

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT Annual Disclosure Statement (for the period ended September 30, 2021)

This Annual Disclosure Statement for the period ended September 30, 2021 replaces our Annual Disclosure Statement for the period ended September 30, 2020 and dated March 9, 2021. This Annual Disclosure Statement has been posted online at our website, **www.dart.org**, and has been voluntarily filed with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") and is available at www.emma.msrb.org. We intend to update this Annual Disclosure Statement after the first, second, and third quarters of our Fiscal Year and to replace it annually. We reserve the right to suspend or stop providing Annual Disclosure Statements and quarterly updates at any time. However, we remain obligated to provide the annual financial information and operating data as agreed to under our continuing disclosure undertakings pursuant to Rule 15c2-12, as amended, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule").

This Annual Disclosure Statement relates to the following securities that we have issued and intend to issue from time to time: Senior Lien Obligations, Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, and other Bond Obligations (defined below), but it does not replace any official statement or offering documents prepared for a particular series of debt securities.

You should carefully consider the information under the caption "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS" herein.

DART is a subregional transportation authority created pursuant to Chapter 452 of the Texas Transportation Code, as amended (the "Act"). Our boundaries include the corporate limits of 13 North Texas cities and towns, and our headquarters are located in Dallas, Texas. Under the Act, we are authorized to provide public transportation and complementary services within such cities and towns.

Our Board (defined herein) has adopted a "Master Debt Resolution" that authorizes the issuance and execution of various types of debt instruments ("Bond Obligations"). Bond Obligations that are issued in the form of bonds, notes, or other securities (not including Credit Agreement Obligations) will be issued in multiple series, and each series will be classified as either "Senior Lien Obligations," "Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations," or "Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations." The Senior Lien Obligations are secured by a first lien on Pledged Revenues; the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations are secured by a second lien on Pledged Revenues; and the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations are secured by a third lien on Pledged Revenues. These liens are senior to any other claim against the Pledged Revenues. Pursuant to the Master Debt Resolution, we have issued and have outstanding both Senior Lien Obligations and Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations (together, referred to herein as "Bond Obligations"). See, "OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS AND OUR FINANCING PLANS."

Under the Master Debt Resolution, Pledged Revenues consist of: (i) the gross revenues that we receive from a 1% sales and use tax (the "Sales Tax"), and the investment earnings thereon while held by the Trustee in the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund; (ii) Pledged Farebox Revenues (as defined herein); (iii) with respect to Senior Lien Obligations, Federal Interest Subsidy payments that are deposited to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund; and (iv) any additional revenues of DART which by a Supplemental Resolution are expressly and specifically pledged to the payment of Bond Obligations. However, the Federal Interest Subsidy is not used to pay or secure the TIFIA or RRIF (defined herein) bond debt service. The Sales Tax is imposed on items and services that are sold, rented, or purchased, or acquired for use within our boundaries, and that are subject generally to the Texas sales and use tax. See, "DART'S FINANCIAL PRACTICES AND RESOURCES—Principal Source of Revenue—The Sales Tax." Bond Obligations will be issued for any one or more of the following purposes: refunding outstanding indebtedness, obtaining capital funds for the expansion of our public transportation system, creating reserves, paying interest during limited periods, paying our costs of issuance, or for other purposes if permitted by Applicable Law.

Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms used herein have the meanings assigned to them in Appendix B – Summary of Certain Terms of the Master Debt Resolution as amended by the Supplemental Debt Resolutions.

This Annual Disclosure Statement may be used in connection with the offer and sell a series of Bond Obligations only if it is accompanied by an official statement or offering document for such series.

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#### **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

We have included cross-references to captions and sub-captions in the Table of Contents where you can find further discussions of summarized information.

We do not represent that the information in this Annual Disclosure Statement is accurate as of any date other than the Dated Date stated on the cover page hereto, except for financial information which is accurate as of its stated date or stated otherwise. We will update this Annual Disclosure Statement as described on the cover page. In addition, the summary of the Master Debt Resolution presented in Appendix B is not intended to be comprehensive and reference is made to such document for further information. You may obtain copies of the Master Debt Resolution, or any updates to this Annual Disclosure Statement, from the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's ("MSRB's") website at <u>www.emma.msrb.org</u>, from our website on the internet at *www.dart.org*, or by contacting our Chief Financial Officer at our corporate address or telephone number: Chief Financial Officer, DART, 1401 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202, 214-749-3148.

In this Annual Disclosure Statement, "we," "our," "us," and "DART" refer to Dallas Area Rapid Transit, a subregional transportation authority under the Act.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We make "forward-looking statements" in this Annual Disclosure Statement by using forward-looking words such as "may," "will," "should," "intends," "expects," "believes," "anticipates," "estimates," or others. You are cautioned that forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from the projected results. Those risks and uncertainties include general economic and business conditions, conditions in the financial markets, our financial condition, our Sales Tax revenues, our Pledged Farebox Revenues, receipt of federal grants, and various other factors which are beyond our control. Because we cannot predict all factors that may affect future decisions, actions, events, or financial circumstances, the actual outcomes may be different from what we include in forward-looking statements.

#### OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS AND OUR FINANCING PLANS

As of September 30, 2021, we have fifteen series of Senior Lien Obligations outstanding totaling \$3.091,255,268 in principal amount - our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007 (the "Series 2007 Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$118,395,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2009B (Build America Bonds - Direct Payment to Issuer) (the "Series 2009B Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$466,970,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2010B (Build America Bonds - Direct Payment to Issuer) (the "Series 2010B Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$729,390,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 (the "Series 2012 Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,795,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bond, Taxable Series 2012A issued to evidence a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Loan (the "TIFIA Bond"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$35,845,268; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A (the "Series 2014A Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$127,830,000;our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (the "Series 2015 Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$78,770,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A (the "Series 2016A Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$482,530,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016B (the "Series 2016B Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$190,440,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019 (the "Series 2019 Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$301,095,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2020A (the "Series 2020A Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$130,470,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, (Forward Delivery) Series 2020B (the "Series 2020B Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$32,060,000; and our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2020C (the "Series 2020C Bond"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$113,690,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020D (the "Series 2020D Bonds"), outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$277,925,000; our Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bond, Taxable Series 2021 (the "Series 2021 RRIF Bond") issued to evidence a Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing Loan outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$50,000.

In addition to the Senior Lien Obligations described above, as of September 30, 2021, \$20,000,000 in principal amount of our Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, Series I (Self-Liquidity) were outstanding, \$84,100,000 in principal amount of our Series IIA and IIB Commercial Paper Notes (defined below) were outstanding, and \$15,000,000 in principal amount of our Series III Commercial Paper Notes (Extendible Program defined below) were outstanding. See "INFORMATION ABOUT DART'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM – Capital Program."

#### **OBLIGATIONS ISSUED SINCE SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 AND OBLIGATIONS WE EXPECT TO ISSUE**

In 2021, DART chose made a requisite de minimus drawdown in the amount of \$50,000 in order to close on the authorized Series 2021 RRIF Bond in connection with financing for the Silver Line Project. DART paid off the remaining \$11,706,343 of the Series 2018 RRIF Bond prior to the closing of Series 2021 RRIF Bond locking in a lower fixed rate of 2.26%.

Additionally, on March 22, 2022, our Board reauthorized the issuance of Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$810,000,000 for the Dallas Central Business District (CBD) Second Light Rail Alignment Project (D2 Subway). The timing for the issuance of such Senior Lien Obligations has not been determined and such authority expires six-months following the effective date of June 1, 2022.

For purposes of providing interim financing with respect to the Cotton Belt/Silver Line Project and other projects, the Board has authorized two series of Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, being the Series Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, Series IIA (the "Series IIA Commercial Paper Notes") and the Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, IIB (the "Series IIB Commercial Paper Notes" and together with the Series IIA Commercial Paper Notes, the "Series IIA and IIB Commercial Paper Notes") in the maximum principal amount outstanding from time to time of \$125,000,000 and the Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, Series III in the maximum principal amount outstanding from time to time of \$125,000,000 (the "Series III Commercial Paper Notes"). Currently, \$15,000,000 Series III Commercial Paper Notes are outstanding.

DART partially refunded its Series 2016A Bonds, Series 2014A Bonds, and Series 2021A (TIFIA) Bonds in the Fall of 2021.

#### Preconditions to Issuance of Bond Obligations — Financial Coverage Tests

#### - Conditions to Issuance of Additional Senior Lien Obligations

Under the Master Debt Resolution, we cannot issue Additional Senior Lien Obligations unless:

(1) A written report by an independent professional economist broadly experienced in economic forecasting in the North Texas region, or an independent certified public accountant or accounting firm, reports to us projections of Gross Sales Tax Revenues and the projections show that the estimated Gross Sales Tax Revenues for each of three consecutive Fiscal Years, beginning with the first Fiscal Year in which Debt Service will be due on the proposed Additional Senior Lien Obligations, are equal at least to 200% of the Debt Service that will be due on all Senior Lien Obligations that will be outstanding after the proposed new issue during each of such three Fiscal Years; or

(2) A certificate executed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Authority showing that during either our most recent complete Fiscal Year or during any consecutive 12 out of the most recent 18 months, our Gross Sales Tax Revenues were equal to at least 200% of the maximum Debt Service that will be due on all outstanding Senior Lien Obligations (exclusive of the amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) and the proposed Additional Senior Lien Obligations during any of the current or any future Fiscal Year; and

(3) Our Chief Financial Officer, certifies that we will receive Gross Sales Tax Revenues, during each of three consecutive Fiscal Years beginning with the first Fiscal Year in which Debt

Service is due on the proposed Additional Senior Lien Obligations, which will be equal to at least 100% (or such higher percentage as shall be required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on both Senior Lien Obligations and all Subordinate Lien Obligations during such three Fiscal Years; and

(4) We satisfy any additional financial tests, or requirements, that may be contained in a Supplemental Resolution or Credit Agreement.

#### - Conditions to Issuance of Subordinate Lien Obligations

We cannot issue Additional Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations unless:

(1) Our Chief Financial Officer, certifies that we will receive Gross Sales Tax Revenues, in addition to any pledged Special Revenues, during each of the three consecutive Fiscal years beginning with the first Fiscal Year in which Debt Service is due on the proposed Additional Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, will be equal to at least (A) 100% (or such higher percentage as shall be required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations), plus (B) 100% of the Debt Service on both outstanding Senior Lien Obligations and Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) during such three Fiscal Years; and

(2) A certificate of an Authorized Officer certifying that DART has complied with such other and additional standards, financial tests, and other preconditions to the issuance of Bond Obligations as Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations as may be contained in a Supplemental Resolution or Credit Agreement.

We cannot issue Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations unless:

(1) Our Chief Financial Officer, certifies that we will receive Gross Sales Tax Revenues, in addition to any pledged Special Revenues, during each of the three consecutive Fiscal Years beginning with the Fiscal Year in which Debt Service is due on the proposed Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, which will be equal to at least (A) 100% (or such higher percentage as shall be required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations), plus (B) 100% of the Debt Service on both outstanding Senior Lien Obligations and Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations during such three Fiscal Years (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations); and

(2) A certificate of an Authorized Officer certifying that DART has complied with such other and additional standards, financial tests, and other preconditions to the issuance of Bond Obligations as Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations as may be contained in a Supplemental Resolution or Credit Agreement.

Credit Providers and general market requirements may, from time to time, impose different or additional financial tests as preconditions to the issuance of additional Bond Obligations. Any such additional requirements will be contained in a Supplemental Resolution or in a Credit Agreement. See, Appendix B, SUMMARY OF CERTAIN TERMS OF THE MASTER DEBT RESOLUTION AS AMENDED BY SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT RESOLUTIONS-Permitted DART Indebtedness.

#### Method of Issuing Bond Obligations

To issue any series of Bond Obligations, the Master Debt Resolution requires our Board to adopt a Supplemental Resolution establishing the specific terms of the series to be issued. When we issue Bond Obligations, you should purchase them on the basis of offering document relating to the series of Bond Obligations you are considering.

#### Security for the Obligations—Flow of Funds

Our Gross Sales Tax Revenues consist of the money we are entitled to receive under the Act and other state law from the levy and collection of the voter-approved Sales Tax that is levied on taxable items and services that are sold or used within our boundaries. That revenue and the investments thereof, if any, while held by the Trustee in the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund are Pledged Revenues that secure all of the Bond Obligations. Additionally, pursuant to the provisions of the Seventh Supplemental Debt Resolution, we pledged the "Pledged Farebox Revenues" as security for all of the Obligations. The amount of the Pledged Farebox Revenues varies each year based on an established formula with the amount constituting Pledged Farebox Revenues ranging from \$22.9 million in 2021 to \$71.4 million in 2038 and thereafter so long as there are outstanding Obligations. In addition, Federal Interest Subsidy Payments that are deposited to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund are pledged to the payment of Senior Lien Obligations. We reserve the right (1) to pledge the other farebox revenues as security for the payment of Obligations or any other obligations of DART and (2) to exclude any specified portion of farebox revenues from Pledged Farebox Revenues (including Special Revenues) by Supplemental Resolution, provided that Pledged Farebox Revenues in the amount set forth above cannot be reduced as a result.

State law requires the sellers and suppliers of taxable items and services to collect the Sales Tax from consumers and to pay collected taxes to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (the "Comptroller"). The Comptroller receives and collects all such taxes that are imposed throughout the state and pays them over to the entities, such as DART, that levy them, net of a 2% collection fee and reserves for possible refunds due to overpayments to DART.

The Master Debt Resolution establishes (1) the procedure for handling the Gross Sales Tax Revenues from the point of release of the revenues by the Comptroller to the Trustee to the point they are released by the Trustee to us; (2) the priorities of the liens that are created for the benefit of the Senior Lien Obligations, the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, and the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations; and (3) the permissible investments thereof at our direction.

The law requires the Comptroller to deliver the net amount of the collected taxes to us or for our benefit not less frequently than quarterly. Under current practice, the Comptroller delivers net tax collections monthly directly to the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of Bond Obligations under the Master Debt Resolution.

The Trustee is required to deposit money received from the Comptroller to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund. On the day of receipt, the Trustee is required to withdraw that money and to make deposits to three debt service funds (the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, and the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, collectively referred to herein as "Debt Service Fund(s)") in amounts equal to the Accrued Aggregate Debt Service on the Bond Obligations of each lien ranking, beginning first with the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, then the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, and finally the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, before any monies are released to us for other uses.

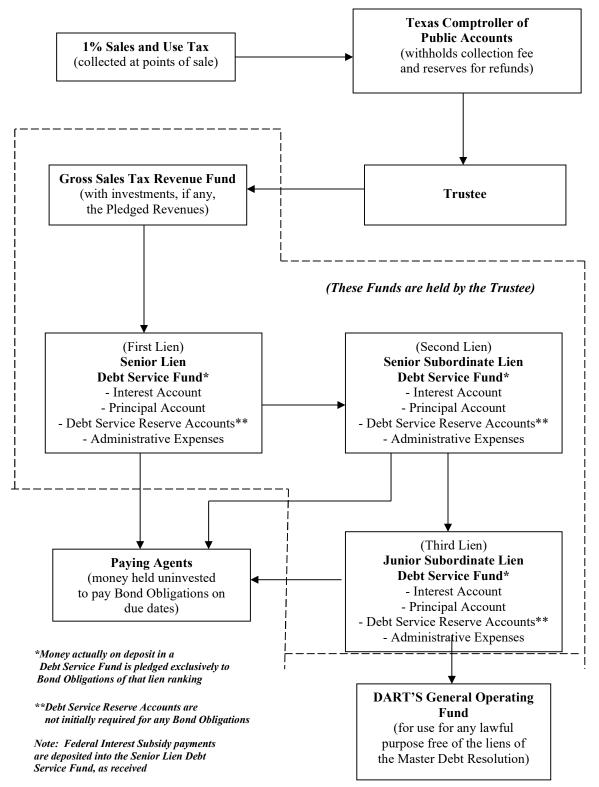
Money actually on deposit in a Debt Service Fund is pledged exclusively and irrevocably to the Bond Obligations of the applicable lien ranking.

If the monies received from the Comptroller are not sufficient to fill all three of the Debt Service Funds to the level of current requirements, they are filled in the order of lien ranking and any deficiencies are restored with the next available Gross Sales Tax Revenues. If amounts on deposit in any Debt Service Fund are not sufficient on any Interest Payment Date, mandatory redemption date or Stated Maturity Date, the Trustee is also required to deposit all the Pledged Farebox Revenues to the Debt Service Funds in the same order of priority as Gross Sales Tax Revenues.

If there is an excess of money over the amounts needed to make the required deposits to all three Debt Service Funds, and after restoring deficiencies, if any, the Trustee is required to deliver the excess revenue to DART, free and clear of the liens of the Master Debt Resolution.

When payments are due on Bond Obligations, the Trustee sends the required amounts from the applicable Debt Service Fund to the Paying Agent(s) for the maturing Bond Obligations, as shown in the following chart of the flow of funds:

#### Flow of Funds (cont'd)



Note: Pledged Farebox Revenues are held in the General Operating Fund and are only required to be transferred to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund if the amounts therein are insufficient to pay debt service on the Bond Obligations.

#### **INFORMATION ABOUT DART**

DART is a subregional transportation authority of the State of Texas, created and confirmed by a referendum passed on August 13, 1983, pursuant to Article 1118y of Vernon's Annotated Texas Civil Statutes, as amended and recodified into the Act, effective September 1, 1995. The Act authorizes us to provide public transportation and complementary services within the corporate limits of those cities and towns in which the voters thereof have confirmed the creation of or joinder with DART and approved the imposition of the Sales Tax under the Act.

#### DART's Boundaries, Additions, Withdrawal Rights

Our current boundaries include the following Participating Municipalities: The Cities of Carrollton, Cockrell Hill, Dallas, Farmers Branch, Garland, Glenn Heights, Irving, Plano, Richardson, Rowlett, and University Park and the Towns of Addison and Highland Park, Texas. Our boundaries encompass approximately 700 square miles and contains an estimated 2021 population of 2.53 million persons, according to information obtained from the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

If a municipality that we do not currently serve is located at least in part in a county that we serve, the municipality may become a Participating Municipality by holding an election in accordance with the Act at which its joinder with DART and the imposition of the Sales Tax is approved by its voters.

Under the Act, a Participating Municipality has the right to call an election at which its voters may vote to withdraw as a Participating Municipality every sixth calendar year. This process can be initiated by either official action of the Participating Municipality's governing body or by citizen petition. The next year in which withdrawal elections may be held is 2026.

If a withdrawal election is held and voters approve withdrawal from DART, all of our public transportation services to and within the withdrawing municipality must cease on the day following the canvass of the election returns. The Comptroller must continue to collect the Sales Tax within that municipality, however, until we have collected an amount equal to the withdrawing municipality's pro-rata share of our financial obligations that existed at the time of withdrawal. Accordingly, the Act limits the impact a municipality's withdrawal might have on our ability to repay our indebtedness, including any Bond Obligations.

Under the Act, our Board must calculate a withdrawing municipality's financial obligation to us as of the date of withdrawal. This financial obligation shall equal such municipality's portion of the total amount of the following:

- DART's outstanding obligations under contract and authorized in our current budget;
- DART's outstanding contractual obligations for capital and other expenditures payable from sources other than proceeds of notes, bonds, or other obligations;
- Payments due or to become due in all subsequent years on notes, bonds, or other securities or obligations for debt issued by us;
- DART's required reserves for all years to comply with financial covenants made with lenders, note or bond Holders, or other creditors or contractors; and
- The amount necessary for the full and timely payment of our existing obligations, to avoid a default or impairment of those obligations, including contingent liabilities.

Any of our financial obligations that specifically relate to such withdrawing municipality will be allocated completely to it.

#### **DART's General Powers and Purposes**

We exercise public and essential governmental functions under the Act, and the Act grants us certain powers to carry out these functions. The Act authorizes us to acquire, construct, develop, plan, own, operate, and maintain all real and

personal property needed by us for public transportation or complementary transportation purposes. Complementary transportation services include the following services:

- · Special transportation services for elderly or disabled persons;
- · Medical transportation services;
- Assistance in street modifications to accommodate our public transportation system;
- The purchase, construction, or renovation of general aviation facilities that are not served by certificated air carriers in order to relieve air traffic congestion at existing facilities; and
- Any other service that complements our public transportation system, such as parking garages.

The Act grants to us the right to acquire property by eminent domain for our public transportation system, so long as the governing body (in a city or town) or the commissioners court of the county (in unincorporated areas) having jurisdiction over the property approves the acquisition. The Act also authorizes us to lease to or contract with a private operator to operate a public transportation system or any part thereof, and to contract with any non-participating city, county, or other political subdivision to provide public transportation services to any area outside our boundaries.

#### The Board of Directors

We are governed by a 15-member subregional board of directors (the "Board"). The governing bodies of the Participating Municipalities appoint members to our Board according to the ratio of the population of each Participating Municipality to the total population within our boundaries. A Participating Municipality having a population which entitles it to make a fraction of an appointment may combine that fraction with one or more other Participating Municipalities to make one appointment, but no Participating Municipality may appoint more than 65% of the members of the Board. The Board is restructured whenever there is a change in the member municipalities or every fifth year after the date census data or population estimates become available.

Each Board member serves at the pleasure of the governing municipal unit that appoints the member. Board members serve staggered two-year terms. Eight of the member terms begin on July 1 of odd-numbered years and seven of the member terms begin July 1 of even-numbered years. Each member is entitled to receive \$50 for each Board meeting attended and is reimbursed for necessary and reasonable expenses incurred in the discharge of the member's duties.

The following table sets forth information regarding DART's current Board. The Board appoints from its members a chair, vice chair, secretary, and assistant secretary as shown in the table.

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CURRENT MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS				
NAME	Represents	YEAR OF Appointment To Board	OCCUPATION	
Michele Wong Krause, Chair	Dallas	2014	Attorney	
Gary Slagel, Vice Chair	Richardson, University Park, Addison, and Highland Park	2011	Technology Executive	
Rodney Schlosser, Secretary	Dallas	2020	Technology Insurance	
Robert C. Dye, <i>Assistant Secretary</i>	Plano and Farmers Branch	2020	Entrepreneur and Mayor, City of Farmers Branch	
Doug Hrbacek	Carrollton and Irving	2019	Business Development	
Hosanna Yemiru <sup>(1)</sup>	Dallas	2021	Community Organizer	
Patrick Kennedy	Dallas	2016	Urban Planner	
Jon-Bertrell Killen	Dallas	2017	Architect	
Flora M. Hernandez <sup>(2)</sup>	Dallas	2021	Community Organizer	
Eliseo Ruiz III	Dallas and Cockrell Hill	2018	Attorney	
Carmen R. Garcia <sup>(3)</sup>	Dallas	2022	Retired Transit Executive	
Mark C. Enoch	Garland, Rowlett, and Glenn Heights	1997	Attorney	
Richard H. Stopfer	Irving	2013	Retired Automotive Consultant and Mayor, City of Irving	
Jonathan R. Kelly	Garland	2016	Investment Advisor	
Paul N. Wageman	Plano	2012	Attorney	

Hosanna Yemiru replaced Ray Jackson August 2021. (1)

(2)Flora M. Hernandez replaced Amanda Moreno, June 2021.

Carmen R. Garcia replaced Dominique P. Torres, January 2022 (3)

#### **Significant Board Policies and Planning Documents**

Our Board has adopted a mission statement, strategic priorities, goals, financial and business planning policies, and general policies that provide management a framework within which DART must operate. The Board has also adopted bylaws and rules of procedure to ensure that it acts in a consistent and orderly manner. Each year, for planning purposes, DART issues an annual business plan (the "Business Plan") which includes components of the following:

— The Strategic Plan – The Strategic Plan provides a foundation for all other management actions. Beginning with DART's mission statement and vision, the Strategic Plan includes priorities, goals, objectives, and performance measures that guide decision-making throughout DART. The other plans and documents described in this section are also considered to be part of DART's Strategic Plan because they provide significant guidance for authority activities and require alignment of processes and activities to achieve their full functionality and value. Elements of the Strategic Plan are periodically reviewed and updated to reflect the current environment. The mission statement and vision are the most constant elements of the Strategic Plan while individual project plans and employee performance plans are reviewed and revised at least once each year.

— Service Plan and Transit System Plan – The Service Plan, required by DART's enabling legislation, specifically describes the service provided including the locations of major transit facilities and fixed guideways. The Transit System Plan, which is not required by law, is the financially constrained long-range planning tool that is updated to incorporate changes in the service area. It provides the vision and direction for DART's future capital projects and operating programs that will be needed to improve regional mobility. The Transit System Plan is closely

coordinated with development of the North Central Texas Council of Governments' Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and is revised periodically. The most recent update to the Transit System Plan was completed in Fiscal Year 2007 and focused on transit needs and opportunities within the context of a 2030 horizon. DART completed the update to the 2030 Transit System Plan through the horizon year of 2045. The final 2045 Transit System Plan was approved by DART Board January 25, 2022.

— Annual Budget – DART's enabling legislation requires the Board to develop, recommend, and approve an annual budget (the "Annual Budget"). The Board must make its proposed Annual Budget available to the Participating Municipalities for review and comment at least 30 days prior to its final adoption. The Annual Budget, which corresponds to the first year of the Twenty-Year Financial Plan (defined below), enumerates the amounts authorized for operating expenses, capital and non-operating costs, and debt service.

— Twenty-Year Financial Plan – The Twenty-Year Financial Plan addresses the affordability of the Transit System Plan and the timing of service and capital expansion projects. The Twenty-Year Financial Plan details projected sources and uses of cash for twenty years. The approved Annual Budget is used as the first year of the plan. The final 15 years of the plan validate the affordability of our long-range Transit System Plan and include our commitments for future system expansion and the issuance and repayment of debt.

— Business Plan – The first five years of the Twenty-Year Financial Plan is considered the "Business Plan." DART's Business Plan provides a comprehensive summary of its plans and commitments and outlines how DART will employ projected resources to achieve its goals and strategic priorities.

— Financial Standards – The Board's Financial Standards establish limits for capital expansion, the issuance of debt, and the maintenance of cash reserves. These standards are the basis for our Financial Plan projections. The Board has also approved Business Planning Parameters that establish operating service levels, management performance objectives, and policy limitations for projecting major sources and uses of cash.

— Key Performance Indicators – The Business Plan provides a detailed outline of our performance projections and commitments for each mode of service and DART as a whole. The Business Plan includes "scorecards" addressing key operating, financial, and quality measures (called "Key Performance Indicators") and identifying initiatives necessary to improve performance. The Business Plan defines how management will achieve the key initiatives presented in the Strategic Plan.

— Five-Year Action Plan – The Five-Year Action Plan provides detailed discussions of our plans to increase bus and rail ridership through service improvements for a five-year period.

#### **DART's Management**

The Board appoints our President & Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer's duties include:

- · Administering our daily operations, including the hiring, compensation, and removal of employees;
- Awarding contracts for services, supplies, capital acquisitions, real estate, and construction without Board approval if the amount of any such contract does not exceed \$100,000; and
- Awarding contracts of up to \$250,000 without Board approval for standard off-the-shelf commercial products.

Additional staff positions that report directly to the Board include the General Counsel, a Director of Internal Audit, and a Director of the Office of Board Support.

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A summary of our executive management team is shown in the following table:

DART'S EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT			
NAME	Position	JOINED DART	
Nadine S. Lee <sup>(1)</sup>	President & Chief Executive Officer	2021	
Vacant	Chief of Staff to President & Chief Executive Officer	N/A	
Carol Wise	Executive Vice President, Chief Operations Officer	2012	
Deanna Leggett	Executive Vice President, Growth & Regional Development	2022	
Nicole Fontayne-Bardowell <sup>(2)</sup>	Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer, Interim Chief Financial Officer	2014	
Chris Koloc	Director of Internal Audit	2007	
Gene Gamez	General Counsel	2002	
Gregory Elsborg	Vice President, Chief Innovation Officer	2019	
Doug Douglas	Vice President, Mobility Management Services	1990	
Donna Johnson	Vice President, Chief Safety Officer	2004	
Nevin Grinnell	Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer	2011	
Lisa Taylor <sup>(3)</sup>	Interim Vice President, Rail Operations and Administration	2008	
Nancy Johnson	Director of the Office of Board Support	1999	
Edie Diaz	Vice President, Government Relations	2019	
Gabriel J. Beltran	Interim Vice President, Diversity & Inclusion- Employee & Labor Relations	2001	
Bonnie Murphy	Vice President, Commuter Rail/Railroad Management	2017	
Rosa Medina	Vice President, Human Resources	2020	
Rob Smith	Interim Vice President, Planning & Scheduling	2006	
Brad Cummings	Vice President, Procurement	2021	
David Ehrlicher	Interim Vice President, Capital Design & Construction	2002	
Kay Shelton	Interim Vice President, Capital Planning	2000	
Matt Walling <sup>(4)</sup>	Interim Vice President, DART Chief of Police & Emergency Management	2012	
Julius Smith	Vice President, Chief Information Officer	2016	
Vacant	Vice President, Real Property & Transit Oriented Development	N/A	
Jaime Aleman <sup>(5)</sup>	Vice President, Maintenance, Infrastructure and Capital Projects	2007	

(1) As of July 12, 2021
 (2) As of October 7, 2021
 (3) As of November 1, 2021
 (4) As of September 7, 2021
 (5) As of November 1, 2021

#### **Employees and Employee Relations**

DART currently has 3,768 budgeted positions for full-time salaried and hourly employees. Bus operators, mechanics, and call center personnel are represented by The Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1338. As a Texas governmental agency, we do not collectively bargain or sign labor contracts with these employee representatives. We do, however, meet and confer with these representatives on hourly employee issues, compensation, and benefits.

#### Pension, Retirement, Deferred Compensation Plans, and Other Post-Employment Benefits

We operate three employee benefit plans. Information about the plans is contained in Note 17 to the Audited Financial Statements attached hereto as Appendix A. In addition to pension benefits, we provide post-retirement health care and life insurance benefits in accordance with DART policy to certain employees. Information about such benefits is contained in Note 18 to the Audited Financial Statements attached hereto as Appendix A. We have implemented GASB Statement No. 75 "Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions."

#### **Significant Contract Services**

We use contracted services extensively, including the following:

- MV Transportation, Inc., for Mobility Management Services (ADA Paratransit operations and On-Call Services);
- · Herzog Transit Services, Inc. for our commuter rail services;
- Echo T&C for University of Texas at Dallas shuttle services;
- Metropolitan Security Services for armed security guard services;
- · Triad Commercial Services for janitorial services (rail and bus facilities) and property management;
- Blue Cross Blue Shield as the third-party administrator over the Authority's health benefits;
- · HDR Engineering, Inc. for general planning consultant services;
- · Clean Energy for CNG fuel station maintenance;
- · BrightView Landscapes LLC, and Good Earth Corporation for system-wide landscape management; and
- Stadler Inc. for maintenance services of commuter rail vehicles.

We also utilize contracts for a major portion of the planning, design, and construction of major capital programs.

#### Insurance

We maintain a comprehensive insurance program, including the following:

- We self-insure for auto liability, general liability, and workers' compensation claims arising out of transit operations. Segregated cash reserves are maintained for these programs.
- We carry all-risk property insurance for full repair or replacement in the event of loss with a \$500 million limit for any one loss or any one location subject to a \$1,000,000 deductible as of November 1, 2019.
- We carry \$300 million liability coverage for the light rail system and the Trinity Railway Express (the "TRE") commuter rail service with a \$3 million self-insured retention. This policy covers DART and Trinity Metro (formerly known as the Fort Worth Transportation Authority) and Herzog Transit Services, Inc. the company that operates the TRE trains.
- As a member of the Texas Municipal League (TML) DART has purchased \$10 million of liability coverage for leased premises to comply with the terms of our lease agreements with third parties. DART also purchased insurance through TML to cover non-owned automobile liability, errors and omissions liability, cyber liability, forgery, theft, disappearance and destruction, computer fraud, and employee dishonesty.

DART has implemented an Owner Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP) for construction projects including the Red and Blue Line Platform Extensions project, the Cotton Belt Regional Rail Corridor, Equipment Maintenance Facility, Hidden Ridge rail station, and other construction projects. The OCIP will provide all eligible enrolled contractors with statutory workers' compensation coverage, general and excess liability insurance, pollution liability, railroad protective liability and builders' risk insurance.

As a public entity, DART is protected in many instances by governmental immunity. In cases where our governmental immunity does not apply, our liability is often limited by the Texas Tort Claims Act to \$100,000 per person or \$300,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and \$100,000 per occurrence for property damage. Workers' compensation payments are statutory and regulated by the United States Department of Labor and the Texas Department of Insurance's Division of Workers' Compensation.

#### DART'S FINANCIAL PRACTICES AND RESOURCES

#### **Audits of Financial Information**

DART's Fiscal Year is from October 1 through September 30. We maintain our records of accounts in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Our financial accounts and records are audited at the close of each Fiscal Year by an independent, outside auditing and accounting firm approved by the Board. The Independent Auditors' Report, with our audited annual financial statements for the Fiscal Years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, is presented as a part of this Annual Disclosure Statement as Appendix A. Each subsequent Annual Disclosure Statement will include our most recent audited annual financial statements.

#### Principal Source of Revenue—The Sales Tax

Our principal revenue source is the Sales Tax that is levied on taxable items and services that are sold, rented, or purchased, or acquired for use, within the boundaries of our Participating Municipalities. The Act and the Limited Sales, Use, and Excise Tax Act, Chapter 151, Texas Tax Code, as amended, contain a full description of the items and services subject to and exempted from a sales and use tax.

The Texas Legislature has modified the sales and use tax base from time to time to add or subtract certain items to or from our taxable base, and even to exempt from taxes certain items purchased during a defined time window. In 1999, the Legislature created an annual three-day "sales tax holiday" just prior to the opening of each new school year, which exempts from State and local sales taxes the purchase of certain clothing, school supplies, and footwear. The sales tax holiday exempts these purchases from the Sales Tax as well. While the law establishing the sales tax holiday currently permits us to repeal the temporary exemption from our Sales Tax, we do not intend to repeal this exemption unless it will adversely impact our ability to repay any outstanding Bond Obligations.

The following table shows our net Sales Tax revenues for each of the most recent 10 Fiscal Years. The net Sales Tax revenues show actual receipts in a given Fiscal Year and may differ from the Sales Tax revenues shown on our financial statements. When DART is notified of an overpayment of Sales Tax, by the Comptroller an accounting adjustment is made to reflect the reduction in Sales Tax revenues in that same Fiscal Year. In three cases where sizeable overpayments were determined to have been made, DART entered into a repayment plan. The table below shows Sales Tax revenues for the Fiscal Year in which an overpayment is determined to have been made, rather than in the Fiscal Years over which an overpayment is repaid, the Sales Tax revenues shown on the financial statements may differ from the net Sales Tax revenues shown below.

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Net Sales Tax Revenues* (in millions)		
Fiscal Year ended 9/30	Receipts	
2012	\$432.5	
2013	\$455.7	
2014	\$485.7	
2015	\$518.6	
2016	\$545.1	
2017	\$566.6	
2018	\$595.6	
2019	\$624.4	
2020	\$615.8	
2021	\$681.5	

Table 1 – Net Sales Tax Revenues

\*The net Sales Tax revenues shown above represent actual receipts received by DART in given Fiscal Years and may differ from the net Sales Tax revenues shown in DART's financial statements. The amounts shown above are net of the Comptroller's service fee and audit collections. In 2006, there was a \$13.2 million overpayment made by the Comptroller to DART. In 2008 there was a \$3.6 million overpayment. Also, in 2019 there was a \$4.1 million overpayment. Such amounts are being repaid by DART through March 2027. See "DART's OPERATIONS AND PERFORMANCE RESULTS – Sales Tax Revenues and the Net Operating Subsidy" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS."

#### Secondary Revenues — Farebox Collections

We collect fares from our bus, rail, and paratransit users. The Act permits us to set fares based upon a zone system or by another classification that we determine to be reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

We receive other miscellaneous revenues, primarily from advertising and leases. We refer to these and the farebox revenues as "Operating Revenues." The following table lists our Operating Revenues and expenses for the past 10 fiscal years.

Operating Revenues & Expenses (in millions)				
Fiscal Year ended 9/30	<b>Operating Revenues</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>Operating Expenses</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		
2012	\$80.1	\$645.8		
2013	\$83.7	\$701.7		
2014	\$84.5	\$704.5		
2015	\$85.4	\$705.3		
2016	\$81.9	\$739.3		
2017	\$79.6	\$745.5		
2018	\$76.1	\$779.2		
2019	\$77.5	\$819.1		
2020	\$55.1	\$821.8		
2021	\$40.9	\$810.5		

 Table 2 – Operating Revenue & Expenses

(1) As provide in DART's annual financial statements Operating Revenues includes "Passenger Revenues" which are included in the calculation of "Pledge Farebox Revenues" in the Master Debt Resolution. See "APPENDIX C – Pledged Farebox Revenue."

(2) Includes depreciation expense.

#### **Federal Grant Funds**

We receive federal grant funds primarily from the Federal Transit Administration ("FTA"). We utilize these proceeds to fund a portion of our eligible capitalized maintenance expenses and capital programs. Congress allocates transit funds on both a formula basis and a discretionary basis. We are eligible to receive both types of funds.

Federal grants are on a reimbursement basis, so receipts will not match annual appropriation. The following table reflects actual federal and state cash receipts of DART for the past 10 fiscal years. For a discussion of funding received by DART under the federal CRRSSA Act (defined herein) during Fiscal Year 2021 in connection with COVID-19, see "IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON DART – Summary of DART Actions Taken in Response to COVID-19."

Federal/State Receipts (in millions)				
Fiscal Year	Federal Receipts <sup>(1)</sup>	State Receipts		
2012	\$175.8	\$19.9		
2013	\$141.4	\$2.7		
2014	\$128.3	\$1.6		
2015	\$104.9	\$10.9		
2016	\$47.4	\$1.2		
2017	\$78.5	\$0.9		
2018	\$93.6	\$0.1		
2019	\$135.4	\$1.6		
2020	\$393.1	\$19.8		
2021 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$251.8	\$19.9		

 Table 3 – Federal/State Receipts

(1) Build America Bonds are included in the Authority's federal receipts and are subject to federal subsidy changes. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Sequestration of Obligations designated as Build America Bonds."

(2) Federal receipts included \$229 million of CARES Act funds. See "IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON DART – Summary of DART Actions Taken in Response to COVID-19

(3) Federal receipts included \$128.5 million of CRRSSA Act funds. See "IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON DART – Summary of DART Actions Taken in Response to COVID-19."

