## RESOLUTION ADOPTING BUDGET, APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY AND CERTIFYING MILL LEVIES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025

The Board of Directors of Ventana Metropolitan District (the "**Board**"), City of Fountain, El Paso County, Colorado (the "**District**"), held a regular meeting, via teleconference and at Ventana Rec Center, 11007 Hidden Prairie Parkway, Fountain, Colorado on November 18, 2024, at the hour of 6:00 p.m.

Prior to the meeting, each of the directors was notified of the date, time, and place of the budget meeting and the purpose for which it was called, and a notice of the meeting was posted or published in accordance with § 29-1-106, C.R.S.

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#### NOTICE AS TO PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET

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STATE OF COLORADO **COUNTY OF El Paso** 

I, Lorre Cosgrove, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the Legal Sales Representative of The Colorado Springs Gazette, LLC., a corporation, the publishers of a daily/weekly public newspapers, which is printed and published daily/weekly in whole in the County of El Paso, and the State of Colorado, and which is called Colorado Springs Gazette; that a notice of which the annexed is an exact copy, cut from said newspaper, was published in the regular and entire editions of said newspaper 1 time(s) to wit 11/08/2024

That said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterruptedly in said County of El Paso for a period of at least six consecutive months next prior to the first issue thereof containing this notice; that said newspaper has a general circulation and that it has been admitted to the United States mails as second-class matter under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879 and any amendment thereof, and is a newspaper duly qualified for the printing of legal notices and advertisement within the meaning of the laws of the State of Colorado.

Lorre Cosgrove Sales Center Agent

Subscribed and sworn to me this 11/13/2024, at said City of Colorado Springs, El Paso County, Colorado.

Jorre Congrave

Karen Degan

My commission expires June 23, 2026.

Karen Hogan **Notary Public** 

> KAREN HOGAN **NOTARY PUBLIC** STATE OF COLORADO NOTARY ID 20224024441 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 06/23/2026

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDED 2024 BUDGET

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he agenda for any meeting may be obtained at <a href="https://ventanam:olorado.gov/">https://ventanam:olorado.gov/</a> or by calling (303) 858-1800.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado

/s/ WHITE BEAR ANKELE TANAKA & WALDRON Attorneys at Law

iblished in The Gazette November 8, 2024

WHEREAS, the Board has appointed its accountant to prepare and submit a proposed budget to the Board in accordance with Colorado law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget has been submitted to the Board for its review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, provided in accordance with Colorado law, said proposed budget was available for inspection by the public at a designated place, a public hearing was held and interested electors of the District were provided a public comment period and given the opportunity to file any objections to the proposed budget prior to the final adoption of the budget by the Board.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Adoption of Budget</u>. The budget attached hereto and incorporated herein is approved and adopted as the budget of the District for fiscal year 2025. In the event of recertification of values by the County Assessor's Office after the date of adoption hereof, staff is hereby directed to modify and/or adjust the budget and certification to reflect the recertification without the need for additional Board authorization. Any such modification to the budget or certification as contemplated by this Section 1 shall be deemed ratified by the Board.

Section 2. <u>Levy of Property Taxes</u>. The Board does hereby certify the levy of property taxes for collection in 2025 as more specifically set out in the budget attached hereto.

Section 3. Mill Levy Adjustment. When developing the attached budget, consideration was given to any changes in the method of calculating assessed valuation, including any changes to the assessment ratios, or any constitutionally mandated tax credit, cut, or abatement, as authorized in the District's service plan. The Board hereby determines in good faith (such determination to be binding and final), that to the extent possible, the adjustments to the mill levies made to account for changes in Colorado law described in the prior sentence, and the actual tax revenues generated by the mill levies, are neither diminished nor enhanced as a result of those changes.

Section 4. <u>Certification to County Commissioners</u>. The Board directs its legal counsel, manager, accountant, or other designee to certify to the Board of County Commissioners of El Paso County, Colorado the mill levies for the District as set forth herein. Such certification shall be in compliance with the requirements of Colorado law.

Section 5. <u>Appropriations</u>. The amounts set forth as expenditures in the budget attached hereto are hereby appropriated from the revenue of each fund for the purposes stated.

Section 6. <u>Filing of Budget and Budget Message</u>. The Board hereby directs its legal counsel, manager, or other designee to file a certified copy of the adopted budget resolution, the budget and budget message with the Division of Local Government by January 30 of the ensuing year.

