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Glenn Amoruso, Principal Planner
Housing Finance and Community Development Division
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110 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Dear Mr. Amoruso:

We are pleased to submit our 2020/2021 Plantation Gateway Community Redevelopment Agency Annual Report including the CRA Year-End Disposition of Fund Balance Report and the CRA audited financial reports for fiscal year 2020/2021 ending on September 30, 2021. Under separate cover, the City Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) will be sent by the Financial Services Department. Additionally, as required by Florida Statues Ch.163.356, an advertisement will be placed and we will forward the ad proof to you under separate cover.

In the Annual Report you will see that the City of Plantation continues to demonstrate its commitment to the redevelopment of the Plantation Gateway CRA. Through the implementation of the Community Redevelopment Plan we have created a dynamic and vibrant district that will positively contribute to the City's economy as well as Broward County's future.

Thank you for the County's assistance in promoting redevelopment in the Plantation Gateway.

Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 954-797-2768.

Sincerely.

Glendon Hall

Redevelopment Administrator

Plantation Gateway Community Redevelopment Agency

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Enclosure



### CITY OF PLANTATION, FLORIDA

Plantation Gateway Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)
Annual Report
FY 2020/2021



# City of Plantation Plantation Gateway Community Redevelopment Agency Annual Report FY 2020/2021

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#### I. Introduction

The Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency District was once a deteriorating commercial corridor characterized by vacant lots, abandoned buildings, uninviting storefronts, underused parking lots, and little or minimal landscaping. The District, through substantial capital investments and close cooperation between the City and the business community, is now an economically vibrant business district.

The Plantation CRA District (see attached map) includes all properties fronting State Road 7 (SR 7) from West Sunrise Boulevard on the north to Davie Boulevard on the south. The district also includes commercial property just west of State Road 7 on Peters Road, West Broward Boulevard and West Sunrise Boulevard. The CRA is home to approximately 375 businesses such as retailers, professional and medical offices, national auto dealerships, service-oriented businesses, dining establishments, community health facilities and, Plantation General Hospital. Existing Residential communities include Park Place, with 74 townhomes located on NW 8 Court just west of SR 7, the newly built Windsor 335 apartment community with 248 units, located along State Road 7 just north of Broward Boulevard, and the Pearl residential and retail/office mixed-use community with 220 housing units and 15 retail/office spaces at West Broward Blvd. and SR 7. The 3,500 square foot Chase Bank located at the northeast corner of Broward Boulevard and North State Road 7 was recently completed. Currently under construction within the District is the 147 dwelling unit Strata townhome community and 330 unit PixI rental community developments located along Sunrise Boulevard just west of State Road 7. These residential and mixed-use projects have and will contribute to the economic vibrancy as well as the cultural diversity of the District.

Currently, the primary tangible land use and real estate challenge facing the Plantation Gateway CRA District is the significant economic impact of the relocation of Plantation General's acute care hospital (HCA) to the campus of Nova Southeastern University in Davie, and the potential loss of the surrounding medical office uses. Negative impacts of this departure include: the reduction of adequate health care service to the community (especially to low-income, uninsured, immigrant, or otherwise vulnerable individuals in need of general medical care), tax consequences, and the loss of a major economic anchor of the City's north Gateway business district, where synergy from HCA has created a medical complex and over 94 medically related businesses has chosen to locate and invest in the area.

The CRA successfully submitted this challenge as a Leadership Project Proposal to the Urban Land Institute 2021 Leadership Cohort. Leadership Projects are pro bono advisory service projects offered through the Leadership Institute whose participants are emerging leaders in land use and real estate estate who work over a seven-month period to address a particular local land use or policy challenge faced by local public entities and non-profit organizations, Teams are responsible for providing expertise and developing

recommendations on how communities can achieve local planning goals while also making the greatest regional contribution toward sustainable and equitable development The Leadership Project will provide recommendations on:

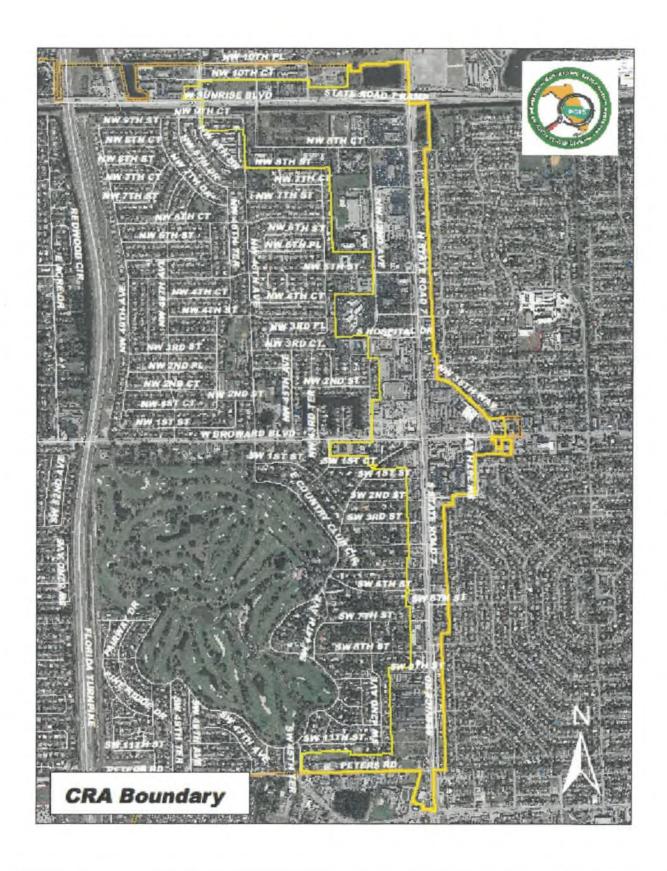
- Zoning and Land use regulations to encourage the location of desirable alternate uses/users to the facility and/or prospective developers for redevelopment of the HCA property/medical complex.
- Financial incentives, to attract and retain existing medical businesses within the Plantation General Hospital area to maintain the medical campus i.e. house pharmaceutical industries, R&D facilities/ laboratories, Biomedical Sciences etc.
- Re-branding/creating a marketing deck to market the HCA property/medical complex by creating an advertising campaign for redevelopment or the re-tenanting of the building and surrounding campus.

