

LETTER OF BUDGET TRANSMITTAL

Date: January 31, 2024

To: Division of Local Government
1313 Sherman Street, Room 521
Denver, Colorado 80203

Attached are the 2024 budget and budget message for MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2 in El Paso County, Colorado, submitted pursuant to Section 29-1-113, C.R.S. This budget was adopted on November 9, 2023. If there are any questions on the budget, please contact:

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I, Krista Baptist, District Manager of the MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2 hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the 2024 budget.

By:

DocuSigned by:

Krista Baptist

Krista Baptist, District Manager

**RESOLUTION
TO ADOPT 2024 BUDGET, APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY,
AND AUTHORIZE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE TAX LEVY
MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2**

A RESOLUTION SUMMARIZING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR EACH FUND, ADOPTING A BUDGET, LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2024 TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO THE VARIOUS FUNDS IN THE AMOUNTS AND FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH HEREIN FOR THE MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2, EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2024, AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 2 has authorized its consultants to prepare and submit a proposed budget to said governing body at the proper time; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget has been submitted to the Board of Directors of the District for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, published or posted in accordance with the law, said proposed budget was available for inspection by the public at a designated public office, a public hearing was held on November 9, 2023 and interested electors were given the opportunity to file or register any objections to said proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, whatever increases may have been made in the expenditures, like increases were added to the revenues or planned to be expended from reserves or fund balances so that the budget remains in balance, as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for general operating purposes from property tax revenue is \$83,747; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is required to temporarily lower the operating mill levy to render a refund for \$0; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for voter-approved bonds and interest is \$665,639; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for contractual obligation purposes from property tax revenue as approved by voters from property tax revenue is \$96,490; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for capital expenditure purposes from property tax revenue as approved by voters or at public hearing is \$0; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for refunds/abatements is \$0; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 valuation for assessment for the District as certified by the County Assessor of El Paso is \$12,456,760; and

WHEREAS, at an election held on November 2, 2021 the District has eliminated the revenue and expenditure limitations imposed on governmental entities by Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution and Section 29-1-301, C.R.S., as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
DISTRICT OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO:

Section 1. Adoption of Budget. That the budget as submitted, and attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, and if amended, then as amended, is hereby approved and adopted as the budget of the Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 2 for calendar year 2024.

Section 2. Budget Revenues. That the estimated revenues for each fund as more specifically set out in the budget attached hereto are accepted and approved.

Section 3. Budget Expenditures. That the estimated expenditures for each fund as more specifically set out in the budget attached hereto are accepted and approved.

Section 4. Levy of General Property Taxes. That the Board of Directors does hereby certify the levy of general property taxes for collection in 2024 as follows:

A. Levy for General Operating and Other Expenses. That for the purposes of meeting all general operating expense of the District during the 2024 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 6.723 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2023.

B. Temporary Tax Credit or Rate Reduction. That pursuant to Section 39-1-111.5, C.R.S. for the purposes of effect of a refund for the purposes set forth in Section 20 of Article X of the Colorado Constitution, there is hereby certified a temporary property tax credit or temporary mill levy rate reduction of 0.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the boundaries of the District for the year 2023.

C. Levy for General Obligation Bonds and Interest. That for the purposes of meeting all debt retirement expense of the District during the 2024 budget year, as the funding requirements of the current outstanding general obligation indebtedness is detailed in the following "Certification of Tax Levies," there is hereby levied a tax of 53.436 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2023.

D. Levy for Contractual Obligations. That for the purposes of meeting the contractual obligation expense of the District during the 2024 budget year, as detailed in the following "Certification of Tax Levies," there is hereby levied a tax of 7.746 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the District for the year 2023.

E. Levy for Capital Expenditures. That for the purposes of meeting all capital expenditures of the District during the 2024 budget year pursuant to Section 29-1-301(1.2) or 29-1-302(1.5), C.R.S., there is hereby levied a tax of 0.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the boundaries of the District for the year 2023.

F. Levy for Refunds/Abatements. That for the purposes of recouping of refunds/abatements of taxes pursuant to Section 39-10-114(1)(a)(I)(B), C.R.S., there is hereby levied a tax of 0.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the boundaries of the District for the year 2023.