Section 7. <u>Budget Certification</u>. The budget shall be certified by a member of the District, or a person appointed by the District, and made a part of the public records of the District.

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#### ADOPTED NOVEMBER 18, 2024.

#### **DISTRICT:**

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, a

quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado

By: Officer District

Attest:

By: C4A38DB6C4E54A4...

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

WHITE BEAR ANKELE TANAKA & WALDRON
Attorneys at Law
Signed by:

General Coursel to the District

STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF EL PASO VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution constitutes a true and correct copy of the record of proceedings of the Board adopted by a majority of the Board at a District meeting held at Ventana Rec Center, 11007 Hidden Prairie Parkway, Fountain, Colorado and via teleconference on Monday, November 18, 2024, as recorded in the official record of the proceedings of the District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this \_\_\_\_ day of November, 2024.

Signature B6C4E54A4...

# EXHIBIT A BUDGET DOCUMENT BUDGET MESSAGE

# VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT ANNUAL BUDGET FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SUMMARY 2025 BUDGET

## WITH 2023 ACTUAL AND 2024 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

	II—	ACTUAL		OTIMATED		DUDGET
		ACTUAL	=;	STIMATED		BUDGET
	<u> </u>	2023	<u> </u>	2024		2025
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	194,424	\$	1,400,749	\$	1,285,836
REVENUES						
Property taxes		494,678		671,137		922,049
Specific ownership taxes		51,786		63,401		92,205
Park Permit Fees		33,986		-		-
Rec Center Fees		243,677		281,028		251,100
Trash Fees		73,501		96,525		94,023
Interest income		6,043		45,050		62,500
Other revenue		4,500		5,526		_
Park Fee Advance		-		24		-
Bond issuance proceeds		13,378,000		_		-
Late fees / penalties		-		2,236		-
Permit Use Fees		-		4,824		-
Total revenues		14,286,171		1,169,750		1,421,877
TRANSFERS IN		-		563,630		121,247
Total funds available		14,480,595		3,134,129		2,828,960
EXPENDITURES						
General Fund		97,889		50,125		110,000
Debt Service Fund		12,533,266		723,552		720,001
Capital Projects Fund		32,742		720,002		720,001
Special Revenue Fund		415,949		510,986		466,370
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Total expenditures		13,079,846		1,284,663		1,296,371
TRANSFERS OUT				E62 620		404.047
TRANSFERS OUT		-		563,630		121,247
Total expenditures and transfers out						
requiring appropriation		13,079,846		1,848,293		1,417,618
requiring appropriation		10,070,040		1,040,230		1,417,010
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	1,400,749	\$	1,285,836	\$	1,411,342
EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$	3,500	\$	16,065	\$	16,889
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	Ψ	(187,330)	Ψ	14,227	Ψ	-
DEBT SERVICE RESERVE		489,774		487,313		487,313
SURPLUS FUND		-		-		907,140
TOTAL RESERVE	-\$	305,944	\$	517,605	\$	1,411,342
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#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX SUMMARY INFORMATION 2025 BUDGET

### WITH 2023 ACTUAL AND 2024 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

		ACTUAL	EST	IMATED	E	BUDGET
		2023	:	2024		2025
ASSESSED VALUATION						
Residential	\$	9,359,710	\$ 12	,040,830	\$	13,137,780
Commercial	Ψ	4,810	Ψ 12	6,030	Ψ	4,980
State assessed		34,260		44,810		46,500
Vacant land		384,190	1	,182,670		723,840
Certified Assessed Value	\$	9,782,970	\$ 13	,274,340	\$ 1	13,913,100
MILL LEVY						
General		10.000		10.000		13.254
Debt Service		40.559		40.559		53.018
Total mill levy		50.559		50.559		66.272
PROPERTY TAXES			_		_	
General	\$	97,830	\$	132,743	\$	184,404
Debt Service		396,787		538,394		737,645
Levied property taxes Adjustments to actual/rounding		494,617 61		671,137 -		922,049 -
Budgeted property taxes	\$	494,678	\$	671,137	\$	922,049
BUDGETED PROPERTY TAXES						
General	\$	97,842	\$	132,743	\$	184,404
Debt Service	_	396,836		538,394		737,645
	<u>\$</u>	494,678	\$	671,137	\$	922,049