#### Lease/Leaseback Transactions

As authorized by the Act, DART previously entered into economically defeased lease transactions which, in general, involved its lease and leaseback of specified, depreciable property to various trustee entities, acting on behalf of private investors. As of the date hereof, only one of such transaction is still outstanding and involves the lease and leaseback of light rail cars used as a part of DART's transit system. Although the Authority retains legal title to the leased property, this transaction was structured so as to result in a sale of the leased property to the private investors for federal income tax purposes. The rent due for the full term of the leases was prepaid to DART, and the private investors have no further obligation to pay DART any rent under the lease. The private investors subleased the property back to the Authority for a sublease term that is shorter than the term of the lease. At a specified date on or before the end of the sublease term, DART has the right to purchase the trustee's interest in the lease.

As of September 30, 2021, one lease/leaseback transaction was active and is in full compliance with the operative documents, as amended. The liability for the remaining lease/leaseback obligation was approximately \$121,177,000. See Note 10 to the Audited Financial Statements attached hereto as Appendix A.

#### DART OPERATIONS AND PERFORMANCE RESULTS

The Independent Auditors' Report on DART's financial statements for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2021, is attached as Appendix A. The information contained under this heading presents the comments, observations, and interpretations of financial and other facts and practices by our management and its opinions as to those facts,

practices, and circumstances affecting DART. We do not warrant or guarantee that the conclusions we have drawn therefrom are accurate or complete or provide any assurances as to future financial and/or operating results of DART. The financial information discussed in this section is derived from the financial statements attached as Appendix A and other identified sources. See "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS".

#### Sales Tax Revenues and the Net Operating Subsidy

Our principal revenue source is the Sales Tax revenues. Sales Tax revenues contributed 81% of total revenues (which includes capital contributions and grants) in Fiscal Year 2021 and 73% in Fiscal Year 2020. Sales Tax revenues in Fiscal Year 2021 were \$683.2 million, a \$67.0 million (10.9%) increase over Fiscal Year 2020. Net Sales Tax Revenues were \$681.5 million for Fiscal Year 2021 compared to a budgeted Net Sales Tax Revenues of \$615.8 million. Our Sales Tax receipts highly correlate with personal income and retail sales in the region. Sales Tax revenues received by us from the Comptroller reflect sales transactions that occur approximately two months prior to receipt by us. The Sales Tax revenues discussed in this section are derived from our annual financial statements which reflect accounting adjustments made as a result of overpayments of Sales Taxes to DART. As a result of these accounting adjustments, Sales Tax revenues shown on our financial statements may differ from the Net Sales Tax Revenues (which represent actual receipts in a Fiscal Year) shown in the table on page 13. As a result of overpayments to DART of \$13.2 million in Fiscal Year 2006, \$3.6 million in Fiscal Year 2008, and \$4.1 million in Fiscal Year 2019, DART entered into three repayment plans with the Comptroller which commenced in December 2006, and currently extends to March 2027. Pursuant to the repayment plan, the State Comptroller deducts quarterly repayments from Sales Tax revenues that would otherwise be owed to DART.

The Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget projects Sales Tax revenues of \$673.2 million compared to \$583.8 million for Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Budget. Since 2016 DART has incorporated periodic zero-growth in seven-year cycles, which was anticipated in Fiscal Year 2019; however, economic performance in Fiscal Year 2018 led to the postponement of the zero-growth strategy to Fiscal Year 2019 and again in Fiscal Year 2020 due to the Coronavirus. DART continues to project the next 0.0% increase in 2027 from the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget and a 1.2% reduction over the 2021 Actual Sales Tax Receipts. For the first three-months of Fiscal Year 2022, Sales Tax budget for the first three-months.

<u>Reserve Accounts</u>. We maintain various cash reserves including a Financial Reserve Fund that is funded with Sales Tax collections, if any, that exceed budget during a given year (the "Financial Reserve Fund"). In addition, in 2019 the Board renamed the Capital Project Reserve Account as the Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund (MAIF). If the Financial Reserve Fund exceeds \$50 million, excess funds are placed in the MAIF Account. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board is required to draw upon the Financial Reserve Fund and MAIF and the funds may be used for any purpose approved by the Board. As of September 30, 2021, the balance in the Financial Reserve Fund was \$50.0 million and the balance in the MAIF Account was \$12.5 million. For Fiscal Year 2021, our Sales Tax receipts were more than our Sales Tax budget by \$97.7 million or 16.7%. DART has entered into an Equity Security Agreement on our existing lease/leaseback obligation that requires us to set aside certain investments as security. As of September 30, 2021, DART has \$3.4 million set aside in the Financial Reserve Fund for this purpose.

<u>Cash and Liquidity</u>. In addition, we are required by our Financial Standards to maintain a working cash balance in the general operating fund equal to at least one month of expenses that are projected to be paid from Sales Tax collections. As of September 30, 2021, the balance in the general operating fund was \$406.0 million which equals approximately 7.8 months of expenditures.

<u>Net Position</u>. The Net Position for Fiscal Year 2021 reflect a gain before capital contribution and grants of \$30.7 million compared to \$19.2 million for 2020. This gain in 2021 is greater than that of 2020 due to an increase sales tax revenues continued federal grant support with \$128.5 million of CRRSSA Act funds and increase in other non-operating revenues.

<u>Net Operating Subsidy</u>. Net operating subsidy measures the amount of sales tax dollars required to subsidize the operating costs of our public transit system. We calculate "net operating subsidy" in the following manner: operating expenses minus extraordinary items and depreciation minus operating revenues. Our goal is for the Sales Tax revenues to increase by a higher percentage than net operating subsidy. In Fiscal Year 2021, net operating subsidy decreased as compared to 2020 due to decrease in operating expenses because of lower labor costs.

#### **Sales Tax Revenues for Operating Expenses**

Sales Tax revenues for operating expenses measures the percentage of Sales Tax revenues required to subsidize net operating costs. Conversely, this ratio also measures the amount of funding available for debt service and future capital expenditures. The Sales Tax revenues for operations calculation is as follows: net operating subsidy (defined above) less interest income divided by Sales Tax revenues. This ratio moves lower if Sales Tax revenues grow by a higher percentage than net operating subsidy. The ratio decreased from 82.8% in Fiscal Year 2020 to 74.5% in Fiscal Year 2021 due primarily to Sales Tax increasing faster than operating costs.

#### **Subsidy Per Passenger**

Subsidy per passenger measures the efficiency of our services. Specifically, it measures the amount of tax subsidy required each time a passenger uses our services. It is calculated as follows: operating expenses minus depreciation minus extraordinary items minus operating revenues divided by passenger boardings. Our goal is to minimize subsidy per passenger each year. For this to happen, ridership must grow at a higher percentage than net subsidy. Total system subsidy per passenger in Fiscal Year 2021 was \$13.56, a \$3.65 (36.8%) increase from Fiscal Year 2020. Fixed-route subsidy per passenger in Fiscal Year 2021 was \$12.73, a \$3.45 (37.2%) increase from Fiscal Year 2020. Subsidy per passenger for Fiscal Year 2021 ranged from a high of \$65.59 for paratransit service to a low of \$8.73 for vanpool service.

#### **IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON DART**

The outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus, has been characterized as a pandemic by the World Health Organization and has affected and continues to affect many parts of the world, including the United States and Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area. On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the United States Health and Human Services Department declared a public health emergency for the United States and on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the outbreak of COVID-19 in the United States a national emergency. Subsequently, the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the United States.

The Governor of Texas (the "Governor") has issued a series of executive orders relating to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation. Under executive orders in effect as of the date of this Annual Disclosure Statement, there are no COVID-19 related operating limits for any business or other establishment. The Governor retains the right to impose additional restrictions on activities. Additional information regarding executive orders issued by the Governor is accessible on the website of the Governor at https://gov.texas.gov/. Neither the information on (nor accessed through) such website of the Governor is incorporated by reference, either expressly or by implication, into this Annual Disclosure Statement.

The full extent of the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on DART's longer-term operational and financial performance will depend on future developments, many of which are outside of its control, including the effectiveness of the mitigation strategies discussed above (in addition to the impact of COVID-19 vaccine rollouts), the duration and spread of COVID-19, and future governmental actions, all of which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted. DART continues to monitor the spread of COVID-19 and is working with local, state, and national agencies to address the actual and potential impact of COVID-19 upon DART.

COVID-19 has negatively affected travel, commerce, and financial markets globally, and is widely expected to continue negatively affecting economic growth and financial markets worldwide. The State may be particularly at risk from any global slowdown, given the prevalence of international trade in the State and the risk of contraction in the oil and gas industry and spillover effects into other industries.

DART has been affected by changes in the economic activity and conditions of the DART service area, which includes a decrease in the receipt of Sales Tax revenues (for Fiscal Year 2020 only), and operating revenues caused by COVID-19. The continued spread of COVID-19 has also affected DART's operations. See "DART'S FINANIAL

PRACTICES AND RESOURCES", "DART OPERATIONS AND PERFORMANCES RESULTS." and "Summary of DART Actions Taken in Response to COVID-19" below for a discussion of the impact of COVID-19 on DART's financial and operating condition. Some of the financial and operating data contained herein are as of dates and for periods prior to the economic impact of COVID-19 and measures instituted to mitigate it. Accordingly, such information is not necessarily indicative of the current financial condition or future prospects of DART.

#### Summary of DART Actions Taken in Response to COVID-19

Revenue receipts (Gross Sales Tax Revenues and operating revenues) increased for Fiscal Year 2021, primarily due to the effects of improved economy of member cities. Revenue projections for the Fiscal Year 2022 are forecast to be higher compared to FY 2021.

Since DART's budget matches spending to projected revenues, DART was able to return to 90% operating and normal overall spending. The number of employees in the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget as compared to the Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Budget increased to 3,768 from 3,748, respectively.

In response to the effects of COVID-19, DART implemented the following: reduced transit services, cost-saving organizational efficiencies, a hiring freeze, and a voluntary retirement incentive program (VRIP) to further reduce the number of employees and save on salary and benefit costs. 370 eligible employees accepted the VRIP offer. To date, DART has made no salary decreases or layoffs.

DART's reduced transit service included reduced frequency of bus and light rail transit, modified bus routes, and eliminating bus routes with low ridership. In October 2020, DART implemented major changes in bus, rail and shuttle service, as the North Texas economy reopened. DART restored service on a group of routes and improved frequencies on others to just under 90% of pre-COVID-19 levels and service currently remains at such level. In addition, GoLink is being expanded to accommodate ridership routes that were modified or replaced in preparation for DARTzoom.

To date, the above-measures previously taken to mitigate COVID-19's impact on DART's financial condition and operations are no longer in effect. Due to a favorable continued recovery in sales tax receipts, COVID-19 did not materially impact the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget.

At this time DART has not delayed nor expects to delay any major capital projects as a result of budgetary constraints; however, an infectious disease outbreak may cause a disruption in DART's major capital projects due to delays in the labor market, related supply chains, and projected ridership associated with such major capital projects.

DART returned to normal operating expenses in the Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Budget. The Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget of \$580.4 million was approved by the Board on September 14, 2021.

<u>Federal Relief for the COVID-19 Pandemic</u>. The FTA announced a total of \$25 billion in federal funding allocations to help the nation's public transportation systems respond to COVID-19. Funding is provided through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (the "CARES Act"), signed by the President of the United States on March 27, 2020. The CARES Act established the Coronavirus Relief Fund, which is to be used to cover costs that are necessary expenditures incurred by states and certain local governments due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19. DART was allocated \$229.6 million in CARES Act funding and has received such amount for expenses incurred between January 2020 through August 2020.

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (the "2021 Coronavirus Act"), was passed by Congress and signed into law on December 27, 2020, provided additional federal relief for public transportation. Federal relief funds will be provided to DART and assuming such funds will be allocated in the same manner as funds distributed under the CARES Act, DART received approximately \$128.5 million in additional federal relief under the 2021 Coronavirus Act.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (the "ARP Act") was passed by Congress and signed into law on March 11, 2021, which in addition to other amounts and purposes, includes \$30.5 billion in federal funding to support the nation's public transportation systems efforts to respond to COVID-19 and support the President's call to vaccinate

the U.S. population. ARP Act funding is authorized to be used to assist with operating costs, payroll and personal protective equipment, in addition to pay expenses related to public transportation services to vaccination sites. DART has been allocated approximately \$300 million in ARP Act funding (at a 100% federal share), of which no funding has been received to date. Such funding is available until September 30, 2024.

#### INFORMATION ABOUT DART'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

#### The Current System

Our current mass transit services include:

- · Bus Transit service (including DART On-Call and Flex services);
- · DART Mobility Management services including ADA Complementary Paratransit services;
- · Light rail transit service;
- · Commuter rail service;
- · Transportation Demand Management (TDM) services including RideShare matching services for carpools and vanpools; and
- · Special events service provided through the modes listed above.

During Fiscal Year 2021, we moved 36.1 million passengers. The following table highlights total system ridership by mode for the last ten Fiscal Years.

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Fiscal Year	Bus	LRT <sup>(1)</sup>	Rail	HOV <sup>(2)</sup>	Paratransit	TDM	Total <sup>(2)</sup>
2012	38.7	27.7	2.3	34.4	0.8	1.0	104.9
2013	38.0	29.5	2.1	36.3	0.7	0.9	107.5
2014	37.4	29.4	2.3	21.4	0.7	0.9	92.1
2015	36.5	29.9	2.2	22.3	0.8	0.9	92.5
2016	33.7	29.7	2.1	N/A	0.8	0.8	67.1
2017	32.1	30.1	2.1	N/A	0.8	0.7	65.8
2018	30.2	29.0	2.0	N/A	0.8	0.7	62.7
2019	38.7	28.6	2.0	N/A	0.9	0.6	70.8
2020	27.8	20.3	1.3	N/A	0.6	0.3	50.3
2021	20.1	14.6	0.8	N/A	0.6	0.0	36.1

(1) Streetcar ridership is included in the LRT totals.

(2) Reporting of high occupancy vehicle ("HOV") ridership was discontinued effective 10/01/2015. Totals may not sum due to rounding. Note: DART implemented the Automatic Passenger Counter (APC) system with its LRT service beginning in 2012, bus and commuter rail began APC in 2019. These counters have proven to be considerably more accurate than our previously used manual ridership counting methodology. The APCs show that we have been underreporting ridership by approximately 23%.

The total system ridership and fixed-route ridership numbers are highlighted in the analysis given above. Fixed-route service includes bus, light rail, and commuter rail operations. Total system ridership includes fixed-route, paratransit, and vanpools. Ridership figures are based on the number of unlinked passenger boardings (each passenger boarding is counted as one trip). Total system ridership in Fiscal Year 2021 was 36.1 million, a decrease of 14.2 million (28%) from Fiscal Year 2020.

We contract for all of our paratransit and commuter rail services. While we remain responsible for these programs, our contracts establish operating performance standards which the contractors are expected to meet. We maintain an aggressive program to monitor and audit contractor compliance.

#### - Bus Transit (55.7% of total system ridership in Fiscal Year 2021)

Our bus system provides local, express, crosstown, on-call, flex, feeder bus routes and site-specific shuttles. Local routes are focused on the Dallas Central Business District (CBD) and serve the largest and densest concentration of employment in the service area. The routes are characterized by stops at one to two block intervals along their stop segments. Service is provided six to seven days a week.

#### - Light Rail Transit (40.4% of total system ridership in Fiscal Year 2021)

Light Rail Transit is an electrically powered rail system that generally operates at street level. A 20-mile "Starter System," opened in phases from June 1996 through May 1997, connects South and West Oak Cliff, downtown Dallas, and the North Central Expressway corridor as far north as Park Lane in Dallas. In 2002, DART's light rail was extended to North Dallas, Garland, Richardson, and Plano. In 2009, the first phase of the Green Line opened southeast of downtown Dallas with the remainder opening in 2010. In July 2012, the first segment of the Orange Line to Irving opened for service. In December 2012, Irving-2 and the Rowlett extension of the Blue Line opened for service. In August 2014, light rail service opened at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. A Blue Line extension to the University of North Texas – Dallas opened in October 2016, bringing the total light rail system to 93 miles and 65 stations.

#### - Commuter Rail (2.2% of total system ridership in Fiscal Year 2021)

Our commuter rail system, commonly referred to as the TRE, provides diesel powered passenger railroad services on the TRE Corridor between Dallas and Fort Worth, in mixed traffic with freight railroad operations. The 34-mile corridor is jointly owned by DART and Trinity Metro. TRE service is provided pursuant to an interlocal agreement between DART and Trinity Metro. This agreement was originally entered into in 1994 and was restated and adopted by the Board and the Trinity Metro board of directors from time to time, as necessary, and most recently in 2021.

Pursuant to Trackage Rights Agreements, the Burlington Northern Santa Fe, the Dallas Garland and Northeastern, and the Union Pacific railroads pay a fee for the right to operate freight services on the TRE corridor. TRE, through its contractor, Herzog Transit Services, Inc., dispatches and maintains the corridor as well as operates the service and maintains the rolling stock used in the service.

#### — Paratransit (1.6% of total system ridership in Fiscal Year 2021)

We are responsible for providing complementary paratransit service in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"). In Fiscal Year 2013, we changed our delivery model to contractor-provided vehicles and per trip billing replacing per hour billing and a new contractor, MV Transportation, Inc. (MV), for providing Paratransit service. MV provides, operates, and maintains a fleet of 80 Starcraft vehicles in dedicated service. MV also oversees and manages a fleet of approximately 115 Dodge Entervans outfitted by Braun, which are taxi vehicles provided and operated by Irving Holdings.

#### — Transportation Demand Management (0.0% of total system ridership in Fiscal Year 2021)

We work with area employers to develop strategies for reducing employee trips, such as carpools, vanpools, and flexible work schedules. We provide up to 179 vans for our vanpool program through a third-party contractor. We also assist customers in forming carpools. Prospective carpoolers can call in and provide us with information for our RideShare database. We then work to link-up customers with common trip origins and destinations.

#### **Annual Budget**

The DART Board develops, recommends, and approves an annual budget. The Board must make its proposed annual budget available to the governing bodies of the Participating Municipalities for a review and comment at least 30 days prior to its final adoption. The annual budget, which corresponds to the first year of DART's financial plan for the next twenty fiscal years (the "Twenty-Year Financial Plan"), enumerates the amounts authorized for operating expenses, capital and non-operating costs, and debt service.

On September 14, 2021, the Board formally adopted the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget and Twenty-Year Financial Plan by Resolution numbers 210134, and 210135, respectively. The Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget totals approximately \$1,629 million which is comprised of \$580.4 million in operating; \$841.9 million in capital; and \$206.5 million in debt service.

The Twenty-Year Financial Plan addresses the affordability of DART's transit system plan (the "Transit System Plan") and the timing of the service and capital expansion projects. The Twenty-Year Financial Plan details projected sources and uses of cash for twenty years. The approved annual budget is used as the first year of the Transit System Plan. DART's annual business plan (the "Business Plan") is reflected in the first five year of the Transit System Plan. The final 15 years of the plan validate the affordability of DART's long-rang Transit System Plan and include DART's commitment for future System expansion and the issuance and repayment of debt.

Substantial risks that could cause variance between actual an budgeted expenses include possible increases in pension and other employee benefit funding requirements, possible increase in unhedged energy costs or failures of hedges, increased cost from possible storm damage and other risks that cannot be predicted or avoided. DART's budgets do not employ generally accepted accounting principles since they are prepared to manage, rather than to fairly present, the financial condition and performance of DART. Accordingly, the information included in the budgets may differ from the financial information and operating data in the Official Statement.

#### **Capital Programs**

#### Silver Line Project

The Silver Line Project (formerly known as the Cotton Belt Regional Rail Project is a 26-mile regional rail project through seven cities and connecting to DFW Airport. The final environmental impact statement/record of decision (FEIS/ROD) from both FTA and FAA was received in November 2018. A design build contract was awarded in January 2019 and construction is anticipated to be completed in 2024. The Silver Line Project has a current total budget of \$1.89 billion and is expected to be funded with federal grants, local funds, and debt obligations which includes RRIF Financing (defined below). On May 25, 2021, the Board approved a financial plan amendment for the Silver Line Project increasing the total budget \$633 million to its current amount to address cost of scope changes resulting from Participating Municipalities' requests; risk contingency for the anticipated outcome of agreements with other agencies and railroads; anticipated costs to resolve challenges associated with real estate acquisitions; and risk contingency to address contractor's pending delays claims, including potential price escalation. The construction status for the Silver Line Project as of September 30, 2021 includes ongoing utility relocations, bridge foundations, and station site work. The project is approximately 5% complete.

The Twenty-Year Financial Plan also includes anticipated revenue service along the Silver Line corridor in 2024. This service will connect with DART's Green Line in Carrollton, the Red Line in Richardson and Plano, the Orange Line in DFW Airport (Terminal B). On February 24, 2021, DART authorized its Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2021 (the "Series 2021 RRIF Bonds") in the principal amount of \$908,000,000 in connection with it USDOT Railroad Rehabilitation Improvement Financing loan (the "RRIF Financing") related to the Silver Line Project. The Series 2021 RRIF Bonds refunded and restructured DART's Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2018 (the "Series 2018 RRIF Bonds") and reduce the borrowing interest rate to 2.26%. The total allowable principal amount of the Series 2021 RRIF Bonds is \$908,000,000 of which \$50,000 has been drawn down as of October 31, 2021. Currently, \$360.8 million is anticipated to be drawn down in Fiscal Year 2022, and then draws are expected to be made in installments from Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2024. Similar to the Series 2018 RRIF Bonds are Senior Lien Obligations. Several regional sources of funds and scope modifications are detailed in the Fiscal Year 2022 Business Plan (including the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget and Twenty-Year Financial Plan) posted on the DART's website at www.dart.org.

For purposes of providing interim financing with respect to the Silver Line Project and other projects, the Board has authorized two series of Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes, being the Series IIA and Series IIB Commercial Paper Notes in the combined maximum principal amount outstanding from time to time of \$125,000,000 and the Series III Commercial Paper Notes in the maximum principal amount outstanding from time to time of \$125,000,000. As of February 28, 2022, there is no outstanding balance on the Series IIA and Series IIB Commercial Paper Notes. There are \$15,000,000 Series III Commercial Paper Notes outstanding. DART is authorized also to use the Series I Commercial Paper Notes for the Silver Line Project in an amount up to \$125,000,000; however, there is no outstanding balance as of February 28, 2022.

#### D2 Subway

The Dallas Central Business District Second Light Rail Alignment (D2 Subway) project was refined from a mostly at-grade option to a subway alternative option in September 2017. This decision extended project development beyond DART's two-year timeframe, and as a result DART is continuing project development with local funds. FTA, in cooperation with DART issued a FEIS/ROD along with 30% design in April 2021. Given the potential for the Dallas City Council and DART Board to consider resolutions in early 2022 to modify the project' East End alignment, DART anticipates additional time to conduct design activities and achieve environmental clearance for the new segment

before entry into the FTA Engineering phase. The D2 Subway Project has a current total budget of \$1.94 billion and is expected to be funded with federal grants, local funds, and debt obligations. On May 25, 2021, the Board approved an increase of the D2 Subway Project total budget by \$480 million to its current amount due to changes in external funding assumptions caused by inflation and a delayed revenue service date of 2028, previously 2024.

The Board reauthorized the issuance of Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$810,000,000 on March 22, 2022 with an effective date of June 1, 2022 with such authority expiring six-months after the effective date. Issuance of such Senior Lien Obligations is contingent upon approval by the City of Dallas and the DART Board of the final alignment, the award and execution of the full-funding grant agreement with the Federal Transit Administration, and the confirmation that the proposed debt issuance conforms to the Twenty-Year Financial Plan as approved for fiscal year 2022. On March 24, 2021 the City of Dallas passed a resolution supporting the D2 Subway Project which action is expected to strengthen DART's application for the FTA Core Capacity grant and allow the project to proceed into the next phase of the FTA process pending completion of an evaluation of potential alignment changes on the East End corridor of the project. The Board and Dallas' City Council are expected to consider resolutions to modify the alignment in early 2022. The timing for the issuance of such Senior Lien Obligations has not been determined but is not expected in Fiscal Year 2022.

#### Other Capital Projects

In addition to the Silver Line Project and the D2 Subway Project, DART's annual capital and non-operating expenditures include LRT expansion; TRE track work; vehicle and facility capital maintenance programs, facilities, infrastructure among other projects. The Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget for capital expenditures includes a Program of Interrelated Projects (the "Program") to address capacity needs under the U.S. Department of Transportation's ("USDOT") Federal Administration ("FTA") Capital Investment Grant Program. The Program, which includes the D2 Subway Project, also consists of the following projects:

- Platform modifications at 28 stations on the Red and Blue lines to accommodate three-car trains ("Red and Blue Line Platform Extensions Project"). The Red and Blue Line Platform Extension Project received a Full Funding Grant Agreement in May 2019 under the Program as a core capacity project. Phased construction is underway and will be completed in 2022; and
- A central streetcar link in downtown Dallas.

#### **Future Expansions**

The Board periodically updates our Transit System Plan. The most recent update, the 2030 Transit System Plan, was adopted in October 2006. Several projects in the Transit System Plan have been completed. The Silver Line Project, D2 Subway Project, and the Red and Blue Line Platform Extensions Project are three significant projects that are in development or under construction. Additional transit programs and projects that are under consideration as part of the 2045 Transit System Plan include LRT modernization programs, a bus corridor improvement program to support core frequent routes and future bus rapid transit, along with a range of opportunities to enhance rider experience and service and mobility options.

DART completed an update to the Transit System Plan for the year 2045. DART's 2045 Transit System Plan provides a strategic guide to shape DART's future and outline opportunities under five themes – Rider Experience, Service and Expansion, Mobility and Innovation, Land Use and Economic Development and Collaboration. The plan will document:

- DART's committed capital expansion program and future opportunities to enhance and/or expand transit network and sustain it into the future.
- DART's transit service strategy for the future including the bus network redesign ("DARTzoom") recommendations to ensure it keeps up with growth, enhances access and mobility for riders, integrates technology, and remains flexible and adaptable to emerging technologies. DARTzoom, is a budget-neutral, hybrid design that combines ridership-oriented features, including frequency improvement, wider service span, and more weekend service while maintaining and improving coverage via their shuttle service ("GoLink") service expansion.

- Opportunities to leverage existing and planned infrastructure and services through supportive land use, zoning, parking and other policies at the local and regional level.
- Collaboration for key regional opportunities beyond DART's Service Area.
- A stand-alone Streetcar Master Plan report is being developed to outline potential streetcar opportunities within DART's Service Area.

The 2045 Transit System Plan was approved by DART Board of Directors on January 25, 2022. The plan was reviewed by the public and Participating Municipalities. In addition, DARTzoom is expected to begin service in January 2022.

#### LITIGATION

#### In Ordinary Course of Business

Typically, a number of claims, administrative appeals, and/or lawsuits arise from individuals and businesses in the ordinary course of our business that seek compensation for additional construction costs, labor, and employment claims, personal injuries, death, and/or property damage resulting from routine operation and development of our public transportation system. We do not believe that the outcome of these claims, administrative appeals, and/or lawsuits will have a material adverse effect on our financial condition. We have accrued an estimate of losses on such matters and have included this accrual in accounts payable and accrued liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets. DART makes no prediction with respect to the liability of DART for such claims or the final outcome of such suits.

#### INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

THE PURCHASE OF DART BONDS OBLIGATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RISKS. EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR IN THE BOND OBLIGATIONS IS ENCOURAGED TO READ THE RESPECTIVE OFFICIAL STATEMENT OR OFFERING DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIREETY, INCLUDING ALL APPENDICES. PARTICULAR ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE FACTORS DESCRIBED BELOW, WHICH, AMONG OTHERS, COULD AFFECT THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BOND OBLIGATONS AND WHICH COULD ALSO AFFECT THE MARKET PRICE OF BOND OBLIGATIONS TO AN EXTENT THAT CANNOT BE DETERMINED.

#### Source of Payment is Limited

The Bond Obligations are special obligations of DART and are secured by a lien on the Pledged Revenues.

The Bond Obligations are not debts or obligations of the State of Texas; nor are they the debt or obligation of any Participating Municipalities. The Holders of Bond Obligations will never have the right to demand payment out of any of DART's funds other than the Pledged Revenues, unless we expressly and specifically pledge Special Revenues to such payment. DART does have the right, however, but is not obligated, to enter into Credit Agreements with respect to any issue of Bond Obligations having any lien ranking as to Pledged Revenues. If DART does so, the Holders of the issue of Bond Obligations to which a Credit Agreement relates will have such additional security as the Credit Agreement may provide, such as municipal bond insurance policies, bank-issued letters of credit, or other forms of credit enhancement.

#### **Issuance of Additional Senior Lien Obligations**

The Master Debt Resolution permits DART to issue Additional Senior Lien Obligations without notice to Holders and without their consent, if the Authority can satisfy the financial tests and limitations contained in the Master Debt Resolution. DART must also satisfy any limitations contained in Supplemental Resolutions and in Credit Agreements in order to issue any Senior Lien Obligations. The financial tests that apply to future issues of Additional Senior Lien Obligations require the Authority to demonstrate an ability to pay such future Bond Obligations based on economic forecasts of future economic conditions. Those forecasts do not and cannot guarantee that DART will receive Gross Sales Tax Revenues, and other Pledged Revenue, at the times and in the amounts required to pay all of its Bond Obligations, when and as due and payable.

#### The Authorities Ability to Make Payments on Bond Obligations is Dependent Upon the Amount of Gross Sales Tax Revenues and Pledged Farebox Revenues Actually Generated

Except for Bond Obligations that may be supported by a Credit Agreement, as discussed above, the only sources of security for the Bond Obligations will be the Gross Sales Tax Revenues collected by the Comptroller and remitted to the Trustee and the investments thereof, Federal Interest Subsidy, and the Pledged Farebox Revenues. DART's receipt of Gross Sales Tax Revenues and Pledged Farebox Revenues may be impacted by a number of factors, including but not limited to changes in the economic activity and conditions of a municipality or geographic area, changes in the preferred method of transportation of DART customers, and the introduction and development of new modes of transportation. The amount of Gross Sales Tax Revenues or Pledged Farebox Revenues generated in any future year is not certain.

#### The Collection of the Sales Tax is Beyond Our Control

Generally, the seller of taxable items and services collects the Sales Tax from the consumer at the point of a taxable transaction and remits these taxes to the Comptroller. DART does not control the Comptroller's collection efforts, and the Comptroller's collection efforts against a private seller of goods and services are subject to applicable State law and to federal bankruptcy code provisions with respect to the protection of debtors.

## The State Comptroller May Offset Current Distributions for Overpayments or Remit Sales and Use Tax Revenue Less Frequently

The Comptroller periodically identifies underpayments and overpayments of Gross Sales Tax Revenues and responds to claims by taxpayers. In the event that the Comptroller determines that DART received an overpayment, its Gross Sales Tax Revenues for future periods are subject to reduction or the Authority may be required to make a repayment in order to reimburse the overpayment. Under State law, DART has no legal standing or ability to intervene or appeal the Comptroller's determination. DART has previously entered into three repayment agreements with the Comptroller regarding overpayments, approximately \$20.9 million (identified in 2006, 2008, and 2019) that will result in a reduction of its Gross Sales Tax Revenues in equal quarterly amounts of \$206,000, which increased to \$602,408 beginning 2002 until 2022 and then will return to equal amounts of \$206,000 through December 2026 with a final payment of \$128,519 in March 2027.

#### The Authority May Receive Payment of Gross Sales Tax Revenues Less Frequently

State law requires the Comptroller to remit Gross Sales Tax Revenues to us only on a quarterly basis. As a matter of convenience and accommodation to local taxing entities, the Comptroller remits Gross Sales Tax Revenues to the Authority and other taxing entities on a monthly basis. While the Authority have no reason to believe that the Comptroller's current practice will be discontinued, there is no assurance that the Comptroller will continue to remit Gross Sales Tax Revenues to the Authority on a monthly basis. Thus, temporary cash flow irregularities could occur.

#### The Authority May Experience Variations in our Gross Sales Tax Revenues

Variations in the amount of receipts can be adversely affected by a number of variables, including (1) changes in State laws and administrative practices governing the remittance and allocation of Sales Tax receipts, (2) changes in the tax base against which the Sales Tax is assessed, (3) further migration of commerce to internet sales that are note taxed or taxes from which cannot be effectively collected, (4) changes in the economic activity and conditions of a municipality or geographic area, and (5) the withdrawal from DART of one or more of the Participating Municipalities. See, "DART'S FINANCIAL PRACTICES AND RESOURCES."

The increasing use of the Internet to conduct electronic commerce may affect the collection of the Sales Tax. To the extent that transactions subject to the Sales Tax imposed by the Authority avoid normal collection and remittance procedures because they occur over the Internet, the Authority's receipt of Sales Tax may be adversely affected. At this time, the Authority is unable to predict how internet sales may affect the amount of Sales Tax collected in the future. If, due to increases in Internet or other tax-exempt sales, the Authority's Sales Tax revenue decreases or

increases more slowly than operating expenses and debt service requirements, the Authority's ability to pay Bond Obligations and maintain operations could be adversely affected to an extent that cannot be predicted.

#### **Ratings of the Bond Obligations Do Not Assure Their Payment**

The Bond Obligations may be rated by one or more nationally recognized rating agencies. Each respective official statement or offering document will describe any rating(s) that may be applicable to a series of Bond Obligations. A rating reflects the rating agency's assessment of how likely it is that holders of a class of securities will receive the payments to which they are entitled. A rating may not remain in effect for any given period of time, and a rating agency may lower or withdraw a rating entirely. A rating is not a recommendation to purchase, hold, or sell securities because it does not address the market price of the securities or the suitability of the securities for any particular investor.

#### **Cybersecurity Risk**

The Authority, relies on a large and complex environment to conduct its operation and faces multiple cybersecurity threats, including, but not limited to, hacking, phishing, software viruses, malware and other cyber-attacks, on its computing and other digital networks and systems (the "Systems Technology"). As a recipient and provider of sensitive information, the Authority may be the target of cybersecurity incidents that could result in adverse consequences to the Authority and its System Technology, requiring a response action to mitigate the consequences. Cybersecurity incidents could result from unintentional events or from deliberate attacks by unauthorized entities or individuals attempting to gain access to the Authority's Systems Technology for the purposes of misappropriating assets or information or causing operational disruption and damage. To mitigate the risk of business operations impact and/or damage from cybersecurity incidents or cyber-attacks, the Authority invests in multiple forms of cybersecurity and operational safeguards. While the Authority's Cybersecurity and operational safeguards are periodically tested, no assurances can be given by the Authority that such measures will ensure against cybersecurity threats and attacks, and a breach could damage the Authority's Systems Technology and, in certain instances, possibly cause material disruption to the Authority's finances or operations. The costs of remedying any such damage or protecting against future attacks could be substantial.

#### Sequestration of the Bond Obligations designated as Build America Bonds

Pursuant to the requirements of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, certain automatic reductions in federal spending took effect as of March 1, 2013. These required reductions in federal spending included a reduction to refundable credits under section 6431 of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") applicable to certain qualified bonds, including "Build America Bonds" issued pursuant to section 54AA of the Code for which an issuer elected to receive a direct credit subsidy payment pursuant to section 6431 of the Code.

The Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2009B (Build America Bonds – Direct Payment to Issuer) (the "Series 2009B Bonds") and the Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2010B Bonds (Build America Bonds – Direct Payment to Issuer) (the "Series 2010B Bonds") are designated as "Build America Bonds", for such qualified bonds eligible for the direct credit subsidy payment, the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") set a sequester percentage (i.e. reduction) of 6.6% for fiscal year 2018, and 6.2% for fiscal year 2019, and 5.9% for federal fiscal year 2020. For federal fiscal year 2021, the OMB set the sequester percentage at 5.7%, which applies to any payment processed on or after October 1, 2021 and on or before September 30, 2030, unless and until a law is enacted that cancels or otherwise impacts the sequester.

#### **Risks Associated with Federal Funding**

The receipt of capital grants from the FTA is not assured and is subject to approval by the FTA, Secretary of Transportation and Office Management and Budget as well as appropriation by the U.S. Congress, to the allocation and delivery procedures of the U.S. Department of Transportation ("USDOT") and the FTA, and to compliance by the Authority with conditions to the grants. By August 15 of each year, the Congressional Budget Office (the "CBO") issues a report that provides estimates of the caps on discretionary budget authority in effect for each fiscal year. If federal funding for transit programs is delayed, reduced, or cancelled, whether as a result of sequestration or for other

reasons, DART's receipt of FTA grant funding, as well as DART's substantial recurring revenue from the FTA, could be delayed, reduced or cancelled. See" DART'S FINANCIAL PRACTICES AND RESOURCES – Federal Grant Funds."

#### The Master Debt Resolution Provides for Cross-Defaults

The Master Debt Resolution provides that an "Event of Default" occurs thereunder if, under certain circumstances, DART defaults in the due and punctual performance of any covenant, condition, agreement or provision contained in any Obligation (including any Credit Agreement) or any Outstanding Resolution. See "APPENDIX A – Summary of Certain Terms of the Master Debt Resolution as Amended by Supplemental Debt Resolutions."

#### Nonpayment Events of Default

If DART defaults in the performance of any nonpayment related covenants, conditions, agreements, and provisions contained in the Bond Obligations or in any of the Outstanding Supplemental Resolutions, notice of default may be initiated by the Holders of not less than 10% in aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Bond Obligations, a Credit Provider, or a Bondholder Representative. It may be difficult for the Holders of the Bond Obligations to initiate a nonpayment Event of Default, unless such Holders are successful in obtaining the cooperation of a significant number of Holders of Outstanding Bond Obligations. Although the Master Debt Resolution permits a Supplemental Resolution authorizing a series of Bond Obligations to designate a Bondholder Representative to represent the Holders of a series of Bonds at a time when there is no Credit Agreement in effect, such designation has not been made in the most recent supplemental debt resolution (i.e. Twenty-Fourth Supplemental Debt Resolution).

#### Limitation and Enforceability of Remedies

The remedies available to the Holders of the Bond Obligations upon an Event of Default under the Master Debt Resolution are limited to the seeking of specific performance or a writ of mandamus or other suit, action, or proceeding compelling and requiring the Authority and its officers to observe and perform any covenant, condition, or obligation prescribed in the Master Debt Resolution. NO ACCELERATION REMEDY IS AVAILABLE TO HOLDERS OF THE BOND OBLIGATIONS. A Credit Provider, a Bondholder Representative, or a trustee selected by and representing not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Bond Obligations may initiate an action against DART, but only if the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Senior Lien Obligations have joined in or consented to such action or each Holder of a Senior Lien Obligation has been provided prior notice of such action. It may be difficult for the Holders of the Bond Obligations to cause a trustee, a Credit Provider, or a Bondholder Representative to take action in the Event of Default without the cooperation of a significant number of Holders of the Outstanding Senior Lien Obligations.