Section 5. Property Tax and Fiscal Year Spending Limits. That, being fully informed, the Board finds that the foregoing budget and mill levies do not result in a violation of any applicable property tax or fiscal year spending limitation.

Section 6. Certification. That the appropriate officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed to certify to the Board of County Commissioners of El Paso County, Colorado, the mill levies for the District herein above determined and set, or be authorized and directed to certify to the Board of County Commissioners of El Paso County, Colorado, as herein above determined and set, but as recalculated as needed upon receipt of the final certification of valuation from the County Assessor in order to comply with any applicable revenue and other budgetary limits or to implement the intent of the District. That said certification shall be in substantially the form set out and attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 7. Appropriations. That the amounts set forth as expenditures and balances remaining, as specifically allocated in the budget attached hereto, are hereby appropriated from the revenue of each fund, to each fund, for the purposes stated and no other.

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ADOPTED this 9th day of November, 2023.

MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN
DISTRICT NO. 2

DocuSigned by:
Matthew Jones

President 01F3B7581D7C4AA...

ATTEST:

DocuSigned by:
[Signature]

Secretary E93A0F7F02C14B0...

ATTACH COPY OF THE ADOPTED BUDGET AND
THE CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES

MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2

ANNUAL BUDGET

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
SUMMARY
2024 BUDGET
WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED
For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,**

1/25/24

	ACTUAL 2022	ESTIMATED 2023	BUDGET 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ 639,090	\$ 660,080	\$ 113,233
REVENUES			
Property taxes	542,940	541,134	749,386
Property taxes - contractual	96,077	96,246	96,490
Specific ownership taxes	66,425	63,738	84,588
Interest income	15,088	45,020	26,550
Bond issuance proceeds	-	11,280,000	-
Total revenues	<u>720,530</u>	<u>12,026,138</u>	<u>957,014</u>
TRANSFERS IN	<u>-</u>	<u>197,050</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds available	<u>1,359,620</u>	<u>12,883,268</u>	<u>1,070,247</u>
EXPENDITURES			
General Fund	166,212	165,408	196,496
Debt Service Fund	533,328	10,210,527	559,282
Capital Projects Fund	-	2,197,050	-
Total expenditures	<u>699,540</u>	<u>12,572,985</u>	<u>755,778</u>
TRANSFERS OUT	<u>-</u>	<u>197,050</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation	<u>699,540</u>	<u>12,770,035</u>	<u>755,778</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 660,080</u>	<u>\$ 113,233</u>	<u>\$ 314,469</u>
EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,000
DEBT SERVICE RESERVE - SERIES 2015	25,000	-	-
TOTAL RESERVE	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,000</u>

No assurance provided. See summary of significant assumptions.

MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
PROPERTY TAX SUMMARY INFORMATION
2024 BUDGET
WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED
For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

1/24/24

ACTUAL 2022	ESTIMATED 2023	BUDGET 2024
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ASSESSED VALUATION

Residential - single family	\$ 9,334,160	\$ 6,816,130	\$ 12,368,520
Residential - multi family	-	2,214,100	-
Commercial	33,840	42,880	45,190
Agricultural	5,780	5,280	-
State assessed	48,840	47,130	42,250
Vacant land	328,760	328,760	800
Certified Assessed Value	<u>\$ 9,751,380</u>	<u>\$ 9,454,280</u>	<u>\$ 12,456,760</u>

MILL LEVY

General	5.566	5.723	6.723
Debt Service	50.097	51.514	53.436
Contractual	9.850	10.180	7.746
Total mill levy	<u>65.513</u>	<u>67.417</u>	<u>67.905</u>

PROPERTY TAXES

General	\$ 54,276	\$ 54,107	\$ 83,747
Debt Service	488,515	487,027	665,639
Contractual	96,051	96,245	96,490
Levied property taxes	<u>638,842</u>	<u>637,379</u>	<u>845,876</u>
Budgeted property taxes	<u>\$ 638,842</u>	<u>\$ 637,379</u>	<u>\$ 845,876</u>

BUDGETED PROPERTY TAXES

General	\$ 54,276	\$ 54,107	\$ 83,747
Debt Service	488,515	487,028	665,639
Contractual	96,051	96,245	96,490
	<u>\$ 638,842</u>	<u>\$ 637,379</u>	<u>\$ 845,876</u>

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
GENERAL FUND
2024 BUDGET
WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED
For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,**

