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation, the owner and developer of certain lands within the boundary of the District, and whose mailing address is 18655 North Claret Drive, Suite 400, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255 (“**Developer**”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District was established pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended (“**Act**”), and is validly existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the District to issue bonds for the purposes, among others, of planning, financing, constructing, and acquiring certain infrastructure, including roadways, stormwater management, utilities (water & sewer), offsite improvements, landscaping/lighting, and other infrastructure within or without the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District proposes to issue \$4,580,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One) (“**Bonds**”) to finance certain public infrastructure known as the “Assessment Area One Project” a/k/a “2025 Project” (“**Project**”), as defined in that certain *Restated First Supplemental Engineer’s Report*, dated January 2025 (“**Engineer’s Report**”), and the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the *Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated February 20, 2025 (together, “**Assessment Report**”); and

WHEREAS, the security for the repayment of the Bonds is the special assessments (“**Assessments**”) levied against benefitted lands within “Assessment Area One” (“**Property**”), the legal description of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, “**Development Completion**” will occur when the District’s Project is complete, all Lots have been platted and developed, and all other infrastructure work necessary to support the Lots has been completed; and

WHEREAS, prior to Development Completion, there is an increased likelihood that adverse changes to local or national economic conditions may result in a default in the payment of the Assessments securing the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, in the event of default in the payment of the Assessments, the District has certain remedies – namely, if the Assessments are direct billed, the remedy available to the District would be an action in foreclosure, or if the Assessments are collected pursuant to Florida’s uniform method of collection, the remedy for non-payment of the Assessments is the sale of tax-certificates (collectively, “**Remedial Rights**”); and

WHEREAS, in the event the District exercises its Remedial Rights, the District will require the assignment of certain Development Rights (defined below) for the development of the community to be completed; and

WHEREAS, the rights assigned to the District hereunder shall be exercised in a manner which will not materially affect the intended development of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals which the parties hereby agree are true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Developer and the District agree as follows:

1. **COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT. *Development Rights*.** The Developer hereby collaterally assigns to the District, to the extent assignable and to the extent that they are owned or controlled by the Developer at execution of this Agreement or subsequently acquired by the Developer, all of the Developer’s development rights relating to development of the Property and/or the Project (herein, collectively, “**Development Rights**”), as security for the Developer’s payment and performance and discharge of its obligation to pay the Assessments levied against the Property owned by the Developer from time to time. The Development Rights shall include the items listed in subsections (a) through (i) below as they pertain to development of the Property and/or the Project:

(a) Zoning approvals, density approvals and entitlements, concurrency and capacity certificates, and development agreements.

(b) Engineering and construction plans and specifications for grading, roadways, site drainage, stormwater drainage, signage, water distribution, wastewater collection, and other improvements.

(c) Preliminary and final site plans.

(d) Architectural plans and specifications for public buildings and other public improvements relating to the Property.

(e) Permits, approvals, resolutions, variances, licenses, and franchises granted by governmental authorities, or any of their respective agencies, for or affecting the development within the Property and construction of improvements thereon, or off-site to the extent such off-site improvements are necessary or required for Development Completion.

(f) Contracts with engineers, architects, land planners, landscape architects, consultants, contractors, and suppliers for or relating to the construction of the development within the Property or the construction of improvements thereon.

(g) All declarant's rights under any homeowner's association or other similar governing entity with respect to the Property.

(h) All impact fee credits.

(i) All future creations, changes, extensions, revisions, modifications, substitutions, and replacements of any of the foregoing.

Rights Inchoate. The assignment and assumption of rights under this Agreement shall be inchoate and shall only become an absolute assignment and assumption of the Development Rights, upon failure of the Developer to pay the Assessments levied against the Property; provided, however, that such assignment shall only be absolute to the extent that: (i) this Agreement has not been terminated earlier pursuant to the term of this Agreement, (ii) a Permitted Transfer has not already occurred with respect to the Development Rights, or (iii) a platted and developed Lot is conveyed to an unaffiliated homebuilder or end-user, in which event such Lot shall be released automatically herefrom.

Rights Severable. To the extent that any Development Rights apply to the Property and additional lands, or to Property that is the subject of a Permitted Transfer, the Developer shall at the request of the District cooperate and take reasonable steps to separate such rights for the District's use.

2. **WARRANTIES BY DEVELOPER.** The Developer represents and warrants to the District that:

(a) Other than Permitted Transfers, the Developer has made no assignment of the Development Rights to any person other than District.

(b) The Developer is not prohibited under agreement with any other person or under any judgment or decree from the execution and delivery of this Agreement.

(c) No action has been brought or threatened which would in any way interfere with the right of the Developer to execute this Agreement and perform all of the Developer's obligations herein contained.

(d) Any transfer, conveyance or sale of the Property shall subject any and all affiliated entities or successors-in-interest of the Developer to the Agreement, except to the extent of a Permitted Transfer.

3. **COVENANTS.** The Developer covenants with District that during the Term (as defined herein):

(a) The Developer will use reasonable, good faith efforts to: (i) fulfill, perform, and observe each and every material condition and covenant of the Developer relating to the Development Rights and (ii) give notice to the District of any claim of default relating to the Development Rights given to or by the Developer, together with a complete copy of any such claim.

(b) The Developer agrees not to take any action that would decrease the development entitlements to a level below the amount necessary to support the then outstanding Assessments; to take any action to modify, waive, release or terminate the Development Rights in a manner that would materially impair or impede Development Completion; or otherwise take any action that would materially impair or impede Development Completion.

4. **EVENTS OF DEFAULT.** Any breach of the Developer's warranties contained in Section 2 hereof or breach of covenants contained in Section 3 hereof shall, after the giving of written notice and an opportunity to cure (which cure period shall be not more than thirty (30) days), constitute an "Event of Default" under this Agreement. An Event of Default shall also include the transfer of title to any portion of the Property owned by Developer pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure entered by a court of competent jurisdiction in favor of District (or its designee) or a deed in lieu of foreclosure to District (or its designee), or the acquisition of title to such Property through the sale of tax certificates.**REMEDIES UPON DEFAULT.** Upon an Event of Default, the District or its designee may, as the District's sole and exclusive remedies, take any or all of the following actions, at the District's option:

(a) Perform any and all obligations of the Developer relating to the Development Rights and exercise any and all rights of the Developer therein as fully as the Developer could.

(b) Initiate, appear in, or defend any action arising out of or affecting the Development Rights.

(c) Further assign any and all of the Development Rights to a third party acquiring title to the Property or any portion thereof from the District or at a District foreclosure sale.

NOTE: Nothing herein shall be construed as an obligation on the part of the District to accept any liability for all or any portion of the Development Rights unless it chooses to do so in its sole discretion and is legally permitted to do so. Nor shall any provisions hereunder be construed to place liability or obligation on the District for compliance with the terms and provisions of all or any portion of the Development Rights.

6. **AUTHORIZATION IN EVENT OF DEFAULT.** In the Event of Default, the Developer does hereby authorize and shall direct any party to any agreement relating to the Development Rights to tender performance thereunder to the District or its designee upon written notice and request from the District. Any such performance in favor of the District or its designee shall constitute a full release and discharge to the extent of such performance as fully as though made directly to the Developer.**SECURITY AGREEMENT.** This Agreement shall be a security agreement between the Developer, as the debtor, and the District, as the secured party, covering the Development Rights that constitute personal property governed by the Florida Uniform Commercial Code ("**Code**"), and the Developer grants to the District a security interest in such Development Rights. In addition to the District's other rights hereunder, and upon an Event of Default, the District shall have the right to file any and all financing statements that may be required by the District to establish and maintain the validity and priority of the District's security interest rights of a secured party under the Code.

8. **TERM; TERMINATION.** Unless the assignment of Development Rights becomes absolute, this Agreement shall automatically terminate upon the earliest to occur of the following: (i) payment of the Bonds in full; (ii) Development Completion; and (iii) upon occurrence of a Permitted Transfer, but only to the extent that such Development Rights are the subject of the Permitted Transfer (herein, the "**Term**").

9. **AMENDMENT.** This Agreement may be modified in writing only by the mutual agreement of all parties hereto, and only after satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 15.

10. **ASSIGNMENT.** This Agreement shall constitute a covenant running with title to the Property, binding upon the Developer and its successors and assigns as to the Property or portions thereof any assignment must first satisfy the conditions set forth in Section 15. Any transferee shall take title subject to the terms of this Agreement and with respect to the portion of the Property so transferred, provided however that this Agreement shall not apply to any portion of the Property that is the subject of a Permitted Transfer.

11. **ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS.** In the event that either party is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the parties agree that the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

12. **AUTHORIZATION.** The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of the District and the Developer; both the District and the Developer have complied with all the requirements of law; and both the District and the Developer have full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this instrument.

13. **NOTICES.** All notices, requests, consents and other communications under this Agreement ("**Notices**") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, or overnight delivery service, to the parties, at the addresses first set forth above. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address set forth above. Notices delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the District and counsel for the Developer may deliver Notice on behalf of the District and the Developer, respectively. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other parties and addressees of any change in name or address to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days written notice to the parties and addressees set forth herein.

14. **ARM'S LENGTH TRANSACTION.** This Agreement has been negotiated fully between the District and the Developer as an arm's length transaction. Both parties participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement and received the advice of counsel. In the case of a dispute concerning the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, both parties are deemed to have drafted, chosen, and selected the language, and the doubtful language will not be interpreted or construed against either the District or the Developer.

15. **THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES.** Except as set forth in the following paragraph, this Agreement is solely for the benefit of the District and the Developer and no right or cause of action shall accrue upon or by reason, to or for the benefit of any third party not a formal party to this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person other than the District and the Developer any right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or any of the provisions or conditions of this Agreement; and all of the provisions, representations, covenants, and conditions contained in this Agreement shall inure to the sole benefit of

and shall be binding upon the District and the Developer and their respective representatives, successors, and assigns.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee, acting at the direction of the Majority Owners of the Bonds, shall have the right to directly enforce the provisions of this Agreement. The Trustee shall not be deemed to have assumed any obligations under this Agreement. This Agreement may not be assigned or materially amended, and the Project may not be materially amended, without the written consent of the Trustee, acting at the direction of the Majority Owners of the Bonds, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

16. **APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE.** This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. Each party consents that the venue for any litigation arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be in the County in which the District is located.

17. **PUBLIC RECORDS.** The Developer understands and agrees that all documents of any kind provided to the District in connection with this Agreement may be public records and treated as such in accordance with Florida law.

18. **SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Agreement, or any part of this Agreement not held to be invalid or unenforceable.

19. **LIMITATIONS ON GOVERNMENTAL LIABILITY.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed as a waiver of immunity or limits of liability of the District beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability which may have been adopted by the Florida Legislature in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other law, and nothing in this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim which would otherwise be barred by sovereign immunity or by other operation of law.

20. **HEADINGS FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY.** The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not control nor affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

21. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall be an original; however, all such counterparts together shall constitute, but one and the same instrument. Signature and acknowledgment pages, if any, may be detached from the counterparts and attached to a single copy of this document to physically form one document.

[SIGNATURES TO FOLLOW]

WHEREFORE, the parties below execute the *Collateral Assignment Agreement* to be effective as of the closing date on the Bonds.

WITNESS

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT**

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: Chairperson

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, _____, of BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF _____

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
Typed as Commissioned)

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOR COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT]

WITNESS

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, as _____ of **MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.**, who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF _____

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or Typed as
Commissioned)

EXHIBIT A: Legal Description of Property (Assessment Area One)

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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**COMPLETION AGREEMENT
(2025 BONDS / ASSESSMENT AREA ONE)**

THIS COMPLETION AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into, by and between:

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and whose mailing address is c/o 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (“**District**”); and

MERTIAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida corporation, the owner and developer of lands within the boundary of the District, whose mailing address is 18655 North Claret Drive, Suite 400, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255 (“**Developer**”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District was established by ordinance pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended (“**Act**”), and is validly existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the District to issue bonds for the purposes, among others, of planning, financing, constructing, and acquiring certain infrastructure, roadways, stormwater management, utilities (water & sewer), offsite improvements, landscaping/lighting, and other infrastructure within or without the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Developer is the developer of certain lands in within the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District presently intends to undertake the planning, design, acquisition, construction, and installation of certain public infrastructure improvements for what is known as the “2025 Project” (“**Project**”);

WHEREAS, the Project is anticipated to cost \$14,518,211 and is described in that certain *Restated First Supplemental Engineer’s Report*, dated January 2025 (“**Engineer’s Report**”), and is attached to this Agreement as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to finance a portion of the Project through the use of proceeds from the anticipated sale of its \$4,580,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (“**Bonds**”); and

WHEREAS, the Developer and the District hereby agree that the District will be obligated to issue no more than \$_____ in Bonds to fund the Project and, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Developer will make provision for any additional funds that may be needed in the future for the completion of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants of the parties, the receipt of which and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the District and the Developer agree as follows:

1. **INCORPORATION OF RECITALS.** The recitals stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated herein as a material part of this Agreement.

2. **COMPLETION OF PROJECT.** The Developer and District agree and acknowledge that the District's proposed Bonds will provide only a portion of the funds necessary to complete the Project. Therefore, the Developer hereby agrees to complete, cause to be completed, provide funds or cause funds to be provided to the District in an amount sufficient to allow the District to complete or cause to be completed, those portions of the improvements in the Project which remain unfunded including, but not limited to, all administrative, legal, warranty, engineering, permitting or other related work product and soft costs (together, "**Remaining Improvements**") whether pursuant to existing contracts, including change orders thereto, or future contracts. The District and Developer hereby acknowledge and agree that the District's execution of this Agreement constitutes the manner and mean, as described below, by which the District and the Developer have elected to provide any and all portions of the Remaining Improvements not funded by the Bonds (including any amounts available in the applicable acquisition and construction account as well as debt service reserve accounts, as established for the Bonds pursuant to the terms of the applicable trust indenture(s)).

- a. **Subject to Existing Contract** - When all or any portion of the Remaining Improvements are the subject of an existing District contract, the Developer shall provide funds or cause funds to be provided directly to the District in an amount sufficient to complete the Remaining Improvements pursuant to such contract, including change orders thereto.
- b. **Not Subject to Existing Contract** – When any portion of the Remaining Improvements is not the subject of an existing District contract, the Developer may choose to complete, cause to be completed, provide funds or cause funds to be provided to the District in an amount sufficient to allow the District to complete or cause to be completed, those Remaining Improvements.
- c. **Future Bonds** – Subject to the terms of the *Acquisition Agreement*, dated September 14, 2022 ("**Acquisition Agreement**") entered into by the parties, the parties agree that any funds provided by Developer to fund the Remaining Improvements may be later payable from, and the District's acquisition of the Remaining Improvements may be payable from, the proceeds of a future issuance of bonds by the District (i.e., other than the Bonds). Within forty-five (45) days of receipt of sufficient funds by the District for the District's improvements and facilities (including but not limited to any Remaining Improvements) and from the issuance of such future bonds, the District shall reimburse Developer to the extent that there are proceeds available from such future bonds, exclusive of interest, for the funds and/or improvements provided pursuant to this Agreement; provided, however, that no such obligation shall exist where the Developer is in default on the payment of any debt service assessments due on any property owned by the Developer, and, further, in the event the District's bond counsel determines that any such monies advanced or expenses incurred are not properly reimbursable for any reason, including, but not limited to federal tax restrictions imposed on tax-exempt financing, the District shall not be obligated to reimburse such monies advanced or expenses incurred. Nothing herein shall cause or be construed to require the District to issue additional bonds or indebtedness – other than the Bonds – to provide funds for any portion of the Remaining Improvements. The Developer shall be required to meet its obligations hereunder and complete the Project regardless whether the District issues any future bonds (other than

the Bonds) or otherwise pays the Developer for any of the Remaining Improvements. Interest shall not accrue on any amounts owed hereunder. If within five (5) years of the date of this Agreement, the District does not or cannot issue such future bonds, and, thus does not reimburse the Developer for the funds or improvements advanced hereunder, then the parties agree that the District shall have no reimbursement obligation whatsoever.

3. OTHER CONDITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- a. ***Material Changes to Project*** – The District and the Developer agree and acknowledge that the exact location, size, configuration and composition of the Project may change from that described in the Engineer’s Report, depending upon final design of the development, permitting or other regulatory requirements over time, or other factors. Material changes to the Project shall be made by a written amendment to the Engineer’s Report, which shall include an estimate of the cost of the changes, and shall require the consent of the Developer and the District, as well as the Trustee to the extent required by Section 9. Such consent is not necessary and the Developer must meet the completion obligations, or cause them to be met, when the scope, configuration, size and/or composition of the Project is materially changed in response to a requirement imposed by a regulatory agency.
- b. ***Conveyances*** – The District and Developer agree and acknowledge that any and all portions of the Remaining Improvements which are constructed, or caused to be constructed, by the Developer shall be conveyed to the District or such other appropriate unit of local government as is designated in the Engineer’s Report or required by governmental regulation or development approval. All conveyances to another governmental entity shall be in accordance with and in the same manner as provided in any agreement between the District and the appropriate unit of local government. Further, all such conveyances shall done in a manner consistent with the Acquisition Agreement and, without intending to limit the same, shall include all necessary real property interests for the District to own, operate and maintain the Remaining Improvements. Further, and in addition to any requirements under the Acquisition Agreement, such conveyances shall also include all right, title, interest, and benefit of the Developer, if any, in, to and under any and all contracts, guaranties, affidavits, warranties, bonds, insurance rights, indemnification, defense and hold harmless rights, enforcement rights, claims, lien waivers, and other rights of any kind, with respect to the creation of the Remaining Improvements.

4. **DEFAULT.** A default by either party under this Agreement shall entitle the other to all remedies available at law or in equity, which may include, but not be limited to, the right of damages and/or specific performance. Any default under the applicable trust indenture for the Bonds caused by the Developer and/or its affiliates shall be a default hereunder, and the District shall have no obligation to fund the Project with the proceeds of the Bonds in the event of such a default. Prior to commencing any action for a default hereunder, the party seeking to commence such action shall first provide written notice to the defaulting party of the default and an opportunity to cure such default within 30 days.

