

## WASHINGTON CONVENTION AND SPORTS AUTHORITY T/A EVENTS DC

## A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Together with Independent Auditors' Report) SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 and 2019

AND

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Mayor, Members of the Council of the Government of the District of Columbia, the Board of Directors of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority and Inspector General of the Government of the District of Columbia Washington, D.C.

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority (the Authority), a component unit of the Government of the District of Columbia, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Authority as of September 30, 2020, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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#### **Other Matters**

#### Prior Period Financial Statements

The financial statements of the Authority as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019 were audited by other auditors. Those auditors expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements in their report dated December 19, 2019.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 15, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules of net position by fund and revenues, expenses, and changes in net position by fund are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedules of net position by fund and revenues, expenses, and changes in net position by fund are the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedules of net position by fund and revenues, expenses, and changes in net position by fund are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 7, 2021, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Washington, D.C. January 7, 2021

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

As the management of Washington Convention and Sports Authority (Authority) doing business as Events DC, we present this Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the Authority's financial condition and the results of operations for the years ended September 30, 2020, and 2019, with comparative information for 2018. This discussion is a narrative overview and analysis of our financial activities and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

#### Introduction

In 1994, the Washington Convention Center Authority (WCCA) was created as a corporate body and an independent authority of the District of Columbia government responsible for managing and operating the District's Convention Center and for bringing national and international conventions, trade shows, and meetings to the District of Columbia. ["Washington Convention Center Authority Act of 1994," DC Law 10-188, effective September 28, 1994]. Pursuant to the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Support Second Emergency Act of 2009 and the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Support Act, the District of Columbia Sports and Entertainment Commission was merged into WCCA to form a new organization, the Washington Convention and Sports Authority (WCSA). The merger created one umbrella organization with a broadened charter to promote the District as a key sports, entertainment, and special events destination. Also, as part of the merger, WCSA gained control over the Nationals Park, the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium (RFK), and the non-military portions of the DC Armory. Facility maintenance for RFK and the Armory, previously performed by the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission, was assumed by the Department of Real Estate Services, now the Department of General Services.

In June 2011, the Washington Convention and Sports Authority launched a brand name, "Events DC." The entity fully encompasses the event experience in the city, elevates the organization's core assets and portfolio, and perhaps most importantly, aligns with the existing brands for Washington DC and the city's promotional arm, Destination DC.

#### About Our Business

The Authority operates three distinct business divisions that generate significant regional economic impact by hosting conventions, tradeshows, consumer shows, meetings, banquets, sports and entertainment and other special events.

*Conventions & Meetings Division* – operates the Walter E. Washington Convention Center and the historic. Carnegie Library at Mount Vernon square. The Convention Center is a venue for large conventions, trade shows, and mid-sized to small meetings. Recognized as one of the most energy-efficient buildings of its size, the Convention Center has won awards both for inspiring design and as a major contributor toward urban renewal in downtown DC. Events DC generates economic activity at the Center which brings millions of visitors to a revitalized downtown and the historic Shaw neighborhood. To further leverage the power of large-scale meetings and conventions, Events DC made a significant investment in the Washington Marriott Marquis hotel and continues to create economic benefits for the District. Carnegie Library generates rental income after opening the Apple global flagship retail store in the first quarter of FY 2019.

*Sports and Entertainment Division* – brings world-class sports, entertainment, cultural and hospitality events to the District while promoting the metropolitan region as a premier destination. It manages and programs the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium ("RFK Stadium"), the non-military functions of DC Armory, the RFK Festival Grounds, the Skate Park at RFK Stadium, the Fields at RFK, Gateway DC Pavilion, the RISE Demonstration Center and the Entertainment and Sports Arena on the St. Elizabeths East Campus. The Department of General Services (DGS) maintains the Stadium and the Armory based on

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the MOU signed with Events DC. The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) provides the funding for the operation of the Gateway DC and the RISE Demonstration Center, based on the MOU with Events DC.

*Creative Services Division* – is actively involved in the planning and supporting some of the city's most anticipated events, attracting thousands of attendees to locations around the city. Events DC makes strategic investments in various city-wide sports, entertainment and cultural events including the internationally renowned National Cherry Blossom Festival; an annual four-week long festival which features art; theater, and live performances throughout the city each spring, the annual DC Jazz festival, which showcases nearly 80 live performances in clubs, restaurants, hotels and galleries throughout the District, Events DC Embassy Chef Challenge Presented BY TCMA, a month long celebration of DC's diplomatic community through the culinary arts, and the Washington International Horse Show, which is held annually at the Capital One Arena. Additionally, Events DC makes an appearance at the SXSW Conference and Festivals in Austin, Texas as well as supports the Washington Kastles, DC's multiple champion World Team Tennis squad.

## Fiscal Year 2020 Financial Highlights

- In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared coronavirus COVID-19 a global pandemic. The outbreak of COVID-19 significantly impacted the hospitality industry across the globe. Adherence to public health guidelines has halted mass gatherings, substantially limited travel and therefore, drastically reduced hotel stays and restaurant patronage, which negatively impacted Events DC's financial position for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020. As further detailed below in our Analysis of Changes in Net Position.
- The Authority ended the fiscal year with \$393.7 million in total net position, which is a decrease of \$60.3 million or 13% compared to the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019. This decrease in net position is primarily attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic related declines in revenues, as well as emergency funding from unrestricted reserves to support DC's local hospitality and tourism industry impacted by the pandemic. As further detailed below in our Analysis of Changes in Net Position.
- Operating revenues decreased by \$12.8 million or 41% from the fiscal year 2019. The decrease in revenues is primarily due to the global pandemic. Events DC experienced significant revenue declines, including cancellation and refunding of booked events.
- Operating expenses decreased by \$5.1 million or 5% from the fiscal year 2019 due to Events DC's management's immediate cost control efforts, including freezing vacant positions and pay increases, eliminating bonuses, renegotiating existing contracts, and reducing the operating budget.
- The Authority's long-term debt, excluding current maturities, decreased to \$471.8 million or 5% compared to the fiscal year 2019, mainly due to payment of the scheduled current portion of outstanding debt.
- The Statements of Cash Flows reflect an increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$2.2 million.
- The Authority's bonds are rated "Aa1" by Moody's, "A+" by Standard & Poor's Corporation, and "AA+" by Fitch Ratings Services. These are the highest ratings the Authority received.

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#### Fiscal Year 2019 Financial Highlights

- The total net position decreased by \$3.3 million or 1% compared to the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018. The decrease is primarily attributed to a 59% reduction in the unrestricted fund due to a cash transfer of \$47 million to the District General Fund in accordance with DC code \$10–1202.13 requirements. The code requires any excess revenue at the end of a fiscal year to be transferred in cash to the District General fund. The reduction is partially offset by a 17% and 22% increase in net investment in capital assets and restricted assets, respectively.
- Operating expenses increased by \$17 million or 18% from the fiscal year 2018 due to increased costs related to personal services, contractual services, depreciation, occupancy, and miscellaneous expenses.
- Operating revenues show a slight decrease by \$336 thousand or 1% from the fiscal year 2018, resulting in total operating revenues of \$31.2 million in FY 2019.
- The Authority's long-term debt, excluding current maturities, decreased to \$498.5 million or 5% compared to the fiscal year 2018, mainly due to payment of the scheduled current portion of outstanding debt.
- The Statements of Cash Flows reflect a decrease in cash and cash equivalents of \$936 thousand.
- The Authority's bonds are rated "Aa1" by Moody's, "A+" by Standard & Poor's Corporation, and "AA+" by Fitch Ratings Services. These are the highest ratings the Authority received.

#### (1) Overview of the Financial Statements

The Authority's financial report includes Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Financial Statements, and Notes to the Financial Statements.

- The Financial Statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's financial activities in a manner similar to a private sector business. These financial statements are prepared in conformity with the US Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) applied to governmental units on a full accrual basis. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period they are earned, while expenses are recognized in the period they are incurred. Depreciation and amortization of capital and deferred assets are recognized in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. The basic financial statements include the Statements of Net Position, Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position and Statements to explain the activities detailed therein fully.
- The Statements of Net Position present information on all of the Authority's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. The difference between total assets plus deferred outflows of resources and total liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources is classified as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the Authority's financial situation is improving or declining.

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- The Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position report both the operating and non-operating revenues and expenses and other changes in net position for the end of the fiscal year.
- The Statements of Cash Flows present information showing how the Authority's cash and cashequivalents position changed during the fiscal years. The Statements of Cash Flows classify cash receipts and cash payments resulting from operating activities, capital and related financing activities, noncapital financing activities, and investing activities.

#### (2) Financial Analysis

The Authority's audited Statements of Net Position, Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and Statements of Cash Flows are presented on pages 16 through 18.

The following table reflects a summary of the Authority's net position as of September 30, 2020, 2019, and 2018 (*in thousands*):

Condensed S		able 1 ments of N	et I	osition			
	(in tl	nousands)					
						Percentag	ge Change
		2020		2019	2018	2020-2019	2019-2018
Assets:							
Current assets	\$	167,998	\$	195,232	\$ 251,218	-14%	-22%
Capital assets, net of accumulated deprecation		551,554		573,869	554,500	-4%	3%
Other non-current assets		208,645		242,782	229,741	-14%	6%
Total Assets		928,197		1,011,883	1,035,459	-8%	-2%
Deferred outflows of resources		9,639		10,165	10,692	-5%	-5%
Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources		937,836		1,022,048	1,046,151	-8%	-2%
Liabilities:							
Current liabilities		72,233		69,568	64,729	-4%	7%
Noncurrent liabilities		471,903		498,516	524,191	-5%	-5%
Total Liabilities		544,136		568,084	588,920	-4%	-4%
Net Position:							
Net investment in capital assets		248,039		247,243	210,772	0%	17%
Restricted		136,696		158,482	130,404	-14	22%
Unrestricted		8,965		48,239	116,055	-81%	-58%
Total Net Position	\$	393,700	\$	453,964	\$ 457,231	-13%	-1%

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

#### (2) Financial Analysis (continued)

2020 – As summarized in the table above and detailed in the statements of net position, Events DC's total assets decreased by \$83.7 or 8% in the fiscal year 2020. Current assets decreased by \$27.2 million or 14%, capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation decreased by \$22.3 or 4%, and other non-current assets decreased by \$34.1 million or 14% for the year ended September 30, 2020. The decrease in both current and non-current assets is primarily due to spending from investments to support the operation of Events DC and the reduction in accounts receivable related to reduced billing as a result of the suspension of core operations in mid-March due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Total liabilities decreased by \$23.9 million or 4% mainly due to payment of the scheduled current portion of outstanding debt offset by a receipt of \$9 million from the District to pass through to the Greater Washington Community Foundation to implement phase two of the DC CARES program to benefit DC workers excluded from the federal stimulus.