1/24/24

	ACTUAL 2022	ESTIMATED 2023	BUDGET 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES			
Property taxes	54,291	54,107	83,747
Property taxes - contractual	96,077	96,246	96,490
Specific ownership taxes	15,631	15,035	18,024
Interest income	213	20	50
Total revenues	<u>166,212</u>	<u>165,408</u>	<u>198,311</u>
Total funds available	<u>166,212</u>	<u>165,408</u>	<u>198,311</u>
EXPENDITURES			
General and administrative			
Accounting	-	-	20,000
Auditing	-	-	4,500
County Treasurer's fee	814	812	1,256
County Treasurer's fee - contractual	1,441	1,444	1,447
Dues and membership	-	-	750
Insurance	-	-	5,000
District management	-	-	15,000
Legal	-	-	20,000
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,000
Contingency	-	-	10,000
Intergovernmental expenditures - Mesa Ridge No.	69,321	68,350	-
Intergovernmental expenditures - Cross Creek MD	94,636	94,802	95,043
Operations and maintenance			
Landscaping	-	-	20,000
Utilities	-	-	2,500
Total expenditures	<u>166,212</u>	<u>165,408</u>	<u>196,496</u>
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation	<u>166,212</u>	<u>165,408</u>	<u>196,496</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,815</u>
EMERGENCY RESERVE	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,000</u>
TOTAL RESERVE	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,000</u>

No assurance provided. See summary of significant assumptions.

MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
DEBT SERVICE FUND
2024 BUDGET
WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED
For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

1/24/24

	ACTUAL 2022	ESTIMATED 2023	BUDGET 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ 639,090	\$ 660,080	\$ 113,233
REVENUES			
Property taxes	488,649	487,027	665,639
Specific ownership taxes	50,794	48,703	66,564
Interest income	14,875	45,000	26,500
Loan issuance proceeds	-	9,280,000	-
Total revenues	<u>554,318</u>	<u>9,860,730</u>	<u>758,703</u>
Total funds available	<u>1,193,408</u>	<u>10,520,810</u>	<u>871,936</u>
EXPENDITURES			
General and administrative			
County Treasurer's fee	7,328	7,305	9,985
Paying agent fees	-	-	4,000
Contingency	-	281,423	-
Debt Service			
Bond interest - Series 2015	217,800	105,465	-
Bond Principal - series 2015	75,000	3,555,000	-
Bond interest - Series 2021	223,200	221,363	-
Bond Principal - series 2021	10,000	3,710,000	-
Bond Interest - Series 2023	-	76,194	-
Bond Principal - Series 2023	-	2,000,000	-
Loan Interest	-	-	540,297
Loan Principal	-	-	5,000
Loan issue costs	-	253,777	-
Total expenditures	<u>533,328</u>	<u>10,210,527</u>	<u>559,282</u>
TRANSFERS OUT			
Transfers to other fund	<u>-</u>	<u>197,050</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation	<u>533,328</u>	<u>10,407,577</u>	<u>559,282</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 660,080</u>	<u>\$ 113,233</u>	<u>\$ 312,654</u>
DEBT SERVICE RESERVE - SERIES 2015	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
TOTAL RESERVE	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

No assurance provided. See summary of significant assumptions.

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
2024 BUDGET
WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED
For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,**

1/24/24

	ACTUAL 2022	ESTIMATED 2023	BUDGET 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES			
Bond issuance proceeds	-	2,000,000	-
Total revenues	-	2,000,000	-
TRANSFERS IN			
Transfers from other funds	-	197,050	-
Total funds available	-	2,197,050	-
EXPENDITURES			
Capital Projects			
Intergovernmental expenditures - Mesa Ridge No. 1	-	2,137,050	-
Bond issue costs	-	60,000	-
Total expenditures	-	2,197,050	-
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation	-	2,197,050	-
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
2024 BUDGET
SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS**

Services Provided

Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 2 (the "District") and Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 1 (District No. 1) were formed under the Joint Service Plan approved by the City of Fountain, Colorado. The Districts' service area is located entirely within the City of Fountain, El Paso County, Colorado. The District is responsible for providing funding to support costs related to services and improvements utilizing the tax base, fees, and charges and will be deemed to be the "Financing District" in order to generate the necessary revenues. District No. 1 will be responsible for managing the design, construction, and operation of the public facilities and improvements and will be deemed to be the "Managing District." Under the Service Plan, the Districts provide the following services: water, wastewater, street improvements, safety protection, parks and recreation, mosquito control, television relay and translation, transportation, and drainage.