To spur additional redevelopment, the Plantation CRA is again requesting proposals from qualified and experienced real estate developers interested in purchasing 4271 Peters Road from the CRA. The commercial property is a one acre lot, recently appraised at \$822,000 and was a strategic acquisition made by the CRA for redevelopment purposes. Located in the heart of the City's redevelopment area and within close proximity to State Road 7, the property presents a catalytic development opportunity. The CRA is seeking a developer of the site pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Plan to develop a fee simple real estate product, attainable housing for the City's first responders, teachers, nurses etc. While there is an abundance of allowable uses in the B-HC Zoning District where the site is located, the CRA Board will consider recommending zoning changes for a compatible catalytic redevelopment.

The CRA District is also served by Broward County Transit providing north-south and east-west bound transit service. The signature transit service, 441 Breeze, is a weekday express bus service on State Road 7 from the City of Boca Raton in Palm Beach County to the Golden Glades Park & Ride/Tri-Rail station in Miami-Dade County. Passengers traveling on the 441 Breeze can also make connections to the new Broward Breeze (Route 122) at West Broward Blvd. and State Road 7 during the morning and afternoon peak hours (5:40 AM-10:16 AM and 4:05 PM-8:46 PM) to travel westward into employment centers in Plantation and eastward into downtown Fort Lauderdale. Bus service on Route 22 is also available throughout the day on W. Broward Blvd. for riders to travel east and west between the regional bus terminals at Plantation and Fort Lauderdale. In addition to these two bus lines is Route 18 which also travels along State Road 7 and provides weekday limited service stops to the Golden Glades Park & Ride/Tri-Rail Station. However, Route 18 allows passengers to make more connections to other local east-west bus routes.

In support of the transit infrastructure, the City has constructed a number of Bus Shelters along State Road 7 protecting people from inclement weather and equipped with seating and bicycle racks

The District's central location in Broward County, its proximity to major public schools, private schools including American Heritage, the South Florida Education Center which includes campuses of Broward College, Nova Southeastern University, University of Florida, and Florida Atlantic University, two Interstate Highways; I-95 to the east of SR 7 and I-595 to the south of the District, the Florida Turnpike, Fort Lauderdale –Hollywood International Airport and Port Everglades makes the CRA District a unique and convenient business location.



#### II. CRA Master Plan Core Goal

The core goal of the CRA Master Plan is to redevelop and revitalize the State Road 7 corridor by creating an economically successful business and residential district, and appreciably improving the quality of its built environment. To achieve this core goal, the master plan identifies four overall redevelopment concepts providing direction towards successfully achieving a revitalized CRA district. The four concepts are: 1) Aesthetic Improvements, 2) Building reconfigurations, 3) Circulation and, 4) Land Use.

- Aesthetic Improvements Cosmetic improvements create a synergy and consistency among a collection of buildings and areas, which may, otherwise, lack cohesion. These encompass streetscape and landscape design as well as storefront and sign enhancements.
- 2) Building reconfigurations Where possible, buildings should be located (or relocated) close to the street with parking on the sides or in the rear of the structures. This creates a more attractive and defined street edge, potentially improves parking, and allows for more varied design options. It also allows opportunities for eliminating the presentation of a continuous wall of "back doors" to adjacent neighborhoods.
- Circulation An optimum circulation pattern gives both vehicles and pedestrians alternate route choices, thereby limiting congestion and increasing mobility, and adding vitality to both commercial and residential areas.
- 4) Land Use Land use must be a function of the desires of the community, as expressed through master planning and zoning, and the realities of the local demographics and the marketplace.

In order to make these four concepts work a zoning district overlay encompassing the redevelopment area has been implemented. It consists of six zoning sub-districts: auto mall, healthcare services, hybrid commercial, four corners, professional office and artisan sub-district. The purpose of each of these sub-districts is to encourage redevelopment of a range of specific types of commercial, office and mixed-use uses to create a safer environment that will provide for residential opportunities, enhance economic vitality, create diverse employment options, promote a walkable pedestrian environment, improve vehicular circulation and, generate more suitable conditions for better transit service through the district. It is within this overall framework that redevelopment projects are assessed and selected to be within the redevelopment district.

To encourage redevelopment, CRA investments to improve public infrastructure are also guided by the four concepts thereby targeting investments in the most needed sections of the district.

A description of public and private investments in the CRA are found in the next two pages including a table that provides more detailed information as to how private redevelopment projects fit within the guiding concepts of the master plan.

#### III. FY 2021 Accomplishments

Objective: To improve the safety and protection of the residents,

visitors and businesses within the Community Redevelopment District to sustain & increase economic

activity.

Accomplishment: These improvements encompass enhanced law enforcement services in

addition to Automatic License Plate Recognition and Video Surveillance Systems to prevent crime, conduct investigations, or apprehend

individuals committing crime within the CRA Area.

Two Gateway officers under the guidance and Leadership of Lieutenant Rudy Brown III, have been implementing innovative crime reduction strategies in addition to activities to strengthen the bonds with businesses and the community.

As part of the Gateway Policing Plan, the CRA completed the RFP process for an Automated License Plate Reader system (ALPR) for the district and added an overnight Gateway Police shift in response to business owners & residents concerns of increased criminal activity within the area. The ALPR system will provide enhanced security for the residents by continuously monitoring the vehicles entering, leaving from other municipalities and traversing the district. The system shall be linked to a central management server that will have the ability to process information which will allow the Gateway Police to monitor activity through video surveillance and perform investigations in collaboration with neighboring municipalities; improving the overall safety of the District. The overnight Gateway Police shift was added to address illegal activity in certain Gateway Hotspots occurring between the hours of 6pm to 4am.





#### Objective:

To improve the visual and cosmetic quality of the within the Community Redevelopment streetscape District. These improvements encompass streetscape, hardscape and landscape design, as well as storefront and sign enhancements.

Accomplishment: Reestablishment & expansion of the façade renovation program for property owners.

The façade renovation program, reintroduced in 2020, offers property owners in the District an opportunity to undertake aesthetic improvements to their properties by providing paint and a variety of brick to enhance their store facades. It is currently being expanded to include all costs associated with exterior improvements which comprise of but are not limited to: entry doors, windows, lighting, security/surveillance cameras, shade canopy/awnings, sidewalks, and parking facilities. The grants are available to commercial buildings and commercial tenants with landlord approval. Multi-family and tax-exempt properties are not eligible for participation in the program. Grant applicants are required to meet minimum property standards, repair any structural, safety or code violation issues on the building.

In FY 2021, due to setbacks created by the Covid-19 Pandemic, only one façade renovation application was approved by the CRA.



