

**PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 15, 2022**

**NEW ISSUE  
BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY**

**RATING: See “RATING” herein  
SERIAL BONDS**

*In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to the Village, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to the Village, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York. See “TAX MATTERS” herein.*

*The Village will NOT designate the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.*

**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT  
NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK**

**\$10,000,000\*  
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT SERIAL BONDS – 2022  
(the “Bonds”)**

**Dated Date: Date of Delivery**

**Maturity Dates: March 1, 2023-2052**

The Bonds are general obligations of the Village of Sands Point, Nassau County, New York (the “Village”), and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the Village for the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon and, unless paid from other sources, the Bonds are payable from ad valorem taxes which may be levied upon all the taxable real property within the Village, subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended (the “Tax Levy Limit Law”). (See “*Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein).

The Bonds are dated their Date of Delivery and will bear interest from that date until maturity at the annual rate or rates as specified by the purchaser of the Bonds, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year until maturity, commencing on March 1, 2023. The Bonds shall mature on March 1 in each year in the principal amounts specified on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds maturing on or after March 1, 2031 will be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as described herein (see “*Optional Redemption*”).

The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in book-entry form only, in the principal amount of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds. Payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the Village to DTC, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its Participants for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds as described herein. (See “*Description of Book-Entry System*” herein.)

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by the purchasers and subject to the receipt of the final approving opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, New York, New York, Bond Counsel. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC has served as Municipal Advisor to the Village in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. It is anticipated that the Bonds will be available for delivery through the offices of DTC on or about March 8, 2022.

THIS PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS IN A FORM DEEMED FINAL BY THE VILLAGE FOR PURPOSES OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12 (THE “RULE”). FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE VILLAGE’S AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE FOR THE BONDS AS DESCRIBED IN THE RULE, SEE “*DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING*” HEREIN.

Dated: February \_\_, 2022

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\*Preliminary, subject to change.

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The Bonds will mature on March 1, subject to optional redemption, in the following years and principal amounts:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount*</u>	<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>CUSIP***</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount*</u>	<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>CUSIP***</u>
2023	\$225,000				2038**	\$325,000			
2024	225,000				2039**	335,000			
2025	230,000				2040**	345,000			
2026	235,000				2041**	355,000			
2027	240,000				2042**	365,000			
2028	245,000				2043**	375,000			
2029	255,000				2044**	385,000			
2030	260,000				2045**	400,000			
2031**	265,000				2046**	410,000			
2032**	275,000				2047**	425,000			
2033**	280,000				2048**	440,000			
2034**	290,000				2049**	455,000			
2035**	295,000				2050**	465,000			
2036**	305,000				2051**	480,000			
2037**	315,000				2052**	500,000			

\* The principal amounts of the Bonds are subject to adjustment following the sale of the Bonds, pursuant to the terms of the accompanying Notice of Sale.

\*\* The Bonds maturing in the years 2031 through 2052, inclusive, are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as described herein. (See “*Optional Redemption*” herein.)

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**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT  
NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK**

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No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized by the Village to give any information or to make any representations, other than those contained in this Official Statement and if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Village. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. The information set forth herein has been obtained by the Village from sources which are believed to be reliable but it is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Village since the date hereon.

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**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT  
NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK**

relating to

**\$10,000,000\***

**PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT SERIAL BONDS – 2022  
(the “Bonds”)**

This Official Statement, including the cover page, inside cover page and appendix hereto, presents certain information relating to the Village of Sands Point, in the County of Nassau, State of New York (the "Village," "County" and "State," respectively) in connection with the sale of \$10,000,000\* Public Improvement Serial Bonds – 2022 (the “Bonds”).

All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State and acts and proceedings of the Village contained herein do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilations thereof and all references to the Bonds and the proceedings of the Village relating thereto are qualified in their entirety by reference to the definitive form of the Bonds and such proceedings.

This Official Statement should be read with the understanding that the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic has created prevailing economic conditions (at the global, national, State and local levels) that are highly uncertain, generally negative, and rapidly changing, and these conditions are expected to continue for an indefinite period of time. Accordingly, the Village’s overall economic situation and outlook (and all of the specific Village-related information contained herein) should be carefully reviewed, evaluated and understood in the full light of this unprecedented world-wide event, the effects of which are extremely difficult to predict and quantify. (See “RISK FACTORS” and “*Impact of COVID-19*” herein.)

**THE BONDS**

***Description***

The Bonds are dated their Date of Delivery and will bear interest from that date until maturity, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year until maturity, commencing on March 1, 2023. The Bonds shall mature on March 1 in each year in the principal amounts specified on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds maturing on or after March 1, 2031 are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity (see “*Optional Redemption*” herein).

The record payment date for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds will be the fifteenth day of the calendar month preceding each interest payment date.

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\* Preliminary, subject to change.

## ***Authority for and Purpose of the Bonds***

The Bonds are issued pursuant to the State Constitution and statutes of the State, including among others, the Village Law, the Local Finance Law, and bond resolutions adopted by the Village Board on their respective dates authorizing the issuance of bonds to pay the cost of certain improvements as indicated below. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will provide original financing for the purposes shown below:

<u>Date Authorized</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>New Money</u>	<u>Amount of the Bonds</u>
04/27/2021	Construction and Improvements to the Governors Lane Water Department Facility	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
04/27/2021	Construction and Improvements to the Village Water Supply System	6,500,000	6,500,000
06/29/2021	Construction of Road Improvements	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>
		<u>\$10,000,000</u>	<u>\$10,000,000</u>

## ***Optional Redemption***

The Bonds maturing on or before March 1, 2030 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity. The Bonds maturing on or after March 1, 2031 will be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Village, on any date on or after March 1, 2030, in whole or in part, and if in part in any order of their maturity and in any amount within a maturity (selected by lot within a maturity), at the redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The Village may select the maturities of the Bonds to be redeemed and the amount to be redeemed of each maturity selected, as the Village shall determine to be in the best interest of the Village at the time of such redemption. If less than all of the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed prior to maturity, the particular Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Village by lot in any customary manner of selection as determined by the Village. Notice of such call for redemption shall be given by mailing such notice to the registered owner not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to such date. Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Bonds so called for redemption shall, on the date of redemption set forth in such call for redemption, become due and payable, together with accrued interest to such redemption date, and interest shall cease to be paid thereon after such redemption date.

## ***Nature of Obligation***

The Bonds when duly issued and paid for will constitute a contract between the Village and the holder thereof.

The Bonds will be general obligations of the Village and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the Village for the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. For the payment of such principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Village has the power and statutory authorization to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable real property in the Village, subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by the Tax Levy Limit Law. (See “*Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein).

Under the Constitution of the State, the Village is required to pledge its faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and the State is specifically precluded from restricting the power of the Village to levy taxes on real estate for the payment of interest on or principal of indebtedness theretofore contracted. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a statutory limitation on the Village’s power to increase its annual tax levy. As a result, the power of the Village to levy real estate taxes on all the taxable real property within the Village is subject to statutory limitations set forth in the Tax Levy Limit Law, unless the Village complies with certain procedural requirements to permit the Village to levy certain year-to-year increases in real property taxes. (See “*Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein).

## REMEDIES UPON DEFAULT

Neither the Bonds, nor the proceedings with respect thereto, specifically provide any remedies which would be available to owners of the Bonds should the Village default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, nor do they contain any provisions for the appointment of a trustee to enforce the interests of the owners of the Bonds upon the occurrence of any such default. The Bonds are general obligation contracts between the Village and the owners for which the faith and credit of the Village are pledged and while remedies for enforcement of payment are not expressly included in the Village's contract with such owners, any permanent repeal by statute or constitutional amendment of a bondholder's and/or noteholder's remedial right to judicial enforcement of the contract should, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, be held unconstitutional.

Upon default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds at the suit of the owner, a Court has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to render judgment against the Village. The present statute limits interest on the amount adjudged due to contract creditors to nine per centum per annum from the date due to the date of payment. As a general rule, property and funds of a municipal corporation serving the public welfare and interest have not been judicially subjected to execution or attachment to satisfy a judgment. A Court also has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to order payment of a judgment on such bonds or notes from funds lawfully available therefor or, in the absence thereof, to order the Village to take all lawful action to obtain the same, including the raising of the required amount in the next annual tax levy. In exercising its discretion as to whether to issue such an order, the Court may take into account all relevant factors, including the current operating needs of the Village and the availability and adequacy of other remedies. Upon any default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds, the owners of such Bonds could, among other remedies, seek to obtain a writ of mandamus from a Court ordering the governing body of the Village to assess, levy and collect an ad valorem tax, upon all taxable property of the Village subject to taxation by the Village sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same shall come due and payable (and interest from the due date to date of payment) and otherwise to observe the covenants contained in the Bonds and the proceedings with respect thereto all of which are included in the contract with the owners of the Bonds. The mandamus remedy, however, may be impracticable and difficult to enforce. Further, the right to enforce payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws and equitable principles, which may limit the specific enforcement of certain remedies.

In 1976, the New York Court of Appeals, the State's highest court, held in *Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York*, 40 N.Y.2d 731 (1976), that the New York State legislation purporting to postpone the payment of debt service on New York City obligations was an unconstitutional moratorium in violation of the New York State constitutional faith and credit mandate included in all municipal debt obligations. While that case can be viewed as a precedent for protecting the remedies of Bondholders, there can be no assurance as to what a Court may determine with respect to future events, including financial crises as they may occur in the State and in municipalities of the State, that require the exercise by the State of its emergency and police powers to assure the continuation of essential public services. (See also, *Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York*, 40 N.Y.2d 1088 (1977), where the Court of Appeals described the pledge as a direct Constitutional mandate.)

As a result of the Court of Appeals decision, the constitutionality of that portion of Title 6-A of Article 2 of the Local Finance Law enacted at the 1975 Extraordinary Session of the State legislature authorizing any county, city, town or village with respect to which the State has declared a financial emergency to petition the State Supreme Court to stay the enforcement against such municipality of any claim for payment relating to any contract, debt or obligation of the municipality during the emergency period, is subject to doubt. In any event, no such emergency has been declared with respect to the Village.

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2 of the State Constitution, the Village is required to provide an annual appropriation of monies for the payment of due and payable principal of and interest on indebtedness. Specifically this constitutional provision states: "If at any time the respective appropriating authorities shall fail to make such appropriations, a sufficient sum shall be set apart from the first revenues thereafter received and shall be applied to such purposes. The fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school Village may be required to set aside and apply such revenues as aforesaid at the suit of any holder of obligations issued for any such indebtedness." This constitutes a specific non-exclusive constitutional remedy against a defaulting municipality or school Village; however, it does not apply in a context in which monies have been appropriated for debt service but the

appropriating authorities decline to use such monies to pay debt service. However, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State also provides that the fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school Village may be required to set apart and apply such revenues at the suit of any holder of any obligations of indebtedness issued with the pledge of the faith of the credit of such political subdivision. In *Quirk v. Municipal Assistance Corp.*, 41 N.Y.2d 644 (1977), the Court of Appeals described this as a “first lien” on revenues, but one that does not give holders a right to any particular revenues. It should thus be noted that the pledge of the faith and credit of a political subdivision in the State is a pledge of an issuer of a general obligation bond or note to use its general revenue powers, including, but not limited to, its property tax levy, to pay debt service on such obligations, but that such pledge may or may not be interpreted by a court of competent jurisdiction to include a constitutional or statutory lien upon any particular revenues. The Constitutional provision providing for first revenue set asides does not apply to tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes or bond anticipation notes.

While the courts in the State have historically been protective of the rights of holders of general obligation debt of political subdivisions, it is not possible to predict what a future court might hold.