5. **ATTORNEYS’ FEES AND COSTS.** In the event that either party is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the parties agree that the prevailing party shall be

entitled to recover from the other all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

6. **AUTHORIZATION.** The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of the District and the Developer; both the District and the Developer have complied with all the requirements of law; and both the District and the Developer have full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this instrument.

7. **NOTICES.** All notices, requests, consents, and other communications hereunder ("**Notices**") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, or telecopied or hand delivered to the parties, at the addresses first set forth above. Except as otherwise provided herein, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address or telecopy number set forth herein. If mailed as provided above, Notices shall be deemed delivered on the third business day unless actually received earlier. Notices hand delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the parties may deliver Notice on behalf of the parties. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other parties and addressees of any change in name, address or telecopy number to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days written notice to the parties and addressees set forth herein.

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10. **ASSIGNMENT.** The District and the Developer may only assign this Agreement or any monies to become due hereunder with the prior written approval of the other, and only after satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 9 above.

11. **AMENDMENTS.** Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by both the District and the Developer, and only after satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 9 above.

12. **APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE.** This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. Each party consents that the venue for any litigation arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be in the County in which the District is located.

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WHEREFORE, the parties below execute the *Completion Agreement (2025 Bonds/Assessment Area One Project)* to be effective as of the date of closing on the Bonds.

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

MERTIAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

Exhibit A: *Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report, dated January 2025*

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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This instrument was prepared by:

Jere Earlywine
Kutak Rock LLP
107 W. College Ave.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
DECLARATION OF CONSENT
(2025 BONDS / ASSESSMENT AREA ONE)**

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation, together with its successors and assigns (together, “**Landowner**”), represents that it is the owner of 100% of the land described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and made a part hereof (“**Property**”), and further declares, acknowledges and agrees as follows:

1. The Benton Hills Community Development District (“**District**”) is, and has been at all times, on and after its establishment date, a legally-created, duly organized, and validly existing community development district under the provisions of Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended (“**Act**”). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Landowner acknowledges that: (a) the petition filed with the Board of County Commissioners for Hernando County, Florida (“**County**”), relating to the creation of the District contained all matters required by the Act to be contained therein and was filed in the manner and by the persons required by the Act; (b) County Ordinance No. 2022-11 passed and ordained on April 26, 2022, were duly and properly enacted by the County in compliance with all applicable requirements of law; (c) the members of the Board of Supervisors of the District were duly and properly designated pursuant to the Act to serve in their capacities, and had the authority and right to authorize, approve and undertake all actions of the District approved and undertaken from the date of establishment of the District, to and including the date of this Declaration; and (d) the Property is within the boundaries of the District and subject to the District’s jurisdiction and authority.

2. The Landowner understands and acknowledges that the District has adopted Resolution Nos. 2022-25 and 2022-30 (collectively, “**Assessment Resolutions**”) that levied and imposed debt service special assessment liens on the Property (together, “**Assessments**”). Such Assessments, which may include “true-up” payments pursuant to the terms of the Assessment Resolutions, are legal, valid and binding first liens upon the Property, coequal with the lien of all state, county, district and municipal taxes, and superior in dignity to all other liens, titles and claims, until paid.

3. The Landowner hereby expressly acknowledges, represents and agrees that: (i) the Assessments (including any “true-up” payments), the Assessment Resolutions, and the terms of the financing documents related to the District’s issuance of its \$4,580,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project), or securing payment thereof (“**Financing Documents**”), are, to the extent of the Landowner’s obligations thereunder and with respect thereto, valid and binding obligations enforceable in accordance with their terms; (ii) the Landowner has no claims or offsets whatsoever against, or defenses or counterclaims whatsoever to, payments of the Assessments (including any “true-up” payments) and/or amounts due under the Financing Documents, and the Landowner expressly waives any such claims, offsets, defenses or counterclaims; (iii) the Landowner hereby waives any and all rights, remedies, and other actions now or hereafter contemplated to contest, challenge, or otherwise dispute

or object to the Assessment Resolutions, the Assessments (including any “true-up” payments), the Financing Documents, and all proceedings undertaken by the District in connection therewith; (iv) the Landowner expressly waives and relinquishes any argument, claim or defense that foreclosure proceedings cannot be commenced until one (1) year after the date of the Landowner’s default and agrees that, immediate use of remedies in Chapter 170, *Florida Statutes*, is an appropriate and available remedy, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 190.026, *Florida Statutes*; and (v) to the extent Landowner fails to timely pay any special assessments collected by mailed notice of the District, such unpaid special assessments and future special assessments may be placed on the tax roll by the District for collection by the Tax Collector pursuant to section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, in any subsequent year. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, nothing in this Declaration of Consent is intended to make the Assessments a personal obligation of the Developer.

4. The Landowner hereby waives the right granted in Section 170.09, *Florida Statutes*, to prepay the Assessments within thirty (30) days after the improvements are completed, without interest, in consideration of, among other things, rights granted by the District to prepay Assessments in full at any time, or in part up to two times, and in either case with interest, under the circumstances set forth in the resolutions of the District levying such Assessments.

5. Pursuant to Section 197.3632(4)(b), *Florida Statutes*, the Landowner hereby expressly waives any and all notice requirements for use of the Uniform Method of Collection.

6. Landowner further agrees that, as part of the Assessments, the Property is subject to the true-up provisions established under the District’s Assessment Resolutions and set forth in the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the *Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated February 20, 2025, and available at the offices of the District Manager as provided herein. The true-up mechanisms, which are incorporated herein by reference, are applicable to plats and re-plats.

7. This Declaration shall represent a lien of record for purposes of Florida law, including but not limited to Chapter 197, *Florida Statutes*, and Sections 197.552 and 197.573, *Florida Statutes*, among others. Other information regarding the Assessments is available from the District’s Manager, c/o 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

THE DECLARATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND AGREEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL RUN WITH THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A HERETO AND SHALL BE BINDING ON THE LANDOWNERS AND ON ALL PERSONS (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO INDIVIDUALS AS WELL AS CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, TRUSTS, AND OTHER LEGAL ENTITIES) TAKING TITLE TO ALL OR ANY PART OF THE PROPERTY, AND THEIR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST, WHETHER OR NOT THE PROPERTY IS PLATTED AT SUCH TIME. BY TAKING SUCH TITLE, SUCH PERSONS SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE CONSENTED AND AGREED TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DECLARATION TO THE SAME EXTENT AS IF THEY HAD EXECUTED IT AND BY TAKING SUCH TITLE, SUCH PERSONS SHALL BE ESTOPPED FROM CONTESTING, IN COURT OR OTHERWISE, THE VALIDITY, LEGALITY AND ENFORCEABILITY OF THIS DECLARATION.

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[SIGNATURE PAGE FOR DECLARATION OF CONSENT]

To be effective as of the date of closing on the Bonds.

WITNESS

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, as _____ of MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC., who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
Typed as Commissioned)

EXHIBIT A: Legal Description of Property

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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This instrument was prepared by:

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Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
DISCLOSURE OF PUBLIC FINANCE
(2025 BONDS / ASSESSMENT AREA ONE)**

The Benton Hills Community Development District (“**District**”) is a unit of special-purpose local government created pursuant to and existing under the provisions of Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*. Under Florida law, community development districts are required to take affirmative steps to provide for the full disclosure of information relating to the public financing and maintenance of improvements to real property undertaken by such districts.

WHAT IS THE DISTRICT AND HOW IS IT GOVERNED?

The District is an independent special taxing district, created pursuant to and existing under the provisions of Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and established by Ordinance No. 2022-11, which was enacted by the Board of County Commissioners for Hernando County on April 26, 2025. The District is located entirely within the Hernando County, Florida (“**County**”). The legal description of the lands encompassed within the District is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. As a local unit of special-purpose government, the District provides an alternative means for planning, financing, constructing, operating and maintaining various public improvements and community facilities within its jurisdiction. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Supervisors (“**Board**”), the members of which must be residents of the State and citizens of the United States.

For more information about the District, please visit: <http://Bentonhillscdd.net/>. Alternatively, please contact the District’s Manager, c/o 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (“**District Office**”).

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS, BONDS & ASSESSMENTS

The District is authorized by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, install, equip, operate, extend, construct, or reconstruct roadways, stormwater management, utilities (water and sewer), offsite improvements, landscaping/lighting and other infrastructure projects, and services necessitated by the development of, and serving lands within, the District. To finance the construction of such projects, the District is authorized to issue bonds that are secured by special assessments levied against properties within the District that are benefitted by the projects.

2025 Bonds & Assessments

On _____, 2025, the District issued its \$4,580,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (“**Bonds**”) to finance a portion of its capital improvement plan known as the “2025 Project” (“**Project**”). The Project includes, among other things, roadways, stormwater

improvements, utilities (water and sewer), undergrounding of electrical conduit, conservation, offsite improvements, landscaping/hardscape/irrigation, recreational amenities and soft costs. The Project is estimated to cost approximately \$14,518,211.00 and is described in more detail in the *Restated First Supplemental Engineer's Report*, dated January 2025 ("**Engineer's Report**").

The Bonds are secured by special assessments ("**Assessments**") levied and imposed on the benefitted lands within the District. The Assessments are further described in the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated June 30, 2022, and as supplemented by the *Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated February 20, 2025 (together, the "**Assessment Report**").

Operation and Maintenance Assessments

In addition to debt service assessments, the District may also impose on an annual basis operations and maintenance assessments ("**O&M Assessments**"), which are determined and calculated annually by the Board in order to fund the District's annual operations and maintenance budget. O&M Assessments are levied against all benefitted lands in the District, and may vary from year to year based on the amount of the District's budget. O&M Assessments may also be affected by the total number of units that ultimately are constructed within the District. The allocation of O&M Assessments is set forth in the resolutions imposing the assessments. Please contact the District Office for more information regarding the allocation of O&M Assessments.

Collection Methods

For any given fiscal year, the District may elect to collect any special assessment for any lot or parcel by any lawful means. Generally speaking, the District may elect to place a special assessment on that portion of the annual real estate tax bill, entitled "non-ad valorem assessments," which would then be collected by the County Tax Collector in the same manner as county ad valorem taxes. Alternatively, the District may elect to collect any special assessment by sending a direct bill to a given landowner. The District reserves the right to change collection methods from year to year.

A detailed description of all of the District's assessments, fees and charges, as well as copies of the Engineer's Report, Assessment Report, and other District records described herein, may be obtained from the registered agent of the District as designated to the Florida Department Commerce in accordance with Section 189.014, *Florida Statutes*, or by contacting the District's Manager, c/o 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431. Please note that changes to the District's capital improvement plans and financing plans may affect the information contained herein and all such information is subject to change at any time and without further notice.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the foregoing Disclosure of Public Finance has been executed to be effective as of the date of closing on the Bonds.

WITNESS

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, as _____ of **BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**, who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
Typed as Commissioned)

EXHIBIT A: Legal Description of Boundaries of District

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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This instrument was prepared by:

Jere Earlywine
Kutak Rock LLP
107 W. College Ave.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS / GOVERNMENTAL LIEN OF RECORD
(2025 BONDS/ASSESSMENT AREA ONE)**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Supervisors of the Benton Hills Community Development District (“**District**”) in accordance with Chapters 170, 190, and 197, *Florida Statutes*, previously adopted Resolution Nos. 2022-25 and 2022-30 (together, “**Assessment Resolutions**”). The Assessment Resolutions levy and impose one or more non-ad valorem, debt service special assessment lien(s) (“**Assessments**”), which are levied on the property known as “Assessment Area One” (“**Assessment Area**”) described in **Exhibit A**.

The Assessments secure the District’s repayment of debt service on the District’s \$4,580,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (“**Bonds**”). The Bonds are intended to finance a portion of the District’s “**Project**” (a/k/a “2025 Project”), which is described in the *Restated First Supplemental Engineer’s Report*, dated January 2025 (“**Engineer’s Report**”). The Assessments are further described in the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the *Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated February 20, 2025 (together, “**Assessment Report**”). A copy of the Engineer’s Report, Assessment Report and Assessment Resolutions may be obtained from the registered agent of the District as designated to the Florida Department of Commerce, or by contacting the District’s Manager, c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (561) 571-0010.

The Assessments were legally and validly determined and levied in accordance with all applicable requirements of Florida law, and constitute and will at all relevant times in the future constitute, legal, valid, and binding first liens on the land against which assessed until paid, coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes, and superior in dignity to all other liens, titles, and claims. Please note that, as part of the Assessments, the Assessment Resolutions require that certain “True-Up Payments” be made in certain circumstances, and landowners should familiarize themselves with those requirements, as they constitute a requirement under the liens.

The District is a special purpose form of local government established pursuant to and governed by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*. This notice shall remain effective even if the District undergoes merger, boundary amendment, or name change. Further, this notice shall constitute a lien of record under Florida law, including but not limited to Chapter 197, *Florida Statutes*, and Sections 197.552 and 197.573, *Florida Statutes*, among others.

Pursuant to Section 190.048, *Florida Statutes*, you are hereby notified that: **THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAY IMPOSE AND LEVY TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS, OR BOTH TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, ON THE ASSESSMENT AREA. THESE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PAY THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC**

FACILITIES AND SERVICES OF THE DISTRICT AND ARE SET ANNUALLY BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE DISTRICT. THESE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS ARE IN ADDITION TO COUNTY AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS AND ALL OTHER TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Notice has been executed to be effective as of the date of closing on the Bonds, and recorded in the Public Records of the County in which the District is located.

WITNESS

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, as _____ of BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
Typed as Commissioned)

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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This instrument was prepared by:

Jere Earlywine
Kutak Rock LLP
107 W. College Ave.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**TRUE-UP AGREEMENT
(2025 BONDS / ASSESSMENT AREA ONE)**

THIS TRUE-UP AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between:

Benton Hills Community Development District, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and whose mailing address is c/o 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (“**District**”); and

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation, the owner and developer of lands within the boundary of the District, whose mailing address is 18655 North Claret Drive, Suite 400, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255 (“**Developer**”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District was established pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended (“**Act**”), and is validly existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the District to issue bonds for the purpose, among others, of planning, financing, constructing, and acquiring certain infrastructure, roadways, stormwater management, utilities (water & sewer), offsite improvements, landscaping/lighting, and other infrastructure within or without the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Developer is currently the owner and developer of the lands (“**Property**”) within the District, as described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, for the benefit of the Property, the District presently intends to finance the planning, design, acquisition, construction, and installation of certain infrastructure improvements, facilities, and services known as the “2025 Project” (“**Project**”) and as defined in the *Restated First Supplemental Engineer’s Report*, dated January 2025 (“**Engineer’s Report**”); and

WHEREAS, the District intends to finance a portion of the Project through the use of proceeds from the anticipated sale of its \$4,580,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2025 (Assessment Area One Project) (“**2025 Bonds**”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution Nos. 2022-25 and 2022-30 (together, “**Assessment Resolutions**”), the District has taken certain steps necessary to impose debt service special assessment lien(s) (“**Debt Assessments**”) on the Property pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*, to secure repayment of the 2025 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Assessment Resolutions, the District adopted the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented by the *Amended and Restated First Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated February 20, 2025 (together, “**Assessment Report**”), which is on file with the District and expressly incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, Developer agrees that the Property benefits from the timely design, construction, or acquisition of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Developer agrees that the Debt Assessments, which were imposed on the Property, have been validly imposed and constitute valid, legal, and binding liens upon the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Assessment Resolutions together with the Assessment Report provide that as the Property is platted, the allocation of the amounts assessed to and constituting a lien upon the Property would be calculated based upon certain density assumptions relating to the number of each type of residential unit to be constructed on the developable acres within the Property, which assumptions were provided by Developer; and

WHEREAS, Developer intends to plat and develop the Property based on then-existing market conditions, and the actual densities developed may be at some density less than the densities assumed in the Assessment Report; and

WHEREAS, as more fully described by the Assessment Resolutions, the Assessment Report anticipates a “true-up” mechanism by which the Developer shall make certain payments to the District in order to satisfy, in whole or in part, the assessments allocated and the liens imposed pursuant to the Assessment Resolutions, with the amount of such payments being determined generally by a calculation of the principal amount of assessments to be assigned under the Assessment Report as compared to the amount able to be assigned as a result of actual platting.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants of the parties, the receipt of which and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. **RECITALS.** The recitals so stated are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated into and form a material part of this Agreement.

2. **VALIDITY OF ASSESSMENTS.** Developer agrees that the Assessment Resolutions have been duly adopted by the District. Developer further agrees that the Debt Assessments imposed as liens by the District are legal, valid, and binding liens on the land against which assessed until paid, coequal with the liens of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes, and superior in dignity to all other state liens, titles, and claims. Developer waives any defect in notice or publication or in the proceedings to levy, impose, and collect the Debt Assessments on the lands within the District, and further waives and relinquishes any rights it may have to challenge, object to or otherwise fail to pay such Debt Assessments. Developer further agrees that to the extent Developer fails to timely pay all Debt Assessments collected by mailed notice of the District, said unpaid Debt Assessments (including True-Up Payments) may be placed on the tax roll by the District for collection by the County Tax Collector pursuant to Section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, in any subsequent year.

3. **WAIVER OF PREPAYMENT RIGHT.** Developer waives any rights it may have under Section 170.09, *Florida Statutes*, to prepay the Debt Assessments without interest within thirty (30) days of completion of the improvements.

4. **SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REALLOCATION; TRUE-UP PAYMENTS.** The Assessment Report identifies the amount of equivalent assessment units (and/or product types and unit counts) planned for the Property. At such time as lands are to be platted (or re-platted) or site plans are to be approved (or re-approved), and subject to the conditions set forth in the Assessment Report, the plat or site plan (either, herein, “**Proposed Plat**”) shall be presented to the District for review pursuant to the terms herein. Such review shall be limited solely to the function and the enforcement of the District’s assessment liens and/or this Agreement. If such Proposed Plat is consistent with the development plan as identified in the Assessment Report, the District shall allocate the Debt Assessments to the product types being platted and the remaining property in accordance with the Assessment Report, and cause the Debt Assessments to be recorded in the District’s Improvement Lien Book. If a change in development shows a net increase in the overall principal amount of Debt Assessments able to be assigned to the Property, then the District may undertake a pro rata reduction of Debt Assessments for all assessed properties within the Property, or may otherwise address such net increase as permitted by law.