**Examples of Pre-Approved Material boards** 

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#### PROFILE PROJECT:

#### Rogers Auto Repair 4215 Peters Road.

Rogers Auto Repair has been providing auto repair services in Plantation since 1968. They are located at 4215 Peters Road. The scope of work for their building included a façade refresh. The entire building including eight large garage doors were painted to repair the fascia and walls to aesthetically enhance the property.

#### **Before**



#### After



#### IV. Private Investments:

#### A. Private Investments

Table 1 provides a summary of the major private development projects planned and approved in the community redevelopment area. These projects are currently in progress and at different stages with the exception of Windsor 335 which completed its last building in the final quarter of 2021. These projects are a mixture of new residential, senior assisted living and commercial development. The most significant developments are the residential projects that are adding approximately 800 hundred multifamily and townhome units combined. Of note is also a senior assisted living development consisting of one hundred and thirty units of which ten will be memory care units.

These projects will help promote economic activity and add healthy increases in property values in the redevelopment area as well as greatly enhance the visual aesthetics of the CRA. An excellent example of this positive developmental impact is the significant boost to the CRA's tif that occurred in late 2021 as a result of the sale of the 247 unit Alexan multifamily project by Trammell Crow to GID Windsor for \$73 million, The Alexan site was purchased by Trammell Crow in 2019 for \$11 Million, which demonstrates the significant property value increase created by this strategic investment in the corridor.

 Table 1
 Source: Planning, Zoning & Economic Development Department

Name and Location of Development	Broward County 2018 Assessed Property Value	Estimated Development Costs	Estimated Improved Value	Proposed Square Foot/ Dwelling Units	Development Type	CRA Plan Guiding Principle
Strata Townhomes 4350 W. Sunrise Blvd.	\$5,473,760	\$32,000,000	\$37,473,760	110 Built, 37 In Progress	Townhomes	Land Use
The Palms at Plantation 1019 S. SR 7	\$17,430	\$20,000,000	\$20,017,430	130 Units	Assisted Living	Land Use
Pixl Apartments 4400 S Sunrise Blvd	\$3,488,630	\$17,487,841	\$20,976,471	330 Units	Multifamily	Land Use
Windsor 335 Apartments 311-359 N. SR 7	\$17,430	\$40,000,000	\$45,279.000	247 Units 1,500 SF (retail)	Multifamily	Land Use
	\$8,997,250	\$109,487,841	\$78,512,940			

#### **PROFILE PROJECTS:**



#### V. Marketing and Business Support:

Marketing strategies are continually implemented in the CRA District to promote the area's revitalization and maintain exposure with the local real estate market. Additionally, the Plantation Community Redevelopment Office ("CRO") provides assistance to area businesses and residents in a variety of ways including, business outreach, small business development information, advertising, hurricane and emergency preparedness and post disaster business assistance and, maintaining access to the City website's Gateway CRA web pages.

**Street Banners:** The CRA District has implemented a street banner program since 2001. It is a highly visible way to highlight the district to prospective businesses, visitors and travelers. The program consists of one large and visible "Welcome to Plantation Gateway" banner, and a smaller "Pineapple" banner. Both banners are up year around with the exception of the hurricane season when they are taken down for three months (July, August & September), and during the month of December they are replaced with holiday decorations. This program was the first step in the marketing and branding of the Plantation CRA. Shown below are pictures that illustrate banners displayed along the SR 7 corridor.





**Gateway Newsletter:** A Gateway newsletter is periodically published to update businesses and residents on construction projects underway in the district as well as provide information about hurricane preparedness, new businesses, business relocations, businesses recognition, training opportunities and other relevant information to the business community.

**Business Outreach:** The CRA has established a business visitation program in which CRA staff periodically visit the local businesses to inform them of the CRA services. The CRO also mails welcome letters to all new businesses welcoming them to the CRA.

**Small Business Information:** CRO staff does periodic mass mailings to the business community to inform them about small business development and training opportunities offered by private non-profits and government institutions.

**Advertising:** The Plantation Gateway CRA District is highlighted every year in the annual Plantation Chamber of Commerce Information Guide.

Hurricane and Emergency Preparedness and Post Disaster Business Assistance: With the support and assistance of the City Fire Department the Plantation CRO provides general information on hurricane preparedness and recovery on an ongoing basis to businesses and residents in the CRA District as well as direct businesses to the appropriate City and County offices for additional inquiries.

City website access: The CRO maintains access to the Gateway and CRA special district webpages where information can be found about the CRA and Gateway Redevelopment Plans, CRA annual reports, property for sale, demographic and district's financial information. Businesses can also access contact information for the Gateway Business Board and CRA Board of Directors, zoning and permitting information, occupational licenses, doing business with the City, utilities, recycling and trash hauling and web links to County and State agencies.

#### VI. Financing

#### A. Incremental Tax Revenue

In 2020 a total of \$2,224,508 was deposited in the Community Redevelopment Trust Fund from incremental tax receipts. Tax receipts are generated from the City of Plantation, North Broward Hospital District, Broward County, and Children's Services Council. The total taxable value of real property in the Plantation CRA District increased from \$282,784,500 in 2019, to \$308,697,790 or 9.1% in 2020. This is a healthy percent increase in taxable value with respect to the previous fiscal year. Likewise, tax revenues increased by 17.86% percent (Table 2).

Table 2: Taxable Values & Incremental Tax Revenue Source: City of Plantation Financial Services

Fiscal Year	Base Year Taxable Value	Taxable Value	Incremental Tax Revenue		
2000	\$127,670,650	n/a	n/a		
2001-02		\$134,627,810	\$103,028		
2002-03		\$138,031,680	\$147,246		
2003-04		\$151,638,970	\$328,270		
2004-05		\$162,340,080	\$467,630		
2005-06		\$183,394,320	\$728,562		
2006-07		\$203,188,660	\$908,515		
2007-08		\$225,169,980	\$999,148		
2008-09		\$223,501,370	\$1,007,139		
2009-10		\$240,315,390	\$1,234,207		
2010-11		\$224,107,710	\$1,095,800		
2011-12		\$209,851,720	\$948,895		
2012-13		\$205,339,840	\$975,329		
2013-14		\$208,687.55	\$1,023.48		
2014-15		\$215,841,920	\$1,113,248		
2015-16		\$221,834,140	\$1,190,185		
2016-17		\$239,983,090	\$1,406,455		
2017-18		\$254,225,480	\$1,556,796		
2018-19		\$268,351,960	\$1,717,755		
2019-20		\$282,784,500	\$1,887,422		
2020-21		\$308,697,790	\$2,224,508		

#### B. Financial Statements

Attachment 1 includes the required CRA Year-End Disposition of Fund Balance Report and Attachment 2 includes a complete set of CRA unaudited financials for FY 2020-2021 and Attachment 3 includes the final CRA audited financial reports for FY 2020-2021 as required on F.S.163.356(3)(c).

