New Roads, Louisiana

Financial Report

December 31, 2024

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To Major Thibaut, Parish President and the Parish Council of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government New Roads, Louisiana

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government (Parish), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Parish as listed in the table of contents.

Adverse Opinion on Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the aggregate discretely presented component units of the Parish, as of December 31, 2024, or the changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions on Governmental Activities, Business-Type Activities, Each Major Fund, and the Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregated remaining fund information of the Parish, as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Parish and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical

requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

The financial statements do not include financial data for the Parish's legally separate discretely presented component units. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for those component units to be reported with the financial data of the Parish's primary government unless the Parish also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component units. The Parish has not issued such reporting entity financial statements. The effects of not including the Parish's legally separate component units on the aggregate discretely presented component units have not been determined.

Change in Accounting Principle

As described in Note 18 to the financial statements, in 2024, the Parish adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Parish's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Parish's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Parish's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information, the schedule of changes in total OPEB liability and related ratios, the schedules of employer's share of net pension liabilities, and the schedules of employer contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

The Parish has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Parish's basic financial statements. The justice system funding schedule, the schedule of collections, distributions, and costs of collections, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head, the schedule of compensation paid to council, the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances – capital projects fund – Grants and Capital Outlay, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United

States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the combining balance sheets, the combining statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, and the schedule of insurance in force but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated June 24, 2025 on our consideration of the Parish's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Parish's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Parish's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Baton Rouge, Louisiana June 24, 2025

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (GWFS)

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2024

	р	rimary Governmer	nt	Component Unit Gravity	
	Governmental	Business-Type		Drainage	
	Activities	Activities	Total	District No. 1	
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,854,195	\$ 3,317,858	\$14,172,053	\$ 35,307	
Accounts receivable, net	1,835,987	741,856	2,577,843	-	
Due from other governments	1,985,622	102,731	2,088,353	34,656	
Prepaid items	187,899	-	187,899	-	
Other assets	1,596	2,524	4,120	-	
Restricted assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	33,312	1,034,318	1,067,630	-	
Capital assets:					
Non-depreciable	5,181,299	45,233	5,226,532	-	
Depreciable/Amortizable, net	35,697,492	1,683,245	37,380,737	302,437	
Total assets	55,777,402	6,927,765	62,705,167	372,400	
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Other postemployment benefits	1,250,460	320,782	1,571,242	-	
Pension related	683,486	365,539	1,049,025		
Total deferred outflows of					
resources	1,933,946	686,321	2,620,267		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

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New Roads, Louisiana

Statement of Net Position (Continued) December 31, 2024

				Component Unit
	Primary Government			Gravity
	Governmental	Business-Type	T-4-1	Drainage
	Activities	Activities	Total	District No. 1
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	229,789	271,025	500,814	_
Contract payable	341,064	-	341,064	-
Retainage payable	6,108	-	6,108	-
Due to other governments	174,506	-	174,506	-
Customer meter deposits	-	1,034,378	1,034,378	-
Permit deposits	13,572	-	13,572	-
Accrued interest payable	28,522	-	28,522	-
Long-term payables:	,		,	
Due within one year	1,564,385	_	1,564,385	_
Due in more than one year	3,283,319	-	3,283,319	-
Other post-employment benefits	3,839,731	985,013	4,824,744	-
Net pension liability	244,647	120,063	364,710	
Total liabilities	9,725,643	2,410,479	12,136,122	
DEFERRED INFLOWS				
OF RESOURCES				
Other postemployment benefits	1,152,479	295,647	1,448,126	_
Pension related	118,801	56,951	175,752	-
Deferred revenues	165,486	<u> </u>	165,486	
Total deferred inflows of				
resources	1,436,766	352,598	1,789,364	_
1000 0100				 -
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	36,138,104	1,728,478	37,866,582	302,437
Restricted for:				
Debt service	3,211,903	-	3,211,903	-
Unrestricted	7,198,932	3,122,531	10,321,463	69,963
Total net position	\$ 46,548,939	\$ 4,851,009	\$51,399,948	\$ 372,400

New Roads, Louisiana

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

		Program Revenues				Net (Expenses) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		•	Operating	Capital	Pr	imary Governme	nt	
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-type		Component
Activities	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total	Unit
Primary government:								
Governmental activities:								
General government	\$ 3,130,557	\$ 841,553	\$ 6,995,149	\$ 2,194,126	\$ 6,900,271	\$ -	\$ 6,900,271	\$ -
Public safety	2,201,119	180,582	469,455	-	(1,551,082)	_	(1,551,082)	-
Public works	4,251,833	4,344	356,821	-	(3,890,668)	-	(3,890,668)	-
Health and welfare	217,313	_	257,000	-	39,687	-	39,687	-
Culture and recreation	862,507	161,514	40,281	-	(660,712)	-	(660,712)	-
Drainage	2,774,526	540,833	350,235	2,392,941	509,483	-	509,483	-
Economic development	165,320	_	-	-	(165,320)	-	(165,320)	-
Interest on long-term debt	145,306	-	-	-	(145,306)	-	(145,306)	-
Total governmental activities	13,748,481	1,728,826	8,468,941	4,587,067	1,036,353		1,036,353	
Business-type activities:								
Animal Control	465,595	366,506	34,901	-	-	(64,188)	(64,188)	
Gas	2,199,771	2,450,310	=	=	=	250,539	250,539	=
Solid waste	2,266,149	2,232,475	25,000	-	=	(8,674)	(8,674)	=
Multi-use center	220,855	59,861	3,166	<u> </u>		(157,828)	(157,828)	
Total business-type activities	5,152,370	5,109,152	63,067			19,849	19,849	
Total primary government	\$18,900,851	\$ 6,837,978	\$ 8,532,008	\$ 4,587,067	1,036,353	19,849	1,056,202	
Component Unit:								
Governmental activities	\$ 3,828	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 307,241				303,413

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Statement of Activities (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

General revenues:

Taxes:				
Property	1,163,321	-	1,163,321	34,656
Sales	4,777,947	1,005,884	5,783,831	-
Franchise	35,474	-	35,474	-
Other	16,714	-	16,714	-
Grants and contributions not restricted				
to specific programs	118,725	-	118,725	-
Miscellaneous	176,765	-	176,765	-
Investment earnings	18	8,750	8,768	-
Gain on sale of capital assets, net	52,471	-	52,471	-
Transfers	1,350,000	(1,350,000)		 =
Total general revenues and transfers	7,691,435	(335,366)	7,356,069	 34,656
Change in net position	8,727,788	(315,517)	8,412,271	338,069
Net position - beginning, as restated	37,821,151	5,166,526	42,987,677	 34,331
Net position- ending	\$46,548,939	\$ 4,851,009	\$51,399,948	\$ 372,400

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (FFS)

New Roads, Louisiana

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds December 31, 2024

AGGETG	General	Parishwide Drainage	Parishwide Recreation
ASSETS	¢4.462.922	¢.	¢1 021 040
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash	\$4,462,823	\$ -	\$1,831,940
	33,312	- 42.571	- 202
Accounts receivable, net	2,920	42,571	802
Taxes receivable	1,165,582	94,103	65,872
Due from other governments	1,516,605	350,235	-
Due from other funds	82,455	-	-
Other receivables	59,177	55,835	-
Prepaid items	184,947	-	2,952
Other assets	1,223	23	350
Total assets	\$7,509,044	\$ 542,767	\$1,901,916
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 96,582	\$ 21,063	\$ 6,055
Contract payable	96,148	42,718	-
Retainage payable	-	-	-
Deposits payable	13,572	-	-
Due to other governments	129,447	-	-
Due to other funds	<u> </u>	55,155	
Total liabilities	335,749	118,936	6,055
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Deferred revenues	165,486		
Fund Balance:			
Nonspendable - prepaids	184,947	-	2,952
Restricted	-	-	-
Committed	-	423,831	1,892,909
Unassigned	6,822,862		
Total fund balance	7,007,809	423,831	1,895,861
Total liabilities, deferred inflows			
of resources, and fund balance	\$7,509,044	\$ 542,767	\$1,901,916

Debt Service Road Improvement	Grants and Capital Outlay	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 2,975,236 - 235,256 1,411 - - - \$ 3,211,903	\$ 28,538 - - - 81,848 - - - - \$ 110,386	\$ 1,555,658 51,757 35,523 - 62,112 \$ 1,705,050	\$10,854,195 33,312 46,293 1,612,570 1,985,622 82,455 177,124 187,899 1,596 \$14,981,066
\$ - - - - - -	\$ 633 202,198 - - - - 202,831	\$ 105,456 - 6,108 - 45,059 27,300 183,923	\$ 229,789 341,064 6,108 13,572 174,506 82,455 847,494
3,211,903	- - -	- 450,615 1,070,512	187,899 3,662,518 3,387,252
3,211,903 \$ 3,211,903	(92,445) (92,445) \$ 110,386	1,521,127 \$ 1,705,050	6,730,417 13,968,086 \$14,981,066