As of September 30, 2020, the Authority had a total net position amounting to approximately \$393.7 million, with the largest portion of the Authority's net position, \$248 million, or 63%, in net investment in capital assets. Of the Authority's remaining net position, \$136.6 million or 35%, representing resources subject to external restrictions on how they may be used (primarily related to the Authority's bond indenture reserve requirements). The remaining balance of \$9 million or 2% is unrestricted.

**2019** – The Authority's overall financial position slightly decreased during the fiscal year 2019. The Authority's total net position decreased by \$3.3 million or 1% for the year ended September 30, 2019. As of September 30, 2019, the Authority had a total net position amounting to approximately \$453.4 million, with the largest portion of the Authority's net position, \$247.2 million, or 55%, representing a net investment in capital assets. Of the Authority's remaining net position, \$158.5 million or 35%, reflects resources subject to external restrictions on how they may be used (primarily related to the Authority's bond indenture minimum reserve requirements). The remaining balance of \$48.2 million or 10% is unrestricted.

The Authority uses its capital assets to promote conventions, tourism, and sports and entertainment events in the District. The resources used to repay the debt are derived from dedicated tax collections, which are composed of (i) 4.45% sales and use tax on hotel room charges and (ii) a 1% sales and use tax on restaurant meals, alcoholic beverages consumed on-premises and rental vehicle charges in the District.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

## (2) Financial Analysis (continued)

#### Table 2

Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

(in thousands)

	(in t	nous ands)				
					Percentag	ge Change
		2020	2019	2018	2020-2019	2019-2018
Operating Revenues:						
Building rental	\$	4,807 \$	8,807	\$ 8,417	-45%	5%
Building lease rental		3,922	3,419	3,246	15%	5%
Ancillary charges		9,614	18,939	19,838	-49%	-5%
Total Operating Revenues		18,343	31,165	31,501	-41%	-1%
Operating Expenses:						
Personal services		33,063	30,376	27,284	9%	11%
Contractual services		25,537	33,058	23,113	-23%	43%
Depreciation		39,599	37,828	33,996	5%	11%
Occupancy		5,698	6,796	6,433	-16%	6%
Payments to District		1,607	2,232	2,501	-28%	-11%
Miscellaneous		1,044	1,555	1,428	-33%	9%
Bad debt		265	74	16	258%	363%
Total Operating Expenses		106,813	111,919	94,771	-5%	18%
Operating loss		(88,470)	(80,754)	(63,270)	10%	28%
Non-operating Revenues and (Expenses):						
Interest income		3,973	8,478	4,821	-53%	76%
Dedicated taxes		74,067	147,633	141,448	-50%	4%
TIF revenue		12,175	19,248	20,320	-37%	-5%
Miscellaneous revenue		6,197	5,933	27,043	4%	-78%
Bond interest and amortization issue costs		(22,782)	(23,973)	(29,589)	-5%	-19%
Marketing agencies payments		(11,640)	(20,370)	(19,846)	-43%	3%
Hospitality & Tourism Relief and Other Grants		(22,814)	-	-	100%	NA
Miscellaneous expenses		(10,970)	(11,971)	(7,589)	-8%	-
Excess Cash Transfer to the District		-	(47,847)	-		
Total Non-operating Revenues and (Expenses)		28,206	77,131	136,608	-63%	-44%
Change in net Positions		(60,264)	(3,623)	73,338	1563%	-105%
Net position, beginning of year		453,964	457,230	383,709	-1%	19%
Change in Accounting Principle			357	183		
Net Position, End of Year	\$	393,700 \$	453,964	\$ 457,230	-13%	-1%

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

#### (2) Financial Analysis (continued)

#### Analysis of Changes in Net Position

#### Revenues

For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2020, 2019 and, 2018 the Authority's operating revenues were \$18.3 million, \$31.2 million, and \$31.5 million, respectively.

**2020** – In the fiscal year 2020, total operating revenue decreased by 41% or \$12.8 million. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, beginning mid-March 2020, Events DC canceled all events that were scheduled for the remainder of the fiscal year 2020 and refunded the deposits received, which impacted the rent revenue to decrease by \$4 million or 45% compared to the fiscal year 2019. Ancillary revenue such as food service, electrical, rigging, and telecommunication services decreased by \$9.3 million or 49%, driven by related conventions and meeting cancellations.

Non-operating revenues, mainly Dedicated taxes & TIF revenue, totaled \$86.2 million and were substantially impacted by the COVID 19 pandemic, declining \$80.6 million or 48% compared to the fiscal year 2019. Interest income also decreased by \$4,5 million or 53% compared to the fiscal year 2019.

2019 – Events DC's fiscal year 2019 operating revenues decreased by 1% compared to 2018. The net decrease is attributed to the nature and size of events and the amount of revenues derived from each event hosted during the year. In the fiscal year 2019, ancillary revenue decreased by 5% due to less demand for food service, electrical, rigging, and telecommunication services, a reflection of the type of events hosted during the fiscal year.

During the fiscal year 2019, non-operating revenues of \$181.3 million decreased by 6% compared to the fiscal year 2018. This was due to a \$23 million one-time contribution received from the District for the ESA project in the fiscal year 2018 offset by \$9.8 million increases in dedicated taxes and interest income from investments.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

## (2) Financial Analysis (continued)

The following is a graphic illustration of 2020 operating revenues by source (in thousands).



## Expenses

For fiscal years 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Authority's total operating expenses were \$106.8 million, \$111.9 million and \$94.8 million, respectively.

2020 – Total operating expenses decreased by \$5.1 million or 5% from the fiscal year 2019. The decrease was driven by immediate cost control efforts taken by Events DC's management to mitigate COVID-related revenue shortfall.

Personal services increased by \$2.7 million or 9%. The increase was due to new hires and alignment of salaries (before COVID) and the full impact of positions that were filled around midyear in the previous fiscal year. Also, employee benefits grew due to the growth in salaries and wages and health care inflation. Contractual services costs decreased by \$7.5 million or 23% compared to the fiscal year 2019. This was primarily due to Events DC's management's swift action in renegotiating existing contracts, suspend some services during the period of closure, and reducing the operating budget to align with the revenue shortfall. Occupancy expense, which includes all utility-related costs such as electricity, telecommunications, water, sewer, and natural gas, totaled \$5.7 million, a decrease of 16% from the fiscal year 2019. The decline resulted from the pandemic-related reduction of events related activities due to the cancellation of events. Depreciation expense, primarily for the convention center building, amounted to \$39.6 million.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

#### (2) Financial Analysis (continued)

The Authority's non-operating expenses consisted of \$22.8 million in bond interest and amortization and \$11.6 million in payments to marketing entities. The Washington Convention Center Authority Act of 1994 (as amended in 1998) requires the Authority to transfer 17.4% of the hotel taxes received to the Marketing Fund to promote conventions and tourism in the District of Columbia. Effective October 1, 2017, under the Hospitality Tax Dedication section of the Act, an additional 0.3 percent hotel room tax was imposed. The 0.3 percent tax is dedicated to Destination DC through the Authority for marketing and promoting the District of Columbia as a destination.

The fiscal year 2020 includes one-time costs of \$12.7 million related to emergency funding for hospitality and tourism relief to address the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic. FY2020 non-operating expenses also include \$10.1 million grant to support cultural institutions operating in the District of Columbia as mandated per the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Support Act of 2019, DC Law 23-0016.

2019 – Total operating expenses increased by \$17.1 million or 18% from the fiscal year 2018. The increase was driven by salaries and fringe benefits associated with hiring new FTEs and filling vacant positions. An increase in contractual services and depreciation expenses contributed to the variance.

Personal services increased by \$3.1 million or 11%. The increase was attributable, in part (57%), to new hires related to the new Entertainment and Sports Arena. The fiscal year 2019 represented the first year that Events DC began to operate Entertainment and Sports Arena. Cost of living adjustment, alignment of salaries, and growing demand in part-time labor for security and transportation services also contributed to the increases. Contractual services cost increased by \$9.9 million or 43% compared to the fiscal year 2018. This was primarily due to cost related to the new Entertainment and Sports Arena's first full year operation. Increased cost in marketing and sponsorship expenses associated with the new Arena also contributed to the variance. Occupancy expense, which includes all utility-related costs such as electricity, telecommunications, water, sewer, and natural gas, totaled \$6.8 million, an increase of 6% from the fiscal year 2018. Depreciation expense, primarily for the convention center building, amounted to \$37.8 million.

The Authority's non-operating expenses consisted of \$23.9 million in bond interest and amortization and \$20.4 million in payments to marketing entities. The Washington Convention Center Authority Act of 1994 (as amended in 1998) requires the Authority to transfer 17.4% of the hotel taxes received to the Marketing Fund to promote conventions and tourism in the District of Columbia. Effective October 1, 2017, under the Hospitality Tax Dedication section of the Act, an additional 0.3 percent hotel room tax was imposed. The 0.3 percent tax is dedicated to Destination DC through the Authority for marketing and promoting the District of Columbia as a destination.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

## (2) Financial Analysis (continued)



The following is a graphic illustration of 2020 operating expenses (in thousands).

## (3) Capital Asset and Debt Administration

#### Capital Assets

The Authority has invested \$551.6 million and \$573.9 million in capital assets, net of depreciation for 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Authority's 2020 net capital assets increased by \$22.3 million compared to the fiscal year 2019, which was primarily due to depreciation expenses of \$39.6 million partially offset by the purchase of furniture, machinery, equipment, and building improvement.