However, if a change in development as reflected in a Proposed Plat results in a net decrease in the overall principal amount of Debt Assessments able to be assigned to the planned units described in the Assessment Report, and located within the Property, and using any applicable test(s) set forth in the Assessment Report (if any), then the District shall require the Developer(s) of the lands encompassed by the Proposed Plat and the remaining undeveloped lands (as applicable) to pay a “**True-Up Payment**” equal to the shortfall in Debt Assessments resulting from the reduction of planned units plus any applicable interest and/or collection fees. Any True-Up Payment shall become immediately due and payable prior to platting or re-platting by the Developer of the lands subject to the Proposed Plat, shall be separate from and not in lieu of the regular assessment installment payable for such lands, and shall constitute part of the debt assessment liens imposed against the Proposed Plat property until paid. A True-Up Payment shall include accrued interest on the 2025 Bonds to the interest payment date that occurs at least 45 days after the True-Up Payment (or the second succeeding interest payment date if such True-Up Payment is made within forty-five (45) calendar days before an interest payment date (or such other time as set forth in the supplemental indenture for the 2025 Bonds)).

All Debt Assessments levied run with the land, and such assessment liens include any True-Up Payments. The District will not release any liens on property for which True-Up Payments are due, until payment has been satisfactorily made. Further, upon the District’s review of the final plat for the developable acres, any unallocated Debt Assessments in the form of the herein described True-Up Payments shall become immediately due and payable. This true-up process applies for both plats and/or re-plats.

5. **ENFORCEMENT.** This Agreement is intended to be an additional method of enforcement of Developer’s obligations to pay the portion of the Debt Assessments which constitutes the True-Up Payment and to abide by the requirements of the reallocation of Debt Assessments, including the making of the True-Up Payment, as set forth in the Assessment Resolutions. A default by either party under this Agreement shall entitle any other party to all remedies available at law or in equity, which shall include, but not be limited to, the right of damages, injunctive relief, and specific performance. Prior to commencing any action for a default hereunder, the party seeking to commence such action shall first

provide notice to the defaulting party of the default and an opportunity to cure such default within 30 days.

6. **ASSIGNMENT.** This Agreement shall constitute a covenant running with title to the Property, binding upon Developer and its successors and assigns as to the Property or portions thereof, and any transferee of any portion of the Property as set forth in this Section. Developer shall not transfer any portion of the Property to any third party, without first satisfying any True-Up Payment that results from any true-up determinations made by the District. Regardless of whether the conditions of this subsection are met, any transferee shall take title subject to the terms of this Agreement, but only to the extent this Agreement applies to the portion of the Property so transferred. As a point of clarification, and provided that any True-Up Payment is first made (which may be confirmed from an estoppel letter issued by the District through its District Manager), any platted lot conveyed to an end user with a home that has received a certificate of occupancy is automatically and forever released from the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Also provided that any True-Up Payment is first made (which may be confirmed from an estoppel letter issued by the District through its District Manager), any platted lot that is restricted from re-platting and is conveyed to a homebuilder is automatically and forever released from the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7. **ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS.** In the event that either party is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the parties agree that the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

8. **AMENDMENTS.** Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by both the District and the Developer, but only after satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 12.

9. **AUTHORIZATION.** The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of the District and the Developer; both the District and the Developer have complied with all the requirements of law; and both the District and the Developer have full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this instrument.

10. **NOTICE.** All notices, requests, consents, and other communications hereunder ("**Notices**") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, or telecopied or hand delivered to the parties, at the addresses first set forth above. Except as otherwise provided herein, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address set forth herein. If mailed as provided above, Notices shall be deemed delivered on the third business day unless actually received earlier. Notices hand delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the parties may deliver Notice on behalf of the parties. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other parties and addressees of any change in name, address to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days written notice to the parties and addressees set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent Florida law requires notice to enforce the collection of assessments placed on property by the District, then the provision of such notice shall be in lieu of any additional notice required by this Agreement.

11. **ARM'S LENGTH TRANSACTION.** This Agreement has been negotiated fully between the District and the Developer as an arm's length transaction. Both parties participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement and received the advice of counsel. In the case of a dispute concerning the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, both parties are deemed to have drafted, chosen, and selected the language, and the doubtful language will not be interpreted or construed against either the District or the Developer.

12. **THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES.** Except as set forth below, this Agreement is solely for the benefit of the District and the Developer and no right or cause of action shall accrue upon or by reason, to or for the benefit of any third party not a formal party to this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person or corporation other than the District and the Developer any right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or any of the provisions or conditions of this Agreement; and all of the provisions, representations, covenants, and conditions contained in this Agreement shall inure to the sole benefit of and shall be binding upon the District and the Developer and their respective representatives, successors, and assigns.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee, acting at the direction of the Majority Owners of the 2025 Bonds, shall have the right to directly enforce the provisions of this Agreement. The Trustee shall not be deemed to have assumed any obligations under this Agreement. This Agreement may not be materially amended, without the written consent of the Trustee, acting at the direction of the Majority Owners of the 2025 Bonds, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

13. **APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE.** This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. Each party consents that the venue for any litigation arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be in the County in which the District is located.

14. **PUBLIC RECORDS.** The Developer understands and agrees that all documents of any kind provided to the District in connection with this Agreement may be public records and treated as such in accordance with Florida law.

15. **SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Agreement, or any part of this Agreement not held to be invalid or unenforceable.

16. **LIMITATIONS ON GOVERNMENTAL LIABILITY.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed as a waiver of immunity or limits of liability of the District beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability which may have been adopted by the Florida Legislature in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other law, and nothing in this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim which would otherwise be barred by sovereign immunity or by other operation of law.

17. **HEADINGS FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY.** The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not control nor affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

18. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall be an original; however, all such counterparts together shall constitute, but one and the same instrument. Signature and acknowledgment pages, if any, may be detached from the counterparts and attached to a single copy of this document to physically form one document.

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WHEREFORE, the parties below execute the *True-Up Agreement (2025 Bonds/Assessment Area One)* to be effective as of the date of closing on the 2025 Bonds.

WITNESS

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, as _____ of BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
Typed as Commissioned)

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOR TRUE-UP AGREEMENT]

WITNESS

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 2025, by _____, as _____ of MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC., who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: _____
(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
Typed as Commissioned)

EXHIBIT A: Legal Description for Property

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RATIFICATION

ITEMS A

July 26
_____, 2024

Benton Hills Community Development District
c/o Craig Wrathell, District Manager
Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC
2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

Re: Letter Agreement for Acquisition of Benton Hills Phase 1 Roadway, Stormwater, and
Utilities Improvements

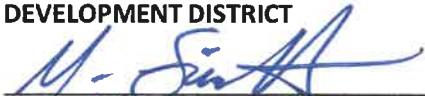
Dear Craig,

Pursuant to the *Acquisition Agreement*, dated August 16, 2022 ("**Acquisition Agreement**"), by and between the Benton Hills Community Development District ("**District**") and Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. ("**Developer**"), you are hereby notified that the Developer has completed and wishes to sell ("**Sale**") to the District certain "**Improvements**" as described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto. Subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, the following terms govern the proposed Sale:

- As consideration for the Sale, and to the extent bond proceeds are available as described in the Acquisition Agreement, the District agrees to pay from bond proceeds the amount identified in **Exhibit A** attached hereto, which represents the actual cost of constructing and/or creating the Improvements. Subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, this amount will be processed by requisition and paid to Developer upon availability of bond proceeds.
- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, certain amounts, as identified in **Exhibit A**, may still be owed to contractors (balance to finish & retainage) and Developer agrees to ensure that all punch list and/or other open items necessary to complete the Improvements are completed and to timely make payment for all remaining amounts owed under the contract, and to ensure that no liens are placed on the Improvements. Subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, the District may process the remaining amounts owed by requisition and pay the Developer upon availability of bond proceeds and upon proof of payment by the Developer to the Contractor of the remaining amounts.
- The Developer agrees, at the direction of the District, to assist with the transfer of any permits or similar approvals, as well as other work product, necessary for the operation of the Improvements. Further, if applicable, the Developer agrees to post any bonds or other forms of security, provide any warranties, and otherwise take all steps reasonably necessary to effect the transfer of the Improvements to a local general purpose government.

If the District is in agreement with the terms stated herein, please execute this letter agreement in the space below and proceed with the necessary steps to effect the Sale.

Agreed to by:
**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**


Name: MARTHA SCHIFFER
Title: CDD VICE CHAIR

Sincerely,
MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

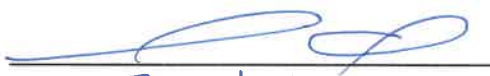

Name: Steve Hordley
Title: Division President

EXHIBIT A

Description of Benton Hills Phase 1 Roadway, Stormwater, and Utilities Improvements

Roadways - All public roads, pavement, curbing, and other physical improvements, constructed within the rights-of-way designated as Malbec Drive, Wild Grape Lane, Vineyard Drive, Cellar Lane, Albarino Drive, Moscato Drive, Flute Lane, Tract 9 (Future R/W), and Tract 10 (Future R/W), as identified in the plat known as *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

Stormwater Management - All drainage and surface water management systems, including but not limited to sod, surface water control structures, and pipes located within the rights-of-way designated as Malbec Drive, Wild Grape Lane, Vineyard Drive, Cellar Lane, Albarino Drive, Moscato Drive, Flute Lane, Tract 9 (Future R/W), and Tract 10 (Future R/W), Tract 1 (Drainage & Open Tract), Tracts 3, 5 and 7 (Drainage), the 20' Drainage Tract, the 30' Drainage Tract, and Drainage Tract 3 and any and all drainage easements, as identified in the plat known as *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

Utilities - All wastewater lines, potable water lines and reclaimed water lines, including but not limited to all pipes, structures, fittings, valves, services, tees, laterals to the point of connection, manholes, lift stations, facilities, equipment and appurtenances thereto, located within the rights-of-way designated as Malbec Drive, Wild Grape Lane, Vineyard Drive, Cellar Lane, Albarino Drive, Moscato Drive, Flute Lane, Tract 9 (Future R/W), and Tract 10 (Future R/W), "Pump Station Tract," and any "Utility Easements," as identified in the plat known as *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

Offsite Utilities - All wastewater lines, potable water lines and reclaimed water lines, including but not limited to all pipes, structures, fittings, valves, services, tees, laterals to the point of connection, manholes, lift stations, facilities, equipment and appurtenances thereto, located within the rights-of-way as identified in the map attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

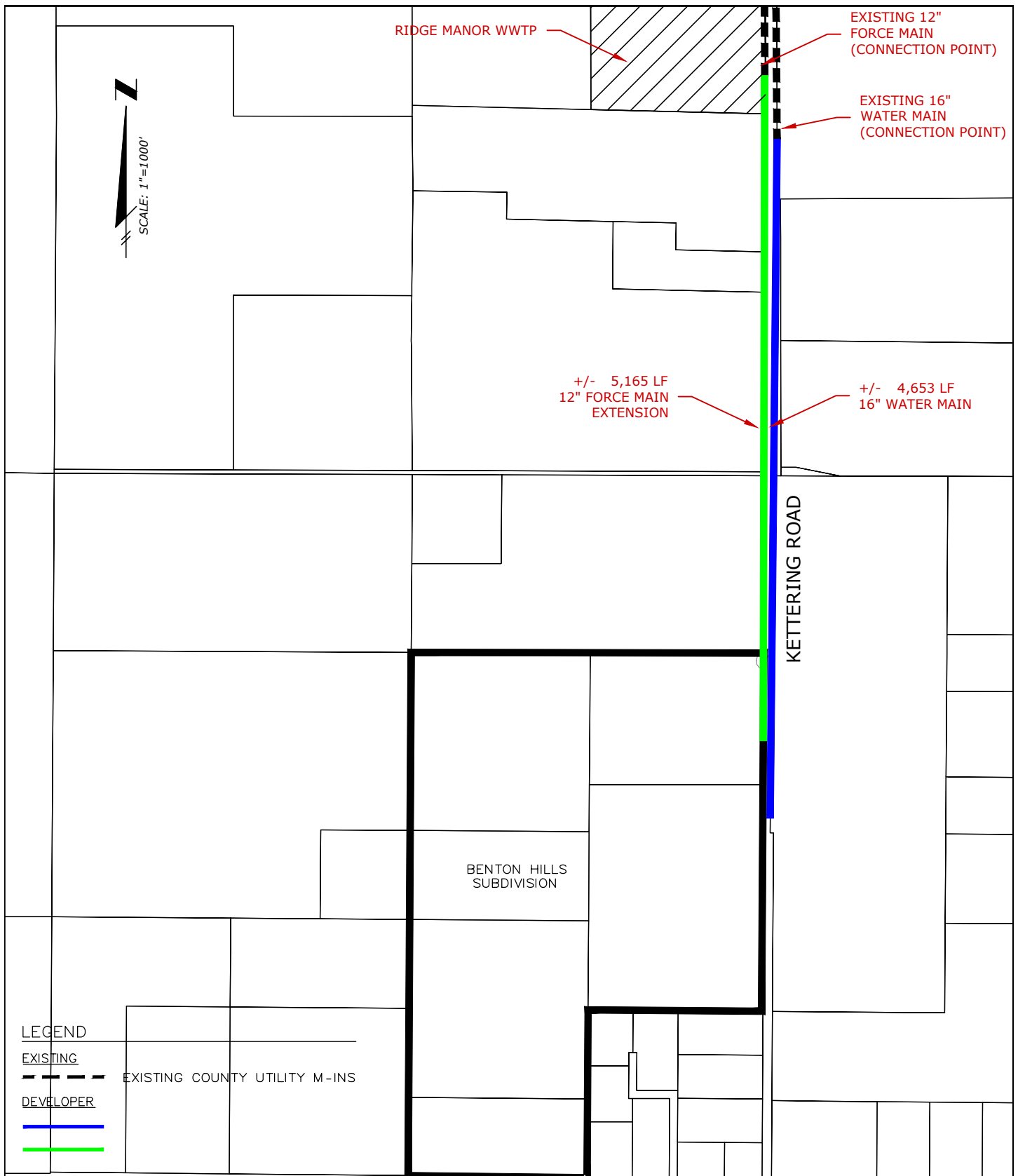
Work Product – Any and all site plans, construction and development drawings, plans and specifications, documents, surveys, engineering and soil reports and studies, licenses, permits, zoning approvals, entitlements, building permits, demolition and excavation permits, curb cut and right-of-way permits, utility permits, drainage rights, bonds, and similar or equivalent private and governmental documents of every kind and character whatsoever pertaining or applicable to or in any way connected with the development, construction, and ownership of the public improvements identified above and described in the *Engineer's Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented from time to time.

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EXHIBIT A (CON'T.)**Description of Benton Hills Phase 1 Roadway, Stormwater, and Utilities Improvements**

Description of Work	Total	Paid to Date	Retainage
General Conditions	\$224,169.99	\$201,752.99	\$22,417.00
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CORPORATE DECLARATION REGARDING COSTS PAID
[BENTON HILLS PHASE 1 ROADWAY, STORMWATER, AND UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS]

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1. Developer is the developer of certain lands within District.
2. The District's *Engineer's Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented from time to time (together, "**Engineer's Report**") describes certain public infrastructure improvements that the District intends to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, or maintain pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*.
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5. The Developer acknowledges that the District intends to rely on this Declaration for purposes of acquiring the infrastructure improvements identified in **Exhibit A**.

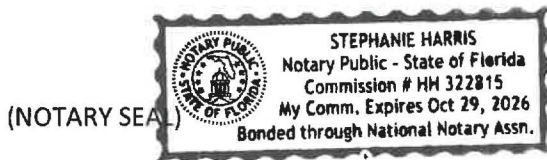
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate for and on behalf of the Developer as of the 24 day of July, 2024.

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.


Name: Steve Harding
Title: Division President

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Hillsborough

The foregoing instrument was sworn and subscribed before me by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization this 24th day of July, 2024, by Steve Harding as Division President of Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.