In prior years, certain events and legislation affecting a holder’s remedies upon default have resulted in litigation. While courts of final jurisdiction have generally upheld and sustained the rights of bondholders and/or noteholders, such courts might hold that future events, including a financial crisis as such may occur in the State or in political subdivisions of the State, may require the exercise by the State or its political subdivisions of emergency and police powers to assure the continuation of essential public services prior to the payment of debt service.

## **MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCY**

The undertakings of the Village should be considered with reference, specifically, to Chapter IX of the Bankruptcy Act, 11 U.S.C. §401, et seq., as amended (“Chapter IX”) and, in general, to other bankruptcy laws affecting creditors’ rights and municipalities. Chapter IX permits any political subdivision, public agency or instrumentality that is insolvent or unable to meet its debts (i) to file a petition in a Court of Bankruptcy for the purpose of effecting a plan to adjust its debts provided such entity is authorized to do so by applicable state law; (ii) directs such a petitioner to file with the court a list of a petitioner’s creditors; (iii) provides that a petition filed under such chapter shall operate as a stay of the commencement or continuation of any judicial or other proceeding against the petitioner; (iv) grants priority to debt owed for services or material actually provided within three (3) months of the filing of the petition; (v) directs a petitioner to file a plan for the adjustment of its debts; and (vi) provides that the plan must be accepted in writing by or on behalf of creditors holding at least two-thirds (2/3) in amount or more than one-half (1/2) in number of the listed creditors.

Bankruptcy proceedings by the Village could have adverse effects on holders of bonds or notes including (a) delay in the enforcement of their remedies, (b) subordination of their claims to those supplying goods and services to the Village after the initiation of bankruptcy proceedings and to the administrative expenses of bankruptcy proceedings and (c) imposition without their consent of a reorganization plan reducing or delaying payment of the Bonds. The Bankruptcy Code contains provisions intended to ensure that, in any reorganization plan not accepted by at least a majority of a class of creditors such as the holders of general obligation bonds, such creditors will have the benefit of their original claim or the “indubitable equivalent”. The effect of these and other provisions of the Bankruptcy Code cannot be predicted and may be significantly affected by judicial interpretation.

Accordingly, enforceability of the rights and remedies of the owners of the Bonds, and the obligations incurred by the Village, may become subject to Chapter IX and applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or similar laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditor’s rights generally, now or hereafter in effect, equity principles which may limit the specific enforcement under State law of certain remedies, the exercise by the United States of America of the powers delegated to it by the Constitution, the reasonable and necessary exercise, in certain exceptional situations, of the police powers inherent in the sovereignty of the State and its governmental bodies in the interest of serving a significant and legitimate public purpose and the limitations on remedies against public agencies in the State. Bankruptcy proceedings, or the exercise of powers by the federal or State government, if initiated, could subject the owners of the Bonds to judicial discretion, interpretation and of their rights in bankruptcy or otherwise, and consequently may entail risks of delay, limitation, or modification of their rights.



The State has consented (see Title 6-A of the Local Finance Law) that any municipality in the State may file a petition with any United States district court or court of bankruptcy under any provision of the laws of the United States, now or hereafter in effect for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness. However, it is noted that there is no record of any recent filings by a New York municipality. Since the New York City fiscal crisis in 1975, the State has legislated a finance control or review board and assistance corporations to monitor and restructure finance matters in addition to New York City, for the Cities of Yonkers, Troy and Buffalo and for the Counties of Nassau and Erie. Similar active intervention pursuant to State legislation to relieve fiscal stress for the Village in the future cannot be assured.

No current state law purports to create any priority for holders of the Bonds should the Village be under the jurisdiction of any court, pursuant to the laws of the United States, now or hereafter in effect, for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness.

The above references to the Bankruptcy Act are not to be construed as an indication that the Village is currently considering or expects to resort to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act.

### ***Financial Control Boards***

Pursuant to Article IX Section 2(b)(2) of the State Constitution, any municipality in the State may request the intervention of the State in its “property, affairs and government” by a two-thirds vote of the total membership of its legislative body or on request of its chief executive officer concurred in by a majority of such membership. This has resulted in the adoption of special acts for the establishment of public benefit corporations with varying degrees of authority to control the finances (including debt issuance) of the Cities of Buffalo, Troy and Yonkers and the County of Nassau. The specific authority, powers and composition of the financial control boards established by these acts varies based upon circumstances and needs. Generally, the State legislature has granted such boards the power to approve or disapprove budget and financial plans and to issue debt on behalf of the municipality, as well as to impose wage and/or hiring freezes and in certain cases approve or disapprove collective bargaining agreements. Implementation is generally left to the discretion of the board of the public benefit corporation. Such a State financial control board was first established for New York City in 1975. In addition, upon the issuance of a certificate of necessity of the Governor reciting facts which in the judgment of the Governor constitute an emergency requiring enactment of such laws, with the concurrences of two-thirds of the members elected in each house of the State legislature, the State is authorized to intervene in the “property, affairs and governments” of local government units. This occurred in the case of the County of Erie in 2005. The authority of the State to intervene in the financial affairs of a local government is further supported by Article VIII, Section 12 of the Constitution which declares it to be the duty of the State legislature to restrict, subject to other provisions of the Constitution, the power of taxation, assessment, borrowing money and contracting indebtedness and loaning the credit of counties, cities, towns and villages so as to prevent abuses in taxation and assessment and in contracting indebtedness by them.

In 2013, the State established a new state advisory board to assist counties, cities, towns and villages in financial distress. The Financial Restructuring Board for Local Governments (the “FRB”), is authorized to conduct a comprehensive review of the finances and operations of any such municipality deemed by the FRB to be fiscally eligible for its services upon request by resolution of the municipal legislative body and concurrence of its chief executive. The FRB is authorized to make recommendations for, but cannot compel improvement of fiscal stability, management and delivery of municipal services, including shared services opportunities and is authorized to offer grants and/or loans of up to \$5,000,000 through a Local Government Performance and Efficiency Program to undertake certain recommendations. If a municipality agrees to undertake the FRB recommendations, it will be automatically bound to fulfill the terms in order to receive the aid.

The FRB is also authorized to serve as an alternative arbitration panel for binding arbitration.

Although from time to time there have been proposals for the creation of a statewide financial control board with broad authority over local governments in the State, the FRB does not have emergency financial control board powers to intervene in the finances and operations of entities such as the public benefit corporations established by special acts as described above.

Several municipalities in the State are presently working with the FRB. The Village has not applied to the FRB and does not reasonably anticipate submission of a request to the FRB for a comprehensive review of its finances and operations. School districts and fire districts are not eligible for FRB assistance.

## **DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM**

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC’s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world’s largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC’s participants (“Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants’ accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (“Indirect Participants”). The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) and [www.dtc.org](http://www.dtc.org).

Purchases of the Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each bond (“Beneficial Owner”) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants’ records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC’s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within an issue are being redeemed, DTC’s practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the issuer as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the issuer, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC or the Village, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Village, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Village. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Village may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, bond certificates will be printed and delivered.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Village believes to be reliable, but the Village takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Source: The Depository Trust Company

## **RISK FACTORS**

There are certain potential risks associated with an investment in the Bonds, and investors should be thoroughly familiar with this Official Statement, including its appendices, in order to make an informed investment decision. Investors should consider, in particular, the following factors:

The Village's credit rating could be affected by circumstances beyond the Village's control. Economic conditions such as the rate of unemployment and inflation, termination of commercial operations by corporate taxpayers and employers, as well as natural catastrophes, could adversely affect the assessed valuation of Village property and its ability to maintain fund balances and other statistical indices commensurate with its current credit rating. As a consequence, a decline in the Village's credit rating could adversely affect the market value of the Bonds.

If and when an owner of any of the Bonds should elect to sell all or a part of the Bonds prior to maturity, there can be no assurance that a market will have been established, maintained and continue in existence for the purchase and sale of any of those Bonds. The market value of the Bonds is dependent upon the ability of holder to potentially incur a capital loss if such Bonds are sold prior to its maturity.

There can be no assurance that adverse events including, for example, the seeking by another municipality in the State or elsewhere of remedies pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or otherwise, will not occur which might affect the market price of and the market for the Bonds. In particular, if a significant default or other financial crisis should occur in the affairs of the State or any of its municipalities, public authorities or other political subdivisions thereby possibly further impairing the acceptability of obligations issued by those entities, both the ability of the Village to arrange for additional borrowing(s) as well as the market for and market value of outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds, could be adversely affected.

The Village relies in part on State aid to fund its operations. There can be no assurance that the State appropriation for State aid to municipalities will be continued in future years, either pursuant to existing formulas or in any form whatsoever. State aid appropriated and apportioned to the Village can be paid only if the State has such monies available therefor. The availability of such monies and the timeliness of such payment may also be affected by a delay in the adoption of the State budget, the impact to the State's economy and financial condition due to the COVID-19 outbreak and other circumstances, including State fiscal stress. (See "*State Aid*" herein). Should the Village fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts or at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies, the Village is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing on account of the uncollected State aid.

An outbreak of disease or similar public health threat, such as the COVID-19 outbreak, or fear of such an event, could have an adverse impact on the Village's financial condition and operating results by potentially delaying the receipt of real property taxes or resulting in a delay or reduction by the State in the payment of State aid. Currently, the COVID-19 outbreak has spread globally, including to the United States, and has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. The outbreak of the disease has affected travel, commerce and financial markets globally and is widely expected to continue to affect economic growth worldwide. The outbreak caused the Federal government to declare a national state of emergency, which was followed by the enactment of a variety of stimulus measures designed to address financial stability and liquidity issues caused by the outbreak. The State also declared a state of emergency (which has since been terminated) and the Governor has taken steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, including closing schools and non-essential businesses. Efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 has reduced the spread of the virus in some areas and there have been recent efforts to relax some of the restrictions put in place following the initial outbreak. Nevertheless, the outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the Federal government and State to address it are expected to negatively impact federal and local economies, including the economy of the State. The full impact of COVID-19 on the State's operations and financial condition is not expected to be known for some time. Similarly, the degree of the impact to the Village's operations and finances as a result of COVID-19 is extremely difficult to predict due to the uncertainties relating to its (i) duration, and (ii) severity, as well as with regard to what actions have been or may continue to be taken by governmental and other health care authorities, including the County and the State, to contain or mitigate its impact. The spread of the outbreak or resurgence later in the year could have a material adverse effect on the State and municipalities and school districts located in the State, including the Village. The Village is monitoring the situation and will take such proactive measures as may be required to maintain its operations and meet its obligations. (See "*State Aid*" and "*Impact of COVID-19*" herein).

Future amendments to applicable statutes whether enacted by the State or the United States of America affecting the treatment of interest paid on municipal obligations, including the Bonds, for income taxation purposes could have an adverse effect on the market value of the Bonds (see "TAX MATTERS" herein).

The enactment of the Tax Levy Limit Law, which imposes a tax levy limitation upon municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the Village, without providing exclusion for debt service on obligations issued by municipalities and fire districts, may affect the market price and/or marketability for the Bonds. (See "*Tax Levy Limit Law*" herein.)

Federal or State legislation imposing new or increased mandatory expenditures by municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the Village could impair the financial condition of such entities, including the Village and the ability of such entities, including the Village to pay debt service on their respective obligations.

## **CYBERSECURITY**

The Village, like many other public and private entities, relies on technology to conduct its operations. As a recipient and provider of personal, private, or sensitive information, the Village faces multiple cyber threats including, but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computer and other sensitive digital networks and systems. To mitigate the risk of business operations impact and/or damage from cyber incidents or cyber-attacks, the Village invests in various forms of cybersecurity and operational controls; however, no assurances can be given that such security and operational control measures will be completely successful to guard against cyber threats and attacks. The results of any such attack could impact business operations and/or damage Village digital networks and systems and the costs of remedying any such damage could be substantial.