Effective January 1, 2024, the District and District No. 1 have terminated the Intergovernmental Agreement and will each be responsible for their respective costs.

The District was organized by El Paso County Court Order on September 20, 2004.

At an election held on November 2, 2004, the voters approved general indebtedness of \$7,000,000 for street improvements, \$2,000,000 for water supply, \$2,000,000, sanitary sewer, \$1,000,000 for traffic and safety controls, \$3,000,000 for parks and recreation, \$1,000,000 for mosquito control, \$1,000,000 for television relay and translation, \$250,000 for public transportation, and \$20,000,000 for refinancing District debt. The voters also approved an annual increase in taxes of \$500,000 at a mill levy rate without limitation or with such limitations as may be determined by the board for the purpose of the District's operations, maintenance, and other expenses. The election also allows the District to retain all revenues without regard to the limitations contained in Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado constitution. Pursuant to the District's combined service plan filed with the city, the maximum debt service mill levy the District can impose is 50.000 mills.

Pursuant to the Service Plan, the Districts are permitted to issue bond indebtedness of up to \$35,000,000.

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

The District prepares its budget on the modified accrual basis of accounting, in accordance with 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

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
2024 BUDGET
SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS**

Revenues - (continued)

Property Taxes (continued)

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 sales of the tax liens on delinquent properties are held in November or December. The County Treasurer remits the taxes collected monthly to the District.

The District is required to impose a maximum Required Mill Levy of 67.905 mills for collection in 2024. Required Mill Levy means an ad valorem mill levy imposed upon all taxable property of the District each year in an amount to pay the principal, premium if any, and interest on the Bonds as the same become due and payable [and to make up and deficiencies in the Reserve Fund].

The calculation of the taxes levied is displayed on the Property Tax Summary page of the budget using the adopted mill levy imposed by the District.

For property tax collection year 2024, SB22-238 and SB23B-001 set the assessment rates and actual value reductions as follows:

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

Specific Ownership Tax

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.

Interest Income

Interest earned on the District’s available funds has been estimated based on an average interest rate of 4.00%.

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
2024 BUDGET
SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS**

Expenditures

Administrative and Operations Expenditures

Administrative expenditures have been provided based on estimates of the District's Board of Directors and consultants and include the services necessary to maintain the District's administrative viability such as legal, accounting, managerial, insurance, landscaping, utilities and other administrative expenses.

County Treasurer's Fees

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

Intergovernmental Transfers – Cross Creek Metropolitan District

Per the Intergovernmental Agreement between the District and Cross Creek Metropolitan District, net revenues from the contractual mill levy are transferred to Cross Creek Metropolitan District to help fund the operations and maintenance expenses of the Regional Park.

Debt and Leases

The District entered into the Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Loan, Series 2023 with Western Alliance Business Trust (the Lender) dated November 29, 2023, in the amount of \$9,280,000 (the 2023 Loan).

Proceeds of the 2023 Loan

Proceeds from the sale of the 2023 Loan were used for the purposes of paying the outstanding amounts due to fully defease the Refunded Bonds and paying the costs of issuance of the 2023 Loan. The Refunded Bonds consist of the District's previously issued Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015, Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2021, and Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023.

2023 Loan Details

The 2023 Loan bears interest at the rate of 5.79% per annum payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1, beginning on June 1, 2024. Principal payments on the 2023 Loan are due annually on each December 1, beginning on December 1, 2024. The 2023 Loan matures on December 1, 2033, at which time the outstanding principal balance of the 2023 Loan shall be due and payable in full. Interest not paid when due shall not compound.

The 2023 Loan is not subject to early termination or acceleration and does not have any unused lines of credit. No assets have been pledged as collateral on the 2023 Loan.

Events of Default of the 2023 Loan

Events of default occur if the District fails to impose the Required Mill Levy, or to apply the Pledged Revenues as required by the Loan Agreement and does not comply with other customary terms and conditions consistent with normal municipal financing as described in the Loan Agreement. Acceleration of the 2023 Loan shall not be an available remedy for an Event of Default.

