



# **RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust**

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**December 31, 2021 and 2020**



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# REPORT





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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Directors  
Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority  
Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust  
Corpus Christi, Texas

### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust (the "Plan"), which comprise the statements of fiduciary net position as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related statements of changes in fiduciary net position for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively compromise the Plan's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in financial position for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments; administering the plan; and determining that the plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

### **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

## Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

*Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.*

Corpus Christi, Texas  
September 15, 2022

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Management's Discussion and Analysis

The Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MDA") on the financial performance of RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust (the "Plan") provides an overview of the Plan's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021. Please read this section in conjunction with the financial statements, which begin on page 6.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following highlights are explained in greater detail later in this discussion.

#### *Financial Highlights for the Year Ended December 31, 2021*

- The fiduciary net position held in trust for the Plan increased by \$4,542,006 during the 2021 fiscal year and totaled \$51,096,163 as of December 31, 2021.
- Retirement benefits paid during 2021 increased \$73,443 to total \$2,292,357.
- Total Contributions to the Plan increased \$154,384 during 2021 to total \$1,382,108.
- Net appreciation in the fair market value of investments increased by \$99,450 during 2021 for a total appreciation of \$5,597,624 compared to appreciation of \$5,498,174 for the prior fiscal year.
- Administrative expenses increased \$22,493 to total \$145,369.

### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Plan's basic financial statements include the following:

1. Statements of fiduciary net position,
2. Statements of changes in fiduciary net position, and
3. Notes to the financial statements.

The statement of fiduciary net position reports the Plan's assets, liabilities, and resultant net position restricted for pension benefits. It discloses the financial position of the Plan as of December 31, 2021.

The statement of changes in fiduciary net position reports the results of the Plan's operations during the year disclosing the additions to and deductions from the net position. It supports the change that has occurred to the prior year's net position value on the statements of fiduciary net position.

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information and insight that are essential to gaining a full understanding of the data provided in the statements of fiduciary net position and statements of changes in the fiduciary net position. The notes to the financial statements are followed by required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Management's Discussion and Analysis

For 2022, the recommended employer contribution is 11.75% of total annual payroll, 0.07% less than the 2021 recommended contribution of 11.82%.

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The fiduciary net position held in trust for the Plan increased by \$4,542,006 during the 2021 fiscal year and totaled \$51,096,163 as of December 31, 2021. The increase is attributed primarily to the \$5,597,624 of net investment income from the plan investments in 2021. The remaining change in net position is due to employer contributions and benefit payments.

| Condensed Financial Information                     |                      |                      |                      |                     |                       |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
|   | December             |                      |                      | Change              |                       |
|   | 2021                 | 2020                 | 2019                 | 2021-2020           | 2020-2019             |
| <b>Assets</b>                                       |                      |                      |                      |                     |                       |
| Investments at fair value                           | \$ 51,096,163        | \$ 46,554,019        | \$ 42,168,639        | \$ 4,542,144        | \$ 4,385,380          |
| Accrued interest receivable                         | -                    | 138                  | 1,410                | (138)               | (1,272)               |
| <b>Total Plan Assets</b>                            | <b>51,096,163</b>    | <b>46,554,157</b>    | <b>42,170,049</b>    | <b>4,542,006</b>    | <b>4,384,108</b>      |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                  |                      |                      |                      |                     |                       |
|   | -                    | -                    | -                    | -                   | -                     |
| <b>Net position restricted for pension benefits</b> | <b>\$ 51,096,163</b> | <b>\$ 46,554,157</b> | <b>\$ 42,170,049</b> | <b>\$ 4,542,006</b> | <b>\$ 4,384,108</b>   |
| <br>  |                      |                      |                      |                     |                       |
|   | Year Ended December  |                      |                      | Change              |                       |
|   | 2021                 | 2020                 | 2019                 | 2021-2020           | 2020-2019             |
| <b>Additions</b>                                    |                      |                      |                      |                     |                       |
| Net investment (loss) income                        | \$ 5,597,624         | \$ 5,498,174         | \$ 6,617,918         | \$ 99,450           | \$ (1,119,744)        |
| Employer contributions                              | 1,382,108            | 1,227,724            | 3,691,087            | 154,384             | (2,463,363)           |
| <b>Total additions (deductions)</b>                 | <b>6,979,732</b>     | <b>6,725,898</b>     | <b>10,309,005</b>    | <b>253,834</b>      | <b>(3,583,107)</b>    |
| <b>Deductions</b>                                   |                      |                      |                      |                     |                       |
| Benefits paid to participants                       | 2,292,357            | 2,218,914            | 1,927,249            | 73,443              | 291,665               |
| Administrative expenses                             | 145,369              | 122,876              | 111,885              | 22,493              | 10,991                |
| <b>Total deductions</b>                             | <b>2,437,726</b>     | <b>2,341,790</b>     | <b>2,039,134</b>     | <b>95,936</b>       | <b>302,656</b>        |
| <b>Net increase (decrease) in net position</b>      | <b>\$ 4,542,006</b>  | <b>\$ 4,384,108</b>  | <b>\$ 8,269,871</b>  | <b>\$ 157,898</b>   | <b>\$ (3,885,763)</b> |

### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Questions concerning any of the information provided or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority, Finance Department, 602 N. Staples St., Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, (361) 883-2287. In addition, this Employee Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Financial Report for 2021 will be posted on the Authority's website: [www.ccrta.org](http://www.ccrta.org) under the category "Financial Transparency" – Pension Information.





# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



**RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust  
Statements of Fiduciary Net Position**

| <i>December 31,</i>                                   | <b>2021</b>          | <b>2020</b>          |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>   |                      |                      |
| Investments at fair value                             |                      |                      |
| Money market fund                                     | \$ 904,700           | \$ 1,070,261         |
| Mutual funds  | 10,828,586           | 9,130,011            |
| Collective investments funds                          | 39,362,877           | 36,353,747           |
| <br>  |                      |                      |
| Total investments, at fair value                      | <b>51,096,163</b>    | 46,554,019           |
| <br>  |                      |                      |
| Receivables   |                      |                      |
| Accrued interest receivable                           | -                    | 138                  |
| <br>  |                      |                      |
| <b>Total assets</b>                                   | <b>51,096,163</b>    | 46,554,157           |
| <br>  |                      |                      |
| <b>Fiduciary net position</b>                         |                      |                      |
| <br>  |                      |                      |
| <b>Net position - restricted for pension benefits</b> | <b>\$ 51,096,163</b> | <b>\$ 46,554,157</b> |

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

| <i>For the years ended December 31,</i>          | <b>2021</b>          | <b>2020</b>          |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Additions</b>                                 |                      |                      |
| Contributions                                    |                      |                      |
| Employer contributions                           | \$ 1,382,108         | \$ 1,227,724         |
| Investment income                                |                      |                      |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments    | 5,241,116            | 5,354,131            |
| Interest   | 1,106                | 8,323                |
| Dividends  | 347,834              | 131,373              |
| Mutual/ common trust fund earnings               | 7,568                | 4,347                |
| Total investment income, net                     | 5,597,624            | 5,498,174            |
| <b>Total additions</b>                           | <b>6,979,732</b>     | <b>6,725,898</b>     |
| <b>Deductions</b>                                |                      |                      |
| Benefits paid to participants                    | 2,292,357            | 2,218,914            |
| Administrative expenses                          | 145,369              | 122,876              |
| <b>Total deductions</b>                          | <b>2,437,726</b>     | <b>2,341,790</b>     |
| <b>Change in fiduciary net position</b>          | <b>4,542,006</b>     | <b>4,384,108</b>     |
| <b>Fiduciary net position, beginning of year</b> | <b>46,554,157</b>    | <b>42,170,049</b>    |
| <b>Fiduciary net position, end of year</b>       | <b>\$ 51,096,163</b> | <b>\$ 46,554,157</b> |

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

## **RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements**

### **Note 1: DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN**

The following description of the RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Refer to Plan documents for a more complete description of Plan provisions.

#### ***General***

The Plan is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (“Authority”) and established upon the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Authority Board may periodically amend the Plan document. The current Plan provisions were established by a Plan and Trust agreement adopted by the Board of Directors in July 1986, and amended in July 1994, February 2002, November 2010, December 2011, December 2012, and January 2015.

#### ***Plan Administrator***

The Plan has engaged third parties to provide actuarial services, consulting services, investment services and to assist with certain administrative functions of the Plan.

#### ***Benefits***

Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Plan. The Plan assets are maintained under a trust agreement with Wells Fargo Bank (Trustee). The Trustee carries out an investment policy established by the Authority Board consistent with purposes of the Plan and all applicable laws. Administration costs are paid by the Plan.

#### ***Eligibility Requirements***

All employees shall be eligible to participate in the Plan on the date of the commencement of a full-time employment or reemployment. For purposes of this section, a full-time employee shall be defined as an employee who receives compensation from the employer on the basis on an average of at least 40 hours of employment per week. Once an employee has become a participant, he will continue to be a participant as long as he continues to be an employee without a break in service and thereafter as long as he or his beneficiary retains any right to benefits under the Plan.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 1: DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN (Continued)

#### *Retirement Benefits*

Plan participants are eligible for their pension benefit after terminating employment with vested rights. Participants are eligible for normal retirement on his normal retirement date (first day of the calendar month immediately following the date he attains age 62). A participant who has both attained his 55<sup>th</sup> birthday and has completed at least ten (10) years of service may retire at any time by giving at least 120 days prior written notice to the employer, but at a benefit reduced by 5% for each year preceding his normal retirement date. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan reduction factors. Normal retirement benefits shall be an amount equal to 2% of his final average compensation multiplied by his years of service (converted to a monthly retirement benefit by dividing by twelve).

#### *Vesting*

Vesting begins at three years of service with full vesting at seven years. Employees who retire on or after age 62 are entitled to an annual retirement benefit equal to 2% of average compensation for the final three consecutive years of employment times their number of years of service for the Authority. Reduced retirement benefits are available at age 55 with ten years of service. In January 2015, the Plan was amended to allow those eligible for early retirement during a specific window without incurring the normal reduction in benefits. The Plan is not indexed for inflation. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, there were 616 and 607 participants in the Plan, respectively, as follows:

|  | <b>2021</b> | <b>2020</b> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits    | <b>217</b>  | 200         |
| Terminated and entitled to, but not yet receiving benefits | <b>189</b>  | 187         |
| Active employees   | <b>210</b>  | 220         |
| Total participants   | <b>616</b>  | 607         |

#### *Death Benefits*

If the employment of a Participant is terminated by reason of his death prior to the completion of three (3) years of service, no death benefits shall be payable under the Plan. If the employment of a participant is terminated by reason of his death, while in the employment of the Authority after the completion of three (3) years of service or after having terminated with at least three (3) years of service, then a death benefit shall be payable to the participant's surviving spouse equal to the "Pre-Retirement Survivor Annuity". The "Pre-Retirement Survivor's Annuity" means a survivor annuity for the life of the deceased participant's spouse which provides payments to the surviving spouse that are equal to the amounts that would have been paid to the surviving spouse (details provided in Plan Document). If the participant does not have a surviving spouse, no death benefits shall be payable.