## **LITIGATION**

In common with other Villages, the Village from time to time receives notices of claim and is party to litigation. In the opinion of the Village Attorney, unless otherwise set forth herein and apart from matters provided for by applicable insurance coverage, there are no claims or actions pending which, if determined against the Village, would have an adverse material effect on the financial condition of the Village.

## **TAX MATTERS**

### ***Opinion of Bond Counsel***

In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to the Village, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. The Tax Certificate of the Village (the “Tax Certificate”), which will be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds, will contain provisions and procedures relating to compliance with applicable requirements of the Code. In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel has relied on certain representations, certifications of fact, and statements of reasonable expectations made by the Village and others in connection with the Bonds, and Bond Counsel has assumed compliance by the Village with certain ongoing provisions and procedures set forth in the Tax Certificate relating to compliance with applicable requirements of the Code to assure the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to the Village, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated above. Bond Counsel renders its opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the issue date, and assumes no obligation to update, revise or supplement its opinion to reflect any action thereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may thereafter come to its attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may thereafter occur, or for any other reason. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds.

### ***Certain Ongoing Federal Tax Requirements and Certifications***

The Code establishes certain ongoing requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds in order that interest on such Bonds be and remain excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to use and expenditure of gross proceeds of the Bonds, yield and other restrictions on investments of gross proceeds, and the arbitrage rebate requirement that certain excess earnings on gross proceeds be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to become included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to their issue date, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is discovered. The Village, in executing the Tax Certificate, will certify to the effect that the Village will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

### ***Certain Collateral Federal Tax Consequences***

The following is a brief discussion of certain collateral federal income tax matters with respect to the Bonds. It does not purport to address all aspects of federal taxation that may be relevant to a particular owner of a Bond.

Prospective investors, particularly those who may be subject to special rules, are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding the federal tax consequences of owning and disposing of the Bonds.

Prospective owners of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of such obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to various categories of persons, such as corporations (including S corporations and foreign corporations), financial institutions, property and casualty and life insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security and railroad retirement benefits, individuals otherwise eligible for the earned income tax credit, and taxpayers deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry obligations the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds may be taken into account in determining the tax liability of foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code.

### ***Original Issue Discount***

“Original issue discount” (“OID”) is the excess of the sum of all amounts payable at the stated maturity of a Bond (excluding certain “qualified stated interest” that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates) over the issue price of that maturity. In general, the “issue price” of a maturity (a bond with the same maturity date, interest rate, and credit terms) means the first price at which at least 10 percent of such maturity was sold to the public, i.e., a purchaser who is not, directly or indirectly, a signatory to a written contract to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds. In general, the issue price for each maturity of the Bonds is expected to be the initial public offering price set forth in this Official Statement. Bond Counsel further is of the opinion that, for any Bond having OID (a “Discount Bond”), OID that has accrued and is properly allocable to the owners of the Discount Bond under Section 1288 of the Code is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent as other interest on the Bonds.

In general, under Section 1288 of the Code, OID on a Discount Bond accrues under a constant yield method, based on periodic compounding of interest over prescribed accrual periods using a compounding rate determined by reference to the yield on that Discount Bond. An owner’s adjusted basis in a Discount Bond is increased by accrued OID for purposes of determining gain or loss on sale, exchange, or other disposition of such Discount Bond. Accrued OID may be taken into account as an increase in the amount of tax-exempt income received or deemed to have been received for purposes of determining various other tax consequences of owning a Discount Bond even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

Owners of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the treatment of original issue discount for Federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and the state and local tax consequences of acquiring, holding, and disposing of Discount Bonds.

### ***Bond Premium***

In general, if an owner acquires an obligation for a purchase price (excluding accrued interest) or otherwise at a tax basis that reflects a premium over the sum of all amounts payable on the obligation after the acquisition date (excluding certain “qualified stated interest” that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates), that premium constitutes “bond premium” on that obligation (a “Premium Bond”). In general, under Section 171 of the Code, an owner of a Premium Bond must amortize the bond premium over the remaining term of the Premium Bond, based on the owner’s yield over the remaining term of the Premium Bond, determined based on constant yield principles (in certain cases involving a Premium Bond callable prior to its stated maturity date, the amortization period and yield may be required to be determined on the basis of an earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on such Premium Bond). An owner of a Premium Bond must amortize the bond premium by offsetting the qualified stated interest allocable to each interest accrual period under the owner’s regular method of accounting against the bond premium allocable to that period. In the case of a tax-exempt Premium Bond, if the bond premium allocable to an accrual period exceeds the qualified stated interest allocable to that accrual period, the excess is a nondeductible loss. Under certain circumstances, the owner of a Premium Bond may realize a taxable gain upon disposition of the Premium Bond even though it is sold or redeemed for an amount less than or equal to the owner’s original acquisition cost. Owners of any Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the treatment of bond premium for federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and state and local tax consequences, in connection with the acquisition, ownership, amortization of bond premium on, sale, exchange, or other disposition of Premium Bonds.

## ***Information Reporting and Backup Withholding***

Information reporting requirements will apply to interest on tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds. In general, such requirements are satisfied if the interest recipient completes, and provides the payor with, a Form W-9, "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification," or if the recipient is one of a limited class of exempt recipients. A recipient not otherwise exempt from information reporting who fails to satisfy the information reporting requirements will be subject to "backup withholding," which means that the payor is required to deduct and withhold a tax from the interest payment, calculated in the manner set forth in the Code. For the foregoing purpose, a "payor" generally refers to the person or entity from whom a recipient receives its payments of interest or who collects such payments on behalf of the recipient.

If an owner purchasing a Bond through a brokerage account has executed a Form W-9 in connection with the establishment of such account, as generally can be expected, no backup withholding should occur. In any event, backup withholding does not affect the excludability of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any amounts withheld pursuant to backup withholding would be allowed as a refund or a credit against the owner's federal income tax once the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

## ***Miscellaneous***

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds under federal or state law or otherwise prevent beneficial owners of the Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. In addition, such legislation or actions (whether currently proposed, proposed in the future, or enacted) and such decisions could affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds are subject to the approving legal opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, New York, New York, Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel's opinion can be found substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix D.

## **DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING**

In order to assist the purchasers in complying with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Rule 15c2-12") with respect to the Bonds, the Village will execute an Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix E.

## ***Compliance History***

On December 1, 2017, the Village filed a material event notice with regards to the late filing of its audited financial statements for the year ending May 31, 2015. The Village filed such audited financial statements on June 6, 2016 which was more than 30 days after they had been released.

On February 5, 2018, the Village filed a material event notice with regards to the late filing of its audited financial statements for the year ending May 31, 2017. The Village filed such audited financial statements on February 5, 2018 which was more than 30 days after they had been released.

On November 15, 2018, the Village failed to pay \$12,453.13 of total interest due on its outstanding \$2,795,000 Refunding Serial Bonds. The Village made the required payment on November 21, 2018, immediately after becoming aware of the missed payment. The late payment was the result of an administrative error as sufficient

funds were available on November 15, 2018 in an account established by the Village. The Village has taken steps to ensure principal and interest payments are paid on time.

### **RATING**

The Village has applied to Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") for a rating on the Bonds. Such application is pending at this time.

On November 29, 2017, Moody's affirmed the Village's underlying credit rating of "Aa1".

Such rating reflects only the view of Moody's, and an explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained only from Moody's at the following address: Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 7 World Trade Center at 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007. There can be no assurance that such rating will continue for any specified period of time or that such rating will not be revised or withdrawn, if in the judgment of Moody's circumstances so warrant. Any such change or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of such bonds or the availability of a secondary market for those bonds.

### **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, Great Neck, New York, (the "Municipal Advisor") is an independent municipal advisor registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The Municipal Advisor has served as the independent financial advisor to the Village in connection with this transaction.

In preparing the Official Statement, the Municipal Advisor has relied upon governmental officials, and other sources, who have access to relevant data to provide accurate information for the Official Statement. The Municipal Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy of such information. The Municipal Advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the Village to compile, review, examine or audit any information in the Official Statement in accordance with accounting standards. The Municipal Advisor is not a law firm and does not provide legal advice with respect to this or any debt offerings of the Village. The Municipal Advisor is an independent advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities and therefore will not participate in the underwriting of the Bonds.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Periodic public reports relating to the financial condition of the Village, its operations and the balances, receipts and disbursements of the various funds of the Village are available for the public inspection at the business office of the Village.

Additional information may be obtained upon request from Ms. Taylor Reynolds, Village Treasurer, phone: (516) 883-3044, email: [taylor@sandspoint.gov](mailto:taylor@sandspoint.gov) or from the Village's Municipal Advisor, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, 11 Grace Avenue, Suite 308, New York 11021, (516) 570-0340.

The Village Clerk will act as Fiscal Agent with respect to the Bonds.

Statements in the Official Statement, and the documents included by specific reference, that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements", within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which involve a number of risks and uncertainties, and which are based on the Village management's beliefs as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to the Village's management and staff. Because the statements are based on expectations about future events and economic performance and are not statements of fact, actual results may differ materially from those projected. Important factors that could cause future results to differ include legislative and regulatory changes, changes in the economy, and other factors discussed in this and other documents that the Village's files with the MSRB. When used in



Village documents or oral presentations, the words “anticipate,” “believe,” “intend,” “plan,” “foresee,” “likely,” “estimate,” “expect,” “objective,” “projection,” “forecast,” “goal,” “will,” or “should,” or similar words or phrases are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact. No representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the Village and the original purchasers or holders of any of the Bonds.

Capital Markets Advisors, LLC may place a copy of this Official Statement on its website at [www.capmark.org](http://www.capmark.org). Unless this Official Statement specifically indicates otherwise, no statement on such website is included by specific reference or constitutes a part of this Official Statement. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC has prepared such website information for convenience, but no decisions should be made in reliance upon that information. Typographical or other errors may have occurred in converting original source documents to digital format, and neither the Village nor Capital Markets Advisors, LLC assumes any liability or responsibility for errors or omissions on such website. Further, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC and the Village disclaim any duty or obligation either to update or to maintain that information or any responsibility or liability for any damages caused by viruses in the electronic files on the website. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC and the Village also assume no liability or responsibility for any errors or omissions or for any updates to dated website information.

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VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT  
NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Taylor Reynolds  
Village Treasurer

DATED: February \_\_, 2022

**APPENDIX A**

**THE VILLAGE**

## THE VILLAGE

### ***General Information***

The Village of Sands Point, incorporated in 1910, is located in the northwest section of Nassau County in the Town of North Hempstead (the “Town”). The Village is a waterfront community bounded on the west by Manhasset Bay, on the north by the Long Island Sound and on the east by Hempstead Harbor. South of the Village are the villages of Baxter Estates, Manorhaven, Port Washington North, and the various Manhasset villages including Flower Hill, Plandome, Plandome Manor, and Plandome Heights, as well as the various unincorporated areas of the Town. The Village has a population of 2,712, according to the 2020 US Census, and covers an area of approximately 4.2 square miles.

The Village is a residential community with many of its residents commuting to New York City for employment. Commuters either drive or use the Port Washington Station of the Long Island Railroad for a 40-minute, direct rail link to midtown Manhattan.

The affluent residential character of the Village provides a great attraction to potential homebuyers. Zoning regulations are strictly enforced and most of the homes range in price between \$1,000,000 and \$4,000,000. According to the 2020 U.S. Census, median housing values and income levels are well above County, State, and national averages.

Residents of the Village are afforded recreational activities at private beaches along the Long Island Sound and the Sands Point Golf Club, a private country club. The County owned and operated Sands Point Park and Preserve is located in the Village. It consists of approximately 209 acres of natural and landscaped areas. Forests, meadows, beaches and cliffs, lawns gardens and a freshwater pond provide habitats for a variety of plants and animals. Visitors enjoy the Preserve via its nature trails and self-guided tours.