Table 3 summarizes the Authority's capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation as of September 30, 2020, 2019, and 2018. The changes are presented in detail in Note 4 to the financial statements.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

#### (3) Capital Asset and Debt Administration (continued)

	Capital	Table Assets (Net (in thous	of I	-	n)			
							Percentag	ge Change
		2020		2019		2018	2020-2019	2019-2018
Non-de pre ciable								
Land	\$	4,785	\$	4,785	\$	4,785	0%	0%
Construction in progress		8,130		-		71,489	100%	100%
Artwork		2,742		2,742		2,742	0%	0%
Total non-depreciable capital assets		15,657		7,527		79,016		
De pre ciable								
Building		769,409		769,409		769,409	0%	0%
Building improvements		50,324		49,920		42,790	1%	17%
Plumber's building		33,425		33,425		33,425	0%	0%
Stadium structure		19,037		19,037		19,037	0%	0%
Building Improvements/Displays (SED)		38,592		38,592		38,367	0%	1%
Building-ESA		73,976		73,975		-	0%	0%
RFK Multi-purpose fields		37,388		37,138		-	1%	0%
Parking lot improvements		7,041		7,041		7,041	0%	0%
Central plant		16,265		16,265		16,265	0%	0%
Carnegie Library		14,798		14,798		14,798	0%	0%
Carnegie Library-building improvements		1,479		1,479		1,479	0%	0%
Financial systems		2,930		2,124		1,751	38%	21%
Furniture and fixtures		35,071		33,547		28,005	5%	20%
Furniture and fixtures-RFK		1,652		1,652		1,578	0%	5%
Machinery and equipment		34,049		27,881		23,652	22%	18%
Total depreciable capital assets		1,135,437		1,126,283		997,597		
Less accumlated depreciation		599,539		559,941		522,113	7%	7%
Net depreciable capital assets	\$	535,897	\$	566,342	\$	475,484		

#### **Debt** Administration

The Authority had \$497.7 million and \$523.1 million in long-term liabilities outstanding, including current maturities, as of September 30, 2020 and 2019, respectively. Principal payments of \$24.6 million and \$18.3 million were made during fiscal years 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Authority's long-term liabilities are summarized below and presented in more detail in the financial statements (see Note 8 for more information on long-term debt).

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

#### (3) Capital Asset and Debt Administration (continued) Table 4

#### Long-Term Debt Outstanding (in thousands)

**Percentage Change** 2020-2019 2020 2019 2018 2019-2018 Bonds Payable, Premium & Deferral \$ 491,247 \$ 516,881 \$ 536,240 -5% -4% Capital Lease Obligation 4.683 4.826 4.972 -3% -3% Compensated Absences 1,836 1,421 1,306 29% 9% Total debt outstanding 497,766 523,128 542,518 -5% -4% Current portion of debt outstanding 25.863 24.612 18,327 5% 34% **Debt outstanding less current portion** \$ 471,903 \$ 498,516 \$ 524,191 -5% -5%

The current portion of debt outstanding includes \$121 thousand and \$89 thousand current portions of compensated absences, as of September 30, 2020 and 2019, respectively. See Note 8 for detail.

The Authority's bonds are rated "Aa1" by Moody's for the fiscal year 2018 and "A+" by Standard & Poor's Corporation and "AA+" by Fitch Ratings Services.

## (4) Budgetary Controls

The Authority adopts an operating and capital budget approved by its Board of Directors in February of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. The budget is reviewed and adjusted, if necessary, and the Board approves changes. The budgets are loaded into the Authority's Financial Management System. The Financial Management Division prepares monthly reports for the Board of Directors and its Finance Committee. The reports are reviewed and acted upon each month to ensure the Authority complies with its authorized budget levels.

After approval by the Board of Directors, the Authority is required to submit its annual operating and capital budgets to the Mayor and Council of the District of Columbia to be included in the District's budgets sent to the United States Congress for approval.

#### (5) Economic Factors

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted the Authority. All booked events from mid-March 2020 through the remainder of the fiscal year were cancelled, resulting in 41% loss in operating revenue compared to FY2019. Dedicated tax revenue derived from hotel tax also reduced by 50%, as compared to 2019. Looking forward to the year ahead, in considering the Authority's budget for fiscal year 2021, the Authority has strategically redeployed its resources to address the potential impacts on future revenue shortfalls to create greater liquidity and flexibility. The proactive actions include reducing the fiscal year 2021 operating expenses by freezing vacant positions, reducing contractual services and capital expenditures.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

#### (5) *Economic Factors* (continued)

It is anticipated that an available vaccine during 2021 will lay the foundation for the first steps for travel and tourism to begin the return towards industry stabilization and a return to conventions/meetings and live events later in the year. While the Authority management will still need to remain vigilant and continue to deal with the pandemic, given its reserves coupled with strong financial stewardship, the Authority is resilient; and is positioned to ramp up operations safely and quickly.

#### (6) Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Authority's finances for all those with an interest in its finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report, or requests for additional financial information, should be addressed to Mr. Henry W. Mosley, Chief Financial Officer, Washington Convention and Sports Authority, 801 Mount Vernon Place, N.W., Washington, DC 20001.

# STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

		2020	 2019
Assets			 
Current assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	10,263	\$ 17,146
Restricted Cash		14,512	5,414
Investments		127,900	140,100
Due from District of Columbia		5,277	21,259
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts		4,426	5,656
Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets		5,142	4,970
Accrued Interest Receivable		478	 687
Total current assets		167,998	195,232
Noncurrent Assets			
Other Receivable		18,543	28,443
Restricted Investments		190,102	214,339
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets		15,657	7,527
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation		535,897	 566,342
Total Noncurrent Assets		760,199	 816,651
Total Assets		928,197	1,011,883
Deferred Outflow of Resources		9,639	10,165
Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources	\$	937,836	\$ 1,022,048
Liabilities and Net Positio	n		
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$	8,391	\$ 13,632
Other Liabilities		15,085	6,151
Due to District Government		3,323	3,940
Compensation Liabilities		1,071	1,778
Unearned Revenue		6,885	7,211
Accrued Interest Payable		11,736	12,334
Capital Lease- Current Portion		142	143
Bonds Payable, Current Portion		25,600	24,380
Total Current Liabilities		72,233	69,569
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Compensated Absences		1,716	1,332
Capital Lease- Long-Term		4,540	4,683
Long-term Bonds Payable including Premium		465,647	492,501
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		471,903	 498,516
Total Liabilities		544,136	 568,084
Net Position			
Net Position			
Net Invested in Capital Assets		248,039	247,243
Restricted Net Position:			
Debt Service and Capital Interest		33,475	31,310
Capital Renewal		33,394	31,797
Operating Fund		42,129	67,677
Debt Service Reserve		27,554	27,554
Kenilworth Park		144	144
Unrestricted Net Position	<u>_</u>	8,965	 48,239
Total Net Position	\$	393,700	\$ 453,964

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

	2020	2019
Operating Revenue and Expenses		
Operating Revenues:		
Building Rental- Events Related	\$ 4,807	\$ 8,807
Food Services	1,527	6,549
Electrical	1,496	2,842
Rigging	894	1,504
Parking	312	608
Telecommunications	1,093	2,182
Retail & Office Space Rental	870	1,203
Advertising & Sponsorship	1,093	946
Building Lease Rental	3,922	3,419
Miscellaneous	2,329	3,105
Total Operating Revenues	18,343	31,165
Operating Expenses		
Personal Services	33,063	30,376
Contractual Services	25,537	33,058
Depreciation	39,599	37,828
Occupancy	5,698	6,796
Payment to District	1,607	2,232
Miscellaneous	1,044	1,555
Bad Debt	265	74
Total Operating Expenses	106,813	111,919
Operating Loss	(88,470)	(80,754)
Nonoperating Revenues and (Expenses)		
Interest Income	3,973	8,478
Dedicated Taxes	74,067	147,633
TIF Revenue	12,175	19,248
Miscellaneous Revenue	6,197	5,933
Interest Expense	(23,510)	(24,702)
Amortization of Bond Issuance Costs	728	729
Marketing Agencies Payments	(11,640)	(20,370)
Hospitality & Marketing Relief and other Grants	(22,814)	-
Miscellaneous Expenses	(10,970)	(11,971)
Total Nonoperating Revenues and (Expenses)	28,206	124,978
Excess Cash Transfer to the District	-	(47,847)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	(60,264)	(3,623)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	453,964	457,047
Change in Accounting Principle	<u> </u>	540
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 393,700	\$ 453,964

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019 (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

		2020	2019
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Receipts from Customers	\$	18,981	\$ 28,400
Payments to Suppliers		(28,757)	(45,624)
Payments to Employees		(33,386)	(29,814)
Other Payments		(2,224)	(1,322)
Net cash used in Operating Activities		(45,385)	(48,360)
Cash flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Dedicated Tax Receipts		90,049	139,718
Tax Incremet Financing Tax Receipts		12,175	19,248
Transfer to Tourism Responsibility Centers		(11,640)	(20,370)
Other Payments		(33,784)	(59,818)
Other Receipts		16,098	15,139
Net cash provided by Noncapital Financing Activities		72,899	93,916
Cash flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(17,284)	(57,195)
Capital Lease Payment		(143)	(146)
Bonds payable payment		(24,380)	(18,105)
Interest payments		(24,108)	(22,462)
Net cash used in Capital and Related Financing Activities		(65,916)	(97,908)
Cash flows from Investing Activities:			
Proceeds from sale and maturities of investment securities		162,338	230,413
Purchases of investment securities		(125,903)	(187,300)
Interest and dividends on investments		4,182	8,302
Net cash provided in Investing Activities		40,618	51,416
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		2,215	(936)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year		22,560	23,496
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	24,775	\$ 22,560
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used In Operating Activities			
Operating Loss	\$	(88,470)	\$ (80,754)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	7	. , .	,
Depreciation		39,599	37,828
Provision for Doubtful Accounts		228	40
(Increase) Decrease in Receivables		1,002	(2,246)
Decrease (Increase) in Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets		(172)	331
(Decrease) Increase in Accounts Payable		3,460	(3,535)
(Decrease) Increase in Compensation Liabilities		(707)	461
(Decrease) Increase in Unearned Revenue		(326)	(485)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	\$	(45,385)	\$ (48,360)
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Increase in Capital asset and related Liability from Capital Lease entered	\$	-	\$ 3,000

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Authority's accounting policies conform to US Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as applicable to government enterprises. The following is a summary of the Authority's significant accounting policies:

## **Reporting Entity**

The Washington Convention Center Authority (WCCA or Authority), a corporate body and independent Authority of the District of Columbia (District) Government, was created pursuant to the Washington Convention Center Authority Act of 1994 (the WCCA Act), effective September 28, 1994.