**MESA RIDGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2
2024 BUDGET
SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS**

Debt and Leases (continued)

Optional Prepayment of the 2023 Loan

The 2023 Loan is subject to prepayment prior to maturity, at the option of the District on December 1, 2025, and on any Payment Date of June 1 and December 1 thereafter, upon payment of principal, accrued interest, and a prepayment fee equal to a percentage of the principal amount so prepaid as follows:

Date of Redemption	Redemption Premium
December 1, 2025, through and including June 1, 2026	3.00%
December 1, 2026, and June 1, 2027	2.00
December 1, 2027, and June 1, 2028	1.00
December 1, 2028, and thereafter	0.00

Pledged Revenue

The 2023 Loan is secured by and payable solely from and to the extent of Pledged Revenue derived by the District from the following sources: (a) all Property Tax Revenues generated from the imposition of the Required Mill Levy, net of the costs of collection and any tax refunds or abatements authorized by or on behalf of the County; (b) the portion of the Specific Ownership Tax Revenues which is collected as a result of the imposition of the Required Mill Levy; and (c) any other legally available moneys which the District determines, in its sole discretion, to apply as Pledged Revenue.

Required Mill Levy

The Required Mill Levy is an ad valorem mill levy imposed upon all taxable property of the District each year in an amount sufficient to pay the Annual Debt Requirements for the next Fiscal Year, but not in excess of 45 mills (as adjusted for changes in the method of calculating assessed valuation or any constitutionally mandated tax credit, cut, or abatement on or after January 1, 2004).

The District has no operating or capital leases.

Reserves

Emergency Reserve

The District has provided for an Emergency Reserve fund equal to at least 3% of fiscal year spending for 2024, as defined under TABOR.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying budget

CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES for NON-SCHOOL Governments

TO: County Commissioners¹ of El Paso County, Colorado.

On behalf of the Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 2,

the BOARD OF DIRECTORS (taxing entity)^A

of the Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 2 (governing body)^B
 (local government)^C

Hereby officially certifies the following mills to be levied against the taxing entity's GROSS assessed valuation of: \$ 12,456,760
 (GROSS^D assessed valuation, Line 2 of the Certification of Valuation Form DLG 57^E)

Note: If the assessor certified a NET assessed valuation (AV) different than the GROSS AV due to a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Area^F the tax levies must be calculated using the NET AV. The taxing entity's total property tax revenue will be derived from the mill levy multiplied against the NET assessed valuation of: \$ 12,456,760
 (NET^G assessed valuation, Line 4 of the Certification of Valuation Form DLG 57)
USE VALUE FROM FINAL CERTIFICATION OF VALUATION PROVIDED BY ASSESSOR NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 10

Submitted: 01/02/2024 for budget/fiscal year 2024
 (no later than Dec. 15) (mm/dd/yyyy) (yyyy)

PURPOSE (see end notes for definitions and examples)	LEVY²	REVENUE²
1. General Operating Expenses ^H	<u>6.723</u> mills	\$ <u>83,747</u>
2. <Minus> Temporary General Property Tax Credit/ Temporary Mill Levy Rate Reduction ^I	< <u> </u> > mills	\$ < <u> </u> >
SUBTOTAL FOR GENERAL OPERATING:	<u>6.723</u> mills	\$ <u>83,747</u>
3. General Obligation Bonds and Interest ^J	<u>53.436</u> mills	\$ <u>665,639</u>
4. Contractual Obligations ^K	<u>7.746</u> mills	\$ <u>96,490</u>
5. Capital Expenditures ^L	<u> </u> mills	\$ <u> </u>
6. Refunds/Abatements ^M	<u> </u> mills	\$ <u> </u>
7. Other ^N (specify): <u> </u>	<u> </u> mills	\$ <u> </u>
	<u> </u> mills	\$ <u> </u>
TOTAL: [Sum of General Operating Subtotal and Lines 3 to 7]	<u>67.905</u> mills	\$ <u>845,876</u>

Contact person: Carrie Bartow Phone: (719)635-0330
 Signed: *Carrie Bartow* Title: Accountant for District

Survey Question: Does the taxing entity have voter approval to adjust the general operating levy to account for changes to assessment rates? Yes No

Include one copy of this tax entity's completed form when filing the local government's budget by January 31st, per 29-1-113 C.R.S., with the Division of Local Government (DLG), Room 521, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, CO 80203. Questions? Call DLG at (303) 864-7720.