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2024

Total fund balances for governmental funds		\$ 13,968,086
Capital assets, net		40,878,791
Long-term liabilities:		
Bonds payable	\$ (3,843,000)	
Financing leases payable	(145,855)	
Right-to-use lease asset liability	(404,661)	
Compensated absences payable	(454,188)	
Accrued interest payable	(28,522)	(4,876,226)
Pension:		
Deferred outflows	683,486	
Net pension liability/asset	(244,647)	
Deferred inflows	(118,801)	320,038
Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB):		
Net OPEB liability/asset	(3,839,731)	
Deferred inflows	(1,152,479)	
Deferred outflows	1,250,460	(3,741,750)
Net position of governmental activities		\$ 46,548,939

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	General	Parishwide Drainage	Parishwide Recreation
Revenues:	4.4.4.7.7 00	* • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Taxes	\$ 1,215,509	\$ 1,005,884	\$ 704,119
Intergovernmental	4 0 40 22 5		
Federal grants	4,848,335	-	-
State funds -	0.506.515	250 225	
Grants	2,526,515	350,235	-
Other	851,256	-	-
Charges for services	340,668	540,833	161,514
Fines and forfeitures	450 415	-	-
Licenses and permits	459,417	-	-
Investment income	18	-	-
Miscellaneous	45,109	-	
Total revenues	10,286,827	1,896,952	865,633
Expenditures:			
Current -	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
General government	2,877,770	-	-
Health and welfare	217,313	-	-
Culture and recreation	113,848	-	620,822
Public safety	877,449	-	-
Drainage	-	1,345,879	-
Public works	100,000	-	-
Economic development	129,569	-	-
Capital outlay	2,365,575	564,436	141,221
Debt service -			
Principal	159,000	-	-
Interest	56,706		
Total expenditures	6,897,230	1,910,315	762,043
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	3,389,597	(13,363)	103,590
Other financing sources (uses):			
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	52,471	_	_
Proceeds from leases	-	_	_
Transfer in	1,350,000	146,250	_
Transfer out	(1,415,570)	(505,000)	(175,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(358,750)	
	(13,099)		(175,000)
Net change in fund balance	3,376,498	(372,113)	(71,410)
Fund balance, beginning	3,631,311	795,944	1,967,271
Fund balance, ending	\$ 7,007,809	\$ 423,831	\$ 1,895,861

Debt Service Road Improvement	Grants and Capital Outlay	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 2,514,708	\$ -	\$ 553,236	\$ 5,993,456
-	1,037,418	831,789	6,717,542
-	2,378,941	350,244	5,605,935
-	-	-	851,256
-	-	117,920	1,160,935
=	=	180,582	180,582
_	_	4,344	463,761
_	_	- -	18
_	_	55,203	100,312
2,514,708	3,416,359	2,093,318	21,073,797
2,314,708	3,410,339	2,093,318	21,073,797
_	_	_	2,877,770
			217,313
_	_	_	734,670
-	-	1,192,855	2,070,304
-	1 002 220		
2.500	1,083,320	126,751	2,555,950
2,500	1,023,418	1,063,786	2,189,704
=	-	35,751	165,320
-	2,823,267	1,521,694	7,416,193
965,000	-	247,700	1,371,700
45,893	=	47,586	150,185
1,013,393	4,930,005	4,236,123	19,749,109
1,013,373	1,750,005	1,230,123	17,717,107
1,501,315	(1,513,646)	(2,142,805)	1,324,688
_	_	_	52,471
_	_	123,638	123,638
_	1,369,320	1,930,000	4,795,570
(050,000)	1,509,520		
(950,000)		(400,000)	(3,445,570)
(950,000)	1,369,320	1,653,638	1,526,109
551,315	(144,326)	(489,167)	2,850,797
2,660,588	51,881	2,010,294	11,117,289
\$ 3,211,903	\$ (92,445)	\$ 1,521,127	\$ 13,968,086

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Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Net change in fund balances per Statement of Revenues,		
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances		\$2,850,797
Capital assets:		
Capital outlay	\$7,292,555	
Depreciation expense	(2,574,688)	
Right to use assets:		
Capital outlay - leased equipment	123,638	
Amortization expense	(158,164)	4,683,341
Transactions involving capital assets:		
Proceeds on disposal of assets	(52,471)	
Gain on disposal	52,471	-
Long-Term debt:		
Principal payments	1,149,000	
Financing lease payments	71,297	
Right-to-use lease asset payments	149,710	
Change in compensated absences payable	(11,984)	1,234,385
Decrease in accrued interest payable		6,572
The effect of recording net pension and OPEB liability/asset, and the related deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources:		
Changes in pension expense	133,614	
Change in OPEB expense	(223,639)	
Nonemployer pension contribution revenue recognized	42,718	(47,307)
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$8,727,788

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Statement of Net Position Proprietary Funds December 31, 2024

	Natural Gas System	Solid Waste	Multi-Use Center	Animal and Pest Control	Total
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,089,514	\$1,862,286	\$ 354,980	\$ 11,078	\$3,317,858
Accounts receivable, net	342,628	251,571	-	21,978	616,177
Taxes receivable	-	94,103	-	-	94,103
Due from other governments	-	102,731	-	-	102,731
Other receivables	-	-	-	31,576	31,576
Other assets	371	97	1,900	156	2,524
Total current assets	1,432,513	2,310,788	356,880	64,788	4,164,969
Noncurrent assets:					
Restricted assets -					
Cash and cash equivalents	952,409	81,909	-	-	1,034,318
Capital assets -					
Non-depreciable	45,233	-	-	-	45,233
Depreciable, net	649,228	10,130	927,009	96,878	1,683,245
Total noncurrent assets	1,646,870	92,039	927,009	96,878	2,762,796
Total assets	3,079,383	2,402,827	1,283,889	161,666	6,927,765
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Pension liability	191,581	74,608	28,085	71,265	365,539
Other post employment benefits	170,564	59,944	22,946	67,328	320,782
Total deferred outflows of					
resources	362,145	134,552	51,031	138,593	686,321
					(continued)

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Statement of Net Position (Continued) Proprietary Funds December 31, 2024

	Natural Gas System	Solid Waste	Multi-Use Center	Animal and Pest Control	Total
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	98,531	167,935	1,045	3,514	271,025
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Customer meter deposits payable	952,409	81,969	-	-	1,034,378
Net pension liability	62,926	24,505	9,225	23,407	120,063
Other post-employment benefits	523,744	184,069	70,459	206,741	985,013
Total noncurrent liabilities	1,539,079	290,543	79,684	230,148	2,139,454
Total liabilities	1,637,610	458,478	80,729	233,662	2,410,479
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Pension liability	29,848	11,624	4,376	11,103	56,951
Other post employment benefits	157,199	55,247	21,148	62,053	295,647
Total deferred inflows of					
resources	187,047	66,871	25,524	73,156	352,598
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets	694,461	10,130	927,009	96,878	1,728,478
Unrestricted (deficit)	922,410	2,001,900	301,658	(103,437)	3,122,531
Total net position	\$1,616,871	\$2,012,030	\$1,228,667	\$ (6,559)	\$4,851,009

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Proprietary Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Natural Gas System	Solid Waste	Multi-Use Center	Animal and Pest Control	Total
Operating revenues:					
Charges for services	\$2,389,279	\$2,181,433	\$ 59,861	\$ 366,506	\$ 4,997,079
Penalties and other	61,031	51,042			112,073
Total operating revenues	2,450,310	2,232,475	59,861	366,506	5,109,152
Operating expenses:					
Solid waste disposal fee	-	2,034,103	-	-	2,034,103
Salaries and benefits	507,487	183,145	71,231	167,059	928,922
Natural gas purchases	399,670	-	-	-	399,670
Depreciation	93,551	1,458	71,792	15,679	182,480
Professional and technical services	9,750	9,750	-	30,917	50,417
Repairs, maintenance and supplies	1,059,724	4,277	48,552	207,830	1,320,383
Administrative costs	42,246	26,486	600	14,879	84,211
Utilities	30,717	-	25,767	12,709	69,193
Insurance	8,393	6,930	1,582	2,560	19,465
Supplies and chemicals	-	-	-	9,381	9,381
Miscellaneous	48,233		1,331	4,581	54,145
Total operating expenses	2,199,771	2,266,149	220,855	465,595	5,152,370
Operating income (loss)	250,539	(33,674)	(160,994)	(99,089)	(43,218)
Nonoperating revenues and (expenses):					
Sales taxes, net	-	1,005,884	-	-	1,005,884
Interest income	-	8,750	-	-	8,750
Other income		25,000	3,166	34,901	63,067
Total nonoperating					
revenues (expenses)		1,039,634	3,166	34,901	1,077,701
Income (loss) before transfers	250,539	1,005,960	(157,828)	(64,188)	1,034,483
Transfers in	_	_	250,000	_	250,000
Transfers out	(850,000)	(750,000)	-		(1,600,000)
Change in net position	(599,461)	255,960	92,172	(64,188)	(315,517)
Net position, beginning	2,216,332	1,756,070	1,136,495	57,629	5,166,526
Net position, ending	\$1,616,871	\$2,012,030	\$1,228,667	\$ (6,559)	\$ 4,851,009