On October 1, 2009, the Washington Convention and Sports Authority (WCSA) was formed following the transfer of the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission's mission, responsibilities, and assets to WCCA in accordance with the Washington Convention Center Authority and Sports and Entertainment Commission Merger Amendment Act of 2009.

Following the transfer, the Authority's Board of Directors (the Board) grew from nine to twelve members. Three members, including the District's Chief Financial Officer, the chief executive of the Hotel Association of Washington DC, and the third person designated by the Mayor, serve as voting exofficio members. The remaining nine public members are appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the Council of the District of Columbia (the Council). The terms of the public members are four years. The Mayor appoints one public member as chairperson with the advice and consent of the Council.

In June 2011, the Washington Convention and Sports Authority launched a new brand name, "Events DC."

Events DC receives its funding by generating operating revenues from conventions, meetings, sports events, parking, advertising, sponsorships, and ancillary operations. A significant part of the funding comes from dedicated taxes from the hospitality industry. In addition, it receives interest and dividend income from investments. The dedicated taxes were established pursuant to the WCCA Act. The dedicated taxes consist of separate sales and use tax of 4.45% (of the District's 14.5%) on hotel room charges and a sales and use tax of 1% (of the District's 10%) on restaurant meals, alcoholic beverages consumed on-premises, and rental vehicle charges. Effective October 1, 2017, the hotel room charges of 14.5% changed to 14.8%, with the additional 0.3% increase going to Destination DC through the Authority for marketing and promoting the District of Columbia as a destination. The dedicated taxes are collected on behalf of the Authority in accordance with the September 1998 Lockbox and Collection Agreements executed by the Authority, the District and a financial institution.

The Authority is a component unit of the District of Columbia Government.

## Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation

The Authority's basic financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The economic measurement focus reports all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflow of resources associated with the operations and are included on Net Position's Statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP as prescribed by GASB and are presented as required by these standards to provide a comprehensive perspective of the Authority's net position, changes in net position, and cash flows.

For financial reporting, the Authority is considered to be a single enterprise fund. However, for accounting purposes and to ensure observation of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of the resources available to the Authority, accounts are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting.

The Authority accounts for its activities in nine separate funds: the Operating (C&M) Fund, the Building Fund, the Marketing Fund, Capital (C&M) Fund, Operating (SED) Fund, New Stadium Fund, Capital (SED) Fund, Operating (Carnegie Library) Fund and Capital (Carnegie Library) Fund. The following activities are reported in each fund.

- a. Operating (C&M) Fund The operating fund accounts for the transactions related to the convention center's operation.
- b. Building Fund The building fund accounts for the transactions related to the new hotel and expansion projects.
- c. Marketing Fund The marketing fund accounts for the transactions related to marketing and promoting conventions and tourism in the District.
- d. Capital (C&M) Fund The capital fund accounts for the transactions related to the convention center's improvement.
- e. Operating (SED) Fund The operating SED fund accounts for transactions related to the operation of Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium, DC Armory, ESA and Gateway.
- f. New Stadium Fund The new stadium fund accounts for transactions related to the new Nationals Park Stadium.
- g. Capital (SED) Fund The SED capital fund accounts for the transactions related to the improvement of the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium and DC Armory.
- h. Operating Carnegie Library Fund The operating fund accounts for transactions related to the operation of Carnegie Library.
- i. Capital Carnegie Library Fund The capital fund accounts for the transactions related to the improvement of the Carnegie Library.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

#### Current and Non-current

Current assets are used to designate cash and other assets or resources commonly identified as those which are reasonably expected to be realized in cash or consumed during a normal operating cycle of business, usually one year or less, without interfering with normal business operations. Current liabilities are defined as obligations whose liquidation is reasonably expected to require the use of existing resources properly classifiable as current assets or the creation of other current liabilities.

#### Use of Restricted Components of Net Position

The Authority spends restricted reserve funds only when the unrestricted amounts are insufficient or unavailable.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Authority considers all highly liquid instruments purchased with an original maturity of less than ninety (90) days to be cash equivalents.

#### Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable, which is recorded at net realizable value, is related to transactions involving building rental, electrical, telecommunications, audio-visual, advertising, sponsorships, parking, and miscellaneous revenue. As of September 30, 2020 and 2019, gross accounts receivable was \$4.4 million and \$6 million, respectively.

#### Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

The Authority establishes an allowance for uncollectible accounts for all account receivables over 180 days old and based on management review of specific accounts. As of September 30, 2020 and 2019, the allowance for uncollectible accounts was \$570 thousand and \$342 thousand, respectively.

#### Investments

Investments in money markets and repurchase agreements are recorded at market value, which approximates fair value. Treasury obligations and commercial paper are recorded at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

#### **Restricted Assets**

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature of the assets' availability. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or other governments' laws or are imposed by law through enabling legislation.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

#### Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets are carried at cost. The Authority capitalizes assets with an original cost of \$5,000 or greater. Donated capital assets are recorded at fair market value at the date donated and capital lease assets are recorded at the net present value of minimum lease payments. Land and artwork are carried on the Authority's books at cost and are not depreciated. Depreciation expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Financial Systems	5 years
Machinery and Equipment	5 years
Furniture and Fixtures	10 years
Central Plant	20 years
Building and Building Improvements	30 years
Structure and Parking Lot Improvements	5-35 years
RFK Stadium	50 years

Expenditures for repairs and maintenance that do not increase the useful economic lives of related assets are charged to operations during the fiscal year in which the costs are incurred. Improvements are capitalized.

#### Deferred Outflows of Resources

On February 22, 2018, the Authority defeased series 2010C bond and incurred bond refunding costs. The cost is the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debts and is deferred and amortized over the remaining life of the old debt. Series 2010C bonds are amortized over 22 years. As of September 30, 2020 and 2019, bond refunding costs, which are reflected as a deferred outflow of resources in the Statements of Net Position, totaled \$9.6 million and \$10.2 million, respectively.

#### **Bond Premium and Discount**

The bond premium and discount is recorded as an increment of the carrying cost of the bonds. Both are amortized based upon the weighted average of bonds outstanding over the term of the bonds.

#### **Unearned Revenue**

Unearned revenue represents revenue and deposits received in advance from show managers and promoters for events booked at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center and the Sports & Entertainment Division.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenues are recorded when earned. Dedicated and Tax Increment Financing taxes are recorded in the period when the exchange transaction on which the tax is imposed occurs.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

#### Compensated Absences

The Authority accrues a liability for annual leave based on salary rates and accumulated leave hours on September 30. Employees earn annual leave during the year at varying rates, depending on their classification and years of service. Generally, non-union employees may carry over a maximum of 240 hours of annual leave and union employees may carry a maximum of 320 hours beyond December 31 of each calendar year. Carryover of annual leave in excess of 240 and 320 hours is permitted with appropriate Authority officials' approval. The accrued yearly maximum leave balance is payable to employees upon termination of employment.

#### Components of Net Position

Net position is reported in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets- This amount consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt attributed to the acquisition, construction or improvement of the assets.

Restricted – Under the Bond Trust agreements, the Authority is required to maintain specific reserve requirements for debt service, operating and marketing, capital renewal and replacement, marketing, and hotel projects. The Authority held funds in various reserve accounts to meet the requirements. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, those restricted funds totaled approximately \$190.1 million and \$214.3 million, respectively.

Unrestricted – This amount is the portion of net position that does not meet the definition of net investment in a capital asset or restricted.

#### **Revenues and Expenses**

The Authority distinguishes between operating revenues and expenses and non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the Authority's ongoing operations. The Authority's principal operating revenues consist of building rental, electrical, telecommunications, food services, retail/office, advertisements and sponsorship, and miscellaneous revenues such as audio-visual, event services, meeting setup charges, and equipment rental. Operating expenses include personnel services, contractual services, depreciation, occupancy, payment to District of Columbia, and miscellaneous expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the financial statements' date. Estimates and assumptions may also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

#### **Rounding Numbers**

Due to rounding, numbers presented throughout this document may not add up precisely to the totals provided and percentages may not precisely reflect the absolute figures.

#### Net Position Restatement

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 87, Leases, in June 2017. After the new standard issuance, the Authority entered into two lease agreements in FY2018 and FY2019. The Authority applied the new rule to recognize the two leases and plan to transition the older leases within the expected implementation effective date to allow adequate time to analyze existing leases. However, the standard does not allow to account for the lease transactions under different models. As a result, the account has been restated, and the change has increased the net position on October 1, 2019, by \$540,000.

The Authority will implement GASB 87 in FY2021.

## NOTE 2 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### Cash Deposits

The Authority's cash-carrying amounts as of September 30, 2020, and 2019 were \$24.8 million and \$22.5 million, respectively. The Authority's bank balances as of September 30, 2020, and 2019 were \$25 million and \$24.3 million, respectively. These bank balances are entirely insured or collateralized with third parties' securities in the Authority's name.

#### Investments

In accordance with the Authority's investment policy adopted in 1997 and amended in 2009, the Authority may invest in bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, treasury bills, or other securities guaranteed by the US Government, its agencies such as the Federal Home Loan Bank System, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac), and Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae); domestic interest-bearing savings accounts; certificate of deposits; time deposits or any other investments that are direct obligations of any bank; short-term obligations of US Corporations; shares or other securities legally issued by state or federal savings and loan associations that are insured by the FDIC; money market mutual funds registered under the amended Investment Act of 1940; repurchase agreements with any bank, trust company, or national banking association or government bond dealer reporting to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; and investment agreements which represent the unconditional obligation of one or more banks; insurance companies or other financial institutions, or are guaranteed by a financial institution.

