FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ended September 30, 2016





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March 17, 2017

To the Board of Directors of the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority, Members of the Commissioners Court, and Citizens of Fort Bend County, Texas:

The Fort Bend County Auditor's Office is pleased to present the basic financial statements of the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority (the "Authority"), a component unit of Fort Bend County, Texas (the "County"), for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. This report is submitted in accordance with Section 114.025 of the Texas Local Government Code and was prepared by the staff of the County Auditor's Office.

Management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of the information contained in this report, based upon a comprehensive framework of internal control that it has established for this purpose. Because the cost of internal control should not exceed anticipated benefits, the objective is to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of any material misstatements.

Whitley Penn, LLP, has issued an unmodified ("clean") opinion on the Authority's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2016. The independent auditors' report is located at the front of the financial section of this report.

Management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") immediately follows the independent auditors' report and provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the basic financial statements. MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

Profile of the Authority

The Authority was created by the Fort Bend County Commissioners Court (the "Court") as a local government corporation pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, to aid, assist, and act on behalf of the County in the performance of its essential government purposes, including toll road projects. The Board of Directors of the Authority includes five members appointed by the Court. All actions of the Authority are presented to the Court for approval.

The Authority's main office is located in Sugar Land, Texas, and has completed construction of two key components of the Fort Bend County Toll Road System, the first segments of the Fort Bend Parkway and the Fort Bend Westpark Tollway. The Fort Bend County Toll Road system offers new transportation options, relieving traffic congestion for commuters.

In November 2000, Fort Bend County citizens overwhelmingly approved a \$140 million bond issue to support revenue bond financing to pay for the construction of the two toll road projects. The four-lane, 6.2 mile, Fort Bend Parkway Toll Road, which opened August 2004, connects the Sam Houston Tollway (Beltway 8) with State Highway 6. The Fort Bend Westpark Tollway, which opened August 2005, ties into Harris County's Westpark Tollway just east of FM-1464 and continues west to the Grand Parkway for 6 miles. The Authority opened the 1.2 mile segment of the Fort Bend Parkway Toll Road in May 2014 that extended the toll road south of Highway 6 to Sienna Parkway. The Authority began construction of the Highway 6 overpass in February of 2015 to connect the existing Parkway main lanes north of Trammel-Fresno Road to the main lanes south of Knight Road. This is scheduled to be completed by the Summer of 2017. The Westpark expansion was begun in 2016 to extend the current Westpark Tollway from its terminus at Grand Parkway through the FM723/Spring Green Intersection and is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2018. This expansion of Westpark also includes County funded access roads on either side of the Westpark Tollway from the Grand Parkway to East of FM1463/FM359. This toll road system provides seamless access to commuters through the use of an electronic toll tag issued by Harris County Toll Road Authority (EZ-TAG), Texas Department of Transportation (TxTag), or the North Texas Tollway Authority (TollTag).

Additional information about the Authority is available on their website: http://www.fbctra.com.

Local Economy

Fort Bend County continues to experience improvement in the local economy for fiscal year 2016. This is evident by a modest increase in new home sales, labor force, and employment rate. The demand for services regarding the governmental functions performed by the County continues to increase at a greater rate. The Commissioners Court and the Authority use a conservative approach to the allocation of resources to serve the County's needs to ensure that Fort Bend County is prepared as the local economy improves. This ongoing conservative approach will allow the County and Authority to meet the service demands of the residents in Fort Bend County. This ongoing conservative approach will not reduce the level of service provided by the Fort Bend County Toll Road System to the residents.

Long-Term Financial Planning and Relevant Financial Policies

Budget

The Authority adopts a one-year budget through its fully coordinated financial planning process. The budget implements strategies, both financial and operational, identified through the strategic and long-range planning process to meet existing challenges and to effectively plan for future needs. The budget is a financial plan for a fiscal year of operations that matches all planned revenues and expenses with the services provided the citizens of the County based on the established budget policy. Decisions are not based solely on current conditions but on the long-term welfare of the community. The budget is developed and resources allocated based on the vision, mission, and goals of the Authority and County.

Long-Term Comprehensive Plan

The Authority's long-term plan is to manage, maintain, and expand the Toll Road System to enhance the County's master thoroughfare system. The future expansion of the system will be appropriately timed to meet the demand when financially feasible.

Capital Improvement Program

The Authority maintains a multi-year Capital Projects Plan that includes toll road mobility projects. These capital initiatives involve extension and improvement of the existing Fort Bend County Toll Road System.

Debt Policy

The purpose of the County's Debt Policy (which includes the Authority) is to establish guidelines for the utilization of debt instruments issued by the County and Authority whether payable from County taxes or payable from certain revenues of the County or Authority.

The County and Authority will ensure all uses of debt instruments are in compliance with all statutory requirements, and in accordance with the guidelines, outstanding ordinances, insurance covenants, and existing agreements. Further, the County and Authority will ensure that the utilization of any debt instrument provides the most prudent and cost-effective funding possible, taking all material matters into account.