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT GENERAL FUND 2025 BUDGET

## WITH 2023 ACTUAL AND 2024 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

	Ī	ACTUAL	FC	ESTIMATED		BUDGET
	∥ ′	2023		2024		2025
	<u> </u>					
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	(199,795)	\$	(183,830)	\$	30,292
REVENUES						
Property taxes		97,842		132,743		184,404
Specific ownership taxes		10,243		12,540		18,440
Interest income		1,269		50		15,000
Other revenue		4,500		5,526		-
Total revenues		113,854		150,859		217,844
TRANSFERS IN						
Transfers from other funds		-		338,509		_
Total funds available		(85,941)		305,538		248,136
EXPENDITURES						
General and administrative						
Accounting		_		7,500		28,000
Auditing		-		9,600		7,750
County Treasurer's fee		1,468		2,009		2,766
Dues and membership		-		916		1,500
Insurance		26,579		15,000		17,500
Legal		-		15,000		20,000
Miscellaneous		4,891		-		-
Professional fees		64,061		-		-
Banking fees		-		100		-
Election		890		-		20,000
Contingency				<u>-</u>		12,484
Total expenditures		97,889		50,125		110,000
TRANSFERS OUT						
Transfers to other fund		-		225,121		121,247
Total expenditures and transfers out						
requiring appropriation		97,889		275,246		231,247
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	(183,830)	\$	30,292	\$	16,889
EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$	3,500	\$	16,065	\$	16,889
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	Ψ	(187,330)	Ψ	14,227	Ψ	10,000
TOTAL RESERVE	\$	(183,830)	\$	30,292	\$	16,889
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#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OPERATIONS FEE FUND 2025 BUDGET

### WITH 2023 ACTUAL AND 2024 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

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	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED	BUDGET
	2023	2024	2025
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ (98,771)	\$ -
REVENUES			
Rec Center Fees	243,677	281,028	251,100
Trash Fees	73,501	96,525	94,023
Permit Use Fees	, <u>-</u>	4,824	· _
Late fees / penalties	_	2,236	_
Park Fee Advance	-	24	_
Total revenues	317,178	384,637	345,123
TRANSFERS IN			
Transfers from other funds		225,121	121,247
Transiers from other rands		220,121	121,247
Total funds available	317,178	510,987	466,370
EXPENDITURES			
Operations and Maintenance			
District management	51,934	50,400	50,400
Covenant Enforcement	· <u>-</u>	39,600	<u>-</u>
Office Supplies	15,168	8,000	7,500
Community Manager	-	_	98,420
Payroll expenses	_	69,783	· _
Trash Collection	89,915	95,134	94,023
Rental Security Deposit Refund	-	_	-
Operations and maintenance	102,728	-	-
Snow Removal	-	15,000	35,000
Contingency	-	-	3,917
Park			
Maintence Contract	95,452	60,000	62,000
Utilities	60,752	21,603	30,000
Repairs	-	22,166	10,000
Playground Repairs	-	13,145	-
Other	-	7,500	-
Pool		40.400	40.000
Chemicals	-	12,482	18,000
Water Inspections	-	295	300
Repairs and maintenance	_	60,000	3,370
Season Start/Finish Other	_	1,600 1,000	2,000
Recreation Center	_	1,000	_
Repairs and maintenance	_	1,810	_
Supplies	_	4,130	5,000
Utilities	_	23,338	40,000
Trash Collection	_	-	1,440
Fitness Equipment Maintenance	_	4,000	5,000
Total expenditures	415,949	510,986	466,370
Total expenditures and transfers out			
requiring appropriation	415,949	510,986	466,370
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$ (98,771)	\$ -	<u> </u>

No assurance is provided. See sumary of significant assumptions.