## **RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements**

### **Note 1: DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN (Continued)**

#### ***Disability Benefits***

Employees determined to be disabled under terms of the Authority's long-term disability program as of June 1, 1999 shall be entitled to benefits under this Plan to the extent the Plan provisions in place on June 1, 1999 provided for such benefits.

#### ***Contributions***

The Authority shall contribute to the fund from time to time amounts based upon the recommendations of the Plan's actuary, in order to fund the costs of the Plan on an acceptable basis. All employer contributions when made to fund and all property and funds of the fund, including income from investments and from all other sources, shall be retained for the exclusive benefit of participants and their beneficiaries, and shall be used to pay retirement income provided hereunder or to pay expenses of administration of the Plan and the fund.

No contributions shall be required of or permitted by any participants under this plan.

#### ***Plan Termination***

The Authority, has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan.

#### ***Tax Qualifications***

The Plan is a tax qualified plan under IRS Code Section 401(a).

#### ***Funding Policy***

The employer shall establish a funding policy and method consistent with the Plan objectives in order that the long range and short range financial needs of the Plan may be determined and communicated to the Board.

### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### ***Basis of Accounting***

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The significant accounting policies followed in the preparation of these financial statements are summarized below. These policies conform to the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for local governmental units as prescribed in the statements issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and other authoritative sources.

## **RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

##### ***Use of Estimates***

The preparation U.S GAAP financial statements require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

##### ***Method Used to Value Investments***

The assets of the Plan are invested in various fixed income, equity and short-term money market funds managed by a trustee. The Plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Plan. Investments are reported at their fair market value as determined by the trustee. Investments in mutual funds are valued based on most recent quoted market prices.

##### ***Investment Income***

Dividend income is recognized based on the dividend date and interest income is recognized on the accrual basis as earned. Fair value changes are recorded as investment income or loss. Purchases and sales of investments are recorded as of the trade date.

##### ***Investment Valuation and Income Recognition***

The Plan's investments are stated at market value, unless otherwise indicated. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for further information and related disclosures regarding the Plan's investments. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments includes realized gains or losses and unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year. Gains and losses on the sale of investments in registered investment company funds are computed using the weighted average cost method.

##### ***Risk and Uncertainties***

The Plan may invest in various types of investment securities. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of fiduciary net position.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### **Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

Plan contributions are made and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions processes, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term would be material to the financial statements.

#### ***Payment of Benefits***

Benefit payments are recognized as expenses when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

#### ***Administrative Expenses***

The employer may pay all expenses incurred in the administration of the Plan, including expenses and fees of the Trustee, but it shall not be obligated to do so; except that any such expenses and fees not paid by the employer shall be paid from the Plan. All expenses not paid by the employer and all other proper charges and disbursements of the Trustee, including taxes of any kind which may be levied or assessed under existing or future laws upon or in respect to the Fund or the Trust created hereby, shall be paid by the Trustee out of, and shall constitute a first charge upon, the Fund. In addition, certain investment related expenses are included in the net appreciation of fair value of investments presented in the accompanying *Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position*.

#### ***Subsequent Events***

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, September 15, 2022, and determined there were no events that occurred that require disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

### **Note 3: CHANGES OF ASSUMPTIONS**

The assumed interest (or discount) rate was decreased from 7.20% to 7.10% per annum. The mortality basis was changed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar Generational Mortality table with Improvement Scale MP-2020 to the RP-2014 Blue Collar Generational Mortality table with Improvement Scale MP-2021.



## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS

Investments at December 31, 2021 and 2020 consist of the following mutual funds, which are stated at fair value:

|  | <b>2021</b>          | <b>2020</b>         |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Money market fund:</b>                                |                      |                     |
| Wells Fargo Short Term Investment Fund F                 | \$ 904,700           | \$ 1,070,261        |
| <b>Total money market fund</b>                           | <b>904,700</b>       | <b>1,070,261</b>    |
| <hr/>  |                      |                     |
|  | <b>2021</b>          | <b>2020</b>         |
| <b>Mutual funds:</b>                                     |                      |                     |
| Fixed Income:  |                      |                     |
| Metropolitan West Total Return Bond Fund Class I         | 4,789,742            | 4,385,510           |
| Total fixed income                                       | 4,789,742            | 4,385,510           |
| International equity:                                    |                      |                     |
| Acadian Emerging Markets Portfolio Class Inst            | 877,122              | 823,487             |
| American Funds Europacific Growth                        | 1,550,847            | 977,707             |
| Invesco Oppenheimer Developing                           | 937,789              | 837,780             |
| Total international equity                               | 3,365,758            | 2,638,974           |
| Commodity:   |                      |                     |
| Alps/Corecommodity Mgmt Complete<br>Comm Strat Fund Cl I | 1,308,638            | 1,179,355           |
| Total commodity  | 1,308,638            | 1,179,355           |
| Real Estate:   |                      |                     |
| Vanguard REIT ETF  | 1,364,448            | 926,172             |
| Total real estate  | 1,364,448            | 926,172             |
| <b>Total mutual funds</b>                                | <b>\$ 10,828,586</b> | <b>\$ 9,130,011</b> |

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**RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**

**Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

|   | 2021                 | 2020                 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Collective investment funds:</b>                               |                      |                      |
| Domestic equity:  |                      |                      |
| Wells Fargo Multi-Manager Small Cap CIT F                         | \$ 3,624,769         | \$ 4,220,957         |
| Wells Fargo Blackrock International Equity Index                  | 2,825,688            | 1,906,100            |
| Wells Fargo Blackrock S&P Midcap Index CIT F                      | 4,665,739            | 4,641,976            |
| Wells Fargo Blackrock S&P 500 Index CIT F                         | 6,123,651            | 5,157,331            |
| Wells Fargo MFS Value CIT F                                       | 1,575,049            | 1,606,342            |
| Wells Fargo T Rowe Price Instit Equity<br>Income Managed CIT F    | 1,554,350            | 1,058,573            |
| Wells Fargo T Rowe Price Instit Large-Cap<br>Growth Managed CIT F | 1,515,121            | 1,640,226            |
| Wells Fargo Voya Large Cap Growth CIT F                           | 1,528,205            | 1,055,401            |
| <b>Total domestic equity</b>                                      | <b>23,412,572</b>    | <b>21,286,906</b>    |
| Fixed income:   |                      |                      |
| Wells Fargo Core Bond Fund  | 4,792,718            | 4,384,507            |
| Wells Fargo Dodge & Cox Intermediate Bond CIT F                   | 4,800,478            | 4,388,156            |
| Wells Fargo Federated Total Return Bond CIT F                     | 4,798,147            | 4,392,642            |
| <b>Total fixed income</b>   | <b>14,391,343</b>    | <b>13,165,305</b>    |
| International equity:   |                      |                      |
| Wells Fargo Causeway International Value CIT F                    | 1,558,962            | 962,020              |
| Wells Fargo Lazard International Equity CIT F                     | -                    | 939,516              |
| <b>Total international equity</b>                                 | <b>1,558,962</b>     | <b>1,901,536</b>     |
| <b>Total collective investment funds</b>                          | <b>39,362,877</b>    | <b>36,353,747</b>    |
| <b>Total investments</b>  | <b>\$ 51,096,163</b> | <b>\$ 46,554,019</b> |

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

#### *Fair Value Measurements*

GASB 72, Fair Value Measurements and Application, provides the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurement) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurement). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB 72 are described as follows:

**Level 1** inputs to the valuation methodology is unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

**Level 2** inputs to the valuation methodology include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; inputs that are derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

**Level 3** inputs to the valuation methodology are inputs that are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

#### *Valuation Methodology*

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2021.

#### **Level 1 Fair Value Measurements**

The fair value of mutual funds is based on quoted net asset values of the shares held by the Plan at the end of the year. Accounts are based on available quoted market prices.

#### **Level 2 Fair Value Measurements**

The fair value of certain units of Collective Investment Funds is based on significant other observable inputs. Underlying investments include securities, government and agency obligations, and fixed income securities. Securities traded on security exchanges are valued at closing market prices on the valuation date. Securities traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last sale on the valuation date, if any, otherwise at the last reported bid price. Government and agency obligations are valued based upon the most recent bid quotation for identical or similar obligations.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Fixed income securities are valued based upon the most recent bid quotation obtained from major market makers or security exchanges. The fair value of the collective trust fund is the respective net asset values reported by the fund daily.

The preceding valuation methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following presents the Plan's fair value measurements at December 31, 2021 and 2020 reported by level, within the fair value hierarchy and segregated by entity size or investment objective.

| <b>Fair Value Measurements</b>          |  |  |                   |                   |
|---|--|--|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | <b>Quoted prices in<br/>active market for<br/>identical assets<br/>(Level 1)</b> | <b>Significant other<br/>observable inputs<br/>(Level 2)</b> | <b>Fair value</b> |                   |
| <b>December 31, 2021</b>                |  |  |                   |                   |
| <b>Money market fund</b>                | \$ 904,700   | \$ -   | \$                | <b>904,700</b>    |
| <b>Mutual funds</b>                     | <b>10,828,586</b>  | -  |                   | <b>10,828,586</b> |
| <b>Common/ Collective trust funds</b>   | -  | <b>39,362,877</b>  |                   | <b>39,362,877</b> |
| <b>Total investments, at fair value</b> | <b>\$ 11,733,286</b>   | <b>\$ 39,362,877</b>   | <b>\$</b>         | <b>51,096,163</b> |
| <br>                                    |  |  |                   |                   |
| <b>December 31, 2020</b>                |  |  |                   |                   |
| <b>Money market fund</b>                | \$ 1,070,261   | \$ -   | \$                | <b>1,070,261</b>  |
| <b>Mutual funds</b>                     | <b>9,130,011</b>   | -  |                   | <b>9,130,011</b>  |
| <b>Common/ Collective trust funds</b>   | -  | <b>36,353,747</b>  |                   | <b>36,353,747</b> |
| <b>Total investments, at fair value</b> | <b>\$ 10,200,272</b>   | <b>\$ 36,353,747</b>   | <b>\$</b>         | <b>46,554,019</b> |

### ***Interest rate risk***

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. As market interest rates rise, the fair value of an investment held decreases. The Plan's current Investment Policy does not specifically address interest rate risk. The Plan does, however, monitor exposure using the "Segmented Time Distribution" method.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The following is a list of fixed income investments and related maturity schedule (in years) as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. The Maturity schedule is based on the average maturity of the fund as noted by the fund manager.

| Investment Type                          | Fair Value           | Less than         |                     |                     |                     |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|  |                      | 1 year            | 1 - 5 years         | 5- 10 years         | 10 + years          |
| <b>December 31, 2021</b>                 |                      |                   |                     |                     |                     |
| <b>Collective Investment Funds:</b>      |                      |                   |                     |                     |                     |
| <b>Fixed Income</b>                      |                      |                   |                     |                     |                     |
| WF Core Bond Fund                        | \$ 4,792,718         | \$ 143,782        | \$ 2,252,577        | \$ 1,533,670        | \$ 862,689          |
| WF Dodge & Cox<br>Intermediate Bond Fund | 4,800,478            | 96,011            | 1,872,186           | 1,968,196           | 864,085             |
| WF Federated Total Return<br>Bond Fund   | 4,798,147            | 191,926           | 959,629             | 1,583,389           | 2,063,203           |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>\$ 14,391,343</b> | <b>\$ 431,719</b> | <b>\$ 5,084,392</b> | <b>\$ 5,085,255</b> | <b>\$ 3,789,977</b> |