The City of Plantation does not provide for a separate CRA Independent Annual Financial Audit. The CRA financial position of its Trust Funds is audited on an annual basis and includes an evaluation in light of the applicable requirements of Section 163.387 F.S. and, classified as "Major Funds" as required on F.S.163.387(7) in the City Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

The City Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) will be forwarded to you under separate cover.

#### V. Statutory Requirements

This report is being filed in accordance with F.S. Chapter 163.356(3)(c), which states that a Community Redevelopment Agency is required to file a report with the governing body, "... of its activities for the preceding fiscal year, which report shall include a complete financial statement setting forth its assets, liabilities, income, and operating expenses as of the end of such fiscal year."

Furthermore, a Community Redevelopment Agency is required to advertise in a local newspaper that this report has been filed with the governing body, and that this report is available for inspection in the office of the City Clerk and the office of the Community Redevelopment Agency. A copy of this document is available at both locations. A copy of the advertisement will be forwarded to your offices under separate cover.

To contact the City of Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency please direct all inquiries to:

Danny Holmes
Planning, Zoning & Economic Development Director
City of Plantation
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Plantation, FL 33317
Phone: 954.797.2768

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CRA Year - End Disposition of Fund Balance Report

CRA Location: PLANTATION

Fiscal Year: 2021 - 2022

Date: 03/30/2022

Contact Person / Number: (954) 797-2768

CRA Director: Danny A. Holmes, AICP

CRA Director Signature:

#### CRA Year-End Dispositon of Fund Balance Report

Note: If there is more than one district per CRA, this information should be filled out separately for each individual district. In addition, this form should be accompanied by the required audit of the trust fund for each fiscal year as prepared by an independent certified public accountant or firm, as required by Florida Statutes Section 163.387(8).

Total Ending Fund Balance per Audited Financials (current Fiscal Year) (A thru D below)

\$ 7,179,072

(A) Returned to taxing authorities:			\$				
(B) Used to reduce amount of indebtedness to which	TIF is pledged:		360,				
(C) Deposited in escrow account for purpose of indeb	otedness to which TIF is ple	dged:	\$	1,996,655			
(D) Appropriated to specific redevelopment projects to redevelopment projects to be completed within 3 year			\$	4,821,855			
(1) Funded and In Progress but not complete	FY's Project Commenced and Anticipated Completion	Project Description & Section of CRA plan detailing the project	Amount of Fund Balance Allocated to Project				
1. Façade Improvements Program.	FY 20 - FY 23	Grant program in which the CRA pays for all materials and qualified business/building property owner is responsible for funding installation costs to enhance building's aesthetics Section IV. of CRA Plan-Catalytic Strategy; Plan Guiding Principles- Aesthetic Improvements.	\$	656,318			
(2) Funded but not yet commenced	FY Funding Period(s) to Completion	Project Description & Section of CRA plan detailing the project		of Fund Balance ited to Project			
New Gateway Monument Sign to be located in the W.     Sunrise Blvd. section of the Gateway CRA District.	FY 20 - FY 23	Identification of W. Sunrise Blvd. section with the Gateway CRA District. Section IV. of CRA Plan-Design Guidelines; Plan Guiding Principles-Aesthetic Improvements.	\$	50,000			
Pedestrian amenities along the SR 7 corridor sidewalks such as benches, bike racks and trash receptacles.	FY 20 - FY 23	Improve sidewalk environment and pedestrian experince - Section IV of CRA Plan-Design Guidelines; Plan Guiding Principles-Aesthetic and Circulation Improvements.	\$	75,000			
3. Installation of lighting fixtures at the CRA's busiest five bus shelters. Two of the bus shelters are located on W. Broward Blvd. and three are located on SR 7.	FY 20 - FY 23	Improve sidewalk environment and pedestrian experince - Section IV of CRA Plan-Design Guidelines; Plan Guiding Principles-Aesthetic and Safety Improvements.	\$	75,000			
4. Catalytic Investment Projects within the CRA District.	FY 20 - FY 23	Spur redevelopent of properties within the CRA District by setting aside funding to mitigate environmental issues, land bank properties, invest in infrastructure, abate property tax and/or other creative strategies to implement the CRA Plan.	\$	3,765,538			
5. Enhanced Pedestrian Crossing at Broward & SR 7 and throughout SR 7 corridor street intersections.	FY 20 - FY 23	Work with FDOT to improve pedestrian safety, add signage and pavers at all four corner crossings - Section IV. of CRA Plan; Plan Guiding Principles-Aesthetic and Future CRA Projects (14), Section V; Implementation schedule.	\$	200,000			
Total - (1) and (2) should equal (D) above			\$	4,821,856			

Attachment 2
CRA FY 2020-2021 Audited Financial Statements



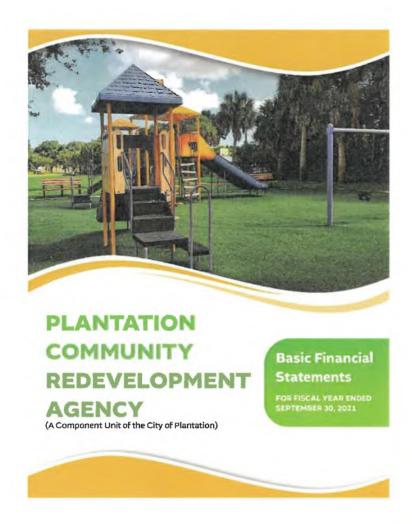
# PLANTATION COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

(A Component Unit of the City of Plantation)

Basic Financial Statements

FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

#### **ABOUT THE COVER**



Benefitting from the Plantation Community Redevelopment Area is the City's Country Club Park (pictured above), located at 1150 SW 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue, just west of State Road 441 off of Peters Road. The Country Club Park includes a 1/5-mile trail with exercise stations, pavilion, playground with swings, picnic tables and an open field area.

Cover layout: Kimberly Falero, Parks Division

Photo credit: City Staff, Parks

#### **Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency**

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Plantation, Florida

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (the "Agency"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of 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.



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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 governmental activities and each major fund of the Agency, as of September 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reports Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 16, 2022, on our consideration of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency'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 the Agency's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Fort Lauderdale, Florida March 16, 2022

# **Management's Discussion and Analysis**



Our discussion and analysis of the Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (the "Agency") financial performance provides an overview of the Agency's financial activities for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Please read it in conjunction with the Agency's basic financial statements, which immediately follow this discussion.