Major Initiatives

During February 2015, the Authority began the \$30.3 million dollar Highway 6 Overpass project. The overpass bridge will connect the existing Fort Bend Parkway main lanes north of Trammel-Fresno Road to the main lanes south of Knight Road. The overpass will be a half mile long and will include entrance and exit ramps, as well as U-turn lanes located on either side of Highway 6. The project is schedule to be completed by the Summer of 2017.

The Westpark Tollway expansion, currently under construction, will widen the existing two-lane, undivided road into a four-lane, divided highway. The project will extend the current four-lane controlled access tollway to the west from its current terminus at Grand Parkway/SH 99 through the FM 723/Spring Green intersection. In addition, the County will construct one-way, two-lane frontage roads on the north and south of the Westpark Expansion as non-tolled lanes. Construction is scheduled to be completed by early 2018.

Acknowledgements

The preparation of this report could not be achieved without the efficient and dedicated services of the staff of the County Auditor's Office and Whitley Penn, LLP, our independent auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Sturdivant, CPA

County Auditor

Fort Bend County, Texas

FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY MISSION STATEMENT

The Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority was created by the Fort Bend County Commissioners' Court as a local government corporation pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, to aid, assist, and act on behalf of the County in the performance of its essential government purposes, including toll road projects.





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority Fort Bend County, Texas

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority (the "Authority"), a component unit of Fort Bend County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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 opinions 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 of 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 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 opinions.



To the Board of Directors Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority Fort Bend County, Texas

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Authority, as of September 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

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 7 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 opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The introductory and other information sections are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The introductory and other information section have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 17, 2017, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 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.

Houston, Texas March 17, 2017

Whitley FERN LLP

FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority (the "Authority"), we offer readers of the Authority's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal.

Overview of the Financial Statements

Management's discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority's basic financial statements include two components: the enterprise fund financial statements; and notes to the financial statements.

Enterprise Fund Financial Statements

The Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority is a local government corporation and a component unit of Fort Bend County (the "County"). It is a single-purpose government with one business-type activity. Because the Authority is a single-purpose government, this report only includes the required Management Discussion and Analysis, the Enterprise Fund financial statements and the notes to the financial statements. The Enterprise Fund financial statements consist of the Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and the Statement of Cash Flows.

The enterprise fund financial statements, which can be found on pages 11 through 13 of this report, are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's finances, in a manner similar to private-sector businesses.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the enterprise fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 14 through 20 of this report.

Financial Analysis

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Authority, assets and deferred outflow of resources exceeded liabilities by \$85,153,365 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The following table provides a summary of the Authorities net position at September 30, 2016 and 2015:

FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

September 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
Current and other assets	\$ 126,911,157 239,344,840	\$ 89,524,794 197,605,705
Capital assets, net Total Assets	 366,255,997	287,130,499
Total Assets	300,233,771	207,130,477
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	9,630,508	10,240,356
Long-term liabilities	281,269,148	212,446,904
Other liabilities	9,463,992	6,724,802
Total Liabilities	290,733,140	219,171,706
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	19,805,959	18,837,565
Restricted	19,944,002	7,679,464
Unrestricted	45,403,404	51,682,120
Total Net Position	\$ 85,153,365	\$ 78,199,149

As of September 30, 2016, the Authority's net position included \$19,805,959 for investment in capital assets, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Authority uses capital assets to provide services to citizens. Consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Authority's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the Authority net position, \$19,944,002, is restricted. This amount represents funds held by a trustee for debt service payments. The remaining balance of \$45,403,404 is unrestricted.

The Authority's assets and deferred outflow of resources exceeded its liabilities by \$85,153,365, resulting in an increase in net position of \$6,954,216 from the prior year. This increase is a result of a continued increase in revenues due primarily to increased utilization of the Fort Bend County Toll Road System and along with holding operating expenses relatively flat to allow for the growth in non-operating expenses caused by scheduled debt service increases, as shown on the next page. The growth in net position is being maintained in the revenue fund for future maintenance and construction.

The following table provides a summary of the Authorities operations for the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION

For the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016		2015	
Revenues				
Operating revenues:				
Toll revenue	\$	29,480,671	\$	26,859,669
Non-operating revenues:				
Earnings on investments		694,415		294,397
Total Revenues		30,175,086		27,154,066
Expenses				
Operating expenses:				
Salaries and personnel costs		178,611		152,950
Fees		7,433,285		8,789,161
Utilities		156,604		149,918
Depreciation		4,726,112		4,720,593
Non-operating expenses:				
Interest on long-term debt		10,015,947		7,846,093
Debt service fees		20,000		11,000
Debt issuance costs		785,311		518,776
Total Expenses		23,315,870		22,188,491
Income before Contributions		6,859,216		4,965,575
Capital contributions		95,000		931,164
Change in Net Position		6,954,216	-	5,896,739
Net Position, Beginning		78,199,149		72,302,410
Net Position, Ending	\$	85,153,365	\$	78,199,149

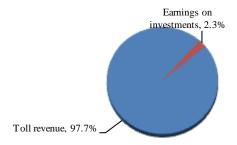
At the end of the current fiscal year, the Authority was able to report a positive balance in net position. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

Toll Road operations increased the Authority's net position by \$6,954,216. This increase is up from last year's increase of \$5,896,739. The key elements of this increase in the change in net position of \$1,057,477 are as follows:

- Increase in toll revenue of \$2,621,002 primarily due to increased utilization.
- Increase on earnings on investments of \$400,018 more aggressive investing in the market.
- Decrease in fees of \$1,355,876 due to decreased maintenance costs of the system and decreased non-capital construction costs.
- Increase in interest on long-term debt of \$2,169,854 due to the increase in total debt.
- Increase in debt issuance costs of \$266,535 due to the issuance of debt in the current fiscal year.
- Decrease in capital contributions of 836,164 due to a reduction in capital assets of the Authority being funded from other sources.