After an Event of Default, the Trustee will transfer funds in the same order as if no Event of Default had occurred with the exception that Administrative Expenses will be paid prior to the payment of interest and principal installments from the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund and the funds securing any Subordinate Lien Obligations.

The remedies available under the Master Debt Resolution are in many respects dependent upon regulatory and judicial actions that are often subject to discretion and delay. Under existing law, such remedies may not be readily available. In addition, enforcement of such remedies (i) may be subject to general principles of equity which may permit the exercise of judicial discretion and (ii) are subject, in part, to the provisions of the United States Bankruptcy Act and other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, now or hereafter in effect. The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bond Obligations are qualified to the extent that the enforceability of certain legal rights related to the Bond Obligations are subject to limitations imposed by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and by equitable remedies and proceedings generally.

Further, under current State law, DART is prohibited from waiving sovereign immunity from suit or liability with respect to their obligations relating to the Bond Obligations and, therefore, Holders of the Bond Obligations are prevented from bringing a suit against DART to adjudicate a claim to enforce its obligations under the Master Debt

Resolution or for damages for breach of its obligations under the Master Debt Resolution. However, State courts have held that mandamus proceedings against a governmental unit, such as DART, are not prohibited by sovereign immunity.

#### Infectious Disease Outbreak

See "IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON DART" above for risks associated with the Obligations resulting from COVID-19 pandemic.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In connection with the issuance of each series of our outstanding Bond Obligations DART has generally made the following continuing disclosure agreement for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of each series of Bond Obligations. DART will observe this agreement for so long as the Bond Obligations are outstanding. Under the agreement, DART will provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of specified events, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB"). Access to such information will be made available to the public without charge by the MSRB on its Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") website at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Annual Reports**

The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to DART of the general type included in Tables 1 through 3 herein and Appendix.

DART may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by Rule 15c2-12 ("Rule 15c2-12") of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The updated information will include audited financial statements, if DART commissions and audit and it is completed by the required time. If audited financial statements are not available by the required time, DART will provide unaudited financial statements when and if such audited financial statements become available. Any such financial statements will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in APPENDIX A or such other accounting principles as DART may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation.

DART's current Fiscal Year ends on September 30. Accordingly, it must provide updated information by March 31 in each year, unless DART changes its fiscal year. If DART changes its Fiscal Year, it will notify the MSRB of the change and such updated information will be due six (6) months from the date of the revised fiscal year end.

#### **Certain Event Notices**

DART will notify the MSRB in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) Business Days after the occurrence of the event, of any of the following events with respect to the Bond Obligations, to the extent applicable:

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Nonpayment related default, if material;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability. Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TED) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of Obligations, or other material events affecting the tax status of Obligations;

- (7) Modifications to rights of Holders of Bond Obligations, if material;
- (8) Bond Obligation calls, if material and tender offers;
- (9) Defeasances;
- (10) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of Bond Obligations, if material; or
- (11) Rating changes;
- (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of DART, which shall occur as described below;
- (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving DART or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- (14) Appointment of a successor or additional paying agent/registrar or change in the name of the Paying Agent/Registrar, if material.
- (15) Incurrence of a financial obligation of DART, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of DART, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (16) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of DART, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

For these purposes (A) any event described in the immediately preceding clause (12) is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for DART in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of DART, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body, and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court of governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business (15) and (16) above and the definition of financial obligation in such clauses, the Authority intends the words used to have the same meaning as when they are used in the Rule, as evidenced by SEC Release No. 34-83885, dated August 20, 2018.

In addition, we will provide timely notice of any failure by us to provide information, data, or financial statements in accordance with our agreements pursuant to the Rule 15c2-12.

#### **Availability of Information From MSRB**

The information will be available to Holders of Bond Obligations free of charge through the MSRB's EMMA system at <u>www.emma.msrb.org</u>.

#### **Compliance with Prior Undertakings**

Certain annual filings were inadvertently not linked to certain CUSIPs for outstanding bonds. DART has updated its annual filings through EMMA and remedied any incorrect or missing CUSIP linkages for any outstanding bonds for which it is aware.

#### **BOND RATINGS**

The current underlying ratings for all the outstanding Senior Lien Obligations are "Aa2" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., "AA+" by Standard & Poor's Global Ratings and "AAA" by Kroll Bond Rating Agency. The Series 2007 Bonds are rated "AA-" by Fitch Ratings.

#### **OBLIGATIONS AS LEGAL INVESTMENTS**

Under the Act, the Bond Obligations are authorized investments for banks, savings banks, trust companies, savings and loan associations, and insurance companies, and are eligible to secure the deposit of public funds of the State, a political subdivision of the State and any other political corporation of the State. For political subdivisions in Texas that have adopted investment policies and guidelines in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act, a rating of "A" or better as to investment quality of the Bond Obligations by a national rating agency may be required before such obligations are eligible for investments for sinking funds and other public funds. We have not reviewed the laws in other states to determine whether our obligations are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

#### TRUSTEE AND PAYING AGENTS

The Trustee under the Master Debt Resolution is Zion Bancorporation, National Association, Amegy Bank Division. A Paying Agent for each series of Bond Obligations issued under the Master Debt Resolution will be specified in the Supplemental Resolution creating such series.

#### LEGAL COUNSEL

The law firms of Bracewell LLP, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 3800, Dallas, Texas 75202, West & Associates L.L.P., 320 S. R.L. Thornton Freeway, Suite 300, Dallas, Texas 75203, and McCall Parkhurst & Horton, LLP, 717 N. Harwood Street, Suite 900, Dallas, Texas 75201, serve as our Co-Finance Counsel and as our Co-Bond Counsel with respect to the Bond Obligations and other financial matters.

APPENDIX A Independent Auditors' Report with Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020

# Dallas Area Rapid Transit Dallas, Texas

Financial Statements and Supplemental Information Years Ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 and Independent Auditor's Report

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT DALLAS, TEXAS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 AND 2020

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Directors Dallas Area Rapid Transit Dallas, Texas

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and the fiduciary activities of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit ("DART"), as of and for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise DART's basic 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 audits. We conducted our audits 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 opinions.

#### Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and the fiduciary activities of DART, as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, during the year ended September 30, 2021, DART implemented GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, which resulted in reporting the DART Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust, DART Other Post Employment Benefits Plan, DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust, and DART Retirement Plan and Trust as pension and other employee benefit trust funds in the financial statements as of September 30, 2021 and 2020. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of Net Pension Liability - Defined Benefit Pension Plan, the Schedule of Employer Contributions - Defined Benefit Pension Plan, the Schedule Net OPEB Liability, and the Schedule of Employer Contributions - OPEB Plan, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by 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.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise DART's basic financial statements. The combining statements of fiduciary net position and combining statements of changes in fiduciary net position, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining statements of fiduciary net position and combining statements of changes in fiduciary net position are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate 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 combining statements of fiduciary net position and combining statements of changes in fiduciary net position 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 February 14, 2022 on our consideration of DART'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 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 DART's 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 DART's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Crowe LLP

Dallas, Texas February 22, 2022

# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

The management of Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) offers the users of DART's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. This discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader to focus on significant financial activities and identify any significant changes in the financial position of DART. It should be read in conjunction with the financial statements that follow this section. All amounts, unless otherwise indicated, are expressed in thousands of dollars.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

As of September 30, 2021 and 2020, total assets and deferred outflows of resources of DART exceeded total liabilities by \$1,450,178 and \$1,340,980, respectively. The amount of unrestricted net position as of September 30, 2021, was \$526,182 compared to \$466,826 as of September 30, 2020.

The net position of DART increased by \$109,198 during the fiscal year 2021 compared to an increase of \$138,479 last year. The increases in both 2021 and 2020 were a result of higher revenues than expenses.

DART's total debt increased by 0.4% (\$14,076) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 2% (\$60,618) in 2020. The increase in 2021 was due to additional borrowing to pay for capital project costs. The decline in 2020 was due to the partial principal paydown of bonds and commercial paper notes. Debt information is summarized on page 13 of this management discussion and analysis.

Sales and use tax revenue was 683,171 in 2021 compared to 616,220 in 2020. Sales and use tax revenue increased by 11% (666,951) in 2021 compared to a 1% (4,909) decrease in 2020.

Capital contributions from federal, state, and local governments were \$78,508 in 2021 and \$119,259 in 2020. Such contributions were used to finance DART's transit system expansion projects and acquisition of light rail vehicles, buses, and equipment.

Other federal grants were \$197,655 in 2021 compared to \$294,136 in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due to less federal COVID-19 relief money received compared to the year before.

For the fiscal year 2021, total revenues exceeded total expenses resulting in an income before capital contributions of \$30,690 compared to an income of \$19,220 for 2020. The gain in 2021 was due to an increase in sales tax revenue. The gain in 2020 was due to an increase in other federal grant revenue.

#### BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management's Discussion and Analysis serves as an introduction to DART's basic financial statements. DART's basic financial statements include Statements of Net Position; Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; Statements of Cash Flows; the Statements of Fiduciary Net Position and Notes to the Financial Statements.

The Statements of Net Position present information on all of DART's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. Assets plus deferred outflows of resources, less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources equals net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of changes in the financial position of DART. The Statements of Net Position are shown on page 15 of this report.

The Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position present information on revenues, expenses, capital contributions, and how DART's net position changed during the two most recent fiscal years. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the changes occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues, expenses, and capital contributions are reported in the statements for some items that result in cash flows in future fiscal periods. The increase or decrease in net position may serve as an indicator of the effect of DART's current year operations on its financial position. The Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position are shown on page 16 of this report.

The Statements of Cash Flows summarize all of DART's cash flows into four categories: cash flows from operating activities; cash flows from investing activities, and cash flows from the capital and related financing activities. The Statements of Cash Flows, along with related notes and information in other financial statements, can be used to assess the following: DART's ability to generate positive cash flows and pay its debt as the debt matures; the reasons for differences between DART's operating cash flows and operating income (loss); and the effect of cash and non-cash investing, capital, and financing activities on DART's financial position. The Statements of Cash Flows are shown on pages 17-18 of this report.

The Statements of Fiduciary Net Position and the Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position present information showing how the fiduciary funds' net position changed during the years presented. These statements are shown on page 19.

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

# Notes to the Financial Statements provide additional information that is essential to fully understand the data provided in the Statements of Net Position, Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and Statements of Cash Flows. The Notes to the Financial Statements are shown on pages 20-57 of this report.

DART's activities are accounted for as a proprietary fund and are presented in the financial statements of DART as business-type activities. The activities of DART are supported by a 1% sales and use tax within the member jurisdictions, passenger revenues, federal, state, and local financial assistance, and other receipts such as advertising and rental income.

The financial statements of DART include the accounts and operations of blended component units Regional Rail Right-of-Way Corporation, Dallas Area Rapid Transit Mobility Service, LGC, DART Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust, Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Plan, DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust, and DART Retirement Plan and Trust.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

<u>Statements of Net Position</u> – DART's total assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded total liabilities by 1,450,178 and 1,340,980 as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The largest portion of this excess (58% in 2021 and 59% in 2020) was net investment in capital assets (capital assets less related outstanding debt). DART uses these capital assets to provide public transportation services to customers and member jurisdictions; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although DART's investments in capital assets are reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be obtained from other sources such as sales and use tax and farebox revenues, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Condensed Summary of Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position

	2021	2020	2019
Current assets Other non-current assets Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	\$866,106 140,609 4,219,469	\$841,716 183,246 4,171,958	\$734,622 191,971 4,189,759
Total assets	5,226,184	5,196,920	5,116,352
Deferred outflows of resources	98,137	92,195	80,679
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	5,324,321	5,289,115	5,197,031
Current liabilities Non-current liabilities	432,126 3,416,348	414,423 3,514,503	496,041 3,482,861
Total liabilities	3,848,472	3,928,926	3,978,902
Deferred inflows of resources	25,671	19,209	15,628
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	3,874,143	3,948,135	3,994,530
Net position Net investment in capital assets Restricted for:	838,658	796,675	784,924
Debt service	81,923	72,863	68,370
Security for lease/leaseback liabilities Unrestricted	3,415 526,182	4,616 466,826	5,742 343,465
Total net position	\$1,450,178	\$1,340,980	\$1,202,501

Current assets increased by \$24,390 in 2021 compared to a decrease of \$107,094 in 2020. The increase in 2021 was due to increased sales tax revenue resulting in more investment and additional receivables at year-end. The increase in 2020 was due to additional grants received compared to the year before.

Other non-current assets decreased by \$42,637 in 2021 compared to a decrease of \$8,725 in 2020. The decreases in both 2021 and 2020 were due to spending on capital projects.

As of September 30, 2021, \$3,415 of DART's net position is restricted to satisfy the requirements of an amended lease/leaseback agreement compared to \$4,616 as of September 30, 2020. The unrestricted portion of net position, \$526,182 in 2021 and \$466,826 in 2020 represent resources available to meet DART's ongoing obligations. The DART Board committed \$102,226 in 2021 and \$89,962 in 2020 of the unrestricted net position for Insurance, Financial Reserve, and Mobility Assistance and Innovation funds (see note 3). The increases in unrestricted net position of \$59,356 (13%) in 2021 and \$123,361 (36%) in 2020 were due to increase in revenues.

# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

## FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position</u> – During the fiscal year 2021, DART's activities resulted in an increase in net position of \$109,198 compared to an increase in net position of \$138,479 in 2020. The increase in 2021 was due to grant and increased sales tax revenues. The increase in 2020 was due to additional grant revenues. The key elements of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 with comparative information for 2019 are shown in the following table.

Summary of Revenues, E	Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
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	2021	2020	2019
Operating revenues			
Passenger revenues	\$28,975	\$42,119	\$63,941
Advertising, rent and other	11,902	13,023	13,532
Total operating revenues	40,877	55,142	77,473
Operating expenses			
Labor	256,170	268,436	259,186
Benefits	116,517	108,341	118,592
Services	55,247	55,943	53,282
Materials and supplies	47,344	55,753	51,017
Purchased transportation	57,044	57,079	58,537
Depreciation	251,045	249,778	248,064
Utilities	16,034	16,717	16,619
Taxes, leases, and other	5,649	3,492	6,679
Casualty and liability	5,444	6,266	7,156
Total operating expenses	810,494	821,805	819,132
Net Operating loss	(769,617)	(766,663)	(741,659)
Non-operating revenues (expenses)			
Sales and use tax revenue	683,171	616,220	621,129
Investment income	9,704	15,479	23,482
Build America Bonds tax credit	21,286	21,390	25,021
Other federal grants	197,655	294,136	54,932
Other non-operating revenues	37,275	15,156	15,463
Interest expense	(143,005)	(151,317)	(157,452)
Street improvements	(5,361)	(14,566)	(11,301)
Other non-operating expenses	(418)	(10,615)	(13,517)
Total net non-operating revenues	800,307	785,883	557,757
Income (loss) before capital contributions and grants	30,690	19,220	(183,902)
Capital contributions	78,508	119,259	82,025
Change in net position	109,198	138,479	(101,877)
Net position, beginning of the year	1,340,980	1,202,501	1,304,378
Net position, end of the year	\$1,450,178	\$1,340,980	\$1,202,501

Significant changes in revenues and expenses are shown and explained on the following pages.

# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

#### REVENUES

The following table summarizes revenues for fiscal years 2021 and 2020 with comparative information for 2019:

#### REVENUES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Revenues	2021	2020	2019
Passenger revenues	\$28,975	\$42,119	\$63,941
Advertising, rent and other	11,902	13,023	13,532
Sales and use tax revenue	683,171	616,220	621,129
Other federal grants	197,655	294,136	54,932
Investment income	9,704	15,479	23,482
Capital contributions	78,508	119,259	82,025
Build America Bonds tax credit	21,286	21,390	25,021
Other revenues	37,275	15,156	15,463
Total	\$1,068,476	\$1,136,782	\$899,525

<u>Passenger revenue</u> – Passenger revenue includes farebox receipts, monthly and annual pass revenue, paratransit revenue, and special event fares. Passenger revenue decreased by \$13,144 (31%) in 2021 compared to an increase of \$21,822 (34%) in 2020. The decreases in both 2021 and 2020 were due to a decrease in ridership as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>Advertising, rent, and other</u> – Advertising income includes revenue from advertisement at transit stations, on DART buses, and light rail vehicles. Rental income includes revenue from leases on land along the rail corridor and other properties. Advertising, rent, and other income decreased by 9% (\$1,121) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 4% (\$509) in 2020. The decreases in both 2021 and 2021 were due to a decline in advertising market as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>Sales and use tax revenue</u> – Sales and use tax revenue is a dedicated 1% tax imposed on certain items within DART's member jurisdictions or service area. Sales and use tax revenue increased by 11% (\$66,951) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 1% (\$4,909) in 2020. The increase in 2021 was due to an improvement in the local economy The decrease in 2020 was due to a slowdown in the economy as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Sales and use tax revenue constituted approximately 64% of DART's total revenues and capital contributions in 2021 compared to 54% in 2020.

<u>Other federal grants</u> – Other federal grant revenue decreased by 33% (\$96,481) in 2021 compared to an increase of 435% (\$239,204) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 is due to less federal COVID-19 relief money received compared to the year before. The increase in 2020 was due to an additional assistance provided by the federal government in the form of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>Capital contributions</u> – Capital contributions include federal, state and local grants and contributions. Capital contributions decreased by 34% (\$40,751) in 2021 compared to an increase of 45% (\$37,234) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due to the Silver Line grant being fully drawn down. For the Silver Line commuter rail project, DART received \$28,344 federal grant during 2021 compared to \$80,656 during 2020. The increase in 2020 was due to receipt of previously delayed federal funding and federally funded projects that are moving forward.

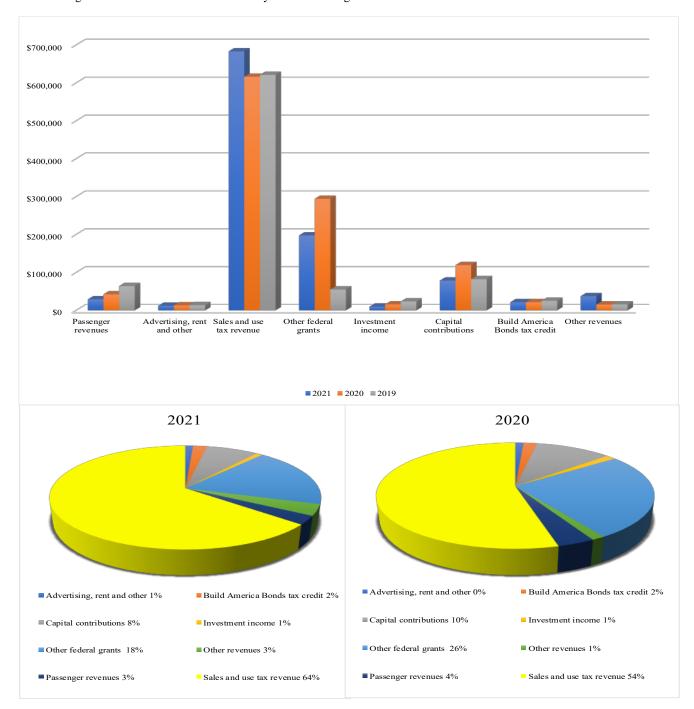
Investment income – Investment income decreased by 37% (\$5,775) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 34% (\$8,003) in 2020. The decreases in both 2021 and 2020 were due to changes in interest rate.

<u>Build America Bonds tax credit</u> – The Build America Bonds (BABs) tax credit decreased by 0.5% (\$104) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 15% (\$3,631) in 2020. The decrease in both 2021 and 2020 was due to partial refunding of bonds that were eligible for the credit.

<u>Other revenues</u> – Other revenues decreased by 146% (\$22,119) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 2% (\$307) in 2020. Other revenues include: revenues from billings to Fort Worth Transportation Authority (Trinity Metro) for their share of the Trinity Railway Express (TRE) commuter rail service; billings to the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) for their share of the UTD shuttle service; gain/loss on disposal of assets and an alternative fuel tax credit. Other revenues increased during 2021 due to receipt of alternative fuel tax credit, more reimbursement from Trinity Metro due to an increase in TRE operating expenses, and renewable energy credit. Other revenues decreased during 2020 due to lower gain on disposal of assets compared to the prior year.

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

The following charts summarize revenues for fiscal years 2019 through 2021:



# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

#### EXPENSES

The following table summarizes expenses for fiscal year 2021 and 2020 with comparative information for 2019:

E	XPENSES BY OBJECT CL	ASS	
Expenses	2021	2020	2019
Labor	\$256,170	\$268,436	\$259,186
Benefits	116,517	108,341	118,592
Services	55,247	55,943	53,282
Materials and supplies	47,344	55,753	51,017
Purchased transportation	57,044	57,079	58,537
Depreciation and amortization	251,045	249,778	248,064
Utilities	16,034	16,717	16,619
Taxes, leases and other	5,649	3,492	6,679
Casualty and liability	5,444	6,266	7,156
Street improvements	5,361	14,566	11,301
Interest and financing expenses	143,005	151,317	157,452
Other non-operating expense	418	10,615	13,517
Total	\$959,278	\$998,303	\$1,001,402

<u>Labor</u> – Labor expense decreased by 5% (\$12,266) in 2021 compared to an increase of 4% (\$9,250) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due a decrease in the number of employees as a result of voluntary retirement. The increases in 2020 was due to annual merit and wage increases, and filling of vacant positions. During 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and expected negative impact on the economy, DART offered a voluntary retirement incentive program to eligible employees to reduce operating expenses. The increase in labor expense during 2020 includes some costs associated with retirement incentives for employees that accepted the offer before the end of fiscal year 2020.

<u>Benefits</u> – Benefits increased by 8% (\$8,176) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 9% (\$10,251) in 2020. The increase in 2021 was due to increases workers compensation claims because of a significant number of large claims. The decrease in 2020 was due to lower defined benefit pension, healthcare, and other post-employment benefit costs compared to the year before.

<u>Services</u> – Services include contracted services such as: security, vehicles, equipment and right-of-way maintenance, advertising, marketing, computing, communication, legal, government, and environmental services. Services decreased by 1% (\$696) in 2021 compared to an increase of 5% (\$2,661) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due to lower credit card processing fee because of less credit card payments by customers and lower healthcare claims administrative fees. The increase in 2020 was due to increased vehicle and facility cleaning and disinfecting services to protect DART customers and employees from COVID-19.

<u>Materials and supplies</u> – Materials and supplies include the cost of fuel, parts, and supplies used to operate and maintain vehicles, equipment, and facilities. Materials and supplies expense decreased by 15% (\$8,409) in 2021 compared to an increase of 9% (\$4,736) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was attributable to lower market price of CNG fuel, and less parts needed for buses and light rail vehicles maintenance. The increase in 2020 was due to the cost of disinfectant products and cleaning supplies needed for vehicles and facilities to protect DART customers and employees from COVID-19.

<u>Purchased transportation</u> – Purchased transportation represents the costs of contracted transportation services such as commuter rail, paratransit, Go-Link, and shuttle services. Purchased transportation expenses decreased by less than 1% (\$35) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 2% (\$1,458) in 2020. The slight decrease in 2021 was due to less usage of the vanpool services compared to the year before. The decrease in 2020 was due to a decline in demand for shuttle and paratransit services as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and related shelter-at-home orders.

<u>Depreciation and amortization</u> – Depreciation and amortization expenses increased by 1% (\$1,267) in 2021 compared to an increase of 1% (\$1,714) in 2020. The increases in both 2021 and 2020 were due to additional assets placed in service.

<u>Utilities</u> – Utilities represent the cost of electricity, telecommunications, water, sewer, and natural gas. Utilities decreased by 4% (\$683) in 2020 compared to an increase of 1% (\$98) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due to less electricity usage for light rail vehicles because of lower hours and miles of service. The slight increase in 2020 is due to rate increase for local telephone calls/lines. The decrease in 2019 is due to savings from a new electricity contract.

# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Taxes</u>, leases, and other – Taxes, leases, and other includes fuel and lube taxes, equipment rentals, leases of operating and passenger facilities, training, travel, business meetings, membership dues, subscriptions, employee programs and allowance for uncollectible receivables. Taxes, leases, and other expenses increased by 62% (\$2,157) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 48% (\$3,187) in 2020. The increase in 2021 was due to COVID-19 relief payments made to employees as a reimbursement of additional costs incurred by employees to work in the difficult environment created by COVID-19. The decrease in 2020 was due to a decrease in employee programs, less business travel, meetings and training due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>Casualty and liability</u> – Casualty and liability expenses decreased by 13% (\$22) in 2021 and decreased by 12% (\$890) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due to due to favorable general liability claim experience partially offset by an increase in rail liability insurance premiums. The decrease in 2020 was due to favorable claim experience compared to last year.

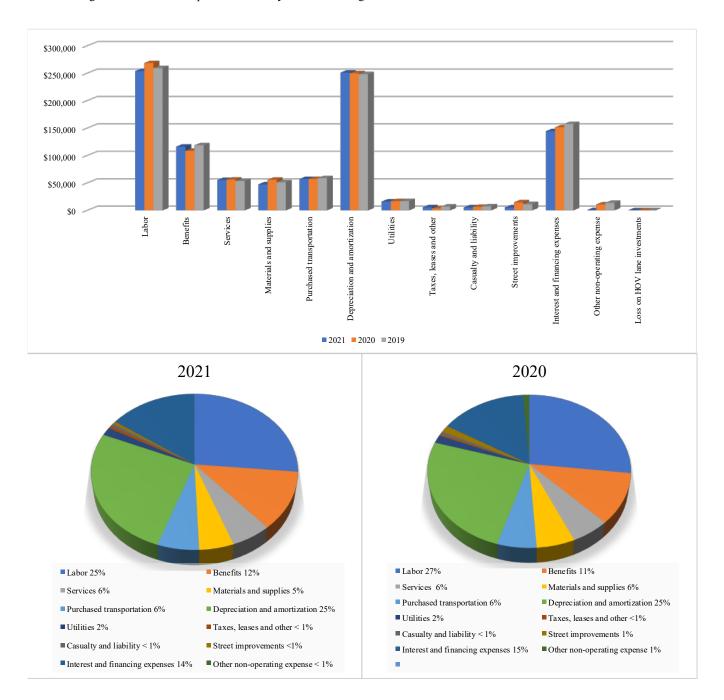
<u>Street improvements</u> – Local assistance is provided to eligible member jurisdictions in the form of technical and financial assistance to reduce traffic congestion and complement bus and public transit operations. Street improvement program costs decreased by 63% (\$9,205) in 2020 compared to an increase of 29% (\$3,265) in 2020. The decrease in 2021 was due to less requests for reimbursement from DART municipalities that do not have existing or planned and funded rail stations for street improvement project costs related to transit related improvements program (TRIP) while the increase in 2020 was due to more of such requests.

Interest and financing expenses – Interest expense decreased by 5% (\$8,312) in 2021 and 4% (\$6,135) in 2020. The decreases in both 2021 and 2020 were due to refunding of some of the existing bonds to lower interest rate bonds. This resulted in savings in interest expense.

<u>Other non-operating expenses</u> – Other non-operating expenses decreased by 96% (\$10,197) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 21% (\$2,902) in 2020. Fiscal year 2020 amount included a \$10 million payment to the North Central Texas Council of Governments for the transit improvement program. There was such payment during 2021 resulting in a significant decrease in other non-operating expenses during 2021. The decrease in 2020 was due to lower spending on transit-oriented development and transit planning work.

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

The following charts summarize expenses for fiscal years 2019 through 2021:



#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

**Expenses by function** – <u>Transportation</u> – includes expenses that are directly related to the operation of bus, light rail, commuter rail, vanpool, paratransit, and DART on-call and shuttle services. These expenses include items such as wages and benefits for operators, transit center service employees, transportation supervisors and managers, DART police, cost of fuel, tires and tubes, propulsion power, purchased transportation, customer service, revenue collection, and other related costs. <u>Maintenance</u> – includes labor costs and benefits for vehicle and facility maintenance, personnel materials and supplies, utilities, and all other costs incurred for maintenance purposes. <u>General and administration</u> – includes administrative personnel costs, benefits, accident, general liability and contract claims, street improvements, and other related costs. <u>Depreciation</u> – includes depreciation expense on all depreciable capital assets. <u>Interest</u> – includes interest expense incurred on debt net of capitalized interest. <u>Other</u> – other expenses include non-operating items such as payments for transit related improvement programs (TRIP) and loss on transfer of HOV operations.

#### EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

	2021	2020	2019
Transportation	\$309,042	\$319,463	\$324,552
Maintenance	170,126	172,309	168,579
General and administration	80,511	80,255	79,624
Depreciation and amortization	251,045	249,778	248,064
Interest	143,005	151,317	157,452
Other	5,549	25,181	23,131
Total	\$959,278	\$998,303	\$1,001,402



# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

#### CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

<u>Capital assets</u> – Investment in capital assets includes land and rights-of-way; transitways; buildings and improvements; revenue and nonrevenue vehicles and equipment; and furniture, fixtures, and leasehold improvements. DART's investment in capital assets as of September 30, 2021, is \$4,219,469 compared to \$4,171,958 in 2020. The net increase in capital assets during 2021 is \$47,511 (1%) compared to a decrease of \$17,801 (less than 1%) in 2020. The following table summarizes capital assets net of depreciation as of September 30, 2021 and 2020 with comparative information for 2019.

Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)
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	2021	2020	2019
Land and rights-of-way	\$618,572	\$618,572	\$618,596
Projects in progress	658,168	405,380	227,111
Transitways	2,220,215	2,324,469	2,456,894
Buildings and improvements	269,783	292,622	313,084
Revenue and non-revenue vehicles and equipment	417,957	488,167	551,784
Furniture, fixtures, and leasehold improvements	34,774	42,748	22,290
Total	\$4,219,469	\$4,171,958	\$4,189,759

The net increase in 2021 is due to additional work and spending on capital projects. The decrease during 2020 was due to depreciation. Additional information on DART's capital assets is shown in note 6.

<u>Outstanding debt</u> – Outstanding debt includes sales tax revenue commercial paper notes, senior lien revenue bonds, TIFIA bonds payable, and capital lease/leaseback liabilities. As of September 30, 2021, DART had total outstanding debt of \$3,331,532 compared to \$3,317,456 as of September 30, 2020. Outstanding debt increased by 0.4% (\$14,076) in 2021 compared to a decrease of 2% (\$60,618) in 2020.

The following table summarizes DART's total outstanding debt.

6	2021	2020	2019
Sales tax revenue commercial paper notes	\$119,100	\$74,100	\$159,100
Senior lien revenue bonds payable	3,055,360	3,074,810	2,992,355
TIFIA bonds payable	35,845	38,124	98,726
RRIF bonds Payable	50	11,706	11,706
Capital lease/leaseback liabilities	121,177	118,716	116,187
Total debt	\$3,331,532	\$3,317,456	\$3,378,074

The sales tax revenue commercial paper notes outstanding balance was \$119,100 as of September 30, 2021, compared to \$74,100 as of September 30, 2020. Commercial paper notes are issued as a senior subordinate lien to sales and use tax revenues and are payable from the 1% sales and use tax receipts and farebox revenues (pledged revenues). The increase during 2021 was due to additional borrowing to pay for capital project costs. The decrease during 2020 was due to payment made on commercial paper notes of \$85,000.

Senior lien revenue bonds outstanding are \$3,055,360 as of September 30, 2021, and \$3,074,810 as of September 30, 2020. These senior lien bonds are secured by and payable from the 1% sales and use tax receipts and farebox revenues (pledged revenues). The decrease of \$19,450 in 2021 is due to principal payment partially offset by additional borrowing. The increase of \$82,455 in 2020 was to additional borrowing. The senior lien revenue bonds shown above are at face value. The amounts shown in the Statements of Net Position include the unamortized balance of the original issuance premium of \$192,954 and \$235,571 as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

During 2021, DART maintained an AA+ credit rating from Standard & Poor's, AAA from Kroll Bond Rating Agency, and Aa2 from Moody's Investors Service on outstanding long-term debt. In addition, Fitch Ratings maintains an AA- on DART's Series 2007 bonds.

TIFIA bonds payable are \$35,845 as of September 30, 2021, compared to \$38,124 as of September 30, 2020. The decreases in TIFIA bonds during both 2021 and 2020 were due to principal payments. After September 30, 2021 (on December 1, 2021) DART refunded the remaining balance of TIFIA bonds and fully paid off the \$35,845 (see note 24, subsequent events note).

RRIF bonds payable are \$50 as of September 30, 2021 compared to \$11,706 as of September 30, 2020. During 2021 DART paid off the \$11,706 balance and executed a new RRIF loan agreement to lower interest rate. Additional information on the RRIF loan is shown in note 14.

Capital lease/leaseback liabilities are \$121,177 and \$118,716 as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. The increase during both 2021 and 2020 are due to accrued interest.

Additional information on DART's outstanding debt is shown in notes 10-16.

# DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

#### ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Sales and use tax is the largest source of revenue for DART, representing 64% of total revenues in 2021 and compared to 54% in 2020. Sales and use tax revenues are affected by changes in the local economy. During fiscal year 2021, DART's sales and use tax revenues showed a 11% increase compared to the previous year. Actual sales and use tax revenues in 2021 are \$683,171 compared to \$616,220 in 2020. The sales and use tax budget for 2022 is \$673,245 compared to \$683,171 actual for 2021. The budget for 2022 represents a 1.5% decrease from the 2021 actual sales and use tax revenues.

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 has changed the landscape of just about every facet of the world, and DART is no exception. It has impacted economic activity and financial markets globally and locally. For DART, it has resulted in a decrease in ridership, passenger fare, and sales tax revenues during the fiscal year 2020. Ridership decreased by about 29% or 20.5 million trips and fare revenue also decreased by \$22,331 or 29%. Sales tax revenue decreased by \$4,909 or 1%. In response, DART reduced the level of service during the second half of the fiscal year 2020. DART also offered a voluntary retirement incentive to eligible employees to resize its staffing with the level of service. During the fiscal year 2021, ridership decreased by 28% of 14.1 million trips and passenger revenues decreased by \$13,144 or 31% compared to 2020. On the positive side, DART received Federal CARES Act funding and created health and safety guidelines to help mitigate the impact of the disruption in operations. During 2021, sales tax revenue exceeded expectations and increased significantly. Ridership also started showing improvement, but it is still below the pre-pandemical level. Despite the challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, DART is in a strong financial position and plans to implement a new bus network during 2022 to increase ridership. The goal is to increase ridership and maintain coverage by increasing bus service hours and frequency, while also expanding access to on-demand service.

The continued spread of the disease represents a significant risk. The extent to which COVID-19 continues to impact DART will depend on future developments, which are still highly uncertain and cannot be predicted. As a result, DART has not yet determined the impact this disruption may have on its financial statements for the year ending September 30, 2022.

#### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide our member jurisdictions, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of DART's finances. If you have questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or need additional financial information, contact the Chief Financial Officer at Dallas Area Rapid Transit, 1401 Pacific Avenue, P.O. Box 660163, Dallas, TX 75266-7220.