#### **Financial Highlights**

The following are the highlights of financial activity for the year ended September 30, 2021:

- The Agency's total assets exceeded its liabilities at September 30, 2021 by \$ 11,164,025.
- The governmental activities revenue totaled \$ 2,307,293: \$ 2,224,508 from incremental tax receipts, \$ 24,300 from investment income and \$ 58,485 from miscellaneous income.
- The overall taxable value of the Agency's redevelopment area was \$ 181,027,140, an increase of \$ 25,913,290 over the previous year's value.
- At the end of the year, the Agency reported a fund balance of \$7,179,072 an increase of \$1,490,052 from the previous year.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Agency's basic financial statements. The Agency's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements.

**Government-wide financial statements:** The government-wide financial statements, which consist of the following two statements, are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Agency's finances, using accounting methods similar to those used by a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents financial information of all of the Agency's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. The change in net position over time may be an indicator of whether the Agency's financial health is improving or deteriorating. The Agency's mission it not to collect assets, but to eliminate blighting conditions and increase the tax base thus, while assets can provide an indicator of stability, the Agency's intent is not to hold assets over a significant time period.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Agency's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Therefore, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 7 and 8 of this report.

**Fund financial statements**: A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Agency has only one fund type: governmental funds.

The Agency maintains four individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund, the 2005 Community Redevelopment Agency Note Fund, the Community Redevelopment Agency Escrow Fund and the Community Redevelopment Agency Designated Capital Improvements Fund. All of the funds are considered to be major funds.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing this, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 9 through 13 of this report.

**Notes to the financial statements:** The notes to the financial statements provide additional information essential to a complete understanding of data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 14 through 23 of this report.

#### **Government-wide Overall Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position.

The following table reflects the condensed government-wide statement of net position as of September 30, 2021 and 2020:

#### Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Net Position

	2021	2020
Current assets	\$ 9,527,283	\$ 8,286,281
Capital assets	3,984,953	3,750,222
Total assets	13,512,236	12,036,503
Long-term liabilities	1,960,839	2,228,537
Other liabilities	387,372	368,724
Total liabilities	2,348,211	2,597,261
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	1,639,996	1,556,879
Restricted	9,524,029	7,882,363
Total net position	\$ 11,164,025	\$ 9,439,242

Total assets increased 12.3% mainly due to an increase in cash, cash equivalents and investments. Total liabilities decreased due to payments on advances from the General Fund of the City.

**Governmental Activities:** Governmental activities for the year ended September 30, 2021 increased the Agency's net position by \$ 1,724,783, as reflected in the table below:

	2021		2020
Revenues: General revenues:			
Intergovernmental Investment earnings Miscellaneous income	\$ 2,224,508 24,300 58,485	\$	1,887,422 203,422 229
Total revenues	2,307,293		2,091,073
Expenses: Economic environment Interest expense	486,754 95,756		413,231 112,023
Total expenses	582,510		525,254
Change in net position	1,724,783	_	1,565,819
Net Position, Beginning of Year	9,439,242	_	7,873,423
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 11,164,025	\$	9,439,242

Total revenues increased due to a 17.9% increase in tax increment revenue.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

The Agency's investment in capital assets, less accumulated depreciation, for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2021 amount to \$3,984,953, and consists of land, construction in progress, improvements other than buildings, infrastructure and machinery and equipment.

Additional information on the Agency's long-term debt can be found in Note 7 of the financial statements.

#### Community Redevelopment Agency Fund Budgetary Highlights

Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund's revenues were \$ 1,211 less than the final budget projections. The Personnel Services and Operating Expenditures were \$ 78,455 less than final appropriations while transfers out were \$ 77,244 more than budgeted.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

According to the Broward County Property Appraiser the Community Redevelopment Agency tax roll is \$ 329,395,650 as of July 1, 2021. The 2000 Base Year Taxable Value remains at \$ 127,670,650. Pursuant to Section 163.3872b, Florida Statutes, the taxing authorities are obligated to pay the tax increment, which is expected to generate approximately \$ 2,502,854 in revenues, which represent an increase of \$ 279,693 compared to the tax increment budgeted in fiscal year 2021 in the amount of \$ 2,222,891. The above increase is evidence that the outlook for fiscal year 2022 is good, however, the City has taken the impact of COVID-19 into consideration as it looks forward to FY 2022.

#### Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Agency's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Office of the Finance Director, City of Plantation, 400 NW 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Plantation, Florida, 33317-1609.

# **Financial Statements**



	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Cash, cash equivalents, and investments	\$ 9,515,496
Accounts receivable	11
Accrued interest receivable	11,776
Capital assets:	
Non-depreciable	2,452,871
Depreciable (net of accumulated depreciation)	1,532,082
Total assets	13,512,236
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	119,673
Due within one year:	
Advance from City of Plantation	267,699
Due in more than one year:	
Advance from City of Plantation	1,960,839
Total liabilities	2,348,211
Net Position:	
Net investment in capital assets	1,639,996
Restricted for:	
Capital improvements	7,166,812
Debt service	2,357,217
Total net position	\$ 11,164,025

					Prog	ram Revenu	es			Activities Net (Expense)			
		Expenses		Expenses		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions		Capital Grants and Contributions			Revenue and Changes in Net Position	
Functions/Programs:													
Governmental activities: Economic environment Interest expense	\$	486,754 95,756	\$	-	\$	<u>:</u>	\$	<u>:</u>	\$	(486,754) (95,756)			
Total primary government	\$_	582,510	\$	-	\$_		\$			(582,510)			
		General revenues: Incremental tax receipts Investment income Miscellaneous income  Total general revenues								2,224,508 24,300 58,485			
										2,307,293			
		Change in net position								1,724,783			
	N	Net position - beginning								9,439,242			
	N	et position -	endi	ng					\$	11,164,025			