December 31, 2020

Collective Investment Funds:

Fixed Income

|  |                      |                   |                     |                     |                     |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| WF Core Bond Fund                        | \$ 4,384,507         | \$ 219,225        | \$ 2,499,168        | \$ 964,592          | \$ 701,521          |
| WF Dodge & Cox<br>Intermediate Bond Fund | 4,388,156            | 394,934           | 1,755,262           | 1,360,328           | 877,632             |
| WF Federated Total Return<br>Bond Fund   | 4,392,642            | 175,706           | 1,098,161           | 1,405,645           | 1,713,130           |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>\$ 13,165,305</b> | <b>\$ 789,865</b> | <b>\$ 5,352,591</b> | <b>\$ 3,730,565</b> | <b>\$ 3,292,283</b> |

### **Credit Risk**

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations to the Plan. The Plan's investment policy addresses general provisions relating to common stocks where limits are established on percentage of investing in a particular stock. The policy also stresses high quality and reasonable diversification of fixed income investments with portfolio holdings concentrated in securities rated A or better, limiting 10% of holdings invested in issues rated below BBB, only with management approval.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

#### *Custodial Credit Risk*

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by counterparty, or counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the government's name. This is the risk that in the event of bank or investment failure, the Plan's deposits or investments may not be returned. The Plan's investment policy does not specifically address custodial credit risk; however, all of Defined Benefits' deposits and investments are in the name of the Plan and Trust. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Plan's deposits or investments exposed to custodial credit risk are minimal.

#### *Concentration of Credit Risk*

This is the risk of investing predominately in any one type of investment or entity. The Plan recognizes over-concentration of assets by market sector or maturity as a risk to the portfolio. The Plan's adopted investment policy established diversification as a major objective of the investment program and sets diversification limits for all authorized investment types which are monitored on a monthly basis. Per the policy, no equity holding may exceed 5% of the outstanding voting shares of the issuing corporation. Likewise, regarding fixed income investments, not more than 5% of the market value of the total portfolio may be invested in the debt securities of any one company. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, there were no exceptions to these policy limits.

The following is the Plan's adopted asset allocation ranges as of December 31, 2021:

|              | <b>Target %</b> | <b>Maximum %</b> | <b>Minimum %</b> | <b>Benchmark</b>           |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| Cash         | 2%              | 3%               | 0%               | Treasury Bill Equivalent   |
| Equities     | 60%             | 70%              | 50%              | S & P 500                  |
| Fixed Income | 38%             | 50%              | 27%              | Barclays Capital Aggregate |

#### *Rate of Return*

The portfolio is expected to produce a compounded annual absolute return over a market cycle of at least 7.1%. For the year ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the annual dollar-weighted rate of return on the Plan's investments, net of pension plan investment income, was 12.02 and 13.07 percent, respectively. The dollar-weighted rate of return demonstrates that the present value of future cash flows plus the final market value of investments equal the current market price of investment.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 4: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The Plan's fixed income investments are rated based on the average quality of the fixed income investments as noted below:

|                           | WF Core<br>Bond Fund<br>CIT F | WF Dodge &<br>Cox Intermed<br>Bond CIT F | WF Federated<br>Total Return<br>Bond CIT F | Total                |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| <b>December 31, 2021</b>  |                               |  |  |                      |
| Cash                      | \$ -                          | \$ 96,010                                | \$ 95,963                                  | \$ 191,973           |
| U.S. Treasury             | -                             | 1,104,110                                | -  | 1,104,110            |
| U.S. Agency               | -                             | 1,728,172                                | -  | 1,728,172            |
| AAA                       | 3,259,048                     | 48,005                                   | -  | 3,307,053            |
| AA                        | 47,927                        | 96,010                                   | 2,303,111                                  | 2,447,047            |
| A                         | 431,345                       | 144,014                                  | -  | 575,359              |
| BBB                       | 910,616                       | 1,056,105                                | 479,815                                    | 2,446,536            |
| BB and Below              | 143,782                       | 480,048                                  | 1,583,389                                  | 2,207,218            |
| Other                     | -                             | 48,005                                   | 335,870                                    | 383,875              |
| <b>Total fixed income</b> | <b>\$ 4,792,718</b>           | <b>\$ 4,800,478</b>                      | <b>\$ 4,798,147</b>                        | <b>\$ 14,391,343</b> |
| <b>December 31, 2020</b>  |                               |  |  |                      |
| Cash                      | \$ -                          | \$ 351,052                               | \$ 87,853                                  | \$ 438,905           |
| U.S. Treasury             | -                             | 526,579                                  | -  | 526,579              |
| U.S. Agency               | -                             | 1,623,618                                | -  | 1,623,618            |
| AAA                       | 3,025,310                     | 43,882                                   | 1,713,130                                  | 4,782,322            |
| AA                        | 131,535                       | 131,645                                  | 87,853                                     | 351,033              |
| A                         | 526,141                       | 263,289                                  | 527,117                                    | 1,316,547            |
| BBB                       | 613,831                       | 1,009,276                                | 1,142,087                                  | 2,765,194            |
| BB and Below              | 87,690                        | 438,816                                  | 834,602                                    | 1,361,108            |
| <b>Total fixed income</b> | <b>\$ 4,384,507</b>           | <b>\$4,388,156</b>                       | <b>\$ 4,392,642</b>                        | <b>\$ 13,165,305</b> |

