Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report

September 30, 2015



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

Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners City of Gainesville, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), a blended component unit of the City of Gainesville, Florida (the "City"), which comprise the balance sheet as of September 30, 2015, and the related statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### 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 an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City's CRA as of September 30, 2015, and the changes in its financial position for the year 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, the accompanying financial statements were prepared to facilitate the independent audit requirements contained in Section 163.387(8), Florida Statutes, and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the City's financial activity. Our opinion is not modified with respect to that matter.

Can, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.

Gainesville, Florida March 29, 2016

## Balance Sheet September 30, 2015

	Red	Community development Agency Operating Fund	Re	Downtown development Tax Increment Fund	Fifth Avenue Tax ncrement Fund	College Park Tax Increment Fund	I	Eastside Tax ncrement Fund	Total
Assets Equity in pooled cash Receivables	\$	623,928 3,722	\$	3,168,763 13,792	\$ 920,717 1,390	\$ 9,565,870 -	\$	2,304,766 1,500	\$ 16,584,044 20,404
Total assets	\$	627,650	\$	3,182,555	\$ 922,107	\$ 9,565,870	\$	2,306,266	\$ 16,604,448
Liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances									
Liabilities									
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Advances from other funds	\$	16,875 2,341,675	\$	196,965 -	\$ 17,298	\$ 14,551	\$	1,308	\$ 246,997 2,341,675
Total liabilities		2,358,550		196,965	17,298	14,551		1,308	2,588,672
Deferred inflows Deferred revenue				-	1,390	_		-	1,390
Fund balances									
Restricted for: Capital project purposes		-		2,985,590	903,419	9,551,319		2,304,958	15,745,286
Unassigned		(1,730,900)		-	-	-		-	(1,730,900)
Total fund balances		(1,730,900)		2,985,590	903,419	9,551,319		2,304,958	14,014,386
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances	\$	627,650	\$	3,182,555	\$ 922,107	\$ 9,565,870	\$	2,306,266	\$ 16,604,448

#### See accompanying notes.

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Community Redevelopment Agency Operating Fund	: R	Downtown edevelopment Tax Increment Fund	Fifth Avenue Tax hcrement Fund	College Park Tax Increment Fund		Eastside Tax ncrement Fund		Total
Revenues									
Property taxes	\$.	\$	1,281,537	\$ 303,777	\$ 2,120,496	\$	347,749	\$	4,053,559
Rental income			10,025	17,180	-	·	20,204	·	47,409
Gain (loss) on investments	22,804		182,986	46,405	385,112		104,102		741,409
Miscellaneous	8		-	-	-		-		8
Total revenues	22,812		1,474,548	367,362	2,505,608		472,055		4,842,385
Expenditures									
City attorney	63,386								63,386
Downtown redevelopment administration	442,813		-	-	-		-		442,813
Fifth avenue administration	193,466						_		193,466
College park administration	472,549		-	-	-		-		472,549
Eastside administration	156,332		-	-	-		-		156,332
Downtown redevelopment projects	100,001		1,732,993	-	-		-		1,732,993
Fifth avenue projects			-	169,173	-		-		169,173
College park projects			-	-	325,556		-		325,556
Eastside projects			-	-	-		70,214		70,214
Total expenditures	1,328,546		1,732,993	169,173	325,556		70,214		3,626,482
Excess of revenues over									
(under) expenditures	(1,305,734	)	(258,445)	198,189	2,180,052		401,841		1,215,903
Other financing sources (uses)									
Transfers in	1,713,681		656,556	155,631	1,086,371		169,073		3,781,312
Transfers out	(19,157		(617,430)	(266,127)	(643,450)		(186,674)		(1,732,838)
Tansiers out	(19,137	/	(017,430)	 (200,127)	(043,430)		(180,074)		(1,732,838)
Total other financing									
sources (uses)	1,694,524		39,126	(110,496)	442,921		(17,601)		2,048,474
Net change in fund balances	388,790		(219,319)	87,693	2,622,973		384,240		3,264,377
Fund balances, October 1	(2,119,690	)	3,204,909	815,726	6,928,346		1,920,718		10,750,009
Fund balances, September 30	\$ (1,730,900	) \$	2,985,590	\$ 903,419	\$ 9,551,319	\$	2,304,958	\$	14,014,386