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(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

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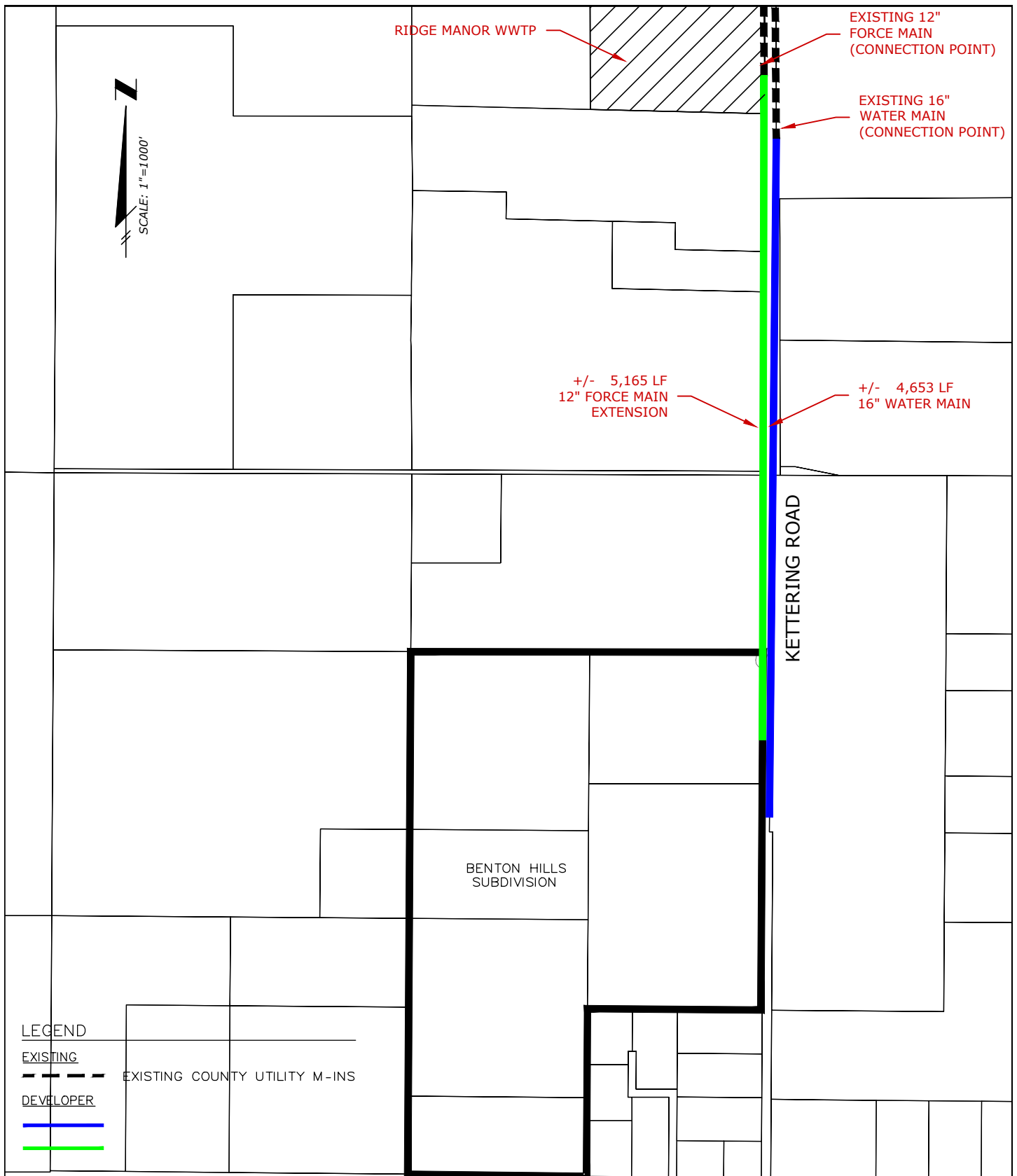
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DISTRICT ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATE
[BENTON HILLS PHASE 1 ROADWAY, STORMWATER, AND UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS]

July 30, 2024

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Benton Hills Community Development District

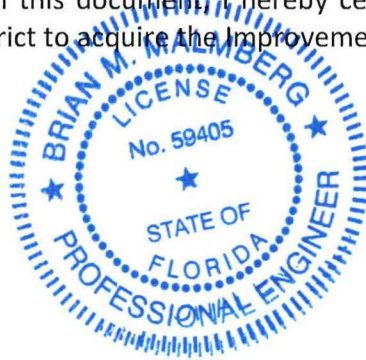
Re: Acquisition of Improvements

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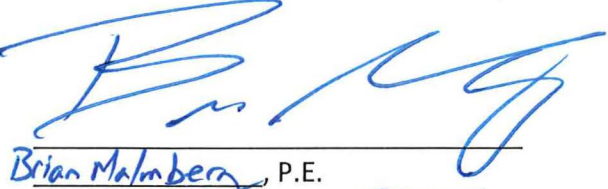
The undersigned is a representative of Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc. ("**District Engineer**"), as District Engineer for the Benton Hills Community Development District ("**District**") and does hereby make the following certifications in connection with the District's acquisition from Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc. ("**Developer**") as to certain public infrastructure improvements ("**Improvements**") as further detailed in **Exhibit A**. The undersigned, an authorized representative of the District Engineer, hereby certifies that:

1. I have reviewed the Improvements. I have further reviewed certain documentation relating to the same, including but not limited to certain invoices, plans, and other documents.
2. The Improvements are within the scope of the District's capital improvement plan as set forth in the District's *Engineer's Report*, dated June 30, 2022, as supplemented from time to time (together, "**Engineer's Report**"), and specially benefit property within the District as further described in the Engineer's Report.
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5. All known plans, permits and specifications necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Improvements are complete and on file with the District, and have been transferred, or are capable of being transferred, to the District for operations and maintenance responsibilities.

6. With this document, I hereby certify that it is appropriate at this time for the District to acquire the improvements.



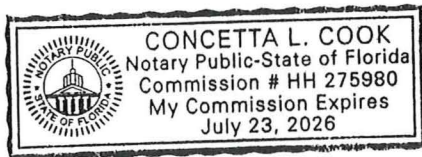
COASTAL ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.



Brian Malmberg, P.E.
Florida Registration No. 59405
District Engineer

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Hernando

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization this 30th day of July, 2024, by Brian Malmberg as District Engineer of Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc., and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the entit(ies) identified above, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.



(NOTARY SEAL)


NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida

Name: Concetta L. Cook
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
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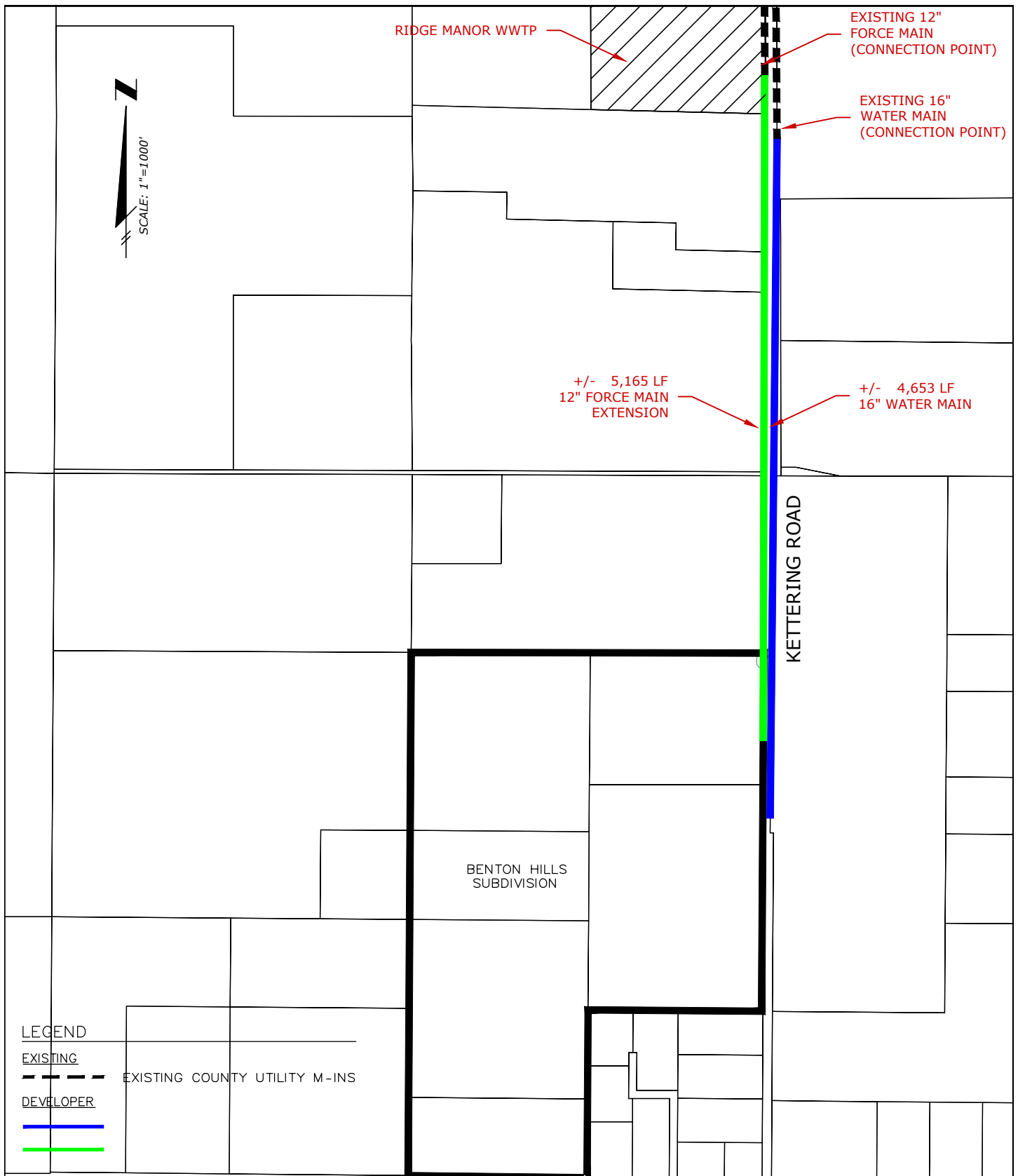
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BILL OF SALE AND LIMITED ASSIGNMENT
[BENTON HILLS PHASE 1 ROADWAY, STORMWATER, AND UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS]

THIS BILL OF SALE AND LIMITED ASSIGNMENT is made to be effective as of the 26 day of July, 2024, by and between **Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc.**, a Florida corporation, with an address of 8800 East Raintree Drive, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260 ("**Grantor**"), and **Benton Hills Community Development District**, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes* ("**District**" or "**Grantee**") whose address is c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor and Grantee, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

1. Grantor hereby transfers, grants, conveys, and assigns to Grantee all right, title and interest of Grantor, if any, in and to the following property (together, "**Property**") as described below to have and to hold for Grantee's own use and benefit forever:

- a) All of the improvements and work product identified in **Exhibit A**; and
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3. Without waiving any of the rights against third parties granted herein, the Property is being conveyed to the District in its as-is condition, without representation or warranty of any kind from Grantor. The District agrees that Grantor shall not be responsible or liable to the District for any defect, errors, or omissions in or relating to the development and/or entitlement of, or construction of improvements on or related to, the Property, latent or otherwise, or on account of any other conditions affecting the Property, as the District is purchasing the Property, "**AS IS, WHERE IS**", AND "**WITH ALL FAULTS**". The District, on its own behalf and on behalf of anyone claiming by, through or under the District and on behalf of its successors and assigns, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, irrevocably and unconditionally waives, releases, discharges and forever acquits the Grantor from any and all claims, loss, costs, expense or judgments of any nature whatsoever known or unknown,

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WHEREFORE, the foregoing Bill of Sale and Limited Assignment is hereby executed and delivered on the date first set forth above.

Signed, sealed and delivered by:

WITNESSES

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

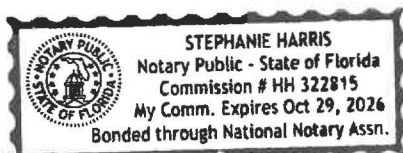
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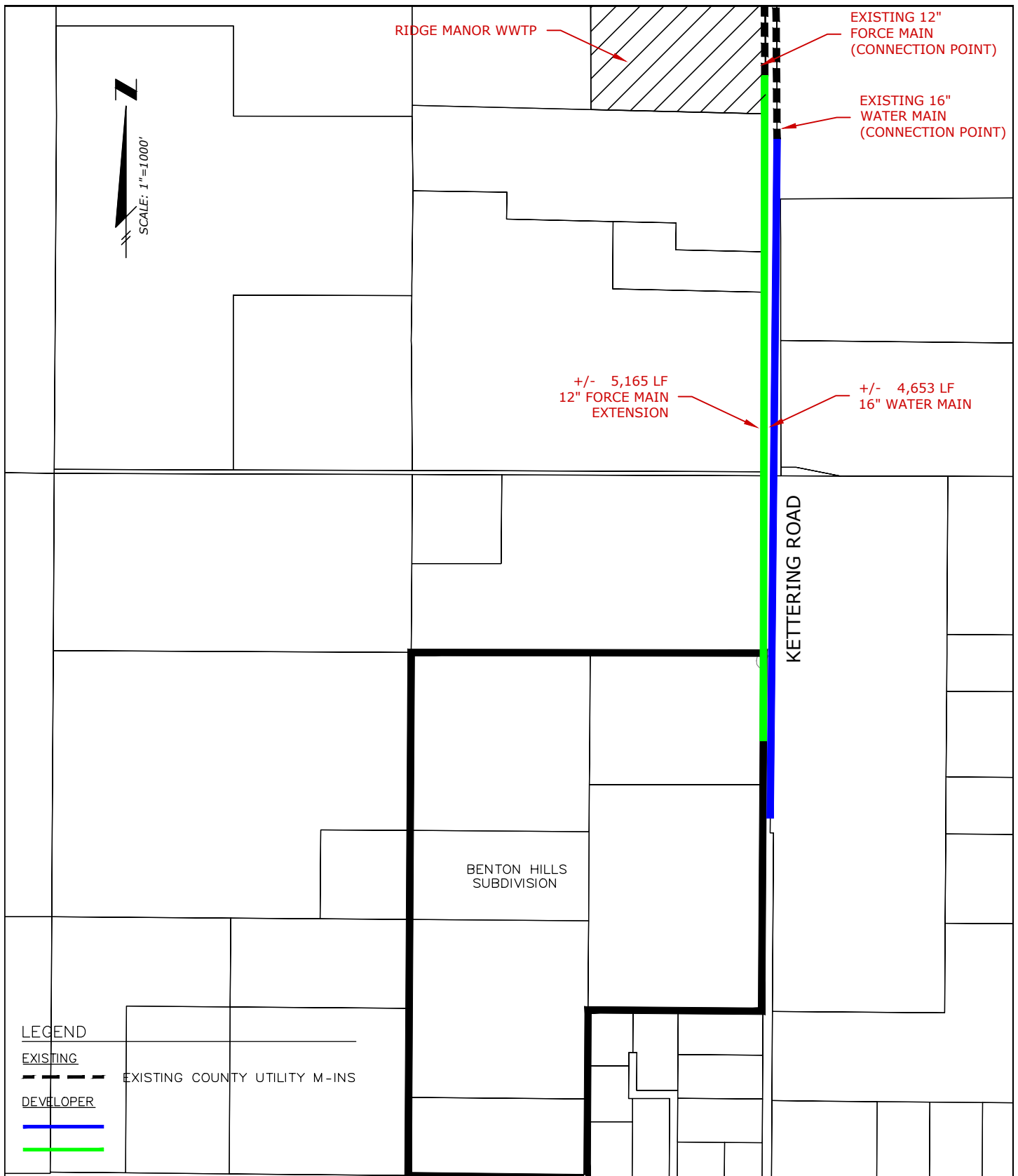
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BILL OF SALE
[PHASE 1 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SELLER has hereunto set its hand and seal, by and through its duly authorized representatives, this 25th day of July, 2024.

WITNESSES:

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT

Signature: [Signature]
Print Name: MEAGAN BERNINO

Signature: [Signature]
By: MARTHA SCHIFFER
Its: Chairperson CDD VICE CHAIR

Signature: [Signature]
Print Name: Kimberly Carter

STATE OF FL
COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 25 day of July, 2024, by Martina Schiffer as Vice Chair of BENTON HILLS CDD who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Signature: [Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FL

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: Tracey Smith
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

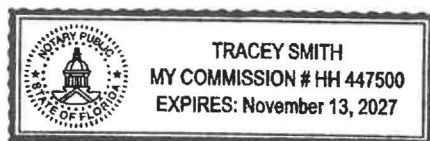


EXHIBIT A

Roadways - All public roads, pavement, curbing, and other physical improvements, constructed within the rights-of-way designated as Malbec Drive, Wild Grape Lane, Vineyard Drive, Cellar Lane, Albarino Drive, Moscato Drive, Flute Lane, Tract 9 (Future R/W), and Tract 10 (Future R/W), as identified in the plat known as *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

BILL OF SALE
[PHASE 1 UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS]

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that **BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**, a special purpose unit of local government established under Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, whose address is c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (hereinafter referred to as SELLER), for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, from **HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA**, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, whose address is 15470 Flight Path Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604 (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY) has granted, bargained, sold, transferred, conveyed and delivered to the COUNTY, its executors, administrators, successors and assigns forever, the following:

Utilities - All wastewater lines, potable water lines and reclaimed water lines, including but not limited to all pipes, structures, fittings, valves, services, tees, laterals to the point of connection, manholes, lift stations, facilities, equipment and appurtenances thereto, located within the rights-of-way designated as Malbec Drive, Wild Grape Lane, Vineyard Drive, Cellar Lane, Albarino Drive, Moscato Drive, Flute Lane, Tract 9 (Future R/W), and Tract 10 (Future R/W), "Pump Station Tract," and any "Utility Easements," as identified in the plat known as *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

All on the property described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof, situate, lying and being in the County of Hernando, State of Florida.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the COUNTY, its executors, administrators, successors and assigns forever. The COUNTY shall have all rights and title to the above-described personal property.

AND the SELLER hereby covenants to and with the COUNTY and assigns that SELLER is the lawful owner of the said personal property; that said personal property is free from all liens and encumbrances; that SELLER has good right and lawful authority to sell said personal property; and that SELLER fully warrants title to said personal property and shall defend the same against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomever.

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WITNESSES:

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT

Signature: [Signature]

Print Name: MEAGAN GERMINO

Signature: [Signature]

Print Name: Kimberly Carter

By: [Signature]

Its: Chairperson

CDD VICE CHAIR

STATE OF FL

COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 25 day of July, 2024, by Martha Schiffer as CDD VICE CHAIR of BENTON HILLS CDD, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FL

Name: Tracey Smith

(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

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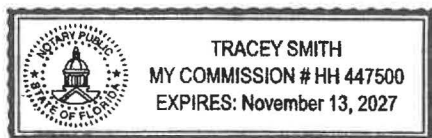


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BILL OF SALE
[PHASE 1 OFFSITE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS]

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Offsite Roadways - All public roads, pavement, curbing, and other physical improvements, located within the rights-of-way as identified in the map attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

All on the property described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof, situate, lying and being in the County of Hernando, State of Florida.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the COUNTY, its executors, administrators, successors and assigns forever. The COUNTY shall have all rights and title to the above-described personal property.

AND the SELLER hereby covenants to and with the COUNTY and assigns that SELLER is the lawful owner of the said personal property; that said personal property is free from all liens and encumbrances; that SELLER has good right and lawful authority to sell said personal property; and that SELLER fully warrants title to said personal property and shall defend the same against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomever.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SELLER has hereunto set its hand and seal, by and through its duly authorized representatives, this 25th day of July, 2024.