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 5: NET PENSION (ASSET) LIABILITY

The Net Pension Liability is measured as the Total Pension Liability, less the amount of the Plan's Fiduciary Net Position. In actuarial terms, this will be the accrued liability less the market value of assets. The components of the Plan's Net Pension (Asset) Liability as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

| <i>As of December 31,</i>   | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2020</b>   |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Total pension liability   | \$ 50,154,625 | \$ 47,287,748 |
| Plan fiduciary net position   | 51,096,163    | 46,554,157    |
| <hr/>   |               |               |
| Net pension (asset) liability   | \$ (941,538)  | \$ 733,591    |
| <hr/>   |               |               |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage<br>of the total pension (asset) liability | 101.88%       | 98.45%        |

### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

|                       |  |                  |
|-----------------------|--|------------------|
| Actuarial cost method |  | Entry age normal |
| Inflation             |  | 2.25%            |
| Salary increases      |  | 3.50%            |
| Mortality             | RP-2014 Blue Collar Generational Mortality table<br>with Improvement Scale MP-2021 |                  |

### **Long-Term Expected Rate of Plan Returns**

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



## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 5: NET PENSION (ASSET) LIABILITY (Continued)

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Plan's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2021 are summarized in the following table:

| Asset Class                 | Target Allocation | Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Domestic Equity - Large Cap | 20%               | 5.10%                                  |
| Domestic Equity - Mid Cap   | 10%               | 5.80%                                  |
| Domestic Equity - Small Cap | 10%               | 6.00%                                  |
| International Equity        | 15%               | 5.70%                                  |
| Fixed Income                | 38%               | 1.10%                                  |
| Domestic Real Estate        | 2.5%              | 5.70%                                  |
| Commodities                 | 2.5%              | 3.50%                                  |
| Cash                        | 2%                | 0.00%                                  |

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.1%. Pursuant to Paragraph 43 of GASB No. 67, an alternative analysis was performed to compare the Plan's net fiduciary position to projected benefit payments.

1. The Normal Cost represents the annual cost of providing an additional year of pension benefits for active participants.
2. The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability represents the accumulated deficiency of the total cost of benefit payments which have already been earned over the current assets held by the Plan's trust.
3. The Authority's contribution policy is to make an annual payment equal to the Normal Cost plus the amortization payment of the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. The amortization payment is calculated as a level dollar amount over a period of 15 years from January 1, 2009.
4. A review of actual contributions over the past five years shows that the Authority has made sufficient contributions to meet its funding policy.

On the basis of the above, the projected cash flows will be sufficient to provide the benefit payments to the Plan participants. Thus, the Discount Rate is equal to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.1%.

## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 5: NET PENSION (ASSET) LIABILITY (Continued)

#### *Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate*

The following presents the Net Pension (Asset) Liability of the Plan, calculated using the discount rate of 7.1%, as well as what the Plan's Net Pension (Asset) Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.1%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.1%) than the current rate:

|                               | 1% Decrease<br>6.10% | Current Discount<br>Rate 7.10% | 1% Increase<br>8.10% |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Net pension (asset) liability | \$ 4,861,389         | \$ (941,538)                   | \$ (5,808,416)       |

### Note 6: PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Authority expressly reserves the right under the Plan to terminate or partially terminate the Plan and its contributions thereunder at any time subject to the provisions set forth in Section 7 of the Plan and by giving written notice of such termination or discontinuation of its contribution to the Trustee. In the event the Plan terminates, or partially terminates, the present value of the benefits shall be determined as of the Plan termination date and the assets of the Trust Fund shall be allocated to the extent they shall be sufficient, after providing for expenses and administration, in the following order:

1. First
  - a. To benefits which are being paid as of three years prior to the date of termination of the Plan, with the amount to be allocated to such benefit, based on the provisions of the Plan in effect during the five-year period immediately preceding the date of termination under which such benefit would be least.
  - b. To benefits which would have been paid as of three years prior to the date of termination (i) if the Participant had retired prior to the three-year period and (ii) if his benefits had commenced (in the normal form of annuity under the Plan) as of the beginning of such three-year period, with the amount to be allocated to each such benefit determined under the provisions of the Plan in effect during the five-year period preceding the date of termination under which the benefit would be the least.
2. Second, to all other vested Accrued Benefits as determined under Section 3.05.
3. Third, to all other Accrued Benefits attributable to non-vested participants.

## **RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Financial Statements**

### **Note 6: PLAN TERMINATION (Continued)**

For purposes of 1.b.i above, the lowest benefit in pay status during a three-year period shall be considered the benefit in pay status for such period.

If the assets available for allocation to any class specified above are insufficient to satisfy in full the benefits of all individuals within that class, the assets shall be allocated pro-rata among such individuals on the basis of present value (as of the termination date) of their respective benefits.

### **Note 7: TAX STATUS**

On April 27, 2017 the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued a favorable determination letter stating that the Plan was in compliance with Section 1.401-1(b)(3) of the Code of Federal Regulations.



# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



**RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust**  
**Schedule of Net Pension Liability**  
**Last 8 Years**

| For the year ended December 31, | Total Pension<br>Liability | Plan Fiduciary<br>Net Position | Employer's<br>Net Pension<br>Liability (Asset) | Plan Fiduciary<br>Net Position as<br>a % of Total<br>Pension<br>Liability | Covered Payroll      | Net Pension<br>Liability (Asset)<br>as a % of<br>Covered Payroll |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|----------------------|--|
| <b>2021</b>                     | <b>\$ 50,154,625</b>       | <b>\$ 51,096,163</b>           | <b>\$ (941,538)</b>                            | <b>101.88%</b>  | <b>\$ 11,696,475</b> | <b>-8.0%</b>   |
| 2020                            | 47,287,748                 | 46,554,157                     | 733,591  | 98.45%  | 10,975,562           | 6.7%   |
| 2019                            | 44,625,498                 | 42,170,049                     | 2,455,449                                      | 94.50%  | 10,668,048           | 23.0%  |
| 2018                            | 40,368,821                 | 33,900,179                     | 6,468,642                                      | 83.98%  | 10,677,430           | 60.6%  |
| 2017                            | 37,069,237                 | 36,440,324                     | 628,913  | 98.30%  | 9,773,977            | 6.4%   |
| 2016                            | 34,966,314                 | 32,583,077                     | 2,383,237                                      | 93.18%  | 9,178,411            | 26.0%  |
| 2015                            | 33,530,870                 | 30,210,461                     | 3,320,409                                      | 90.10%  | 8,818,232            | 37.7%  |
| 2014                            | \$ 31,895,409              | \$ 31,162,434                  | \$ 732,975                                     | 97.70%  | \$ 7,274,172         | 10.1%  |

**Note to Schedule:**

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

*See Independent Auditors' Report and Accompanying Notes to Required Supplementary Information.*

**RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust**  
**Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios**  
**Last 8 Years**

| <i>For the year ended December 31,</i>                               | 2021                 | 2020                 | 2019                 | 2018                 | 2017                 | 2016                 | 2015                 | 2014                 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Total Pension Liability</b>                                       |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Service cost   | \$ 990,244           | \$ 926,286           | \$ 879,904           | \$ 1,066,449         | \$ 980,740           | \$ 941,470           | \$ 876,806           | \$ 695,517           |
| Interest on total pension liability                                  | 3,404,718            | 3,257,661            | 2,987,293            | 2,780,193            | 2,620,680            | 2,521,413            | 2,396,547            | 2,254,495            |
| Changes in benefit terms   | -                    | -                    | -                    | 313,503              | -                    | -                    | 115,478              | 391,915              |
| Changes between expected and actual experience                       | 162,958              | 336,157              | 1,943,344            | (241,238)            | 335,013              | (465,534)            | (260,046)            | 784,295              |
| Changes of assumptions   | 601,314              | 361,060              | 373,385              | 1,189,575            | -                    | -                    | -                    | -                    |
| Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions        | (2,292,357)          | (2,218,914)          | (1,927,249)          | (1,808,898)          | (1,833,510)          | (1,561,905)          | (1,493,324)          | (1,248,266)          |
| <b>Net change in total pension liability</b>                         | <b>2,866,877</b>     | <b>2,662,250</b>     | <b>4,256,677</b>     | <b>3,299,584</b>     | <b>2,102,923</b>     | <b>1,435,444</b>     | <b>1,635,461</b>     | <b>2,877,956</b>     |
| <b>Total pension liability, beginning</b>                            | <b>47,287,748</b>    | <b>44,625,498</b>    | <b>40,368,821</b>    | <b>37,069,237</b>    | <b>34,965,814</b>    | <b>33,530,370</b>    | <b>31,894,909</b>    | <b>29,016,953</b>    |
| <b>Total pension liability, ending (a)</b>                           | <b>\$ 50,154,625</b> | <b>\$ 47,287,748</b> | <b>\$ 44,625,498</b> | <b>\$ 40,368,821</b> | <b>\$ 37,068,737</b> | <b>\$ 34,965,814</b> | <b>\$ 33,530,370</b> | <b>\$ 31,894,909</b> |
| <b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>                                   |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Contributions - employer   | \$ 1,382,108         | \$ 1,227,724         | \$ 3,691,087         | \$ 1,425,533         | \$ 1,383,969         | \$ 1,503,736         | \$ 985,175           | \$ 1,178,498         |
| Investment income net of investment expenses                         | 5,597,624            | 5,498,173            | 6,617,918            | (2,046,180)          | 4,409,016            | 2,523,595            | (348,950)            | 1,706,547            |
| Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions        | (2,292,357)          | (2,218,914)          | (1,927,249)          | (1,808,898)          | (1,833,510)          | (1,561,905)          | (1,493,324)          | (1,248,266)          |
| Administrative expenses  | (145,369)            | (122,875)            | (111,886)            | (110,600)            | (102,228)            | (92,810)             | (94,874)             | (91,465)             |
| <b>Net change in plan fiduciary net position</b>                     | <b>4,542,006</b>     | <b>4,384,108</b>     | <b>8,269,870</b>     | <b>(2,540,145)</b>   | <b>3,857,247</b>     | <b>2,372,616</b>     | <b>(951,973)</b>     | <b>1,545,314</b>     |
| <b>Plan fiduciary net position, beginning</b>                        | <b>46,554,157</b>    | <b>42,170,049</b>    | <b>33,900,179</b>    | <b>36,440,324</b>    | <b>32,583,077</b>    | <b>30,210,461</b>    | <b>31,162,434</b>    | <b>29,617,120</b>    |
| <b>Plan fiduciary net position, ending (b)</b>                       | <b>\$ 51,096,163</b> | <b>\$ 46,554,157</b> | <b>\$ 42,170,049</b> | <b>\$ 33,900,179</b> | <b>\$ 36,440,324</b> | <b>\$ 32,583,077</b> | <b>\$ 30,210,461</b> | <b>\$ 31,162,434</b> |
| <b>Net pension liability, ending = (a) - (b)</b>                     | <b>\$ (941,538)</b>  | <b>\$ 733,591</b>    | <b>\$ 2,455,449</b>  | <b>\$ 6,468,642</b>  | <b>\$ 628,413</b>    | <b>\$ 2,382,737</b>  | <b>\$ 3,319,909</b>  | <b>\$ 732,475</b>    |
| <b>Plan fiduciary net position as a % of total pension liability</b> | <b>101.88%</b>       | <b>98.45%</b>        | <b>91.96%</b>        | <b>83.98%</b>        | <b>98.30%</b>        | <b>93.19%</b>        | <b>90.10%</b>        | <b>97.70%</b>        |
| <b>Covered payroll</b>   | <b>\$ 11,696,475</b> | <b>\$ 10,975,562</b> | <b>\$ 10,668,048</b> | <b>\$ 10,677,430</b> | <b>\$ 9,773,977</b>  | <b>\$ 9,178,411</b>  | <b>\$ 8,818,232</b>  | <b>\$ 7,274,172</b>  |
| <b>Net pension liability as a % of covered payroll</b>               | <b>-8.05%</b>        | <b>6.68%</b>         | <b>33.62%</b>        | <b>60.58%</b>        | <b>6.43%</b>         | <b>25.96%</b>        | <b>37.65%</b>        | <b>10.07%</b>        |