As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the Authority's investments were in the money market, US treasury securities, certificate of deposits, other US guaranteed securities, and federal agency securities, along with collateralized repurchase agreements. Agency securities and money market investments were rated AAA and/or collateralized by the fund provider.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 2 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS** (continued)

*Fair Value Measurement:* The Authority measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by generally accepted accounting principles. These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices for identical investments in active markets,
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than quoted market prices; and,

Level 3: Unobservable inputs.

The Authority has the following recurring fair value measurements as of September 30, 2020 and 2019.

# Investment Instrument Measured at Fair Value (In Thousands)

	9	/30/2020	Ι	Level 1	I	Level 2	Le	evel 3
Investment by Fair Value Level								
Debt Securities								
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$	12,851	\$	12,851	\$	-	\$	-
Repurchase Agreement		32,821		32,821		-		-
Negotiable Certificate of Deposits		21,362		-		21,362		-
Money Market Deposits *		250,968		N/A		N/A		N/A
Total investments by fair value level	\$	318,002	\$	45,672	\$	21,362	\$	-
		Fair Valu	e Me	asurement	Usin	g		
	9	/30/2019	Ι	Level 1	]	Level 2	Le	evel 3
Investment by Fair Value Level								
Debt Securities								
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$	12,851	\$	12,851	\$	-	\$	-

Repurchase Agreement	32,821	32,821	-	-
Negotiable Securities	20,825	-	20,825	-
Money Market Deposits*	 287,942	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total investments by fair value level	\$ 354,439	\$ 45,672	\$ 20,825	\$ -

\* Valued at net asset value

The Authority's investments are subject to certain risks. Those risks are as follows:

*Custodial Credit Risk:* Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of failure of the counterparty, the Authority will not recover the value of its investments. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, 20% and 18% of the Authority's investments were held by an insured and collateralized counterparty.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 2 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS** (continued)

*Interest Rate Risk:* Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect an investment's fair value. The risk may vary based on the type of investment. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, all funds were invested in AAA-rated money market funds, agency securities and certificate of deposits (CDs), thereby limiting the Authority's exposure to interest rate risk. In accordance with the Authority's investment policy, the investment maturities vary from 1- 5 years.

*Credit Risk:* Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Authority's investment policy limits investments to investments that are highly rated by Moody's or Standard & Poor's. As of September 30, 2020 and 2019, the Authority's investments were all in AAA-rated short-term money market funds, AAA-rated agency securities, guaranteed investment contracts, and certificate of deposits.

*Concentration of Credit Risk:* To limit exposure to credit risk concentrations, the Authority's investment policy limits investment in US Treasury to 100%, Federal Agencies to 40%, money market mutual funds to 25%, and repurchase agreements to 25% to anyone issuer.

The following tables summarize the minimum reserve requirements and restricted and unrestricted amounts as of September 30, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands).

Reserve Accounts		estment nce as of ber 30, 2020	Re Re	nimum quired eserve stricted)	Re Ab	ailable eserve ove the d Minimum
Series 2018A						
Capital Renewal & Replacement Account	\$	83,490	\$	33,394	\$	50,096
Debt Service		33,474		33,474		-
Debt Service Reserve Account		27,554		27,554		-
Operating and Marketing Reserve Account		119,792		42,129		77,663
Revenue Account		141		-		141
Totals		264,451		136,551		127,900
Series 2018B and 2010 Bonds						
Tax Increment Financing Accounts		28,261		28,261		-
Debt Service Reserve Account		25,290		25,290		-
Totals		53,551		53,551		-
Total Restricted and Non-restricted Investments	\$	318,002	\$	190,102	\$	127,900

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 2 CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS** (continued)

Reserve Accounts		vestment ance as of aber 30, 2019	Re Re	nimum quired eserve stricted)	R Ab	vailable eserve ove the ed Minimum
<u>Series 2018A</u>						
Capital Renewal & Replacement Account	\$	118,214	\$	31,797	\$	86,416
Debt Service		31,310		31,310		-
Debt Service Reserve Account		30,002		27,554		2,449
Operating and Marketing Reserve Account		118,768		67,677		51,091
Revenue Account		143		-		143
Totals		298,437		158,338		140,098
<u>Series 2010</u>						
Tax Increment Financing Revenue Account		22,559		22,559		-
Debt Service Reserve Account		33,443		33,443		-
				-		-
Totals		56,002		56,002		-
Total Restricted and Non-restricted Investments	\$	354,439	\$	214,340	\$	140,098

## NOTE 3 OTHER ASSETS

The Authority contributed \$47 million in additional funding from its cash reserves to HQ Hotel LLC to facilitate the Marriott Marquis Convention Center Headquarters' Hotel Project development. The contribution is reimbursed from the collection of excess Tax Increment Revenues (TIF) generated by the hotel. The contribution was disbursed in the fiscal year 2013 and was recorded as other assets. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the outstanding balance was \$18.5 million and \$28.4 million, respectively.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

# NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset balances as of September 30, 2020, are summarized as follows (in thousands):

	Balance @ 9/30/2019	Additions	Disposals	Transfers/ Adjustments	Balance @ 9/30/2020
Non-depreciable					
Land	\$ 4,785	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,785
Construction In Progress	-	8,130	-	-	8,130
Artwork Total Non-depreciable Capital Assets	2,742 7,527	- 8,130	-	-	2,742 15,657
Depreciable					
Building (WEWCC)	769,409	-	-	-	769,409
Building Improvements (WEWCC)	49,920	407	-	(3)	50,324
Plumber's Building	33,425	-	-	-	33,425
Stadium Structure	19,037	-	-	-	19,037
Building Improvements/Displays (SED)	38,592	-	-	-	38,592
Building-ESA	73,975	-	-	-	73,975
RFK Multi-Purpose Fields	37,138	250	-	-	37,388
Parking Lot Improvements (SED)	7,041	-	-	-	7,041
Central Plant	16,265	-	-	-	16,265
Carnegie Library-Capital Lease	14,798	-	-	-	14,798
Carnegie Library-Building Improvements	1,479	-	-	-	1,479
Financial Systems	2,124	806	-	-	2,930
Furniture and Fixtures	33,547	1,524	-	-	35,071
Furniture and Fixtures (SED)	1,652	-	-	-	1,652
Machinery and Equipment	27,881	6,169	-	-	34,049
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	1,126,283	9,156	-	(3)	1,135,436
Less: Accumulated Depreciation					
Building (WEWCC)	421,743	25,595	-	-	447,338
Building Improvements (WEWCC)	9,927	1,664	-	-	11,591
Plumber's Building	6,035	1,114	-	-	7,149
Stadium Structure	19,096	25	-	-	19,121
Building Improvements/Displays (SED)	36,745	303	-	(3)	37,045
Building-ESA	2,371	2,470	-	-	4,841
RFK Multi-Purpose Fields	282	1,239	-	-	1,521
Parking Lot Improvements	6,110	36	-	-	6,146
Central Plant	13,397	813	-	-	14,210
Carnegie Library-Capital Lease	3,623	505	-	-	4,127
Carnegie Library-Building Improvements	195	53	-	-	248
Financial Systems	1,534	136	-	-	1,670
Furniture and Fixtures	20,521	2,213	-	-	22,735
Furniture and Fixtures (SED)	868	199	-	-	1,067
Machinery and Equipment	17,493	3,236	-	-	20,729
Total Accumulated Depreciation	559,941	39,602	-	(3)	599,538
Total Net Depreciable Capital Assets	\$ 566,342	\$ (30,446)	\$ -	\$ (0)	\$ 535,897

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

# **NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS** (continued)

Capital asset balances as of September 30, 2019, are summarized as follows (in thousands):

	Balance @ 9/30/2018	Additions	Disposals	Transfers/ Adjustments	Balance @ 9/30/2019
Non-depreciable					
Land	\$ 4,785	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,785
Construction In Progress	71,489	-	-	(71,489)	-
Artwork	2,742	-	-	-	2,742
Total Non-depreciable Capital Assets	79,016	-	-	(71,489)	7,527
Depreciable					
Building (WEWCC)	769,409		-	-	769,409
Building Improvements (WEWCC)	42,790	7,129	-	-	49,920
Plumber's Building	33,425	-	-	-	33,425
Stadium Structure	19,037	-	-	-	19,037
Building Improvements/Displays (SED)	38,367	224	-	-	38,592
Building-ESA		5,012	-	68,963	73,975
RFK Multi-Purpose Fields		34,612	-	2,526	37,138
Parking Lot Improvements (SED)	7,041	-	-	-	7,041
Central Plant	16,265	-	-	-	16,265
Carnegie Library -Capital Lease	14,798	-	-	-	14,798
Carnegie Library-Building Improvements	1,479	-	-	-	1,479
Financial Systems	1,751	373	-	-	2,124
Furniture and Fixtures	28,005	5,542	-	-	33,547
Furniture and Fixtures (SED)	1,578	74	-	-	1,652
Machinery and Equipment	23,652	4,229	-	-	27,881
Total Depreciable Capital Assets	997,597	57,197	-	71,489	1,126,283
Less: Accumulated Depreciation					
Building (WEWCC)	206 149	25 505			421 742
Building Improvements (WEWCC)	396,148		-	-	421,743
Plumber's Building	8,609	,	-	-	9,927
Stadium Structure	4,921		-	-	6,035
Building Improvements/Displays (SED)	19,068		-	-	19,096 26,745
	36,255		-	-	36,745
Building-ESA BEK Multi Dumaga Eiglda	-	2,371	-	-	2,371 282
RFK Multi-Purpose Fields Parking Lot Improvements	-	282	-	-	
Central Plant	6,073 12,584		-	-	6,110 13,397
Carnegie Library-Capital Lease	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		-	-	
	3,118		-	-	3,623
Carnegie Library-Building Improvements Financial Systems	142		-	-	195 1 524
Furniture and Fixtures	1,446		-	-	1,534
Furniture and Fixtures Furniture and Fixtures (SED)	18,599		-	-	20,521
	682		-	-	868
Machinery and Equipment	14,468		-	-	17,493
Total Accumulated Depreciation	522,113		- ¢	- ¢ =1.400	\$ 559,941
Total Net Depreciable Capital Assets	\$ 475,484	\$ 19,369	\$-	\$ 71,489	\$ 566,342

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## NOTE 5 CAPITAL LEASE

#### A) The Authority as a Lessee:

In May 2011, the Authority entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the District Government in order to assume the District's responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the historic Carnegie Library and grounds. Under the MOU, the Authority was required to pay \$9 million over three years based on an agreed-upon schedule. Previously, the District had a 99-year lease in place with the Historical Society of Washington, DC (HSW); under the terms of the former lease, HSW was allowed to use the entire Library interior for certain revenue-generating programs and activities that supported HSW's mission. The MOU required the Authority to negotiate a lease agreement with HSW, which was executed on November 9, 2011. On August 10, 2017, the Authority signed an amendment to the lease agreement. Under the amended lease agreement, the annual payment to HSW increased by \$50,000 for the remaining 81-year term to use approximately 80% of the Library interior. The Authority is currently generating revenues from the leasable space for events and tourism-related activities.