	Community Redevelopment Agency Trust	2005 Community Redevelopment Agency Note	Community Redevelopment Agency Escrow	Community Redevelopment Agency Designated Capital	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:					
Cash, cash equivalents, and					
investments	\$ 1,907	\$ 	\$ 4,580,087	\$ 4,933,502	\$ 9,515,496
Accounts receivable	11	-	-	-	11
Accrued interest receivable	1,336		5,668	4,772	11,776
Total assets	\$ 3,254	\$ 	\$ 4,585,755	\$ 4,938,274	\$ 9,527,283
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and					
other liabilities	\$ 3,254	\$ 9-11	\$ 	\$ 116,419	\$ 119,673
Advance from City of Plantation	-		2,228,538		2,228,538
Total liabilities	3,254		2,228,538	116,419	2,348,211
Fund Balances:					
Restricted for:					
Debt service		-	2,357,217	-	2,357,217
Capital improvements			-	4,821,855	4,821,855
Total fund balances		-	2,357,217	4,821,855	7,179,072
Total liabilities					
and fund balances	\$ 3,254	\$ 	\$ 4,585,755	\$ 4,938,274	\$ 9,527,283

#### Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position September 30, 2021

Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 7,179,072
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Governmental capital assets Less: accumulated depreciation	4,351,920 (366,967)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 11,164,025

### Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -Governmental Funds For the Year Ended September 30, 2021

	Community Redevelopment Agency Trust	2005 Community Redevelopment Agency Note	Community Redevelopment Agency Escrow	Community Redevelopment Agency Designated Capital Improvements	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Intergovernmental	\$ 2,224,508	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,224,508
Investment income	6,872	-	9,767	7,661	24,300
Miscellaneous income				58,485	58,485
Total revenues	2,231,380		9,767	66,146	2,307,293
Expenditures:					
Current operating:					
Economic environment	455,032	141	2,898	2,345	460,275
Capital outlay		1.0	-	261,210	261,210
Debt service:					
Interest			95,756		95,756
Total expenditures	455,032		98,654	263,555	817,241
Excess (deficiency) of					
revenues over (under)					
expenditures	1,776,348		(88,887)	(197,409)	1,490,052
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in			364,034	1,415,785	1,779,819
Transfers out	(1,776,348)	(3,471)			(1,779,819)
Total other financing					
sources (uses)	(1,776,348)	(3,471)	364,034	1,415,785	-
Net change in					
fund balances		(3,471)	275,147	1,218,376	1,490,052
Fund Balances - Beginning		3,471	2,082,070	3,603,479	5,689,020
Fund Balances - Ending	\$	\$	\$ 2,357,217	\$ 4,821,855	\$ 7,179,072

Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in
Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended September 30, 2021

# Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are Different Because: Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ 1,490,052 Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures, however, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Expenditures for capital assets 261,210
Less current year provision for depreciation (26,479)

1,724,783

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual For the Year Ended September 30, 2021

		Budgete	d An	nounts		Actual		Variance with Final
	_	Original	_	Final	_	Amounts	_	Budget
Revenues:								
Intergovernmental	\$	2,222,891	\$	2,224,491	\$	2,224,508	\$	17
Investment income		3,000		6,500	,	6,872		372
Miscellaneous	_	1,600	_	1,600	_	-	_	(1,600)
Total revenues	_	2,227,491	_	2,232,591	_	2,231,380		(1,211)
Expenditures:								
Current operating:								
Economic environment	-	1,528,387	-	533,487		455,032	_	78,455
Excess of revenues								
over expenditures		699,104		1,699,104		1,776,348		77,244
Other Financing Uses:								
Transfers out	_	(699,104)	-	(1,699,104)	_	(1,776,348)	_	(77,244)
Net change in								
fund balance	\$_	-	\$_	-	\$_	-	\$_	-

# **Notes to Financial Statements**

### Note 1 - Organization and Operations

The Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (the "Agency") is a legally separate agency established by the City of Plantation, Florida (the "City") through Ordinance 2210, under the authority granted by Part III, Chapter 163, Florida Statutes. The Broward County Board of County Commissioners delegated authority to the governing body of Plantation, Florida to create a Community Redevelopment Agency for the rehabilitation, conservation or redevelopment of a certain blighted area within the municipal jurisdiction. The elected officials of the City are the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Agency.

### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of the Agency have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units. The Agency's more significant accounting policies are described below:

The financial reporting entity: As defined by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which primary government is not accountable, but for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based upon the application of these criteria, the Agency was evaluated and determined to be a component unit of the City of Plantation, Florida. Although it is legally separate from the City, the Agency's sole purpose is to finance and redevelop the City's designated redevelopment areas and the tax increment financing allocated to the Agency is considered evidence of the City's obligation to provide continuing financial support to the Agency. Consequently, the Agency is reported in the primary government using the blended method.

Additionally, as a result of evaluating the above criteria, management has determined that no units exist for which the Agency is financially accountable and which would require their inclusion in the Agency's basic financial statements.

Basis of presentation: The Agency's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Agency as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Agency's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. All of the Agency's activities are classified as governmental activities.

**Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements:** In the government-wide statement of net position, the governmental activities column is presented on a consolidated basis, if applicable, and is reported on a full-accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all noncurrent assets and receivables as well as all noncurrent debt and obligations, when and if applicable.

The government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Agency's functions. The net costs, by function, are also supported by general revenues, other revenue, etc. The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflect capital-specific grants. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government- wide financial statements.

**Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements:** The fund financial statements provide information about the Agency's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The Agency reports the following governmental funds:

**Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund** - This fund is used to account for the redevelopment of certain blighted areas.

**2005 Community Redevelopment Agency Note Fund** - This fund was previously used to accumulate monies for the repayment of a 2005 Community Redevelopment Agency Note. During the year, the Agency transferred this fund's remaining fund balance to the Community Redevelopment Agency Escrow Fund.

Community Redevelopment Agency Escrow Fund - This fund is used to accumulate monies for the repayment of fiscal advances from the Series 2002 and Series 2003 Non-Ad Valorem Revenue Bonds.

Community Redevelopment Agency Designated Capital Improvement Fund - This fund is used to account for projects that may be funded by remaining surplus in the Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund or these remaining funds may be used to pay for specific redevelopment plan projects that will be completed within a three-year period.

The annual audit of these funds included an evaluation in light of the applicable requirements of Florida Statute 163.387. Per the Agency's management, the year-end fund balance of \$ 4.8 million has been restricted for specific redevelopment projects pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Plan and the year-end fund balance of \$ 2,357,217 has been restricted to reduce the amount of indebtedness to which the tax increment revenues are pledged.

Measurement focus and basis of accounting: The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement* focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Incremental taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources* measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Intergovernmental revenues and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year-end). All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

**Budget:** A budget is adopted for each Agency Fund on an annual basis. Appropriations which lapse at fiscal year-end are legally controlled at the fund appropriation level. Changes or amendments to the total budgeted expenditures of each fund must be approved by the Agency's Board of Commissioners.