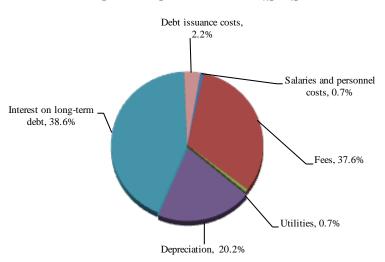
Toll Road revenues for fiscal year 2016 are graphically displayed as follows:

TOLL ROAD REVENUES



Toll Road expenses for fiscal year 2016 are graphically displayed as follows:

TOLL ROAD EXPENSES



Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets - At the end of fiscal year 2016, the Authority had \$239,344,840 invested in toll road land, construction in progress, and infrastructure, net of accumulated depreciation, as reflected in the following schedule. This represents an increase of \$41,739,135 from the previous fiscal year.

FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY'S CAPITAL ASSETS

	 2016	2015
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets		
Land	\$ 26,717,288	\$ 26,309,133
Construction in progress	63,492,689	23,112,190
Other Capital Assets, Net		
Office furniture and equipment	10,466	13,456
Infrastructure	 149,124,398	 148,170,926
Totals	\$ 239,344,840	\$ 197,605,705

Increase in toll road infrastructure of \$953,472 was primarily due to completion of the toll conversion project. Increase construction in progress of \$40,380,499 was primarily due to the progress of the

Highway 6 overpass project scheduled for completion by the end of 2017 and progress on the Westpark Tollway extension project also scheduled for completion by the end of 2018. Increase in land of \$408,155 was due to the acquisition of right of way along the Wespark Tollway extension corridor.

Long-Term Debt - At the end of the current fiscal year, the Authority had total bonds outstanding of \$251,455,000.

LONG-TERM DEBT

2016		2015
\$ 251,455,000	\$	191,660,000
30,090,015		21,074,427
(275,867)		(287,524)
\$ 281,269,148	\$	212,446,903
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The County and Authority received an insured rating of Aaa from Moody's and Standard and Poors on the 2004 Toll Road bond issuance, and uninsured ratings of Aa2 and AA+ from Moody's and Standard and Poors, respectively. The County and Authority received uninsured ratings of Aa1 and AA+ from Moody's and Fitch, respectively on the 2012 Refunding issue. The Authority received uninsured ratings of A2 and A+ from Moody's and Fitch, respectively on the 2012 Senior Lien, the 2014 Senior Lien issue, and the 2016 Senior Lien issue.

Economic Factors

The population of the County is estimated at 716,087 in 2016 and is expected to grow to 807,660 by 2020.

The number of households has increased to 229,900 in 2016 and is expected to grow to 258,820 by 2020. Mean household income for 2016 is \$187,460 and is estimated to rise to \$205,547 by 2020. Income per capita is currently at \$59,793 and is expected to grow to \$66,199 by 2020.

Mobility improvements continue to be a demand from the residents of Fort Bend County. The Authority is proceeding with several toll road projects that will enhance and compliment the County's road system.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Authority's finances for all of those with an interest in the Authority's finances. Questions concerning this report or requests for additional financial information should be directed to Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor, 301 Jackson, Suite 701, Richmond, TX 77469, telephone (281) 341-3760.



BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

September 30, 2016

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 94,093,647
Investments	30,203,441
Miscellaneous receivables	2,614,069
Capital assets, not subject to depreciation	90,209,977
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	149,134,863
Total Assets	366,255,997
Deferred Outflow of Resources	
Deferred charges-debt refunding	9,630,508
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	9,630,508
Liabilities	
Retainage payable	1,242,883
Due to primary government	7,239,603
Accrued interest payable	981,506
Long-term liabilities due within one year	5,390,000
Long-term liabilities due in more than one year	275,879,148
Total Liabilities	290,733,140
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	19,805,959
Restricted for:	
Debt service	19,944,002
Unrestricted	45,403,404
Total Net Position	\$ 85,153,365

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

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Operating Revenue	
Toll revenue	\$ 29,480,671
Total Operating Revenue	29,480,671
Operating Expenses	
Salaries and personnel costs	178,611
Fees	7,433,285
Utilities	156,604
Depreciation	4,726,112
Total Operating Expenses	12,494,612
Operating Income	16,986,059
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	
Earnings on investments	694,415
Interest on long-term debt	(10,015,947)
Debt service fees	(20,000)
Debt issuance costs	(785,311)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(10,126,843)
Income Before Contributions	6,859,216
Capital contributions	95,000
Change in Net Position	6,954,216
Net Position, Beginning of Year	78,199,149
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 85,153,365