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

# SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 AND 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2021	2020
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$314,744	\$384,038
Investments	195,203	108,028
Sales and use tax receivable	121,139	101,988
Transit revenue receivable, net	5,337	4,835
Due from federal and other governments	31,518	20,050
Materials and supplies inventory, net	35,454	36,870
Prepaid transit expense and other	5,605	4,217
Restricted investments held by trustee for debt service	129,607	123,111
Restricted investments held for advance funding agreements	27,481	52,205
Restricted investments held to pay capital lease/leaseback liabilities	18	6,374
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	866,106	841,716
NONCURRENT ASSETS	2 415	1 (1)
Restricted investments held as security for capital lease/leaseback liabilities	3,415	4,616
Restricted investments for system expansion and acquisition	943	57,931
Investment in joint venture	7,946	7,821
Capital assets	610 572	619 577
Land and rights-of-way	618,572 658,168	618,572 405,380
Projects in progress Depreciable capital assets, net of depreciation	2,942,729	3,148,006
Restricted investments held to pay capital lease/leaseback liabilities	121,159	112,342
Net other post-employment benefit (OPEB) asset	6,653	112,342
Unamortized bond insurance premium and other	493	536
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	4,360,078	4,355,204
TOTAL ASSETS	5,226,184	5,196,920
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	98,137	92,195
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	5,324,321	5,289,115
LIABILITIES	5,524,521	5,207,115
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	96,245	103,363
Commercial paper notes payable	119,100	74,100
Current portion of capital lease/leaseback liabilities	119,100	6,374
Current portion of repayment due to State Comptroller	2,410	1,393
Local Assistance Program payable	6,524	5,622
Retainage payable	24,755	17,669
Unearned revenue and other liabilities	64,035	92,965
Accrued interest payable from restricted assets	47,684	50,248
Current portion of bonds payable	71,355	62,689
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	432,126	414,423
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued liabilities	38,348	40,172
Net pension liability	38,283	51,025
Net other post-employment benefits (OPEB) liability	-	5,048
Repayment due to State Comptroller	5,702	8,394
Senior lien revenue bonds payable	3,177,009	3,261,677
Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) bonds payable	35,845	35,845
Capital lease/leaseback liabilities	121,159	112,342
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	3,416,346	3,514,503
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,848,472	3,928,926
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	25,671	19,209
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	3,874,143	3,948,135
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	838,658	796,675
Restricted for debt service	81,923	72,863
Restricted as security for capital lease/leaseback liabilities	3,415	4,616
Unrestricted	526,182	466,826
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$1,450,178	\$1,340,980
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial stat	ements	

## DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2021	2020
OPERATING REVENUES		
Passenger revenues	\$28,975	\$42,119
Advertising, rent, and other	11,902	13,023
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	40,877	55,142
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Labor	256,170	268,436
Benefits	116,517	108,341
Services	55,247	55,943
Materials and supplies	47,344	55,753
Purchased transportation	57,044	57,079
Depreciation and amortization	251,045	249,778
Utilities	16,034	16,717
Taxes, leases, and other	5,649	3,492
Casualty and liability	5,444	6,266
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	810,494	821,805
OPERATING LOSS	(769,617)	(766,663)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Sales and use tax revenue	683,171	616,220
Investment income	869	6,575
Interest income from investments held to pay capital lease/leaseback	8,835	8,904
Interest expense on capital lease/leaseback	(8,835)	(8,904)
Street improvements	(5,361)	(14,566)
Interest and financing expenses	(134,170)	(142,413)
Build America Bonds tax credit	21,286	21,390
Other federal grants	197,655	294,136
Other non-operating revenues	37,275	15,156
Other non-operating expenses	(418)	(10,615)
NET NON-OPERATING REVENUES	800,307	785,883
INCOME(LOSS) BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS	30,690	19,220
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Federal capital contributions	54,189	98,924
State capital contributions	19,922	19,843
Local Capital Contribution	4,397	492
TOTAL CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS	78,508	119,259
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	109,198	138,479
TOTAL NET POSITION – BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,340,980	1,202,501
TOTAL NET POSITION – END OF YEAR	\$1,450,178	\$1,340,980

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2021	2020
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<b>**</b>	<b>*****</b>
Receipts from customers	\$39,826	\$56,001
Cash flows from other sources	28,594	19,572
Payments to suppliers of goods and services	(108,610)	(150,467)
Payments to purchased transportation service providers	(56,462)	(57,821)
Payments to employees Benefit payments on behalf of employees	(258,715) (126,104)	(261,199)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(136,104) (491,471)	(114,391) (511,305)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(491,471)	(311,303)
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Sales and use tax receipts	662,345	623,165
Other federal grants	197,637	294,168
Build America Bonds tax credit	16,663	21,314
Local Assistance Program and street improvements	(4,459)	(12,137)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY NON-CAPITAL FINANCING	0.00	006 510
ACTIVITIES	872,186	926,510
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest on investments	564	4,763
Proceeds from sales and maturity of investments	598,691	1,855,645
Purchase of investments	(616,312)	(1,678,668)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(17,057)	181,740
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(301,786)	(214,591)
Proceeds from the issuance of commercial paper notes	479,000	466,000
Payment on commercial paper notes	(434,000)	(551,000)
Proceeds from the issuance of revenue bonds	-	100,000
Proceeds from the issuance of RRIF bonds	50	-
Payment of RRIF Bonds	(11,706)	-
Issuers contribution to debt refunding	(5,377)	-
Principal payment on revenue bonds	(62,689)	(59,974)
Interest and financing expenses	(148,272)	(151,667)
Payment of debt issuance costs	(2,803)	(1,915)
Federal capital contributions	54,539	98,845
State and local capital contributions	86	2,376
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	6	40
NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING		
ACTIVITIES	(432,952)	(311,886)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(69,294)	285,059
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	384,038	98,979
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$314,744	\$384,038

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#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2021	2020
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO CASH USED		
BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net operating loss	\$(769,617)	\$(766,663)
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE NET OPERATING LOSS TO		
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	251.045	240 770
Depreciation and amortization Miscellaneous non-operating income	251,045	249,778 15,117
Miscellaneous non-operating income Miscellaneous non-operating expenses	37,268 (418)	(10,615)
Changes in assets and liabilities:	(418)	(10,015)
(Increase) decrease in transit receivable	(555)	2,637
Decrease in due from federal & other governments	(9,920)	5,359
Decrease (increase) in materials and supplies inventory	1,416	854
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses and other current assets	(1,398)	777
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability	(12,742)	3,694
Increase (decrease) in defined benefit pension plan deferred inflows of resources	(356)	(1,586)
Increase (decrease) in OPEB deferred inflows of resources	(6,106)	(5,482)
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB liability	(5,048)	(4,900)
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB asset	6,653	-
Increase (decrease) in defined benefit pension plan deferred outflow of resources	4,535	5,966
Increase (decrease) in OPEB deferred outflows of resources	4,077	(4,535)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,015	2,240
Increase (decrease) in unearned revenue and other liabilities NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	5,680	(3,947)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$(491,471)	\$(511,305)
NON-CASH OPERATING, INVESTING, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Interest income from investments held to pay capital lease/leaseback	\$8,835	\$8,904
Interest expense on capital lease/leaseback	(8,835)	(8,904)
Increase in capital lease/leaseback obligations	2,460	2,530
Increase in investments held to pay capital lease/leaseback	(2,460)	(2,530)
Increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	81	(34)
Amortization of premium, discount, bond insurance premium costs, and loss on debt		
refunding	22,201	(23,153)
Purchases of capital assets in accounts payable at year-end	54,926	60,829
Decrease in deferred outflows of resources - derivative instruments	-	314
Change in due from federal governments – capital contributions	350	161
Change in advance payments received from the State – capital contributions	19,884	17,960
Proceeds from the issuance of sales tax revenue bonds	279,920	209,689
Payment for advance refunding of sales tax revenue bonds	(279,920)	(209,689)

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#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

# SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 AND 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2021	2020
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$15,329	\$15,746
Receivables:	. ,	
Notes receivables from participants	14,556	16,489
Employee contribution	1,595	-
Employer contribution	1,983	-
Other receivables	-	283
Total receivables	18,134	32,518
Investments: Investments at contract value	84,615	84,701
Investments at fair value	04,015	04,701
Equity	498,368	485,765
Fixed income	218,922	206,926
Real Estate	50,991	37,167
Total investments	852,896	814,559
TOTAL ASSETS	886,359	847,077
LIABILITIES	1,401	106
Accounts payable, investment management, accrued benefits, and administrative Accounts payable, investments in-transit	1,401	1,348
Accounts payable, investments in-transit	1,507	1,540
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,708	1,454
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR:		
Pensions	810,529	780,021
Other post retirement benefits	73,122	65,602
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$883,651	\$845,623
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 AND 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)	2021	2020
ADDITIONS:	2021	2020
ADDITIONS: Investment income:		
Net investment gain	\$70,272	\$90,661
Interest and dividends	26,237	20,822
Investment manager fees	(1,057)	(542)
Total investment income, net	95,452	110,941
Contributions:	38,660	26 162
Employer Employee/participant	21,057	36,163 18,114
Other	21,037	24
Total contributions	59,740	54,301
Total additions	155,192	165,242
DEDUCTIONS:		
Benefit payments	116,567	61,253
Administrative expenses	597	694
Total deductions	117,164	61,947
NET INCREASE IN NET POSITION	38,028	103,295
NET POSITION:		
BEGINNING OF YEAR	845,623	742,328
	045,025	112,520
END OF YEAR	\$883,651	\$845,623

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Organization</u> – Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) is a regional transportation authority of the State of Texas, created and confirmed by passage of a referendum on August 13, 1983, pursuant to Article 1118y of the Vernon's Annotated Texas Civil Statutes, as amended, and recodified into Section 452 of the Texas Transportation Code (the Code) effective September 1, 1995. DART is organized to provide public and general transportation services to 13-member jurisdictions in five counties: Dallas, Collin, Ellis, Denton, and Rockwall. The member jurisdictions in which the voters elected to be included in DART consist of the cities of Carrollton, Cockrell Hill, Dallas, Farmers Branch, Garland, Glenn Heights, Irving, Plano, Richardson, Rowlett, and University Park, and the towns of Addison and Highland Park. Fifteen Board members represent the 13-member jurisdictions. Board members are appointed according to the ratio of the population of a member jurisdiction to the total population of the service area. One Board member may represent multiple jurisdictions.

Amendments to DART's enabling legislation require approval of the Texas State Legislature, which holds its regular session every two years. Past legislative changes allowed the issuance of lease/leaseback transactions (see Note 10), changed the collection period of sales taxes from quarterly to monthly, and allowed a joint pledge of sales and use tax and farebox revenues as security for long-term debt. Future changes to DART's enabling legislation could have a material impact on DART's financial position. The next session of the State Legislature is scheduled to begin in January 2021.

On August 12, 2000, the voters of the DART Service Area passed a referendum that allows DART to issue up to \$2.9 billion of bonds or notes that are solely payable from and secured by the DART sales and use tax revenue, have maturities beyond five years, and are issued pursuant to the authority granted at the election. A change to DART's enabling legislation was enacted during the 2009 Texas Legislative Session allowing DART to pledge multiple revenue sources as a first lien on Senior Lien Long-Term Bonds. This legislative change allowed DART to issue more than \$2.9 billion in long-term debt, provided that DART issues multi-revenue bonds. On July 23, 2012, DART filed a Bond Validation Petition in District Court 160 in Dallas County. DART sought a judicial ruling clarifying whether a \$2.9 billion limitation on "solely" pledged Sales Tax Revenue Bonds applies to "combined" Pledged Revenue Bonds. The hearing was conducted on August 13, 2012, and the Court concurred with DART's position. As a result, DART is no longer limited to \$2.9 billion in long-term debt is backed by a combined pledge of revenues (sales taxes plus another revenue source). Based on voters' authorization and changes in its enabling legislation, DART issued and sold varies bonds shown in notes 12, 13 and 14.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The activities of DART are accounted for as proprietary funds and therefore are reported as an enterprise fund in accordance with governmental accounting and financial reporting principles issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Accordingly, DART uses the accrual basis of accounting. DART's fiduciary activities are also presented on an accrual basis.

<u>Reporting Entity</u> – DART has two component units, Regional Rail Right-Of-Way Corporation (RRROW) and Dallas Area Rapid Transit Mobility Service, LGC (LGC).

<u>Regional Rail Right of Way</u> – The RRROW is a not-for-profit Corporation formed under Article 1396-1.01 of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act on October 9, 1990 to facilitate the acquisition of certain properties and right-of-way for DART. On July 9, 2002, The DART Board of Directors authorized the transfer to DART of real estate interest for certain railroad right of way held by RRROW and granted easement rights to RRROW to continue freight rail operations on all of DART active freight rail corridors. DART retains all real estate interests in the active freight rail corridors and RRROW is the common carrier authority under the freight operating easement. RRROW discharges the common carrier obligations through existing trackage rights agreements that are managed by DART personnel on behalf of RRROW. RRROW collects all trackage rights fees from freight operations on active DART owned railroad corridors. At the end of each fiscal year DART receives income earned by the Corporation that is not needed to pay the Corporation's expenses or obligations. DART retains the right to use the railroad corridors for reasonable purposes provided such uses do not materially interfere with common carrier freight service on the railroad corridors.

All powers of the RRROW corporation are vested in a Board of Directors, each member of which is appointed by the DART Board. The RRROW Board of Directors consists of not fewer than three nor more than five directors of which DART is the sole corporate member. Any director may be removed from office at any time, with or without cause, by the DART Board. The DART Board may review and revise the structure, organization, and activities of the Corporation. The property and affairs of RRROW are subject to the restrictions imposed by the DART Board. In the event of dissolution all assets will be turned over to DART.

Dallas Area Rapid Transit Mobility Service – The LGC is a not-for-profit Corporation formed on March 6, 2012 under Subchapter D of Chapter 431, Texas Transportation Code, to aide and act on behalf of DART in performance of its governmental purpose of providing a public transportation system by bus primarily outside the DART service area. The Corporation can issue bonds, notes or other obligations and it can also acquire real property, all subject to prior approval of the DART Board of Directors. The LGC must comply with all DART policies and, when applicable, with all Federal Transit Administration requirements in performance of its duties.

There are five members on the LGC Board: Chairman of the DART Board of Directors; one other DART Board member that is appointed by the DART Board of Directors; and three DART employees recommended by the President & Chief Executive Officer of DART and subject to the approval from the DART Board of Directors. DART is the sole corporate member of the LGC. The DART Board of Directors may

remove any member from the LGC board, with or without cause. Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled by a majority vote of the DART Board of Directors. Staff functions for the Corporation are performed by DART employees, as directed by the DART President & Chief Executive Officer. The DART Board of Directors may at any time consider and approve a resolution directing the LGC Board of Directors to proceed with the dissolution of the Corporation in which case, all assets will be turned over to DART. At the end of each fiscal year, DART receives income earned by the Corporation that is not needed to pay the Corporation's expenses or obligations.

Both RRROW and LGC meet the criteria of a blended component unit for the following reasons: They are both non-profit corporations in which the agency is the sole corporate member. DART Board appoints/approves the voting majority of each Board. The DART Board can impose its will on the corporations and may at any time consider and approve a resolution directing their Boards to proceed with the dissolution of the Corporation in which case, all assets will be turned over to DART. Also, the DART Board may remove any member from the LGC or RRROW Board at any time, with or without cause. In the case of RRROW, the corporation provides services that benefit the primary government (DART) by discharging the common carrier obligations through DARTs existing trackage rights agreements and collecting the related trackage rights fees. DART is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organizations resources as it retains the right to use the railroad corridors and at the end of each fiscal year receives income earned by RRROW via the trackage right fees received. In the case of LGC, the LGC benefits DART by aiding and acting on behalf of DART in performance of its governmental purpose of providing a public transportation system. The LGC also provides a financial benefit to DART. At the end of each fiscal year DART receives the income earned by the LGC that is not needed to pay the Corporation's expenses or obligations.

The financial information of the RRROW and LGC are included in the accompanying financial statements of DART as blended component units in accordance with GASB Statement No. 61 and GASB Statement No. 80.

Internally prepared financial statements for either RRROW or LGC may be obtained by contacting the Chief Financial Officer at Dallas Area Rapid Transit, 1401 Pacific Avenue, P.O. Box 660163, Dallas, TX 75266-7220.

<u>Fiduciary Activities</u> – DART implemented GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities* during the fiscal year 2021. This Statement established the criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of state and local governments and for fiduciary funds that meet the criteria, it requires governments to present the statement of fiduciary net position and a statement of changes in fiduciary net position. The fiduciary financial statements include four fiduciary funds. DART Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust (DB Plan), DART Other Post Employment Benefits Plan (OPEB Plan), DART Capital Accumulation Retirement Plan and Trust, and DART Retirement Plan and Trust. These four plans are administered by DART which may amend plan provisions and is also responsible for the management of plan assets. Each of these four plans is a single-employer plan and each plan's assets are held in trust. The DART Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust is a closed plan and new employees participate in the DART Retirement Plan and Trust. The balances for the DART Capital Accumulation Retirement Plan and Trust. The balances for the DART Capital Accumulation Retirement Plan and Trust. The balances for the DART Capital Accumulation Retirement Plan and Trust. The balances for the DART Capital Accumulation Retirement Plan and Trust is a closed plan and new employees participate in the DART Retirement Plan and Trust. The balances for the DART Capital Accumulation Retirement and Trust, and DART Retirement Plan and Trust are as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 since these plans are reported on a calendar year basis.

<u>New Accounting Pronouncements</u> – In January 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 84 *Fiduciary Activities*. This Statement became effective for DART during 2021.

In August 2018, GASB issued Statement No. 90, *Majority Equity Interests – an amendment of GASB Statements No.14 and No. 61.* This statement establishes the reporting requirements for a primary government's majority equity interest in a legally separate organization. GASB Statement No. 90 became effective for DART during 2021 and did not have any impact on DART financial statements.

In March 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 93 *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting requirements related to the replacement of Interbank Offer Rates (IBORs) in hedging derivative instruments and leases. It also identifies appropriate benchmark interest rates for hedging derivative instruments. Statement No 93 became effective for DART during 2021 except for paragraphs 13 and 14. This statement becoming effective did not have any impact on DART financial statements.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – DART considers investments in unrestricted funds with original maturities of less than 90 days at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents were \$314,744 and \$384,038 as of September 30, 2021, and 2020, respectively.

<u>Investments</u> – The investment balances, other than investments held to pay lease/leaseback obligations (see Note 3), on September 30, 2021, and 2020 are stated at fair value except for money market funds which are valued at amortized cost. Fair value is the amount at which an investment may be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale. DART utilizes quoted market prices or other measurements on September 30, 2021, and 2020, as the equivalent of the fair value of investments.

<u>Material and Supplies Inventory</u> – An inventory of supplies and parts is maintained at different DART warehouses for use in the operation and is recorded as an expense when consumed or placed in service. Inventory is stated at average cost.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets are assets with an initial individual cost of more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are stated at cost. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets as indicated in Note 6. Major improvements to buildings and equipment are capitalized. Maintenance and repairs

# are charged to expense as incurred. Improvements and betterments that extend the useful lives of capital assets or add new functionality are capitalized. Transit system development costs for services such as project-related design, construction, construction management, and project management costs are capitalized when incurred. Total interest and financing expense of \$135,407 was incurred during 2021 compared \$142,413 during 2020. None of these totals was capitalized due to early implementation of GASB Statement No. 89 Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of Construction Period starting in 2020. Donated assets are capitalized at estimated acquisition value on the date of donation. There were no donated capital assets during 2021 and 2020.

 $\frac{\text{Current/non-current classification}}{\text{Current/non-current classified}} - \text{Liability balances due within one year are classified as current and balances due after a year are classified as non-current. Asset balances reasonably expected to be realized in cash or sold or consumed within a year are classified as current. Asset balances that are restricted as to withdrawal or use for other than current operations, that are designated for disbursement in the acquisition or construction of noncurrent assets, or that are segregated for the liquidation of long-term debts are classified as noncurrent.$ 

<u>Deferred Outflow and Inflow of Resources</u> – GASB 63 took effect for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011. The statement requires the reclassification of any deferred amounts into appropriate categories for all years presented. Deferred outflow of resources is defined as the current consumption of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period while deferred inflows of resources is defined as the current acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period.

Amounts that make up the balances of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources reported in the statements of net position as of September 30 are shown below.

Deferred Outflow of Resources	9/30/2021	9/30/2020
Debt Refunding Difference	\$ 76,480	\$ 61,926
Defined Benefit Pension Plan	10,000	14,535
OPEB Plan	11,657	15,734
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	\$ 98,137	\$ 92,195
Deferred Inflow of Resources Defined Benefit Pension Plan OPEB Plan	\$ 356 25,315	\$ - 19,209
Total Deferred Inflow of Resources	\$ 25,671	\$ 19,209

<u>Federal, State and Local Capital Contributions, and Grants</u> – Grant funds used for the acquisition of property and equipment are recorded as capital contribution revenues when the related grant eligibility requirements are met, and qualified expenditures are incurred. DART received \$78,508 in federal, state, and local capital contributions during 2021 compared to \$119,259 during 2020. None of the total capital contributions received during 2021 and 2020 were based on capital expenditures made during the previous years. In addition to capital contributions, DART also received \$197,655 in 2021 compared to \$294,136 in 2020 in the form of other federal grants. Included in these amounts are grants that are substantially related to capital maintenance grants from the federal government. The 2021 includes \$128,511 compared to \$229,628 during 2020 received from the federal government in the form of a COVID-19 relief grant.

<u>Paid Time Off, Vacation and Sick Leave</u> – Salaried exempt and non-exempt employees are eligible for a "Paid Time Off" (PTO) benefits program. Accumulated PTO hours have no cash value unless the employee has five or more years of service. Upon termination of employment, a percentage of unused PTO hours will be paid in a lump sum based on number of years of continued service with DART. Hourly employees earn vacation and sick leave, which may be taken or accumulated up to certain levels, until paid upon retirement or termination. The liability for PTO, vacation, and sick leave has been calculated in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*, and is included in the accounts payable and accrued liabilities line item in the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

<u>Operating Revenues and Expenses</u> – Operating revenues are generated from activities related to providing public transportation services such as bus, light rail, commuter rail, paratransit, and vanpool to DART customers. DART's operating revenues include passenger fare revenues, advertising revenues, and certain rental income. Non-operating revenues are revenues not directly related to the operations of DART's transit service. Sales and use tax revenues, BABs tax credit, and investment income are classified as non-operating revenues.

Operating expenses are incurred for activities directly related to providing public transportation services to DART customers. Such activities include transportation, maintenance, transit police, and general and administrative functions. Non-operating expenses include interest and financing costs, general planning and consulting work not related to current service, and the local assistance provided to eligible member jurisdictions.

<u>Revenue Recognition</u> – Operating revenues are recognized when transit service is provided. Monthly tickets and annual passes are sold for revenue service, including bus and rail operations. An estimate of unused tickets and passes is recorded as unearned transit revenue and is included in the unearned revenue and other liabilities line item in the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

<u>Sales and Use Tax Revenues</u> – Sales and use tax revenues are recognized when the underlying transactions occur. Sales and use tax revenues are subject to audits by the State Comptroller, which sometimes results in refunds to the State.

<u>Self-Insurance Liabilities</u> – DART administers and maintains self-insured reserves for employee medical, operational workers' compensation, auto, and general liability (including bus/rail accidents), directors' and officers' liability, and light rail construction workers' compensation and general liability claims. These programs are administered by DART, or in some instances, a third party. DART accrues the estimated cost of self-insurance liabilities based on actuarial review and the estimate is included in the accounts payable and accrued liabilities line item in the accompanying Statements of Net Position. These estimates include incurred but not reported (IBNR) claims.

Changes in the liabilities in 2021 and 2020 for DART's self-insured programs are as follows:

	Injury, Damage and Personal Liabilities	Workers' Compensation Liabilities	Employee Medical, Dental, and Vision Liabilities*	Total Self- Insurance Liabilities
Beginning Balance, 10/01/2018	\$4,235	\$7,270	\$7,294	\$18,799
Add: Claims and changes in estimates	2,410	2,568	60,500	65,478
Less: Payments	(2,280)	(3,950)	(57,509)	(63,739)
Ending balance, 09/30/2019	4,365	5,888	10,285	20,538
Add: Claims and changes in estimates	3,018	5,591	56,239	64,848
Less: Payments	(3,059)	(5,138)	(56,225)	(64,422)
Ending balance, 09/30/2020	4,324	6,341	10,299	20,964
Add: Claims and changes in estimates	457	20,397	53,962	74,816
Less: Payments	(1,559)	(9,158)	(53,770)	(64,487)
Ending balance, 09/30/2021	3,222	17,580	10,491	31,293
Non-current	1,388	13,401		14,789
Current portion	\$1,834	\$4,179	\$10,491	\$16,504

\*DART employees pay their share of medical, dental, and vision claims through bi-weekly payroll deductions. Employees' share of medical, dental, and vision claims was \$8,682 during 2021, \$9,697 during 2020, and \$9,711 during 2019. Payment amounts shown in the table above are gross amounts and not netted against employee contributions.

DART purchases liability insurance coverage for all-risk property, commuter rail, leased premises, crime, directors and officers and light rail project-specific professional liability and light rail build-out workers' compensation and general liability. Coverage is evaluated annually and adjusted as necessary based upon exposure and claim payments. There was no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the previous year, and the settlement amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

<u>Premium and Discounts on Revenue Bonds</u> – Premiums and discounts on Senior Lien Revenue Bonds are amortized using the effective interest method. Bond insurance premiums and gains/losses on refunding are also amortized using the effective interest method over the life of the bonds.

<u>Pensions</u> – For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the DART Employees Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust (the DB Plan) and additions to/deductions from the DB Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the DB Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

<u>Other Post Employments Benefits (OPEB)</u> – For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability/asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the OPEB Plan and additions to/deductions from the OPEB Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the OPEB Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of retiree contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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<u>Net position</u> – *Net Investment in Capital Assets*, includes capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. *Restricted* consists of net position that is legally restricted by outside parties or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is DART's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources when they are needed. *Unrestricted* resources consist of net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

#### 2. SERVICE AGREEMENTS

DART has entered into several long-term agreements with contractors to provide paratransit, commuter rail, DART on-call and shuttle services. Payments to service providers are recorded as purchased transportation in the accompanying Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

Summary of major services rendered in 2021 and 2020 and the current contract terms, including option periods is shown as follows:

		Annual Payments		Contract Terms	
Contractor's Name	Service Type	2021	2020	Began	Expires
Herzog Transit Services, Inc.	Commuter Rail Service	\$24,777	\$21,313	10/1/2015	9/30/2025
MV Transportation, Inc.	Paratransit, and mobility services	26,312	31,011	10/1/2012	9/30/2022
Others	Various	5,955	4,755	Various	Various
Total		\$57,044	\$57,079		

#### 3. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and investments, excluding investments held for lease/leaseback liabilities, as of September 30 are classified in the Statements of Net Position as follows:

9/30/2021	9/30/2020
\$314,744	\$384,038
195,203	108,028
129,607	123,111
27,481	52,205
943	57,931
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\$671,393	\$729,929
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Cash and investments as of September 30 consist of the following:

	9/30/2021	9/30/2020
Cash	\$1,438	\$2,530
Cash equivalents	313,306	381,508
Investments	356,649	345,891
Total cash and investments	\$671,393	\$729,929

#### Deposits

State statutes authorize DART's cash to be deposited in demand deposits, time deposits, or certificates of deposit and require that all deposits be fully collateralized or insured.

On September 30, 2021, the carrying amount of DART's deposits was \$1,438 compared to \$2,530 on September 30, 2020. Bank balances on September 30, 2021 and 2020 were entirely covered either by Federal Depository Insurance or by collateral held by DART's agent in DART's name.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> – Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of failure of a depository financial institution, DART will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. DART's policy requires that all deposits with financial institutions must be collateralized to the extent not protected by F.D.I.C. insurance. Securities that can be accepted as collateral are limited to U.S. Government Securities, Federal Agency Securities, and Municipal Securities.

# Investments

In accordance with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act and DART's investment policy, DART invests in, among others, obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, and obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other state political subdivisions with ratings from a nationally recognized investment rating firm of not less than "A" or its equivalent and commercial paper with ratings of not less than "A1" or "P1." In addition, State statutes authorize DART to invest funds in other cash equivalents such as money market mutual funds among other things. All DART investments are subject to the Texas Public Funds Investment Act. The following table identifies the investment types that are authorized by DART's Investment Policy. Securities with a rating of A or better from a nationally recognized rating agency may be purchased. The table also identifies certain provisions of DART Investment Policy that address interest rate risk, credit risk and concentration of credit risk.

		Maximum	Maximum Investment in
	Maximum	Percentage of	One Issuer at the Time of
Authorized Investment Type	Maturity	Portfolio	Purchase
U.S. Government Securities	None	None	None
Federal Agency Securities	None	None	25%
Municipal Securities	None	None	25%
Repurchase and Reverse Repurchase Agreements	90 days	50%	5%
Money Market Mutual Funds	None	None	None
Commercial Paper	365 days	None	5%
Banker's Acceptance	270 days	None	5%
Certificate of Deposit	None	None	None

Interest Rate Risk – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. One of the ways that DART manages exposure to interest rate risk is by purchasing a combination of shorter-term and longer-term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of it matures evenly over time as necessary to provide the cash flow and liquidity needed for operations.

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of DART investments to market interest rate fluctuations as of September 30 is provided in the following tables, which show the distribution of DART investments by maturity. Investment maturity is based on call dates when applicable.

		Remaining N	Maturity (in mont	hs) as of		
		Sep	tember 30, 2021			
	Total	12 Months	12 to 24	24 to 60		
Investment Type	Amount	mount or Less Months 1				
Federal Farm Credit Banks	\$60,083	\$54,989	\$5,094	\$-		
Federal Home Loan Bank	24,974	10,002	14,972	-		
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	16,882	14,096	-	2,786		
Commercial Papers	37,999	37,999	-			
Total	\$139,938	\$117,086	\$20,066	\$2,786		

		Remaining Maturity (in months) as of September 30, 202012 Months12 to 2424 to 6or LessMonthsMonths			
Investment Type	Total Amount				
Federal Farm Credit Banks	\$23,043	\$	-	\$13,042	\$10,001
Federal Home Loan Bank	25,889		-	5,026	20,863
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	21,990	21			
Total	\$70,922	\$	-	\$18,068	\$52,854

\*Logic (Local Government Investment Cooperative) is an AAAm rated investment pool tailored to the investment needs of Texas local governments. The Portfolio invests only in A1/P1 commercial paper and government back securities (treasuries/agencies and repurchase agreements) which are in compliance with the Public Fund Investment Act. LOGIC is overseen by a Governing Board consisting of individuals from participating Government Entities in the pool. The Portfolio will maintain a dollar-weighted average portfolio maturity that does not exceed 60 days calculated in accordance with the 2a-7 or 90 days based on stated maturity of fund investments. The fair value of LOGIC portfolio is determined using amortized cost.

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\*\*TexPool is the largest and oldest local government investment pool in the State of Texas. The State Comptroller of Public Accounts oversees TexPool. It operates according to Government Code 2256 (Public Funds Investment Act) requirements. The weighted average maturities of the pool cannot exceed 60 days. TexPool invests only in investments authorized under the Public Funds Investment Act. The fair value of TexPool portfolio is also determined using amortized cost.

\*\*\*TexasClass is a Texas Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System Trust ("the Trust"). It is a Participant controlled trust created in accordance with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act. Texas Class investments are AAAm by Standard and Poor's.

\*\*\*\*TexasDaily is one of the investment options offered by the Texas Term Investment Pool which is a professionally managed portfolios that are available to government entities in the State of Texas. TexasDaily is a money market portfolio with daily liquidity that is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's. Average maturity is 52 days.

<u>Credit Risk</u> - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized rating agency. The following tables show actual ratings as of September 30 for each investment type. Money market funds listed are SEC regulated 2a.7 funds.

	Rating as of Se	ptember 30, 2021			
	Total				Not
Investment Type	Amount	AA+/ Aaa	AAAm	A1	Rated
Federal Farm Credit Banks	\$60,083	\$60,083	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Federal Home Loan Bank	24,974	24,974	-	-	-
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	16,882	16,882	-	-	-
Money Market Funds:					
Logic*	243,367	-	243,367	-	-
TexPool **	178,410	-	178,410	-	-
TexasClass***	101,243	-	101,243	-	-
Other Money Market Funds	6,997	-	1,997	-	5,000
Commercial Papers	37,999	5,000	-	32,999	-
Total	\$669,955	\$106,939	\$525,017	\$32,999	\$5,000

#### Rating as of September 30, 2020

	Total			Not
Investment Type	Amount	AA+/ Aaa	AAAm	Rated
Federal Farm Credit Banks	\$23,043	\$23,043	\$ -	\$ -
Federal Home Loan Bank	25,889	25,889	-	-
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	21,990	21,990	-	-
Money Market Funds:			-	-
Logic	319,528	-	319,528	-
TexPool	179,333	-	179,333	
TexasClass	105,824	-	105,824	-
TexasDaily	30,018	-	30,018	-
Other Money Market Funds	21,774	-	1,759	20,015
Total	\$727,399	\$70,922	\$636,462	\$20,015

On August 5, 2011, Standard and Poor's, one of three nationally recognized raters of US debt and securities, downgraded the rating of longterm United States sovereign debt from AAA to AA+ for the first time since 1941 with a negative outlook. The two other national raters, Moody's and Fitch, continue to have the highest ratings, but also have the debt on their watch lists. DART's investment portfolio includes \$106,939 as of September 30, 2021 compared to \$70,922 as of September 30, 2020 with credit ratings of AA+ by Standard and Poor's.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of DART's investment in a single issuer. DART's Investment Policy contains limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer as shown in the table on page 25. Investments in any one issuer that represent 5% or more of total investment portfolio of DART as of September 30 are as shown below:

September 30	, 2021	
	Reported	Percentage of
Investment type/Issuer	Amount	Total Portfolio
Logic	\$243,367	36%
TexPool	178,410	27%
TexasClass	101,243	15%
Federal Farm Credit Banks	60,083	9%
Dallas Fort Worth International Airport	32,998	5%
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September	30, 2020	
	Reported	Percentage of
Investment type/Issuer	Amount	Total Portfolio
Logic	\$319,528	44%
TexPool	179,333	25%
TexasClass	105,824	15%

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> – The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., brokerdealer) to a transaction, DART will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. All of DART's investments except for money market mutual funds, which by design provide ownership of shares within the fund, are registered in DART's name as of September 30, 2021 and 2020 and are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

<u>Foreign Currency Risk</u> – Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. None of DART's investment are in foreign currency-denominated investments.

DART categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs and are valued using a matrix pricing model. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

DART has the following fair value measurements as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

Fair Value Measu	rements as of Sep	tember 30, 2	021			
	Total					
Investment Type	Amount	Level 1		Level 2	Leve	13
Federal Farm Credit Banks	\$60,083	\$	-	\$60,083	\$	-
Federal Home Loan Bank	24,974		-	24,974		-
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	16,882		-	16,882		-
Total	\$101,939	\$	-	\$101,939	\$	-
Fair Value Measu	rements as of Sep Total	tember 30, 2	020			
Investment Type	Amount	Level 1		Level 2	Leve	13
Federal Farm Credit Banks	\$23,043	\$	-	\$23,043	\$	-
Federal Home Loan Bank	25,889		-	25,889		-
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	21,990		-	21,990		-
Total	\$70,922	\$		\$70,922	\$	

<u>Restricted investments held to pay capital lease/leaseback liabilities</u> – As of September 30, 2021, DART had one outstanding lease/leaseback obligation. When DART entered into the capital lease/leaseback transactions it received advance rental payments. A portion of the advance rental payment received by DART was used to purchase contractual undertakings from certain financial institutions. These institutions assumed and agreed to pay the sublease rental payments due through the purchase option date, together with the purchase option price owed if DART were to exercise the purchase option rights. For other leases, DART deposited a portion of the advance rental payment with a trustee, who was to purchase direct obligations of the US government and other securities that would mature on the dates in the amounts required to pay sublease rental payments and the respective purchase option price. These investments are held by the trustee in the name of DART and are invested in U.S. Treasury strips, U.S. government sponsored enterprise obligations, and guaranteed investment contracts. They include a combination of investments with short-term and long-term maturities which minimizes the exposure to interest rate risk. Because these investments are insured by a third party and are held in U.S. Treasuries and government investment contracts, they are not recorded at fair value but are recorded at amortized cost in the Statements of Net Position.

<u>Assigned assets</u> – The DART Board has assigned certain cash and investment balances to be maintained for self-insurance and financial reserve. These amounts are shown as unrestricted investments in the accompanying financial statements. The assets for self-insurance include amounts assigned by the Board to fund future claims and workers' compensation liabilities. The Board established a financial reserve to accumulate sales and use taxes in years when sales and use tax revenues exceed the budgeted amount. Sales and use tax revenues, net of annual repayments to the State Comptroller, were \$97,731 more than budget for fiscal year 2021 compared to \$11,891 less than budget for fiscal year 2020. In addition, the Board of Directors authorized the establishment of Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund. Should the Financial Reserve exceed \$50 million, excess funds are placed in the Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund.

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An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board is required to draw upon the Financial Reserve and Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund. The funds may be used for any purpose approved by the Board. During 2011, the DART Board approved a request to set aside a portion of the financial reserve investments for potential collateral as required by an amendment to one of the lease/leaseback agreements. The amount set aside for this purpose is \$3,415 as of September 30, 2021, compared to \$4,616 as of September 30, 2020.

These amounts are shown as restricted investments held as security for capital lease/leaseback liabilities in the Statements of Net Position and are excluded from the financial reserve amount of September 30, 2021 and 2020 shown as follows:

Assigned for	2021	2020
Self-Insurance	\$23,013	\$12,247
Financial Reserve*	46,560	45,277
Silver Line Project Fund**	20,206	20,110
Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund***	12,447	12,328
Total	\$ 102,226	\$ 89,962

\*The financial reserve amounts shown here are net of \$3,415 as of September 30, 2021, and \$4,616 as of September 30, 2020. These amounts are set aside as collateral security for a certain lease/leaseback obligation.

\*\* On October 25, 2016, the DART Board approved the Fiscal Year 2017 Twenty-Year Financial Plan which included an authorization to move \$20.1 million from Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund (formerly Capital Reserve) to the Silver Line Project Fund to pay for the Silver Line commuter rail capital project costs.

\*\*\* On May 14, 2019 the DART Board renamed the Capital Reserve Fund as the Mobility Assistance and Innovation Fund by Resolution No. 190053.

#### Fiduciary Fund investments

DART Employees' Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust (the "Plan")

The Plan is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that was designed to provide retirement, death, and disability benefits to certain employees of Dallas Area Rapid Transit. This is a closed plan and new employees are not eligible to participate in the Plan. The Plan is administered by a Plan Committee consisting of five members: two persons appointed by the Chairman of the DART Board, two persons elected by Plan participants, and one person appointed by the President & Chief Executive Officer of DART.

<u>Investments</u> – The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. If available, quoted market prices are used to value investments. Shares of mutual funds are valued at the value of shares held by the Plan at year end. The fair value of the common collective trust investments and of the other investment funds is estimated by the issuer based on the fair value of the underlying investments.

<u>Credit Risk</u> – Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. This risk is measured by the assignment of credit rating by nationally recognized rating agencies such as S&P and Moody's. The following tables show the rating of the Plan's investments as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

			Credit Rating	g as of Septem	ber 30, 2021	
	Total	AA+/				Not
Investment Type	Amount	AAA	AA	А	< BAA	Rated
Fixed Income Investments:						
Agency	\$ 403	\$ 19	\$ 34	\$ 31	\$ 304	\$ 15
Corporate Bonds and Notes	30,055	2,039	1,174	4,004	22,516	322
Mortgage-Backed Securities	13,653	87	230	209	2,230	10,897
U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes	22,909	3,148	1,024	1,077	2,936	22
Non-U.S. Government Bonds	8,207	16,790	1,025	1,072	3,982	40
	75,227	22,083	3,487	6,393	31,968	11,296
Equity Investments	95,623	-	-	-	-	95,623
Real Estate Funds	37,232		-	-	-	37,232
Total	\$ 208,082	\$ 22,083	\$ 3,487	\$6,393	\$31,968	\$144,151

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			Credit Ratir	ng as of Septem	ber 30, 2020	
Investment Type	Total Amount	AA+/ AAA	AA	А	< BAA	Not Rated
Fixed Income Investments:						
Agency Corporate Bonds and Notes	\$11,740 41,542	\$11,280 1,823	\$ 13 474	\$57 16,014	\$ 324 22,518	\$ 66 713
Mortgage Backed Securities	4,383	138	74	321	1,882	1,968
U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes	7,388	3,175	225	987	2,930	71
Non-U.S. Government Bonds	7,884	1,647	434	1,919	3,884	-
	72,937	18,063	1,220	19,298	31,538	2,818
Equity Investments	91,718	-	-	-	-	91,718
Real Estate Funds	22,668		-	-	-	22,668
Total	\$187,323	\$18,063	\$ 1,220	\$19,298	\$31,538	\$117,204

On August 5, 2011, Standard and Poor, one of three nationally recognized raters of US debt and securities, downgraded the rating of longterm United States sovereign debt from AAA to AA+ for the first time since 1941 with negative outlook. The two other national raters, Moody's, and Fitch, continue to have the highest ratings, but also have the debt on their watch lists.

#### Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the Plan will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. Approximately 69.44% (\$144,499) of the Plan's Net Position represent investments in external investment pools and open-ended mutual funds for 2021 compared to 64.68% (\$121,152) for 2020. The existence of these investments is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical form and therefore, they are not exposed to custodial credit risk. The investments managed by Garcia Hamilton & Associates, Jo Hambro, Earnest Partners, and Seizert Capital Partners which represent approximately 30.56% (\$63,583) of the total net position of the Plan for 2021 compared to approximately 35.32% (\$66,171) for 2020, are registered in the name of the Plan and therefore, are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Plan's investments in a single issuer. In the investment portfolios managed separately, there is no individual investment in any one issuer that represents five percent or more of the Plan's net position (see table of investments on footnote 3) as of September 30, 2021 or 2020.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, longer the maturities date of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. At September 30, 2021, the Plan's portfolio consists of 45.95% (\$95,623) equity investments, 17.90% (\$37,232) real estate funds, and 36.15% (\$75,227) debt securities. At September 30, 2020, the Plan's portfolio consists of 48.96% (\$91,718) equity investments, 12.10% (\$22,668) real estate funds, and 38.94% (\$72,937) debt securities. Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Plan's investments to market interest rate fluctuation as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, are shown as follows:

		Maturity (in M	onths as of Se	eptember 30, 20	021)	
Investment Type	Total Amount	12 Months or less	13 to 24 Months	25 to 60 Months	More than 60 Months	Not Applicable
Fixed Income Investments:						
Agency	\$ 403	\$ -	\$-	\$ 8	\$ 395	\$ -
Corporate Bonds and Notes	30,055	672	1,938	5,924	19,804	1,717
Mortgage Backed Securities	13,653	18	3	250	13,381	1
U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes	22,909	469	6,443	4,455	10,106	1,436
Non-U.S. Government Bonds	8,207	1183	479	547	5,998	-
	75,227	2,342	8,863	11,184	49,684	3,154
Equity Investments	95,623	-	-	-	-	95,623
Real Estate Funds	37,232	-	-	-	-	37,232
Total	\$208,082	\$2,342	\$8,863	\$11,184	\$49,684	\$136,009

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

		Maturity (in M	onths as of Se	ptember 30, 20	)20)	
Investment Type	Total Amount	12 Months or less	13 to 24 Months	25 to 60 Months	More than 60 Months	Not Applicable
Fixed Income Investments:		-				**
Agency	\$ 11,740	\$11,255	\$ 437	\$ 11	\$ 37	\$ -
Corporate Bonds and Notes	41,542	1,773	2,395	5,483	30,935	956
Mortgage Backed Securities	4,383	50	1	249	4,083	-
U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes	7,388	64	3,221	637	2,330	1,136
Non-U.S. Government Bonds	7,884	545	538	701	6,100	-
	72,937	13,687	6,592	7,081	43,485	2,092
Equity Investments	91,718	-	-	-	-	91,718
Real Estate Funds	22,668	-	-	-	-	22,668
Total	\$187,323	\$13,687	\$6,592	\$7,081	\$43,485	\$116,478

#### Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign Currency Risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. Foreign Currency Risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. Some of the Plan's investments were invested in international mutual funds. The mutual funds are denominated in the U.S. dollar and are not exposed to foreign currency risk.

<u>Fair Value</u> -The plan categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs and are valued using a matrix pricing model. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs and are valued using future projected cash flows. DART has the following fair value measurements as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

	Total			
Investment Type	Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Agency	\$ 403	\$ -	\$403	\$
Corporate Bonds and Notes	30,055	-	30,055	
Mortgage Backed Securities	13,653	-	13,653	
U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes	22,909	-	22,909	
Non-U.S. Government Bonds	8,207	-	-	8,20
Equity Investments	95,623	95,623	-	
Real Estate Funds	37,232	-	-	37,23
	\$208,082 Measurements as of Sep	<u>\$95,623</u> tember 30, 2020	\$67,020	\$45,43
Total Fair Value		<u> </u>	\$67,020	\$45,43
Fair Value	Measurements as of Sep	<u> </u>	<u>\$67,020</u> Level 2	\$45,43 Level 3
Fair Value	Measurements as of Sep Total	tember 30, 2020		
Fair Value Investment Type Agency	Measurements as of Sep Total Amount	tember 30, 2020 Level 1	Level 2	
Fair Value Investment Type Agency Corporate Bonds and Notes	Measurements as of Sep Total <u>Amount</u> \$ 11,740	tember 30, 2020 Level 1	Level 2 \$11,740	
Fair Value Investment Type Agency Corporate Bonds and Notes Mortgage Backed Securities	Measurements as of Sep Total Amount \$ 11,740 41,542	tember 30, 2020 Level 1	Level 2 \$11,740 41,542	
Fair Value Investment Type Agency Corporate Bonds and Notes Mortgage Backed Securities U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes	Measurements as of Sep Total Amount \$ 11,740 41,542 4,383	tember 30, 2020 Level 1	Level 2 \$11,740 41,542 4,383	Level 3 \$
Fair Value Investment Type Agency Corporate Bonds and Notes Mortgage Backed Securities U.S. Treasury Bonds & Notes Non-U.S. Government Bonds	<u>Measurements as of Sep</u> Total <u>Amount</u> \$ 11,740 41,542 4,383 7,388	tember 30, 2020 Level 1	Level 2 \$11,740 41,542 4,383	Level 3 \$
	Measurements as of Sep Total Amount \$ 11,740 41,542 4,383 7,388 7,884	tember 30, 2020 Level 1 \$ - - - -	Level 2 \$11,740 41,542 4,383	

#### OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) PLAN

The OPEB Plan is a single-employer defined benefit plan that provides healthcare and life insurance to eligible retirees and their spouses through DART's group health plan and group life plan, which covers both active employees and retired members. Eligibility criteria for the post-employment health care and life insurance benefits are as follows: Participants of the defined benefit pension plan will be eligible at age 55 with a minimum of ten years of service to DART. Participants of the defined contribution pension plan will be eligible at age 60 with a minimum of ten years of service to DART. The Plan is administered by DART. The plan does not issue separate stand-alone financial reports.

#### **OPEB** Plan Investments

In accordance with the OPEB Plan's investment policy, the trustee invests in, among others, obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, domestic equity, international equity and fixed income investment. DART established the investment OPEB Plan investment policy and can amend it as needed. There was no amendment of OPEB investment policy during 2021.

Interest Rate Risk – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. All the OPEB Plan's investments were invested in mutual funds, which by design provide ownership of shares within the fund, are not exposed to interest rate risk.

<u>Credit Risk</u> - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized rating agency. The following tables show actual ratings as of September 30 for each investment type.

		Se	eptember 30	, 2021				
	Total	AAA	AAA/			BBB/	< BBB/	Cash or
Investment Type	Amount	m	Aaa	AA/Aa	А	Baa	Baa	Not Rated
Cash and cash equivalent	\$2,816	\$2,816	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$-	\$ -
Equity	45,928	-	-	-	-	-	-	45,928
Fixed Income	25,453	-	9,000	1,048	3,056	5,671	2,217	4,461
	\$74,197	\$2,816	\$9,000	\$1,048	\$3,056	\$5,671	\$2,217	\$50,389

		Se	eptember 30,	2020				
	Total	AAA	AAA/	AA/		BBB/	< BBB/	Cash or
Investment Type	Amount	m	Aaa	Aa	А	Baa	Baa	Not Rated
Cash and cash equivalent	\$3,594	\$3,594	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ -
Equity	38,113	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,113
Fixed Income	23,895	-	10,004	1,239	3,711	6,133	2,281	527
Total	\$65,602	\$3,594	\$10,004	\$1,239	\$3,711	\$6,133	\$2,281	\$38,640

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Plan's investment in a single issuer. All the OPEB Plan's investments were invested in mutual funds, which by design provide ownership of shares within the fund, are not exposed to concentration of credit risk.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> – The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., brokerdealer) to a transaction, the OPEB Plan will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. All the OPEB Plan's investments were invested in mutual funds, which by design provide ownership of shares within the fund, are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

<u>Foreign Currency Risk</u> – Foreign Currency Risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. Some of the OPEB Plan's investments were invested in international mutual funds. The mutual funds are denominated in the U.S. dollar and are not exposed to foreign currency risk.

Fair Value - DART categorizes its fair value measurements of the OPEB Plan within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs and are valued using a matrix pricing model. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. DART has the following fair value measurements as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

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	Total					
Investment Type	Amount	Level 1	Lev	el 2	Leve	13
Cash and cash equivalent	\$2,816	\$2,816	\$	-	\$	-
Mutual Funds - Equity	45,928	45,928		-		-
Mutual Funds – Fixed Income	25,453	25,453		-		-
Total	\$74,197	\$74,197	\$	-	\$	-
Fair Value	Measurements as of Ser	otember 30, 2020				
Fair Value	1	otember 30, 2020				
	Measurements as of Sep Total Amount	tember 30, 2020 Level 1	Lev	el 2	Leve	13
Investment Type	Total	,	Lev \$	el 2	Leve \$	13
Fair Value Investment Type Cash and cash equivalent Mutual Funds - Equity	Total Amount	Level 1		el 2	Leve \$	-13 
Investment Type Cash and cash equivalent	Total Amount \$3,594	Level 1 \$3,594		el 2 - -	Leve \$	

#### DART CAPITAL ACCUMULATION PLAN AND TRUST

The DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust (the Plan) is a single employer defined contribution retirement plan designed to provide retirement benefits to all full-time employees of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART). Participants should refer to the Plan Document for more detailed information.

The Plan is administered by a retirement committee consisting of not less than five persons appointed by DART's President & Chief Executive Officer.

DART has an agreement whereby the Trustee receives Plan contributions and allocates such contributions to the appropriate fund managers, as directed by the plan participants. Investment income of each fund is credited to each participant's account at the end of each day based on the account's relative percentage in each fund to total net position available for Plan benefits in each fund prior to credit for such income. During the 2020 and 2019 plan years, participants directed their contributions among the following investment funds. Below is a summary of those investments reflecting different risks

<u>Credit Risk</u> - Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. This is measured by the assignment of ratings by nationally recognized rating agencies such as S&P and Moody's. The following tables show the ratings of the underlying investments of the investment funds held by the plan as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

		Credit rating as of December 31, 2020							
	Total	Aa+/				Not			
Investment Type	Amount	Aaa	Aa	А	Baa	Rated			
Short-term Investments & Bonds	\$65,511	\$41,171	\$5,805	\$13,110	\$5,425	\$ -			
Balanced (Bonds & Stocks)	94,196	-	-	-	-	94,196			
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	94,656	-	-	-	-	94,656			
International Equity (Stocks)	22,276		-	-	-	22,276			
Total Investments	\$276,639	\$41,171	\$5,805	\$13,110	\$5,425	\$211,128			
			Credit rating	g as of Decer	mber 31, 20	19			
	Total	Aa+/				Not			
Investment Type	Amount	Aaa	Aa	А	Baa	Rated			
Short-term Investments & Bonds	\$64,273	\$21,098	\$24,226	14,526	\$4,423	\$ -			
Balanced(Bonds & Stocks)	99,968	-	-	-	-	99,968			
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	104,257	-	-	-	-	104,257			
International Equity (Stocks)	21,590		-	-	-	21,590			

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<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> - The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g. brokerdealer) to a transaction, the Plan will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. All the Plan's investments are in open-ended mutual funds and a common collective trust fund. The existence of these investments is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical book entry form and therefore, they are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> - Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Plan's investments in a single issuer. All the investments held for the Plan are in mutual funds or a common collective trust fund.

Interest Rate Risk - Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Plan's balanced, and equity investments portfolio was \$211,128 (76.32%) in 2020 compared to \$225,815 (77.84%) in 2019. Short-term investment and bonds were \$65,511 (23.68%) in 2020 compared to \$64,273 (22.16%) in 2019. Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Plan's investments to market interest rate fluctuation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 is shown below.

		Maturity in Years as of December 31, 2020									
	Total	<1	1-5	5-10	10-20	20-30	>30	N/A			
Investment Type	Amount	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years				
Short-term Investments and											
bonds	\$65,511	\$3,587	\$42,425	\$13,984	\$1,602	\$3,676	\$237	\$ -			
Balanced (Bonds & Stocks)	94,196	-	-	-	-	-	-	94,196			
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	94,656	-	-	-	-	-	-	94,656			
International Equity (Stocks)	22,276	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,276			
Total	\$276,639	\$3,587	\$42,425	\$13,984	\$1,602	\$3,676	\$237	\$211,128			

	Maturity in Years as of December 31, 2019								
Investment Type	Total Amount	<1 Year	1-5 Years	5-10 Years	10-20 Years	20-30 Years	>30 Years	N/A	
nivesunent Type	Amount	I cai	1-5 1 cars	1 cars	Tears	1 cars	Tears		
Short-term Investments and									
bonds	\$64,273	\$7,797	\$36,950	\$14,751	\$1,119	\$3,531	\$125	\$ -	
Balanced (Bonds & Stocks)	99,968	-	-	-	-	-	-	99,968	
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	104,257	-	-	-	-	-	-	104,257	
International Equity (Stocks)	21,590	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,590	
Total	\$290,088	\$7,797	\$36,950	\$14,751	\$1,119	\$3,531	\$125	\$225,815	

Foreign Currency Risk - Foreign Currency Risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. Some of the Plan's investments were invested in international mutual funds. The mutual funds are denominated in the U.S. dollar and are not exposed to foreign currency risk.

Fair Value - The plan categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The following tables show the fair value measurements of the underlying investments of the investment funds held by the plan as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2020								
Investment Type	Total Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3				
Short-term Investments and Bonds	\$27,513	\$27,513	-	-				
Balanced (Bonds & Stocks)	94,196	94,196	-	-				
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	94,656	94,656	-	-				
International Equity (Stocks)	22,276	22,276	-	-				
Total	\$238,641	\$238,641	\$-	\$-				

#### FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 and 2020 (Dollars in Thousands)

Fair Value	e Measurements as of l	December 31, 20	19	
Investment Type	Total Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Short-term Investments and Bonds	\$25,273	\$25,273	-	-
Balanced (Bonds & Stocks)	99,968	99,968	-	-
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	104,257	104,257	-	-
International Equity (Stocks)	21,590	21,590	-	-
Total	\$251,088	\$251,088	\$ -	\$ -

#### DART RETIREMENT PLAN AND TRUST

Real Estate Funds

The DART Retirement Plan and Trust (the Plan) is a single employer defined contribution plan designed to provide retirement benefits to employees of Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART). Participants should refer to the Plan Document for more detailed information.

The Plan is administered by a retirement committee consisting of eight members appointed by the President & Chief Executive Officer of DART. DART has the right to amend this Plan to the extent that it may deem advisable, provided; that no such amendment shall impair or adversely affect the right of any participant which has matured, and no such amendment shall increase the duties or responsibilities of the Trustee without its consent given in writing. Although the employer has not expressed any intent to discontinue the Plan, it reserves the right in its sole discretion to terminate the Plan. In such event, each participant shall have a non-forfeitable right in one hundred percent (100%) of his/her account balance.

The assets of the Plan are held in the DART Retirement Plan and Trust. Except for the Vanguard Retirement Savings Trust, which is held at contract value, the Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Below is a summary of the Plans investment reflecting different risks.

<u>Credit Risk</u> - Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. This is measured by the assignment of ratings by nationally recognized rating agencies such as S&P and Moody's. The following tables show the ratings of the underlying investments of the investment funds held by the Plan as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

	Credit rating as of December 31, 2020								
	Total	Aa+/							
Investment Type	Amount	Aaa	Aa	А	Baa	Not Rated			
Short-term investments & Bonds	\$137.346	\$93,487	\$8,686	\$21,606	\$13,567	<b>\$</b> -			
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	96,710	-	-	-	-	96,710			
International Equity (Stocks)	48,979	-	-	-	-	48,979			
Real Estate Funds	13,759	-	-	-	-	13,759			
Total Investments	\$296,794	\$93,487	\$8,686	\$21,606	\$13,567	\$159,448			
			Credit ratin	g as of Decem	1ber 31, 2019				
	Total	Aa+/							
Investment Type	Amount	Aaa	Aa	А	Baa	Not Rated			
Short-term investments & Bonds	\$130,522	\$67,345	\$30,053	\$21,857	\$11,267	\$ -			
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	86,521	-	-			86,521			
International Equity (Stocks)	43,598	-	-	-	-	43,598			

 Total Investments
 \$275,140
 \$67,345
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<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> - The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g. brokerdealer) to a transaction, the Plan will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. All the Plan's investments are in open-ended mutual funds and a common collective trust fund. The existence of these investments is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical book entry form and therefore, they are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

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<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> - Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Plan's investments in a single issuer. All the investments held for the Plan are in mutual funds or a common collective trust fund.

Interest Rate Risk - Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Plan's equity and real estate investments portfolio was \$159,448 (53.72%) in 2020 compared to \$144,618 (52.56%) in 2019. Debt securities were \$137,346 (46.28%) in 2020 compared to \$130,522 (47.44%) in 2019. Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Plan's investments to market interest rate fluctuation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 is shown as follows:

		020						
	Total	<1	1-5	5-10	10-20	20-30	>30	N/A
Investment Type	Amount	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	
Short-term Investments &								
Bonds	\$137,346	\$5,079	\$94,521	\$ 26,260	\$2,867	\$8,217	\$402	\$-
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	96,710	-	-	-	-	-	-	96,710
International Equity (Stocks)	48,979	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,979
Real Estate Funds	13,759	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,759
Total	\$296,794	\$5,079	\$94,521	\$ 26,260	\$2,867	\$8,217	\$402	\$159,448
			M	aturity in Year	s as of Dece	mber 31, 20	)19	
	Total	<1	1-5	5-10	10-20	20-30	>30	N/A
Investment Type	Amount	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years	Years	

Short-term Investments &								
Bonds	\$130,522	\$9,795	\$85,138	\$ 26,139	\$1,830	\$7,424	\$196	\$ -
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	86,521	-	-	-	-	-	-	86,521
International Equity (Stocks)	43,598	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,598
Real Estate Funds	14,499	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,499
Total	\$275,140	\$9,795	\$85,138	\$26,139	\$1,830	\$7,424	\$196	\$144,618

Foreign Currency Risk - Foreign Currency Risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. The Plan's Foreign Currency Risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or deposit. Some of the Plan's investments were invested in international mutual funds. The mutual funds are denominated in the U.S. dollar and are not exposed to foreign currency risk.

Fair Value - The plan categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. DART has the following fair value measurements as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Fair Value Measurement as of December 31, 2020								
	Total Amount Level 1 Level 2							
Short-term Investments & Bonds	\$90,729	\$90,729	-	-				
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	96,710	96,710	-	-				
International Equity (Stocks)	48,979	48,979	-	-				
Real Estate Funds	13,759	13,759	-	-				
Total	\$250,177	\$250,177	\$ -	\$ -				

Fair Value Measurement as of December 31, 2019								
	Total Amount	Level 2	Level 3					
Short-term Investments & Bonds	\$84,821	\$84,821	-	-				
Domestic Equity (Stocks)	86,521	86,521	-	-				
International Equity (Stocks)	43,598	43,598	-	-				
Real Estate Funds	14,499	14,499	-	-				
Total	\$229,439	\$229,439	\$ -	\$ -				

#### 4. RESTRICTED ASSETS

As security for the Senior Lien Obligations (Bonds) and Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations (Commercial Paper Notes), DART is required to maintain a certain amount of money in trust accounts created for this purpose. The money maintained in the trust accounts is reported as *Investments held by trustee for debt service* in the Statements of Net Position. The trustee uses all the monies and investments in the account for payment of principal, interest for bonds and commercial paper notes, and administrative expenses. Restricted assets shown in the Statements of Net Position also include debt proceeds which will be used to fund capital expenditures.

DART entered into three advance funding agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation and received money for construction of three parking lots. DART also entered into an inter-local agreement with the City of Dallas to plan and design a modern streetcar system for the City of Dallas and received money for this purpose. The remaining balances of these monies are shown as *restricted investments held for advance funding agreements* in the Statements of Net Position as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

DART issues short-term debt (commercial paper notes) and long-term debt (bonds) as needed to pay for capital project costs. Due to unavoidable timing differences between the time when debt is issued and when capital project cost is paid, unspent debt proceeds are held in investments. Such amounts are shown as *restricted investments held system expansion and acquisition* in the Statements of Net Position as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

DART also entered into an additional Equity Security Agreement that requires it to set aside certain investments as security for a certain lease/leaseback obligation. As of September 30, 2021, DART has set aside \$3,415 compared to \$4,616 as of September 30, 2020, for this purpose. These amounts are shown as *investments restricted as security for lease/leaseback liabilities* in the Statements of Net Position.

#### 5. INVESTMENT IN JOINT VENTURE

DART and Trinity Metro jointly provide commuter rail service between downtown Dallas and downtown Fort Worth. The authorities have adopted the name *Trinity Railway Express* ("TRE") to provide this service. The operation and maintenance of commuter rail service is contracted to Herzog Transit Services, Inc. The cost of operating TRE, net of operating revenues, is shared between DART and Trinity Metro based on revenue linear single-track miles operated in Dallas County and Tarrant County, respectively. The transit authorities separately contributed the capital for the passenger stations and track storage areas in their respective counties, including fixtures and fare collection equipment at those stations. DART and Trinity Metro have jointly contributed the capital for seven rehabilitated bi-level coaches, five new bi-level coaches, two rehabilitated bi-level cab cars, and five new bi-level cab cars. The book value of DART's share of these capital assets jointly owned with Trinity Metro is recorded as Investment in Joint Venture in the Statements of Net Position in accordance with GASB Statement No. 61. There are no separate financial statements for the TRE. Each authority includes its share of revenues, operating costs and capital assets in its own financial statements.

#### 6. CAPITAL ASSETS

Changes in capital assets for the years ended September 30, 2021 are shown as follows:

	Beginning Oct. 1, 2020 Additions		Disposals	Net Transfers/ Adjustments	Ending Sept. 30, 2021
Non-Depreciable Assets			<b>i</b>		
Land and right-of-way	\$ 618,572	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	\$ 618,572
Capital projects in progress	405,380	297,611	-	(44,823)	658,168
Total non-depreciable assets	1,023,952	297,611	-	(44,823)	1,276,740
Depreciable Assets				<u>.</u>	. <u></u>
Transitways	4,059,781	-	-	34,551	4,094,332
Buildings and improvements	755,314	-	(105)	1,888	757,097
Revenue and non-revenue			· · · ·		
vehicles and equipment	1,310,486	_	(2,824)	820	1,308,482
Furniture, fixtures, and	1,510,400		(2,024)	020	1,500,402
Leasehold improvements	128,009	-	(2,990)	7,564	132,583
Total depreciable assets	6,253,590	-	(5,919)	44,823	6,292,494
Less accumulated depreciation					
Transitways	1,735,312	138,806	-	-	1,874,118
Buildings and improvements	462,692	24,725	(105)	-	487,312
Revenue and non-revenue					
vehicles and equipment	822,319	71,031	(2,824)	-	890,526
Furniture, fixtures, and					
Leasehold improvements	85,261	15,534	(2,986)	-	97,809
Total accumulated depreciation	3105,584	250,096	(5,915)		3,349,765
Depreciable assets, net	3,148,006	(250,096)	(4)	44,823	2,942,729
Total capital assets	\$4,171,958	\$47,515	\$ (4)	\$ -	\$4,219,469

Changes in capital assets for the years ended September 30, 2020 are shown as follows:

	Beginning Oct. 1, 2019	Additions	Disposals	Net Transfers/ Adjustments	Ending Sept. 30, 2020
Non-Depreciable Assets	<u> </u>				
Land and right-of-way	\$ 618,596	\$ -	\$ (309)	\$ 285	\$ 618,572
Capital projects in progress	227,111	231,184	-	(52,915)	405,380
Total non-depreciable assets	845,707	231,184	(309)	(52,630)	1,023,952
Depreciable Assets			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Transitways	4,054,449	-	-	5,332	4,059,781
Buildings and improvements	753,648	-	(3,805)	5,471	755,314
Revenue and non-revenue					
vehicles and equipment	1,327,613	-	(26,808)	9,681	1,310,486
Furniture, fixtures, and					
Leasehold improvements	97,110		(1,247)	32,146	128,009
Total depreciable assets	6,232,820	-	(31,860)	52,630	6,253,590
Less accumulated depreciation					
Transitways	1,597,555	137,757	-	-	1,735,312
Buildings and improvements	440,564	25,933	(3,805)	-	462,692
Revenue and non-revenue				-	
vehicles and equipment	775,829	73,298	(26,808)		822,319
Furniture, fixtures, and					
Leasehold improvements	74,820	11,688	(1,247)		85,261
Total accumulated depreciation	2,888,768	248,676	(31,860)	-	3105,584
Depreciable assets, net	3,344,052	(248,676)	-	52,630	3,148,006
Total capital assets	\$4,189,759	\$(17,492)	\$ (309)	\$ -	\$4,171,958

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Description	Years
Buildings and improvements	20-30
Buses and equipment	4-12
Furniture, fixtures, and leasehold improvements	3-10
Facilities and transitways (LRT System and HOV lanes)	20-30
Light rail transit vehicles and commuter rail vehicles	25
Rebuilt/Remanufactured rail cars	10

#### 7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND REPAYMENT DUE TO STATE COMPTROLLER

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities at September 30 are as follows:

Description	2021	2020
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		
Payroll	\$ 12,742	\$ 15,287
Accrued paid time off, vacation and sick leave	26,491	29,906
Self-insurance liabilities	31,293	20,964
Other operating liabilities	33,813	34,167
Total operating expense related	104,339	100,324
Non-operating expense and capital related	30,254	43,211
Total accounts payable and accrued liabilities	134,593	143,535
Non-current	38,348	40,172
Current	\$96,245	\$103,363

The Texas State Comptroller collects the 1% sales and use tax from taxpayers for DART. Sales and use tax revenues are subject to audits by the State Comptroller, which sometimes results in repayments to the State. Outstanding repayments and changes in the repayments due to the State Comptroller at September 30 are as follows:

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$9,787	\$6,103
Additions	-	4,096
Payments	(1,675)	(412)
Ending balance	8,112	9,787
Non-current	5,702	8,394
Current	\$2,410	\$1,393

#### 8. ACCRUED PAID TIME OFF (PTO) VACATION AND SICK LEAVE

Changes in accrued PTO, vacation, and sick leave for the years ended September 30 are shown in the following table.

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$29,906	\$27,304
Additions	2,113	4,183
Payments	(5,528)	(1,581)
Ending balance	26,491	29,906
Non-current	23,559	25,386
Amounts due in one year	\$ 2,932	\$ 4,520

#### 9. LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

i. In 1989, DART created a Local Assistance Program (LAP) to provide technical and financial assistance to cities for the implementation of projects to reduce traffic congestion and complement bus and public transit operations. Eligible member jurisdictions are responsible for developing and submitting projects to DART for approval in order to receive distribution of these funds. According to the terms of inter-local agreements, DART allocated a percentage of its annual sales and use tax collections for the LAP program. Eligible member jurisdictions received 15% of the estimated sales and use taxes collected within that jurisdiction, except Irving, which received 7.5%. Dallas, University Park, and Highland Park were not eligible. The LAP program ended in 2004. Accrued but unpaid funds were carried over to succeeding years and were recorded as a liability on the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

# Changes in Local Assistance Program Payable for the two years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$583	\$583
Payments	(559)	
Ending balance	\$24	\$583

ii. Transit Related Improvement Program – In January 2017, DART created a Transit Related Improvement Program (TRIP). This program will provide alternative mobility benefits to eligible non-rail cities by funding transit related improvement projects. Eligible municipalities are Cockrell Hill, Glenn Heights, Highland Park, and University Park. The maximum amount of annual DART funding for any municipal project is 21% of the annual projected DART sales tax revenue from such city. To be eligible for reimbursement, a project must be authorized under and consistent with the provisions of Chapter 452 of the Texas Transportation Code. Particular consideration and weight are given to projects that enhance transportation modes provided by DART, public transit safety, ridership or efficiency anywhere in the DART service area, and innovative approaches to public transportation. The TRIP program will end on September 30, 2025. Under the TRIP program, DART paid \$1,992 to eligible non-rail cities during fiscal year 2021 compared to \$2,551 paid during 2020.

#### 10. FINANCE OBLIGATIONS UNDER CAPITAL LEASE/LEASEBACK

DART has entered into lease transactions in which certain capital assets are leased to investors (headlease) and simultaneously leased back (sublease). As of September 30, 2021 and 2020, DART has only one outstanding lease/lease back obligation. Under this transaction, DART maintains the right to continued use and control of the assets through the end of the lease term and is required to insure and maintain the assets. The headlease and sublease has been recorded as a capital lease/leaseback for accounting purposes. The following table shows the DART capital lease/leaseback transaction that is outstanding as of September 30, 2021.

	Lease Date	Property	Fair Value at Closing Date	Prepayment Received on Head Lease	Amount Invested to Satisfy Sublease Obligation	Cash Benefit	Repurchase Option Date	Sublease Termination Date
_	9/28/2000	28 Light rail cars	\$91,000	\$91,000	\$84,000	\$7,000	01/02/23	12/15/23

The sublease provides DART with an opportunity, at its sole discretion, to repurchase equipment on specified dates. As these dates approach, DART will complete a financial analysis to determine if it is financially beneficial to repurchase the equipment. At this point in time, DART anticipates that it will exercise the repurchase option at the specified date and has reflected this option in the amortization.

The following table shows the net book value of the light rail cars under the lease/lease back agreement as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

Lease Date	Property	Net book value as of 9/30/2021	Net book value as of 9/30/2020
	28 Light rail cars	\$9,798	\$12.849

The net present value of the future sublease payments has been recorded as both a short-term and long-term liability in the accompanying Statements of Net Position. Prepayments received from the headlease were invested to satisfy the sublease obligations. Since the investments have been structured to meet all future obligations under the sublease when due, the investment balances have been recorded to equal the sublease liabilities on the accompanying Statements of Net Position. The benefits from these transactions, net of transaction costs, were recorded as non-operating revenues in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position in the fiscal year each transaction occurred.

The capital lease/leaseback liabilities are reported as follows on the Statements of Net Position:

	2021	2020
Amounts due within one year	\$18	\$6,374
Amounts due in more than one year	121,159	112,342
Total	\$121,177	\$118,716

The lease/leaseback transaction has specific performance requirements for DART when the financial rating of the Payment Undertaker insurer falls below a specified level. During fiscal year 2010, credit rating of the financial institution insuring DART's lease/leaseback transaction was downgraded below levels specified in the lease/leaseback agreement. As a result, DART entered into an amended agreement to reset the

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acceptable credit rating to be maintained at or above BBB. DART also entered into an additional Equity Security Agreement that requires it to set aside certain investments as security. As of September 30, 2021, DART has set aside \$3,415 compared to \$4,616 as of September 30, 2020 for this purpose. These amounts are shown as restricted investments held as security for lease/lease back liabilities in the Statements of Net Position.

As of September 30, 2021, DART has only one outstanding lease/lease back obligation. Changes in the capital lease/lease back obligations for the years ended September 30 are shown below:

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$118,716	\$116,187
Accrued interest	8,835	8,903
Payments	(6,374)	(6,374)
Ending Balance	\$121,177	\$118,716

The following schedule shows future minimum sublease payments as of September 30, 2021 for the outstanding lease capital lease/leaseback transaction.

Year Ending September 30	Minimum Sublease Payments
2022	\$ 18
2023	126,629
2024	8,663
Total minimum sublease payments due under capital lease/leaseback	135,310
Less: amount representing interest	(14,133)
Present value of minimum sublease payments	\$121,177

#### 11. SENIOR SUBORDINATE LIEN SALES TAX REVENUE COMMERCIAL PAPER NOTES PAYABLE

In January 2001, the DART Board approved the issuance of up to \$650 million of Senior Subordinate Lien Sales Tax Revenue Commercial Paper Notes under the provisions of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Commercial Paper Self-Liquidity Program</u> – in June 2014, the DART Board approved a new Commercial Paper Self-Liquidity Program that allowed DART to issue up to \$200 million in commercial paper notes backed by self-liquidity. Under this program, DART provides self-liquidity in an aggregate principal amount of \$200 million and 90 days interest calculated at an interest rate 12% of the outstanding commercial paper debt. DART also maintains at least 2.0 times the debt service coverage amount for the self-liquidity commercial paper notes and ensures that no more than \$35 million of the commercial paper notes mature within five days. In September 2018, the DART Board authorized the reduction of the self-liquidity backed commercial paper program from \$200 million to \$125 million for the purpose of reducing the coverage requirement. During fiscal year 2021 and 2020, DART has complied with these requirements of the self-liquidity program.

As of September 30, 2021, DART had \$20 million in outstanding commercial paper notes payable and \$105 million unused line of credit under the Commercial Paper Self-Liquidity Program compared to \$50 million outstanding as of September 30, 2020.

<u>Bank-backed Commercial Paper Program –</u> in November 2018, the DART Board authorized the establishment of bank-backed commercial paper program in the amount of \$125 million for the purpose of interim financing of capital projects. DART entered into a revolving credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A that allows it to issue up to \$125 million in bank backed commercial paper notes. Under this program, the Bank provides a liquidity facility which constitutes 270 days of interest at 10% on the maximum available principal of \$125 million calculated based on actual number of days and a 365-day year. As of September 30, 2021, DART has an unused line of credit of \$41 million and \$84 million in outstanding commercial paper notes as of September 30, 2020.

<u>Commercial Paper Extendible Program</u> – the DART Board approved a Commercial Paper Extendible Program that allows DART to issue up to \$125 million in commercial paper notes not to exceed 270 days outstanding and backed by the faith and credit of DART. As of September 30, 2021, DART has an unused line of credit of \$110 million and \$15 million outstanding commercial paper notes issued under the extendible program compared to \$125 million unused line of credit and zero outstanding commercial paper notes as of September 30, 2020.

Commercial paper notes are from direct placements and are issued in blocks for terms from 1 to 270 days and recorded as current liabilities on the Statements of Net Position. The average interest rate on outstanding commercial paper was 0.09% at September 30, 2021, and 0.90% at September 30, 2020.

Changes in the Commercial Paper Notes for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 are shown below.

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$74,100	\$159,100
Additions	479,000	466,000
Retirement	(434,000)	(551,000)
Ending Balance	\$119,100	\$74,100

DART has pledged sales and use tax and farebox revenues (pledged revenue) as security for commercial paper notes. The amount of the pledge is equal to the remaining debt service requirements for these obligations. Commercial paper notes have subordinate liens to pledged revenue. Senior Lien Revenue bonds, TIFIA bonds, and RRIF bonds have senior liens to pledged revenues. No assets have been pledged as collateral to secure commercial paper notes except for money accumulated in the Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund which was \$119 as of September 30, 2021 and \$198 as of September 30, 2020. The Master Debt Resolution, which can be found in its entirety at <u>www.dart.org</u> or by contacting our Chief Financial Officer at our corporate address, establishes the provisions, terms, and conditions of, and the security for, DART's bonds, notes, and credit agreements. The Master Debt Resolution contains a provision that in an event of default, the trustee shall transfer all future gross sales tax revenues and apply them to debt service payments based on the times, order and priority set forth in The Master Debt Resolution. In the event of default, the Master Debt Resolution also contains a provision that no right of acceleration shall be granted unless that right is extended to holders and payees of all outstanding bond and credit agreement obligations.

#### 12. SENIOR LIEN REVENUE BONDS

The DART Board has approved several issuances in accordance with the Master Debt Resolution. These bonds are Senior Lien Revenue Bonds that are secured by, and payable from pledged revenues. Pertinent information related to each bond outstanding is shown below:

				Intere	st rate	Maturi	ty date		
	Board	Original		(Yields	) range	rar	nge	Optional Re	demption
Bond Series	Approval <u>Date</u>	Issue Amount	Date issued	From	То	From	То	Bonds maturing after	Earliest call date
2007 (a)	Jan. 2007	\$770,270	03/08/07	4.00%	5.30%	12/1/07	12/1/36	12/1/17	12/1/16
2009B	May 2009	829,615	06/25/09	6.00%	6.30%	12/1/23	12/1/44	12/1/34	5/31/19
2010A	Sep. 2010	95,235	10/07/10	2.00%	5.00%	12/1/13	12/1/23	12/1/21	12/1/20
2010B	Sep. 2010	729,390	10/07/10	4.90%	5.00%	12/1/37	12/1/48	Not appl	icable
2012	April 2012	127,775	11/15/12	1.00%	5.00%	12/1/13	12/1/42	12/1/22	12/1/22
2014A (b)	Oct. 2014	379,480	12/11/14	2.00%	5.00%	12/1/17	12/1/36	12/1/25	12/1/24
2014B (b)	Nov. 2014	46,555	12/11/14	5.00%	5.30%	12/1/33	12/1/43	12/1/36 & 12/1/43	12/1/33 & 12/1/39
2015 (c)	Nov. 2015	117,470	12/15/15	2.06%	2.30%	12/1/16	12/1/27	Not appl	
2016A (d)	Nov. 2015	482,530	02/18/16	5.00%	5.00%	12/1/26	12/1/48	12/1/25	12/1/25
2016B (e)	Mar. 2016	228,900	09/21/16	3.00%	5.00%	12/1/19	12/1/38	12/1/27	12/1/26
2019 (f)	Feb. 2019	301,095	04/08/19	5.00%	5.00%	12/1/24	12/1/35	12/1/30	12/1/29
2020A (g)	Dec. 2019	130,470	03/26/20	1.25%	5.00%	12/1/21	12/1/50	Not appl	icable
2020B (h)	Dec. 2019	32,060	09/02/20	5.00%	5.00%	12/1/21	12/1/23	Not appl	icable
2020C (i)	Dec. 2019	115,220	03/26/20	0.895%	2.816%	12/1/20	12/1/42	Not appl	icable
2020D (j)	Nov. 2020	281,090	11/18/20	0.0247%	3.039%	06/1/21	12/1/42	Not appl	icable

(a) The series 2007 bond issuance included \$328,235 to partially refund Series 2001 and 2002 bonds.

(b) The series 2014A and 2014B were issued to refund series 2007 and 2008 bonds totaling \$453,125.

(c) The series 2015 were issued to refund a portion of series 2007 bonds totaling \$112,720. The Series 2015 bonds were issued with an initial taxable rate of \$2.30% converting to tax-exempt rate of 2.06% on 12/01/2016.

(d) The series 2016A were issued to refund a portion of series 2008 bonds totaling \$512,370.

(e) The series 2016B were issued to refund a portion of series 2007, 2008, and 2009A bonds totaling \$252,440.

(f) The series 2019 were issued to refund a portion of series 2009B bonds totaling \$362,645.

(g) The series 2020A were issued to refund a portion of TIFIA bonds totaling \$58,389 and to finance capital projects.

(h) The series 2020B were issued to refund a portion of series 2010A bonds totaling \$34,700.

(i) The series 2020C were issued to refund a portion of series 2012 bonds totaling \$105,835.

(j) The series 2020D were issued to refund a portion of series 2014A and 2014B bonds with total face value of \$235,435.