WITNESSES:

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Signature: [Signature]
Print Name: MICHAEL GERMINO

By: M. Smith
Its: Chairperson CDD VICE CHAIR

Signature: [Signature]
Print Name: Garrett Parks

STATE OF FL
COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 25 day of July, 2024, by Martha Schiffer as Vice Chair of Benton Hills CDD who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FL

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: Tracey Smith
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
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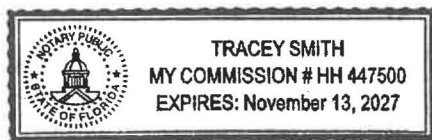
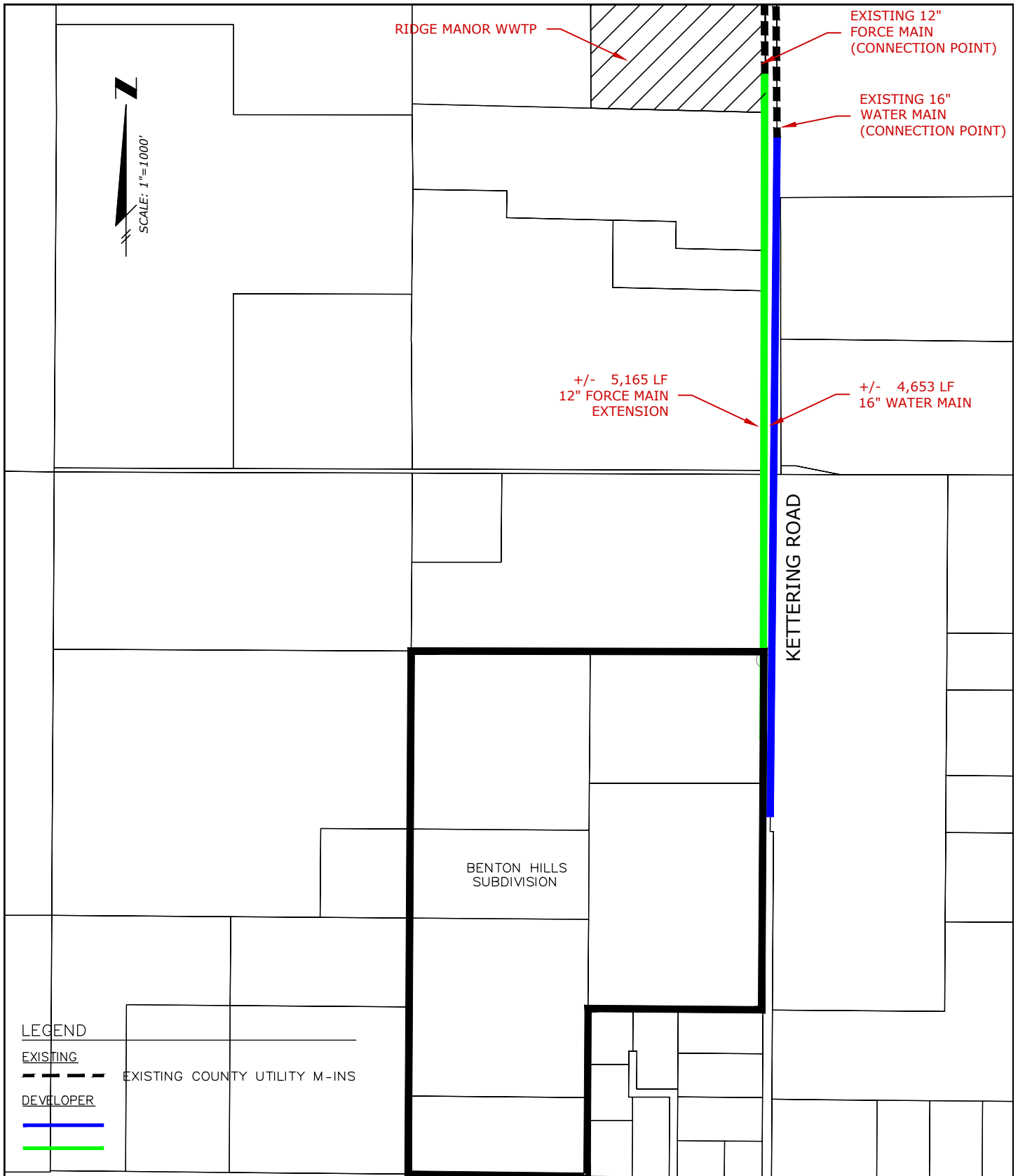



EXHIBIT A



POWERLINE ROAD		KETTERING ROAD UTILITY EXHIBIT		DATE 07/10/24
 <p>Engineering Planning Surveying Environmental Traffic Transportation Construction Management</p> <p>966 Candlelight Boulevard - Brooksville - Florida 34601 (352) 796-9423 - Fax (352) 799-8359 EB-0000142</p>		HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA		21046
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BILL OF SALE
[PHASE 1 OFFSITE UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS]

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All on the property described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof, situate, lying and being in the County of Hernando, State of Florida.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the COUNTY, its executors, administrators, successors and assigns forever. The COUNTY shall have all rights and title to the above-described personal property.

AND the SELLER hereby covenants to and with the COUNTY and assigns that SELLER is the lawful owner of the said personal property; that said personal property is free from all liens and encumbrances; that SELLER has good right and lawful authority to sell said personal property; and that SELLER fully warrants title to said personal property and shall defend the same against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomever.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SELLER has hereunto set its hand and seal, by and through its duly authorized representatives, this 25th day of July, 2024.

WITNESSES:

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT

Signature: [Signature]
Print Name: MEGAN GELMINO

Signature: [Signature]
Print Name: Barrett Parks

By: [Signature]
Its: Chairperson MARTHA SCHIFFER
CDD VICE CHAIR

STATE OF FL
COUNTY OF Orange

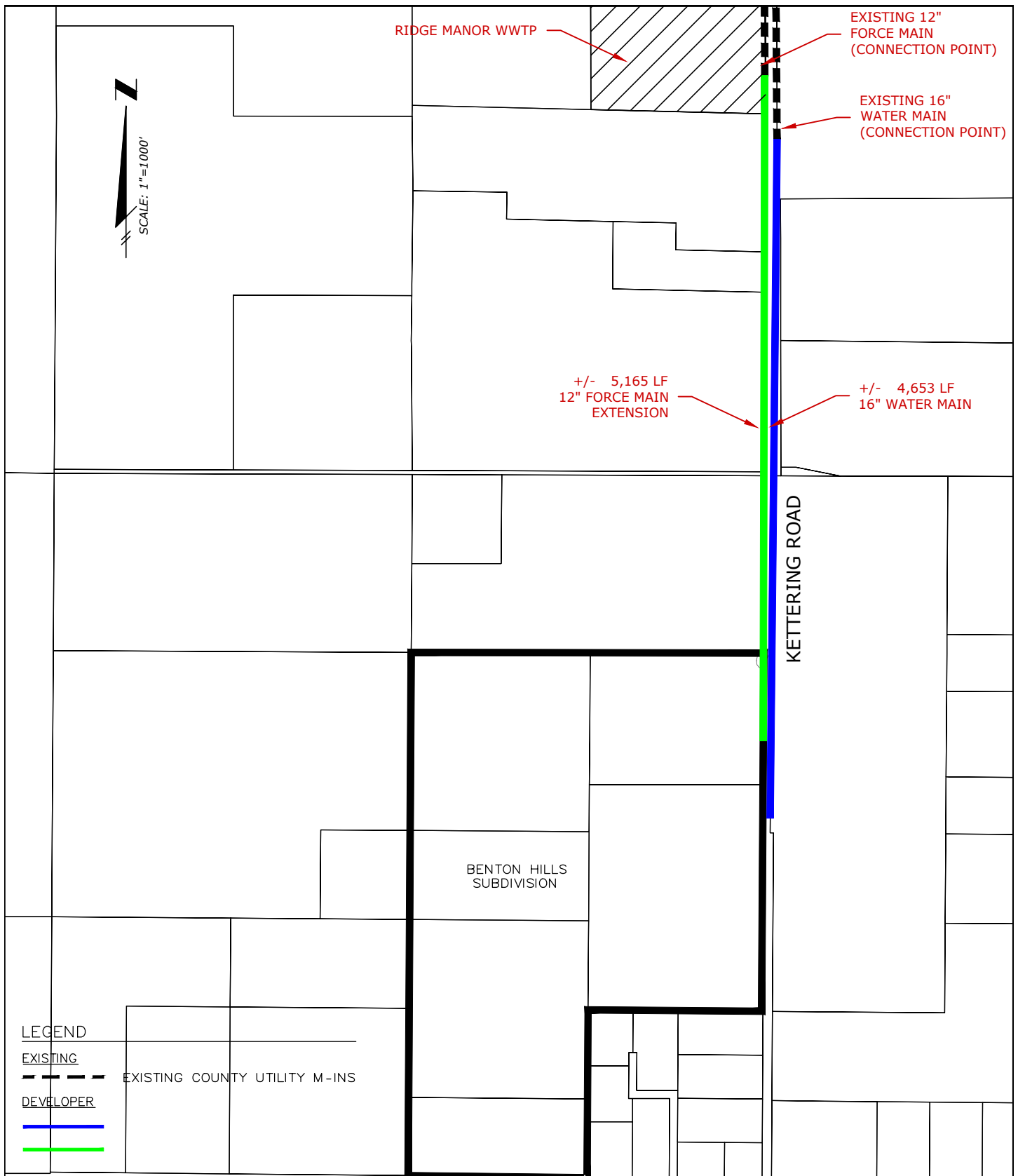
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 25 day of July, 2024, by Martina Schiffer as CDD VICE CHAIR of BENTON HILLS CDD who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FL

(NOTARY SEAL)

Name: Tracey Smith
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
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LEGEND

EXISTING

--- EXISTING COUNTY UTILITY M-INS

DEVELOPER

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POWERLINE ROAD

Coastal
engineering associates, inc.

966 Candlelight Boulevard - Brooksville - Florida 34601
(352) 796-9423 - Fax (352) 799-8359
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Engineering
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Environmental
Traffic
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Construction Management

KETTERING ROAD UTILITY EXHIBIT

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

DATE
07/10/24

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This instrument was prepared by:

Jere Earlywine, Esq.
Kutak Rock LLP
107 W College Avenue
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED
[BENTON HILLS – PHASE 1]

THIS SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED is made to be effective as of the 24th day of July
2024, by and between:

Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation, the owner and developer of lands within the boundary of the District, with an address of 8800 East Raintree Drive, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260 ("**Grantor**"); and

Benton Hills Community Development District, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated in Hernando County, Florida, and whose mailing address is c/o Wrathell Hunt & Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, #410w, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 ("**Grantee**").

SPECIAL WARRANTY GRANT OF FEE TITLE

WITNESS THAT GRANTOR, for good and valuable consideration in hand paid by Grantee, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, grants, bargains and conveys to Grantee forever, all of the right, title, interest, claim and demand which the Grantor have in and to the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Hernando, State of Florida, and more particularly below ("Property"):

Tract 1 (Drainage & Open Tract), Tract 2 (Open Tract), Tract 3 (Drainage), Tract 4 (Open Tract), Tract 5 (Drainage), Tract 6 (Park/Recreation Area), Tract 7 (Drainage), and Tract 8 (Open Space), the 20' Drainage Tract, the 30' Drainage Tract, and Drainage Tract 3, all as shown on the plat entitled *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

TOGETHER with all of the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and to have and to hold the same in fee simple forever. Such conveyance is subject to all matters of record; however, reference hereto shall not operate to re-impose the same.

The Grantor hereby covenants with said Grantee that the Grantor is lawfully seized of said land in fee simple and that the Grantor has good right and lawful authority to sell and convey

said land. Further, the Grantor hereby warrant the title to said land and will defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons or entities whomsoever claiming by, through or under Grantor, but against none other. Additionally, the Grantor warrants that it has complied with the provisions of Section 196.295, *Florida Statutes*.

RESERVATION OF EASEMENT

GRANTOR hereby reserves unto itself and its successors and assigns, and Grantee by acceptance hereby gives and grants unto Grantor and its successors and assigns, non-exclusive easements for ingress and egress over, upon and across the Property, together with the rights to install, maintain, repair, plant, mow, cultivate, irrigate, improve and care for all drainage, hardscaping, landscaping, irrigation, wetland and related improvements, and the right to maintain, repair and replace and improve any improvements now or hereafter located on the Property; provided, however, that Grantor's reservation of rights hereunder shall not be deemed to impose any obligations on Grantor's to maintain, repair or replace any part of the Property or improvements located thereon.

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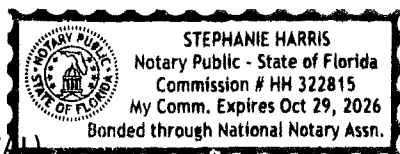
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has caused these presents to be executed to be effective as of the day and year first above written.

WITNESSES

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

By: [Signature]Name: ERIN DEGEORGEAddress: 10117 Princess Palmdale St 538
Tampa FL 33610Name: Steve HardingTitle: Division PresidentBy: [Signature]Name: Aimee GreenwoodAddress: 10117 Princess Palmdale St 538
Tampa FL 33610STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Hillsborough

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization this 24th day of July, 2024, by Steve Harding as Division President of Meritage Homes of Florida, and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the entit(ies) identified above, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.



(NOTARY SEAL)

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida

Name: Stephanie Harris
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

Note to Examiner: This instrument evidences a conveyance of an interest in unencumbered real estate as a gift and is exempt from Florida documentary stamp tax pursuant to Rule 12B-4.014(2)(a), Florida Administrative Code.

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RATIFICATION

ITEMS B

BILL OF SALE AND LIMITED ASSIGNMENT
[BENTON HILLS PHASE 1 IRRIGATION IMPROVEMENTS]

THIS BILL OF SALE AND LIMITED ASSIGNMENT is made to be effective as of the 11th day of August, 2024, by and between **Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc.**, a Florida corporation, with an address of 8800 East Raintree Drive, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260 ("**Grantor**"), and **Benton Hills Community Development District**, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes* ("**District**" or "**Grantee**") whose address is c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor and Grantee, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

1. Grantor hereby transfers, grants, conveys, and assigns to Grantee all right, title and interest of Grantor, if any, in and to the following property (together, "**Property**") as described below to have and to hold for Grantee's own use and benefit forever:

- a) All of the improvements and work product identified in **Exhibit A**; and
- b) All of the right, title, interest, and benefit of Grantor, if any, in, to and under any and all contracts, guaranties, affidavits, warranties, bonds, claims, lien waivers, and other forms of indemnification, given heretofore and with respect to the construction, installation, or composition of the improvements described in **Exhibit A**.

2. Grantor hereby covenants that: (i) Grantor is the lawful owner of the Property; (ii) the Property is free from any liens or encumbrances and the Grantor covenants to timely address any such liens or encumbrances if and when filed; (iii) Grantor has good right to sell the Property; and (iv) the Grantor will warrant and defend the sale of the Property hereby made unto the Grantee against the lawful claims and demands of all persons claiming by, through or under the Grantor.

3. Without waiving any of the rights against third parties granted herein, the Property is being conveyed to the District in its as-is condition, without representation or warranty of any kind from Grantor. The District agrees that Grantor shall not be responsible or liable to the District for any defect, errors, or omissions in or relating to the development and/or entitlement of, or construction of improvements on or related to, the Property, latent or otherwise, or on account of any other conditions affecting the Property, as the District is purchasing the Property, "**AS IS, WHERE IS**", AND "**WITH ALL FAULTS**". The District, on its own behalf and on behalf of anyone claiming by, through or under the District and on behalf of its successors and assigns, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, irrevocably and unconditionally waives, releases, discharges and forever acquits the Grantor from any and all claims, loss, costs, expense or judgments of any nature whatsoever known or unknown,

suspected or unsuspected, fixed or contingent, which the District may now or hereafter have, own, hold or claim to have, own or hold, or at any time heretofore may have had, owned, held or claimed to have, own or hold, against Grantor, its affiliates, successors and assigns, relating to this letter agreement, the transaction contemplated hereby, and/or the Property, including, without limitation, the physical condition of the Property, the environmental condition of the Property, the entitlements for the Property, any hazardous materials that may be on or within the Property and any other conditions existing, circumstances or events occurring on, in, about or near the Property whether occurring before, after or at the time of transfer of the Property. Grantor shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever, including but not limited to special, direct, indirect, consequential, or other damages resulting or arising from or relating to the ownership, use, condition, location, development, maintenance, repair, or operation of the Property.

4. The Grantor represents that it has no knowledge of any latent or patent defects in the Property, and hereby assigns, transfers and conveys to the Grantee any and all rights against any and all firms or entities which may have caused any latent or patent defects, including, but not limited to, any and all warranties and other forms of indemnification.

5. By execution of this document, the Grantor affirmatively represents that it has the contractual right, consent and lawful authority of any and all forms to take this action in this document and in this form. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of Grantee's limitations on liability as provided in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, and other statutes and law.

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WHEREFORE, the foregoing Bill of Sale and Limited Assignment is hereby executed and delivered on the date first set forth above.

Signed, sealed and delivered by:

WITNESSES

MERITAGE HOMES OF FLORIDA, INC.

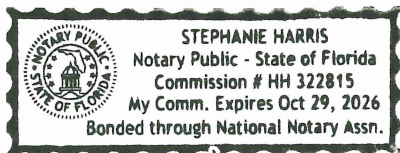
By: [Signature]
Name: Colin Seal

[Signature]
Name: Steve Harding
Title: Division President

By: [Signature]
Name: John K. Kridas

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Hillsborough

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization this 16th day of August, 2024, by Steve Harding as Division President of Meritage Homes of Florida, and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the entit(ies) identified above, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced _____ as identification.