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

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts from tolls and other	\$ 31,445,167
Payment of toll operation expenses	(7,768,500)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	23,676,667
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Purchase of Investments	(25,381,624)
Interest earned on investments	694,415
Net Cash (Used) by Investing Activities	(24,687,209)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities	
Purchase of capital assets	(45,689,339)
Loan from primary government	1,806,691
Principal paid on capital debt	(4,645,000)
Interest expense	(10,482,675)
Debt Issuance Costs	(785,311)
Proceeds from capital debt	74,775,412
Net Cash Provided by Capital and Related Financing Activities	14,979,778
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	13,969,236
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	80,124,411
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 94,093,647
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
Operating Income	\$ 16,986,059
Adjustments to operations:	
Depreciation	4,726,112
Change in assets and liabilities:	
Decrease in other receivables	1,964,496
Total adjustments	6,690,608
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 23,676,667

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

FORT BEND COUNTY TOLL ROAD AUTHORITY NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

These financial statements include all of the funds and activities of the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority (the "Authority"). The Authority is a component unit of Fort Bend County, Texas (the "County"). Financial statements of the Authority are included as a discretely presented component unit in the County's financial statements.

The Authority is organized under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act and the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act. It was created to assist in the planning, designing, financing and building of County roads and highways. In particular, the Authority is to assist in the building and operation of the Fort Bend County Toll Road System. This Fort Bend County Toll Road System currently includes the Fort Bend Parkway Toll Road that extends from Sam Houston Parkway in Harris County to State Highway 6 in Fort Bend County near Sienna Plantation. It also includes the Westpark Tollway that extends from the Fort Bend County line to State Highway 99. The primary criteria for the inclusion of the Authority in the County's reporting entity, is that of financial accountability. The Commissioners Court, as the elected governing body of the County, appoints the Authority's governing body. The County has financial accountability because it appoints a voting majority of the Board and the County can impose its will. As such, the County is financially accountable for the Authority and the Authority is considered a discretely presented component unit of the County.

B. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying basic financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations of these activities are included in the statement of net position.

C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Authority's cash and cash equivalents consist of demand deposits and investment pools.

D. Receivables

Receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

E. Capital Assets

Capital assets consist of infrastructure, land, office furniture and equipment, and construction in progress, that are used in the Authority's operations. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost was not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are charged to operations when incurred. Expenses that materially change capacities or extend useful lives are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement of capital assets, the cost and related accumulated depreciation, if applicable, are eliminated from the respective accounts and the resulting gain or loss is included in the results of operations.

The Authority applies a half-year convention for depreciation on all capital assets. Therefore, one-half year of depreciation is charged to operations the first and last year that a capital asset is in service. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of 5 to 40 years.

F. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual amounts could differ from those estimates.

G. Restricted/Unrestricted Net Position

It is the Authority's policy to consider restricted – net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position is applied.

H. Date of Management's Review

In preparing the financial statements, the Authority has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through March 17, 2017, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS (CASH) AND INVESTMENTS

A. Authorization for Deposits and Investments

The Texas Public Funds Investment Act ("PFIA"), as prescribed in Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code, regulates deposits and investment transactions of the Authority.

In accordance with applicable statutes, the County has a depository contract with an area bank (depository) providing for interest to be earned on deposited funds and for banking charges the Authority incurs for banking services received. The Authority may place funds with the depository in interest and non-interest bearing accounts. State law provides that collateral pledged as security for bank deposits must have a market value of not less than the amount of the deposits and must consist of: (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities; (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies; (3) other obligations, the principal and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the State of Texas; and/or (4) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state having been rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm and having received a rating of not less than A or its equivalent. County policy requires the collateralization level to be at least 110% of market value of principal and accrued interest.

Commissioners Court has adopted a written investment policy regarding the investment of the Authority's funds as defined by the Public Funds Investment Act (Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code). The investments of the Authority are in compliance with this policy.

As of September 30, 2016, the Authority reported deposits in the amount of \$79,035,154. The Authority's collateral requirement, in accordance with the County's investment policy is 110%. The entire amount was covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the County's agent in the Authority's name as of September 30, 2016.

B. Concentration of Credit Risk

It is the County's policy to diversify its portfolio to eliminate the risk of loss resulting from a concentration of assets in a specific maturity (save and except zero duration funds), a specific issuer or a specific class of investments. The County manages adherence to this policy for the Authority. To achieve this diversification, the County will limit investments in specific types of securities to the following percentages of the total portfolio:

Investment Type	Maximum Investment %
Repurchase Agreements	up to 35%
Certificates of Deposit	up to 50%
U.S. Treasury Bills/Notes	up to 100%
Other U.S. Government Securities	up to 80%
Authorized Local Government Investment Pools	up to 80%
No Load Money Market Mutual Funds	up to 50%
Bankers Acceptances	up to 15%

As of September 30, 2016, 63.6% of the Authority's cash and cash equivalents were contained in demand deposit accounts.

C. Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates may adversely affect the value of the investments. The County monitors interest rate risk for the Authority utilizing weighted average maturity analysis. In accordance with its investment policy, the County reduces the Authority's exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investment portfolio as a whole to no more than 3 years. At year-end, the Authority's cash and investment balances and the weighted average maturity of these investments were as follows:

		Weighted Average	Percentage of Total
	 Fair Value	Maturity	Portfolio
Demand Deposits	\$ 79,035,154	1	63.6%
Investment Pools:			
Texas CLASS	8,297,668	56	6.7%
TexasTERM	1,012	55	0.0%
LOGIC	1,020	39	0.0%
Wells Fargo Government Money Market Fund	6,758,793	42	5.4%
Governmental Securities:			
Wells Fargo FFCB	8,020,594	1,008	6.5%
Wells Fargo FHLMC	19,287,844	349	15.5%
Wells Fargo FNMA	2,895,003	879	2.3%
Total Fair Value	\$ 124,297,088		
Portfolio weighted average maturity (days)		7	

Texas Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System Trust ("Texas CLASS") is a local government investment pool organized under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, chapter 791, Texas Government Code, and the Public Funds Investment Act, chapter 2256, Texas Government Code. Texas CLASS was established in 1996. Pursuant to the Trust Agreement, Texas CLASS is supervised by a Board of Trustees who are elected by the Participants. The Board of Trustees supervises the Trust and its affairs and acts as the liaison between the Participants, the Custodian and the Program Administrator.

Cutwater Investor Services Corp. serves as Program Administrator. Cutwater Investor Services Corp. is a subsidiary of Cutwater Asset Management. Texas CLASS is considered a '2a-7 like pool' under Governmental Accounting Standards Statement No. 31; it will operate the pool consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7. It maintains a Net Asset Value of approximately \$1 per share.

The TexasTERM Local Government Investment Pool ("TexasTERM") is organized in conformity with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act of the Texas Government Code. It provides for a fixed-rate, fixed-term investment for a period of 60 days to one year and includes TexasDAILY, a portfolio of the Local Government Pool, providing daily access to funds. An Advisory Board composed of participants in TexasTERM and other parties who do not participate in the Pool, has responsibility for the overall management of the Pool, including formulation and implementation of its Investment and Operating Policies. PFM Asset Management LLC ("PFM"), a leading national financial and investment advisory firm, is the investment advisor to the pool. TexasTERM's TexasDAILY portfolio is considered a '2a-7 like pool' under Governmental Accounting Standards Statement No. 31; it will operate the pool consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7. It maintains a Net Asset Value of approximately \$1 per share.

Local Government Investment Cooperative ("LOGIC") is a local government investment pool organized under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, chapter 791, Texas Government Code, and the Public Funds Investment Act, chapter 2256, Texas Government Code. The Pool was created in April, 1994 through a contract among its participating governmental units, and is governed by a board of directors, to provide for the joint investment of participant's public funds and funds under their control. LOGIC is considered a '2a-7 like pool' under Governmental Accounting Standards Statement No. 31; it will operate the pool consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7. It maintains a Net Asset Value of approximately \$1 per share.

Wells Fargo Government Money Market Fund seeks current income, while preserving capital and liquidity. It invests in high-quality, short-term money market instruments that consist of U.S. Government obligations and repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Government obligations.

D. Credit Risk

The County's investment policy, which includes the Authority, does not require investments to hold certain credit ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. As of September 30, 2016, the Authority's investments in Texas CLASS, Texas TERM, and LOGIC were rated "AAAm" by Standard and Poor's. The Authority's investments in the Wells Fargo Government Money Market Funds was rated "AAAm" and "Aaa-mf" by Standard and Poor's and Moody's Investments, respectively.

NOTE 3 – RECEIVABLES

Receivables as of September 30, 2016, consist of toll revenue due from the Harris County Toll Road Authority, Texas Tollway, and North Texas Tollway, net of applicable fees.

NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended September 30, 2016, is as follows:

	Balances 10/1/15	Increases	Decreases	Balances 9/30/16
Business-type Activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 26,309,133	\$ 408,155	\$	\$ 26,717,288
Construction in progress	23,112,190	46,057,092	(5,676,593)	63,492,689
Total capital assets not depreciated	49,421,323	46,465,247	(5,676,593)	90,209,977
Other capital assets:				
Office furniture and equipment	14,951			14,951
Infrastructure	189,986,665	5,676,593		195,663,258
Total other capital assets	190,001,616	5,676,593		195,678,209
Accumulated depreciation for:				
Office furniture and equipment	(1,495)	(2,990)		(4,485)
Infrastructure	(41,815,739)	(4,723,122)		(46,538,861)
Total accumulated depreciation	(41,817,234)	(4,726,112)		(46,543,346)
Other capital assets, net	148,184,382	950,481		149,134,863
Total capital assets	\$ 197,605,705	\$ 47,415,728	\$ (5,676,593)	\$ 239,344,840