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE FUND 2025 BUDGET

## WITH 2023 ACTUAL AND 2024 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

	ACTUAL 2023	ESTIMATED 2024	BUDGET 2025
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ 56,954	\$ 1,344,841	\$ 1,255,544
REVENUES Property taxes Specific ownership taxes Interest income Bond issuance proceeds Total revenues	396,836 41,543 4,774 13,378,000 13,821,153	538,394 50,861 45,000 - 634,255	737,645 73,765 47,500 - 858,910
Total funds available	13,878,107	1,979,096	2,114,454
EXPENDITURES General and administrative County Treasurer's fee Paying agent fees Contingency Debt Service Bond interest Bond Principal Repay Developer Advance Bond issue costs Total expenditures	5,953 - - 2,250,831 8,832,574 974,988 468,920 12,533,266	8,147 4,000 - 685,750 - 25,655 723,552	11,065 4,000 19,186 685,750 - - - 720,001
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation	12,533,266	723,552	720,001
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,344,841	\$ 1,255,544	\$ 1,394,453
DEBT SERVICE RESERVE SURPLUS FUND TOTAL RESERVE	\$ 489,774 - \$ 489,774	\$ 487,313 - \$ 487,313	\$ 487,313 907,140 \$ 1,394,453

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND 2025 BUDGET

## WITH 2023 ACTUAL AND 2024 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

		ACTUAL 2023	ES	TIMATED 2024	Bl	JDGET 2025
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	337,265	\$	338,509	\$	-
REVENUES						
Park Permit Fees		33,986		-		-
Total revenues		33,986		-		-
Total funds available		371,251		338,509		
EXPENDITURES  General and Administrative  Bad Debt Expense		32,742				_
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Total expenditures		32,742		-		
TRANSFERS OUT						
Transfers to other fund		-		338,509		-
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation	-	32,742		338,509		
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	338,509	\$	-	\$	

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT 2025 BUDGET SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS

#### Services Provided

Ventana Metropolitan District ("The District"), a quasi-municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, was organized by order and decree of the District court for El Paso County in February 2006, and is governed pursuant to provisions of the Colorado Special District Act (Title 32, Article 1, Colorado Revised Statutes). The District was organized to provide storm sewer, street improvements, traffic safety protection, parks and recreation, mosquito control, security, trash services, and covenant enforcement/design review services.

On November 5, 2002, the District's qualified electors approved indebtedness of \$105,000,000 for certain categories of Public Improvements.

The District has no employees and all administrative functions are contracted.

The District prepares its budget on the modified accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the requirements of Colorado Revised Statutes C.R.S. 29-1-105 using its best estimates as of the date of the budget hearing. These estimates are based on expected conditions and its expected course of actions. The assumptions disclosed herein are those that the District believes are significant to the budget. There will usually be differences between the budget and actual results, because events and circumstances frequently do not occur as expected, and those differences may be material.

#### Revenues

#### **Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied by the District's Board of Directors. The levy is based on assessed valuations determined by the County Assessor generally as of January 1 of each year. The levy is normally set by December 15 by certification to the County Commissioners to put the tax lien on the individual properties as of January 1 of the following year. The County Treasurer collects the determined taxes during the ensuing calendar year. The taxes are payable by April or, if in equal installments, at the taxpayer's election, in February and June. Delinquent taxpayers are notified in August, and generally, sale of the tax liens on delinquent properties are held in November or December. The County Treasurer remits the taxes collected monthly to the District.

Under the Service Plan, the District is limited to the imposition of a mill levy in an amount not to exceed 50 mills; provided, however, that in the event the method of calculating assessed valuation is changed after the date of approval of the Service Plan, the mill levy limitation provided for the District will be automatically increased or decreased to reflect such changes, so that to the extent possible, the actual tax revenues generated by the mill levy, as adjusted, are neither diminished nor enhanced as a result of such changes. For purposes of the foregoing, a change in the ratio of actual valuation to assessed valuation shall be deemed to be a change in the method of calculating assessed valuation.

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT 2025 BUDGET SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS

#### Revenues (continued)

#### **Property Taxes** (continued)

The calculation of the taxes levied is displayed on the Property Tax Summary page of the Budget at the mill levy adopted by the District.

For property tax collection year 2025, SB22-238, SB23B-001, SB 24-233 and HB24B-1001 set the assessment rates and actual value reductions as follows:

Category	Rate	Category	Rate	Actual Value Reduction	Amount
Single-Family				Single-Family	\$55,000
Residential	6.70%	Agricultural Land	26.40%	Residential	
Multi-Family		Renewable		Multi-Family	\$55,000
Residential	6.70%	Energy Land	26.40%	Residential	
Commercial	27.90%	Vacant Land	27.90%	Commercial	\$30,000
		Personal		Industrial	\$30,000
Industrial	27.90%	Property	27.90%		
Lodging	27.90%	State Assessed	27.90%	Lodging	\$30,000
		Oil & Gas			
		Production	87.50%		

#### **Specific Ownership Taxes**

Specific ownership taxes are set by the State and collected by the County Treasurer, primarily on vehicle licensing within the County as a whole. The specific ownership taxes are allocated by the County Treasurer to all taxing entities within the County. The budget assumes that the District's share will be equal to approximately 10% of the property taxes collected.