The carrying value of the capital lease is \$14.8 million and the accumulated depreciation recorded as of September 30, 2020 was \$4.1 million.

Year Ended September 30,	A	mount
2021	\$	188
2022		188
2023		188
2024		188
2025		188
2026-2030		940
2031-2035		968
2036-2040		955
2041-2045		997
2046-2050		988
2051-2055		1,027
2056-2060		1,028
2061-2065		1,058
2066-2070		1,058
2071-2075		1,090
2076-2080		1,090
2081-2085		1,312
2086-2090		1,123
2091-2095		1,156
2096-2099		617
Total		16,347
Less: Interest Costs		(11,665)
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments	\$	4,682

The following is a schedule by year of future minimum lease payments under the capital lease together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments as of September 30, 2020 (*in thousands*):

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## NOTE 6 OPERATING LEASES (Rental Income)

The Authority leases buildings and retail spaces to outside parties. As of September 30, 2020 and 2019 rental income from operating leases was \$4.8 million and \$4.6 million, respectively. The following is a schedule of minimum future rentals on non-cancelable operating leases as of September 30, 2020 (*in thousands*):

Year Ended September 30,	A	mount
2021	\$	4,662
2022		4,718
2023		4,787
2024		4,860
2025		4,869
2026-2030		23,413
2031-2035		24,931
2036-2040		24,788
2041-2045		16,131
2046-2050		2,040
2051-2055		2,140
2056-2060		2,240
2061-2065		2,340
2066-2070		2,440
2071-2075		2,540
2076-2080		2,640
2081-2085		2,740
2086-2090		2,840
2091-2095		2,940
2096-2100		3,040
2101-2105		3,140
2106-2110		2,580
Total	\$	146,819

#### NOTE 7 BONDS PAYABLE

The Authority was authorized to issue bonds to finance the new convention center's costs pursuant to the WCCA Act, as amended. On September 28, 1998, the Authority issued \$524.5 million in senior lien dedicated tax revenue bonds (Series 1998A Bonds) to finance the new Washington Convention Center's construction.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 7 BONDS PAYABLE** (continued)

On February 1, 2007, WCCA issued \$492.5 million of refunding Series 2007A Bonds, with a net premium of \$15.6 million to effect a refunding for the Series 1998A Bonds. These refunding bonds were delivered on February 8, 2007, with maturities ranging from October 1, 2008 to October 2036, at interest rates ranging from 3.75% to 5%. The net proceeds of these refunding bonds were used to 1) advance refund all of the Series 1998A Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$480.6 million; 2) refinance a portion of the land acquisition cost of WCCA related to the Headquarters Hotel; 3) pay the premium for the Reserve Account Facility that will fund the Series 2007A Debt Service Reserve Requirement; and 4) pay Costs of Issuance of the Series 2007A Bonds, including the premium for the Financial Guaranty Insurance Policy. As a result, the previously outstanding refunded bonds were considered to be defeased and the liabilities for those bonds were extinguished. The aggregate difference in debt service between the refunded debt and the refunding debt was \$9.7 million (NPV).

Between June 2006 and July 2009, the Council passed a series of legislative Acts (collectively, the "Hotel Acts"),<sup>1</sup> which authorized the financing, construction and development of a privately owned and operated Headquarters Hotel (the "HQ Hotel") for the Convention Center, including a program to train DC residents for HQ Hotel jobs.

In October 2010, the Authority issued senior lien dedicated tax revenue bonds (Series 2010 Bonds) with a \$249.2 million face value. On October 26, 2010, these Bonds were delivered with maturities ranging from October 2015 to October 2040, at interest rates ranging from 3.1% to 7%. The proceeds are to be used to (i) make funds available to the Developer to pay a portion of the costs of acquiring, developing, constructing, and equipping the Convention Center Hotel Project to be constructed on the Hotel Site adjacent to the Walter E. Washington Convention Center; (ii) fund capitalized interest for a portion of the Series 2010 Bonds during the construction phase of the Convention Center Hotel Project; (iii) fund the Debt Service Reserve Account Requirement for each series of Series 2010 Bonds; (iv) defease to the earliest optional redemption date that portion of the Authority's outstanding Senior Lien Dedicated Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2007A maturing on December 1, 2036, in the aggregate principal amount of \$25.4 million; (v) make \$2 million available to the Authority for the establishment of the DC Citizen's Job Program created pursuant to the Hotel Act; and (vi) pay the Cost of Issuance for the Series 2010 Bonds. As the hotel will be privately owned, the disbursement of the hotel-related bond proceeds will be recorded as an expense by the Authority.

A portion of the net proceeds from the issuance of Series 2010 Bonds was used to purchase US Government Securities and those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide debt services payments until the Series 2007A bonds are called or matures. As a result, the aggregate principal amount of \$25.4 million from Series 2007A Bonds is considered to be defeased, and therefore, removed as a liability from the Authority's financial statements. The Trustee fully paid the amount on October 1, 2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See New Convention Center Hotel Omnibus Financing and Development Act of 2006; New Convention Center Hotel Omnibus Financing and Development Amendment Act of 2008; New Convention Center Hotel Technical Amendments Act of 2008; New Convention Center Hotel Emergency Amendment Act of 2009, D.C. Bill No. 18-391; and New Convention Center Hotel Amendment Act of 2009, D.C. Bill No. 18-391.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 7 BONDS PAYABLE** (continued)

On February 22, 2018, the Authority issued \$333.1 million in Senior Lien Dedicated Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, with a net premium of \$37.9 million, with interest rates ranging between 1.390% and 3%. The proceeds from Series 2018A and 2018B Bonds were used to current refund outstanding maturities of Series 2007 and advance refund Series 2010C, respectively. The Authority deposited the net proceeds from 2018B along with other funds of the Authority in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service on the refunded 2010C bonds. As a result, the 2010C series bonds are considered legally defeased and, as such, are not reflected in the Authority's books. The aggregate difference in debt service between the refunded debt and the refunding debt was \$9.7 million Net Present Value (NPV).

In connection with the issuance of the bonds, the District and the Authority entered into lockbox and collection agreements with a local bank into which the dedicated taxes are deposited and transferred to the Bond trustee. Dedicated taxes are collected one month in arrears. The WCCA Act states that on or before July 15 of each year, the District's Auditor should deliver a certification relating to the sufficiency of the projected dedicated tax revenues, Authority's operating revenues, and any amounts in excess of the minimum reserve account deposits to meet the sum of the projected operating and debt service expenditures and reserve requirements. If the projected revenues are insufficient, the WCCA Act requires the Mayor to impose surtax in an amount sufficient to meet the projected deficiency. The District's Auditor determined that the projected dedicated taxes for the fiscal year 2021 were expected to be sufficient to meet the projected expenditures and reserve requirements. Therefore, no surtax was imposed by the Mayor.

The Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenue generated from the HQ Hotel operations is projected to cover the hotel project's debt services. If the TIF revenue is not sufficient to pay the debt services, the Authority will utilize dedicated taxes to meet the requirements.

Fiscal Years	Ì	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service
2021	\$	25,600	\$ 22,209	\$ 47,809
2022		27,590	20,853	48,443
2023		28,960	19,421	48,381
2024		12,480	18,801	31,281
2025		13,100	18,150	31,250
2026-2030		166,070	68,298	234,368
2031-2035		91,285	31,483	122,768
2036-2040		79,420	12,035	91,455
2041		12,250	-	12,250
Total	\$	456,755	\$ 211,251	\$ 668,006

As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the Authority's bond liability totaled approximately \$456.8 million and \$481.1 million, respectively. A summary of annual maturities of the bonds payable as of September 30, 2020, is as follows (*in thousands*):

As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the unamortized bond premiums were \$34.7 million and \$36 million, respectively, and unamortized bond discount was \$243 thousand and \$255 thousand, respectively.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## NOTE 8 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following summarizes long-term liabilities as of September 30, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	 alance @ 30/2019	Additions	Reductions	Balance @ 9/30/2020	nount Due Within One Year
Series 2018 Bond Payable	\$ 318,130		\$ (21,100)	\$ 297,030	\$ 22,220
Series 2010 Bond Payable	163,005	-	(3,280)	159,725	3,380
Series 2010 Bond Discount	(255)	-	12	(243)	-
Series 2018 Bond Premium	 36,001		(1,266)	34,735	-
Bonds Payable, net	516,881	-	(24,368)	491,247	25,600
Capital Lease Obligation	4,826		(142)	4,684	142
Compensated Absences	 1,421	415	-	1,836	120
Total Long-term Liabilities	\$ 523,128	415	\$ (24,510)	\$ 497,767	\$ 25,862

	2.	alance @ 30/2018	Additions	Reductions	Balance @ 9/30/2019	 nount Due Within Dne Year
Series 2018 Bond Payable	\$	333,050		\$ (14,920) \$	318,130	\$ 21,100
Series 2010 Bond Payable		166,190	-	(3,185)	163,005	3,280
Series 2010 Bond Discount		(267)	-	12	(255)	-
Series 2018 Bond Premium		37,267	-	(1,266)	36,001	-
Bonds Payable, net		536,240	-	(18,093)	516,881	24,380
Capital Lease Obligation		4,972		(146)	4,826	143
Compensated Absences		1,306	169	(54)	1,421	89
Total Long-term Liabilities	\$	542,518	169	(\$18,293) \$	523,128	\$ 24,612

## NOTE 9 RETIREMENT PLAN

Since April 1998, all Events DC full-time employees are covered by a defined contribution plan. The plan, which is managed by ICMA Retirement Corporation, requires no employee contributions. All employees are fully vested after four years of service. The contribution is 7% of total employee's salaries. The Authority's contributions for fiscal years 2020 and 2019 were approximately \$1.4 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. The Plan's administrator issues financial statements and required supplemental information, which is available upon request. This report may be obtained from the following location: ICMA Retirement Corporation, 777 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002-4240.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## NOTE 10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### Dedicated Taxes

In accordance with the WCCA Act and amended Master Trust Agreement, the District of Columbia Government collects and forwards to the Authority the dedicated tax receipts that are used to fund the debt service and reserve requirements of its Series 2007A Bonds. In fiscal years 2020 and 2019, the Authority recognized transfers from dedicated tax receipts of \$74.1 million and \$147.6 million, respectively. The transfers include the 0.3% hotel room tax that is dedicated to Destination DC which amounts to \$3.5 million and 6.2 million in fiscal years 2020, and 2019, respectively. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the dedicated taxes due from the District Government were \$3.6 million and \$16.3 million, respectively. These receivables represent September tax payments collected by the District in October.

#### Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Revenue

The District issued the TIF Note to the WCSA, and the WCSA pledged the TIF Note to the Trustee to secure the payment of the Series 2010A Bonds and the 2010B Bonds (collectively, the "Bonds"). Pursuant to the TIF Note, the District has agreed to make regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest (the "Regular Payments") to the extent that funds are available in the New Convention Center Hotel Fund. TIF revenue is from the sales and use taxes and property taxes generated from the operation of the HQ Hotel. In fiscal years 2020 and 2019, the Authority recognized revenue from TIF tax receipts of \$12.2 million and \$19.2 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2019, TIF receivables due from the District Government were \$4.9 million. No receivables were recognized at year-end on September 30, 2020.

#### Excess Cash Transfer to the District's General Fund

In accordance with DC Code § 10-1202.13, Transfer of Excess Cash, if, at the end of a fiscal year, the Authority's balance of cash and investments in its Convention Center Operating Fund exceeds the balance of current liabilities, reserves, and any amounts the Authority will need to purchase or redeem its outstanding indebtedness during the upcoming fiscal year, the Authority must transfer the excess, in cash, to the District's General Fund. Consistent with District legislation, the Master Trust Agreement between the Authority and The Bank of New York (as Trustee), and a Memorandum of Understanding between the District and the Authority, the Authority must maintain the following reserves: (1) maximum annual debt service on outstanding bonds and notes issued by the Authority; (2) an operating reserve equal to 1.5 times the operating and marketing budget; and (2) a capital reserve of 5% of the original cost of the convention center adjusted for inflation.

During the year ended September 30, 2019, the Authority transferred \$47,847 to the District's General Fund for the excess funds related to the calculation for fiscal years 2017 and 2018 of \$27,852 and \$19,995, respectively. There was no excess cash transfer made in the fiscal year 2020.

#### District's (DGS) Management Agreement

On October 1, 2009, under the Washington Convention Center Authority and Sports and Entertainment Commission Merger Amendment Act of 2009, the Authority merged with the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission to form the Washington Convention and Sports Authority (WCSA). As part of the merger, the District of Columbia's Department of General Services (DGS), formerly known as Department of Real Estate Services (DRES), became responsible for the facility maintenance tasks on RFK Stadium and the DC Armory previously performed by the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS** (continued)

The Authority has agreed to pay DGS up to \$2.5 million each year for facility maintenance services.

#### **Relationship to the United States Government**

The United States Government contracted with the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission's predecessor, the District of Columbia Armory Board, for the construction of RFK Stadium while the United States Government constructed the surrounding motor vehicle parking areas. Both were constructed on land owned by the United States Government (DC Official Code § 3–322).

In 1988, the United States Government deeded, pursuant to Public Law 99-581, "all rights, title, and interest of the United States in and to the Stadium" to the District. In addition, the United States Department of the Interior leased to the District the land occupied by the stadium and the parking areas without consideration for 50 years.

#### Relationship to the District of Columbia Government

Prior to the merger, the DC Sports and Entertainment Commission (DCSEC) entered into a lease agreement in March 2006 with the government of the District of Columbia under which the District leased the Baseball Stadium Site and the Baseball Stadium complex to the DCSEC for a 99-year term, for the amount of one dollar (\$1) for the entire term. The DCSEC subsequently, entered into a Lease Agreement dated March 6, 2006 with Baseball Expos, LP, which is now the Washington Nationals Baseball Club (the "Team"). The agreement established provisions for the DCSEC, as lessor, to sublease the Baseball Stadium Site and the Baseball Stadium Complex to the Team. The lease term extends for 30 years with an initial lease payment of \$3.5 million and with an added escalation clause after that. The Team is required to pay additional rent in each lease year in which the number of certain tickets issued exceeds \$2.5 million.

The former DCSEC also entered into a Funding and Assignment Agreement dated May 1, 2006, with the District of Columbia whereby the DCSEC assigned to the District all rent and other revenue amount that it receives or is entitled to receive under or related to the March 6, 2006 Lease Agreement with the Team. During fiscal years 2020 and 2019, the District received annual rent equal to \$6.2 million and \$6.1 million, respectively. The District uses the rent revenue to pay the outstanding debt related to the Baseball Stadium Bonds. The Authority assumed all rights and obligations of the former DCSEC pursuant to the merger.

## Leasing Arrangements-Carnegie Library (Visitor Center)

The District of Columbia holds the former Central Public Library known as the Carnegie Library at Mount Vernon Square situated on Lot 800 in Square 403N, with a street address at 801 K Street, NW, under a grant of jurisdiction dated March 3, 1899 from the Fifty-Fifth session of the Congress of the United States of America, in Chapter 455, entitled "An act to provide a site for a building for the Washington Public Library."

On June 1, 1999, the District and the Historical Society of Washington, DC (HSW) entered into a lease agreement with respect to the Building as the leased premises for a term of the ninety-nine (99) years commencing on June 1, 1999, and ending on May 31, 2098. The Original Lease was amended on April 17, 2002 and May 29, 2002.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS** (continued)

In 2006, the United States of America transferred to the District administrative jurisdiction of US Reservation 8, being the land underneath and adjacent to the Building.

On May 5, 2011, the District and the Authority entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the Carnegie Library and Reservation 8, whereby the District transferred to the Authority all of its rights and obligations with respect to the administrative jurisdiction over the Carnegie Library and with respect to the Original Lease, as amended, as well as setting forth certain obligations and rights with respect to Reservation 8, among other items, for \$9 million payable in three annual installments beginning November 30, 2011. The MOU is effective from May 1, 2011 through April 30, 2110.

The Authority reported the lease as a capital asset and the related debt as a long-term liability in the Authority's Statements of Net Position.

## NOTE 11 MARKETING SERVICE CONTRACTS

In accordance with the provisions of Section 208(a) of the Washington Convention Center Act of 1994 (as amended in 1998), the Authority is required to maintain a Marketing Fund for the payment of marketing service contracts to promote conventions, tourism, and leisure travel in the District. The Act states that the total payment amount of the marketing service contracts is based on 17.4% of the hotel sales tax received. Effective October 1, 2017, under the Hospitality Tax Dedication section of the Act, an additional 0.3 percent hotel room tax was imposed. The 0.3 percent tax is dedicated to Destination DC through the Authority for marketing and promoting the District of Columbia as a destination.

During fiscal years 2020 and 2019, the total amount of dedicated taxes allocated to the Marketing Fund was approximately \$11.6 million and \$20.3 million, respectively. The Authority incurred the following marketing services expenses in fiscal years 2020 and 2019 *(in thousands)*, respectively:

Marketing Agencies	F	Y2020	Ē	Y2019
Destination DC	\$	7,712	\$	13,750
Destination DC -0.3% Additional		3,478		6,170
DC Chamber of Commerce		150		150
Ibero Chamber of Commerce		300		300
	\$	11,640	\$	20,370

## NOTE 12 BASEBALL STADIUM

#### Capital Fund Reserve

Pursuant to the lease agreement dated March 6, 2006, the District contributes \$1.5 million to the Capital Reserve Fund each year to be used for necessary improvements and repairs costs to the Baseball Stadium. The Authority manages the Capital Reserve Fund balance and the contribution received in FY2020 and FY2019 was fully utilized.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## **NOTE 12 BASEBALL STADIUM** (continued)

#### Close Out Project

A memorandum of agreement was signed between the District and former DCSEC on September 30, 2009 to close out all spending to construct and develop the Baseball Stadium. A transfer of \$1.9 million was made to the New Stadium Account, which is managed by the Authority. During fiscal years 2020 and 2019, there was no activity other than a bank service charge fee. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the remaining balance of \$664,840 and \$664,906, respectively, is reflected in Due to District Government in the financial statements.

#### **Contingency Reserve Fund**

Pursuant to the lease agreement dated March 6, 2006, the District was required to contribute \$5 million, on or before the Commencement Date's fifth anniversary, to the Contingency Reserve Fund. The fund is to be used for necessary and appropriate expenditures to preserve, maintain, or enhance the Baseball Stadium complex's value. The Authority manages the Contingency Reserve Fund. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, the remaining balance of \$3.4 million and \$5 million is included in Other Liabilities in the financial statements.

## NOTE 13 BASEBALL ACADEMY

On March 7, 2012, the District entered into a ground lease agreement with the Washington Nationals Youth Baseball Academy, Inc. (the "Academy") for a portion of the Fort DuPont Park Site that the Academy will use to construct and operate a youth baseball academy. In accordance with the lease agreement, the District is to make payments for the Academy improvements and has requested the Authority to facilitate the timely transfer of these payments. The Authority is in receipt of the first payment in the amount of \$1 million which is included in Other Liabilities in the financial statements.

On March 7, 2012, the Authority also entered into a grant agreement with the Academy to fund \$10.2 million to construct and develop a youth baseball academy. The funding was completed in 2014, and there is no outstanding commitment as of September 30, 2020.