The Agency follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- Each year the Agency Manager submits to the Agency Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1.
- b. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- c. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally adopted by the Agency Board.
- d. The budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Cash and cash equivalents: Cash and cash equivalents are defined as demand deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

**Investments:** Investments, if held, are stated at their fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Unrealized gains and losses in fair value are recognized. Certain money market investments are stated at amortized cost if they have a remaining maturity of one year or less when purchased.

Capital assets: Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, improvements other than buildings, infrastructure and machinery and equipment are reported in the applicable governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. The government defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$ 1,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Depreciation on all capital assets, except infrastructure, is charged to operations using the straight-line method over the assets' estimated service lives, ranging from 5 to 50 years. The composite method is used to capitalize the cost of infrastructure. The composite method of depreciation applies a rate to the total composite value which is increased by additions or improvements and decreased by disposals.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

**Deferred outflows/inflows of resources:** In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Agency does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Agency does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

**Unearned revenue:** Unearned revenue arises when the Agency receives resources before it has a legal claim to them.

**Equity classifications:** Government-wide statements - Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted all other net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Agency's policy to use restricted resources first for qualifying expenditures, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund statements - GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions requires that governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the Agency is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u>: This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The Agency classifies prepaid items and deposits as nonspendable since they are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.

<u>Restricted</u>: This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Committed</u>: This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Agency Board of Commissioners (the "Board"). These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that was employed when the funds were initially committed.

<u>Assigned</u>: This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the Agency's intent to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent can be expressed by the Board or through the Board delegating this responsibility to the Agency Manager through the budgetary process. This classification also includes the remaining positive fund balance for all of the Agency's governmental funds.

The Agency would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed fund balances, and then assigned fund balances.

**Use of estimates:** The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Date of management review: Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 16, 2022, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### Note 3 - Deposits and Investments

The Agency maintains a cash and investment pool that is available for use by all funds to facilitate the cash management and investment process. Each fund's portion of this pool is included on the statement of net position as "cash, cash equivalents and investments".

In addition to insurance provided by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, all deposits are held in banking institutions approved by the State Treasurer of the State of Florida to hold public funds. Under Florida Statutes Chapter 280, Florida Security for Public Deposits Act, the State Treasurer requires all Florida qualified public depositories to deposit with the Treasurer or banking institution eligible collateral. In the event of a failure of a qualified public depository, the remaining public depositories would be responsible for covering any resulting losses. Accordingly, all amounts reported as deposits are insured or collateralized with securities held by the entity of its agent in the entity's name.

The Agency invests surplus funds in an external investment pool, the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund (the "Florida PRIME"). The Florida PRIME is administered by the Florida State Board of Administration ("SBA"), who provides regulatory oversight. The Florida PRIME has adopted operating procedures consistent with the requirement for a 2a7-like fund. The Agency's investment in the Florida PRIME is reported at amortized cost. The fair value of the position in the pool is equal to the value of the pool shares.

Deposits and investments as of September 30, 2021 were as follows:

Deposits/Investments	Maturities	_	Fair Value
Florida PRIME	Weighted average days to maturity is 49 days	\$	7,718,755
Money market fund	Weighted average days to maturity is 10 days		22,941
Depository account		_	1,773,800
		\$_	9,515,496

**Interest rate risk:** Interest rate risk refers to the portfolio's exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The Agency has a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to market value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

**Credit risk:** The Agency has an investment policy that limits investments to the safest types of securities, diversifies the investment portfolio so that potential losses on individual securities will be minimized, and requires doing business with only those financial institutions that are on the approved Florida Public Depository list. The Florida PRIME and money market fund are rated AAAm by Standard and Poor's.

**Custodial credit risk:** For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Agency will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. None of the Agency's deposits or investments are subject to custodial credit.

### Note 4 - Interfund Transfers

Interfund transfers are as follows:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
Community Redevelopment Agency Trust 2005 Community Redevelopment Agency	\$ -	\$ 1,776,348
Note		3,471
Community Redevelopment Agency		
Escrow	364,034	-
Community Redevelopment Agency		
Designated Capital Improvements	1,415,785	-
Total	\$ 1,779,819	\$ 1,779,819

Interfund transfers allow for appropriate allocation of resources when one fund is providing resources for another or a project calls for multiple sources of funds. Transfers are used to move unrestricted revenues collected to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

### Note 5 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2021 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	_	Additions	D	eletions		Transfers	_	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:									
Land \$	401,131	\$		\$		\$		\$	401,131
Construction in progress	1,790,530	· _	261,210	Ÿ		· _	-	, _	2,051,740
Total capital assets,									
not being depreciated	2,191,661	_	261,210		-	_	-	_	2,452,871
Capital assets, being depreciated: Improvements other									
than buildings	497,650		-		-		-		497,650
Infrastructure	1,400,391		-				-		1,400,391
Machinery and equipment	1,008	_	3/4		-	_		_	1,008
Total capital assets,									
being depreciated	1,899,049	_			1.2	_	-	_	1,899,049
Total capital assets	4,090,710	_	261,210	_		_	-	_	4,351,920
Less accumulated depreciation for: Improvements other									
than buildings	185,779		16,690		-		-		202,469
Infrastructure	153,701		9,789		-		-		163,490
Machinery and equipment	1,008	_	-	_	- 1-	_	-	_	1,008
Total accumulated depreciation	340,488	_	26,479	_	-	_	-	_	366,967
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	1,558,561		(26,479)			_			1,532,082
Governmental activities capital assets, net \$	3,750,222	\$	234,731	\$	12	\$	_	\$	3,984,953

### Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 2021

### Note 5 - Capital Assets (continued)

Provision for depreciation was charged to functions as follows:

Economic environment	\$ 26,479
Governmental Activities:	

### Note 6 - Payables

Payables as of September 30, 2021 were as follows:

Governmental Activities: Salaries and benefits	ė	2 167
Vendors	٠ -	3,167 116,506
Total governmental activities	\$_	119,673

### Note 7 - Advances

The City of Plantation and the Agency entered into three Interlocal Agreements, 2003, 2004 and 2014, pertaining to the repayment of fiscal advances from (1) the City's Non-Ad Valorem Revenue Bonds, Series 2002 Bond Construction Fund of \$4,500,000, (2) the City's Non-Ad Valorem Revenue Bonds, Series 2003 Bond Construction Fund of \$2,000,000. These Interlocal Agreements between the City and the Agency are intended to formalize the obligations of the Agency to repay the aforesaid advances.