Depreciation expense for the Authority for the year ended September 30, 2016, totaled \$4,726,112. Construction in progress is primarily comprised of activity on the Westpark section B extension and the Highway 6 overpass. The contract commitments as of September 30, 2016 are as follows:

	(Construction		
		In Progress	Com	mitments
Westpark B Construction	\$	27,718,300	\$	41,908,003
Westpark B Engineering		4,842,031		553,150
Highway 6 Overpass		30,430,203		6,141,047
Grand Outer Loop		502,155		101,898
Total	\$	63,492,689	\$	48,704,098

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM DEBT

The Authority issued subordinate lien revenue bonds and senior lien revenue bonds for the purpose of financing the construction of the Toll Road System. These subordinate and senior lien revenue bonds are paid through the Authority's Debt Service Fund from toll fees collected by the Authority. The following is a summary of the outstanding subordinate and senior lien revenue bonds as of September 30, 2016:

Original Issue	Description	Interest Rate %	Matures	Debt Outstanding
Revenue Bonds	Description	Kate 70	Matures	Outstanding
\$ 30,775,000	Senior Lien Toll Road Revenue Bonds, Series 2012	2.00 - 4.125	2040	\$ 30,280,000
116,940,000	Unlimited Tax and Subordinate Lien Toll Road Revenue Refunding Bonds	2.0025	20.10	Ψ 20,200,000
	Series 2012	3.125 - 5.0	2032	112,635,000
45,000,000	Senior Lien Toll Road Revenue Bonds,			
	Series 2014	2.0 - 5.0	2042	44,100,000
64,440,000	Senior Lien Toll Road Revenue Bonds,			
	Series 2016	2.0 - 5.0	2045	64,440,000
	Total Revenue Bonds			\$ 251,455,000

A summary of the long-term liability transactions of the Authority for the year ended September 30, 2016 is as follows:

	Balances 10/1/15	Additions	Retirements	Balances 9/30/16	Amounts Due Within One Year
Revenue bonds	\$ 191,660,000	\$ 64,440,000	\$ (4,645,000)	\$ 251,455,000	\$ 5,390,000
Premiums on bonds	21,074,427	10,335,412	(1,319,824)	30,090,015	
Discounts on bonds	(287,524)		11,657	(275,867)	
Totals	\$ 212,446,903	\$ 74,775,412	\$ (5,953,167)	\$ 281,269,148	\$ 5,390,000

Annual debt service requirements to maturity are summarized as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Totals
2017	\$ 5,390,000	\$ 11,685,175	\$ 17,075,175
2018	\$ 6,260,000	\$ 11,453,288	\$ 17,713,288
2019	7,070,000	11,185,688	18,255,688
2020	7,845,000	10,881,575	18,726,575
2021	8,530,000	10,518,375	19,048,375
2022-2026	52,260,000	45,680,028	97,940,028
2027-2031	67,625,000	31,190,181	98,815,181
2032-2036	40,645,000	16,884,306	57,529,306
2037-2041	36,370,000	8,786,347	45,156,347
2042-2045	19,460,000	1,772,150	21,232,150
Totals	\$ 251,455,000	\$ 160,037,113	\$ 411,492,113

On February 9, 2016, the Authority issued \$64,440,000 in senior lien revenue bonds to finance phase one and phase two of the Westpark Toll Way extension.

In the bond resolutions, the Authority has the following agreement for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the bonds. The Authority is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the bonds. Under the agreement, the Authority will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operational data annually, and timely notice of specified material events, and certain information to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB"). The MSRB has established the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system.

NOTE 6 - CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

Litigation and Other Contingencies

The Authority is contingently liable with respect to lawsuits and other claims in the ordinary course of its operations. The settlement of such contingencies under the budgetary process would not materially affect the financial position of the Authority as of September 30, 2016.

OTHER INFORMATION (Unaudited)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year							
	2007	2008	2009	2010				
Operating Revenues								
Toll revenue	\$ 15,504,417	\$ 15,715,542	\$ 17,027,190	\$ 17,185,507				
Total Operating Revenues	15,504,417	15,715,542	17,027,190	17,185,507				
Operating Expenses								
Salaries and personnel costs			20,554	20,020				
Fees	1,798,037	3,403,869	3,965,993	3,744,244				
Utilities	154,071	162,089	129,811	129,679				
Depreciation	3,844,267	3,953,604	3,953,604	3,962,606				
Total Operating Expenses	5,796,375	7,519,562	8,069,962	7,856,549				
Operating Income	9,708,042	8,195,980	8,957,228	9,328,958				
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)								
Earnings on investments	925,535	763,184	319,012	165,305				
Interest on long-term debt	(6,613,586)	(6,610,476)	(6,610,475)	(6,610,476)				
Debt service fees		(6,000)	(6,000)	(6,000)				
Debt issuance costs								
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(5,688,051)	(5,853,292)	(6,297,463)	(6,451,171)				
Income Before Contributions	4,019,991	2,342,688	2,659,765	2,877,787				
Capital contributions Contribution from FBGPTRA	802,322	91,500	3,792	480,002				
Change in Net Position	4,822,313	2,434,188	2,663,557	3,357,789				
Net Position, Beginning of Year	28,249,282	33,071,595	35,505,783	38,169,340				
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 33,071,595	\$ 35,505,783	\$ 38,169,340	\$ 41,527,129				

Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year										
2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016					
\$ 17,694,231	\$ 19,325,050	\$ 21,853,536	\$ 23,724,115	\$ 26,859,669	\$ 29,480,671					
17,694,231	19,325,050	21,853,536	23,724,115	26,859,669	29,480,671					
30,849	31,527	31,549	33,669	152,950	178,611					
3,921,486	4,025,316	3,253,537	3,895,313	8,789,161	7,433,285					
124,226	127,960	120,737	125,403	149,918	156,604					
3,986,219	3,870,677	3,870,676	4,166,469	4,720,593	4,726,112					
8,062,780	8,055,480	7,276,499	8,220,854	13,812,622	12,494,612					
9,631,451	11,269,570	14,577,037	15,503,261	13,047,047	16,986,059					
354,629	523,604	180,323	175,305	294,397	694,415					
(6,577,809)	(1,601,905)	(6,554,994)	(6,446,262)	(7,846,093)	(10,015,947)					
(6,000)	(6,000)	(17,750)	(14,750)	(11,000)	(20,000)					
	(1,494,267)			(518,776)	(785,311)					
(6,229,180)	(2,578,568)	(6,392,421)	(6,285,707)	(8,081,472)	(10,126,843)					
3,402,271	8,691,002	8,184,616	9,217,554	4,965,575	6,859,216					
518,338	761,500			931,164	95,000					
310,330				•						
3,920,609	9,452,502	8,184,616	9,217,554	5,896,739	6,954,216					
41,527,129	45,447,738	54,900,240	63,084,856	72,302,410	78,199,149					
\$ 45,447,738	\$ 54,900,240	\$ 63,084,856	\$ 72,302,410	\$ 78,199,149	\$ 85,153,365					

REVENUES BY TOLL ROAD COMPONENTS/SEGMENTS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year							
Components/Segments		2007		2008		2009		2010
Dealesses								
Parkway:	\$	12.021	\$	11 224	\$	12.256	\$	12.060
Lake Olympia East	Þ	12,021	Ф	11,224	Э	12,256	Э	13,060
Lake Olympia West		15,662		14,768		15,790		16,862
McHard East		153,656		137,157		91,908		109,369
McHard West		203,966		183,827		136,873		135,835
Sienna Parkway		< 402.245		< 200 400		5.005.005		5 20 < 202
Main Line Plaza		6,493,247		6,308,489		7,295,807		7,306,382
Fondren - Northbound								
Fondren - Southbound								
Lake Olympia - Northbound								
Lake Olympia - Southbound								
McHard - Northbound								
McHard - Southbound								
Sienna Parkway - Northbound								
Sienna Parkway - Southbound								
HCTRA Reviewed Transaction Revenue								
Total Parkway		6,878,552		6,655,465		7,552,634		7,581,508
Westpark:								
Peek - Eastbound								
Peek - Westbound								
Westmoor - Eastbound								
Westmoor - Westbound								
HCTRA Reviewed Transaction Revenue								
Total Westpark		8,093,489	-	8,574,029		8,774,580		8,954,123
		2,072,107		0,011,022		3,111,000		0,20 1,120
Gross Revenues by Toll Plaza		14,972,041		15,229,494		16,327,214		16,535,631
Adjustments not available by toll plaza **:								
Credit Tolls and Toll Replacement		(278)		(536)		(3,935)		(2,549)
Toll Violations		532,655		486,584		703,911		652,425
Axle count adjustment		, , , , , ,				, .		, -
Additional \$0.15/transaction collected on violations								
Transactions converted to Image Toll								
Transactions requiring additional research								
Total Revenues	\$	15,504,418	\$	15,715,542	\$	17,027,190	\$	17,185,507

^{*} Effective FY2016 a system upgrade allowed for more detailed transactional data.

^{**} Several revenue factors are still unavailable at the detail level resulting in these adjustments.

Fiscal Year

2011	Fiscal Year 11 2012 2013 2014 2015				
2011	2012	2013 2014 2013		2016*	
\$ 13,260	\$ 14,465	\$ 15,752	\$ 19,445	\$ 21,279	\$
16,747	16,905	18,497	22,021	24,281	•
98,569	108,159	131,894	128,686	145,345	
131,587	153,949	182,626	179,106	181,837	
- ,	,-	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	200,690	300,429	
7,273,269	7,905,653	8,637,580	9,204,622	10,347,699	
					2,434,545
					2,183,080
					1,345,454
					1,196,91
					1,640,122
					1,481,76
					376,600
					358,000
					2,25
7,533,432	8,199,131	8,986,349	9,754,570	11,020,870	11,018,74
					3,467,788
					3,035,978
					4,087,45
					4,101,67
					2,245
9,397,608	10,380,478	12,091,094	13,131,186	14,181,191	14,695,130
16,931,040	18,579,609	21,077,443	22,885,756	25,202,061	25,713,885
(5.640)	(22,007)	(11.705)	(21,006)	(1.067)	5 17
(5,649)	(23,997)		(21,006)	(1,067)	5,179
768,840	769,438	787,798	859,365	1,658,675	2,131,93
					1,198,37
					87,20
					430,96
	-	_ =			(86,86
\$ 17,694,231	\$ 19,325,050	\$ 21,853,536	\$ 23,724,115	\$ 26,859,669	\$ 29,480,67