(NOTARY SEAL)

Stephanie Harris
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida
Name: Stephanie Harris
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

EXHIBIT A

All irrigation systems, including but not limited to wells, pumps, pipes, structures, fittings, valves, spray heads, controller system and related system components, all located on Tract 1 (Drainage & Open Tract), Tract 2 (Open Tract), Tract 3 (Drainage), Tract 4 (Open Tract), Tract 5 (Drainage), Tract 6 (Park/Recreation Area), Tract 7 (Drainage), and Tract 8 (Open Space), the 20' Drainage Tract, the 30' Drainage Tract, Drainage Tract 3 and any "Utility Easements," all as shown on the plat entitled *Benton Hills Phase 1*, as recorded at Plat Book 46, Pages 5 - 12, of the Official Records of Hernando County, Florida.

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RATIFICATION

ITEMS C

POND MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT ("AGREEMENT") is made and entered into this 21st day of January 2025, by and between:

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a local unit of special-purpose government, established and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, with a principal address of 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, FL 33431 ("**District**"), and

SOLITUDE LAKE MANAGEMENT, LLC, a Virginia limited liability company, with a principal address of 5869 Enterprise Parkway, Fort Myers, Florida 33905 ("**Contractor**").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District is a special-purpose unit of local government established pursuant to and governed by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the District currently owns, operates and maintains several stormwater management facilities located throughout the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into an agreement with an independent contractor to provide maintenance services, including inspection and treatment for control of noxious aquatic weeds and algae, at each of the District's separate stormwater management facilities identified in this Agreement.

WHEREAS, Contractor represents that it is qualified and willing to provide such services, and desires to contract with the District to do so in accordance with the terms and specifications of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the District and Contractor warrant and agree that they have all right, power and authority to enter into and be bound by this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals, agreements, and mutual covenants contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the parties, the parties agree as follows:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The recitals so stated are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated herein and form a material part of this Agreement.

SECTION 2. CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION.

A. GENERAL OBLIGATIONS. Contractor shall inspect and treat and perform, as necessary, such services as outlined in Contractor's proposal attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and

incorporated herein by this reference, to each of the ponds identified in the attached **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by this reference. Contractor shall provide all labor and equipment necessary to complete the services. Further, Contractor shall conduct the services with environmentally safe water management practices and in accordance with all local, state and federal laws, regulations, rules and requirements. To the extent the provisions of this Agreement conflict with any provisions of the Exhibits, this instrument shall control.

SECTION 3. MANNER OF CONTRACTOR'S PERFORMANCE; CARE OF PROPERTY. Contractor agrees, as an independent contractor, to undertake work and/or perform the services as specified in this Agreement or any addendum executed by the parties or in any authorized written work order by the District issued in connection with this Agreement and accepted by the Contractor. All work shall be performed in a neat and professional manner reasonably acceptable to the District and shall be in accordance with presently accepted industry standards. The performance of all services by the Contractor under this Agreement and related to this Agreement shall conform to any written instructions issued by the District.

A. Should any work and/or services be required which are not specified in this Agreement or any addenda, but which are nevertheless necessary for the proper provision of services to the District, such work or services shall be fully performed by the Contractor as if described and delineated in this Agreement.

B. The Contractor agrees that the District shall not be liable for the payment of any work or services not included in Section 2 of this Agreement unless the District, through an authorized representative of the District, authorizes the Contractor, in writing, to perform such work.

C. The District shall designate in writing a person to act as the District's representative with respect to the services to be performed under this Agreement. The District's representative shall have complete authority to transmit instructions, receive information, interpret and define the District's policies and decisions with respect to materials, equipment, elements, and systems pertinent to the Contractor's services.

i. The District hereby designates its District Manager and his or her designee to act as its representative.

ii. The Contractor agrees to meet with the District's representative to walk the property to discuss conditions, schedules, and items of concern regarding this Agreement.

iii. Upon the District's request, Contractor shall attend the District's monthly meetings and be prepared to report to the District's Board of Supervisors regarding the pond maintenance services.

D. The Contractor shall use all due care to protect the property of the District, its residents, and landowners from damage. The Contractor agrees to repair any damage resulting from the Contractor's activities and work within twenty-four (24) hours.

SECTION 4. COMPENSATION; BILLING AND PAYMENT.

A. In consideration of the Services to be provided by the Contractor, the District shall pay Contractor **Two Hundred Ten Dollars (\$210)** per month.

B. Contractor shall invoice the District by the 5th day of each month for services provided pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Additional services may be provided by Contractor upon explicit, written authorization from the District, evidence by a written addendum, addenda, amendment or a change order thereto, fully executed by both parties. Fees for such additional services are as outlined above and where not provided for, shall be as negotiated between the parties and agreed to in such written amendment. The District shall provide payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoices.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM; RENEWAL. The term of this Agreement shall be from execution through September 30, 2025 unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. This Agreement shall automatically renew for annual periods thereafter unless terminated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Any change in compensation or the scope of services must be approved in writing by the parties.

SECTION 6. INSURANCE.

A. Contractor and any subcontractor hired by Contractor to perform pond maintenance services shall maintain throughout the term of this Agreement the following insurance:

i. Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

ii. Commercial General Liability Insurance covering Contractor's legal liability for bodily injuries, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit bodily injury and property damage liability, and including, at least, Independent Contractors Coverage for bodily injury and property damage in connection with subcontractors' operation.

iii. Employer's Liability Coverage with limits of at least \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) per accident or disease.

iv. Automobile Liability Insurance for bodily injuries in limits of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit bodily injury and for property damage, providing coverage for any accident arising out of or resulting from the operation, maintenance, or use by Contractor of any owned, non-owned, or hired automobiles, trailers, or other equipment required to be licensed.

B. The District, its staff, consultants, employees and supervisors shall be named as additional insured parties. Contractor shall furnish the District with the Certificate of Insurance evidencing compliance with this requirement. No certificate shall be acceptable to the District unless it provides that any change or termination within the policy periods of the insurance coverages, as certified, shall not be effective within thirty (30) days of prior written notice to the District. Insurance coverage shall be from a reputable insurance carrier, licensed to conduct business in the State of Florida, and such carrier shall have a Best's Insurance Reports rating of at least A-VII.

C. If Contractor fails to have secured and maintained the required insurance, the District has the right (without any obligation to do so, however), to secure such required insurance in which event, Contractor shall pay the cost for that required insurance and shall furnish, upon demand, all information that may be required in connection with the District's obtaining the required insurance.

SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS. Contractor shall keep, observe, and perform all requirements of applicable local, State, and Federal laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances. The Contractor shall promptly notify the District in writing upon receipt of any notice, order, required to comply notice, or a report of a violation or an alleged violation, made by any local, State, or federal governmental body or agency or subdivision thereof with respect to the services being rendered under this Agreement or any action of the Contractor or any of its agents, servants, employees, or materialmen, or with respect to terms, wages, hours, conditions of employment, safety appliances, or any other requirements applicable to provision of services. Additionally, Contractor shall promptly comply with any requirement of such agency after receipt of any such notice, order, request to comply notice, or report of a violation or an alleged violation.

SECTION 8. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. In all matters relating to this Agreement, Contractor shall be acting as an independent contractor. Neither Contractor nor employees of Contractor, if there are any, are employees of the District under the meaning or application of any Federal or State Unemployment or Insurance Laws or Old Age Laws or otherwise. Contractor agrees to assume all liabilities or obligations imposed by any one or more of such laws with respect to employees of Contractor, if there are any, in the performance of this Agreement. Contractor shall not have any authority to assume or create any obligation, express or implied, on behalf of the District and Contractor shall have no authority to represent the District as an agent, employee, or in any other capacity, unless otherwise set forth in this Agreement.

SECTION 9. LIENS AND CLAIMS. Contractor shall promptly and properly pay for all labor employed, materials purchased, and equipment hired by it to perform under this Agreement. The Contractor shall keep the District's property free from any materialmen's or mechanic's liens and claims or notices in respect to such liens and claims, which arise by reason of the Contractor's performance under this Agreement, and the Contractor shall immediately discharge any such claim or lien. In the event that the Contractor does not pay or satisfy such

claim or lien within three (3) business days after the filing of notice thereof, the District, in addition to any and all other remedies available under this Agreement, may terminate this Agreement to be effective immediately upon the giving notice of termination.

SECTION 10. CUSTOM AND USAGE. It is hereby agreed, any law, custom, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding, that the District shall have the right at all times to enforce the conditions and agreements contained in this Agreement in strict accordance with the terms of this Agreement, notwithstanding any conduct or custom on the part of the District in refraining from so doing; and further, that the failure of the District at any time or times to strictly enforce its rights under this Agreement shall not be construed as having created a custom in any way or manner contrary to the specific conditions and agreements of this Agreement, or as having in any way modified or waived the same.

SECTION 11. PERMITS AND LICENSES. All permits and licenses required by any governmental agency directly for the District shall be obtained and paid for by the District. All other permits or licenses necessary for the Contractor to perform under this Agreement shall be obtained and paid for by the Contractor.

SECTION 12. INDEMNIFICATION.

A. Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the District and its officers, agents, employees, successors, assigns, members, affiliates, or representatives from any and all liability, claims, actions, suits, liens, demands, costs, interest, expenses, damages, penalties, fines, judgments against the District, or loss or damage, whether monetary or otherwise, arising out of, wholly or in part by, or in connection with the Services to be performed by Contractor, its subcontractors, its employees and agents in connection with this Agreement, including litigation, mediation, arbitration, appellate, or settlement proceedings with respect thereto. Additionally, nothing in this Agreement requires Contractor to indemnify the District for the District's percentage of fault if the District is adjudged to be more than 50% at fault for any claims against the District and Contractor as jointly liable parties; however, Contractor shall indemnify the District for any and all percentage of fault attributable to Contractor for claims against the District, regardless of whether the District is adjudged to be more or less than 50% at fault. Contractor further agrees that nothing herein shall constitute or be construed as a waiver of the District's limitations on liability contained in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other statute. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, Contractor's liability to the indemnified parties is limited to \$1,000,000.

B. Obligations under this Section shall include the payment of all settlements, judgments, damages, penalties, forfeitures, fines, back pay awards, court costs, arbitration and/or mediation costs, litigation expenses, attorneys' fees, paralegal fees, and expert witness fees and costs (incurred in court, out of court, on appeal, or in bankruptcy proceedings), any interest against the District, all as actually incurred.

SECTION 13. RECOVERY OF COSTS AND FEES. In the event that either party is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the parties agree that the

substantially prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees, paralegal fees and expert witness fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

SECTION 14. LIMITATIONS ON GOVERNMENTAL LIABILITY. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed as a waiver of immunity or limits of liability of the District beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability which may have been adopted by the Florida Legislature in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other statute, and nothing in this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim which would otherwise be barred under the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity or by operation of law.

SECTION 15. NEGOTIATION AT ARMS' LENGTH. This Agreement has been negotiated fully between the parties as an arms' length transaction. The parties participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement and received the advice of counsel. In the case of a dispute concerning the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, all parties are deemed to have drafted, chosen and selected the language, and the doubtful language will not be interpreted or construed against any party.

SECTION 16. HEADINGS. The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall neither control nor affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

SECTION 17. ENFORCEMENT. A default by either party under this Agreement shall entitle the other party to all remedies available at law or in equity, which shall include, but not be limited to, the right of damages, injunctive relief and specific performance.

SECTION 18. TERMINATION. The District shall have the right to immediately terminate this Agreement at any time with cause, and with thirty (30) days' written notice without cause. Contractor shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon forty-five (45) days' written notice mailed to the District at the address written herein stating a failure of the District to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided, however, that the District shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to cure any failure under this Agreement. As the sole means of recovery for termination, Contractor shall be entitled to payment for any Services provided through the effective date of termination, subject to any offsets that the District may have against Contractor. Contractor shall not be entitled to lost profits or consequential damages of any kind, and, instead, Contractor's sole recourse for termination of this Agreement shall be as set forth in the preceding sentence.

SECTION 19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This instrument shall constitute the final and complete expression of the agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. Any and all prior verbal and written agreements regarding the subject matter of this Agreement is hereby superseded by this Agreement.

SECTION 20. AMENDMENT. Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by both of the parties hereto.

SECTION 21. AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT. The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of all parties hereto, each party has complied with all the requirements of law, and each party has full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this instrument.

SECTION 22. NOTICES. All notices, requests, consents and other communications hereunder ("Notices") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by Federal Express or First-Class Mail, postage prepaid, to the parties, as follows:

- A.** If to Contractor: SOLitude Lake Management, LLC
5869 Enterprise Parkway
Fort Myers, Florida 33905
Attn: _____
- B.** If to District: Benton Hills Community Development District
2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W
Boca Raton, Florida 33431
Attn: District Manager
- With a copy to: Kutak Rock LLP
107 West College Avenue
Tallahassee, Florida 32301
Attn: District Counsel

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address set forth above. Notices delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the District and counsel for the Contractor may deliver Notice on behalf of the District and the Contractor, respectively. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other parties and addressees of any change in name or address to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days written notice to the parties and addressees set forth herein.

SECTION 23. THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES. This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the formal parties herein and no right or cause of action shall accrue upon or by reason hereof, to or for the benefit of any third-party not a formal party hereto. Nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person or corporation other than the parties hereto any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this

Agreement or any provisions or conditions hereof; and all of the provisions, representations, covenants and conditions herein contained shall inure to the sole benefit of and shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective representatives, successors and assigns.

SECTION 24. ASSIGNMENT. Contractor may not assign this Agreement or any monies to become due hereunder without the prior written approval of the District. Any purported assignment without such prior written approval shall be null and void.

SECTION 25. CONTROLLING LAW. This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. The parties consent to and agree that the exclusive venue for any dispute arising hereunder shall be in a court of appropriate jurisdiction, in and for Hernando County, Florida.

SECTION 26. PUBLIC RECORDS. Contractor understands and agrees that all documents of any kind provided to the District in connection with this Agreement may be public records, and, accordingly, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Florida law in handling such records, including but not limited to Section 119.0701, *Florida Statutes*. Contractor acknowledges that the designated public records custodian for the District is **Kristen Suit** ("Public Records Custodian"). Among other requirements and to the extent applicable by law, Contractor shall 1) keep and maintain public records required by the District to perform the service; 2) upon request by the Public Records Custodian, provide the District with the requested public records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time period at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, *Florida Statutes*; 3) ensure that public records which are exempt or confidential, and exempt from public records disclosure requirements, are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following the contract term if Contractor does not transfer the records to the Public Records Custodian of the District; and 4) upon completion of the contract, transfer to the District, at no cost, all public records in Contractor's possession or, alternatively, keep, maintain and meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records pursuant to Florida laws. When such public records are transferred by Contractor, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the District in a format that is compatible with Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF formats.

IF CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, *FLORIDA STATUTES*, TO CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (561) 571-0010 SUITK@WHHASSOCIATES.COM, OR AT 2300 GLADES ROAD, SUITE 410W, BOCA RATON, FLORIDA 33431.

SECTION 27. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining

portions of this Agreement, or any part of this Agreement not held to be invalid or unenforceable.

SECTION 28. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES STATEMENT. Contractor certifies that it is not in violation of Section 287.135, *Florida Statutes*, and is not prohibited from doing business with the District under Florida law, including but not limited to Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. If Contractor is found to have submitted a false statement, has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, or is now or in the future on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or engaged in a boycott of Israel, the District may immediately terminate this Agreement.

SECTION 29. E-VERIFY. The Contractor shall comply with and perform all provisions of Section 448.095, *Florida Statutes*. Accordingly, as a condition precedent to entering into this Agreement, Contractor shall register with and use the United States Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. If the Contractor anticipates entering into agreements with a subcontractor for the Work, Contractor will not enter into the subcontractor agreement without first receiving an affidavit from the subcontractor regarding compliance with Section 448.095, *Florida Statutes*, and stating that the subcontractor has registered with and uses the E-Verify system and does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the agreement and provide a copy to the District upon request. Any party may terminate this Agreement or any subcontract hereunder if there is a good faith belief on the part of the terminating party that a contracting party has knowingly violated Section 448.09(1), *Florida Statutes*. Upon such termination, Contractor shall be liable for any additional costs incurred by the District because of the termination. If the District has a good faith belief that a subcontractor has violated Section 448.095, *Florida Statutes*, but the Contractor has otherwise complied with its obligations hereunder, the District shall promptly notify the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to immediately terminate the agreement with the subcontractor upon notice from the District.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed and sealed this Agreement on the day and year first written above.

ATTEST:

Kristen Suit
Secretary / Assistant Secretary

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

M. Smith
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

WITNESS:

Trent Batson
Print Name: Trent Batson

SOLITUDE LAKE MANAGEMENT, LLC

Trina L. Duncan
By: Trina L. Duncan
Its: Business Manager

01/28/2025

Exhibit A: Contractor's Proposal
Exhibit B: Pond Location Map

Exhibit A: Contractor's Proposal

ANNUAL POND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Monitoring:

1. A SOLitude Aquatic Specialist will visit the site and inspect the pond(s).
2. Observations and data collected during the inspections will be used to inform and guide all activities required to fulfill the requirements of this contract as specified in the description of services below.

Visual Inspections:

1. A visual inspection of the pond(s) will be performed during each visit to the site. The inspections shall include the following:
 - Water levels
 - Water clarity or quality
 - Turbidity
 - Beneficial Aquatic Vegetation
 - Nuisance, Invasive, or Exotic Aquatic Vegetation
 - Algae
 - Erosion
 - Issues with shoreline and bank stabilization measures such as rip rap stone, bulkheads, retaining walls, etc.
 - Forebays and inflowing or outflowing swales, ditches, and stream channels
 - Vegetated buffers
 - Sedimentation
 - Nuisance animal activity
 - Fish habitat
 - Mosquito breeding conditions and habitat
 - Trash and debris
2. Any issues or deficiencies that are observed during this visual monitoring will be documented by our staff in the field notes of the service order completed at the time the issue was first observed and reported to the Customer in writing as part of that month's service report.
3. Customer will be notified immediately if there are any deficiencies observed that appear in the judgment of our staff to be posing an immediate risk or otherwise jeopardizing the integrity of the pond(s) structures.
4. The scope of these services is limited to what can be reasonably observed at the surface of the water and above the ground around the water that makes up the physical structure of the pond(s). These routine inspection services are not intended to replace any requirement or need for a more comprehensive engineered inspection, or any other type of inspection that would require expertise or equipment to survey the condition of the physical components of the pond(s) underground, underwater, or inside any of the associated structures.