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Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Natural Gas System	Solid Waste	Multi-Use Center	Animal and Pest Control	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Receipts from customers	\$2,512,700	\$2,316,000	\$ 60,191	\$ 370,560	\$ 5,259,451
Payments to suppliers	(1,587,041)	(2,088,950)	(78,323)	(300,321)	(4,054,635)
Payments to employees	(525,052)	(207,308)	(78,240)	(181,286)	(991,886)
Net cash provided (used)					
by operating activities	400,607	19,742	(96,372)	(111,047)	212,930
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:					
Sales taxes revenues	-	1,005,884	-	-	1,005,884
Transfers in from other funds	-	-	250,000	-	250,000
Transfers out to other funds	(850,000)	(750,000)	-	-	(1,600,000)
Grants and contributions		25,000	3,166	26,105	54,271
Net cash provided (used) by noncapital					
financing activities	(850,000)	280,884	253,166	26,105	(289,845)
Cash flows from capital and related					
financing activities:					
Capital asset additions	(4,390)				(4,390)
Net cash used for capital and					
related financing activities	(4,390)				(4,390)
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Interest on deposits		8,750			8,750
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(453,783)	309,376	156,794	(84,942)	(81,305)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	2,495,706	1,634,819	198,186	96,020	4,424,731
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$2,041,923	<u>\$1,944,195</u>	\$ 354,980	\$ 11,078	\$ 4,343,426
					(continued)

Statement of Cash Flows (Continued) Proprietary Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Natural Gas System	Solid Waste	Multi-Use Center	Animal and Pest Control	Total
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities: Operating income (loss)	\$ 250,539	\$ (33,674)	\$ (160,994)	\$ (99,089)	\$ (43,218)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:					
Depreciation	93,551	1,458	71,792	15,679	182,480
Provision for net pension liability, net	(17,565)	(24,163)	(7,009)	(14,227)	(62,964)
Provision for OPEB liability, net	(269)	(27,613)	1,650	(16,138)	(42,370)
(Increase) decrease current assets:					
Accounts receivable, net	40,531	(99,148)	-	4,054	(54,563)
Other receivables	-	184,069	930	-	184,999
Other assets	26	-	(600)	-	(574)
Increase (decrease) current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	11,961	20,209	(2,141)	(1,326)	28,703
Meter deposits payable	21,833	(1,396)			20,437
Net cash provided (used) by					
operating activities	\$ 400,607	\$ 19,742	\$ (96,372)	\$ (111,047)	\$ 212,930

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Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds December 31, 2024

	Custodial Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 723,003
Accounts receivable, net	50,559
Other assets	26,523
Total assets	800,085
LIABILITIES	
Amounts held under protest	106,884
Accounts payable	117,812
Held for others	200,000
Total liabilities	424,696
NET POSITION	
Net position held for others	\$ 375,389

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Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds December 31, 2024

	Custodial Funds
Additions: Sales tax collection fees Payments in lieu of taxes	\$ 261,042 1
Total additions	261,043
Deductions:	
Salaries and related benefits	132,295
Legal and professional services Other	81,004 19,706
Total deductions	233,005
Change in net position	28,038
Net position, beginning	347,351
Net position, ending	\$ 375,389

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government (Parish) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies are discussed in subsequent subsections of this note.

The Parish, under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:1271-1285, enacts ordinances, sets policy and establishes programs in such fields as social welfare, transportation, drainage, industrial inducement, and health services.

Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1236 gives the Parish various powers in regulating and directing the affairs of the parish and its citizens. The more notable of those are the power to make regulations for its own government; to regulate the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges and drainage; to regulate the sale of alcoholic beverages; and to provide for the health and welfare of the poor, disadvantaged and unemployed in the parish. Funding to accomplish these tasks is provided by ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, beer and alcoholic beverage permits, state revenue sharing and various state and federal grants.

In accomplishing its objectives, the Parish also has the authority to create special districts (component units) within the parish. The districts perform specialized functions, such as fire protection, library facilities, health care facilities, and utility operation.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity should consist of (a) the primary government, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the primary government is not accountable, but for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statement to be misleading or incomplete. These financial statements include the primary government and two component units as follows:

Primary government:

The Pointe Coupee Parish Government is the governing authority for Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana, and is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. The Parish is governed by eight council members representing the various districts within the parish.

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Individual component units:

Blended component unit -

Pointe Coupee Parish Natural Gas System - The Pointe Coupee Parish Natural Gas System provides natural gas services to the constituents of the Parish. The governing board of the Pointe Coupee Parish Natural Gas System has the same members as the governing board of the Parish.

Discretely presented component units – Governmental Activities -

The Gravity Drainage District No. 1 was established pursuant to state statutes for drainage maintenance is District No. 1 within the Parish. The Parish appoints and removes the Board members of the District. The District is fiscally independent from the Parish, issues its debt, approves its budgets, and sets its rates and charges. The primary government has no authority to designate management, or approve or modify rates. The Parish is not obligated for debt issues of these agencies. The District is included in the financial data.

The following entities were established pursuant to state statutes for various public purposes within the Parish. The Parish appoints and removes the Board members of each respective agency. Each agency is fiscally independent from the Parish, issues its debt, approves its budgets, and sets its rates and charges. The primary government has no authority to designate management or approve or modify rates. The Parish is not obligated for debt issues of these agencies. The component units which would be required to be included, based on current standards, issue separate financial statements, which have not been included in these financial statements, and can be obtained from the individual entities. The exclusion of these component units is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles. Those entities are as follows along with their fiscal year end:

Legonnier Sewer System	December 31
Mandela Sewer System	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Sewerage District No. 1	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Sewerage District No. 3A	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Sewerage District No. 4	December 31
Fire Protection Districts No. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5	December 31
Pointe Coupee Tourist Commission	December 31
Bonne Sante Chemical and Wellness Center	June 30
Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff	June 30
Pointe Coupee Parish Clerk of Court	June 30
Pointe Coupee Parish Coroner's Office	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Assessor	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Health Service District No. 1	October 31
False River Air Park Commission	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Waterworks District No. 1	December 31
Pointe Coupee Parish Waterworks District No. 2	December 31

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B. Basis of Presentation

The Parish's basic financial statements consist of the government-wide statements which include all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and the fund financial statements (individual major fund and combined nonmajor funds). The statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units.

Government-wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The statement of net position and statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the reporting entity. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Parish's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The accounts of the Parish are organized and operated on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

Funds are organized into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. The Parish's various funds are classified as governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. The fund financial statements provide information about the Parish's funds. Separate financial statements are presented for each fund category – governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. The emphasis on fund financial statements are on major governmental funds and major proprietary funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Parish or meets the following criteria:

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- a. Total assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, revenues, or expenditures/expense of that individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type; and
- b. Total assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, revenues, or expenditures/expense of that individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The major funds of the Parish are described below:

Governmental Funds -

General Fund -

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Parish. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is always a major fund.

Parishwide Drainage Fund –

The Parishwide Drainage Fund accounts for routine maintenance of parish drainage facilities. Financing is provided by transfers from the General Fund and proceeds from sales tax collections.

Parishwide Recreation Fund –

The Parishwide Recreation Fund accounts for a dedicated tax levy for recreational parks around the parish.

Debt Service Road Improvement Fund -

The Debt Service Road Improvement Fund accounts for sales tax revenue used for the payment of interest and principal on \$6,600,000 Road Improvement Bonds, dated September 1, 1997 and excess sales tax collected for the construction or overlay of parish streets and roads.

Grants and Capital Outlay Fund -

The Grants and Capital Outlay Fund accounts for funds in connection with capital outlay expenditures and associated grant revenue.

Proprietary Funds -

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise funds are used to account for operations (1) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs and expenses, including depreciation, of providing goods or services to the

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general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (2) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes. Enterprise funds are presented in the business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. The major enterprise funds are:

Pointe Coupee Parish Natural Gas System -

The Natural Gas System was originally established to provide gas services to residents in the Sixth, Seventh, and portions of the Fifth, Eight, and Ninth Wards of Pointe Coupee Parish on May 7, 1952. The System is governed by a board consisting of Parish Council members.

Pointe Coupee Parish Solid Waste Fund -

The Solid Waste Fund was established by the Parish to provide solid waste disposal for all residents of the parish. It is funded through user charges and a special sales tax levy for garbage collection and disposal.

Multi-Use Center -

The Multi-Use Center Fund accounts for the funds generated by the activities of the parish cultural center.

Animal and Pest Control –

The Animal and Pest Control Fund accounts for the funds generated by the activities of the parish to regulate and control animals and pests within the parish.

In addition, the Parish reports the following:

Fiduciary Fund – The Parish's fiduciary funds are considered custodial funds and are presented in the fiduciary funds financial statements. The Parish administers a Sale Tax Escrow, whose purpose is to account for funds from prior sales tax ordinance dedicated for contingencies. In addition, the Parish also administers PILOT payments, which represent sales tax that would have been collected on the construction materials from the Ventress Solar Farm and the NextEra Solar Farm being constructed in the parish.

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Measurement Focus

On the government-wide statement of net position and the statement of activities, both governmental activities and business-type activities are presented using the economic resources

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measurement focus as defined in item b. below. In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used as appropriate:

- a. All governmental funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.
- b. The proprietary funds utilize an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), financial position, and cash flows. All assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported. Proprietary fund equity is classified as net position.

Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide statement of net position and statement of activities, governmental activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred, or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

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

Program revenues

Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities are derived directly from the program itself or from parties outside the Parish's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the Parish's general revenues.