TRAFFIC COUNT TABLE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (Unaudited)

	Fiscal Year						
Components/Segments	2007	2008	2009	2010			
Parkway:							
Lake Olympia East	25,300	26,841	37,156	36,967			
Lake Olympia West	33,950	36,185	48,082	47,838			
McHard East	518,721	547,930	683,448	627,428			
McHard West	516,621	543,955	693,692	649,054			
Main Line Plaza	4,873,670	5,165,747	6,031,617	5,727,763			
Sienna Parkway							
Cash Transactions	2,904,296	2,411,606					
Fondren - Northbound							
Fondren - Southbound							
Lake Olympia - Northbound							
Lake Olympia - Southbound							
McHard - Northbound							
McHard - Southbound							
Sienna Parkway - Northbound							
Sienna Parkway - Southbound							
Total Parkway Transactions	8,872,558	8,732,264	7,493,995	7,089,050			
Westpark:							
Peek - Eastbound							
Peek - Westbound							
Westmoor - Eastbound							
Westmoor - Westbound							
Total Westpark Transactions	15,740,320	16,621,641	14,925,065	14,535,380			
Total Transactions	24,612,878	25,353,905	22,419,060	21,624,430			

^{*} Effective FY2016 a system upgrade allowed for more detailed transactional data.

Fiscal Year								
2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016*			
37,586	40,968	44,931	48,980	82,628				
47,570	47,800	52,890	55,632	94,384				
630,991	644,356	706,642	724,057	1,207,115				
643,996	641,506	696,284	682,373	1,145,415				
5,689,146	5,971,736	6,396,081	6,796,389	11,635,202				
			552,555	762,257				
					4,584,913			
					4,101,788			
					3,777,168			
					3,391,439			
					4,624,183			
					4,189,214			
					1,042,404			
7.040.200	7.246.266	7.006.020	0.070.006	14.027.001	993,598			
7,049,289	7,346,366	7,896,828	8,859,986	14,927,001	26,704,707			
					5,823,383			
					5,078,349			
					6,858,314			
					6,843,609			
15,224,942	16,741,990	18,586,669	20,121,013	21,391,903	24,603,655			
22,274,231	24,088,356	26,483,497	28,980,999	36,318,904	51,308,362			

HISTORICAL TOLL ROAD OPERATING RESULTS AND COVERAGES LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(Unaudited)

								Revenues
					Coverage		A	vailable for
Fiscal					Ratio on			Unlimited
Year	Project	Other	S	enior Lien	Senior Lien	O & M	S	Subordinate
Ending	Revenues	Earnings	D	ebt Service	Revenue Bonds	Expenses	Lie	en Tax Bonds
2007	\$ 15,504,417	\$ 1,729,012		n/a	n/a	\$ 1,953,261	\$	15,280,168
2008	15,715,542	854,684		n/a	n/a	3,565,958		13,004,268
2009	17,027,190	322,802		n/a	n/a	4,116,358		13,233,634
2010	17,185,507	653,483		n/a	n/a	3,902,118		13,936,872
2011	17,694,231	927,468		n/a	n/a	4,131,061		14,490,638
2012	19,325,050	1,286,885	\$	287,342	71.733	4,186,584		16,138,009
2013	21,853,536	180,323		1,126,700	19.556	3,405,823		17,501,336
2014	23,724,115	177,370		1,126,700	21.214	4,056,450		18,718,335
2015	26,859,669	303,786		2,536,940	10.707	8,729,148		15,897,367
2016	29,480,671	789,415		7,063,361	4.286	7,768,501		15,438,224

	Coverage
	Ratio on
Debt	Unlimited
Service	Subordinate
Bonds	Lien Tax Bonds
\$ 6,753,431	2.263
6,759,431	1.924
6,759,431	1.958
6,759,431	2.062
8,131,431	1.782
5,134,341	3.143
8,615,726	2.031
8,185,431	2.287
8,813,001	1.804
8,849,625	1.745

TOLL RATE SCHEDULE

(Unaudited)

Toll Rate Schedule Effective as of May 13, 2015	
Two-Axle Vehicles	
Parkway Toll Road	\$ 0.40-0.75
Westpark Toll Road	\$ 0.65-0.80
Three to Six Axle Vehicles	
Parkway Toll Road	\$ 0.80-3.15
Westpark Toll Road	\$ 1.30-3.40



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

To the Board of Directors Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority Fort Bend County, Texas

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority (the "Authority"), a component unit of Fort Bend County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 17, 2017.

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 opinions 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 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.



Austin Dallas Fort Worth Houston

To the Board of Directors Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority Fort Bend County, Texas

Compliance and Other Matters

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 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

Whitley TENN LLP

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.

Houston, Texas March 17, 2017