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\*Multiple valuations were performed in 2018. The December 31, 2017 valuation was necessary to roll forward the valuation to December 31, 2018, but was not utilized in the financial statements.

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**RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust  
Schedule of Contributions  
Last 10 Years**

| Year<br>Ended<br>December 31 | Actuarially<br>Determined<br>Contribution | Contributions<br>in Relation to<br>the Actuarial<br>Determined<br>Contribution | Contribution<br>Deficiency<br>(Excess) | Covered<br>Payroll   | Contributions<br>as a % of<br>Covered<br>Payroll |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|----------------------|--|
| <b>2021</b>                  | <b>\$ 1,382,108</b>                       | <b>\$ 1,382,108</b>  | <b>\$ -</b>                            | <b>\$ 11,696,475</b> | <b>11.80%</b>                                    |
| 2020                         | 1,306,947                                 | 1,227,724  | 79,223                                 | 10,975,562           | 11.20%   |
| 2019                         | 1,227,724                                 | 3,691,087  | (2,463,363)                            | 10,668,048           | 34.60%   |
| 2018                         | 1,191,087                                 | 1,425,533  | (234,446)                              | 10,677,430           | 13.35%   |
| 2017                         | 1,399,307                                 | 1,383,969  | 15,338                                 | 9,773,977            | 14.16%   |
| 2016                         | 1,468,804                                 | 1,503,736  | (34,932)                               | 9,178,411            | 16.38%   |
| 2015                         | 983,696                                   | 985,175  | (1,479)                                | 8,818,232            | 11.17%   |
| 2014                         | 695,517                                   | 1,178,498  | (482,981)                              | 7,274,172            | 16.20%   |
| 2013                         | 988,534                                   | 1,280,330  | (291,796)                              | 7,474,445            | 17.13%   |
| 2012                         | \$ 1,125,651                              | \$ 1,125,651   | \$ -                                   | \$ 7,221,526         | 15.59%   |

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**RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust  
Schedule of Investment Returns  
Last 8 Years**

| Year Ended<br>December 31 | Net<br>Money-Weighted<br>Rate of Return |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>2021</b>               | <b>12.02%</b>                           |
| 2020                      | 13.07%                                  |
| 2019                      | 18.98%                                  |
| 2018                      | -5.40%                                  |
| 2017                      | 13.12%                                  |
| 2016                      | 8.01%                                   |
| 2015                      | -1.42%                                  |
| 2014                      | 5.07%                                   |

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## RTA Employees Defined Benefit Plan and Trust Notes to Required Supplementary Information

### ***Factors that significantly affect trends in amounts reported***

For the periods presented, there were no changes of benefit terms or changes in the size or composition of the population covered by the benefit terms which significantly affect trends in the amounts reported. For the December 31, 2021 valuation, the assumed rates of mortality were changed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar Generational Mortality table with Improvement Scale MP-2020 to the RP-2014 Blue Collar Generation Mortality Table with Improvement Scale MP-2021.

### ***Method and assumptions used in calculations of actuarially determined contributions***

The following actuarially determined methods and assumptions were used to determine contribution rates reported for the year ended December 31, 2021:

|                               |   |                         |
|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Valuation Date                | December 31, 2021   |                         |
| Actuarial Cost Method         | Entry Age Normal Actuarial Cost Method  |                         |
| Amortization Method           | Level Dollar  |                         |
| Remaining Amortization Period | Average working lifetime of all participants  |                         |
| Mortality Rate                | RP-2014 Blue Collar Generational Mortality table with Improvement Scale MP-2021   |                         |
| Asset Valuation Method        | Fair Market Value based on quoted market prices   |                         |
| Actuarial Assumptions:        |   |                         |
| Investment rate of return     | 7.10% compounded annually   |                         |
| Inflation rate                | 2.25% compounded annually   |                         |
| Retirement age                | Later of age 62 with 7 or more years of employment  |                         |
| Disability and rate:          | None assumed  |                         |
| Retirement Rates:             |   |                         |
|                               | <u>Age</u>  | <u>Retirement Rates</u> |
|                               | 55-61   | 20%                     |
|                               | 62  | 35%                     |
|                               | 63-64   | 15%                     |
|                               | 65  | 25%                     |
|                               | 66-67   | 20%                     |
|                               | 68-69   | 50%                     |
|                               | 70  | 100%                    |
| Projected salary increases    | 3.5% per year until the assumed retirement age and 15% in year of retirement to account for non-regular compensation, includes inflation at 2.5%. |                         |
| Cost of Living adjustment     | 2.5% per year for participants receiving monthly benefits whose benefits began on or before January 1, 2015.                                      |                         |