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Allocation of indirect expenses

The Parish reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense is specifically identified by function and is included in the direct expense of each function. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

Revenues

Ad valorem taxes are recorded in the year the taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, become due on November 15th of each year, and become delinquent after December 31. The taxes are generally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the following year. The taxes are collected by the Sheriff and are remitted to the Parish net of deductions for Pension Fund contributions. Ad valorem tax revenues are accrued at fiscal year-end to the extent that they have been collected but not received by the Pointe Coupee Parish Tax Collector's Office. Such amounts are measurable and available to finance current operations. Any taxes collected after February are recorded as deferred revenue.

Sales taxes are recorded when in the possession of the intermediary collecting agent and are recognized as revenue at that time.

Federal and state aid and grants are recorded as revenue when the Parish is entitled to the funds, generally corresponding to when grant related costs are incurred by the Parish.

Interest income on the interest-bearing deposits are accrued as revenues when earned. Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

Expenditures

Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for (1) unmatured interest on long-term debt which is recognized when due, and (2) claims and judgments, and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund type when paid with expendable financial resources. The Parish's primary expenditures include salaries and insurance, which are recorded when the liability is incurred. Capital expenditures and purchases of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased. Allocations of costs such as depreciation and amortization are not recognized in the governmental funds.

Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid are accounted for as other financing sources (uses) when the transfer is authorized by the Parish President.

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D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Equity

Cash and cash equivalents

For purposes of the statement of net position, cash and cash equivalents include all demand accounts, savings accounts, and certificates of deposits of the Parish. For purposes of statements of cash flows, all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

Interfund receivables and payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds. Those related to goods and services type transactions are classified as "due to and from other funds." Short-term interfund loans are reported as "interfund receivables and payables." Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

Receivables

In the government-wide statements, receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received. Major receivable balances for the governmental activities include ad valorem and sales and use taxes. Business-type activities report customer's utility service receivables as their major receivables. Uncollectible utility service receivables are recognized as bad debts using the direct write-off method at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable.

Capital assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide or financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The Parish maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

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

Prior to September 1, 2003, governmental funds' infrastructure assets were not capitalized. These assets have been valued at estimated historical cost. In accordance with GASB 34, the Parish is a Phase 3 government and retroactive infrastructure reporting is optional. As such, the Parish has capitalized infrastructure improvements on a prospective basis. Infrastructure assets purchased or constructed after 2002 by the primary government are depreciated accordingly on the straight-line method.

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Depreciation on all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statements of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets useful lives using the straight-line method.

Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

Buildings and improvements	5 - 50 years
Infrastructure	15 - 40 years
Equipment	3 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 years
Furniture	5 years

In the fund financial statement, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are recorded as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund types when purchased or constructed. Capital assets used in proprietary fund operations are accounted for the same manner as in the government-wide statements.

Restricted Assets

Restricted assets include cash and cash equivalents of the proprietary fund that are legally restricted as to their use. The restricted assets are related to customer meter deposits.

In addition, on January 1, 2021 the Parish entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission (GBRPC) where the Port of Pointe Coupee was merged into the GBRPC. The Parish has held funds for the account of the Port of Pointe Coupee and currently holds \$73,312 of such funds which is due to the GBRPC. These funds are reported as restricted assets in the General Fund related to the obligation due the GBRPC as follows:

2025 \$ 33,312

Long-term Debt

The accounting treatment of long-term debt depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations or proprietary fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

All long-term debt to be repaid from governmental and business-type resources is reported as liabilities in the government-wide statements. The long-term debt consists primarily of public improvement and special assessment bonds, and certificates of indebtedness.

Long-term debt for governmental funds is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. The debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources and payment of principal and interest are reported as expenditures. The accounting for proprietary fund debt is the same in the fund statements as it is in the government-wide statements.

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Compensated absences

All Parish primary government regular employees earn vacation leave in varying amounts according to the employee's number of years of continuous service with no maximum carry-over. Vacation is payable upon resignation or retirement at the employee's current rate of pay.

All Parish primary government employees earn varying days of sick leave per year. Sick leave is forfeited upon termination, resignation, or death if the employee is not in the retirement system.

GASB pronouncements require governments to recognize a liability for leave that has been earned and is attributable to services already rendered, regardless of whether it is contingent on future events.

The Parish has recorded the following liabilities as of December 31, 2024, for certain salary-related benefits associated with the payment of compensated absences:

- a. Accrued vacation leave payable for each employee is valued at the employee's current rate of pay.
- b. Sick leave payable does not vest but accumulates. A liability is recognized for accumulated sick leave that is expected to be used for paid time off in the future.

The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as long-term debt in the government-wide statements. The current portion is the amount estimated to be paid in the following year. The remainder is reported as non-current. No compensated absences liability is recorded in the fund financial statements. The total compensated absences liability as of December 31, 2024, was \$454,188, consisting of \$280,017 in vacation leave and \$174,171 in expected sick leave usage.

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position or balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position or balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate element, deferred inflows of resources, represents acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Parish has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The governmental funds report deferred revenues from ad valorem taxes of \$165,486.

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Equity Classifications

In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position Consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Constraints may be placed on the use, either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- a. Unrestricted Net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in either of the other two categories of net position.

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

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable—Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted—Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

Committed—Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Parish. The Council are the highest level of decision-making authority for the Parish. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by council members.

Assigned—Amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. Under the Parish's adopted policy, the council or the Parish's finance committee may assign amounts for specific purposes.

Unassigned—All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

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As of December 31, 2024, except for unassigned, fund balances are composed of the following:

	Nonspendable		Restricted		Committed	
Major Funds -						
General	\$	184,947	\$	-	\$	-
Parishwide Drainage		-		-		423,831
Parishwide Recreation		2,952		-	1	,892,909
Debt Service Road Improvement		-	3,	211,903		-
Nonmajor Funds						
Motor Vehicle Handling		-		-		122,878
Roads and Bridges		-		-		20,861
Drainage and Road Equipment		-		-		423,222
Criminal Court		-		-		155,943
Detention Center		-		-		347,603
Road Construction		-		255,106		-
Opioid Abatement		-		195,509		-
LCDBG						5
Totals	\$	187,899	\$ 3,	662,518	<u>\$ 3</u>	,387,252

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the Parish considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the Parish considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the jurors or the finance committee has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

E. Revenue Restrictions

The Parish has various restrictions placed over certain revenue sources from state or local requirements. The primary restricted revenue source includes:

Revenue Source	Legal Restrictions of Use
Sales taxes	See Note 7

The Parish uses unrestricted resources only when restricted resources are fully depleted.

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F. <u>Interfund Transfers</u>

Permanent reallocation of resources between funds of the primary government are classified as interfund transfers. For the purposes of the statement of activities, all interfund transfers between individual governmental funds have been eliminated.

G. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used primarily when accounting for depreciation, allowance for doubtful accounts, prepaid insurance, and deferred revenue.

H. Pensions

The net pension liability/asset, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, has been determined using the flow of economic resources management focus and full accrual basis of accounting. Non-employer contributions are recognized as revenues in the government-wide financial statements. In the governmental fund financial statements contributions are recognized as expenditures when due.

I. Postemployment Benefits Other than pensions (OPEB)

The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. In the governmental fund financial statements contributions are recognized as expenditures when due.

J. Leases

The Parish recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the financial statements.

At the commencement of a lease, the Parish initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

The Parish uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate, if provided. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the Parish uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases. Lease payments included in the

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measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments through the noncancellable term of the lease and renewal periods that management considers reasonably certain to be exercised.

The Parish monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

(2) Cash and cash equivalents

Under state law, the Parish may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the Union, or the laws of the United States. The Parish may invest in certificates and time deposits of the state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana.

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Parish's deposits may not be recovered or will not be able to recover the collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Parish does not have a policy for custodial credit risk; however, under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the pledging financial institution. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the financial institution. These securities are held in the name of the pledging financial institution in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Deposit balances (bank balances) are secured as follows:

	Primary
	Government
Bank balances	\$ 17,413,722
Deposits are secured as follows:	
Insured deposits	\$ 250,000
Collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department or agent	17,163,722
Total	\$ 17,413,722

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(3) <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables consisted of the following at December 31, 2024:

			Ad			
		ccounts	Valorem	Sales		
Fund	Re	eceivable	Taxes	Taxes	Other	Total
General	\$	2,920	\$ 1,165,582	\$ -	\$ 59,177	\$ 1,227,679
Parishwide Drainage		42,571	-	94,103	55,835	192,509
Parishwide Recreation		802	-	65,872	-	66,674
Debt Service Road						
Improvement		-	-	235,256	-	235,256
Natural Gas System		342,628	-	-	-	342,628
Solid Waste		251,571	-	94,103	-	345,674
Animal and Pest Control		21,978	-	-	31,576	53,554
Nonmajor Funds			<u> </u>	51,757	62,112	113,869
Total	\$	662,470	\$ 1,165,582	\$ 541,091	\$ 208,700	\$ 2,577,843

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(4) <u>Capital assets</u>

Capital asset activity for the primary government for the year ended December 31, 2024 is as follows:

	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 749,009	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 749,009
Construction in progress	1,537,345	3,089,876	194,931	4,432,290
Total capital assets, not				
being depreciated	2,286,354	3,089,876	194,931	5,181,299
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Building and improvements	13,364,722	380,581	4,450	13,740,853
Equipment, furnishings, and vehicles	9,257,301	177,466	89,465	9,345,302
Infrastructure	36,007,216	3,839,563		39,846,779
Total capital assets, being				
depreciated	58,629,239	4,397,610	93,915	62,932,934
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Building and improvements	5,294,358	409,742	4,450	5,699,650
Equipment, furnishings, and vehicles	7,530,674	449,450	89,465	7,890,659
Infrastructure	12,312,860	1,715,496		14,028,356
Total accumulated depreciation	25,137,892	2,574,688	93,915	27,618,665
Total capital assets being				
depreciated, net	33,491,347	1,822,922		35,314,269
Lease assets being amortized:				
Vehicles	596,273	123,638	-	719,911
Less accumulated amortization:				
Vehicles	178,524	158,164		336,688
Total lease assets being				
amortized, net	417,749	(34,526)		383,223
Governmental activities,			_	_
capital assets, net	\$ 36,195,450	\$ 4,878,272	\$ 194,931	\$40,878,791

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]	Beginning						Ending
		Balance	A	Additions	D	Deletions	I	Balance
Business-type activities:								
Capital assets not being depreciated:								
Land	\$	45,233	\$		\$		\$	45,233
Capital assets being depreciated: Utility systems and related								
equipment		9,313,710		4,390		_		9,318,100
Animal and Pest Control equipment		376,436		-		-		376,436
Total capital assets being								
depreciated		9,690,146		4,390				9,694,536
Less accumulated depreciation: Utility systems and related								
equipment Animal and Pest Control		7,564,932		166,801		-		7,731,733
equipment		263,879		15,679		_		279,558
Total accumulated depreciation		7,828,811		182,480		_		8,011,291
Total capital assets being								
depreciated, net		1,861,335		(178,090)				1,683,245
Business-type activities,								
capital assets, net	\$	1,906,568	\$	(178,090)	\$		\$	1,728,478
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Component unit - Gravity Drainage Distriction Capital assets being depreciated:	ct I	:						
Infrastructure	\$	_	\$	306,265	\$	_	\$	306,265
Less accumulated depreciation:	Ψ	-	Ψ	300,203	Ψ	-	Ψ	500,205
Infrastructure		_		3,828		_		3,828
Component unit capital assets, net	\$		\$	302,437	\$		\$	302,437
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Depreciation and amortization expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

			Component
	Primary G	Government	Unit
	Depreciation	Depreciation	
	Expense	Expense	Expense
General government	\$ 322,049	\$ -	\$ -
Public safety	135,625	-	_
Public works	2,015,109	158,164	3,828
Culture and recreation	101,905		<u> </u>
Total governmental activities	\$ 2,574,688	\$ 158,164	\$ 3,828

Depreciation expense was charged to business-type activities as follows:

	_	preciation Expense
Natural Gas system	\$	93,551
Solid waste	Ψ	1,458
Multi-Use Center		71,792
Animal and pest control		15,679
Total business-type activities	\$	182,480

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(5) <u>Long-term liabilities</u>

The following is a summary of debt transactions of the Parish for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Beginning Balance,			Ending	Due Within
	as restated	Additions	Deletions	Balance	One Year
Governmental activities:					
Direct borrowings and					
Direct Placements -					
Sales Tax Bonds,					
Series 2016	\$1,430,000	\$ -	\$ 465,000	\$ 965,000	\$ 475,000
Certificate of					
Indebtedness,					
Series 2004	25,000	-	25,000	-	-
Limited Tax Bonds,					
Series 2019	2,002,000	-	159,000	1,843,000	163,000
Sales Tax Refunding					
Bonds, Series 2021	1,535,000	-	500,000	1,035,000	510,000
Right-to-use lease					
asset liabilities	430,733	123,638	149,710	404,661	151,315
Financing leases payable	217,152	-	71,297	145,855	56,144
Compensated absences	442,204	230,048	218,064	454,188	208,926
	\$6,082,089	\$ 353,686	\$ 1,588,071	\$4,847,704	\$ 1,564,385

Leases have typically been liquidated by the Drainage and Road Equipment Fund.

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Governmental activities -

Direct borrowings and direct placements:

Sales Tax Bonds:

\$2,500,000 Sales Tax Refundingt Bonds, Series 2021, dated July, 2021, principal due in annual installments of \$475,000 to \$525,000 through September 1, 2026 at interest rate of .910%.

\$ 1,035,000

\$4,500,000 Sales Tax Road Improvement Bonds, Series 2016, dated May, 2016, principal due in annual installments of \$120,000 to \$490,000 through September 1, 2026 at interest rate of 2.2325%.

965,000

Ad Valorem Tax Bond:

\$2,500,000 Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2019, dated November 2019, principal due in annual installments of \$94,000 to \$207,000 through March 1, 2034 at interest rate of 2.95%.

1,843,000

Total long-term debt - governmental activities

\$ 3,843,000

Long-term debt is due as follows:

Governmental Activities -

	Direct Borrov	Direct Borrowings and Direct Placemen		
Year Ending	Principal	Interest		
December 31,	payments	payments	Total	
2025	\$1,148,000	\$ 82,926	\$1,230,926	
2026	1,182,000	62,815	1,244,815	
2027	172,000	42,097	214,097	
2028	177,000	36,949	213,949	
2029	181,000	31,668	212,668	
2030 - 2034	983,000	74,061	1,057,061	
Totals	\$3,843,000	\$330,516	\$4,173,516	

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Default Provisions

In the event of default on direct borrowings and direct placements, the bondholder may take actions as deemed necessary and appropriate as permitted by law to cause the Parish to comply with its obligations under the debt and compel performance.

Bond Restrictions -

Sales Tax Bonds

Under the terms of the indenture authorizing the issuance of Sales Tax Bonds – Series 2012, general revenues of the Parish are pledged and dedicated for the establishment and maintenance of the following bond funds:

Sales Tax Bonds – Road Improvement Refunding Bonds - Series 2021 - Sinking Fund to be used for the payment of principal and interest on outstanding bonds as they become due and payable. Monthly payments are to be equal to the sum of one-sixth of interest falling due on the next interest payment date and one-twelfth of principal falling due on the next principal payment date.

Sales Tax Bonds – Road Improvement Refunding Bonds - Series 2021 - Reserve Fund to be used solely for the purpose of paying principal and interest on bonds payable from the Bond Sinking Fund, as to which there would otherwise be default. No funds have been accumulated.

Sales Tax Bonds – Road Improvement Refunding Bonds - Series 2016 - Sinking Fund to be used for the payment of principal and interest on outstanding bonds as they become due and payable. Monthly payments are to be equal to the sum of one-sixth of interest falling due on the next interest payment date and one-twelfth of principal falling due on the next principal payment date.

Sales Tax Bonds – Road Improvement Refunding Bonds - Series 2016 - Reserve Fund to be used solely for the purpose of paying principal and interest on bonds payable from the Bond Sinking Fund, as to which there would otherwise be default. No funds have been accumulated.

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(6) <u>Leases</u>

A. Right-to-use lease assets –

The Parish, as a lessee, has entered into various vehicle lease agreements. The total of the Parish's lease assets are recorded at a cost of \$719,911, less accumulated amortization of \$336,688. The Parish recognizes right-to-use lease assets and right-to-use lease asset liability in the government wide financial statements. The leased assets will be amortized over the lease terms. Unamortized lease asset costs to be amortized in future periods are as follows:

Years Ended	
December 31	
2025	\$ 151,554
2026	124,652
2027	81,990
2028	25,027
Total	\$ 383,223

At commencement of the leases, the Parish initially measured the lease liabilities at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease terms. For purposes of discounting future payments on the leases, the Parish used the interest rates provided by the lessor or its estimated incremental borrowing rate. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of the lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its useful life or the lease terms.

The future lease payments under lease agreements are as follows:

		Governmental Activities -				
	R ₁	Right-to-use Leases				
Year Ending	Principal Interest					
December 31,	payments	payments	Total			
2025	\$ 151,315	\$ 27,175	\$ 178,490			
2026	132,045	15,790	147,835			
2027	91,905	6,399	98,304			
2028	29,396	753	30,149			
Totals	\$ 404,661	\$ 50,117	\$ 454,778			

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B. Financing leases –

The Parish has acquired equipment under a financing lease obligations. The lease payments relating to the equipment have been capitalized, and therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. The future minimum lease obligation and the net present value of the minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2024 were as follows:

2025	\$ 64,001
2026	43,064
2027	43,064
2028	 11,000
Net minimum lease payments	161,129
Less: interest	 (15,274)
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$ 145,855

At December 31, 2024, the leased equipment is included in capital assets with a cost of \$547,428 and accumulated depreciation of \$409,377. Depreciation expense of \$73,079 was recorded for the assets as of December 31, 2024.

(7) <u>Dedication of Proceeds – Sales and use tax</u>

The Parish has a one per cent sales and use tax approved for an indefinite term by the voters on September 19, 1984. The tax, after all necessary costs for collection and administration, is to be used for purposes in the percentages assigned, as follows:

- a. Not less than 35% is dedicated and used for capital improvements, maintenance, and operation of Pointe Coupee Parish Government Hospital District No. 1, including, but not limited to, the Pointe Coupee General Hospital and other medical complexes adjacent thereto and throughout the Parish;
- b. Not less than 20% is dedicated and used for the construction, maintenance, and operations of a comprehensive parish-wide solid waste and non-hazardous waste disposal program;
- c. Not less than 20% is dedicated and used for the construction and maintenance of public roads, highways. bridges and drainage facilities throughout the unincorporated areas of the Parish.
- d. Not less than 14% is dedicated and used for capital improvements, maintenance and operations of a parish-wide recreational program, including, but not limited to, a senior citizens and youth services program;
- e. The remaining 11% shall be appropriated by the Parish for lawful Parish purposes, by ordinance or resolution of the Parish.