The Village Club of Sands Point, formerly the IBM Country Club, is owned by the Village. The 208-acre club, with 1,900 feet of beach-frontage on Hempstead Harbor near the Long Island Sound, includes an eighteen hole golf course, a practice facility with putting and chipping greens and a driving range, a separate (and recently renovated) swimming facility with dining and water view, a 39,000 square foot manor house with guest rooms and dining facilities, 12 tennis courts, 5 platform tennis courts, basketball courts, volleyball courts, a picnic area, a playground, golf and tennis pro-shops, and a separate, large relaxed-dining grille facility with indoor and outdoor dining. Residential and non-residential memberships are offered. The Village has engaged Kemper Sports to manage this campus and the operations thereof.

Also located in the Village is the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults. Established following a unanimous act of Congress in 1967, the Center is a comprehensive rehabilitation, research, and training facility. Its headquarters are located on a manicured 25-acre site on Middle Neck Road. Its staff consists of dedicated professionals, technicians, support personnel and community volunteers. The Center has been expressly designed to serve the deaf-blind population. The training, research, and administration building, along with the Peter J. Salmon residence (providing temporary homes for their clients) are equipped to meet their comfort, accessibility and safety needs.

Residents of the Village are provided gas services through National Grid and electric services through the PSEG of Long Island. The Village operates its own water supply and distribution system. Police protection is provided by the Village. Fire protection is provided by a volunteer fire department with facilities located in neighboring Port Washington. Educational services are provided by the Port Washington Union Free School District.

### ***Transportation***

The Village is approximately 23 miles from John F. Kennedy International Airport and approximately 15 miles from LaGuardia International Airport. In addition, MacArthur Airport is located approximately 40 miles southeast of the Village in the Town of Islip in Suffolk County.

The Village is served by a network of highways and parkways, including the Long Island Expressway and the Northern State Parkway. These routes provide easy access to all of Long Island and New York City.

### ***Form of Government***

The Village is vested with such powers and has the responsibilities inherent in the operation of a municipal government, including the adoption of laws, rules and regulations to govern its affairs. In addition, the Village may tax real property situated in its boundaries and incur debt subject to the provision of the State's Local Finance Law. Village residents also pay real property taxes that fund operations and obligations of the Town, the County, the Port Washington Union Free School District and the public library to support programs conducted by these governmental entities.

Government operations of the Village are subject to the provisions of the State Constitution and various statutes affecting Village governments including the Village Law, the General Municipal Law and the Local Finance Law. Real property assessment, collection, and enforcement procedures are determined by the Real Property Tax Law.

### ***Elected and Appointed Officials***

As prescribed by Village Law, the chief executive officer of the Village is the Mayor, who is elected for a term of two years and is eligible to succeed himself. The Mayor is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Village, (the "Board") the legislative, governing and policy determining body of the Village. In addition to the Mayor, the Board consists of four trustees who are elected for two-year terms. These terms are staggered so that the Mayor and two of the trustees run for election in one year and the other two trustees run the following year.

The Mayor appoints all department heads and non-elected officials subject to the approval of the Board, including the Village Treasurer, Village Attorney and Village Clerk.

The Village Treasurer serves as chief fiscal officer of the Village. The Village Treasurer is responsible for receipt, investment and disbursement of the Village funds as well as the issuance of obligations of the Village. The Village Clerk, in addition to regular duties of that office, is also the Tax Collector.

The Village Treasurer, along with the Village Clerk, prepare the annual budget, pursuant to the laws of the State, and a public hearing is held thereon. After the public hearing, revisions, if any, are made and the budget is then adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village as the Village's final budget for the coming fiscal year. The budget is not subject to referendum.

### ***Village Services***

Village Hall is the administrative center of municipal operations and includes an Administrative Office Staff, Public Works Department, Water Department and Police Department. The majority of public works projects, i.e. sanitation, street sweeping, sanding and snow removal, cleaning and maintenance of drains, road repair and improvements are accomplished through the competitive bidding process and performed by outside contractors. In addition, the Village manages the Village Club of Sands Point, a golf and recreational facility on approximately 210 acres within the Village.

Health care for Village residents is provided by hospitals located in or near the Village, including St. Francis Hospital, North Shore University Hospital and Long Island Jewish Medical Center.

### ***Employees***

The Village provides services through approximately 32 full time employees. 20 of these employees are covered by a collective bargain agreement with the Sands Point Police Benevolent Association, which runs until May 31, 2022.

## ***Employee Pension Benefits***

Substantially all employees of the Village are members of the New York State and Local Retirement System (the "Retirement System") which include the Police & Fire Retirement System ("PFRS") and the Employees' Retirement System ("ERS"). The Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple public employer retirement system. The obligation of employers and employees to contribute and the benefits to employees are governed by the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (the "Retirement System Law"). The Retirement System offers a wide range of plans and benefits which are related to years of service and final average salary, vesting of retirement benefits, death and disability benefits and optional methods of benefit payments. All benefits generally vest after five years of credited service, except for employees hired on or after January 1, 2010, whose benefits vest after ten years. The Retirement System Law generally provides that all participating employers in the Retirement System are jointly and severally liable for any unfunded amounts. Such amounts are collected through annual billings to all participating employers. Generally, all employees, except certain part-time employees, participate in the Retirement System. The Retirement System is non-contributory with respect to members hired prior to July 27, 1976. All members hired on or after July 27, 1976 through and including December 31, 2009, must contribute three percent of their gross annual salary toward the costs of retirement programs until they attain ten years in the Retirement System, at such time contributions become voluntary. Members hired after January 1, 2010 must contribute three percent or more of their gross annual salary toward the costs of retirement programs for the duration of their employment.

On December 10, 2009, the Governor signed in to law a new Tier 5. The law is effective for new ERS employees hired on or after January 1, 2010 and new PFRS employees hired on or after January 9, 2010. New Tier 5 employees will now contribute 3% of their salaries. There is no provision for these contributions to cease after a certain period of service.

On March 16, 2012, the Governor signed into law a new Tier 6 pension program, effective for new ERS and PFRS employees hired on or after April 1, 2012. The Tier 6 legislation provides for increased employee contribution rates of between 3% and 6%, an increase in the retirement age from 62 years to 63 years, a readjustment of the pension multiplier, and a change in the time period for final average salary calculation from 3 years to 5 years. Tier 6 employees will vest in the system after ten years of employment and will continue to make employee contributions throughout employment.

Beginning July 1, 2013, a voluntary defined contribution plan option was made available to all unrepresented employees of New York State public employers hired on or after that date, and who earn \$75,000 or more on an annual basis.

The New York State Retirement System has advised the Village that municipalities can elect to make employer contribution payments in the December or the following February, as required. If such payments are made in the December prior to the scheduled payment date in February, such payments may be made at a discount amount. The Village has prepaid its employer contributions each December since the option was made available in 2004.

In past years, the State's Retirement System portfolio has experienced negative investment performance and severe downward trends in market earnings. As a result of the foregoing, the employer contribution rate for the State's Retirement System continues to be higher than the minimum contribution rate established by Chapter 49. The State calculates contribution amounts based upon a five-year rolling average. As a result, contribution rates are expected to remain higher than the minimum contribution rates set by Chapter 49 in the near-term. To mitigate the expected increases in the employer contribution rate, legislation was enacted in 2010 that authorizes local governments and school districts to borrow a portion of their required payments from the State pension plan at an interest rate of 3%. The legislation also requires those local governments and school districts, who decide to amortize their pension obligations pursuant to this law, to establish reserve accounts to fund payment increases that are a result of fluctuations in pension plan performance.

In Spring 2013, the State and ERS approved a Stable Contribution Option (“SCO”), which modified the 2010 law discussed above, that gives municipalities the ability to better manage the spikes in Actuarially Required Contribution rates (“ARCs”). The plan allows municipalities to pay the SCO amount in lieu of the ARC amount, which is higher, and defer the difference in payment amounts as described below. The Village has not and will not be participating in the ERS SCO plan at this time.

### ***Other Post-Employment Benefits***

The Village implemented GASB Statement No. 75 (“GASB 75”) of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”), which replaces GASB Statement No. 45 as of fiscal year ended May 31, 2019. GASB 75 requires state and local governments to account for and report their costs associated with post-retirement healthcare benefits and other non-pension benefits, known as other post-employment benefits (“OPEB”). GASB 75 generally requires that employers account for and report the annual cost of OPEB and the outstanding obligations and commitments related to OPEB similarly to GASB Statement No. 68 reporting requirements for pensions.

GASB 75 requires state and local governments to measure a defined benefit OPEB plan as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided to current active and inactive employees, attributable to past periods of service in order to calculate the total OPEB liability. Total OPEB liability generally is required to be determined through an actuarial valuation using a measurement date that is no earlier than the end of the employer’s prior fiscal year and no later than the end of the employer’s current fiscal year.

GASB 75 requires that most changes in the OPEB liability be included in OPEB expense in the period of the changes. Based on the results of an actuarial valuation, certain changes in the OPEB liability are required to be included in OPEB expense over current and future years.

The Village’s total OPEB liability as of May 31, 2021 was \$26,706,225 using a discount rate of 1.59% and actuarial assumptions and other inputs as described in the Village’s Other Postemployment Benefits Report for fiscal year ended May 31, 2021.

Should the Village be required to fund the total OPEB liability, it could have a material adverse impact upon the Village’s finances and could force the Village to reduce services, raise taxes or both. At the present time, however, there is no current or planned requirement for the Village to fund its OPEB liability in whole or in part.

At this time, New York State has not developed guidelines for the creation and use of irrevocable trusts for the funding of OPEB. As a result, the Village will continue funding this expenditure on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Legislation has been introduced to create an optional investment pool to help the State and local governments fund retiree health insurance and OPEB. The proposed legislation would authorize the creation of irrevocable OPEB trusts so that the State and its local governments can help fund their OPEB liabilities, establish an OPEB investment fund in the sole custody of the State Comptroller for the investment of OPEB assets of the State and participating eligible local governments, designate the president of the Civil Service Commission as the trustee of the State’s OPEB trust and the governing boards as trustee for local governments and allow school districts to transfer certain excess reserve balances to an OPEB trust once it is established. Under the proposed legislation, there would be no limits on how much a local government can deposit into the trust. The Village cannot predict whether such legislation will be enacted into law in the foreseeable future.

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## **FINANCIAL FACTORS**

### ***Impacts of COVID-19***

The Village has incurred certain expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to, costs related to PPE Supplies. The Village has paid such costs from budgetary appropriations. The Village did not see a reduction in State aid during the 2021 fiscal year. In the Village's Adopted Budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, State aid revenues are estimated to be approximately 25% less than the prior year. The Village does not believe that the increased costs or the potential reductions in State aid described above will have a material adverse impact on the finances of the Village. The Village applied for \$297,948 of reimbursement under the American Rescue Plan Act and received the funds in July, 2021.

### ***Independent Audit***

The financial statements of the Village have been audited by the firm of R.S. Abrams & Co., LLP, independent certified public accountants from 2014 through 2021. A summary of the audited financial statements for the fiscal years ended 2016 through 2021 can be found in Appendix B, here in.

### ***Fund Structure and Accounts***

The Village utilizes fund accounting to record and report its various service activities. A fund represents both a legal and an accounting entity which segregates the transactions of specific programs in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations.

The Village has three basic fund types, Governmental, Proprietary and Fiduciary. Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Village are processed and include the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. Water Fund and Recreation Facility Fund are proprietary funds, which are supported primarily with fees and charges for services. The Trust and Agency Fund is a fiduciary fund used to account for activities in which the Village acts as trustee or agent for resources that belong to others. The General Fund is the principal operating fund and includes all operations not required to be recorded in other funds. All property taxes and most non-tax revenues are paid into the General Fund and applicable revenues are paid into the Water Fund and Recreational Facility Fund. All current operating expenditures are made from the Funds pursuant to appropriations by the Board of Trustees.