#### **Park Permit Fee**

On August 12, 2014, and as amended December 18, 2023, pursuant to a park and open space dedication credit agreement (note 8) and 32-1-1001(1)(j)(l), the District assessed a one-time park permit fee order to pay the expenses associated with the maintenance of the park, trails, and open spaces within the District's boundaries. The park permit fee is assessed in the amount of \$2,412 per residence. The District does not anticipate collecting this fee in 2025.

#### **Recreation Center Fees**

On April 5, 2016, and as amended December 18, 2023, pursuant to 32-1-1001(1)(j)(I), the District approved a resolution for the imposition of a recreation center fee on residents within the District's boundaries. The recreation center fee is imposed at a rate of \$38.00 per home per month.

#### **Trash Collection and Service Fee**

On April 5, 2016, and as amended August 15, 2022, pursuant to 32-1-1001(1)(j)(I), the District approved a resolution for the imposition of a trash service and collection fee. The trash service and collection fee is imposed at a rate of \$16.85 for two bins monthly.

#### VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT 2025 BUDGET SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS

#### Revenues (continued)

#### Interest Income

Interest earned on the Districts available funds has been estimates based upon an average interest rate of approximately 5%.

#### **Expenditures**

#### **County Treasurer's Fees**

County Treasurer's collection fees have been computed at 1.5% of property taxes collected.

#### **General and Administrative**

General and administrative expenditures have been provided based on estimates of the District's Board of Directors and consultants of costs of services necessary to maintain the District's administrative viability such as legal, accounting, management, insurance, meeting expense, and other administrative expenses.

#### **Operations and Maintenance**

Estimated expenditures related to operations and maintenance of the multiple amenities within the District (e.g. landscaping maintenance, security, snow removal, etc.) were included the Operations Fee Fund budget.

#### **Debt Service**

Principal and interest payments are provided based on the debt amortization schedule from the Series 2023A Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds.

#### Reserves

#### **Emergency Reserve**

The District has provided for an Emergency Reserve fund equal to at least 3% of fiscal year spending, as defined under TABOR.

#### **Debt Service Reserves**

The District maintains a Debt Service Reserve as required with the issuance of the 2023A Bonds in the amount of \$487,313.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying budget.

## VENTANA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT 2025 BUDGET SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS TO MATURITY

\$ 10,550,000

Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds Series 2023A

> Dated October 19, 2023 Interest Rate 6.500%

Bonds and	Interest Rate 6.500%					
Interest Maturing in the	Interest Due June 1, Principal and Interest Due Decemb					
Year Ending December 31,	Princpal	Interest	Total			
2025	\$ -	\$ 685,750	\$ 685,750			
2026	15,000	685,750	700,750			
2027	65,000	684,775	749,775			
2028	85,000	680,550	765,550			
2029	90,000	675,025	765,025			
2030	110,000	669,175	779,175			
2031	120,000	662,025	782,025			
2032	145,000	654,225	799,225			
2033	150,000	644,800	794,800			
2034	180,000	635,050	815,050			
2035	190,000	623,350	813,350			
2036	220,000	611,000	831,000			
2037	235,000	596,700	831,700			
2038	265,000	581,425	846,425			
2039	280,000	564,200	844,200			
2040	315,000	546,000	861,000			
2041	340,000	525,525	865,525			
2042	375,000	503,425	878,425			
2043	400,000	479,050	879,050			
2044	445,000	453,050	898,050			
2045	475,000	424,125	899,125			
2046	525,000	393,250	918,250			
2047	560,000	359,125	919,125			
2048	615,000	322,725	937,725			
2049	650,000	282,750	932,750			
2050	715,000	240,500	955,500			
2051	760,000	194,025	954,025			
2052	830,000	144,625	974,625			
2053	1,395,000	68,006_	1,463,006			
Total	\$10,550,000	\$ 14,589,981	\$25,139,981			