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An additional ½ cent sales and use tax was approved by the voters on May 3, 1997, for 15 years for the purpose of constructing, improving and resurfacing the public roads and bridges in the Parish. This sales and use tax was renewed on November 2, 2010 for an additional 15 years.

(8) <u>Employee Retirement</u>

The Parish is a participating employer in several cost-sharing defined benefit pension plans. These plans are administered by three public employee retirement systems, the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS), the Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System (ROVERS), and the District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS). Article X, Section 29(F) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of these plans to the State Legislature. Each system is administered by a separate board of trustees.

Each of the Systems issues an annually publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the system. These reports may be obtained by writing, calling, or downloading the reports as follows:

PERS:	ROVERS:	DARS:
7905 Wrenwood Blvd.	P.O. Box 57	1645 Nicholson Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70809	Jennings, LA 70546	Baton Rouge, LA 70802
(225) 928-1361	(800) 510-8515	(225) 383-2227
www.persla.org	www.larovers.com	www.ladars.org

Plan Descriptions:

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS)

Substantially all employees of the Parish are members of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (System), a cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit pension plan established by Act 205 of the 1952 regular session of the legislature of the State of Louisiana to provide retirement benefits to all employees of any parish in the State of Louisiana or any governing body or a parish which employs and pays persons serving the parish. Act 765 of the year 1979, established by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, revised the System to create Plan A and Plan B to replace the "regular plan" and the "supplemental plan." Plan A was designated for employers out of Social Security. Plan B was designated for those employers that remained in Social Security on the revision date. The Retirement System is governed by Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 11, Sections 1901 through 2025, specifically, and other general laws of the State of Louisiana. All employees of the Parish are members of Plan A only.

<u>Eligibility Requirements:</u> All permanent parish government employees (except those employed by Orleans, Lafourche, and East Baton Rouge Parishes) who work at least 28 hours a week shall become members on the date of employment. New employees meeting the age and Social Security criteria have up to 90 days from the date of hire to elect to participate.

As of January 1997, elected officials, except coroners, justices of the peace, and parish presidents may no longer join the System.

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Retirement Benefits: Any member of Plan A can retire providing he/she meets one of the following criteria:

For employees hired prior to January 1, 2007:

- 1. Any age with thirty (30) or more years of creditable service.
- 2. Age 55 with twenty-five (25) years of creditable service.
- 3. Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service.
- 4. Age 65 with a minimum of seven (7) years of creditable service.

For employees hired after January 1, 2007:

- 1. Age 55 with 30 years of service.
- 2. Age 62 with 10 years of service.
- 3. Age 67 with 7 years of service.

Generally, the monthly amount of the retirement allowance of any member of Plan A shall consist of an amount equal to 3% of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his/her years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions, as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

<u>Survivor Benefits:</u> Upon the death of any member of Plan A with five (5) or more years of creditable service who is not eligible for retirement, the plan provides for benefits for the surviving spouse and minor children, as outlined in the statutes.

Any member of Plan A, who is eligible for normal retirement at time of death, the surviving spouse shall receive an automatic Option 2 benefit, as outlined in the statutes.

<u>Deferred Retirement Option Plan:</u> Act 338 of 1990 established the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for the System. DROP is an option for that member who is eligible for normal retirement.

In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, any member of Plan A or B who is eligible to retire may elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) in which they are enrolled for three years and defer the receipt of benefits. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable, but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP Fund.

Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the specified period of participation, a participant in the DROP may receive, at his option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account, a true annuity based upon his account balance in that fund, or roll over the fund to an Individual Retirement Account.

Interest is accrued on the DROP benefits for the period between the end of DROP participation and the member's retirement date.

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For individuals who become eligible to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) on or after January 1, 2004, all amounts which remain credited to the individual's subaccount after termination in DROP will be placed in liquid asset money market investments at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. These subaccounts may be credited with interest based on money market rates of return or, at the option of the System, the funds may be credited to self-directed subaccounts. The participant in the self-directed portion of DROP must agree that the benefits payable to the participant are not the obligations of the state or the System, and that any returns and other rights of DROP are the sole liability and responsibility of the participant and the designated provider to which contributions have been made.

<u>Disability Benefits</u>: For Plan A, a member shall be eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if they were hired prior to January 1, 2007, and has at least five years of creditable service or if hired after January 1, 2007, has seven years of creditable service, and is not eligible for normal retirement and has been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. Upon retirement caused by disability, a member of Plan A shall be paid a disability benefit equal to the lesser of an amount equal to 3% of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his years of service, not to be less than 15, or three percent multiplied by years of service assuming continued service to age 60 for those members who are enrolled prior to January 1, 2017 and to age 62 for those members who are enrolled January 1, 2007 and later.

<u>Cost of Living Increases:</u> The Board is authorized to provide a cost of living allowance for those retirees who retired prior to July 1973. The adjustment cannot exceed 2% of the retiree's original benefit for each full calendar year since retirement and may only be granted if sufficient funds are available from investment income in excess of normal requirements.

In addition, the Board may provide an additional cost of living increase to all retirees and beneficiaries who are over age 65 equal to 2% of the member's benefit paid on October 1, 1977, (or the member's retirement date, if later). Also, the Board may provide a cost of living increase up to 2.5% for retirees 62 and older. (RS 11:1937). Lastly, Act 270 of 2009 provided for further reduced actuarial payments to provide an annual 2.5% cost of living adjustment commencing at age 55.

Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System (ROVERS)

The Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established in accordance with Act 215 of 1954, under Revised Statute 11:2032 to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for registrars of voters, their deputies, and their permanent employees in each parish of the State of Louisiana.

Retirement Benefits: Any member hired prior to January 1, 2013, is eligible for normal retirement after he has 20 years of creditable service and is age 55 or has 10 years of creditable service and is age 60. Any member with 30 years of creditable service, regardless of age, may retire. Regular retirement benefits for members hired prior to January 1, 2013, are calculated at 3.33% of the average annual earned compensation for the highest consecutive 60 months multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not to exceed 100% of average annual compensation.

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Any member hired on or after January 1, 2013, is eligible for normal retirement after he has attained 30 years of creditable service and is age 55; has attained 20 years of creditable service and is age 60; or has attained 10 years of creditable service and is age 62. Regular retirement benefits for members hired on or after January 1, 2013, are calculated at 3.00% of the average annual earned compensation for the highest consecutive 60 months multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not to exceed 100% of average annual compensation. Retirement benefits for members hired on or after January 1, 2013, that have attained 30 years of creditable service with at least 20 years of creditable service in the System, are calculated at 3.33% of the average annual compensation for the highest consecutive 60 months multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not to exceed 100% of average annual compensation.

Any member whose withdrawal from service occurs prior to attaining the age of 60 years, who shall have completed 10 or more years of creditable service and shall not have received a refund of his accumulated contributions, shall become eligible for a deferred allowance beginning upon his attaining the age of 60 years.

<u>Disability Benefits</u>: Disability benefits are provided to active contributing members with at least 10 years of service established in the System and who have been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. The disabled member who has attained the age of 60 years shall be entitled to a regular retirement allowance.

The disabled member who has not yet attained age 60 shall be entitled to a disability benefit equal to the lesser of 3.00% of his average final compensation multiplied by the number of creditable years of service (not to be less than 15 years) or 3.33% of average final compensation multiplied by the years of service assuming continued service to age 60. Disability benefits may not exceed two-thirds of earnable compensation.

Survivor Benefits: If a member who has less than five years of credited service dies due to any cause other than injuries sustained in the performance of his official duties, his accumulated contributions are paid to his designated beneficiary. If the member has five or more years of credited service and is not eligible to retire, automatic Option 2 benefits are payable to the surviving spouse. These benefits are based on the retirement benefits accrued at the member's date of death with Option 2 factors used as if the member had continued in service to earliest normal retirement age. If a member has no surviving spouse and the member has five or more years of creditable service, the surviving minor children under 18 or disabled children shall be paid 80% of the accrued retirement benefit in equal shares until the age of majority or for the duration of the handicap for a handicapped child. Upon the death of any former member with 10 or more years of service, automatic Option 2 benefits are payable to the surviving spouse. In lieu of periodic payments, the surviving spouse or children may receive a refund of the member's accumulated contributions.

<u>Deferred Retirement Option Plan</u>: In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement allowance, any member with 10 or more years of service at age 60, 20 or more years of service at age 55, or 30 or more years of service at any age may elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for up to three years and defer the receipt of benefits. Upon commencement of participation in the plan, membership in the System terminates. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable, but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would have been payable, had the person elected to cease

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employment and received a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP fund. This fund does not earn interest. In addition, no cost of living increases are payable to participants until employment which made them eligible to become members of the System has been terminated for at least one full year.

Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the specified period of participation, a participant in the plan may receive, at his option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account, a true annuity based upon his account balance in that fund, or any other method of payment if approved by the Board of Trustees. The monthly benefits that were being paid into the Deferred Retirement Option Plan fund will begin to be paid to the retiree. If the participant dies during participation in the plan, a lump sum equal to his account balance in the plan fund shall be paid to his named beneficiary or, if none, to his estate. If employment is not terminated at the end of the three years, payments into the plan fund cease, and the person resumes active contributing membership in the System.

Cost of Living Increases: Cost of living provisions for the System allows the Board of Trustees to provide an annual cost of living increase of 2.0% of the eligible retiree's original benefit if certain funding criteria are met. Members are eligible to receive a cost of living adjustment once they have reached the age of 60 and have been retired at least one year. Funding criteria for granting cost of living adjustments is dependent on the funded ratio.

District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS)

The District Attorneys' Retirement System is a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan that was created on August 1, 1956, by Act 56 of the 1956 session of the Louisiana Legislature, for the purpose of providing allowances and other benefits for district attorneys and their assistants in each parish. The fund is administered by a Board of Trustees. Benefits, including normal retirement, early retirement, disability retirement, and death benefit, are provided as specified in the plan.

All persons who are district attorneys of the State of Louisiana, assistant district attorneys in any parish of the State of Louisiana, or employed by this retirement system and the Louisiana District Attorneys' Association, except for elected or appointed officials who have retired from service under any publicly funded retirement system within the state and who are currently receiving benefits, shall become members as a condition of their employment; provided, however, that in the case of assistant district attorneys, they must be paid an amount not less than the minimum salary specified by the Louisiana District Attorneys' Retirement System's Board of Trustees. The projection of benefit payments in the calculation of the total pension liability includes all benefits to be provided to current active and inactive employees through the System in accordance with the benefit terms and any additional legal agreements to provide benefits that are in force at the measurement date.

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

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Retirement Benefits: Members who joined the System before July 1, 1990, and who have elected not to be covered by the new provisions, are eligible to receive a normal retirement benefit if they have 10 or more years of creditable service and are at least age 62, or if they have 18 or more years of service and are at least age 60, or if they have 23 or more years of service and are at least age 55, or if they have 30 years of service regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3% of the member's average final compensation for each year of creditable service. Members are eligible for early retirement at age 60 if they have at least 10 years of creditable service or at age 55 with at least 18 years of creditable service. Members who retire prior to age 60 with less than 23 years of service credit, receive a retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year of age below 60. Members who retire prior to age 62 who have less than 18 years of service receive a retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year of age below 62. Retirement benefits may not exceed 100% of final average compensation.

Members who joined the System after July 1, 1990, or who elected to be covered by the new provisions, are eligible to receive normal retirement benefits if they are age 60 and have 10 years of service credit, are age 55 and have 24 years of service credit, or have 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3.5% of the member's final average compensation multiplied by years of membership service. A member is eligible for an early retirement benefit if he is age 55 and has 18 years of service credit. The early retirement benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year the member retires in advance of normal retirement age. Benefits may not exceed 100% of average final compensation.

<u>Disability Benefits</u>: Disability benefits are awarded to active contributing members with at least 10 years of service who are found to be totally disabled as a result of injuries incurred while in active service. The member receives a benefit equal to 3% (3.5% for members covered under the new retirement benefit provisions) of his average final compensation multiplied by the lesser of his actual service (not to be less than 15 years) or projected continued service to age 60.

Survivor Benefits: Upon the death of a member with less than five years of creditable service, his accumulated contributions and interest thereon are paid to his surviving spouse, if he is married, or to his designated beneficiary, if he is not married. Upon the death of any active, contributing member with five or more years of service or any member with 23 years of service who has not retired, automatic Option 2 benefits are payable to the surviving spouse. These benefits are based on the retirement benefits accrued at the member's date of death with the option factors used as if the member had continued in service to earliest normal retirement age. If a member has no surviving spouse, the surviving minor children under 18 or disabled children are paid 80% of the member's accrued retirement benefit divided into equal shares. If a member has no surviving spouse or children, his accumulated contributions and interest are paid to his designated beneficiary. In lieu of periodic payments, the surviving spouse or children may receive a refund of the member's accumulated contributions with interest.

Upon withdrawal from service, members not entitled to a retirement allowance are paid a refund of accumulated contributions upon request. Receipt of such a refund cancels all accrued rights in the System.

The Board of Trustees is authorized to grant retired members and surviving beneficiaries of members who have retired an annual cost of living increase of 3% of their original benefit, (not

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to exceed \$60 per month) and all retired members and surviving beneficiaries who are 65 years of age and older a 2% increase in their original benefit. In lieu of other cost of living increases the Board may grant an increase to retirees in the form of "Xx(A&B)" where "A" is equal to the number of years of credited service accrued at retirement or death of the member or retiree and "B" is equal to the number of years since death of the member or retiree to June 30 of the initial year of increase and "X" is equal to any amount available for funding such increase up to a maximum of \$1.00. In order for the Board to grant any of these increases, the System must meet certain criteria detailed in the statute related to funding status and interest earnings.

<u>Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program</u>: In lieu of receiving an actual service retirement allowance, any member who has more years of service than are required for a normal retirement may elect to receive a Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program (Back-DROP) benefit.

The Back-DROP benefit is based upon the Back-DROP period selected and the final average compensation prior to the period selected. The Back-DROP period is the lesser of 36 months or the service accrued between the time a member first becomes eligible for retirement and his actual date of retirement. At retirement, the member's maximum monthly retirement benefit is based upon his service, final average compensation, and plan provisions in effect on the last day of creditable service immediately prior to the commencement of the Back-DROP period. In addition to a reduced monthly benefit at retirement, the member receives a lump-sum payment equal to the maximum monthly benefit as calculated above multiplied by the number of months in the Back-DROP period. In lieu of receiving the lump-sum payment, the member may leave the funds on deposit with the system in an interest-bearing account.

Deferred Retirement Option Program: Prior to January 1, 2009, eligible members could elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) for up to 36 months in lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service benefit. During participation in the DROP, employer contributions were payable and employee contributions were reduced to ½ of 1%. The monthly retirement benefits that would have been payable to the member were paid into a DROP account, which did not earn interest while the member was participating in the DROP. Upon termination of participation, the participant in the plan received, at his option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account or systematic disbursements from his account in any manner approved by the Board of Trustees. The monthly benefits that were being paid into the DROP would then be paid to the retiree. All amounts which remain credited to the individual's subaccount after termination of participation in the plan were invested in liquid money market funds. Interest was credited thereon as actually earned.

Funding Policy

Employer contributions are actuarially determined using statutorily established methods on an annual basis and are constitutionally required to cover the employer's portion of the normal cost and provide for the amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Employer contributions are adopted by the Legislature annually upon recommendation of the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee (PRSAC).

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Employer contribution rates to the plans are required and actuarially determined for PERS, ROVERS, and DARS. The contribution rates in effect for the year ended, for the Parish were as follows:

Parocial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan A)	11.50%
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	18.00%
District Attorneys' Retirement System	12.25%

In accordance with state statute, the System also receives ad valorem taxes and state revenue sharing funds. These additional sources of income are used as employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities but are not considered special funding situations. Non-employer contributions are recognized as revenue and excluded from pension expense for the year ended December 31, 2024. The Parish recognized non-employer contributions as follows:

Parocial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan A)	\$ 35,564
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	5,835
District Attorneys' Retirement System	1,319
	\$ 42,718

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions: The following schedule lists the Parish's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability allocated by each of the pension plans based on the measurement dates. The Parish uses this measurement to record its net pension liability and associated amounts as of December 31, 2024 in accordance with GASB Statement 68. The schedule also includes the proportionate share allocation rate used at the measurement date for each plan, along with the change compared prior year rates. The Parish's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Agency's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

Net Pension Liability (Asset)								
			at Measur	ement	ent Date Measurement Rate		Measurement Rate	
			vernmental activities		iness- Type activities	Current	Previous	Increase (Decrease)
PERS (Plan A)	*	\$	222,352	\$	120,063	0.359407%	0.350172%	0.009235%
Rovers	**		16,961		-	0.154180%	0.149289%	0.004891%
DARS	**		5,334		-	0.011099%	0.011663%	-0.000564%
Total		\$	244,647	\$	120,063			

^{*} December 31, 2023 measurement date

^{**} June 30, 2024 measurement date

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The following schedule lists each pension plan's recognized pension expense (benefit) of the Parish for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Parocial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan A)	\$ 124,032
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	8,664
District Attorneys' Retirement System	1,682
	\$ 134,378

At December 31, 2024, the Parish reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS):

	Governmen	tal Activities	Business-Type Activities		
	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	Deferred	
	Outflows	Inflows	Outflows	Inflows	
Difference between expected					
and actual experience	\$ 105,231	\$ 59,650	\$ 56,913	\$ 32,261	
Change of assumptions	-	38,776	-	20,881	
Change in proportion and					
differences between the					
employer's contributions and					
the employer's proportionate					
share of contributions	2,553	7,043	1,380	3,809	
Net differences between					
projected and actual earnings					
on plan investments	358,151	-	193,700	-	
Contributions subsequent to the					
measurement date	211,026		113,546		
Total	\$ 676,961	\$ 105,469	\$ 365,539	\$ 56,951	

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Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System (ROVERS):

	Governmental Activities		
	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows	
	of Resources	of Resources	
Difference between expected and			
actual experience	\$ 632	\$ 2,610	
Change of assumptions	460	-	
Change in proportion and			
differences between the employer's			
contributions and the employer's			
proportionate share of contributions	528	5,378	
Net differences between projected and			
actual earnings on plan investments	-	2,896	
Contributions subsequent to the			
measurement date	3,350		
Total	<u>\$ 4,970</u>	\$ 10,884	

District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS):

	Governmental Activities			
	Deferred	Deferred Outflows		ed Inflows
	of Re	sources	of Re	sources
Difference between expected and				
actual experience	\$	343	\$	322
Change of assumptions		729		-
Change in proportion and				
differences between the employer's				
contributions and the employer's				
proportionate share of contributions		7		442
Net differences between projected and				
actual earnings on plan investments		-		1,684
Contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		476	-	<u>-</u>
Total	\$	1,555	\$	2,448

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The table below reports deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Parish's contributions subsequent to the measurement date, which will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2025.