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

The Village maintains its records and reports on the modified accrual basis of accounting for recording transactions in all governmental funds. Under this method, (1) revenues are recorded when received in cash except that for revenues which are material and susceptible to accrual (measurable and available to finance the current year's operations) which are recorded when earned, and (2) expenditures, other than retirement plan contributions, vacation and sick pay, and accrued interest are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. The Proprietary Fund types and the fiduciary funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting as commercial self-sustaining operations that render services to the public on a user-charge basis.

### ***Recent Financial Operations***

**2017 Audited Results** For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2017, based on audited results, General Fund revenues and other sources were approximately \$11.7 million and General Fund Expenditures and other uses were approximately \$11.2 million, which resulted in an operating surplus of approximately \$478,812 and a cumulative General Fund balance of approximately \$3,191,774.

**2018 Audited Results** For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2018, based on audited results, General Fund revenues and other sources were approximately \$11.7 million and General Fund Expenditures and other uses were approximately \$11.3 million, which resulted in an operating surplus of approximately \$394,766 and a cumulative General Fund balance of approximately \$3,979,158.

**2019 Audited Results** For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2019, based on audited results, General Fund revenues and other sources were approximately \$11.7 million and General Fund Expenditures and other uses were approximately \$11.1 million, which resulted in an operating surplus of approximately \$41,199 and a cumulative General Fund balance of approximately \$3,937,959.

**2020 Audited Results** For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2020, based on audited results, General Fund revenues and other sources were approximately \$11.8 million and General Fund Expenditures and other uses were approximately \$11.9 million, which resulted in an operating deficit of approximately \$62,019 and a cumulative General Fund balance of approximately \$3,875,940.

**2021 Audited Results** For the fiscal year ended May 31, 2021, based on audited results, General Fund revenues and other sources were approximately \$12.5 million and General Fund Expenditures and other uses were approximately \$11.8 million, which resulted in an operating surplus of approximately \$728,124 and a cumulative General Fund balance of approximately \$4,604,064.

**2022 Adopted Budget.** For the fiscal year ending May 31, 2022, General Fund revenues are budgeted to be approximately \$12.4 million and General Fund Expenditures and other uses are approximately \$12.4 million.

### ***The State Comptroller's Fiscal Stress Monitoring System and Compliance Reviews***

The New York State Comptroller has reported that New York State's school districts and municipalities are facing significant fiscal challenges. As a result, the Office of the State Comptroller ("OSC") has developed a Fiscal Stress Monitoring System ("FSMS") to provide independent, objectively measured and quantifiable information to school district and municipal officials, taxpayers and policy makers regarding the various levels of fiscal stress under which the State's school districts and municipalities are operating.

The fiscal stress scores are based on financial information submitted as part of each school district's ST-3 report filed with the State Education Department annually, and each municipality's annual report filed with the State Comptroller. Using financial indicators that include year-end fund balance, cash position and patterns of operating deficits, the system creates an overall fiscal stress score which classifies whether a school district or municipality is in "significant fiscal stress", in "moderate fiscal stress," as "susceptible to fiscal stress" or "no designation". Entities that do not accumulate the number of points that would place them in a stress category will receive a financial score but will be classified in a category of "no designation." This classification should not be interpreted to imply that the entity is completely free of fiscal stress conditions. Rather, the entity's financial information, when objectively scored according to the FSMS criteria, did not generate sufficient points to place them in one of the three established stress categories.

The most current applicable report of the State Comptroller designates the Village as "no designation" with a fiscal score of "3.3" and an environmental score of "3.3".

See the State Comptroller's official website for more information on FSMS. Reference to this website implies no warranty of accuracy of information therein.

The financial affairs of the Village are subject to periodic compliance reviews by OSC to ascertain whether the Village has complied with the requirements of various State and federal statutes. The OSC has not produced an audit report for the Village within the past five years.

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## **Revenues**

The Village derives a major portion of its General Fund revenues from a tax on real property. Real property taxes accounted for 76.0% of total General Fund revenues for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2021, and State aid accounted for 1.9%.

**Real Property Tax.** The following table sets forth the total General Fund and real property tax revenues for the last five fiscal years as well as the budgeted amounts for the current fiscal year.

	<b><u>Property Taxes</u></b>		
<b><u>Fiscal Year Ending May 31:</u></b>	<b><u>Total Revenues</u></b>	<b><u>Real Property Taxes</u></b>	<b><u>Real Property Taxes to Revenues</u></b>
2017	\$11,681,806	\$ 9,177,533	78.6%
2018	11,701,699	9,242,872	79.0
2019	11,654,576	9,360,087	80.3
2020	11,832,417	9,401,692	79.5
2021	12,511,480	9,504,548	76.0
2022 (Adopted Budget)	12,412,531	10,240,636	82.5

Source: Audited Financial Statements and Adopted Budget for the Village. Table itself not audited.

## **State Aid**

The State is not constitutionally obligated to maintain or continue State aid to the Village. No assurance can be given that present State aid levels will be maintained in the future. Due to the outbreak of COVID-19, the Governor initially declared a state of emergency and has taken and continues to take steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19. The outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the State to address it have negatively impacted the State's economy and financial condition. The full impact of COVID-19 upon the State is not expected to be known for some time. The use of federal stimulus funds has allowed the State to avoid gap closing measurements; however, the State may be required to implement gap closing measurements in the future. Such actions may include but are not limited to: reductions in State agency operations and/or delays or reductions in payments to local governments in the State. If this were to occur, reductions in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of local governments in the State, including the Village. (See also "RISK FACTORS" herein.)

The State receives a substantial amount of federal aid for health care, education, transportation and other governmental purposes, as well as federal funding to respond to, and recover from, severe weather events and other disasters. Many of the policies that drive this federal aid may be subject to change under the federal administration and the current Congress. Current federal aid projections, and the assumptions on which they rely, are subject to revision in the future as a result of changes in federal policy, the general condition of the global and national economies and other circumstances, including the diversion of federal resources to address the current COVID-19 outbreak.

The federal government may enact budgetary changes or take other actions that adversely affect State finances. State legislation adopted with the State's 2019-2020 Enacted Budget continues authorization for a process by which the State would manage significant reductions in federal aid during federal fiscal year 2020 should they arise. Specifically, the legislation allows the State Budget Director to prepare a plan for consideration by the State Legislature in the event that the federal government (i) reduces federal financial participation in Medicaid funding to the State or its subdivisions by \$850 million or more; or (ii) reduces federal financial participation of other federal aid funding to the State that affects the State Operating Funds financial plan by \$850 million or more, exclusive of any cuts to Medicaid. Each limit is triggered separately. The plan prepared by the State Budget Director must equally and proportionately reduce appropriations and cash disbursements in the State's General Fund and State Special Revenue Funds. Upon receipt of the plan, the State Legislature has 90 days to prepare its own corrective action plan, which may be adopted by concurrent resolution passed by both houses, or the plan submitted by the State Budget Director takes effect automatically.

Reductions in federal funding levels could have a materially adverse impact on the State budget. In addition to the potential fiscal impact of policies that may be proposed and adopted by the federal administration and Congress, the State budget may be adversely affected by other actions taken by the federal government, including audits, disallowances, and changes to federal participation rates or other Medicaid rules.

The State’s 2020-2021 Adopted Budget authorized the State’s Budget Director to make periodic adjustments to nearly all State spending, including State Aid, in the event that actual State revenues come in below 99% percent of estimates or if actual disbursements exceed 101% of estimates. Specifically, the legislation provided that the State Budget Director will determine whether the State’s 2020-2021 budget is balanced during three “measurement periods”: April 1 to April 30, May 1 to June 30, and July 1 to Dec. 31. According to the legislation, if “a General Fund imbalance has occurred during any Measurement Period,” the State’s Budget Director will be empowered to “adjust or reduce any general fund and/or state special revenue fund appropriation ... and related cash disbursement by any amount needed to maintain a balanced budget,” and “such adjustments or reductions shall be done uniformly across the board to the extent practicably or by specific appropriations as needed.” The legislation further provided that prior to making any adjustments or reductions, the State’s Budget Director must notify the Legislature in writing and the Legislature has 10 days following receipt of such notice to prepare and approve its own plan. If the Legislature fails to approve its own plan, the Budget Director’s reductions take effect automatically.

The State’s 2021-22 Enacted Budget provides \$10.8 billion in State funding to local governments. This funding available for use over multiple years, is designed to support essential workers and government employees, assist COVID-19 vaccination efforts, boost local economies, and support local government services.

Should the Village fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts and at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies or by a mid-year reduction in State aid, the Village is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing in anticipation of the receipt of uncollected State aid.

The following table sets forth the total general fund and state aid revenues for the last five fiscal years as well as the amounts budgeted for the current fiscal year.

<u>Fiscal Year Ending May 31:</u>	<u>State Aid</u>		<u>State Aid to Revenues</u>
	<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>State Aid</u>	
2017	\$11,681,806	\$360,857	3.1%
2018	11,701,699	354,031	2.7
2019	11,654,576	320,363	2.7
2020	11,832,417	382,943	3.2
2021	12,511,480	241,178	1.9
2022 (Adopted Budget)	12,412,531	332,000	2.7

Source: Audited Financial Statements and Adopted Budget for the Village. Table itself not audited.

### ***Investment Policy Permitted Investments***

Pursuant to State law, including Sections 10 and 11 of the General Municipal Law (the "GML"), the Village is generally permitted to deposit moneys in banks and trust companies located and authorized to do business in the State. All such deposits, including special time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit, in excess of the amount insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, are required to be secured in accordance with the provisions of and subject to the limitations of Section 10 of the GML.

The Village may also temporarily invest moneys in: (1) obligations of the United States of America; (2) obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America; (3) obligations of the State of New York; (4) with the approval of the New York State Comptroller, in tax anticipation notes or revenue anticipation notes issued by any municipality, school district, or district corporation, other than those notes issued by the Village; (5) certificates of participation issued by

political subdivisions of the State pursuant to Section 109-b(10) of the GML; (6) obligations of a New York public benefit corporation which are made lawful investments for municipalities pursuant to the enabling statute of such public benefit corporation; or (7) in the case of moneys held in certain reserve funds established by the Village pursuant to law, in obligations of the Village.

All of the foregoing instruments and investments are required to be payable or redeemable at the option of the owner within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided and, in the case of instruments and investments purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable in any event, at the option of the owner, within two years of the date of purchase. Unless registered or inscribed in the name of the Village, such instruments and investments must be purchased through, delivered to and held in custody of a bank or trust company in the State pursuant to a written custodial agreement as provided in Section 10 of the GML.

The Village Board had adopted an investment policy and such policy conforms with applicable laws of the State governing the deposit and investment of public moneys. All deposits and investments of the Village are made in accordance with such policy. A copy of such policy is available upon request.

## **REAL PROPERTY TAXES**

### ***Real Property Tax Collection Procedures***

The Village levies and collects its own taxes. Property taxes become a lien on the first day of the levy year. The tax payment is due on June 1 each year and is payable without penalty during the month of June. Penalties for tax delinquencies are imposed at the rate of 5% for the first month and an additional percentage (which is set by the State each year and in recent years has approximated 1%) for each month or fraction thereof thereafter. The Village enforces liens for unpaid real estate taxes in the manner set forth in the Real Property Tax Law. Tax lien sales are held annually.

The following table reflects the real property tax levies and the total amounts collected in each of the last five fiscal years through January 14, 2022.