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In June 2009, DART issued and sold \$170,385 in tax exempt Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds (Series 2009A Bonds), and \$829,615 in taxable Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds (Series 2009B Bonds) to finance capital expenditures for DART's system expansion and acquisition. The Series 2009B bonds are taxable bonds issued under the Build America Bond program of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

In October 2010, DART issued and sold \$95,235 in tax exempt Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds (Series 2010A Bonds), and \$729,390 in taxable Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds (Series 2010B Bonds) to finance capital expenditures for DART's system expansion and acquisition. The Series 2010B bonds are taxable bonds issued under the Build America Bond program of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

In accordance with ARRA, DART receives a tax credit from the United States Treasury in amounts equal to 35% of the interest payable amount on the Series 2009B and 2010B Bonds. However, during fiscal years 2021 and 2020, this tax credit was reduced by 5.7% during 2021 and 5.9% 2020 due to budget cuts or "sequestration" by the federal government. During 2021, DART recorded tax credits of \$21,286 compared to \$21,390 for 2020 as Build America Bonds tax credit (for Series 2009B and 2010B bonds combined) in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position.

Additional bonds may not be issued unless gross sales and use tax revenues exceed maximum debt service by at least 200% for 12 of the last 18 months.

Changes in revenue bonds (shown at par) for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 are shown below.

-		• ´	-	•				Amounts
Bond	Balance,			Balance,			Balance,	due in one
Series	10/01/2019	Additions	Retirement	9/30/2020	Additions	Retirement	9/30/2021	year
2007	\$118,395	\$-	\$-	\$118,395	\$-	\$ -	\$118,395	\$-
2009B	466,970	-	-	466,970	-	-	466,970	-
2010A	55,695	-	(50,420)	5,275	-	(5,275)	-	-
2010B	729,390	-	-	729,390	-	-	729,390	-
2012	113,995	-	(105,455)	8,540	-	(2,745)	5,795	2,840
2014A	354,435	-	(15,220)	339,215	-	(211,385)	127,830	23,645
2014B	46,555	-	-	46,555	-	(46,555)	-	-
2015	94,395	-	(5,440)	88,955	-	(10,185)	78,770	10,400
2016A	482,530	-	-	482,530	-	-	482,530	-
2016B	228,900	-	(18,760)	210,140	-	(19,700)	190,440	20,680
2019	301,095		-	301,095	-	-	301,095	-
2020A	-	130,470	-	130,470	-	-	130,470	1,620
2020B	-	32,060	-	32,060	-	-	32,060	4,700
2020C	-	115,220	-	115,220	-	(1,530)	113,690	1,545
2020D	-	-	-	-	\$281,090	(3,165)	277,925	5,925
Total	\$2,992,355	\$277,750	\$(195,295)	\$3,074,810	\$281,090	\$(300,540)	\$3,055,360	\$71,355

The revenue bonds shown above are at face value. The amounts shown in the Statements of Net Position include the unamortized balance of original issuance premium of \$192,954 and \$235,571 as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Below is a summary of debt service requirements of the Senior Lien Revenue Bonds outstanding as of September 30, 2021:

Year Ended September 30	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service	Build America Bonds tax credit	Net Debt Service
September 30	Fincipal	Interest	Service	Bolius tax cleuit	Service
2022	\$71,355	\$140,375	\$211,730	\$(21,246)	\$190,484
2023	74,275	137,454	211,729	(21,246)	190,483
2024	52,950	134,904	187,854	(21,246)	166,608
2025	74,605	132,428	207,033	(21,246)	185,787
2026	77,120	129,437	206,557	(21,246)	185,311
2027 - 2031	428,325	600,812	1,029,137	(107,516)	921,621
2032-2036	570,190	495,803	1,065,993	(112,245)	953,748
2037 - 2041	658,705	352,280	1,010,985	(90,241)	920,744
2042 - 2046	700,165	172,438	872,603	(41,249)	831,354
2047 - 2051	347,670	26,606	374,276	(5,609)	368,667
TOTAL	\$3,055,360	\$2,322,537	\$5,377,897	\$(463,090)	\$4,914,807

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DART has pledged sales and use tax and farebox revenues (pledged revenue) as security for Senior Lien Revenue bonds. The amount of the pledge is equal to the remaining debt service requirements for these obligations. Senior Lien Revenue bonds have senior lien to pledged revenue on parity with TIFIA bonds, and RRIF bonds. No assets have been pledged as collateral to secure the Senior Lien Revenue bonds except for money accumulated in the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund which was \$129,607 as of September 30, 2021 and \$123,111 as of September 30, 2020. The Master Debt Resolution, which can found in its entirety at <u>www.dart.org</u> or by contacting our Chief Financial Officer at our corporate address, establishes the provisions, terms, and conditions of, and the security for DART's bonds, notes, and credit agreements. The Master Debt Resolution contains a provision that in an event of default, the trustee shall transfer all future gross sales tax revenues and apply to them to debt service payments based on the times, order and priority set forth in The Master Debt Resolution. In the event of default, The Master Debt Resolution also contains a provision that no right of acceleration shall be granted unless that right is extended to holders and payees of all outstanding bond and credit agreement obligations.

#### 13. TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION ACT (TIFIA) BONDS

On December 13, 2012, DART entered into a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) financing agreement with the U.S Department of Transportation. Under this agreement, DART issued a Senior Lien Obligation bond to borrow up to \$119,972 from the U.S Department of Transportation at an interest rate of 2.91%. The proceeds from the bond were used to pay for the cost of the third phase of DART's light rail Orange Line extension project, which extended DART's light rail service from Irving to the Dallas Fort Worth International Airport. DART received \$45,000 during fiscal year 2013, \$55,000 during fiscal year 2014, and \$5,000 during fiscal year 2015. Since the project cost is lower than budget, DART borrowed only \$105,000 instead of the maximum amount of \$119,972 allowed in the agreement. The TIFIA bond is a Senior Lien Obligation and is secured by and payable from Pledged Revenues on parity with other Senior Lien Obligations. On March 26, 2020, DART refunded \$58,389 of the outstanding TIFIA bonds and the remaining balance of \$35,845 was refunded on December 1, 2021.

Changes in the TIFIA bonds for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 are shown below.

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$38,124	\$98,726
Retirement	(2,279)	(60,602)
Ending Balance	\$35,845	\$38,124

With the planned December 1, 2021 refunding, the debt service requirement of the TIFIA bonds as of September 30, 2021 is as follows:

Year Ended September 30	Principal	Interest	Total TIFIA Bond Debt Service
2022	\$35,845	\$605	\$36,450
TOTAL	\$35,845	\$605	\$36,450

#### 14. RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING (RRIF) BONDS

RRIF bonds payable are \$50 as of September 30, 2021 compared to \$11,706 as of September 30, 2020. On December 20, 2018 DART entered into the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing (RRIF) loan agreement with the U.S Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) to borrow up to \$908 million at an annual interest rate of 2.98%. However, on February 24, 2021, DART and the U.S. DoT terminated the December 20, 2018 loan agreement and entered into a new loan agreement to borrow up to \$908 million at an annual interest rate of 2.98%. However, on February 24, 2021, DART and the U.S. DoT terminated the December 20, 2018 loan agreement and entered into a new loan agreement to borrow up to \$908 million at an annual interest rate of 2.26%. This new loan agreement is Senior Lien Obligation bond and the proceeds from the bond will be used to pay for the 26-mile Silver Line commuter rail line extending from Terminal B of Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport to a terminus on Shiloh Road in the City of Plano, with 10 stations and 8 vehicles. The current estimate of eligible project costs for the project is approximately \$1.899 billion. The RRIF financing agreement is reimbursement-based, and DART will request (draw down) the money after paying for the capital project costs. Debt service for RRIF bonds payable depends on future drawdowns since the loan is reimbursement-based.

Changes in the RRIF bonds for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 are shown below.

Description	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$11,706	\$11,706
Addition	50	-
Retirement	(11,706)	-
Ending Balance	\$50	\$11,706

Year Ended			
September 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ -	\$1	\$1
2023	-	1	1
2024	-	1	1
2025	-	1	1
2026	-	1	1
2027 - 2031	-	6	6
2032 - 2036	2	6	8
2037 - 2041	9	5	14
2042 - 2046	10	4	14
2047 - 2051	12	3	15
2052 - 2056	14	1	15
2057	3	-	3
TOTAL	\$50	\$30	\$80

For the \$50 outstanding RRIF bonds payable on September 30, 2021, the debt service schedule is as follows:

The annual debt service requirements for the outstanding RRIF bonds as of September 30, 2021 range from \$1 during the first five fiscal years to \$3 in fiscal year 2057.

#### 15. PLEDGED REVENUES

DART has pledged sales and use tax and farebox revenues as security for revenue bonds, TIFIA bonds, RRIF bonds, and commercial paper debts. The amount of the pledge is equal to the remaining debt service requirements for these obligations. These obligations were issued to pay for DART's system expansion and acquisition costs. The pledge continues for the remaining life of these obligations.

Total principal and interest remaining on the revenue bonds as of September 30, 2021 is \$5.38 billion before BABs tax credits of \$463 million and \$4.91 billion net of BABs tax credits (see last table in note 12 above). As of September 30, 2020, total principal and interest remaining on the revenue bonds was \$5.58 billion before BABs tax credits of \$493 million and \$5.09 billion net of BABs tax credits. The annual debt service requirements for these bonds, net of BABs tax credits, range from \$5,019 in fiscal year 2051 to \$221,445 in fiscal year 2036. Debt service on the bonds (including principal and interest net of BABs tax credits) was \$186,877 as of September 30, 2021 and \$189,493 as of September 30, 2020. Bonds have a senior lien on pledged revenues on parity with other senior lien bonds.

Total principal and interest remaining on TIFIA bonds as of September 30, 2021 is \$36,249 and \$38,526 as of September 30, 2020. The TIFIA bonds were refunded on December 1, 2021 and fully paid off by this date(see subsequent event note). For fiscal year 2021, debt service on the TIFIA bonds (including principal and interest) was \$3,495. TIFIA bonds have a senior lien on pledged revenues on parity with other senior lien bonds.

Total principal and interest outstanding on the RRIF bonds as of September 30, 2021 was \$50 compared to \$11,823 as of September 30, 2020. The annual debt service requirements for the outstanding RRIF bonds as of September 30, 2021 range from \$1 during the first five fiscal years to \$3 in fiscal year 2057. For fiscal year 2021, debt service on the RRIF bonds was \$11,962 (principal and interest). The 2021 annual debt service amount was high because DART paid off the outstanding RRIF amount plus accrued interest in full and entered into a new RRIF loan agreement to lower interest rate on the loan. RRIF bonds have a senior lien on pledged revenues on parity with other senior lien bonds.

Total principal and interest remaining on commercial paper as of September 30, 2021 is \$119,119 compared to \$74,115 as of September 30, 2020. Interest payments on commercial paper notes were \$146 during 2021 and \$2,137 during 2020. Commercial Paper notes have a subordinate senior lien on pledged revenues.

#### 16. DEBT REFUNDINGS

In March 2020, DART issued the Series 2020A bonds to refund a portion of TIFIA bonds. As a result, a total amount of \$58,389 are defeased and the liability for those bonds, and the corresponding assets in the trust account have been removed from DART's Statements of Net Position. As a result of this refunding, DART recognized a reduction in debt service of \$6,119 and an economic gain of \$4,986. There was no book loss with this refunding.

In March 2020, DART issued the Series 2020C bonds to refund a portion of series 2012 bonds. As a result, a total amount of \$10,835 are defeased and the liability for those bonds, and the corresponding assets in the trust account have been removed from DART's Statements of Net Position. As a result of this refunding, DART recognized a book loss of \$11,571, a reduction in debt service of \$25,119 and an economic gain of \$19,066.

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In September 2020, DART issued the Series 2020B bonds to refund a portion of series 2010A bonds. As a result, a total amount of \$34,700 are defeased and the liability for those bonds, and the corresponding assets in the trust account have been removed from DART's Statements of Net Position. As a result of this refunding, DART recognized a book gain of \$390, a reduction in debt service of \$3,379 and an economic gain of \$3,313.

In November 2020, DART issued the Series 2020D bonds to refund a portion of series 2014A and 2014B bonds. As a result, a total amount of \$235,435 are defeased and the liability for those bonds, and the corresponding assets in the trust account have been removed from DART's Statements of Net Position. As a result of this refunding, DART recognized a book loss of \$22,487, a reduction in debt service of \$32,632 and an economic gain of \$24,046.

As of September 30, 2021, \$338,270 of the refunded DART bonds remains outstanding compared to \$137,535 as of September 30, 2020. The unamortized portion of the book loss of \$63,746 and \$61,926, respectively, are in the Statements of Net Position included in deferred outflows of resources as of September 30, 2021 and 2020.

#### 17. PENSION, RETIREMENT, AND DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS

DART operates several employee benefit plans. The plans include DART Employees' Defined Benefit Plan (formerly the Dallas Transit System [DTS] pension plan), DART Retirement Plan, and DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust. DART is the administrator of these retirement plans and has the authority to establish and amend the plans.

#### Defined Benefit Plan

*Plan description.* The DART Employees Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust (the DB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that was designed to provide retirement, death, and disability benefits to certain employees of DART. On October 1, 1995, the DTS Employees Retirement Plan (Plan A) was amended to become the DB Plan. Participants of the DB Plan are those employees who were members of the former plan on September 30, 1995. Those employees who elected to be covered under Plan A have eligibility, vesting, and benefit provisions different from those who elected the DB Plan. The DB Plan is a closed Plan and is not open to new employees.

*Contributions*. Contributions to the DB Plan, as stipulated by the "Sale, Purchase, and Transfer Contract Between the City of Dallas and Dallas Area Rapid Transit," are based upon Dallas Area Rapid Transit's agreement to contribute an amount at least equal to the minimum funding standard under Section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as if the Plan were subject to Section 412. An actuary determines the contribution amount that DART pays to the plan each year. Participants who were in the Plan on September 30, 1995 are required to contribute 3% of their base monthly salaries to the Plan. Other participants are not required to contribute to the DB Plan. DART's contribution amount is actuarially determined on an annual basis.

Actual contributions made to the DB Plan during the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

	2021	2020
Employer contributions	\$10,000	\$10,000
Employee contributions		1
	\$10,000	\$10,001

#### Benefit terms:

Participants under the provisions of Original Plan A may elect normal retirement at age 60 or at the date at which the sum of their credited service and age equals 90. Participants who elected to remain under the provisions of the original plan receive monthly benefits equal to 2% times the years of credited service multiplied by the participant's final average monthly compensation. Participants in Amen ded Plan A are entitled to monthly benefits equal to: 2% times the number of years of credited service up to October 1, 1983; plus 1.5% times the number of years of credited service after October 1, 1983; times the participant's final average monthly compensation. A participant may elect early retirement at age 55 with 10 years of service (30 years of service for participants under the Original Plan A). Monthly income under this election will equal normal retirement benefits reduced by 5/12 of 1% for each full month by which the participant's early retirement date precedes the normal retirement date.

*Cost of living adjustments.* Annually each monthly retirement payment made to or on behalf of a retired participant, or a beneficiary, shall be subject to a cost of living adjustment. Such adjustment in any year shall only be made with respect to the benefits of persons whose immediate entitlement to benefits commenced prior to such year. The adjustment, up or down, shall be applied to each benefit so payable, except that in the case of commuted amounts and/or lump sum settlements no account shall be taken of future changes in cost of living adjustment occurring after the date as of which such settlement is made. The adjustment, up or down, shall for any year result in a percentage change in the base benefit.

Employees covered by the benefit terms. The following participants were covered by the benefit terms as of October 1, 2020 and 2019:

	10/1/2020	10/1/2019
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	820	811
Inactive employee entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	127	137
Active employees	159	179
	1,106	1,127

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> – The total pension liability in the September 30, 2020 and 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to the periods included in the measurement:

Valuation Dates	September 30, 2020
Inflation	2.5% per annum
Salary Increases	3.00% per annum
Investment Return	6.75% compounded annually, net of expenses
Measurement Date	For the September 30, 2020 valuation, census data was collected as of October 1, 2020. Liabilities measured as of the census date were projected to September 30, 2020, assuming no demographic
	gains or losses.
Early Retirement Age	55 and 10 years of credited service. Members are assumed to retire at varying rates with 7.5% of them retiring at age 55 and 100% of them retiring at age 70.
Normal Retirement Age	60
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (level percent of pay)
Termination Rate	1.50% per year prior to age 54, and 1.00% per year on and after attainment of age 54.
Disability Rate	Members are assumed to become disabled prior to retirement at varying rates based on age. Sample rates are as follows: Age 45, rate 0.06%, age 50, rate 0.12%, age 55, rate 0.21%, age 60, rate 0.30%.
Marital status	85% of male participants and 65% of female participants are assumed to be married. Additionally, male spouses are assumed to be three years older than female spouses.
Mortality Rate:	
Active Lives	PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount-weighted) employee rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
Retired and Vested Terminated	PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount-weighted) healthy retiree rates with mortality improvement
Lives	projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
Contingent Survivor Lives	PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount-weighted) contingent survivor rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
Disabled Lives	PubG-2010 (amount-weighted) disabled retiree rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
Valuation Dates	September 30, 2019
Inflation	2.5% per annum
Salary Increases	3.00% per annum
Investment Return	6.75% compounded annually, net of expenses
Measurement Date	For the September 30, 2019 valuation, census data was collected as of October 1, 2019. Liabilities measured as of the census date were projected to September 30, 2019, assuming no demographic gains or losses.
Early Retirement Age	55 and 10 years of credited service
Normal Retirement Age	60
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (level percent of pay)
Mortality Rate:	
Active Lives	PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount-weighted) employee rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2019.
Retired and Vested Terminated Lives	PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount-weighted) healthy retiree rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2019.
Contingent Survivor Lives	PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount-weighted) contingent survivor rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2019.
Disabled Lives	PubG-2010 (amount-weighted) disabled retiree rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2019.

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Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Plan's target asset allocation as of September 30, 2020 and 2019 are summarized in the following table (note that the rates shown below include the inflation components):

	Target	Estimate of expected
September 30, 2020 Valuation	Allocation	long-term rate of return
U.S. Market Equities	39%	7.3%
Global Bonds	40%	3.6%
International Equities	10%	7.5%
Real Estate	10%	8.0%
Cash	1%	0.1%
	Target	Estimate of expected
September 30, 2019 Valuation	Target Allocation	Estimate of expected long-term rate of return
September 30, 2019 Valuation U.S. Market Equities	U	1
1	Allocation	long-term rate of return
U.S. Market Equities	Allocation 39%	long-term rate of return 4.40%
U.S. Market Equities Global Bonds	Allocation 39% 40%	long-term rate of return 4.40% 1.40%

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.75% at September 30, 2020 and 2019. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that Plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that sponsor contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the Pension Plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Pension Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

For purpose of this valuation, the expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 6.75%; the municipal bond rate is 2.14% (based on the weekly rate closest to but not later than the measurement date of the Bond Buyer 20-Bond Index as published by the Bond Buyer); and the resulting single discount rate is 6.75%. The next table summarizes changes in Net Pension Liability.

Increase (Decrease)

Changes in Net Pension Liability

		Increase (Decrease)	
	Total Pension	Plan Fiduciary	Net Pension
	Liability	Net Position	Liability
	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)
Balance at 9/30/2019	\$234,176	\$186,845	\$47,331
Service cost	859	-	859
Interest	15,350	-	15,350
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,480	-	1,480
Benefit payments	(15,256)	(15,256)	-
Contributions-employer	-	10,000	(10,000)
Contributions-employee	-	1	(1)
Net investment income, net of expenses	-	4,267	(4,267)
Administrative expenses		(273)	273
Balance at 9/30/2020	\$236,609	\$185,584	\$51,025
Service cost	916	-	916
Interest	15,504	-	15,504
Differences between expected and actual experience	(781)	-	(781)
Changes in assumptions	-		-
Benefit payments	(15,661)	(15,661)	-
Contributions-employer	-	10,000	(10,000)
Contributions-employee	-	-	-
Net investment income, net of expenses	-	18,488	(18,488)
Administrative expenses		(107)	107
Net Changes	(22)	12,720	(12,742)
Balance at 9/30/2021	\$236,587	\$198,304	\$38,283
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*Changes of assumptions:* For measurement date of 09/30/2020, The valuation reflects an update to use the most recently published mortality improvement scale by the Society of Actuaries (MP-2020). For measurement date of 09/30/2019, the assumed rates of mortality have been amended to adopt the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plan mortality Tables for General Employees (Below-Median, Amount-Weighted) which were released with an exposure draft based on a comprehensive review of recent mortality experience of public retirement plans in the United State as performed by The Society of Actuaries' Retirement Plans Experience Committee.

Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability of DART, calculated using the discount rate of 6.75% at September 30, 2020 and 2019, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1%	Current Discount	1%
	Decrease (5.75%)	Rate (6.75%)	Increase (7.75%)
DART's net pension liability, 9/30/2021	\$61,126	\$38,283	\$18,623
DART's net pension liability, 9/30/2020	\$74,440	\$51,025	\$30,912

*Pension plan fiduciary net position*. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued DART Employees Defined Benefit Retirement Plan and Trust financial report.

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions.

For the year ended September 30, 2021, DART recognized pension expense of \$2,149 compared to \$7,574 for fiscal year 2020.

At September 30, 2021, DART reported deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ -	\$ 356
Employer contribution made after measurement date	10,000	-
Total	\$10,000	\$ 356

The \$10,000 reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from DART pension contributions subsequent to the measurement date of September 30, 2020 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in the pension expense as follows:

\$(198)
672
401
(1,231)
-
-

Year

At September 30, 2020, DART reported deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ 4,535	\$ -
Employer contribution made after measurement date	10,000	-
Total	\$14,535	\$ -

The \$10,000 reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from DART pension contributions after the September 30, 2019 measurement date was recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2021.

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Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension were recognized in the pension expense as follows:

Year ended September 30:	
2021	\$(33)
2022	1,033
2023	1,903
2024	1,632
2025	-
Thereafter	-

Additional trend information for the DB Plan can be obtained by writing to the DB Plan, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, P.O. Box 660163, Dallas, Texas 75266-7240.

#### DART Retirement Plan

DART has adopted a defined contribution retirement plan for all employees not covered by the pension plans described above. DART contributes an amount equal to 7.7% of each participant's annual compensation to the plan. Participants hired before January 1, 2006 are vested in 25% of DART's contributions after two years of service, graduating to 100% vesting after five years. Participants hired after December 31, 2005 become 100% vested in DART's contributions to the Plan only after completing five years of service. Total expense to DART to fully fund this plan was approximately \$18,756 and \$18,514 for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

#### DART Capital Accumulation Plan - 401(k)

DART has adopted a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k), which allows employees to contribute up to 50% of their annual compensation to the plan subject to the annual contribution limits of the Internal Revenue Service. DART matches 50% of the employee's contribution up to a maximum of 3% of the employee's annual compensation. Participants hired before January 1, 2006 are vested in 25% of DART's contributions after two years of service, graduating to 100% vesting after five years. Participants hired after December 31, 2005 become 100% vested in DART's contributions to the Plan only after completing five years of service. Total expense to DART to fully fund this plan was approximately \$6,104 and \$6,561 for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Annual financial statements for each of the three retirement plans discussed above may be obtained by contacting the Chief Financial Officer at Dallas Area Rapid Transit, 1401 Pacific Avenue, P.O. Box 660163, Dallas, TX 75266-7220.

#### 18. POSTEMPLOYEMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

<u>Plan Description</u> – DART administers a single-employer defined benefit of other post-employment benefits (OPEB) Plan. The plan provides healthcare and life insurance for eligible retirees and their spouses through DART's group health plan and group life plan, which covers both active employees and retired members. Eligibility criteria for the post-employment health care and life insurance benefits are as follows: Participants of the defined benefit pension plan will be eligible at age 55 with a minimum of ten years of service to DART. Participants of the defined contribution pension plan will be eligible at age 60 with a minimum of ten years of service to DART. The plan does not issue separate stand-alone financial reports.

<u>Covered Participants</u> – As of the September 30, 2020 and 2019 actuarial valuation, the following active and inactive participants were covered by the benefit terms under the plan:

	Number of Covered Participants		
	9/30/2020	9/30/2019	
Active employees	3,649	3,789	
Retirees, beneficiaries, disabled members, and covered spouses	439	443	
Total	4,088	4,232	

<u>Contributions</u> – DART contributions are made based on amounts as determined by annual actuarial valuations and are designed to fund the OPEB Trust on a level cost basis, cover normal cost each year and cover amortization of any unfunded actuarial liabilities. Retirees also make monthly contributions to the healthcare plan. Such contributions are determined annually by the plan administrator based on expected annual cost. DART contributed \$1,655 to the plan during 2021 and \$3,229 during 2020.

<u>Net OPEB Liability</u> – DART's net OPEB liability was measured as of September 30, 2020 and 2019 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was also determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

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<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> – Projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the type of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

Actuarial valuations were performed for the OPEB Plan as of September 30, 2020 and 2019. The following tables show a summary of significant actuarial assumptions:

Valuation Date	September 30, 2020
Discount Rate	7.00%
Inflation	2.50% included in health care cost trend
Salary Increases	3.25% per annum
Investment Rate of	7.00% per year, compounded annually, net of investment related expenses
Return	
Health Care Cost	Starts with 7.00% in 2021 and ultimate trend rate is 4.00% in 2075 and the future.
Trend Rate	
Mortality Rate – Non-Special Risk	<i>Active Lives</i> : - PubG-2010 Employee mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020. <i>Healthy Inactive Lives</i> : - PubG-2010 Healthy Retiree mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020.
Mortality Rate – Special Risk	<i>Beneficiaries:</i> - PubG-2010 Survivor mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020. <i>Disabled Lives:</i> - PubG-2010 Disabled mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020. <i>Active Lives:</i> - PubS-2010 Employee mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020. <i>Healthy Inactive Lives:</i> - PubS-2010 Healthy Retiree mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020.
<u>^</u>	MP-2020.
Future Participation	<i>Beneficiaries</i> : - Pub-2010 Survivor mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020. <i>Disabled Lives</i> : - PubS-2010 Disabled mortality, projected 5 years past the valuation date with Scale MP-2020. For future eligible retirees, 56% are assumed to elect medical coverage, while 100% are assumed to elect life
Eligibility for	coverage. For Defined Benefit Pension Plan participants: age 55 and 10 years of service and for Defined Contribution Pension
Eligibility for Coverage	Plan participants: age 60 and 10 years of service
Dependent coverage	For active employees, 25% are assumed to be married at retirement with the spouse electing coverage. Female spouses are assumed to be four (4) years younger than their husbands. Percent of future retirees with coverage who elect coverage on spouse is 100%. Any potential costs for children have not been considered for valuation
	purposes.
Actuarial Cost	Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method
Method	
Measurement Date	September 30, 2019
Valuation Date	September 30, 2018
Discount Rate	
Inflation	3% included in health care cost trend
Salary Increases	3.25% per annum
Investment Rate of Return	/.0070
	Starts with 6.50% and the ultimate trend rate is 5.00%. Years to ultimate six (6).
Trend Rate	starts with 0.50% and the utilinate frend rate is 5.00%. Fears to utilinate six (0).
Mortality Rate	RP-2014 Mortality Fully Generational using Projection Scale MP-2017
	For future eligible retirees, 56% are assumed to elect medical coverage, while 100% are to elect life coverage.
Eligibility for	For Defined Benefit Pension Plan participants: age 55 and 10 years of service and for Defined Contribution Pension
Coverage	Plan participants: age 60 and 10 years of service For active employees, 25% are assumed to be married at retirement with the spouse electing coverage. Female
Dependent coverage	spouses are assumed to be four (4) years younger than their husbands. Percent of future retirees with coverage who elect coverage on the spouse is 100%. Any potential costs for children have not been considered for valuation
	purposes. Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method
Method Measurement Date	September 30, 2018

An actuarial experience study for the OPEB plan was also performed during fiscal year 2019.

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The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense, and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table for September 30, 2020 valuations:

	Target	Estimate of expected
	Allocation	long-term rates of return
Domestic Equity	39%	6.28%
International Equity	15%	6.55%
Emerging Markets Equity	6%	7.40%
Core Fixed	20%	1.43%
Investment Grade Corporate Debt	10%	1.95%
Emerging Markets debt	5%	4.10%
High Yield	5%	3.91%

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table for September 30, 2019 valuations:

	Target	Estimate of expected
	Allocation	long-term rates of return
Domestic Equity	39%	6.18%
International Equity	15%	6.25%
Emerging Markets Equity	6%	6.90%
Core Fixed	20%	2.53%
Investment Grade Corporate Debt	10%	3.55%
Emerging Markets debt	5%	4.50%
High Yield	5%	4.31%

Money-weighted rate of return – Money-weighted rate of return was 18.37% for 2021 compared to 12.16% for 2020.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that DART contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected OPEB payments for current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in discount rate. The following presents the net OPEB liability of DART as well as what DART's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.0%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.0%) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
DART's Net OPEB liability (Asset), 9/30/2021	\$1,315	(\$6,653)	\$(13,255)
DART's Net OPEB liability (Asset), 9/30/2020	\$13,387	\$5,048	\$(1,861)

Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the net OPEB liability of DART, as well as what the DART's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

DART's Net OPEB liability (Asset)	1% Decrease	Health Care Cost Trend Rates	1% Increase
As of 9/30/2020	3.00% decreasing to 6.00%	4.00% decreasing to 7.00%	5.00% decreasing to 8.00%
	(13,711)	(\$6,653)	\$1,956
As of 9/30/2020	6.50% decreasing to 3.00%	7.50% decreasing to 4.00%	8.50% decreasing to 5.00%
	\$2,380	\$5,048	\$14,113

*Changes in Net OPEB Liability*: The changes in the total OPEB liability for the plan are as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total OPEB	Plan Fiduciary	Net OPEB
	Liability	Net Position	Liability (Asset)
	(a)	(b)	(a) – (b)
Balance at 9/30/2019	\$60,880	\$50,932	\$9,948
Service cost	2,559	-	2,559
Interest	4,338	-	4,338
Differences between expected and actual experience	7,047	-	7,047
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(8,292)	-	(8,292)
Contributions-employer	-	7,489	(7,489)
Contributions-participant	-	806	(806)
Net investment income, net of expenses	-	2,421	(2,421)
Benefit payments	(3,003)	(3,003)	-
Administrative expenses	-	(164)	164
Net Changes	2,649	7,549	(4,900)
Adjusted Balance at 9/30/2020	63,529	58,481	5,048
Service cost	2,436	-	2,436
Interest	4,505	-	4,505
Differences between expected and actual experience	(1,795)	-	(1,795)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(6,443)	-	(6,443)
Contributions-employer	-	3,229	(3,229)
Contributions-participant	-	482	(482)
Net investment income, net of expenses	-	6,860	(6,860)
Benefit payments	(3,283)	(3,283)	-
Administrative expenses	-	(168)	168
Other income		1	(1)
Net Changes	(4,580)	7,121	(11,701)
Balance at 9/30/2021	\$58,949	\$65,602	(\$6,653)

*OPEB Expense* - For the year ended September 30, 2021, DART recognized OPEB expense of \$621 compared to \$2,512 for the ended September 30, 2020.

#### Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At September 30, 2021, DART reported deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 8,417	\$4,858
Changes of assumptions	1,585	18,946
Net difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan investments	-	1,511
Employer contribution made after measurement date	1,655	-
Total	\$11,657	\$25,315

The \$1,655 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from DART contributions after the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2022.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended September 30	
2022	\$(2,385)
2023	(2,385)
2024	(2,336)
2025	(2,601)
2026	(2,049)
Thereafter	(3,557)

On September 30, 2020, DART reported deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 9,726	\$3,836
Changes of assumptions	1,869	15,373
Net difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan	910	-
Employer contribution made after measurement date	3,229	-
Total	\$15,734	\$19,209

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the OPEB expense as follows: Year ended September 30:

nded September 30:	
2021	\$(804)
2022	(804)
2023	(804)
2024	(755)
2025	(1,099)
Thereafter	(2,517)

Actuarial valuations for OPEB plans involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. These actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revisions as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress presented immediately following the financial statements as required supplementary information, presents multi-year trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits.

#### 19. CLAIMS AND LITIGATION

In the ordinary course of business, a number of claims and lawsuits arise from individuals seeking compensation for personal injury, death, and/or property damage resulting from accidents occurring in the operation of the system. In addition, DART has been named as a defendant in a number of lawsuits relating to personnel and contractual matters. Management does not believe that the outcome of these claims will have a material adverse effect on DART's financial statements.

#### 20. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Board-approved Transit System Plan includes the design and construction of the Silver Line for commuter rail service and the Dallas Central Business District (D2) Alignment for light rail service. The Silver Line is a 26-mile long, regional rail corridor that extends from DFW International Airport through the northern portion of the DART service area to the existing DART Red Line, passing through the cities of Grapevine, Coppell, Carrollton, Addison, Dallas, Richardson, and Plano, with ten proposed stations along the way. The second CBD alignment (D2) will double the downtown LRT capacity and connects Victory Station and the Green Line. The timing and completion of the Transit System Plan is based on economic assumptions made in DART's Twenty-Year Financial Plan and is subject to change based on changing economic conditions. The FY 2022 Twenty-Year Financial Plan includes \$8.15 billion for capital and non-operating projects. DART has entered contract commitments for these and other capital developments in the amount of \$1.6 billion and has spent approximately \$700 million of the committed amount as of September 30, 2021.

DART participates in several federal and state grant programs that are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies. In the opinion of management, no significant contingent liabilities exist relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

DART has entered into certain operating lease agreements. Operating lease expenses were approximately \$681 and \$832 in 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments for all non-cancelable operating leases are as follows:

Fiscal Year	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Minimum Lease Payments	\$512	\$458	\$353	\$282	\$-

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DART owns and operates a number of facilities. It also acquires new properties for light rail expansion projects. In some of these properties DART has discovered contamination that may require pollution remediation activity. DART is working with relevant state and federal agencies on pollution remediation plans. Management does not believe that the outcome of these remediation activities will have a material adverse effect on DART's financial position. Management has accrued an estimate which is included in the accounts payable and accrued liabilities line item in the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

#### 21. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

DART had fuel delivery contracts with suppliers for commuter rail vehicles (diesel fuel), DART buses (CNG) and service vehicles (gasoline). The price for fuel fluctuates depending on the market which exposes DART to significant risk in the amount it pays for fuel as well as uncertainty in budgeting for fuel costs. In order to minimize the impact of fluctuating fuel market prices on its cash flow, DART entered into diesel and gasoline fuel hedge contracts.

#### Diesel and Gasoline Fuel Hedge

The diesel and gasoline fuel hedge contract expired on September 30, 2020. The fair value of the derivative instrument associated with the diesel and gasoline hedge contract was \$314 as of September 30, 2019.

<u>Objective and terms of the fuel hedge contracts</u> –The objective of the derivative instruments (diesel fuel hedge contracts) was to hedge changes in cash flows due to market price fluctuations related to expected purchases of diesel and gasoline for DART buses, commuter rail cars, and service vehicles. The terms of the agreement included DART paying monthly fixed prices and receiving floating prices based on an average of the daily mean of Platts US Gulf Coast ultralow sulfur diesel (ULSD) and Gasoline-UNIL 87 Gulf Cost (Pipeline) – Platts U. S. for each month.

<u>Credit risk</u> – The derivative instrument for diesel fuel for the fiscal years 2018 to 2020 and for gasoline from 2017 to 2019 were held by the same counterparty. As of the end of the fiscal year 2019, DART's position in the derivative instrument was a receivable of \$314. DART could have been exposed to credit risk if the counterparty to the transaction had become insolvent but that did not happen. Standard and Poor's credit rating for the counterparty was A3 during 2020.

<u>Termination risk</u> – DART or its counterparties could terminate the derivative instrument if the other party failed to perform under the terms of the contract. The effect of termination risk on DART was that it would have to pay market prices for diesel fuel purchased for its operations. No termination event occurred during the fiscal year 2019 and the contract for the diesel fuel hedge expired on 9/30/2020 and the gasoline fuel hedge expired on 9/30/2019.

<u>Contingencies</u> – The fuel hedge contracts included provisions that required DART to post collateral in the event its credit rating fell below Aor A3 as issued by Standard & Poor's or Moody's and if the exposure exceeded threshold amounts specified in the derivative instruments (contracts). During 2020, DART maintained an AA+ credit rating from Standard & Poor's, AAA from Kroll Bond Rating Agency, and Aa2 from Moody's Investors Service on outstanding long-term debt. In addition, Fitch Ratings maintains an AA- on DART's Series 2007 bonds.

#### Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)

During fiscal year 2010, DART entered into a fixed price and indexed price CNG delivery contract for the CNG needed to operate DART buses and paratransit vehicles. The contract specified monthly volumes of CNG to be used by DART from October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2020 with 85% of the monthly volumes at a fixed price and 15% at an indexed price. When DART used lower volume than specified in the contract, the excess CNG had to be sold back to market at market price. The market price could have been lower or higher than the fixed price and indexed price specified in the contract. The difference between the contract and market price could have resulted in an exposure for DART. The amount of this exposure for DART was not material and no liability is included in the Statements of Net Position as of September 30, 2019 and as the contract expired on September 30, 2020, there is no liability going forward. However, a new delivery contract with a term of five years is in place starting from October 1, 2020.

<u>Objective and terms of the CNG delivery contract</u> – The objectives of the CNG delivery contract were: to ensure that DART had delivery of natural gas for its transit buses and contractor owned and operated paratransit vehicles, during the contract period; to fix the price for 85% of monthly volumes; and to minimize the fluctuations in cash flows caused by changes in market prices of CNG.

<u>Early Termination</u> – Subject to payment of early termination damages, either party to the delivery contract could terminate the CNG delivery contract by giving at least thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. The effect of termination risk on DART was that it would have to market prices for CNG purchased for its operations. No termination event occurred during fiscal years 2021 and 2020.

# Natural Gas Hedge

The fixed price natural gas delivery contract expired on September 30, 2020. DART has entered a new natural gas delivery contract. This new delivery contract is based on the market price. In order to minimize the risk of exposure to fluctuations in the market prices, DART entered into a natural gas hedge contact for a three-year period, October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2023. The objective of the natural gas hedge contract is to limit DART's exposure to market price fluctuations related to expected purchase of natural gas for DART buses, and paratransit service vehicles. The terms of the agreement include DART paying monthly fixed prices and receiving floating prices based on the West Texas, Waha index.

<u>Credit risk</u> – As of the end of fiscal year 2021, DART's position in the derivative instrument (natural gas hedge) was a liability of \$744. DART could have been exposed to credit risk if the counterparty to the transaction becomes insolvent but that did not happen. Standard and Poor's credit rating for the counterparty was A+ during 2021.

<u>Termination risk</u> – DART or its counterparties may terminate a derivative instrument if the other party fails to perform under the terms of the contract. The effect of termination risk on DART is that it will pay market prices for natural gas purchased for its operations. No termination event has occurred during fiscal year 2021 and the last contract for natural gas hedge will expire on 9/30/2023.