Aquatic Weed Control:

1. Any growth of undesirable aquatic weeds and vegetation found in the pond(s) with each inspection shall be treated and controlled through the application of aquatic herbicides and aquatic surfactants as required to control the specific varieties of aquatic weeds and vegetation found at the time of application.
2. Invasive and unwanted submersed and floating vegetation will be treated and controlled preventatively and curatively each spring and early summer through the use of systemic herbicides at the rate appropriate for control of the target species. Application rates will be designed to allow for selective control of unwanted species while allowing for desirable species of submersed and emergent wetland plants to prosper.

Shoreline Weed Control:

1. Shoreline areas will be inspected for any growth of cattails, phragmites, or other unwanted shoreline vegetation found within the pond areas shall be treated and controlled through the application of aquatic herbicides and aquatic surfactants as required for control of the plants present at time of application.
2. Any growth of unwanted plants or weeds growing in areas where stone has been installed for bank stabilization and erosion control shall be treated and controlled through the application of aquatic herbicides and aquatic surfactants as required to control the unwanted growth present at the time of application.

Algae Control:

1. Any algae found in the pond(s) with each inspection shall be treated and controlled through the application of algaecides, aquatic herbicides, and aquatic surfactants as needed for control of the algae present at the time of service.

Service Reporting:

1. Customer will be provided with a service report detailing all of the work performed as part of this Agreement after each visit.

General Qualifications:

1. Company is a licensed pesticide applicator in the state in which service is to be provided.
2. Individual Applicators are Certified Pesticide Applicators in Aquatics, Public Health, Forestry, Right of Way, and Turf/Ornamental as required in the state in which service is to be provided.
3. Company is a SePRO Preferred Applicator and dedicated Steward of Water. Each individual applicator has been trained and educated in the water quality testing and analysis required for prescriptive site-specific water quality management and utilizes an integrated approach that encompasses all aspects of ecologically balanced management. Each applicator has received extensive training in the proper selection, use, and application of all aquatic herbicides, algaecides, adjuvants, and water quality enhancement products necessary to properly treat our Customers' lakes and ponds as part of an overall integrated pest management program.
4. Company guarantees that all products used for treatment are EPA registered and labeled as appropriate and safe for use in lakes, ponds, and other aquatic sites, and are being applied in a manner consistent with their labeling.
5. All pesticide applications made directly to the water or along the shoreline for the control of algae, aquatic weeds, or other aquatic pests as specified in this Agreement will meet or exceed all of the Company's legal regulatory requirements as set forth by the EPA and related state agencies for NPDES and FIFRA. Company will perform treatments that are consistent with NPDES compliance standards as applicable in and determined by the specific state in which treatments are made. All staff will be fully trained to perform all applications in compliance with all federal, state, and local law.
6. Company will furnish the personnel, vehicles, boats, equipment, materials, and other items required to provide the foregoing at its expense. The application method and equipment (boat, ATV, backpack, etc.) used is determined by our technician at the time of the treatment to ensure the most effective method is provided for optimal results.

Exhibit B: Pond Location Map



BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RATIFICATION

ITEMS D

**AGREEMENT FOR
LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made, and entered into, by and between:

Benton Hills Community Development District, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated in Hernando County, Florida, and having offices at c/o Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (“**District**”); and

Onorato’s Landscape Design of Tampa Bay, Inc., a Florida corporation, whose address is 6402 River Road, New Port Richey, Florida 34652 (“**Contractor**,” and collectively with the District, “**Parties**”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District is a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to and governed by Chapter 190 of the *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the District owns, operates and maintains certain landscaping as identified in **Exhibit A (“Landscape Areas”)**; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into an agreement with an independent contractor to provide landscape maintenance services for the Landscape Areas, as outlined in **Exhibit A (“Services”)**; and

WHEREAS, Contractor represents and warrants that it is qualified to provide such Services and desires to enter into an agreement with the District to provide the Services in accordance with the terms and specifications in this Agreement and **Exhibit A**.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants of the parties, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. RECITALS. The recitals stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated herein as a material part of this Agreement.

2. SERVICES. The Contractor agrees to provide the Services outlined in **Exhibit A**. Contractor hereby covenants to the District that it shall perform the services: (i) using its best skill and judgment and in accordance with generally accepted professional standards, and (ii) in compliance with all applicable federal, state, county, municipal, building and zoning, land use, environmental, public safety, non-discrimination and disability accessibility laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations, permits and approvals (including any permits and approvals relating to water rights), including, without limitation, all professional registration (both corporate and individual) for all required basic disciplines that it shall perform. While providing the Services, the Contractor shall assign such staff as may be required, and such staff shall be responsible for coordinating, expediting, and controlling all aspects to assure completion of the Services. Contractor represents that the Services are sufficient to ensure that the Landscape Areas are being operated in a manner consistent with applicable permits and approvals, if any. Contractor shall

solely be responsible for the means, manner and methods by which its duties, obligations and responsibilities are met to the satisfaction of the District. This Agreement grants to Contractor the right to enter the District property that is the subject of this Agreement, and for those purposes described in this Agreement.

Additional Work. The Contractor agrees that the District shall not be liable for the payment of any additional work and/or services unless the District first authorizes the Contractor to perform such additional work and/or services through an authorized and fully executed change order. Nothing herein shall be construed to require the District to use the Contractor for any such additional work and/or services, and the District reserves the right to retain a different contractor to perform any additional work and/or services.

3. TERM. Contractor shall provide the Services beginning upon the full execution of this Agreement and continue through September 30 of the year in which this Agreement becomes effective, unless terminated earlier pursuant to its terms. This Agreement shall automatically renew for one-year periods beginning October 1 (i.e., based on the District's fiscal year), unless terminated pursuant to the terms herein.

4. COMPENSATION; PAYMENT. As compensation for the Services described in this Agreement, the District agrees to pay the Contractor the amounts set forth in **Exhibit A**. The Contractor shall maintain records conforming to usual accounting practices. Further, the Contractor agrees to render monthly invoices to the District, in writing, which shall be delivered or mailed to the District by the fifth (5th) day of the next succeeding month. Each monthly invoice shall contain, at a minimum, the District's name, the Contractor's name, the invoice date, an invoice number, an itemized listing of all costs billed on the invoice with a description of each sufficient for the District to approve each cost, the time frame within which the services were provided, and the address or bank information to which payment is to be remitted. Consistent with Florida's Prompt Payment Act, Section 218.70 et al. of the Florida Statutes, these monthly invoices are due and payable within forty-five (45) days of receipt by the District.

5. CARE OF DISTRICT PROPERTY. Contractor shall use all due care to protect the property of the District, its patrons, landowners and authorized guests from damage by Contractor or its employees or agents. Contractor agrees to repair any damage resulting from the Services within twenty-four (24) hours. Any such repairs shall be at Contractor's sole expense, unless otherwise agreed, in writing, by the District.

6. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW. In providing the Services, Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations, including but not limited to all orders or requirements affecting the District property placed thereon by any governmental authority having jurisdiction.

7. PERMITS AND LICENSES. All other permits or licenses necessary for the Contractor to perform under this Agreement shall be obtained and paid for by the Contractor.

8. WARRANTY AND COVENANT. The Contractor warrants to the District that all materials furnished under this Agreement shall be new, and that all services and materials shall be of good quality, free from faults and defects. The Contractor hereby warrants any materials and services for a period of one (1) year after acceptance by the District or longer as required under Florida law. With respect to any and all plant material provided pursuant to this Agreement or any separate work authorization issued hereunder, all plant material shall be guaranteed to be in a satisfactory growing condition and to live for

a period of one (1) year from planting except for annuals, which will be replaced seasonally. All plants that fail to survive under the guarantee shall be replaced as they fail with the same type and size as originally specified. Contractor further warrants to the District those warranties which Contractor otherwise warrants to others and the duration of such warranties is as provided by Florida law unless longer guarantees or warranties are provided for elsewhere in the Agreement (in which case the longer periods of time shall prevail). Contractor shall replace or repair warranted items to the District's satisfaction and in the District's discretion. Neither final acceptance of the services, nor monthly or final payment therefore, nor any provision of the Agreement shall relieve Contractor of responsibility for defective or deficient materials or services. If any of the services or materials are found to be defective, deficient or not in accordance with the Agreement, Contractor shall correct remove and replace it promptly after receipt of a written notice from the District and correct and pay for any other damage resulting therefrom to District property or the property of landowners within the District. Contractor hereby certifies it is receiving the property in its as-is condition and has thoroughly inspected the property and addressed any present deficiencies, if any, with the District. Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining and warranting all plant material maintained by Contractor as of the first date of the services.

9. ACCIDENTS/CLAIMS. Contractor shall promptly and in no event within more than seventy-two (72) hours provide a written report as to all accidents, injuries or claims for damage relating to the Amenity Landscape Areas or related to the Services, including any damage or destruction of property, and shall cooperate and make any and all reports required by any insurance company, law enforcement agency or the District in connection therewith, unless the District's Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") expressly directs Contractor otherwise, in writing.

10. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. In all matters relating to this Agreement, Contractor shall be acting as an independent contractor. Neither Contractor nor employees of Contractor are employees of the District under the meaning or application of any Federal or State Unemployment or Insurance Laws or otherwise. Contractor agrees to assume all liabilities or obligations imposed by any one or more of such laws with respect to employees of Contractor, if any, in the performance of this Agreement. Contractor shall not have any authority to assume or create any obligation, express or implied, on behalf of the District and Contractor shall have no authority to represent the District as an agent, employee, or in any other capacity, unless otherwise set forth in this Agreement.

11. TERMINATION. The District shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice for cause, or upon thirty (30) days' written notice without cause. Contractor shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days' written notice to the District. In the event either party terminates this Agreement, Contractor's sole remedy shall be to recover the balance of money due and owing to it at the effective date of termination for the work actually performed up to that date, subject to any off sets the District might have against Contractor.

12. INSURANCE. Contractor shall maintain throughout the term of this Agreement the insurance listed in **Exhibit B**. The District, its staff, consultants and supervisors shall be named as additional insured. The Contractor shall furnish the District with the Certificate of Insurance evidencing compliance with this requirement. No certificate shall be acceptable to the District unless it provides that any change or termination within the policy periods of the insurance coverage, as certified, shall not be effective within thirty (30) days of prior written notice to the District. Insurance coverage shall be from a reputable insurance carrier, licensed to conduct business in the State of Florida.

13. INDEMNIFICATION. Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the District and its officers, agents, employees, successors, assigns, members, affiliates, or representatives from any and all liability, claims, actions, suits, liens, demands, costs, interest, expenses, damages, penalties, fines, judgments against the District, or loss or damage, whether monetary or otherwise, arising out of, wholly or in part by, or in connection with the Services to be performed by Contractor, its subcontractors, its employees and agents in connection with this Agreement, including litigation, mediation, arbitration, appellate, or settlement proceedings with respect thereto. Additionally, nothing in this Agreement requires Contractor to indemnify the District for the District's percentage of fault if the District is adjudged to be more than 50% at fault for any claims against the District and Contractor as jointly liable parties; however, Contractor shall indemnify the District for any and all percentages of fault attributable to Contractor for claims against the District, regardless of whether the District is adjudged to be more or less than 50% at fault. Contractor further agrees that nothing herein shall constitute or be construed as a waiver of the District's limitations on liability contained in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other statute. Obligations under this section shall include the payment of all settlements, judgments, damages, liquidated damages, penalties, fines, forfeitures, back pay awards, court costs, arbitration and/or mediation costs, litigation expenses, attorneys' fees, paralegal fees (incurred in court, out of court, on appeal, or in bankruptcy proceedings), any interest accrued against the District, all as actually incurred. The indemnification rights herein contained shall be cumulative of, and in addition to, any and all rights, remedies and recourse to which the District shall be entitled, whether pursuant to some other provision of this Agreement, at law, or in equity. The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

14. DEFAULT; THIRD-PARTY INTERFERENCE. A default by either party under this Agreement shall entitle the other to all remedies available at law or in equity, which may include, but not be limited to, the right of damages, injunctive relief, and/or specific performance. The District shall be solely responsible for enforcing its rights under this Agreement against any interfering third-party. Nothing contained herein shall limit or impair the District's right to protect its rights from interference by a third-party to this Agreement.

15. ATTORNEY'S FEES. In the event that either the District or Contractor is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This instrument shall constitute the final and complete expression of the agreement between the parties hereto relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

17. AMENDMENTS. Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by both parties hereto.

18. NOTICES. All notices, requests, consents, and other communications under this Agreement ("**Notices**") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by Overnight Delivery or First Class Mail, postage prepaid, to the parties, at the addresses first listed above. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address set forth above. Notices delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall

not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the District and counsel for Contractor may deliver Notice on behalf of the District and Contractor. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other parties and addressees of any change in name or address to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days' written notice to the parties and addressees set forth herein.

19. THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES. This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the District and Contractor and no right or cause of action shall accrue upon or by reason, to or for the benefit of any third-party not a formal party to this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person or corporation other than the District and Contractor any right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or any of the provisions or conditions of this Agreement; and all of the provisions, representations, covenants, and conditions contained in this Agreement shall inure to the sole benefit of and shall be binding upon the District and Contractor and their respective representatives, successors, and assigns.

20. ASSIGNMENT. Neither the District nor Contractor may assign this Agreement or any monies to become due hereunder without the prior written approval of the other. Any purported assignment without such written approval shall be void.

21. CONTROLLING LAW; VENUE. This Agreement and the provisions contained in this Agreement shall be construed, interpreted, and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. The parties agree that venue for any action arising hereunder shall be in a court of appropriate jurisdiction in the County in which the District is located.

22. PUBLIC RECORDS. Contractor understands and agrees that all documents of any kind provided to the District in connection with this Agreement may be public records, and, accordingly, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Florida law in handling such records, including but not limited to section 119.0701, *Florida Statutes*. Contractor acknowledges that the designated public records custodian for the District is the District's Manager ("**Public Records Custodian**"). Among other requirements and to the extent applicable by law, Contractor shall 1) keep and maintain public records required by the District to perform the service; 2) upon request by the Public Records Custodian, provide the District with the requested public records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time period at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, *Florida Statutes*; 3) ensure that public records which are exempt or confidential, and exempt from public records disclosure requirements, are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following the contract term if Contractor does not transfer the records to the Public Records Custodian of the District; and 4) upon completion of the contract, transfer to the District, at no cost, all public records in Contractor's possession or, alternatively, keep, maintain and meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records pursuant to Florida laws. When such public records are transferred by Contractor, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the District in a format that is compatible with Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF formats.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, *FLORIDA STATUTES*, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS, C/O WRATHELL,

**HUNT & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 2300 GLADES ROAD, SUITE 410W, BOCA
RATON, FLORIDA 33431; 561-571-0010;
SUITK@WHHASSOCIATES.COM.**

23. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part of this Agreement not held to be invalid or unenforceable.

24. HEADINGS. The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not control nor affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

25. NEGOTIATIONS AT ARM'S LENGTH. This Agreement has been negotiated fully between the parties as an arm's length transaction. The parties participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement and received, or had the opportunity to receive, the advice of counsel. In the case of a dispute concerning the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, all parties are deemed to have drafted, chosen, and selected the language, and the doubtful language will not be interpreted or construed against any party.

26. LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed as a waiver of immunity or limits of liability of the District beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability which may have been adopted by the Florida Legislature in section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other statute or law, and nothing in this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim which would otherwise be barred under the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity or by operation of law.

27. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES. Contractor certifies that it is not in violation of section 287.135, *Florida Statutes*, and is not prohibited from doing business with the District under Florida law, including but not limited to Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. If Contractor is found to have submitted a false statement, has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, or is now or in the future on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or engaged in a boycott of Israel, the District may immediately terminate this Agreement.

28. ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATEMENT. The Contractor does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in Section 787.06, *Florida Statutes*, and the Contractor has complied, and agrees to comply, with the provisions of Section 787.06, *Florida Statutes*.

29. E-VERIFY. Contractor shall comply with and perform all applicable provisions of Section 448.095, *Florida Statutes*. Accordingly, to the extent required by Florida Statute, Contractor shall register with and use the United States Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees and shall comply with all requirements of Section 448.095, *Florida Statutes*, as to the use of subcontractors. The District may terminate the Agreement immediately for cause if there is a good faith belief that the Contractor has knowingly violated Section 448.091, *Florida Statutes*. By entering into this Agreement, the Contractor represents that no public employer has terminated a contract with the Contractor under Section 448.095(2)(C), *Florida Statutes*, within the year immediately preceding the date of this Agreement.

30. CONFLICTS. In the event that there are any conflicts between the terms of this Agreement and its exhibits, the terms of this Agreement shall control.

31. AUTHORIZATION. The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of both parties hereto, both parties have complied with all the requirements of law, and both parties have full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

32. E-SIGNATURE; COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed by electronic signature, and in any number of counterparts; however, all such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties execute the foregoing Agreement.

BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

DocuSigned by:
Martha Schiffer
By: ar 5B43C212430A422...
Its: CDD Vice Chair
Date: 9/11/2024

ONORATO’S LANDSCAPE DESIGN OF TAMPA
BAY, INC.