### **Real Property Tax Levies and Collections**

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending May 31:</u>	<u>Gross</u> <u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Total Taxes</u> <u>Collected</u>	<u>Percentage of</u> <u>Taxes Collected</u>
2018	\$9,296,204	\$9,202,158	98.99%
2019	9,527,962	9,405,954	98.72
2020	9,540,387	9,401,692	98.55
2021	9,656,646	9,604,452	98.78
2022	9,951,227	9,811,282	98.59

### ***Real Estate Tax Levying Limitation***

The Village is responsible for preparing the tax assessment roll and levying taxes for Village purposes. The Village's real property tax levying powers, other than for debt service and certain other enumerated purposes, are limited by the State Constitution to two percent of the five-year average full valuation of taxable real property of the Village.

The following table sets forth the computation of the Village's real estate tax levying limitation and the determination of its tax margin for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2022.

**Real Property Tax Assessment and Rates**

<u>Assessment Year</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Ending May 31:</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>State Equalization Ratio</u>	<u>Full Valuation</u>
2017	2018	\$2,100,837	0.09%	\$2,334,263,333
2018	2019	1,533,059	0.06	2,555,098,333
2019	2020	967,831	0.04	2,419,577,500
2020	2021	637,093	0.02	3,185,465,000
2021	2022	303,910	N/A	<u>3,185,465,000<sup>(1)</sup></u>
Total:				<u>\$13,679,869,166</u>
Five-Year Average Valuation				<u>\$2,735,973,833</u>
Tax Levying Limitation: 2% of Average Five-Year Full Valuation:				\$54,719,477
Real Estate Tax Levy for 2021-22				\$9,950,213
Less: Exclusions				0
Tax Levy Subject to Tax Limit				<u>\$9,950,213</u>
Constitutional Net Tax Margin				<u>\$44,769,264</u>
Percent of Tax Limitation Exhausted				<u>18.18%</u>

(1) Projected same as previous year. Nassau County is currently performing a reassessment of all property within the County.  
Source: Office of the New York State Comptroller and the Village.

***Real Property Tax Rates, Levies and Assessments***

The following table shows the trend during the last five years for taxable assessed valuations, State equalization ratios, full valuations, real property taxes, and real property tax rates per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

**Tax Rates, Levies and Assessments**

	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
Assessed Valuation	\$2,100,837	\$1,533,059	\$967,831	\$637,093	\$303,910
Equalization Rates	0.09%	0.06%	0.04%	0.02%	N/A
Full Valuation	\$2,334,263,333	\$2,555,098,333	\$2,419,577,500	\$3,185,465,000	\$3,185,465,000 <sup>(1)</sup>
Village Tax Levy	9,296,204	9,528,600	9,540,387	9,711,810	9,950,213
Tax Rates per \$1,000 A.V.	4,425.00	6,215.00	9,857.50	15,243.90	32,740.66

(1) Projected same as previous year. Nassau County is currently performing a reassessment of all property within the County.  
Source: New York State Office of Real Property Services.

***Tax Levy Limit Law***

Prior to the enactment of Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended, (the "Tax Levy Limit Law"), all the taxable real property within the Village had been subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to pay the bonds and notes of the Village and interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law

imposes a tax levy limitation upon the Village for any fiscal year commencing after January 1, 2012 continuing through June 15, 2020 or later as provided in the Tax Levy Limit Law, without providing an exclusion for debt service on obligations issued by the Village. As a result, the power of the Village to levy real estate taxes on all the taxable real property within the Village is subject to statutory limitations set forth in Tax Levy Limit Law.

The following is a brief summary of certain relevant provisions of Tax Levy Limit Law. The summary is not complete and the full text of the Tax Levy Limit Law should be read in order to understand the details and implications thereof.

The Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a limitation on increases in the real property tax levy of the Village, subject to certain exceptions. The Tax Levy Limit Law permits the Village to increase its overall real property tax levy over the tax levy of the prior year by no more than the "Allowable Levy Growth Factor", which is the lesser of one and two-one hundredths or the sum of one plus the Inflation Factor; provided, however that in no case shall the levy growth factor be less than one. The "Inflation Factor" is the quotient of: (i) the average of the 20 National Consumer Price Indexes determined by the United States Department of Labor for the twelve-month period ending six months prior to the start of the coming fiscal year minus the average of the National Consumer Price Indexes determined by the United States Department of Labor for the twelve-month period ending six months prior to the start of the prior fiscal year, divided by: (ii) the average of the National Consumer Price Indexes determined by the United States Department of Labor for the twelve-month period ending six months prior to the start of the prior fiscal year, with the result expressed as a decimal to four places. The Village is required to calculate its tax levy limit for the upcoming year in accordance with the provision above and provide all relevant information to the New York State Comptroller prior to adopting its budget. The Tax Levy Limit Law sets forth certain exclusions to the real property tax levy limitation of the Village, including exclusions for certain portions of the expenditures for retirement system contributions and tort judgments payable by the Village. The Village Board may adopt a budget that exceeds the tax levy limit for the coming fiscal year, only if the Village Board first enacts, by a vote of at least sixty percent of the total voting power of the governing board of the Village, a local law to override such limit for such coming fiscal year. The Village has not ever voted to override the tax levy limit.

The Tax Levy Limit Law does not contain an exception from the levy limitation for the payment of debt service on either outstanding general obligation bonds or notes of the Village or such indebtedness incurred after the effective date of the Tax Levy Limit Law. As such, there can be no assurances that the Tax Levy Limit Law will not come under legal challenge for violating (i) Article VIII, Section 12 of the State Constitution for not providing an exception for debt service on obligations issued prior to the enactment of the Tax Levy Limit Law, (ii) Article VIII, Section 10 of the State Constitution by effectively eliminating the exception for debt service to general real estate tax limitations, and (iii) Article VIII, Section 2 of the State Constitution by limiting the pledge of its faith and credit by a municipality or school district for the payment of debt service on obligations issued by such municipality or school district.

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### ***Ten Largest Taxpayers***

The following table presents for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2022 the total assessed valuations of the Village's largest property owners.

<b><u>Assessed Valuations</u></b>			
<u>Property Owner</u>	<u>Nature of Business</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation<sup>(1)</sup></u>
Keyspan Gas	Utility	\$3,025	1.00%
Vultaggio, Don	Residential	2,092	0.69
Old House Lane LLC	Residential	1,759	0.58
Sass, Martin	Residential	1,669	0.55
Cornwells Realty, LLC	Residential	1,508	0.50
LA Presqu'ile, LLC	Residential	1,492	0.49
Greenblatt, Joel	Residential	1,467	0.48
Herman, Denis & Linda	Residential	1,291	0.42
Mai, James & Chiara	Residential	1,178	0.39
IAS Group, LLC	Residential	<u>1,169</u>	<u>0.38</u>
	Total:	<u>\$16,650</u>	<u>5.48%</u>

(1) The total assessed valuation of the Village used for the 2021-2022 year was \$303,910.

## **VILLAGE INDEBTEDNESS**

### ***Constitutional Requirements***

The New York State Constitution limits the power of the Village (and other municipalities and school districts of the State) to issue obligations and to otherwise contract indebtedness. Such constitutional and statutory limitations include the following, in summary form, and are generally applicable to the Village.

***Purpose and Pledge.*** The Village shall not give or loan any money or property to or in aid of any individual or private corporation or private undertaking or give or loan its credit to or in aid of any of the foregoing or any public corporation.

The Village may contract indebtedness only for a Village purpose and shall pledge its faith and credit for the payment of principal of and interest thereon.

***Payment and Maturity.*** Except for certain short-term indebtedness contracted in anticipation of taxes or to be paid within two fiscal years periods, indebtedness shall be paid in annual installments commencing no later than two years after the date such indebtedness shall have been contracted and ending no later than the expiration of the period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose (as determined by statute) or, in the alternative, the weighted average period of probable usefulness of the several purposes for which it is contracted, unless the Village determines to issue debt amortizing on the basis of substantially level or declining annual debt service. The Village is required to provide an annual appropriation for the payment of interest due during the year on its indebtedness and for the amounts required in such year for amortization and redemption of its serial bonds and bond anticipation notes.

***General.*** The Village is further subject to constitutional limitation by the general constitutionally imposed duty on the State Legislature to restrict the power of taxation and contracting indebtedness to prevent abuses in the exercise of such powers; however, as has been noted under "*Nature of Obligation*", the State Legislature is prohibited by a specific constitutional provision from restricting the power of the Village to levy taxes on real estate for the payment of interest on or principal of indebtedness theretofore contracted. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a

statutory limitation on the Village's power to increase its annual tax levy, unless it complies with certain procedural requirements. (See "*Tax Levy Limit Law*", herein)

### ***Statutory Procedure***

In general, the State Legislature has authorized the power and procedure for the Village to borrow and incur indebtedness subject, of course, to the constitutional provisions set forth above. The power to spend money, however, generally derives from other law, including the Village Law and the General Municipal Law.

Pursuant to the Local Finance Law, the Village authorizes the incurrence of indebtedness, including bonds and bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such bonds, by the adoption of a resolution, approved by at least two-thirds of the members of the Village Board. Certain of such resolutions may be subject to permissive referendum, or may be submitted to the Village voters at the discretion of the Village Board.

The Local Finance Law also provides a twenty-day statute of limitations after publication of a bond resolution which, in effect, estops thereafter legal challenges to the validity of obligations authorized by such bond resolution except for alleged constitutional violations.

Each bond resolution usually authorizes the construction, acquisition or installation of the object or purpose to be financed, sets forth the plan of financing and specifies the maximum maturity of the bonds subject to the legal (Constitution, Local Finance Law and case law) restrictions relating to the period of probable usefulness with respect thereto.

Each bond resolution also authorizes the issuance of bond anticipation notes prior to the issuance of serial bonds. Statutory law in New York permits notes to be renewed each year provided that principal is amortized and provided that such renewals do not extend five years beyond the original date of borrowing. However, notes issued in anticipation of the sale of serial bonds for assessable improvements are not subject to such five year limit and may be renewed subject to annual reductions of principal for the entire period of probable usefulness of the purpose for which such notes were originally issued.

In addition, under each bond resolution, the Village Board may delegate, and has delegated, power to issue and sell bonds and notes, to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

In general, the Local Finance Law contains similar provisions providing the Village with power to issue general obligation revenue anticipation notes, tax anticipation notes and budget notes.

***Debt Limit.*** The Village has the power to contract indebtedness for any Village purpose so long as the principal amount thereof shall not exceed seven per centum of the most recent five-year average full valuation of taxable real estate of the Village and subject to certain enumerated exclusions and deductions such as water and certain sewer facilities and cash appropriations for current debt service. The constitutional method for determining full valuation is by taking the assessed valuation of taxable real estate for the last five completed assessment rolls and applying thereto the ratio which such assessed valuation bears to the full valuation as determined by the State Board of Real Property Services. The State Legislature is required to prescribe the manner by which such ratio shall be determined.

There is no constitutional limitation on the amount that may be raised by the Village by tax on real estate in any fiscal year to pay principal and interest on all indebtedness. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a statutory limitation. (See also "*Tax Levy Limit Law*", herein)

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***Constitutional Debt Limit***

The following table sets forth the constitutional debt limit of the Village.

<b><u>Constitutional Debt Limit</u></b>				
<u>Assessment Year</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Ending May 31:</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>State Equalization Ratio</u>	<u>Full Valuation</u>
2017	2018	\$2,100,837	0.09%	\$2,334,263,333
2018	2019	1,533,059	0.06	2,555,098,333
2019	2020	967,831	0.04	2,419,577,500
2020	2021	637,093	0.02	3,185,465,000
2021	2022	303,910	N/A	<u>3,185,465,000<sup>(1)</sup></u>
			Total:	<u>\$13,679,869,166</u>
Five-Year Average Valuation				<u>\$2,735,973,833</u>
Debt Limit: 7% of Average Five-Year Full Valuation:				<u>\$191,518,168</u>

(1) Projected same as previous year. Nassau County is currently performing a reassessment of all property within the County.  
Source: Office of the State Comptroller, Real Property Services

***Statement of Debt Contracting Power***

**Statement of Debt-Contracting Power**  
**(as of February 15, 2022)**

Debt-Contracting Limitation:	<u>\$191,518,168</u>
Bonds:	
General Purpose	\$8,123,213
Water Purpose	5,616,787
Short Term Obligations:	
Bond Anticipation Notes	0
Total Gross Direct Indebtedness	<u>\$13,740,000</u>
Less Exclusions and Deductions:	
Appropriations	0
Bonds-Water Purpose	5,616,787
Total Exclusions	<u>\$5,616,787</u>
Total Net Direct Indebtedness	<u>\$8,123,213</u>
Debt-Contracting Margin	<u>\$183,394,955</u>
Percentage of Debt-Contracting Power Exhausted	<u>4.24%</u>

Source: Village officials.



