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The Honorable Pablo "Paul" Villarreal, Jr., RTA
Hidalgo County Tax Assessor/Collector
2804 S. Business Highway 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539

Dear Mr. Villarreal:

As requested, please be advised that I have projected the fund balances at December 31, 2026, in the following funds as scheduled below:

Fund Name	Estimated Fund Balance
General Fund	\$ 90,269,398.67
Debt Service Funds	\$ 11,408,882.00

Additionally, regarding the debt service requirements for 2027, I present the following:

DEBT SERVICE FUND	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	OTHER	TOTAL
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014	\$ -	\$ 53,725.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 54,550.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2015A	\$ -	\$ 322,143.76	\$ 825.00	\$ 322,968.76
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016	\$ 1,675,000.00	\$ 877,150.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,552,975.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2017	\$ 1,365,000.00	\$ 880,800.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,246,625.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2018A	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 5,387,200.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 6,888,025.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2018B	\$ 1,140,000.00	\$ 885,800.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,026,625.00
Refunding Bonds, Series 2018C	\$ 3,380,000.00	\$ 920,705.50	\$ 825.00	\$ 4,301,530.50
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2019A	\$ 1,070,000.00	\$ 834,950.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 1,905,775.00
Refunding Bonds, Series 2019B	\$ 2,410,000.00	\$ 476,000.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,886,825.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2020	\$ -	\$ 971,150.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 971,975.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021	\$ 1,450,000.00	\$ 798,700.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,249,525.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 2,129,000.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,479,825.00
Certificates of Obligation, Series 2025	\$ 780,000.00	\$ 2,474,987.50	\$ 825.00	\$ 3,255,812.50
Refunding Bonds, Series 2025	\$ 3,650,000.00	\$ 877,500.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 4,528,325.00
TOTALS	\$ 18,770,000.00	\$ 17,889,811.76	\$ 11,550.00	\$ 36,671,361.76

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- The County spent \$6,362,460.80 on paper-ready inmates, net of state revenue received, for calendar year 2025.
- The County spent \$1,744,704.68 on indigent health claims from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, consisting of \$1,721,111.91 for Indigent Health and \$23,592.77 for Hidalgo Blue.
- The County spent \$1,661,244.21 on indigent health claims from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, consisting of \$1,636,361.41 for Indigent Health and \$24,882.80 for Hidalgo Blue.
- The County spent \$11,577,475.46 to provide court-appointed counsel for indigent individuals from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. This amount represents total expenditures of \$12,012,186.46, less \$434,711.00 received from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission for the grant period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.
- The County spent \$14,051,010.21 to provide court-appointed counsel for indigent individuals from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. As of this date, the County has not received any funding from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission for the grant period of October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026.

In calculating the County's Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate, please use \$8,860,000 of the Debt Service Fund balance as of December 31, 2026, to produce a debt service tax rate of \$0.0497 for calendar year 2027 debt service requirements.

My office will continue to monitor the Debt Service Fund balance to ensure that sufficient fund balance remains available to meet interest payment requirements due within 45 days after year-end.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 956-318-2511 ext. 4651.

Respectfully,



Letty Chavez
County Auditor

Cc: Mr. Valde Guerra, County Executive Officer
Mr. Dagoberto Soto Jr., Budget Officer

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