Signed by:
Pat Onorato
By: DA9294326F4D4A2...
Its: resident
Date: 9/11/2024

- Exhibit A: Proposal
- Exhibit B: Insurance Certificate with Endorsements

EXHIBIT A: PROPOSAL



Onorato's Landscape Design of Tampa Bay

6402 River rd New Port Richey Fl 34652
Phone 727-817-1288 cell 727-224-2071 E mail:
onoratolandscap@gmail.com

Benton Hills CDD

P.O. Box
810036

Boca Raton, FL
33481

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	<div>Monthly Price</div>		
	Mowing and Edging		
1	1. Mowing shall be maintained within a 2" to 4" range . Also include front R.O.W and all retention ponds and common areas once per week from May 1st – October 31st and bi-weekly from November 1st – April 31st	\$7,450.00	\$7,450.00
	2. Trim all bushes and trees as needed	\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00
	Frequency shall be weekly, every ten days or monthly as conditions warrant. Mowing is to be maintained so as to remove no more than 2" of the grass blade at any single cutting. The removal of clippings, should they accumulate, shall be considered mandatory.	inc	
	4. Edging shall include walks, drives, curbs, bed perimeters, tree wells, and trees.	inc	
	5. Contractor shall line-trim or chemically treat around posts, lights, signs, trees, utility installations, as required to keep a neat, clean appearance throughout property.	inc	
	Pest Control I Fertilization This quote includes a complete tree, shrub, pest control, and lawn fertilization program as per Floratam areas only standard industry specifications.	inc	
	1. Insecticides necessary to eliminate the infestation of pests in plants, trees, and shrubs shall be furnished by the Contractor as needed throughout the year.	inc	
8	2. All St Augustine turf areas are to be fertilized five (4) times per calendar year. The fertilizer is to be supplied by the Contractor.	\$3,950.00	\$3,950.00

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
4	3. All trees and shrubs are to be fertilized four (4) times per calendar year, with disease and insect control applied as needed. Products are to be supplied by the Contractor.		\$0.00
	4. Fire Ant control is not included in contract. Such control is available upon request. Fees will vary according to the degree of infestation and desired frequency.	75.00-150.00	
	<u>Irrigation System</u>		
12	1. Irrigation System will be checked once per month and client will be notified of needed repairs.		\$200.00
	2. Preventative Maintenance Routine Inspections: Each zone will be turned on and operated, and heads will be inspected for adjustment and alignment. Above ground repairs and all below ground repairs (i.e. valves, controllers and pumps) are considered unscheduled repairs.	Inc	
	3. Parts and Supplies for the system will be billed at fair market value. Parts will be commercial grade.	Inc	
	<p>This contract is for a period of twelve (12) months and automatically renews on the anniversary date unless either party gives written notice to the other party of its intent not to renew at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the then current Agreement. Contractor reserves the right to adjust its prices for any renewal term upon forty-five (45) days written notice to the Purchaser. Either party may cancel this agreement with just cause during the term upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party, provided the party receiving the notice has not corrected its default within the thirty (30) day period. Just cause is defined as the failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. If the Agreement is terminated before the full term expires, the Agreement will revert to a 'pay as performed' basis and any amounts due to Contractor will become immediately due and payable.</p>		
	In the event it becomes necessary for Contractor to employ an Attorney to collect amounts due on this Contract, the purchaser hereof agrees to pay, on demand, all reasonable court costs and Attorney's fees in connection therewith.		
	Contractor cannot be held responsible for any liability that the purchaser may be exposed to, due to any past or present existing site conditions, whether or not it has been reported to the Owner by Contractor.		
	Remulch all garden beds once per year	\$15,600.00	\$1,300.00
	SUBTOTAL		\$16,150.00
	THIS PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE CONDITIONS NOTED: Any questions please contact Pat Onorato at 727-224-2071		\$0.00
	TOTAL		\$16,150.00

EXHIBIT B: CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

9/9/2024

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Commercial Ins Specialists LLC 3438 Colwell Ave Tampa, FL 33614	CONTACT NAME: PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): (813) 288-1000 FAX (A/C, No): (813) 330-2424 E-MAIL: ADDRESS: INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A: Southern-Owners Insurance Company A++XV NAIC # 10190 INSURER B: Auto-Owners Insurance Company 18988 INSURER C: Florida Citrus, Business & Industries Fund 541110 INSURER D: INSURER E: INSURER F:
INSURED Onorato's Landscape Design of Tampa Bay Inc. 6402 River Rd New Port Richey, FL 34652	

COVERAGES**CERTIFICATE NUMBER:****REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY						
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR	X	X	20496928	10/1/2023	10/1/2024	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 2,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 300,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 10,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 2,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMPIOP AGG \$ 2,000,000 Hired&Non-Owned \$ 2,000,000 COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 1,000,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC						
	OTHER:						
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY						
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY	X	X	5049692800	1/29/2024	1/29/2025	BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE						EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$ \$
	DED <input type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$						
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY						
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/ MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) Y/N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y	N/A	X	10655695	10/24/2023	10/24/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)
 Benton Hills Community Development District, its officers, supervisors, agents, managers, counsel, engineers, staff and representatives are included as Additional Insureds on the above-listed policies. Such insurance shall be considered primary and non-contributory with respect to the Additional Insureds, all such required insurance policies shall be endorsed to provide for a waiver of underwriter's rights of subrogation in favor of the Additional Insureds, and a 30 Day Notice of Cancellation applies in favor of the Additional Insureds.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

Benton Hills CDD c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W Boca Raton, FL 33431	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
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BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION 2025-05

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING THE LOCATION OF THE LOCAL DISTRICT RECORDS OFFICE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Benton Hills Community Development District (“**District**”) is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, District records are available for public review and inspection at the offices of the District Manager at 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

WHEREAS, the District is statutorily required to designate a local District records office location for the purposes of affording citizens the ability to access certain of the District’s records, promoting the disclosure of matters undertaken by the District and ensuring that the public is informed of the activities of the District in accordance with Section 190.006(7), *Florida Statutes*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

1. LOCAL DISTRICT RECORDS OFFICE. The District’s local records office shall be located at the following address:

2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

**BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
UNAUDITED
DECEMBER 31, 2024**

**BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2024**

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 9,138	\$ -	\$ 9,138
Due from Landowner	46,562	-	46,562
Deposits	72,465	-	72,465
Total assets	<u>\$ 128,165</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 128,165</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 29,117	\$ -	\$ 29,117
Due to Landowner	-	5,989	5,989
Landowner advance	6,000	-	6,000
Total liabilities	<u>35,117</u>	<u>5,989</u>	<u>41,106</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred receipts	46,562	-	46,562
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>46,562</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,562</u>
Fund balances:			
Restricted for:			
Debt service	-	(5,989)	(5,989)
Unassigned	46,486	-	46,486
Total fund balances	<u>46,486</u>	<u>(5,989)</u>	<u>40,497</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 128,165</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 128,165</u>

**BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

	Current Month	Year to Date	Budget	% of Budget
REVENUES				
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 212,529	0%
Assessment levy: off-roll	-	-	61,008	0%
Landowner contribution	24,664	24,664	459,913	5%
Total revenues	<u>24,664</u>	<u>24,664</u>	<u>733,450</u>	3%
EXPENDITURES				
Professional & administrative				
Management/accounting/recording**	2,000	6,000	48,000	13%
Legal	-	554	25,000	2%
Engineering	-	-	2,000	0%
Audit	-	-	5,500	0%
Arbitrage rebate calculation*	-	-	500	0%
Dissemination agent*	-	-	1,000	0%
Trustee*	-	-	5,500	0%
Telephone	16	50	200	25%
Postage	-	8	250	3%
Printing & binding	42	125	500	25%
Legal advertising	-	365	6,500	6%
Annual special district fee	-	175	175	100%
Insurance	-	5,408	5,800	93%
Contingencies/bank charges	89	273	750	36%
Meeting room rental	-	-	500	0%
Website hosting & maintenance	-	-	705	0%
Website ADA compliance	-	-	210	0%
Property appraiser	-	6,145	-	N/A
Total professional & administrative	<u>2,147</u>	<u>19,103</u>	<u>103,090</u>	19%

**BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

	Current Month	Year to Date	Budget	% of Budget
Field operations				
Management fee	1,500	4,500	54,000	8%
Landscape maintenance	12,500	25,000	225,000	11%
Replacement/extra	-	-	20,000	0%
Irrigation repairs	-	-	5,000	0%
Lights, signs & fences	-	-	5,000	0%
Pressure washing	-	-	25,000	0%
Street & sidewalks	-	-	2,500	0%
Miscellaneous repairs & replacement	-	-	15,000	0%
Access control/monitoring	-	-	40,000	0%
Access control/internet	-	-	2,000	0%
Access control/maintenance	-	-	5,000	0%
Holiday lights	-	-	5,000	0%
Utilities				
Electric common	-	250	25,000	1%
Electric well	-	44	5,000	1%
Streetlights	-	1,756	50,000	4%
Electric- amenity	-	-	50,000	0%
Amenity				
Pool maintenance	-	-	8,000	0%
Amenity center R&M	-	-	3,500	0%
Janitorial	-	-	20,000	0%
Gym equipment	-	-	35,000	0%
Gym equipment repair	-	-	2,500	0%
Potable water	-	-	1,500	0%
Telephone- pool/clubhouse	-	-	1,200	0%
Alarm monitoring	-	-	5,160	0%
Property insurance	-	-	20,000	0%
Total field operations	<u>14,000</u>	<u>31,550</u>	<u>630,360</u>	5%
Total expenditures	<u>16,147</u>	<u>50,653</u>	<u>733,450</u>	7%
 Excess/(deficiency) of revenues over/(under) expenditures	 8,517	 (25,989)	 -	
 Fund balances - beginning	 <u>37,969</u>	 <u>72,475</u>	 -	
Fund balances - ending	<u>\$ 46,486</u>	<u>\$ 46,486</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	

*These items will be realized when bonds are issued

**WHA will charge a reduced management fee of \$2,000 per month until bonds are issued.

**BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
DEBT SERVICE FUND
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

	Current Month	Year To Date
REVENUES	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
EXPENDITURES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues over/(under) expenditures	-	-
Fund balances - beginning	(5,989)	(5,989)
Fund balances - ending	<u><u>\$ (5,989)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (5,989)</u></u>

BENTON HILLS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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**MINUTES OF MEETING
BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The Board of Supervisors of the Benton Hills Community Development District held Public Hearings and a Regular Meeting on August 15, 2024 at 11:30 a.m., at the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce, 15588 Aviation Loop Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604.

Present were:

Martha Schiffer	Vice Chair
Megan Germino	Assistant Secretary
John Kakridas	Assistant Secretary

Also present:

Kristen Suit	District Manager
Bennett Davenport (via telephone)	District Counsel
Brian Malmberg (via telephone)	District Engineer

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order/Roll Call

Ms. Suit called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m. Supervisors Schiffer, Kakridas and Germino were present. Supervisor Noble was not present. One seat was vacant.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

No members of the public spoke.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Consider Appointment to Fill Unexpired
Term of Seat 5; Term Expires November
2024**

This item was deferred.

- **Administration of Oath of Office (the following will also be provided in a separate package)**

A. Required Ethics Training and Disclosure Filing

- **Sample Form 1 2023/Instructions**

B. Membership, Obligations and Responsibilities

C. Guide to Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees

D. Form 8B: Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County, Municipal and other Local Public Office

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2024-05, Electing and Removing Officers of the District and Providing for an Effective Date

This item was deferred.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Hearing on Adoption of Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Budget

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Public Hearing was opened.

A. Affidavit of Publication

B. Consideration of Resolution 2024-08, Relating to the Annual Appropriations and Adopting the Budget(s) for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2024, and Ending September 30, 2025; Authorizing Budget Amendments; and Providing an Effective Date

Ms. Suit presented reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2025 budget, highlighting any line item increases, decreases and adjustments, compared to the Fiscal Year 2024 budget, and explained the reasons for any changes.

Discussion ensued regarding what happens if the CDD issues bonds and there is then a debt assessment after this budget is adopted and amending the Fiscal Year 2025 budget once bonds are issued.

No affected property owners or members of the public spoke.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Public Hearing was closed.

Ms. Suit presented Resolution 2024-08.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, Resolution 2024-08, Relating to the Annual Appropriations and Adopting the Budget(s) for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2024, and Ending September 30, 2025; Authorizing Budget Amendments; and Providing an Effective Date, was adopted.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Hearing to Hear Comments and Objections on the Imposition of Maintenance and Operation Assessments to Fund the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/2025, Pursuant to Florida Law

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Public Hearing was opened.

- A. Proof/Affidavit of Publication
 - B. Mailed Notice(s) to Property Owners
 - C. Consideration of Resolution 2024-09, Making a Determination of Benefit and Imposing Special Assessments for Fiscal Year 2024/2025; Providing for the Collection and Enforcement of Special Assessments, Including but Not Limited to Penalties and Interest Thereon; Certifying an Assessment Roll; Providing for Amendments to the Assessment Roll; Providing a Severability Clause; and Providing an Effective Date
- No affected property owners or members of the public spoke.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Public Hearing was closed.

Ms. Suit presented Resolution 2024-09.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, Resolution 2024-09, Making a Determination of Benefit and Imposing Special Assessments for Fiscal Year 2024/2025; Providing for the Collection and Enforcement of Special Assessments, Including but Not Limited to Penalties and Interest Thereon; Certifying an Assessment Roll; Providing for

Amendments to the Assessment Roll; Providing a Severability Clause; and Providing an Effective Date, was adopted.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Consideration of Fiscal Year 2025 Deficit Funding Agreement**

Ms. Suit presented the Fiscal Year 2025 Deficit Funding Agreement.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Fiscal Year 2025 Deficit Funding Agreement, was approved.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Consideration of Home Encounter HECM, LLC Field Operations Agreement**

Ms. Suit presented the Home Encounter HECM, LLC Field Operations Agreement.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Home Encounter HECM, LLC Field Operations Agreement, in the amount of \$4,500 per month equating to \$54,000 per year, was approved.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Consideration of Goals and Objectives Reporting [HB7013 - Special Districts Performance Measures and Standards Reporting]**

Ms. Suit presented the Memorandum explaining the new requirement for special districts to develop goals and objectives annually and develop performance measures and standards to assess the achievement of the goals and objectives. Community Communication and Engagement, Infrastructure and Facilities Maintenance, and Financial Transparency and Accountability will be the key categories to focus on for Fiscal Year 2025. She presented the Performance Measures/Standards & Annual Reporting Form developed for the CDD, which explains how the CDD will meet the goals.

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Goals and Objectives and the Performance Measures/Standards & Annual Reporting Form, were approved.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2024-04,
Designating the Location of the Local
District Records Office and Providing an
Effective Date

This item was deferred.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Ratification Items

- A. Envera Systems Services Agreement for Video Surveillance Services
- B. Envera Systems Services Agreement Change Order [Quote Number Q-14711]

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Envera Systems Services Agreement for Video Surveillance Services, in the amount of \$1,040.31 per month, and the Envera Systems Services Agreement Change Order Quote Number Q-14711 \$28.53 change to monthly rate, were ratified.

TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Acceptance of Unaudited Financial
Statements as of June 30, 2024

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the Unaudited Financial Statements as of June 30, 2024, were accepted.

THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of May 16, 2024 Regular Meeting
Minutes

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the May 16, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented, were approved.

FOURTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

- A. District Counsel: Kutak Rock LLP

Mr. Davenport asked about the bond issuance timeline. Ms. Suit thinks the target time is October or November 2024 but that might have changed.

- B. District Engineer: Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.

There was no report. Mr. Malmberg stated that getting Phase 1 cleared by the County is underway.

C. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC

- **0 Registered Voters in District as of April 15, 2024**
- **NEXT MEETING DATE: September 19, 2024 at 11:30 AM**
- **QUORUM CHECK**

The September 19, 2024 meeting will be canceled.

FIFTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Board Members' Comments/Requests**

There were no Board Members' comments or requests.

SIXTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Public Comments**

No members of the public spoke.

SEVENTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Adjournment**

On MOTION by Ms. Schiffer and seconded by Ms. Germino, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.
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**MINUTES OF MEETING
BENTON HILLS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

A Landowners' Meeting of the Benton Hills Community Development District was held on November 5, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., at the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce, 15588 Aviation Loop Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604.

Present were:

Kristen Suit District Manager

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order/Roll Call

Ms. Suit called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. No other Landowners, Landowner representatives, Proxy Holders or members of the public, were present.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Affidavit/Proof of Publication

The affidavit of publication was included for informational purposes.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Election of Chair to Conduct Landowners' Meeting

Ms. Suit served as Chair to conduct the Landowners' Meeting.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Election of Supervisors [Seats 3, 4 and 5]

A. Nominations

Ms. Suit nominated the following:

Seat 3 Erika Filotas

Seat 4 Martha Schiffer

Seat 5 Harriet Stone

No other nominations were made.

B. Casting of Ballots

- **Determine Number of Voting Units Represented**

Ms. Suit stated that she is the Proxy Holder for the Landowner, Meritage Homes of Florida Inc., who owns 105.7447 acres, equating to 106 voting units, and 183 platted units, equating to 183 voting units, for a total of 289 voting units. Ms. Suit is eligible to cast up to 289 votes per seat.

A total of 289 voting units were represented.

- **Determine Number of Voting Units Assigned by Proxy**

All 289 voting units were assigned by proxy.

Ms. Suit cast the following votes:

Seat 3	Erika Filotas	289 Votes
Seat 4	Martha Schiffer	289 Votes
Seat 5	Harriet Stone	280 Votes

C. Ballot Tabulation and Results

Ms. Suit reported the following ballot tabulation, results and terms lengths:

Seat 3	Erika Filotas	289 Votes	4-Year Term
Seat 4	Martha Schiffer	289 Votes	4-Year Term
Seat 5	Harriet Stone	280 Votes	2-Year Term

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Landowners' Questions/Comments**

There were no Landowners' questions or comments.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

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BENTON HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT		
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 MEETING SCHEDULE		
LOCATION		
<i>Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce 15588 Aviation Loop Drive, Brooksville, Florida 34604</i>		
DATE	POTENTIAL DISCUSSION/FOCUS	TIME
October 17, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
November 5, 2024	Landowners' Meeting	9:00 AM
November 21, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
December 19, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
January 16, 2025 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
February 20, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
March 20, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
April 17, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
May 15, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
July 17, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
August 21, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM
September 18, 2025	Regular Meeting	11:30 AM