The City advances for financing redevelopment in the community redevelopment area are to be repaid by the Agency to the City. The City shall charge, and the Agency agrees to pay, simple interest on the outstanding principal for the period October 1, 2003 through August 15, 2029. The rates set forth on the 2002 Bond debt service range from 2.35% to 5.38%, the rates on the 2003 Bond debt service range from 1.00% to 4.13%.

The Agency, for the benefit of the City, irrevocable pledges and creates a first lien on, pledge of, and security interest in the monies received and to be received by the Agency from the taxing authorities paid tax increment, which are to be deposited into the Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund.

### Note 7 - Advances (continued)

The annual payment requirements for the Agency in connection with these three advances consist of:

Year Ending September 30,	_	Principal	_	Interest	_	Total
2022	\$	267,699	\$	82,071	\$	349,770
2023		270,661		72,067		342,728
2024		273,692		62,307		335,999
2025		276,795		52,110		328,905
2026		279,971		41,841		321,812
2027-2029	_	859,720	_	63,153	_	922,873
	\$_	2,228,538	\$_	373,549	\$_	2,602,087

The Agency has agreed that the payment requirements listed above are cumulative and shall continue until all principal and interest has been paid.

### Note 8 - Tax Increment Revenues

Tax increment revenues are the primary source of revenue for the Agency. Tax increment revenue is collected from four entities that levy ad valorem property taxes within the legally defined redevelopment area of the Agency. The four entities are the North Broward Hospital District, the City of Plantation, Broward County, and the Children's Services Council. The tax increment revenue is calculated by applying the adopted mileage rate of each of these entities to the increase in current year taxable assessed valuations over the 2000 base year assessed valuations for all properties located within the Agency's boundaries. Each entity is required to pay 95% of these incremental property taxes to the Agency. The tax base of the Agency is the layer of assessed valuations of properties over the 2000 base year assessed valuations, but does not include any portion of such base. The assessed value of properties subject to the incremental property taxes and each entity's tax receipts for the year ended September 30, 2021 were as follows:

2020 (Current) Total Taxable Value 2000 (Base Year) Total Taxable Value		\$ _	308,697,790 (127,670,650)
2020 Increment		\$_	181,027,140
City of Plantation North Broward Hospital District Broward County Children's Services Council	\$ 181,027,140 x 5.8000 mills x 95% 181,027,140 x 1.1469 mills x 95% 181,027,140 x 5.4999 mills x 95% 181,027,140 x 0.4882 mills x 95%	\$	997,460 197,239 945,850 83,959
Total		\$_	2,224,508

### Note 9 - Deposits and Withdrawals

As required by Florida Statute section 163.387(8), additional description of CRA financial information during fiscal year 2021 is as follows:

Sources of deposits:		
Tax increment financing - Broward County	\$	945,850
Tax increment financing - City		997,460
Tax increment financing - North Broward		
Hospital District		197,239
Tax incremental financing - Children's		
Service Council		83,959
Investment income	,	24,300
Rent and miscellaneous revenue	_	58,485
Total sources	_	2,307,293
Purpose of withdrawals:		
Administrative		308,838
Land acquisition, property management		
and debt service		95,756
Capital improvement		261,210
Operating	_	151,437
Total withdrawals	\$_	817,241

### Note 10 - Risk Management

The Agency is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the Agency carries property and liability insurance. The Agency has not had any significant reduction in insurance coverage and the amounts of insurance settlements have not exceeded the insurance coverage for any of the last three years.

### Note 11 - Risks and Uncertainties

Management and the Council Members continue to evaluate and monitor the potential adverse effect that this event may have on the Agency's financial position, operations and cash flows. The full impact of COVID-19 is unknown at this time and cannot be reasonably estimated as these events are still developing.

## **Internal Controls and Compliance**





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

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Plantation, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (the "Agency") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the Agency's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 16, 2022.

### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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



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### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Agency's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

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

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Fort Lauderdale, Florida March 16, 2022



### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO AGENCY MANAGEMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Plantation, Florida

### Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (a component unit of the City of Plantation, Florida) (the "Agency"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated March 16, 2022.

### Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

### Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated March 16, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial report.

### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (a component unit of the City of Plantation, Florida) was created by Ordinance 2210. The Agency does not have any component units.



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### **Financial Condition**

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we apply appropriate procedures and report the results of our determination as to whether or not the local governmental entity has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Agency did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the entity's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

### Specific Information

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, Rules of the Auditor General, the Agency is required to report certain specific information, as the Agency is a dependent special district of the City of Plantation, Florida. This information can be found in the City of Plantation, Florida's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 2021.

### **Additional Matters**

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

### Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Commissioners and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Fort Lauderdale, Florida March 16, 2022



# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES AND SECTIONS 163.387(6) AND (7) FLORIDA STATUTES

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency Plantation, Florida

We have examined Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency (a component unit of the City of Plantation, Florida) (the "Agency") compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies and Sections 163.387(6) and (7), Florida Statutes, Redevelopment Trust Fund, during the year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for the Agency's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Agency's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Agency complied, in all material respects, with the specific requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Agency complied with the specific requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Agency's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Agency complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2021.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Florida Auditor General, the Board of Commissioners and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

KEEFE McCULLOUGH

Fort Lauderdale, Florida March 16, 2022



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Ms. Anna Otiniano, Director of Financial Services Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency 400 N.W. 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Plantation, FL 33317

Dear Anna:

Please find enclosed 10 bound copies of the financial statements of the Plantation Community Redevelopment Agency as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021.

We suggest that you send a copy of this letter along with the financial statements when they are submitted to your cognizant audit agency and any other agencies for which you have submission requirements. Financial statements should be submitted to such agencies within thirty days of their "date of issue" or within the grant requirements, whichever occurs first. This letter will document the date the financial statements were issued.

The Florida Auditor General requires you to send one bound copy of the financial statement along with a completed Local Government Entity Audit Report Submittal Checklist. This checklist is available on their website at "www.myflorida.com/audgen." The Florida Auditor General also requires that you file these financial statements electronically. We have provided via email an electronic copy of the financial statement. This electronic file must also be e-mailed to the Florida Auditor General at flaudgen\_localgovt@aud.state.fl.us. The audit report must be submitted within 45 days after receipt of the audit report from the auditor, but no later than 9 months after the end of the fiscal year.

Should you have any questions concerning your specific requirements, please contact us.

It has been our pleasure to serve as your independent auditors for this engagement. If we can be of additional service to you during the year, please call on us. We appreciate your business.

Regards,

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KEEFE McCULLOUGH

Cynthia L. Calvert, C.P.A.

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