¹ If the taxing entity's boundaries include more than one county, you must certify the levies to each county. Use a separate form for each county and certify the same levies uniformly to each county per Article X, Section 3 of the Colorado Constitution.
² Levies must be rounded to three decimal places and revenue must be calculated from the total NET assessed valuation (Line 4 of Form DLG57 on the County Assessor's **FINAL** certification of valuation).

CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES, continued

THIS SECTION APPLIES TO TITLE 32, ARTICLE 1 SPECIAL DISTRICTS THAT LEVY TAXES FOR PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT (32-1-1603 C.R.S.). Taxing entities that are Special Districts or Subdistricts of Special Districts must certify separate mill levies and revenues to the Board of County Commissioners, one each for the funding requirements of each debt (32-1-1603, C.R.S.) Use additional pages as necessary. The Special District's or Subdistrict's total levies for general obligation bonds and total levies for contractual obligations should be recorded on Page 1, Lines 3 and 4 respectively.

CERTIFY A SEPARATE MILL LEVY FOR EACH BOND OR CONTRACT:

BONDS^J:

- | | |
|----|---|
| 1. | Purpose of Issue: <u>Refunding the Series 2015, Series 2021 and Series 2023 Bonds</u>
Series: <u>Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Loan 2023</u>
Date of Issue: <u>November 29,2023</u>
Coupon Rate: <u>5.790%</u>
Maturity Date: <u>2033</u>
Levy: <u>53.436</u>
Revenue: <u>\$ 665,639</u> |
| 2. | Purpose of Issue: _____
Series: _____
Date of Issue: _____
Coupon Rate: _____
Maturity Date: _____
Levy: _____
Revenue: _____ |

CONTRACTS^K:

- | | |
|----|--|
| 3. | Purpose of Contract: <u>Fund Operation and Maintenance Expense for Regional Park</u>
Title: <u>Cross Creek Metropolitan District Intergovernmental Agreement</u>
Date: <u>January 2011</u>
Principal Amount: <u>N/A</u>
Maturity Date: <u>N/A</u>
Levy: <u>7.746</u>
Revenue: <u>\$ 96,490</u> |
| 4. | Purpose of Contract: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____
Principal Amount: _____
Maturity Date: _____
Levy: _____
Revenue: _____ |

Use multiple copies of this page as necessary to separately report all bond and contractual obligations per 32-1-1603, C.R.S.

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Colorado Springs, Colorado**

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COUNTY OF EL PASO }

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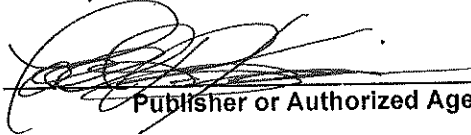
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Notary Public

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Notary Public
State of Colorado
Notary ID # 20114063677
My Commission Expires 10-05-2027

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PROPOSED 2024
BUDGET AND 2023
BUDGET AMENDMENT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the proposed budget for the ensuing year of 2024 has been submitted to the Mesa Ridge Metropolitan District No. 2 ("District"). Such proposed budget will be considered at a meeting and public hearing of the Board of Directors of the District to be held on November 9, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter, at the Fountain Library, 230 S. Main Street, Fountain, Colorado 80817, and via telephone and videoconference. To attend and participate by telephone, dial 1-720-547-5281 and enter Phone Conference ID: 611 999 949#. Information regarding public participation by videoconference will be available at least 24 hours prior to the meeting and public hearing online at www.mesaridgemd.com or by contacting Cindy Jenkins, by email at cindy.jenkins@claconnect.com or by telephone at 303-265-7921.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that an amendment to the 2023 budget of the District may also be considered at the above-referenced meeting and public hearing of the Board of Directors of the District. A copy of the proposed 2024 budget and the amended 2023 budget, if required, are available for public inspection at the offices of CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, 121 S. Tejon Street, Suite 1100, Colorado Springs, CO 80903. Any interested elector within the District may, at any time prior to final adoption of the 2024 budget and the amended 2023 budget, if required, file or register any objections thereto.

MESA RIDGE
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DISTRICT NO. 2

By: /s/ Matthew Jones
President

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