See accompanying notes.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A legally separate entity, the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was created by ordinance of the City to carry out community redevelopment within the City of Gainesville under Chapter 163 of the Florida Statutes. The City Commission sits as the board of this organization and approves its budget. The CRA is reported as if it were a part of the City because the City Commission is its governing body and because of the existence of a financial benefit/burden relationship.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The CRA's operating fund and four Tax Increment District project funds are reported as separate nonmajor governmental funds. The accompanying financial statements are special purpose financial statements. They have been prepared to facilitate the requirement for an independent audit of the City's CRA funds and, accordingly, result in an incomplete presentation of the City's financial activity that is otherwise in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements include only those five funds and do not purport to, and do not, constitute a complete presentation of the City's financial activity.

#### **Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting**

The CRA funds are accounted for on a current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources." Their operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and, accordingly, are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

The CRA funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

#### **Fund Balance**

The CRA follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions* to classify fund balances for governmental funds into specifically defined classifications. The classifications comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the CRA is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

## NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The fund balances of the City's CRA funds are classified as *restricted* pursuant to the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54. Fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

The City's policy is to expend resources in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

## **NOTE 2 - ADVANCES FROM OTHER FUNDS**

The Advance from Other Funds balance resulted from various notes between the City and the CRA, a blended component unit, for various projects within the four CRA districts. A description of each note is listed below:

<u>\$836,900 Commerce Building/AMJ Project, Downtown Promissory Note</u> – 1.05% to 4.28% fixed annual interest rate. In September 1999, a promissory note payable was established from the City to CRA to be repaid from tax increment proceeds associated with the Commerce Building project. In July 2004, the note was amended to specify that repayment will be from all tax increment proceeds from the Downtown Redevelopment Area. The final repayment is scheduled for January 2020.

<u>\$434,955 The Lofts (Old Stringfellow) – 609 West University Avenue, College Park Promissory Note</u> – 1.57% to 4.96% fixed annual interest rate. In April 2001, a promissory note payable was established from the City to CRA to be repaid from tax increment proceeds. In October 2004, the note was amended for the redevelopment of the area known as The Lofts. The final repayment is scheduled for November 2024.

<u>\$650,000 Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Projects, Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Promissory Note</u> – 6.72% fixed annual interest rate. In April 2002, a promissory note payable was established from the City to CRA to be repaid from tax increment proceeds. The final repayment is scheduled for July 2022.

\$1,400,600 Courthouse Parking Facility Project, Downtown Promissory Note – 6.72% fixed annual interest rate. In April 2002, a promissory note payable was established from the City to CRA to be repaid from tax increment proceeds. The final repayment is scheduled for July 2024.

<u>\$300,000</u> Eastside District Redevelopment Trust Promissory Note – 4.5% to 6.2% fixed annual interest rate. In May 2005, a promissory note payable was established from the City to CRA to be repaid from tax increment proceeds. The final repayment is scheduled for July 2025.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

### NOTE 2 - ADVANCES FROM OTHER FUNDS (CONTINUED)

<u>\$800,000 College Park / 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Redevelopment Trust, College Park Promissory Note</u> – 4.5% to 6.2% fixed annual interest rate. In May 2005, a promissory note payable was established from the City to CRA to be repaid from tax increment proceeds. The final repayment is scheduled for July 2025.

Following is the repayment schedule of advances from the City's General Fund to the CRA:

Year ending										
September 30,	Advances from General Fund to CRA									
	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Total							
2016	\$ 246,392	\$ 104,872	\$ 351,264							
2017	255,096	94,267	349,363							
2018	267,505	83,051	350,556							
2019	282,257	70,511	352,768							
2020	292,271	57,601	349,872							
2021-2025	998,154	122,041	1,120,195							
Total	\$ 2,341,675	\$ 532,343	\$ 2,874,018							