<u>Contingencies</u> – The natural gas hedge contracts include provisions that require DART to post collateral in the event its credit rating falls below A- or A3 as issued by Standard & Poor's or Moody's and if the exposure exceeds threshold amounts specified in the derivative instruments (contracts). During 2021, DART maintained an AA+ credit rating from Standard & Poor's, AAA from Kroll Bond Rating Agency, and Aa2 from Moody's Investors Service on outstanding long-term debt. In addition, Fitch Ratings maintains an AA- on DART's Series 2007 bonds.

#### 22. COVID-19 IMPACT ON DART

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to be a global pandemic. COVID-19 has changed the landscape of just about every facet of the world, and DART is no exception. It has impacted economic activity and financial markets globally and locally. For DART, it has resulted in a decrease in ridership, passenger fare, and sales tax revenues during the fiscal year 2020. Ridership decreased by about 29% or 20.5 million trips and fare revenue also decreased by \$22,331 or 29%. Sales tax revenue decreased by \$4,909 or 1%. In response, DART reduced the level of service during the second half of the fiscal year 2020. DART also offered a voluntary retirement incentive to eligible employees to resize its staffing with the level of service. During the fiscal year 2021, ridership decreased by 28% of 14.1 million trips and passenger revenues decreased by \$13,144 or 31% compared to 2020. On the positive side, DART received Federal CARES Act funding and created health and safety guidelines to help mitigate the impact of the disruption in operations..During 2021, sales tax revenue exceeded expectations and increased significantly. Ridership also started showing improvement, but it is still below the pre-pandemical level.

The continued spread of the disease represents a significant risk. The extent to which COVID-19 continues to impact DART will depend on future developments, which are still highly uncertain and cannot be predicted. As a result, DART has not yet determined the impact this disruption may have on its financial statements for the year ending September 30, 2022.

#### 23. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 87 *Leases*. This Statement establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

In May 2019, GASB issued Statement No. 91 *Conduit Debt Obligations*. This Statement clarifies the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishes that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; sets standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improves required note disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021.

In February 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 92 *Omnibus 2020.* This Statement addresses a variety of topics including the effective date of Statement No. 87 and Implementation Guide (IG) No. 2019-3 for interim financial reports; reporting of intra-entity transfers of assets between a primary government employer and a component unit defined benefit pension plan or defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan; the applicability of Statements No. 73 and 74 to reporting assets accumulated for postemployment benefits (PEBs); the applicability of certain requirements of Statement No. 84 to postemployment benefit arrangements; measurement of liabilities (and assets, if any) related to asset retirement obligations (AROs) in a government acquisition; reporting by public entity risk pools for amounts that are recoverable from reinsurers or excess insurers; reference to nonrecurring fair value measurements of assets or liabilities in authoritative literature; and terminology used to refer to derivative instruments. The requirements of this Statement related to intra-entity transfers of assets and those related to the applicability of Statements No. 73 and 74 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2021. The requirements of this Statement related to the application of Statement No. 84 to PEBs, those related to nonrecurring fair value measurements of assets or liabilities.

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and those related to the measurement of liabilities (and assets, if any) associated with AROs are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. The requirements related to the effective date of Statement No. 87 and IG No. 2019-3, reinsurance recoveries, and terminology used to refer to derivative instruments are effective upon issuance.

In March 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 93 *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. LIBOR is expected to cease to exist in its current form at the end of 2021. Statement No. 53, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Derivative Instruments, as amended, requires a government to terminate hedge accounting when it renegotiates or amends a critical term of a hedging derivative instrument, such as the reference rate of a hedging derivative instrument's variable payment. In addition, in accordance with Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended, replacement of the rate on which variable payments depend in a lease contract would require a government to apply the provisions for lease modifications, including remeasurement of the lease liability or lease receivable. This Statement addresses those and other accounting and financial reporting implications that result from the replacement of an IBOR. The requirements of this Statement are effective for DART except for paragraphs 11b, 13 and 14. Paragraph 11b is effective for reporting periods ending after December 31, 2021. GASB Statement No. 95 postpones the effective date of paragraphs 13 and 14 by one year and they will become effective for. DART during the year 2022.

In March 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. The objective of this statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public arrangements (PPPs). The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022.

In May 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*. The objective of this statement is to provide temporary relief to governments and other stakeholders in light of the COVID-19 pandemic by postponing the effective dates of certain provisions in Statements and Implementation Guides that first became effective or are scheduled to become effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2018 and later. The requirements of this Statement are effective immediately.

In May 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements for government end users. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022.

In May 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter.

In June 2020, GASB issued Statement No. 97, *Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans—an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a supersession of GASB Statement No. 32.* The primary objectives of this Statement are to (1) increase consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units when the component unit does not have a governing board and the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans) as fiduciary component units in fiduciary fund financial statements; and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 457 deferred compensation plans (Section 457 plans) that meet the definition of a pension plan and for benefits provided through those plans. The requirements for (1) and (2) as outlined above are effective immediately. The requirements related to the accounting and financial reporting for Section 457 plans are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2021.

In October 2021, GASB issued Statement No. 98, *the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.* This Statement establishes the term annual comprehensive financial report and its acronym ACFR. That new term and acronym replace instances of comprehensive annual financial report and its acronym in generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments. This Statement was developed in response to concerns raised by stakeholders that the common pronunciation of the acronym for comprehensive annual financial report sounds like a profoundly objectionable racial slur. This Statement's introduction of the new term is founded on a commitment to promoting inclusiveness. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged.

Management has not yet determined the impact of these statements on the basic financial statements.

#### 24. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On December 1, 2021, DART issued and sold \$576,355 in Series 2021A Bonds to partially refund Series 2014A and 2016AB bonds. DART also issued and sold another \$448,965 on December 1, 2021 in Series 2021B Bonds to fully refund the \$35,845 outstanding balance of the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) bonds payable and raise new money to finance capital project costs. As a result of this refunding, DART bonds debt service requirements shown on the last table in note 12 will change. Updated to debt service requirement will be as follows:

Year Ended September 30	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service	Build America Bonds tax credit	Net Debt Service
2022	\$71.355	\$145,938	\$217,293	\$(21,246)	\$196,047
2023	77.990	148,753	226,743	(21,246)	205,497
2024	56,815	146,052	202,867	(21,246)	181,621
2025	78,630	143,418	222,048	(21,246)	200,802
2026	81,145	140,423	221,568	(21,247)	200,321
2027 - 2031	448,360	655,841	1,104,201	(107,517)	996,684
2032-2036	586,705	554,355	1,141,060	(112,245)	1,028,815
2037 - 2041	674,190	418,979	1,093,169	(90,242)	1,002,927
2042 - 2046	776,000	246,275	1,022,275	(41,249)	981,026
2047 - 2051	682,810	68,048	750,858	(5,609)	745,249
2052	67,055	1,341	68,396	-	68,396
TOTAL	\$3,601,055	\$2,669,423	\$6,270,478	\$(463,093)	\$5,807,385

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)

# DART EMPLOYEES DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND TRUST SCHEDULE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY

The schedule of changes in the DART's Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios (Dollar amounts in thousands)

C	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total Pension Liability	-						<u>-</u>
Service cost	\$916	\$859	\$988	\$1,107	\$1,282	\$954	\$502
Interest	15,504	15,350	14,795	14,501	14,969	14,644	14,674
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	(781)	1,480	1,920	2,655	(2,815)	(5,082)	-
Changes in assumptions	-	-	5,326	-	63	-	-
Benefit payments	(15,661)	(15,256)	(14,107)	(13,471)	(11,203)	(11,369)	(11,364)
Net change in total pension liability	(22)	2,433	8,922	4,792	2,296	(853)	3,812
Total pension liability – beginning	236,609	234,176	225,254	220,462	218,166	219,019	215,207
Total pension liability – ending (a)	236,587	236,609	234,176	225,254	220,462	218,166	219,019
Plan Fiduciary Net Position							
Contributions – employer	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	9,217	8,706	9,122
Contributions – employee	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	),217	3,700	2,122
Net investment income, net of expenses	18,488	4,267	10.679	15,590	16,067	520	12,532
Benefit payments	(15,661)	(15,256)	(14,107)	(13,471)	(11,203)	(11,369)	(11,364)
Administrative expenses	(10,001)	(13,230) (274)	(84)	(10, 471) (100)	(218)	(219)	(250)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	12,720	(1,2261)	6,490	12,021	13,865	(2,360)	10,042
Plan fiduciary net position – beginning	185,584	186,845	180,355	168,334	154,469	156,829	146,787
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	198,304	185,584	186,845	180,355	168,334	154,469	156,829
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DART's net pension liability $(a) - (b)$	\$38,283	\$51,025	\$47,331	\$44,899	\$52,128	\$63,697	\$62,190
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total							
pension liability	83.82%	78.43%	79.79%	80.07%	76.36%	70.80%	71.61%
Covered payroll	\$11,104	\$12,374	\$14,333	\$15,642	\$18,914	\$19,129	\$19,438
DART's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	344.78%	412.36%	330.22%	287.04%	275.61%	332.99%	319.94%

This is a 10-year schedule. However, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available. The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the year end that occurred one year prior.

#### Changes of assumptions:

Starting with measurement date 09/30/2018, the assumed rates of mortality were amended to adopt the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plan Mortality Tables for General Employees. Starting from fiscal year 2017, the discount rate decreased from 7.00% to 6.75%. There were no significant changes in assumptions for other fiscal years.

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)

# DART EMPLOYEES DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND TRUST SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION

#### The schedule of DART Contribution to DB Pension Plan (Dollar amounts in thousands)

	9/30/21	9/30/20	9/30/19	9/30/18	9/30/17	9/30/16	9/30/15	9/30/14	9/30/13	9/30/12
Contractually required contribution Contribution in relation to the contractually required	\$5,540	\$6,624	\$6,928	\$7,235	\$7,755	\$9,217	\$8,706	\$9,122	\$9,074	\$8,045
contribution	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	9,217	8,706	9,122	9,074	8,045
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$(4,460)	\$(3,376)	\$(2,765)	\$(2,245)	\$(783)	\$ -	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ -
Covered payroll	N/A	11,104	\$12,374	\$14,333	\$15,642	\$18,914	\$19,129	\$19,438	\$19,467	\$19,306
Contribution as a percentage of covered payroll	N/A	90.06%	80.81%	69.77%	63.93%	48.73%	45.51%	46.93%	46.61%	41.67%

#### Notes to Schedule

Valuation date: Most recent valuation date is October 1, 2020.

Contractually required contribution rates are calculated by an actuary as of October 1, in the fiscal year in which contributions are reported. That is, the contribution calculated as of October 1, 2019 was made during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020, and as of October 1, 2018 was made during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

Significant actuarial assumption and methods used to determine contribution rates include the following:

Funding Method	The minimum required contribution is based upon DART's agreement to contribute an amount at least equal to the minimum funding standard under Section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as if the Plan were subject to Section 412, per the stipulation of the "Sale, Purchase and Transfer contract between the City of Dallas and Dallas Area Rapid Transit
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal starting from 9/30/2017 measurement date. Before that it was Projected Unit Credit.
Asset valuation method	All assets are valued at market value with an adjustment made to uniformly spread actuarial investment gains and losses (as measured by actual market value investment return against expected market value investment return) over a five-year period.
Inflation	2.5%.
Investment Return	6.75% per year compounded annually, net of all expenses starting from September 30, 2016 measurement dates. Before that it was 7.00%.
Retirement age	7.5% at age 55 reaching 100% at age 70.
Salary Increases	3% starting from September 30, 2016 measurement date. Before that it was 3.25%.
Mortality	<i>Active Lives:</i> PubG-2010 (Below-median, amount weighted) employee rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
	<i>Retiree and Vested Terminated Lives:</i> PubG-2010 (Below median, amount-weighted) healthy retiree rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
	<i>Contingent Survivor Lives: PubG-2010</i> (Below-median, amount-weighted) contingent survivor rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
	<i>Disabled Lives:</i> PubG-2010 (amount-weighted) disabled retiree rates with mortality improvement projections to the valuation date using Scale MP-2020.
Marital Status	85% of male participants and 65% of female participants are assumed to be married. Additionally, male spouses are assumed to be three years older than female spouses.
Termination Rate	1.50% per year prior to age 54, and 1.00% per year on and after attainment of age 54.

#### DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)

# OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

SCHEDULE OF NET OPEB LIABILITY

The schedule of changes in the DART's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (Dollar amounts in thousands)

	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB Liability				
Service cost	\$2,436	\$2,559	\$3,200	\$2,762
Interest	4,505	4,338	5,129	4,218
Changes of benefit terms	-	7,047	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience with regard to	(1,795)	-	(4,931)	4,514
economic or demographic assumptions				
Changes in assumptions about future economic or demographic or	(6,443)	(8,292)	(10,289)	2,437
other inputs				
Benefit payments	(3,283)	(3,003)	(2,920)	(1,470)
Net change in total pension liability	(4,580)	2,649	(9,811)	12,461
Total OPEB liability – beginning	63,529	60,880	70,691	58,230
Total OPEB liability – ending (a)	58,949	63,529	60,880	70,691
Plan Fiduciary Net Position				
Contributions – employer	3,229	7,489	-	5,821
Contributions – participant	482	806	460	-
Net investment income, net of expenses	6,860	2,421	3,650	3,883
Benefit payments	(3,283)	(3,003)	(2,920)	(1,470)
Administrative expenses	(168)	(164)	(170)	-
Other income	1			
Adjustment to reflect actual assets	-	-		306
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	7,121	7,549	1,020	8,540
Plan fiduciary net position – beginning	58,481	50,932	49,912	41,372
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	65,602	58,481	50,932	49,912
DART's net OPEB liability(asset)* $(a) - (b)$	(\$6,653)	\$5,048	\$9,948	\$20,779
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability	111.29%	92.05%	83.66%	70.61%
Covered employee payroll	\$227,484	\$229,824	\$214,754	\$205,345
DART's net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of covered	(2.92%)	2.20%	4.63%	11.12%
employee payroll				
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Annual Money-weighted rate of return for OPEB investments	18.37%	12.16%	4.49%	7.32%

\*For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018 a net OPEB liability of \$22,667 was reported since an estimated value of assets was used for actuarial valuation. Based on the actual value of the OPEB Plan assets, the updated net OPEB liability is \$20,779.

*Change of Assumptions and Other Changes* – the following changes are reflected above as assumption changes. The annual per capita claims costs have been updated based on plan experience during the 36 months preceding the valuation date. Premiums were updated to reflect those in effect for the 2021 calendar year for active health plans and the 2020 calendar year for the Aetna Medicare supplement plan. • Health care inflation rates have been updated to reflect recent healthcare trend rate surveys, blended with the Getzen model published by the Society of Actuaries. Mortality improvement has been updated to reflect mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

This is a 10-year schedule. However, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available. The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the year-end that occurred one year prior.

#### OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION

The schedule of DART Contribution to OPEB Plan (Dollar amounts in thousands)

	9/30/21	9/30/20	9/30/19	9/30/18*	9/30/17	9/30/16	9/30/15	9/30/14	9/30/13	9/30/12
Actuarially determined contribution Contribution in relation to the actuarially	\$1,655	\$3,229	\$3,627	\$3,862	\$5,821	\$4,625	\$4,313	\$5,141	\$4,996	\$5,024
determined contribution	1,655	3,229	7,489	\$ -	5,821	4,625	4,313	5,141	4,996	9,615
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$-	\$ -	(\$3,862)	\$3,862	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$-	(\$4,591)
Covered employee payroll	N/A	\$227,484	\$229,824	\$221,734	\$214,754	\$205,345	\$196,688	\$185,181	\$174,557	\$174,557
Contribution as a percentage of covered employee payroll	N/A	1.4%	3.26%	0.00%	2.71%	2.25%	2.19%	2.78%	2.86%	5.57%%

\*Contribution for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, was made on October 1, 2018.

#### Notes to Schedule:

Actuarially determined contribution rates shown above are calculated as of September 30 for the plan/fiscal year in which contributions are reported. Covered Payroll is reported as actual payroll for years prior to September 30, 2019. Covered payroll as of September 30, 2019 is projected from the September 30, 2018 payroll amount. The contribution for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018 was made during fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)**

COM	BINING STATEME Sept	NT OF FIDUCIA tember 30, 2021	RY NET POSITIO	N	
	DART Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Trust	Other Post Employment Benefits Plan	DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust	DART Retirement Plan and Trust	Total
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$12,513	\$2,816	\$ -	\$ -	\$15,329
Receivables:				-	
Note receivable from participants	-	-	14,556	-	14,556
Employee/Plan participant contribution	-	-	1,595	-	1,595
Employer contribution		-	534	1,449	1,983
Total receivables	-	-	16,685	1,449	18,134
Investments:					
Investments at contract value	-	-	37,998	46,617	84,615
Investments at fair value:					
Equity	95,623	45,928	211,128	145,689	498,368
Fixed income	75,227	25,453	27,513	90,729	218,922
Real Estate	37,232	-	-	13,759	50,991
Total investments	208,082	71,381	276,639	296,794	852,896
TOTAL ASSETS	220,595	74,197	293,324	298,243	886,359
<u>LIABILITIES</u> Accounts payable, investment management, accrued benefits, and administrative fees	326	1,075	-	-	1,401
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Accounts payable, investments in-transit	1,307	-	-	-	1,307
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,633	1,075	-	-	2,708
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR:					
Pensions	218,962	-	293,324	298,243	810,529

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#### SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)

#### COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION September 30, 2020

	DART Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Trust	Other Post Employment Benefits Plan	DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust	DART Retirement Plan and Trust	Total
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$12,152	\$3,594	\$ -	\$ -	\$15,746
Receivables:				-	
Note receivable from participants	-	-	16,489	-	16,489
Other receivables	283	-	-	-	283
Total receivables	283	-	16,489		16,772
Investments:					
Investments at contract value	-	-	39,000	45,701	84,701
Investments at fair value:					
Equity	91,718	38,113	225,815	130,119	485,765
Fixed income	72,937	23,895	25,273	84,821	206,926
Real Estate	22,668	-	-	14,499	37,167
Total investments	187,323	62,008	290,088	275,140	814,559
TOTAL ASSETS	199,758	65,602	306,577	275,140	847,077
<u>LIABILITIES</u> Accounts payable, investment management, accrued benefits, and administrative fees	106	_	_	_	106
Accounts payable, investments in-transit	1,348	-	-	-	1,348
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,454	-	-	-	1.454
NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR: Pensions	100.004		206 577	075140	700.001
Other post employment benefits	198,304	-	306,577	275,140	780,021
TOTAL NET POSITION		65,602	-	-	65,602
IOTAL NET FOSITION	\$198,304	\$65,602	\$306,577	\$275,140	\$845,623

### SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NE	ET POSITION
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021	

	DART Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Trust	Other Post Employment Benefits Plan	DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust	DART Retirement Plan and Trust	Total
ADDITIONS:					
Investment income:					
Net investment gain	32,695	11,337	18,092	\$8,148	\$70,272
Interest and dividends	3,437	-	7,713	15,087	26,237
Investment manager fees	(1,057)	-	-	-	(1,057)
Total investment income, net	35,075	11,337	25,805	23,235	95,452
Contributions:					
Employer	10,000	1,655	6,880	20,125	38,660
Employee/participant	-	903	20,154	-	21,057
Other additions	-	-	-	23	23
Total contributions	10,000	2,558	27,034	20,148	59,740
Total additions	45,075	13,895	52,839	43,383	155,192
DEDUCTIONS:					
Benefit payments	24,308	6,375	65,649	20,235	116,567
Administrative expenses	109	-	443	45	597
Total deductions	24,417	6,375	66,092	20,280	117,164
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET POSITION	20,658	7,520	(13,253)	23,103	38,028
NET POSITION:					
BEGINNING OF YEAR	198,304	65,602	306,577	275,140	845,623
END OF YEAR	\$218,962	\$73,122	\$293,324	\$298,243	\$883,651

### SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (Dollars in Thousands)

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY N	JET POSITION
For the Year Ended September 30, 2020	

	DART Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Trust	Other Post Employment Benefits Plan	DART Capital Accumulation Plan and Trust	DART Retirement Plan and Trust	Total
ADDITIONS:					
Investment income:					
Net investment gain	\$15,827	\$6,861	\$38,094	\$29,879	\$90,661
Interest and dividends	3,203	-	9,779	7,840	20,822
Investment manager fees	(542)	-	-	-	(542)
Total investment income, net	18,488	6,861	47,873	37,719	110,941
Contributions:					
Employer	10,000	3,229	5,774	17,160	36,163
Employee/participant	-	482	17,632	-	18,114
Other additions	-	-	-	24	24
Total contributions	10,000	3,711	23,406	17,184	54,301
Total additions	28,488	10,572	71,279	54,903	165,242
DEDUCTIONS:					
Benefit payments	15,661	3,283	22,654	19,655	61,253
Administrative expenses	107	168	384	35	694
Total deductions	15,768	3,451	23,038	19,690	61,947
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET POSITION	12,720	7,121	48,241	35,213	103,295
NET POSITION:					
BEGINNING OF YEAR	185,584	58,481	258,336	239,927	742,328
END OF YEAR	\$198,304	\$65,602	\$306,577	\$275,140	\$845,623

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#### APPENDIX B SUMMARY OF CERTAIN TERMS OF THE MASTER DEBT RESOLUTION, AS AMENDED BY SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT RESOLUTIONS

A Table of Contents and brief descriptions of certain provisions of the Master Debt Resolution, as amended, are included on the following pages of this Appendix B. The descriptions are not intended to be comprehensive or complete but are to be used as a guide to the full provisions of the Master Debt Resolution. The full and complete text of the Master Debt Resolution may be obtained directly from DART without cost at the address given in the text of this document, and it may be viewed on the Internet at DART's website, *www.dart.org*. Specific Article and Section numbers are identified in *"italics*" throughout this Summary.

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#### SUMMARY OF CERTAIN TERMS OF THE MASTER DEBT RESOLUTION, AS AMENDED BY SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT RESOLUTIONS

#### DEFINITIONS

#### {*Article I*}

The following are definitions of certain terms used in this Summary.

Accrued Aggregate Debt Service - means, for any specified Debt Service Accrual Period, and with respect to a specified series of Obligations, an amount equal to the sum of the Debt Service accruing during that Debt Service Accrual Period with respect to all of such Obligations that are Outstanding at the beginning of such Debt Service Accrual Period.

<u>Accrued Aggregate Interest</u> - means, for any specified Debt Service Accrual Period, and with respect to a specified series of Obligations, that portion of Accrued Aggregate Debt Service that is attributable to interest on such Obligations for such Debt Service Accrual Period. Such term shall include amounts payable to the counterparty under a Swap Agreement to the extent such amounts exceed the applicable amount of interest on the other Obligations to which the Swap Agreement relates, but does not include termination fees or other similar charges with respect to Credit Agreement Obligations.

<u>Accrued Aggregate Principal</u> – means, for any Specified Debt Service Accrual Period and with respect to a specified series of Obligations, that portion of Accrued Aggregate Debt Service for such Debt Service Accrual Period that is attributable to Principal Installments of such Obligations.

Act - means Chapter 452, Texas Transportation Code, as amended.

<u>Additional Senior Lien Obligations</u> - means one or more series of bonds, notes, commercial paper, obligations, or other evidences of indebtedness permitted by Applicable Law and issued by DART on a parity as to the Pledged Revenues with the Initial Senior Lien Obligations for lawful purposes as permitted by pursuant to Section 3.2 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Administrative Expenses</u> - means amounts owed to the Trustee under Section 8.4 of the Master Debt Resolution and, to the extent specified in a Supplemental Resolution, the fees, expenses, and indemnification liabilities payable to the Paying Agent, the Credit Providers, any Bondholder Representative, and others. Said term does not include Credit Agreement Obligations.

<u>Applicable Law</u> - means the Act and all other laws or statutes, rules or regulations, and any amendments thereto, of the State or of the United States by which DART and its powers, securities, bonds, notes, and other obligations, and its operations and procedures are, or may be, governed or from which such powers may be derived.

<u>Authorized Officer</u> - means the President and Executive Director, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, and such other officers or employees of DART as may be authorized to perform duties under the Master Debt Resolution.

Available Remaining Revenues - means the amount of the Gross Sales Tax Revenues, plus the Special Revenues that are available to DART for spending for lawful purposes and the uses of which are not restricted by Applicable Law, grant condition, or contract (i) after complying with the requirements of Article V of the Master Debt Resolution, and (ii) after applying all of the revenues received from the operation of the System to the purpose of operating and maintaining the System, as required by Section 452.358 of the Act. **Board** - means the governing subregional board of directors of DART as authorized and required by, and selected in the manner provided in, Section 452.573 of the Act.

**Bond Counsel** – means one or more firms of nationally recognized attorneys selected by the Board that are experienced in financing public infrastructure through the issuance of tax-exempt obligations under Section 103 of the Code and that may be specifically identified in a Supplemental Resolution.

<u>Bondholder Representative</u> - means each Person appointed pursuant to Section 11.8 of the Master Debt Resolution.

**Bond Obligation** - means any Obligation that is issued in the form of bonds, notes, or other securities or other forms of indebtedness other than a Credit Agreement Obligation.

**Business Day** - means, unless another definition is provided in a Supplemental Resolution with respect to a series of Obligations, any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday or other day on which banking institutions in the city where the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent and/or Registrar is located, or where the principal office of the Trustee is located, are generally authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

 $\underline{Certificate}$  – means a document signed by an Authorized Officer, either attesting to or acknowledging the circumstances, representations or other matters therein stated or set forth or setting forth matters to be determined pursuant to the Master Debt Resolution or a Supplemental Resolution.

<u>Code</u> - means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the regulations and published rulings promulgated or published pursuant thereto, and the provisions of any applicable section of a successor federal income tax law.

<u>Comptroller</u> - means the Constitutional Officer of the State of Texas known as the "Comptroller of Public Accounts" and any successor official or officer that may be charged by law with the duty of collecting the Sales Tax for the account of, and remitting Gross Sales Tax Revenues to, DART.

<u>Costs of Acquisition and Construction</u> - means all costs and expenses of planning, designing, acquiring, constructing, installing, extending, equipping, improving, repairing, replacing and financing any part or all of the System, placing the System in operation, and obtaining governmental approvals, certificates, permits and licenses with respect thereto. The Costs of Acquisition and Construction shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(i) all costs of land, rights-of-way and other interests in land, equipment, building and other structures, environmental remediation costs and facilities, engineering fees and costs, all fees and amounts owing for contractors, laborers, materials, equipment, utility services and supplies, legal fees and financing costs and fees;

(ii) costs of preliminary investigation and development, the performance or acquisition of feasibility and planning studies and the securing of regulatory approvals;

(iii) working capital and reserves during any period of acquisition or construction;

(iv) interest accruing in whole or in part on Obligations prior to and during construction or prior to and during land and equipment acquisition programs and for such additional period as the Board may determine to be necessary for the placing of the System or any facility or equipment in operation;

(v) the fees, costs or expenses incurred or agreed to be paid by DART in connection with any Credit Agreement; and

(vi) all other costs and expenses incurred by DART and properly and legally allocable to the acquisition, construction, extension, improvement and repair of all or any part of the System, expressly including, but not limited to, the costs or insurance that is properly allocable to the construction of expansions to the System, legal and professional fees, and financing costs and fees.

<u>Credit Agreement</u> – means any agreement of DART permitted by Applicable Law that is entered into with a Credit Provider for the purpose of enhancing or supporting the creditworthiness of all or a part of a series of Bond Obligations, and/or to assure DART's financial ability to honor rights of tender of any such Bond Obligations and to hold, sell, market or remarket any of such Bond Obligations tendered according to the specific terms and features of a series of such Bond Obligations as contained and defined in a Supplemental Resolution, and/or to make deposits to any fund in lieu of cash deposits thereto, such as, for example only, municipal bond insurance policies, stand-by bond purchase agreements, Swap Agreements, revolving credit agreements, hedge agreements, and letters or lines of credit issued or provided by, and notes, surety bonds, reimbursement, purchase and other similar agreements with, banks, insurance companies or other commercial and financial institutions or by and with governmental agencies, entities or departments.

<u>Credit Agreement Obligations</u> - means any liability of DART to pay any amount of principal, interest, or other payment on any debt or liability created under a Credit Agreement in favor of a Credit Provider that is declared by the terms of the Master Debt Resolution or a Supplemental Resolution to be a Senior Lien Obligation, a Subordinate Lien Obligation or a Junior Subordinate Lien Obligation.

<u>Credit Provider</u> - means each party named in the Master Debt Resolution or a Supplemental Resolution that provides credit or liquidity support for or insurance insuring the payment of, any amounts due or owing on a series of Bond Obligations, or other financial undertakings in a Credit Agreement, including a counterparty to DART under a Swap Agreement.

<u>**DART**</u> – means Dallas Area Rapid Transit, a sub-regional transportation authority, public body corporate and politic created under the Act.

<u>Debt Service</u> - means, for any specified Debt Service Accrual Period or other period with respect to a specified series of Obligations, an amount equal to the sum of:

(i) the sum of (A) all interest that is due and payable (but unpaid) on the commencement of such Debt Service Accrual Period or other period, plus (B) interest accruing on such Obligations, including as to Interim Obligations, and as to Variable Interest Rate Obligations, if any, the amount estimated by an Authorized Officer that will accrue during such Debt Service Accrual Period or other period, but excluding therefrom any interest that an Authorized Officer certifies to the Paying Agent will be paid from the proceeds of Obligations or from Credit Agreements; and

(ii) the sum of (A) all Principal Installments that are due and payable (but unpaid) on the commencement of such Debt Service Accrual Period or other period, plus (B) that portion of next maturing Principal Installment on such Obligations which will accrue during such Debt Service Accrual Period or other period, other than a Principal Installment with respect to Interim Obligations and Credit Agreement Obligations that are to be paid either with the proceeds of Bond Obligations or with funds provided by a Credit Provider, and other than amounts scheduled to be paid by a counterparty to a Swap Agreement that is not in default. For the purpose of determining the amount of the next maturing Principal Installment that will accrue during a Debt Service Accrual Period or other period, DART and the Paying Agent shall assume that the Principal Installment accrues daily in equal amounts from the next preceding Principal Installment due date. If there is no preceding Principal Installment due date with respect to particular Obligations, the Principal Installments with respect to that series shall not begin to accrue until the later of (A) the date which is one year preceding the first Principal Installment due date of that series, or (B) the date of issuance of that series.

Debt Service requirements shall be calculated on the assumption that no Obligations that are Outstanding at the date of calculation will cease to be Outstanding except by reason of the payment of the Principal Installments or Sinking Fund Installments thereon when due, except as provided in the Master Debt Resolution for Interim Obligations. Such Debt Service requirements shall not include termination fees or other similar charges with respect to Credit Agreement Obligations.

<u>Debt Service Accrual Period</u> - means the period commencing on, as applicable, the date of issuance or execution of any Obligation under the Master Debt Resolution, or the most recent date on which the Trustee has transferred Gross Sales Tax Revenues from the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund in accordance with Section 5.3(a) the Master Debt Resolution, whichever is later, and ending on, but excluding, the next date on which the Trustee is expected to transfer Gross Sales Tax Revenues to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund, as such period is specified by the Trustee in its request to each Paying Agent as required by Section 5.3(c) of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Event of Default</u> - means the occurrence of any of the events or circumstances described as such in Section 7.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Federal Interest Subsidy</u> – means the interest subsidy payment received by DART from the United States Treasury relating to the interest payable on the Series 2009B Bonds and the 2010B Bonds under Section 54AA of the Code.

<u>**First Supplemental Debt Resolution**</u> - means the Supplemental Resolution approved by the Board authorizing the issuance and setting forth the terms of the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations authorized by Section 3.3(a) of the Master Debt Resolution.

**<u>Fiscal Year</u>** - means the twelve-consecutive month period established from time to time by the Board as DART's fiscal year. Until changed by resolution of the Board, the fiscal year shall be the period commencing October 1 and ending on the following September 30.

**Force Majeure** - means any act of God or the public enemy; strike, lockout, work slowdown or stoppage or other labor dispute; insurrection, riot or other civil disturbance; order of the government of the United States or of any state thereof or order of any other civil or military authority; failure of a public utility; or other condition or event beyond the reasonable control of DART, other than a financial condition, business condition or condition or event constituting frustration of purpose.

<u>General Operating Fund</u> - means the fund by that name reestablished and confirmed in Section 5.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund</u> - means the special trust fund by that name reestablished and confirmed in Section 5.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Gross Sales Tax Revenues</u> - means all of the revenues due or owing to, or collected or received by or on behalf of, DART, or by the Trustee pursuant to the Master Debt Resolution, from

or by reason of the levy of the Sales Tax, less any amounts due or owing to the Comptroller as charges for collection or retention by the Comptroller for refunds and to redeem dishonored checks and drafts, to the extent such charges and retentions are authorized or required by law. Such term expressly does not include any Special Revenues.

<u>Holder</u> - means, with respect to Bond Obligations, the registered owner of a Bond Obligation according to the Obligation Register relating to such Bond Obligation, and, with respect to each Credit Agreement Obligation, the related Credit Provider.

<u>Initial Senior Lien Obligations</u> - mean the Senior Lien Obligations that are authorized in Section 3.1(a) of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Interest Payment Date(s)</u> - means the date or dates on which interest on Obligations is payable (including a prepayment or redemption date), as said date or dates are specified in a Supplemental Resolution or in Credit Agreements, as appropriate.

Interim Obligations - mean Obligations, including commercial paper, notes, and similar Obligations (i) for or with respect to which no Principal Installments are required to be made other than on the Stated Maturity Date thereof, which date shall be no later than five (5) years from the date of their delivery to their initial purchasers, and (ii) which are authorized by a Supplemental Resolution in which they are designated as "Interim Obligations" that DART intends to refund, reissue, or refinance in whole or in part prior to or on such Stated Maturity Date.

**Investment Securities** - mean any and all of the investments permitted by Applicable Law for the investment of the public funds of DART, provided that such investments are at the time made included in and authorized by the official investment policy of DART as approved by the Board from time to time and are not prohibited by a Supplemental Resolution.

Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund - means the special trust fund so designated and established in Section 5.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations</u> - means (i) bonds, notes, or other forms of indebtedness and obligations of DART that are by their terms made payable from the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and are secured by a lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues that is junior and subordinate to the liens on and pledges of Pledged Revenues created in the Master Debt Resolution for the benefit of the Senior Lien Obligations and the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, and (ii) each Credit Agreement Obligation that is declared in a Supplemental Resolution to be a "Junior Subordinate Lien Obligation."

<u>Market Value</u> - means the fair market value of Investment Securities calculated as set forth in the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Maximum Interest Rate</u> - means, with respect to particular Variable Interest Rate Obligations, a numerical or other statement of the rate of interest, which shall be set forth in a Supplemental Resolution or in a Credit Agreement, authorizing such Obligations as appropriate, in each case as being the maximum rate of interest such Obligations may bear at a single time or over the period during which they are Outstanding or unpaid, but in no event exceeding the maximum amount or rate of interest permitted by Applicable Law.

<u>Minimum Interest Rate</u> - means, with respect to any particular Variable Interest Rate Obligations, a numerical rate of interest which may (but need not) be set forth in the Supplemental Resolution, or a Credit Agreement, as appropriate, authorizing such Obligations that shall be the minimum rate of interest such Obligations will at any time bear. <u>Obligation Register</u> - means, as to each series of Bond Obligations, the register or registers maintained pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Master Debt Resolution.

**<u>Obligations</u>** - mean the Senior Lien Obligations and the Subordinate Lien Obligations.

<u>Outstanding</u> - when used with reference to Bond Obligations, means, as of any date, Bond Obligations theretofore or thereupon being authenticated and delivered under the Master Debt Resolution or a Supplemental Resolution, except:

(i) Bond Obligations which have been fully paid at or prior to their maturity or on or prior to a redemption date;

(ii) Bond Obligations (or portions thereof) for the payment of which moneys equal to the principal amount or redemption price thereof, as the case may be, with interest to the date of maturity or redemption, shall be held by a paying agent or a trustee in cash in trust and set aside for payment at maturity or redemption on a redemption date and for which notice of redemption has been given or provision has been made therefor;

(iii) Bond Obligations in lieu of or in substitution for which other Obligations have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Master Debt Resolution or a Supplemental Resolution; and

(iv) Bond Obligations for which payment has been provided by defeasance in accordance with Section 10.2 of the Master Debt Resolution.

When used with reference to Credit Agreement Obligations, the term "Outstanding" shall mean all principal amounts due and payable by DART under the applicable Credit Agreement until the later of the due or maturity date thereof, and the payment thereof in full, but only to the extent, and solely to the extent, that moneys (A) have been actually advanced or loaned to or for the account of DART (and have not been repaid) for the purpose of providing funds for the payment of the interest on or principal or Redemption Price of any Obligations on their maturity, due, or redemption date, or (B) have been paid (and have not been repaid) to or for the account of the Holder of an Obligation in order to honor such Holder's right to tender Obligations for purchase prior to maturity in accordance with the terms and provisions of the applicable Supplemental Resolution or Credit Agreement.

<u>Outstanding Obligations</u> - means any Obligations while, when, after, to the extent, and for so long as any of the same are Outstanding.

<u>Outstanding Resolutions</u> - means the Master Debt Resolution, the First Supplemental Debt Resolution and all other Supplemental Resolutions when and as adopted by the Board.

<u>**Paying Agent</u>** - means any paying agent and its successor or successors for a series or issue of Obligations appointed pursuant to a Supplemental Resolution as described in Section 4.6 of the Master Debt Resolution.</u>

<u>**Person</u></u> - means any individual, corporation, partnership, (including a limited partnership) limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof, or any other legal entity.</u>** 

<u>Pledged Farebox Revenues</u> - means with respect to any Debt Service Accrual Period, all fares collected by or on behalf of DART for its bus, rail and paratransit services in an amount not less than the amounts set forth in Appendix C of the Annual Disclosure Statement, and to the extent any Obligations continue to be outstanding beyond the last year set forth in Appendix C, the amount

of Pledged Farebox Revenues in each year thereafter shall never be less than the amount set forth in Appendix C for the final year. (See "Appendix C – Pledged Farebox Revenues.")

<u>Pledged Revenues</u> - means collectively (a) the Gross Sales Tax Revenues at the point where they are required to be first collected in accordance with the Act and other Applicable Law, and for so long as they are owed, but unpaid, to, or on behalf of DART, (b) the Gross Sales Tax Revenues upon and after receipt by DART or by the Trustee under the Master Debt Resolution and while they are required to be or are on deposit in the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund, (c) Investment Securities or other investments or earnings, if any, credited to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund that are not required by the Code to be rebated to the United States of America, (d) Pledged Farebox Revenues, (e) Federal Interest Subsidy payments that are deposited to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, and (f) any additional revenues or money of DART which may be, by a Supplemental Resolution, expressly and specifically pledged to the payment of any and or all of the Obligations.