#### NOTE 14 KENILWORTH PARK PROJECT

The former DCSEC received funds from the Federal Government, the Washington Nationals and the District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation to renovate a soccer field at Kenilworth Fort Greble fields, which was completed in the fiscal year 2008. At the time of the merger, the Kenilworth fund had a balance of \$145 thousand. This project had no activities besides monthly interest/service charge payments in fiscal years 2020 and 2019. As of September 30, 2020, and 2019, there was an account balance of \$144 thousand. The amounts are reflected as Restricted Net Position in the financial statements.

#### NOTE 15 CORONAVIRUS RELIFE FUNDING FOR HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY

The coronavirus pandemic has severely impacted the hospitality industry in the District of Columbia's, including the suspension of numerous hotels and restaurants' operations, resulting in loss of business income and layoffs of thousands of hospitality workers. The Authority disbursed \$12.1 million emergency funding to assist in providing relief to hotel and restaurant operators and workers in the District of Columbia impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND 2019

## NOTE 16 CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM

The Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Support Act of 2019, D.C. Law 23-0016, directs the Authority to issue in the Fiscal Year 2020 not less than Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) in grants from the Authority's Convention Center Fund to support cultural institutions operating in the District of Columbia; provided that funds are available for such purpose and that the Authority first satisfies its current liabilities and legally required reserves. The Authority has established a Cultural Institutions Grant Program ("Grant Program") for the Fiscal Year 2020 and disbursed \$10.1 million as of September 30, 2020.

## NOTE 17 RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Authority maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, errors and omissions, employee accident and surety bonds.

## NOTE 18 CONTINGENCIES

Due to the nature of the Authority's business, it is involved in several claims and lawsuits. In the opinion of management and legal counsel, the expected outcome of claims and lawsuits, individually or in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on the financial statements.

## NOTE 19 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Authority evaluated the subsequent events and transactions through January 7, 2021, the date these financial statements were available for issue and has determined that no subsequent material events have occurred that would affect the information presented in the accompanying financial statements or require additional disclosure.

# SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

# SCHEDULE OF NET POSITION BY FUND

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

(In Thousands)

	Operating (WCC) Fund	C	Operating (SED) Fund	ľ	Marketing Fund	Capital Fund	l ding und	New Stadium Fund	SED l Capital	Op	tor Center perating Fund	(	Visitor Center Fund	TOTAL
ASSETS														
Current assets:														
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,728	\$	3,526	\$	2,018	\$ 1,490	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	1,501	\$	-	\$ 10,263
Restricted cash	8,999		1,185		-	-	-	4,138	-		190		-	14,512
Investments	116,002		-		11,898	-	-	-	-		-		-	127,900
Due from District of Columbia Accounts receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible	4,210		729		338	-	-	-	-		-		-	5,277
accounts	1,304		783		29	-	2,310	-	-		-		-	4,426
Prepaid expenses and other assets	844		3		219	-	-	-	-		4,076		-	5,142
Accrued interest receivable	403		-		-	-	75	-	-		-		-	478
Interfund Receivable (Payable)	 (229)		18		1,211	-	(1,000)	-	-		-		-	-
Total current assets	 133,261		6,244		15,713	1,490	1,385	4,138	-		5,767		-	167,998
Noncurrent Assets														
Other Receivable	18,543		-		-	-	-	-	-		-		-	18,543
Restricted investments	136,552		-		-	-	53,550	-	-		-		-	190,102
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	7,511		-		-	8,146	-	-	-		-		-	15,657
Capital assets, net depreciable	 326,656		33		-	167,553	26,276	-	3,471		10,671		1,237	535,897
Total Noncurrent Assets	 489,262		33		-	175,699	79,826	-	3,471		10,671		1,237	760,199
Total Assets	 622,523		6,277		15,713	 177,189	81,211	4,138	3,471		16,438		1,237	928,197
Deferred Outflow of Resources	 2,257		-		-	-	7,382	-	-		-		-	9,639
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources</b>	\$ 624,780	\$	6,277	\$	15,713	\$ 177,189	\$ 88,593	\$ 4,138	\$ 3,471	\$	16,438	\$	1,237	\$ 937,836

#### SCHEDULE OF NET POSITION BY FUND (Continued) AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 (In Thousands)

LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION										
Current Liabilities										
Accounts payable	2,287	2,573	1,014	2,492	-	-	-	25	-	8,391
Other Short-term Liabilities	9,077	1,535	-	-	1,000	3,473	-	-	-	15,085
Due to District Government	3	1,655	-	-	1,000	665		-	-	3,323
Compensation liabilities	895	172	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	1,071
Unearned Revenue	823	4,296	-	-	-	-	-	1,766	-	6,885
Accrued interest payable	6,003	-	-	-	5,733	-	-	-	-	11,736
Capital Lease- Current portion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142	-	142
Bonds payable, current portion	21,770	-	-	-	3,830	-	-	-	-	25,600
Total Current Liabilities	40,858	10,231	1,014	2,492	11,563	4,138	-	1,937	-	72,233
Noncurrent Liabilities										
Compensated absences	1,476	233	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	1,716
Capital Lease- Long-Term	-,		-	-	-	-	-	4,540	-	4,540
Bonds payable including premium	253,044	-	-	-	212,603	-	-	-	-	465,647
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	254,520	233	-	-	212,603	-	-	4,547	-	471,903
Total Liabilities	295,378	10,464	1,014	2,492	224,166	4,138	-	6,484	-	544,136
NET POSITION Net Position										
Net Invested in capital assets	61,610	33	-	175,699		-	3,471	5,989	1,237	248,039
Restricted for:	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	
Debt service Reserve and capitalized interest	33,475	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,475
Capital renewal	33,394	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,394
Operating & Marketing fund	42,129	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42,129
Debt services reserve	27,554	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,554
Kenilworth Park	-	144	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	144
Unrestricted Net Position	131,240	(4,364)	14,699	(1,002)	(135,573)	-	-	3,965	-	8,965
Total Net Position	\$ 329,402 \$	(4,187) \$	14,699 \$	174,697	\$ (135,573) \$	- \$	3,471 \$	9,954 \$	1,237 \$	393,700

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION BY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

(In Thousands)

	Opera (WC Fur	<b>C</b> )	(	erating SED) Fund	arketing Fund		Capital Fund	в	uilding Fund	Stadium Fund	SI Fund (		Ор	or Center erating Fund	С	or Center apital Fund	Total
Operating Revenues:																	
Building rental- Events Related	\$	4,441	\$	366	\$ - \$	;	- \$	5	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- \$	4,807
Food services		1,500		27	-		-		-	-		-		-		-	1,527
Electrical		1,483		13	-		-		-	-		-		-		-	1,496
Rigging		894		-	-		-		-	-		-				-	894
Parking		-		312	-		-		-	-		-		-		-	312
Telecommunications		1,088		5	-		-		-	-		-				-	1,093
Retail/ office rental		282		588	-		-		-	-		-		-		-	870
Advertising & Sponsorship		75		1,018	-		-		-	-		-				-	1,093
Building Lease Rental		-		356	-		-		2,666	-		-		900		-	3,922
Miscellaneous		1,328		1,000	-		-		-	-		-		1		-	2,329
Total Operating Revenues		11,091		3,685	-		-		2,666	-		-		901		-	18,343
Operating Expenses																	
Personal services		27,951		5,015	-		-		-	-		-		97		-	33,063
Contractual services		12,858		5,910	5,430		1,173		-	-		85		81		-	25,537
Depreciation		26,574		(2)	-		10,666		1,114	-		686		505		56	39,599
Occupancy		4,038		1,469	-		-		-	-		-		191		-	5,698
Payment to District		-		1,607	-		-			-		-		-		-	1,607
Miscellaneous		844		200	-				-	-		-		-		-	1,044
Bad debt		265		-	-		-			-		-		-		-	265
Total Operating Expenses		72,530		14,199	5,430		11,839		1,114	-		771		874		56	106,813
Operating Loss		(61,439)		(10,514)	(5,430)		(11,839)		1,552	-		(771)		27		(56)	(88,470)
Nonoperating Revenues and (Expenses)																	
Interest Income		3,366		-			-		607	-		-		-		-	3,973
Dedicated taxes		74,067		-	-		-		-	-		-		-		-	74,067
TIF Revenue		-		-	-		-		12,175	-		-		-		-	12,175
Miscellaneous revenue		-		-	-		-		6,197	-		-				-	6,197
Interest expense		(12,004)		-	-		-		(11,466)	-		-		(40	)	-	(23,510)
Amortization of Bond Premium		1,120		-	-		-		(392)	-		-		-		-	728
Marketing Agencies Payments				-	(11,640)		-		-	-		-		-		-	(11,640)
Hospitality & Marketing Relief and Other Grants		(22,814)		-	-		-		-	-		-		-		-	(22,814)
Other		-		-	-				(10,900)	-		-		(70	)	-	(10,970)
Total Nonoperating Revenues and (Expenses)		43,735		-	(11,640)		-		(3,779)	-		-		(110	/	-	28,206
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position before Transfers		(17,704)		(10,514)	(17,070)		(11,839)		(2,227)	-		(771)		(83	)	(56)	(60,264)
Transfer In (out)		(37,954)		10,927	12,570		17,805		(616)	(3,000)		268		-		-	-
Change in Net Position		(55,658)		413	(4,500)		5,966		(2,843)	(3,000)		(503)		(83	)	(56)	(60,264)
Net Position, Beginning of Year		385,060		(4,600)	19,199		168,731		(132,730)	3,000		3,974		10,037		1,293	453,964
Net Position, End of Year	\$	329,402	\$	(4,187)	\$ 14,699	\$	174,697	\$	(135,573)	\$ -	\$	3,471	\$	9,954	\$	1,237 \$	393,700

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## REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Mayor, Members of the Council of the Government of the District of Columbia, the Board of Directors of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority and Inspector General of the Government of the District of Columbia Washington, D.C.

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Washington Convention and Sports Authority (the Authority), a component unit of the Government of the District of Columbia, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 7, 2021.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express

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such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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

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

Mconnell & Jones

Washington, D.C. January 7, 2021