***Direct and Overlapping Indebtedness***

The real property taxpayers of the Village are responsible for a proportionate share of outstanding debt obligations of the County and other governmental units. Such taxpayers' share of this overlapping debt is based upon the amount of the Village's equalized property values taken as a percentage of each separate unit's total values. The table below sets forth both the total outstanding principal amount of debt issued by the Village and the approximate magnitude of the burden on taxable property in the Village of the debt instruments issued and outstanding by such other political units. Authorized but unissued debt has not been included.

**Statement of Direct and Overlapping Indebtedness**

<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Net Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>As of:</u>	<u>Village Share</u>	<u>Amount Applicable To Village</u>
Nassau County	\$3,029,044,000	02/17/21	0.90%	\$27,261,396
Town of North Hempstead	295,322,597	09/01/21	3.55	10,483,952
Port Washington UFSD	71,380,000	07/19/21	24.61	<u>17,566,618</u>
Total Net Overlapping Debt				<u>\$ 55,311,966</u>
Total Net Direct Debt				<u>\$8,123,213</u>
Net Direct and Overlapping Debt				<u>\$ 63,435,179</u>

***Debt Ratios***

The following table presents certain debt ratios relating to the Village's net direct and overlapping indebtedness.

**Debt Ratios**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Debt Per Capita <sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>Debt to Full Value <sup>(2)</sup></u>
Net Direct Debt	\$8,123,213	\$2,995.29	0.26%
Net Direct and Overlapping Debt	63,435,179	23,390.55	1.99

(1) The population of the Village is 2,712 according to the 2020 U.S. Census.

(2) The Village's full value of taxable real property used to levy taxes in 2020-2021 is \$3,185,465,000.

***Trend of Outstanding Indebtedness***

The following table provides information relating to the indebtedness outstanding at year-end for each of the five prior fiscal years.

**Outstanding Indebtedness**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Bonds:	\$12,605,000	\$18,360,000	\$17,155,000	\$15,950,000	\$14,715,000
Bond Anticipation Notes:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total:	<u>\$12,605,000</u>	<u>\$18,360,000</u>	<u>\$17,155,000</u>	<u>\$15,950,000</u>	<u>\$14,715,000</u>

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the Village. Table itself is not audited.

### ***Bond Anticipation Notes***

The Village does not currently have any bond anticipation notes outstanding.

### ***Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes***

The Village does not currently have any tax or revenue anticipation notes outstanding.

### ***Debt Service Schedule***

The following table sets forth all principal and interest payments required on the Village's outstanding bonded indebtedness for the fiscal years ending as follows, exclusive of the Bonds, and exclusive of economically defeased obligations.

#### **Bond Principal and Interest Maturity**

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending May 31:</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Debt Service</u>
2022 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$1,255,000	\$404,956	\$1,659,956
2023	1,000,000	372,356	1,372,356
2024	1,030,000	345,906	1,375,906
2025	1,055,000	316,156	1,371,156
2026	1,090,000	284,769	1,374,769
2027	1,115,000	258,019	1,373,019
2028	1,145,000	229,131	1,374,131
2029	1,175,000	197,281	1,372,281
2030	1,205,000	163,463	1,368,463
2031	1,240,000	128,388	1,368,388
2032	295,000	102,638	397,638
2033	305,000	93,788	398,788
2034	315,000	84,638	399,638
2035	325,000	75,188	400,188
2036	335,000	65,438	400,438
2037	345,000	55,388	400,388
2038	355,000	45,038	400,038
2039	365,000	34,388	399,388
2040	375,000	23,438	398,438
2041	390,000	12,188	402,188
Total:	<u>\$14,715,000</u>	<u>\$3,292,555</u>	<u>\$18,007,555</u>

(1) For the entire fiscal year.

Source: Village Officials.

### ***Financial Obligations***

The Village currently has two outstanding installment purchase leases for golf course equipment for the Village Club of Sands Point. One lease currently has \$32,378 outstanding principal with interest of 0.91% percent and matures on July 7, 2022. Annual principal and interest payments are \$32,670.

A second lease currently has \$13,574 outstanding principal balance with interest of 6.51% and matures on September 10, 2023. Monthly principal and interest payments are \$888.

In September 2021, the Village entered into a lease purchase agreement for equipment for the Village Club of Sands Point. The lease currently has \$128,159 outstanding principal with interest of 4.25% percent and matures on September 15, 2023. Annual principal and interest payment are \$68,193.

### ***Authorized but Unissued Debt***

The Village has \$20 million in authorized but unissued debt. This figure represents \$6.5 million out of \$9 million approved by the Board of Trustees in June 2016 for water bonds, \$8.4 million approved in April 2021 for water improvements, PFAS treatment, Wells 2a & 5a, \$2.1 million approved in April 2021 for water department facility improvements, and \$3 million approved in June 2021 for road work. \$10 million of these authorized projects will be financed by the Bonds.

## **ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA**

### ***Population***

The following table presents population trends based upon recent census data.

	<b><u>Population Trend</u></b>		
	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Village	2,786	2,675	2,712
Town	222,611	226,322	237,639
County	1,334,544	1,339,532	1,395,774
State	18,976,457	19,378,102	20,201,249

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

### ***Income***

The following table presents median household income for the Town, County and State. The figures provided for the Town, County, and State are not necessarily representative of the Village.

	<b><u>Median Household Income</u></b>	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2019</u>
Town	\$100,760	\$125,364
County	93,613	116,100
State	55,603	68,486

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

### ***Employment and Unemployment***

The following tables provide information concerning employment in the Town, the County and the State.

	<b><u>Civilian Labor Force</u></b>				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Town	113,800	114,300	114,600	114,700	112,700
County	704,600	708,000	707,900	708,100	698,900
State	9,668,700	9,704,700	9,574,700	9,514,400	9,289,200

Source: New York State Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Information not seasonally adjusted.

**Yearly Average Unemployment Rates**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
2016	3.6%	3.9%	4.9%
2017	3.7	4.1	4.7
2018	3.3	3.5	4.1
2019	3.1	3.3	3.8
2020	7.8	8.4	10.0

Source: New York State Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistic. Information not seasonally adjusted

**Monthly Unemployment Rates**

<u>Month</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>
January 2021	5.9	6.3	9.4
February	6.4	6.7	9.7
March	5.5	5.9	8.4
April	4.9	5.2	7.7
May	4.3	4.7	7.0
June	4.6	5.0	7.2
July	4.6	5.2	7.4
August	4.4	5.0	7.1
September	3.7	4.2	6.3
October	3.4	3.9	5.9
November	3.0	3.5	5.5
December	2.2	2.6	5.0

Source: New York State Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Information not seasonally adjusted.

**Major Employers in the Village**

<u>Name of Employer</u>	<u>Nature of Business</u>
Village of Sands Point	Government
The Sands Point Golf Club	Golf Course
The Helen Keller Center	Education
Kemper Sports Management. Inc.	Hospitality Services & Golf Course Maintenance

Source: Village Officials.

**END OF APPENDIX A**

**APPENDIX B**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARIES**

**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT**  
 Adopted Budgets - General Fund  
 Fiscal Year Ending May 31:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Revenues:		
Real Property Tax	\$9,998,682	\$10,240,636
Non-Property Taxes	215,000	215,000
Fees	1,492,365	1,624,895
State Aid	377,000	332,000
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Total Revenues	<u>\$12,083,047</u>	<u>\$12,412,531</u>
Expenditures:		
General Government Support	\$1,783,729	\$1,685,260
Public Safety	5,030,226	5,257,826
Transportation	850,700	847,300
Home & Community Services	540,630	540,630
Employee Benefits	2,790,921	2,999,115
Transfers	686,916	685,821
Debt Service	399,925	396,579
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Total Expenditures	<u>\$12,083,047</u>	<u>\$12,412,531</u>

Source: Adopted Budgets of the Village.

**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT**  
Balance Sheet  
General Fund  
Fiscal Year Ended May 31:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash and Equivalents	\$2,111,268	\$2,704,759
Taxes Receivable	3,210	1,770
Tax Sale Certificates	368,585	430,706
Accounts Receivable	263,064	234,342
Due from State and Federal	0	239,201
Due from Other Funds	1,059,880	1,426,624
Due from Other Governments	44,137	45,075
Deferred Expenditures	<u>1,423,515</u>	<u>1,539,783</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$5,273,659</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,622,260</u></u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balance:</b>		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$74,022	\$221,703
Accrued Liabilities	419,661	280,854
Due to Other Funds	79,302	250,067
Due to Other Governments	0	445
Due to retirement systems	127,338	159,964
Compensated Absences Payable	240,731	0
Other Liabilities	0	597,484
Collections in Advance	<u>95,638</u>	<u>76,973</u>
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$1,036,692</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,587,490</u></u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Resources not available for current use	\$361,027	\$430,706
Fund Balance:		
Nonspendable: Prepaids and Security Deposits	\$1,237,370	\$1,029,970
Restricted:		
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	89,359	89,724
Debt Service	19,403	19,404
Service Award Program	1,140,270	1,259,813
Assigned		
Appropriated fund balance	0	0
Unappropriated fund balance	51,975	87,334
Unassigned	<u>1,337,563</u>	<u>2,117,819</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u><u>3,875,940</u></u>	<u><u>4,604,064</u></u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u><u>\$5,273,659</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,622,260</u></u>

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the Village.  
Summary itself is not audited.

**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT**  
 Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures  
 and Changes in Fund Balance  
 General Fund  
 Fiscal Year Ended May 31:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Revenues:					
Real Property Taxes	\$9,177,533	\$9,242,872	\$9,360,087	\$9,401,692	\$9,504,548
Other Tax Items	102,690	95,812	66,656	265,586	418,581
Non-Property Taxes	177,735	165,865	175,077	181,555	164,249
Departmental Income	802,556	657,480	692,178	368,812	860,728
Use of Money & Property	37,334	29,151	35,494	105,381	18,547
Licenses and Permits	724,982	792,454	870,282	809,619	842,086
Fines and Forfeitures	90,294	24,815	24,840	23,719	12,865
Sale of Prop. & Comp. for Loss	34,132	15	11,033	3,419	45,642
State Aid	360,857	354,031	320,363	382,943	241,178
Federal aid	0	0	0	0	208,794
Miscellaneous	173,693	339,204	98,566	289,691	194,262
	<u>\$11,681,806</u>	<u>\$11,701,699</u>	<u>\$11,654,576</u>	<u>\$11,832,417</u>	<u>\$12,511,480</u>
Total Revenue					
Expenditures:					
General Government Support	\$950,555	\$947,657	\$1,167,482	\$1,043,371	\$1,135,739
Public Safety	5,247,475	5,203,584	5,342,813	5,288,498	5,183,106
Transportation	531,612	552,254	591,460	924,195	909,463
Culture and Recreation	519	55	540	388	25
Home & Community Services	861,128	866,577	790,262	773,447	730,325
Employee Benefits	2,442,948	2,629,239	2,702,689	2,777,164	2,737,860
Debt Service	471,512	406,529	403,436	400,273	399,922
	<u>\$10,505,749</u>	<u>\$10,605,895</u>	<u>\$10,998,682</u>	<u>\$11,207,336</u>	<u>\$11,096,440</u>
Total Expenditures					
Excess (Def) of Revenues Over Expenditures	1,176,057	1,095,804	655,894	625,081	1,415,040
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating Transfers In	0	0	0	0	0
Operating Transfers Out	(697,245)	(701,038)	(697,093)	(687,100)	(686,916)
Proceeds from obligations	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Other Sources (Uses)	(697,245)	(701,038)	(697,093)	(687,100)	(686,916)
Excess (Def) of Revenues & Other Sources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	478,812	394,766	(41,199)	(62,019)	728,124
Fund Balance - Beg. of Year	2,712,962	3,584,392 <sup>(1)</sup>	3,979,158	3,937,959	3,875,940
Change in Accounting Principle	0	0	0	0	0
Prior Period Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$3,191,774</u>	<u>\$3,979,158</u>	<u>\$3,937,959</u>	<u>\$3,875,940</u>	<u>\$4,604,064</u>

(1) Restated.