<u>**Principal Installment**</u> - means any amounts, other than interest payments, including any Sinking Fund Installments, which are stated to be due or required to be made on or with respect to an Obligation which, when made, would reduce the amount of such Obligation that remains Outstanding or would retire and pay the same in full.

<u>Principal Payment Date(s)</u> – means the date or dates upon which Principal Installments are due as specified in a Supplemental Resolution or in a Credit Agreement, as appropriate, to and including the Stated Maturity Date of such Obligations.

<u>**Project**</u> – means any addition, improvement, expansion or extension to the System to be financed with all or a portion of the proceeds of Obligations, as determined by the Board.

**Rebate Fund** – means any fund established by a Supplemental Resolution in connection with the issuance of any Bond Obligation that is a Tax-Exempt Obligation, to ensure compliance with the provisions of Section 148 of the Code, including, in particular, Section 148(f) of the Code. For purposes of the foregoing and of the Outstanding Resolutions, DART shall be permitted to rely on a firm of certified public accountants, Bond Counsel or other persons who specialize in the exemption from federal income taxation of interest payable on Tax-Exempt Obligations, and DART may include in a Supplemental Resolutions covenants relating to Tax Exemption Obligations, to a Rebate Fund, and to the use and application of money on deposit in the funds created or confirmed in the Master Debt Resolution or in the funds or accounts created in a Supplemental Resolution.

<u>Redemption Price</u> – means, with respect to any Bond Obligation, the principal amount thereof plus the applicable premium, if any, payable upon redemption thereof pursuant to the terms of such Obligation or its authorizing Supplemental Resolution.

<u>**Registrar**</u> – means any registrar that is appointed pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Master Debt Resolution for Bond Obligations, which may include the Paying Agent for such Bond Obligations and its successor or assigns.

**Required Percentage of Holders of Bond Obligations** – means the Holders of:

(i) 51% of the principal amount of all Outstanding Bond Obligations that are Senior Lien Obligations;

(ii) 51% of the principal amount of all Outstanding Bond Obligations that are Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations; and

(iii) 51% of the principal amount of all Outstanding Bond Obligations that are Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations.

<u>**Resolution**</u> - means the Master Debt Resolution as it may from time to time be amended, modified or supplemented by Supplemental Resolutions or by amendment in accordance with Article IX of the Master Debt Resolution.

Rule – means SEC Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time.

<u>Sales Tax</u> - means the one-percent (1%) local sales and use tax authorized by the Act and other Applicable Law and heretofore approved at an election and then levied on taxable items and transactions, and confirmed and levied in the Master Debt Resolution, by DART within its boundaries, and hereafter required to be levied within any expanded areas included within DART pursuant to the Act, together with any increases in the rate thereof if provided and authorized by amendment to the Act, but subject to the requirements of the Voted Tax and Debt Limits.

<u>SEC</u> – means the Securities and Exchange Commission of the United States.

<u>Senior Lien Debt Service Fund</u> - means the special trust fund so designated and established in Section 5.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Senior Lien Obligations</u> - means (i) the Initial Senior Lien Obligations, (ii) any Additional Senior Lien Obligations, and (iii) each Credit Agreement Obligation that is declared in the Master Debt Resolution or a Supplemental Resolution to be a "Senior Lien Obligation."

<u>Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund</u> - means the special fund so designated and established in Section 5.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations</u> - means (i) the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations authorized and named in Section 3.3(a) of the Master Debt Resolution, (ii) any other bonds, notes, or other forms of indebtedness and obligations of DART that are, by their terms, made payable from the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and that are secured by a lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues that are junior and subordinate to the lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues created in the Master Debt Resolution for the benefit of Senior Lien Obligations, but that are senior in right to the lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues and Pledged Funds created in the Master Debt Resolution for the benefit of Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, and (iii) each Credit Agreement Obligation that is declared in the Master Debt Resolution, or in a Supplemental Resolution to be a "Senior Subordinate Lien Obligation."

<u>Sinking Fund Installment</u> - means, with respect to any Bond Obligations, the portion of the Accrued Aggregate Debt Service required by a Supplemental Resolution to be deposited to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund or the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund in all events on a future date to be held on deposit or applied, in either case, for the mandatory redemption or retirement, in whole or in part, of any of such Bond Obligations having a stated maturity after said future date. Said future date is deemed to be the date when such Sinking Fund Installment is due and payable.

**Special Revenue Bonds** - mean bonds, notes or other obligations issued for lawful purposes that (i) are made payable from Special Revenues pursuant to the right to issue the same reserved in Section 3.6 of the Master Debt Resolution, and (ii) are not payable from or secured by any part or portion of the Pledged Revenues.

**Special Revenues** - mean any and all revenues of DART, other than the Sales Tax, including, but not limited to, all of (i) any taxes or special charges, other than the Sales Tax, that DART is authorized by Applicable Law to impose and collect for its public purposes, (ii) fare-box revenues (other than Pledged Farebox Revenues), rents, tolls, rates and charges imposed by DART for the use of any part or all of the System, as it exists from time to time, and (iii) the proceeds from grants for the purposes of the System made to DART by the State or by the United States of America.

<u>Standard Assumptions</u> - means the assumptions that are applicable to Interim Obligations and to Variable Interest Rate Obligations, as set forth and described in subsections (e) and (f), respectively, of Section 1.4 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>State</u> - means the State of Texas.

<u>Stated Maturity Date</u> - means the date on which an Obligation matures and the full amount owed thereon is in all events due and payable, as specified in a Supplemental Resolution or in a Credit Agreement, as appropriate.

<u>Subordinate Lien Obligations</u> - mean any and all Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations and any and all Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations.

<u>Supplemental Resolution</u> - means any resolution of the Board that supplements the Master Debt Resolution for (i) the purpose of authorizing and providing the terms and provisions of Obligations, or (ii) any of the other purposes permitted by Article IX of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Swap Agreement</u> - means a Credit Agreement with respect to a series of Bond Obligations pursuant to which DART agrees to pay to a qualified counterparty an amount of money in exchange for the counterparty's promise to pay an amount equal to all or a portion of the actual amount of interest due and payable on such series according to its terms as it becomes due. For the purposes of this definition, a counterparty is not qualified unless it holds a current rating for claims-paying ability by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies at least equal to the rating of each such rating agency assigned to the Initial Senior Lien Obligations without reference to any Credit Agreement.

**System** - means the public transportation system of DART, including complementary transportation services, and all of the properties and assets of DART that are defined in and permitted by the Act, whether owned or operated by DART directly or provided for or on behalf of DART by others pursuant to contracts executed for such purposes as provided in the Act.

System Expansion and Acquisition Fund - means the fund so designated and established in Section 5.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>**Tax-Exempt Obligation**</u> - means any Bond Obligation the interest on which is excludable from the gross income of the Holder for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code.

<u>**Trustee**</u> - means Zion Bancorporation, National Association, DBA Amegy Bank, as successor Bank One, Texas, N.A., as the trustee under the Master Debt Resolution, and any successor to or replacement of such trustee appointed in accordance with the Master Debt Resolution.

<u>Variable Interest Rate</u> - means a variable or adjustable interest rate that varies from time to time based on a formula or reference to specified financial indicators, or by negotiation, auction, or revisions through another method from time to time and to be borne by all or a part of any Obligations, all as specified in a Supplemental Resolution or Credit Agreement, as applicable.

Variable Interest Rate Obligations- mean Obligations which bear a Variable InterestRate.

<u>Voted Tax and Debt Limits</u> - means the limitations on (i) the maximum rate of the Sales Tax that DART may levy and collect, and (ii) the maximum amount of indebtedness that DART may incur that has a maturity longer than five (5) years, in either case without further elections in conformity with Section 9 of the Election Order as summarized in the preambles to the Master Debt Resolution.

### Interpretations - Standard Assumptions {Sections 1.4(e) and (f)}

Wherever a calculation of Debt Service with respect to Interim Obligations is required by application of the Standard Assumptions, the Debt Service shall be computed by assuming (A) that the Outstanding principal amount of the series of Interim Obligations are bonds secured by a lien on Pledged Revenues on a parity with the Interim Obligations which will amortize over a period of not to exceed 25 years following the date of initial issuance of such Interim Obligations in such manner as will cause the maximum Debt Service for such series in any 12 month period not exceeding 110% of the minimum Debt Service for such series for any other 12 month period, and (B) such series will bear interest at a fixed interest rate reasonably estimated to be the interest rate such series would bear if issued on the date of such estimate.

Wherever a calculation of Debt Service with respect to Variable Interest Rate Obligations that are not Interim Obligations is required by application of the Standard Assumptions, the Debt Service shall be computed by assuming that such Obligations will bear interest at the highest of (i) the actual rate on the date of calculation, or, if such Obligations are not yet Outstanding, the initial rate, if established and binding, (ii) if the Obligations have been Outstanding for at least 12 months, the average rate over the 12 months immediately preceding the date of calculation, or (iii) (A) if the Obligations are Tax Exempt Obligations, the most recently published "Revenue Bond Index," published by the financial news publication presently known as <u>The Bond Buyer</u>, or by a comparable index if no longer published, plus fifty basis points, or (B) if the Obligations are not Tax Exempt Obligations, the interest rate on direct obligations of the United States with comparable maturities, plus fifty basis points or (C) if the Obligations are Credit Agreement Obligations, such rate as is specified in the Supplemental Resolution creating such Credit Agreement Obligations.

## PURPOSES, PLEDGE AND SECURITY

{*Article II*}

## **Purposes of Resolution, Contract with Holders** {Section 2.1}

The Master Debt Resolution establishes a lien and the security for, and prescribes minimum standards for issuing, Obligations; authorizes the issuance of the Initial Senior Lien Obligations, an initial series of Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations and permits the issuance of Additional Senior Lien Obligations and other Subordinate Lien Obligations; reserves the right to issue Special Revenue Bonds; and prescribes other matters and the general rights of the Holders, DART, Credit Providers, any Bondholder Representative and the Trustee in relation to such Obligations. The provisions of the Master Debt Resolution constitute a contract of DART to and with the Holders and the Trustee.

### Confirmation and Levy of Sales Tax {Section 2.2}

The levy and collection of the Sales Tax, at the rate voted at the election at which DART was created, is confirmed, and DART covenants that, as long as any Obligations are Outstanding, or any Administrative Expenses unpaid, it will (i) levy and collect the Sales Tax to the extent it may legally do so at the highest rate permitted by Applicable Law, subject to requirements for an election under the Voted Tax and Debt Limits, and to take all action permitted to cause the Sales Tax to be collected and remitted to DART at the earliest permissible date , and (ii) will not order any reduction in the rate of tax below its current rate of 1%.

If DART shall be hereafter authorized by Applicable Law at its option to apply, impose and levy the Sales Tax on any taxable items or transactions that are not subject to the Sales Tax on the date of the adoption of the Master Debt Resolution, DART, to the extent it legally may do so, hereby covenants and agrees to take such action as may be required by Applicable Law to subject such taxable items or transactions to the Sales Tax. Further, DART shall not restrict or permit the restriction (unless required by Applicable Law) of the application of the Sales Tax to fewer items or transactions than the Sales Tax is applicable to on the date of the Master Debt Resolution. It is provided, however, that DART shall not be required to exercise any "opt-out" or similar rights and thereby to impose the Sales Tax during temporary periods established by law pursuant to which state and local sales and use taxes are generally exempted on selected items in order to provide financial accommodations to the public in preparation for the annual commencement of publicschool years and similar purposes unless the failure to collect the Sales Tax during such period would cause an Event of Default to occur under paragraphs (i) or (ii) of Section 7.1 of the Master Debt Resolution.

DART agrees to take and pursue all action permissible under Applicable Law to cause the Sales Tax to be collected and remitted as set forth in the Master Debt Resolution at the earliest and most frequent times permitted by Applicable Law.

## **Pledge and Security for Obligations** {Section 2.3}

The Pledged Revenues are irrevocably pledged:

<u>first</u>, (A) to the payment of the principal and any Redemption Price of, and the interest and any premiums on, all Senior Lien Obligations which are or may be Outstanding from time to time, (B) to the establishment and maintenance of any reserve funds or accounts which are ordered to be created with respect to Senior Lien Obligations by a Supplemental Resolution, and (C) to the payment of all Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Lien Obligations, in each case without distinction as to priority and rights as among each other;

second, subject at all times to the senior rights of the Holders of Senior Lien Obligations and to the payment of Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Lien Obligations, (A) to the payment of the principal and any Redemption Price of, and the interest and any premiums on, all Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations which are or may be Outstanding from time to time, (B) to the establishment and maintenance of any reserve funds or accounts which are ordered to be created with respect to Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations by a Supplemental Resolution, and (C) to the payment of all Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, in each case without distinction as to priority and rights as among each other; and

third, subject at all times to the senior rights of the Holders of Senior Lien Obligations and to the payment of Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Lien Obligations and the senior rights of the Holders of Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations and to the payment of Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, (A) to the payment of the principal and any Redemption Price of, and the interest and any premiums on, all Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations which are or may be Outstanding from time to time, (B) to the establishment and maintenance of any reserve funds or accounts which are ordered to be created with respect to Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations by a Supplemental Resolution, and (C) to the payment of all Administrative Expenses with respect to Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, in each case without distinction as to priority and rights as among each other.

DART irrevocably and specifically pledges (i) the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund and all moneys and investments actually on deposit in the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund to the payment of the Senior Lien Obligations and Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Lien Obligations, (ii) the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and all moneys and investments actually on deposit in the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund to the payment of Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations and to Administrative Expenses with respect to Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, and (iii) the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and all moneys and investments actually on deposit in the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund to the payment of Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations and to Administrative Expenses with respect to Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations.

All Obligations and all Administrative Expenses shall constitute special obligations of DART, and, unless otherwise provided in a Supplemental Resolution, the same are secured solely by, a pledge of and a lien on (i) the Pledged Revenues, in the order and priority set forth above and (ii) by the pledge of and lien on the money on deposit in the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, respectively, for the benefit of the Senior Lien Obligations, the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, and the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations as described above, that is exclusive and that is senior and superior to the rights of all other creditors of DART.

### **Collection of Pledged Revenues, Assignment to Trustee** {Section 2.4}

DART assigns to the Trustee all of the Pledged Revenues, in trust, for the benefit and security of Holders and the Credit Providers. DART appoints the Trustee as its agent and attorney-in-fact for the purpose of performing those duties of its treasurer which consist of collecting and receiving the Gross Sales Tax Revenues from the Comptroller and taking such steps as may be necessary to perfect and maintain the liens granted under the Master Debt Resolution. DART is required to cause the Comptroller to pay all Gross Sales Tax Revenues directly to the Trustee for deposit to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund. If the Comptroller refuses or is not legally obligated to make transfers as directed by DART, the DART is required to cause the Gross Sales Tax Revenues to be transferred to the Trustee as received. All Gross Sales Tax Revenues received by the Trustee are required to be deposited to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund and applied in accordance with the Master Debt Resolution. A specific series of Bond Obligations may be additionally payable from or secured by Credit Agreements and any Supplemental Resolution may provide that the security provided thereby not extend to other series of Obligations.

#### Security Agreement {Section 2.5}

The Master Debt Resolution constitutes a security agreement with the Trustee as the secured party. The grants, assignments, liens, pledges and security interests of the Trustee created in the Master Debt Resolution shall become effective upon the delivery of Obligations under the Master Debt Resolution, and shall be continuously effective for so long as any Obligations or Administrative Expenses are Outstanding.

## PERMITTED DART INDEBTEDNESS

{*Article III*}

## Additional Senior Lien Obligations {Section 3.2}

DART reserves the right to issue Additional Senior Lien Obligations on a parity with Outstanding Senior Lien Obligations, pursuant to one or more Supplemental Resolutions. Prior to the issuance of Additional Senior Lien Obligations, either (A) Gross Sales Tax Revenues must be estimated to be, for each of the three consecutive Fiscal Years beginning with the First Fiscal Year in which Debt Service with respect to the proposed Additional Senior Lien Obligations is due, equal to at least 200% of the Debt Service that will be due on Senior Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) during each of such 3 consecutive Fiscal Years after taking into consideration any additional Debt Service to be paid during such period with respect to the Additional Senior Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) then proposed to be issued and any reduction in Debt Service that may result from the issuance thereof, determined in accordance with the requirements of the Master Debt Resolution; or (B) for either the most recent complete Fiscal Year, or for any consecutive 12 of the most recent 18 months, the Gross Sales Tax Revenues must have been equal to at least 200% of the maximum Debt Service with respect to all Outstanding Senior Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) including maximum Debt Service on the proposed Additional Senior Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) then proposed to be issued, determined in accordance with the requirements of the Master Debt Resolution, provided however, this requirement does not apply to the issuance of Interim Obligations. In addition, estimated Gross Sales Tax Revenues for each of the 3 consecutive Fiscal Years beginning with the first Fiscal Year in which Debt Service on the proposed Additional Senior Lien Obligations is due must equal at least (A) 100% (or such higher percentage required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on Senior Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) plus (B) 100% (or such higher percentage required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on Outstanding Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations) during each of such 3 consecutive Fiscal Years, determined in accordance with the requirements of the Master Debt Resolution. The Debt Service required to be calculated for a particular series of Obligations shall be calculated net of amounts payable to DART from or by the State or the United States for, on account of, or in reimbursement for the payment of principal and interest on such Obligations, if such amounts are, at the time of calculation, required to be deposited to the debt service fund for such Obligations.

The Debt Service required to be calculated for a particular series of Obligations under subsections (iii) and (iv) of Section 3.2(b) of the Master Debt Resolution shall be calculated net of amounts payable to DART from or by

the State or the United States for, on account of, or in reimbursement for the payment of principal and interest on such Obligations (the "Federal Interest Subsidiary" payments).

### Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations {Section 3.3}

Subject to the limitations and requirements set forth in the Master Debt Resolution, DART reserves the right to issue additional Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations pursuant to one or more Supplemental Resolutions for any purpose permitted by Applicable Law secured by and payable from a senior subordinate pledge of the Pledged Revenues and, at the option of DART, a pledge of Special Revenues. Additional Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations may only be issued if estimated Gross Sales Tax Revenues for each of the three consecutive Fiscal Years beginning with the first Fiscal Year in which Debt Service is due on the proposed Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, plus the amount of the Special Revenues, if any, that are projected to be available and pledged to the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, are equal to at least (A) 100% (or such higher percentage required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations, plus (B) 100% of the Debt Service on all Outstanding Senior Lien Obligations and Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations), in each case during each of such three consecutive Fiscal Years, computed as required under the Master Debt Resolution.

## Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations {Section 3.4}

Subject to the limitations and requirements set forth in the Master Debt Resolution, DART reserves the right to issue Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations pursuant to one or more Supplemental Resolutions for any purpose permitted by Applicable Law, payable from and secured by a junior subordinate pledge of the Pledged Revenues and, at the option of DART, a pledge of Special Revenues. Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations may only be issued if estimated Gross Sales Tax Revenues for each of 3 consecutive Fiscal Years beginning with the first Fiscal Year in which Debt Service is due on the proposed Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, plus the amount of the Special Revenues, if any, that are projected to be available and pledged to the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, are equal to at least (A) 100% (or such higher percentage required by a Supplemental Resolution) of the Debt Service on Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations (exclusive of amounts payable on Credit Agreement Obligations), in each case during each of such three consecutive Fiscal Years, computed as required under the Master Debt Resolution.

#### Credit Agreement Obligations {Section 3.5}

DART is authorized to enter into Credit Agreements, pursuant to Supplemental Resolutions, that create Credit Agreement Obligations that are secured and payable on a parity with other Outstanding Obligations. Credit Agreements may include rights and remedies which are in addition to the rights and remedies contained in the Master Debt Resolution and which may be enforced apart from the Master Debt Resolution.

### Special Revenue Bonds {Section 3.6}

DART reserves the right to issue Special Revenue Obligations and to enter into related credit agreements without complying with the requirements of the Master Debt Resolution regarding the issuance of Obligations.

### **Other Encumbrances Prohibited** {Section 3.8}

Except for the Pledge of the Pledged Revenues as security for the Obligations and Administrative Expenses in the order of priority established in Article II of the Master Debt Resolution, the Pledged Revenues may not be pledged or encumbered to or for the payment of any other obligation or liability of DART.

# TERMS, PROVISIONS AND AUTHENTICATION OF BOND OBLIGATIONS

{*Article IV*}

Bond Obligations may be issued in any form and manner permitted by Applicable Law, subject to the provisions of the Master Debt Resolution and any applicable Supplemental Resolution. Bond Obligations are to be issued pursuant to a Supplemental Resolution setting forth all of the terms, provisions and conditions pertaining to such Bond Obligations.

### SPECIAL FUNDS, USES OF MONEYS {*Article V*}

### Creation of Funds and Accounts {Section 5.1}

The Master Debt Resolution establishes the System Expansion and Acquisition Fund, the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, consisting of an Interest Account and a Principal Installment Account; the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, consisting of an Interest Account and a Principal Installment Account; and the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, consisting of an Interest Account and a Principal Installment Account. The Master Debt Resolution reestablishes and reconfirms the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund and the General Operating Fund.

The Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund is a special trust fund held by the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Obligations and the payees of Administrative Expenses. The Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and the Junior Lien Debt Service Fund are special trust funds held by the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Senior Lien Obligations, the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations and the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, respectively, and the payees of Administrative Expenses.

The System Expansion and Acquisition Fund, the General Operating Fund and all other funds or accounts of DART not expressly required by the Master Debt Resolution or by a Supplemental Resolution to be held by the Trustee, may be held in any bank or lawful depository and said funds and accounts and all moneys on deposit therein, including the Available Remaining Revenues, shall be free of any lien, pledge or trust created by the Master Debt Resolution.

### System Expansion and Acquisition Fund {Section 5.2}

Money on deposit in the System Expansion and Acquisition Fund is to be used to pay Costs of Acquisition and Construction and will be funded as directed in Supplemental Resolutions. In the event of a default in the payment of Obligations the Board may, but is not required to, use moneys on deposit in the System Expansion and Acquisition Fund to cure such default. Amounts remaining after payment of Costs of Acquisition and Construction for which a series of Obligations was issued may, at the discretion of DART, be used to redeem such Obligations in advance of maturity or used to pay other Costs of Acquisition and Construction.

### Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund {Section 5.3}

The Trustee is required to deposit to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund all Gross Sales Tax Revenues (and no other moneys) as received and, on the day received, to transfer all amounts deposited to the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund, first, to the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund (for the Debt Service Accrual Period that begins on the date of such deposit) and any reserve fund pertaining to Senior Lien Obligations, the amounts required to be deposited therein, and to pay Administrative Expenses pertaining to Senior Lien Obligations; second, to the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund (for the Debt Service Accrual Period that begins on the date of such deposit) and any reserve fund pertaining to Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, the amounts required to be deposited therein, and to pay Administrative Expenses pertaining to Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations; and, third, to the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund (for the Debt Service Accrual Period that begins on the date of such deposit) and any reserve fund pertaining to Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, the amounts required to be deposited therein, and to pay Administrative Expenses pertaining to Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations. The amounts required to be deposited to each of the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, respectively, is equal to the Accrued Aggregate Debt Service for the current Debt Service Accrual Period less any amounts required to be credited against the amounts transferred pursuant to Section 5.3(d) of the Master Debt Resolution, and are required to be allocated first to the respective Interest Account and then to the respective Principal Installment Account. If the amounts on deposit in the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund are not

sufficient to make the full amount of a transfer or payment required to be made, the Trustee is required to transfer the amount to the fund or account where the deficiency occurs with the highest priority and is prohibited from making transfers to any fund or account with a lower priority. Any balance remaining in the Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund after making the foregoing transfers and payments is to be deposited to the General Operating Fund.

The Trustee is required to notify each Paying Agent of the anticipated date of commencement of each Debt Service Accrual Period not less than 2 Business Days prior to the date the Trustee expects such Debt Service Accrual Period to begin. Each Paying Agent is required to certify to the Trustee the amount of Accrued Aggregate Debt Service for Obligations for the Debt Service Accrual Period specified by the Trustee which has not been paid from other sources.

## Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund {Sections 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6}

The Trustee is required to pay from the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund and the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, respectively, to the respective Paying Agents and Credit Providers for Outstanding Senior Lien Obligations, Outstanding Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations and Outstanding Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, respectively, the amounts required to pay Debt Service on such Obligations when due, whether at the stated maturity or prior redemption; provided, however, that if less than the total amount required to pay such Obligations is on deposit in the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund or the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, respectively, Trustee is required to allocate to each Paying Agent and each Credit Provider, in order of priority, <u>pro rata</u> in proportion to the respective unpaid amounts.

If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, moneys in such funds are required to be applied as provided in Section 7.4 of the Master Debt Resolution.

## General Provisions Applicable to Payments on Obligations {Section 5.7}

If a payment date is not a Business Day, then such payment date will be deemed to be the next succeeding Business Day of the Trustee or Paying Agent, as the case may be, and no interest will accrue between the stated day and the applicable succeeding Business Day.

## Uses of General Operating Fund and of Available Remaining Revenues {Section 5.8}

Gross Sales Tax Revenues deposited in the General Operating Fund may be transferred to other funds and accounts of DART, free and clear of the lien of the Master Debt Resolution, and may be used for any purpose permitted or required by Applicable Law. In addition to contractual and other obligations incurred in the ordinary course of its business, DART may incur obligations payable from or secured by the Available Remaining Revenues.

### Investment of Trust Funds and Accounts {Section 5.9}

Amounts in funds and accounts held by the Trustee may, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, be invested in Investment Securities upon written instructions of DART. Investment Securities must mature in such amounts and at such times as is necessary to provide for timely payment from such fund or account. Investment Securities may be exchanged among funds and accounts, if required to meet payment obligations, and the Trustee may cause the liquidation prior to their maturities of Investment Securities; the Trustee is not to be liable for any resulting loss or penalty. Generally, Investment Securities and the earnings or losses thereon are part of the fund or account from which they were purchased except that transfers of earnings may be made in order to avoid investment in any manner that would cause any of the Obligations intended to be tax-exempt to be or become "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of the Code. Investments are required to be valued at least annually at the lower of original cost or the then market value thereof.

### Effect of Deposits with Paying Agents {Section 5.10}

Upon the deposit with the applicable Paying Agent of moneys sufficient to pay the amounts due on Obligations, DART is released from further obligation with respect to the payment of such amounts or interest thereon and such Obligations will no longer be Outstanding. Moneys deposited with Paying Agents are held uninvested in trust for the benefit of the Holders or payees of such Obligations. Unclaimed moneys are required to be distributed in accordance with any applicable escheat laws.

## Arbitrage {Section 5.11}

DART covenants that it will take no action or fail to take any action which would cause any Tax-Exempt Obligations to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of the Code.

### **Deposits of Special Revenues** {Section 5.12}

Special Revenues may be deposited to such funds and accounts of DART as may be required by Applicable Law, grant condition or contract, or as directed in the documents relating to the issuance of Special Revenue Bonds or to Subordinate Lien Obligations if Special Revenues are pledged to the payment thereof.

# GENERAL COVENANTS AND REPRESENTATIONS

{*Article VI*}

### **Representations as to Pledged Revenues** {Section 6.1}

DART represents and warrants that it is authorized to issue the Obligations, to adopt the Master Debt Resolution and to pledge the Pledged Revenues as provided in the Master Debt Resolution, and that the Pledged Revenues are and will remain free and clear of any pledge, lien, charge or encumbrance except as expressly permitted by Article II of the Master Debt Resolution. The Obligations and provisions of the Master Debt Resolution are valid and legally enforceable obligations of DART in accordance with their terms, subject only to any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency laws or to any Applicable Law affecting creditors' rights generally. DART and the Trustee will defend, preserve and protect the pledge of the Pledged Revenues and all of the rights of the Holders against all claims and will take appropriate steps for the collection of delinquencies in the collection of the Sales Tax.

## Accounts, Periodic Reports and Certificates {Section 6.2}

DART covenants to keep proper books of record and account relating to the System and the funds and accounts established by the Master Debt Resolution which will be subject to inspection by Holders of not less than 5% in principal amount of Bond Obligations, each Bondholder Representative and each Credit Provider. DART will provide annually, within 180 days after the close of each fiscal year, to any requesting Holder of at least 25% of a single series of Outstanding Obligations, a copy of an annual report containing certain financial information for the fiscal year just ended and the preceding fiscal year.

DART will notify the Trustee and each Credit Provider immediately if it becomes aware of the occurrence of any Event of Default or of any fact, condition or event that, with the giving of notice or passage of time or both, could become an Event of Default, or of the failure of DART to observe any of its undertakings under the Master Debt Resolution or under any Supplemental Resolution or Credit Agreement.

### Withdrawals of Units of Election {Section 6.4}

If any "unit of election," as defined in the Act, having once become a part of DART, withdraws from DART, the Board will take all lawful steps necessary to assure that all amounts due and owing on all Obligations allocated to such unit of election will continue to be collected from within the withdrawing unit of election until such amounts are paid in full. Gross Sales Tax Revenues collected from within a withdrawn unit of election is required to be set aside by the Trustee in a special trust account and to be expended in such a manner as will permit the continued, timely payment when due of all amounts payable on Outstanding Obligations.

# DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

{*Article VII*}

## Events of Default {Section 7.1}

Each of the following occurrences or events constitutes an "Event of Default" under the Master Debt Resolution:

- (i) failure to timely pay any Debt Service on Bond Obligations;
- (ii) failure to timely pay any Credit Agreement Obligations;

(iii) default by DART in the performance of any of the covenants, conditions, agreements and provisions contained in the Obligations or in any of the Outstanding Resolutions, the failure of which materially and adversely affects the rights of the Holders, and the continuation thereof for a period of 30 days after written notice of such default;

(iv) issuing of an order by the Bankruptcy Court or a United States District Court or other court having jurisdiction, granting DART, in an involuntary proceeding, any relief under any applicable law relating to bankruptcy or providing for the appointment of a receiver or other similar official for DART or any substantial part of its property, affairs or assets, and the continuance of any such order unstayed and in effect for a period of 90 consecutive days; or

(v) DART institutes or consents to the institution of insolvency or bankruptcy proceedings against it under any federal or state insolvency laws, or files or consents to the filing of any petition, application or complaint seeking the appointment of a receiver or other similar official for DART or of any substantial part of its property, affairs or assets.

## **Remedies for Default** {Section 7.2}

Upon the happening and continuance of any of the Events of Default the Trustee is required to transfer future Gross Sales Tax Revenues in the order and priority set forth in Section 5.3(a) of the Master Debt Resolution as described above under "SPECIAL FUNDS, USES OF MONEY—Gross Sales Tax Revenue Fund." Subject to certain restrictions on Holder's actions set forth in Section 7.3 of the Master Debt Resolution, a Credit Provider, a Bondholder Representative and/or a trustee representing not less than 25% in principal amount of Outstanding Bond Obligations, may proceed against DART to protect and enforce the rights of the Holders. No Holder has the right to seek appointment of a receiver or administrator of the affairs and assets of DART. There is no right to accelerate the maturity of any Obligation under the Master Debt Resolution.

Thirty days after a default is cured DART will be restored to its former position under the Master Debt Resolution and any proceedings are required to be abandoned or dismissed.

## Application of Revenues and Other Moneys After Default {Section 7.4}

During the continuance of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall apply all amounts on deposit in the Senior Lien Debt Service Fund, the Senior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund, and the Junior Subordinate Lien Debt Service Fund at the time of the default or deposited to such funds after the default, respectively, as follows: (i) to the payment of Administrative Expenses with respect to the Senior Lien Obligations, the Senior Subordinate Lien Obligations, or the Junior Subordinate Lien Obligations, respectively, as applicable; and (ii) to the payment of Debt Service due on the Obligations, based on the foregoing priority and in the following order:

Unless the principal of all applicable Outstanding Obligations is due, <u>first</u>, to the payment to the payment of interest then due in the order of maturity of such interest installments, and, if the amount

available is not sufficient to pay all interest amounts then due, then to the payment of interest ratably, according to the amounts due on such installment, without any discrimination or preference; and <u>second</u>, to the payment of principal or redemption price then due, whether at maturity or by call for redemption, in the order of their due dates and, if the amount available is not sufficient to pay all of the applicable Obligations due on any date, then to the payment of principal or redemption price ratably, according to the amounts of principal due, without any discrimination or preference.

If the principal of all of the applicable Outstanding Obligations is due, to the payment of the principal and interest then due and unpaid upon such Obligations without preference or priority of principal over interest or of interest over principal, or of any installment of interest over any other installment of interest, or of any such Obligation over any other Obligation, ratably, according to the amounts due respectively for principal and interest, without any discrimination or preference.

### *Notice of Event of Default* {*Section 7.6*}

The Trustee shall promptly give each Holder, by first class mail, notice of each Event of Default of which it has knowledge, unless such Event of Default has been remedied or cured before the giving of such notice, except in the case of an Event of Default specified in paragraph (i) or (ii) of "Events of Default" above, the Trustee may withhold such notice if it determines that the withholding of such notice is in the best interests of the Holders.

## THE TRUSTEE

### {*Article VIII*}

Zion Bancorporation, National Association, DBA Amegy Bank Houston, Texas, is appointed as the Trustee under the Master Debt Resolution. The duties, rights and responsibilities of the Trustee, appointment of successor and co-trustees, and matters pertaining to the administration of the trust created in the Master Debt Resolution, are set forth in Article VIII.

### AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTION {Article IX}

## Supplemental Resolution Without Holders' Consent {Section 9.2}

Subject to any limitations contained in a Supplemental Resolution or a Credit Agreement, DART may adopt Supplemental Resolutions without the consent of Holders of Obligations for the following purposes: (i) to cure any formal defect, omission or ambiguity in the Master Debt Resolution; (ii) to grant to the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders any additional rights, remedies, powers, authority or security; (iii) to add covenants and agreements of DART; (iv) to add limitations and restrictions to be observed by DART; (v) to confirm any pledge or lien of the Pledged Revenues or to subject to the lien or pledge of the Master Debt Resolution additional revenues, properties or collateral; (vi) to authorize the issuance and prescribe the terms of the Initial Senior Lien Obligations, Additional Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, and Special Revenue Bonds, and to create such additional funds and accounts as may be necessary in connection with the issuance of such Obligations; (vii) to make modifications in the Master Debt Resolution or in a Supplemental Resolution that are necessary to comply with the requirements of federal tax or securities law or other Applicable Law and that do not materially adversely affect the rights and security of the Holders to be paid in full when due; or (viii) to make any other change to the Master Debt Resolution or any Supplemental Resolution that does not materially adversely affect the right of the Holders to be paid the full amounts due and payable on the Obligations when due.

### **Powers of Amendment** {Section 9.3}

The Master Debt Resolution or any Supplemental Resolution and the rights and obligations of DART and of the Holders may be amended pursuant to a Supplemental Resolution with the written consent (i) of the Holders of a Required Percentage of Bond Obligations, or (ii) if less than all of the series of Obligations then Outstanding are affected by such amendment, of the Holders of a Required Percentage of the Bond Obligations so affected; provided, however, no amendment shall permit a change in the terms of payment of principal or redemption price of or interest of any Outstanding Bond Obligation without the consent of the Holder of such Obligation; and provided further that no such amendment may be made without the consent of such Credit Providers having the right of such consent.

### **Consent of Holders, Credit Providers or Bondholder Representatives** {Section 9.4}

A Supplemental Resolution making amendments permitted by the Master Debt Resolution may take effect upon receipt of the required consents of the applicable Holders in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Master Debt Resolution. Any consent will be binding upon the Holder giving such consent and upon any subsequent Holder thereof unless such consent is revoked. DART will give notice of the effective date of any such Supplemental Resolution to the affected Holders. Unless such right is limited by a Supplemental Resolution, DART reserves the right to amend the Master Debt Resolution without the consent of or notice to the Holders of Bond Obligations if such amendment is approved by each Credit Provider and Bondholder Representative which is granted the right to give such consent by a Supplemental Resolution.

## **DISCHARGE OF RESOLUTION**

{*Article X*}

#### **Discharge by Payment** {Section 10.1}

The pledge and lien of the Outstanding Resolutions will be released when all Bond Obligations, Credit Agreement Obligations, and Administrative Expenses have been paid or provided for.

### **Discharge by Defeasance** {Section 10.2}

DART may discharge its obligations to pay Debt Service on all or any portion of the Obligations and related Administrative Expenses, and thereby obtain a release of the pledge and lien of the Master Debt Resolution and any applicable Supplemental Resolution as to such Obligations, by depositing irrevocably with a trustee or escrow agent moneys which, together with earnings thereon from investment in "Government Securities," as verified by a nationally recognized firm of independent certified public accountants or accounting firm, will be sufficient to pay such amounts on such Obligations to maturity or prior redemption, in all cases in accordance with the terms and provisions set forth in the Master Debt Resolution.

## MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

{*Article XI*}

## Secondary Market Disclosure, Annual Reports {Section 11.1}

DART will provide such financial information and operating data necessary to comply with SEC Rule 15c2-12 relating to secondary market reporting requirements.

## Meeting of Holders of Bond Obligations {Section 11.4}

Meetings of Holders of Bond Obligations may be called in the manner provided in the Master Debt Resolution to give any notice to DART or to the Trustee, to waive or consent to the waiving of any Event of Default, to remove or appoint a successor Trustee, to consent to the execution of a Supplemental Resolution or to take any other action authorized to be taken by or on behalf of the Holders of Bond Obligations.

## Appointment of Bondholder Representative {Section 11.8}

Each Supplemental Resolution may designate a Bondholder Representative or establish for the means by which Holders of a series of Bond Obligations may appoint a Bondholder Representative.

APPENDIX C Pledged Farebox Revenue

## PLEDGED FAREBOX REVENUE

2011	014 041 000
2011	\$14,941,000
2012	\$22,986,000
2013	\$22,986,000
2014	\$22,986,000
2015	\$22,986,000
2016	\$22,986,000
2017	\$22,986,000
2018	\$22,986,000
2019	\$22,986,000
2020	\$22,986,000
2021	\$22,986,000
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2036	\$22,986,000
2037	\$22,986,000
2038	\$71,439,000
2039	\$71,433,000
2040	\$71,429,000
2041	\$71,420,000
2042	\$71,409,000
2043	\$71,404,000
2044	\$71,394,000
2045	\$71,383,000
2045	\$71,375,000
2040	\$71,368,000
2048	\$71,359,000
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2057	\$71,350,000
2058	\$71,350,000