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the Village.  
 Summary itself is not audited.



**APPENDIX C**

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 2021\***

**CAN BE ACCESSED ON THE ELECTRONIC MUNICIPAL MARKET ACCESS  
("EMMA") WEBSITE  
OF THE MUNICIPAL SECURITIES RULEMAKING BOARD ("MSRB")  
AT THE FOLLOWING LINK:**

**<https://emma.msrb.org/P21615703.pdf>**

**The audited financial statements referenced above are hereby incorporated into this  
Official Statement.**

**\* R.S Abrams & Co., LLP has not commented on or approved this Official Statement, has not been requested to perform any procedures on the information in its included report since its date and has not been asked to consent to the inclusion of its report in this Official Statement.**

**APPENDIX D**

**FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL**

Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP  
7 World Trade Center  
250 Greenwich Street  
New York, New York 10007

March 8, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the  
Village of Sands Point, in the  
County of Nassau, New York

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the Village of Sands Point (the “Village”), in the County of Nassau, a municipal corporation of the State of New York, and have examined a record of proceedings relating to the authorization, sale and issuance of the Village’s \$10,000,000 Public Improvement Serial Bonds-2022 (the “Bonds”), dated and delivered on the date hereof.

In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity with originals of all documents submitted to us as copies thereof. Based on and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the following opinions:

1. The Bonds are valid and legally binding general obligations of the Village for which the Village has validly pledged its faith and credit and, unless paid from other sources, all the taxable real property within the Village is subject to the levy of ad valorem real estate taxes to pay the Bonds and interest thereon, subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended. The enforceability of rights or remedies with respect to such Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws affecting creditors’ rights or remedies heretofore or hereafter enacted.

2. Under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code.

The Code establishes certain requirements which must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest on the Bonds be and remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to the use and expenditure of proceeds of the Bonds, restrictions on the investment of proceeds of the Bonds prior to expenditure and the requirement that certain earnings be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause the interest on the Bonds to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to the date of issuance thereof, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

On the date of issuance of the Bonds, the Village will execute a Tax Certificate relating to the Bonds containing provisions and procedures pursuant to which such requirements can be satisfied. In executing the Tax Certificate, the Village represents that it will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure that the interest on the Bonds will, for federal income tax purposes, be excluded from gross income.

In rendering the opinion in this paragraph 2, we have relied upon and assumed (i) the material accuracy of the Village's representations, statements of intention and reasonable expectations, and certifications of fact contained in the Tax Certificate with respect to matters affecting the status of the interest on the Bonds, and (ii) compliance by the Village with the procedures and representations set forth in the Tax Certificate as to such tax matters.

3. Under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

We express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above. We render our opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the date hereof, and assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement our opinion to reflect any action hereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may hereafter come to our attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may hereafter occur, or for any other reason. We express no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, we express no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds.

We give no assurances as to the adequacy, sufficiency or completeness of the Preliminary Official Statement and/or Official Statement relating to the Bonds or any proceedings, reports, correspondence, financial statements or other documents, containing financial or other information relative to the Village, which have been or may hereafter be furnished or disclosed to purchasers of ownership interests in the Bonds.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP

**APPENDIX E**

**FORM OF DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING FOR THE BONDS**

## UNDERTAKING TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

### Section 1. Definitions

“Annual Information” shall mean the information specified in Section 3 hereof.

“EMMA” shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access System implemented by the MSRB.

“Financial Obligation” shall mean “financial obligation” as such term is defined in the Rule.

“GAAP” shall mean generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States.

“Holder” shall mean any registered owner of the Securities and any beneficial owner of Securities within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

“Issuer” shall mean the **Village of Sands Point**, in the County of Nassau, a municipal corporation of the State of New York.

“MSRB” shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established in accordance with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any successor thereto or to the functions of the MSRB contemplated by this Agreement.

“Purchaser” shall mean the financial institution referred to in the Certificate of Award, executed by the Village Treasurer as of February 24, 2022.

“Rule” shall mean Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR Part 240, §240.15c2-12), as amended, as in effect on the date of this Undertaking, including any official interpretations thereof issued either before or after the effective date of this Undertaking which are applicable to this Undertaking.

“Securities” shall mean the Issuer’s **\$10,000,000 Public Improvement Serial Bonds-2022**, dated March 8, 2022, maturing in various principal amounts on March 1 in each of the years 2023 to 2052, inclusive, and delivered on the date hereof.

Section 2. Obligation to Provide Continuing Disclosure. (a) The Issuer hereby undertakes, for the benefit of Holders of the Securities, to provide or cause to be provided either directly or through Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, 11 Grace Avenue, Suite 308, Great Neck, New York, to the EMMA System:

- (i) (A) no later than nine (9) months after the end of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending May 31, 2022, the Annual Information relating to such fiscal year, and (B) no later than nine (9) months after the end of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending May 31, 2022, the audited financial statements of the Issuer for each fiscal year, if audited financial statements are prepared by the Issuer and

then available; provided, however, that if audited financial statements are not prepared or are not then available, unaudited financial statements shall be provided and audited financial statements, if any, shall be delivered to the EMMA System within sixty (60) days after they become available and in no event later than one (1) year after the end of each fiscal year; provided further, however, that the unaudited financial statement shall be provided for any fiscal year only if the Village has made a determination that providing such unaudited financial statement would be compliant with federal securities laws, including Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17 (a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933; and

- (ii) in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, notice of any of the following events with respect to the Securities:
  - (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices of determinations with respect to the tax status of the Securities, or other events affecting the tax status of the Securities;
  - (7) modifications to rights of Securities holders, if material;
  - (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - (9) defeasances;
  - (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Securities, if material;
  - (11) rating changes;
  - (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;

Note to clause (12): For the purposes of the event identified in clause (12) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following

occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or government authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer;

- (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and
- (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.
- (15) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

(iii) in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, notice of a failure to provide by the date set forth in Section 2(a)(i) hereof any Annual Information required by Section 3 hereof.

(b) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information in addition to that required hereby in the manner set forth herein or in any other manner. If the Issuer disseminates any such additional information, the Issuer shall have no obligation to update such information or include it in any future materials disseminated hereunder.

(c) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from providing notice of the occurrence of certain other events, in addition to those listed above, if the Issuer determines that any such other event is material with respect to the Securities; but the Issuer does not undertake to commit to provide any such notice of the occurrence of any event except those events listed above.



Section 3. Annual Information. (a) The required Annual Information shall consist of the financial information and operating data for the preceding fiscal year, in a form generally consistent with the information contained or cross-referenced in the Issuer's final official statement relating to the Securities under the heading "LITIGATION" and in Appendix A under the headings: "THE VILLAGE," "FINANCIAL FACTORS," "TAX INFORMATION" "VILLAGE INDEBTEDNESS" and "ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA," and in Appendix B.

(b) All or any portion of the Annual Information may be incorporated in the Annual Information by cross reference to any other documents which are (i) available to the public on the EMMA System or (ii) filed with the SEC. If such a document is a final official statement, it also must be available from the EMMA System.

(c) Annual Information for any fiscal year containing any modified operating data or financial information (as contemplated by Section 7(e) hereof) for such fiscal year shall explain, in narrative form, the reasons for such modification and the effect of such modification on the Annual Information being provided for such fiscal year. If a change in accounting principles is included in any such modification, such Annual Information shall present a comparison between the financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the modified accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 4. Financial Statements. The Issuer's annual financial statements for each fiscal year, if prepared, shall be prepared in accordance with GAAP or New York State regulatory requirements as in effect from time to time. Such financial statements, if prepared, shall be audited by an independent accounting firm. The Issuer's Annual Financial Report Update Document prepared by the Issuer and filed annually with New York State in accordance with applicable law, shall not be subject to the foregoing requirements.

Section 5. Remedies. If the Issuer shall fail to comply with any provision of this Undertaking, then any Holder of Securities may enforce, for the equal benefit and protection of all Holders similarly situated, by mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity, this Undertaking against the Issuer and any of the officers, agents and employees of the Issuer, and may compel the Issuer or any such officers, agents or employees to perform and carry out their duties under this Undertaking; provided that the sole and exclusive remedy for breach of this Undertaking shall be an action to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Issuer hereunder and no person or entity shall be entitled to recover monetary damages hereunder under any circumstances. Failure to comply with any provision of this Undertaking shall not constitute an event of default on the Securities.

Section 6. Parties in Interest. This Undertaking is executed to assist the Purchaser to comply with paragraph (b)(5) of the Rule and is delivered for the benefit of the Holders. No other person shall have any right to enforce the provisions hereof or any other rights hereunder.

Section 7. Amendments. Without the consent of any holders of Securities, the Issuer at any time and from time to time may enter into any amendments or changes to this Undertaking for any of the following purposes:

- (a) to comply with or conform to any changes in Rule 15c2-12 (whether required or optional);

- (b) to add a dissemination agent for the information required to be provided hereby and to make any necessary or desirable provisions with respect thereto;
- (c) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer and the assumption of any such successor of the duties of the Issuer hereunder;
- (d) to add to the duties of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuer;
- (e) to modify the contents, presentation and format of the Annual Information from time to time to conform to changes in accounting or disclosure principles or practices and legal requirements followed by or applicable to the Issuer or to reflect changes in the identity, nature or status of the Issuer or in the business, structure or operations of the Issuer or any mergers, consolidations, acquisitions or dispositions made by or affecting any such person; provided that any such modifications shall comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such modification; or
- (f) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision hereof which may be inconsistent with any other provision hereof, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Undertaking which, in each case, comply with Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such amendment or change;

provided that no such action pursuant to this Section 7 shall adversely affect the interests of the Holders in any material respect. In making such determination, the Issuer shall rely upon an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel.

Section 8. Termination. This Undertaking shall remain in full force and effect until such time as all principal, redemption premiums, if any, and interest on the Securities shall have been paid in full or the Securities shall have otherwise been paid or legally defeased pursuant to their terms. Upon any such legal defeasance, the Issuer shall provide notice of such defeasance to the EMMA System. Such notice shall state whether the Securities have been defeased to maturity or to redemption and the timing of such maturity or redemption.

In addition, this Agreement, or any provision hereof, shall be null and void in the event that those portions of the Rule which require this Agreement, or such provision, as the case may be, do not or no longer apply to the Securities, whether because such portions of the Rule are invalid, have been repealed, or otherwise.

Section 9. Undertaking to Constitute Written Agreement or Contract. This Undertaking shall constitute the written agreement or contract for the benefit of Holders of Securities, as contemplated under Rule 15c2-12.

Section 10. Governing Law. This Undertaking shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York determined without regard to principles of conflict of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly authorized, executed and delivered this Undertaking as of **March 8, 2022**.

**VILLAGE OF SANDS POINT**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Village Treasurer and Chief Fiscal Officer