Parocial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan A)	\$ 324,572
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	3,350
District Attorneys' Retirement System	476
	\$328,398

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended				
December 31:	PERS	ROVERS	DARS	Total
2025	\$ 44,683	\$ (3,917)	\$ (96)	\$ 40,670
2026	270,759	2,191	676	273,626
2027	464,373	(5,025)	(1,298)	458,050
2028	(224,307)	(2,513)	(651)	(227,471)
	\$ 555,508	\$ (9,264)	\$ (1,369)	\$ 544,875

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions: The net pension liability was measured as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided through the pension plan to current active and inactive employees that is attributed to those employees' past periods of service, less the amount of the pension plan's fiduciary net position.

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability are as follows:

	PERS	ROVERS	DARS
Valuation Date Actuarial Cost Method	December 31, 2023 Entry Age Normal	June 30, 2024 Entry Age Normal	June 30, 2024 Entry Age Normal
Investment Rate of Return	6.4%, net of investment expense, including inflation	6.25%, net of investment expense	6.10%
Projected Salary Increases	4.75%	5.25%	5.00% (2.20% inflation, 2.80% merit)
Expected Remaining Service Lives	4 years	5 years	4 years

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Mortality:

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana -

RP-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality table for Health Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for disabled annuitants.

Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System -

RP-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for general employees multiplied by 120% for males and 120% for females each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP-2019 improvement scale - Employees, Annuitant and Beneficiaries.

RP-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for general disabled retirees multiplied by 120% for males and 120% for females each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP-2019 improvement scale - Employees, Annuitant and Beneficiaries.

District Attorneys' Retirement System -

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Employees multiplied by 115% for males and females for current employees, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Healthy Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for annuitants and beneficiaries, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for disabled retirees, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Cost of Living Adjustments:

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana -

The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees.

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Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System -

The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be substantively automatic.

District Attorneys' Retirement System -

Only those previously granted.

The following table provides a summary of the best estimates of arithmetic/ geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in each of the Retirement Systems' target asset allocations as of each pension plans respective measurement date:

	Long-term Target Asset Allocation			
Asset Class	PERS	ROVERS	DARS	
Fixed income	33.00%	32.50%	42.50%	
Equity	51.00%	57.50%	50.00%	
Alternatives	14.00%	0.00%	7.50%	
Other	2.00%	10.00%	0.00%	
Totals	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	

Long-term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return

Asset Class	PERS	ROVERS	DAR	RS
Fixed income	1.12%	0.91%	6.00%	
Equity	3.20%	4.51%	16.00%	
Alternatives	0.67%	0.00%	4.50%	
Other	0.11%	0.45%	0.00%	
Totals	5.10%	5.87%		5.30%
Inflation	2.40%	2.50%		2.50%
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return	7.50%	8.37%		7.80%

Discount Rate:

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that sponsor contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, each of the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to

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determine the total pension liability. The discount rates used for each respective plan is displayed in the Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate table.

Sensitivity to Changes in the Discount Rate: The following table presents the Parish's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability (NPL) using the discount rate of each Retirement System as well as what the Parish's proportionate share of the NPL would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate used by each of the Retirement Systems:

	1%	Decrease	Cu	rrent Rate	1	% Increase
PERS						
Discount Rates		5.40%		6.40%		7.40%
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 2	2,443,193	\$	342,415	\$	(1,420,980)
ROVERS						
Discount Rates		5.25%		6.25%		7.25%
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	41,466	\$	16,961	\$	(3,908)
DARS						
Discount Rates		5.10%		6.10%		7.10%
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	13,865	\$	5,334	\$	(1,823)

(9) Deferred Compensation Plan

The Parish offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The Plan is administered by Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc. (Nationwide). The Plan, available to all Parish employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. Participation in the Plan is optional. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or an unforeseeable emergency. In accordance with the amended provisions of Internal Revenue Code, all amounts deferred under the plan, all property and rights purchased with those amounts, and all income attributable to those amounts, property or rights are solely the property and rights of the participants and their beneficiaries. As required, the Parish established a custodial account with a third party administrator who will hold the assets and income of the plan. Assets totaling \$416,441 and \$144,930 are held by Nationwide and Security Benefit, respectively, under agreements with the Parish.

Since the Parish plan is held in a custodial accounts with a third party administrators, the assets and liabilities are not presented in the Parish's financial statements.

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(10) Post-Retirement Health Care Insurance Benefits

Plan description - The Parish provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The Parish's OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the Parish. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with the Parish. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Substantially all of the Parish's employees become eligible for those benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the Parish. Those benefits for retirees and similar benefits for active employees are provided through an insurance company whose monthly premiums are paid jointly by the retirees and by the Parish.

The Parish's medical and life insurance benefits are provided through a comprehensive plans and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Employees are covered by Plan A of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age; age 55 and 25 years of service; age 60 and 10 years of service; or, age 65 and 7 years of service. For employees hired on and after January 1, 2007 retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: age 55 and 30 years of service; age 62 and 10 years of service; or, age 67 and 7 years of service.

Life insurance coverage is provided to retirees and 100% of the rate is paid by the employer for the amount \$10,000.

Employees covered by benefit terms – At December 31, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	46
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	49
	95

Total OPEB Liability

The Parish's total OPEB liability of \$4,824,744 was measured as of December 31, 2024 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	4.75%, including inflation
Discount rate	3.26% annually (Beginning of Year to Determine ADC)
	4.08%, annually (As of End of Year Measurement Date)

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Healthcare cost trend rates Mortality Getzen model, with an initial trend of 5.5% PubG.H-2010

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of December 31, 2024, the end of the applicable measurement period.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2024 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2024.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Total OPEB obligation - beginning of year	\$ 5,286,664
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	127,722
Interest	172,795
Difference between expected and actual experience	252,144
Changes in assumptions	(784,860)
Benefit payments and net transfers	(229,721)
Net changes	(461,920)
Total OPEB obligation - end of year	\$ 4,824,744

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Parish, as well as what the Parish's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate:

	Current			
	1.0% Decrease	Discount Rate	1.0% Increase	
	3.08%	4.08%	5.08%	
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Total OPEB liability	\$5,487,175	\$4,824,744	\$ 4,279,166	

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Parish, as well as what the Parish's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare trend rates:

		Current	
	1.0% Decrease	Trend Rate	1.0% Increase
	4.50%	5.50%	6.50%
Total OPEB liability	\$4,219,858	\$4,824,744	\$5,568,589

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OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Parish recognized OPEB expense of \$410,990. At December 31, 2024, the Parish reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 748,208	\$ 95,830		
Changes of assumptions	823,034	1,352,297		
Total	\$1,571,242	\$ 1,448,127		

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year	
Ended	
2025	\$ 110,473
2026	225,729
2027	(106,543)
2028	(106,544)
Total	\$ 123,115

(11) Sales Tax remitted to other Taxing Authorities

Act 711 of the 2011 Louisiana Legislative Session amended LRS 24:51 (B) to provide required footnote disclosure in the financial statements for local governments that collect tax for other taxing jurisdictions. Listed below are sales tax collections and distributions to other parish governmental agencies during calendar year 2024.

	Total	Collection	Final	
	Collections	Cost	Distribution	
Pointe Coupee Parish School Board	\$ 8,248,220	\$ 206,206	\$ 8,042,014	
City of New Roads	1,944,593	48,615	1,895,978	
Town of Livonia	357,419	5,361	352,058	
Village of Morganza	75,363	1,130	74,233	
Town of Fordoche	62,372	936	61,436	
18th Judicial District Attorney	399,363	3,994	395,369	
Total	\$ 11,087,330	\$ 266,242	\$ 10,821,088	

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

(12) <u>Tax Abatements</u>

The Louisiana Industrial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption program (Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 13, Chapter 5) is a state incentive program which abates, up to ten years, local ad valorem taxes on a manufacturer's new investment and annual capitalized additions related to the manufacturing site. Applications to exempt qualified property for five years are approved by the Board of Commerce and Industry. The exemption may be renewed for an additional five years. For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, \$13,260 in Parish ad valorem tax revenues were abated by the state of Louisiana through the Louisiana Industrial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Program.

(13) <u>Interfund Transactions</u>

A. Receivables and payables

A summary of interfund receivables and payables of the primary government at December 31, 2024 follows:

	Interfund Receivables	Interfund Payables
General Fund	\$ 82,455	\$ -
Parishwide Drainage		55,155
Total major governmental funds	82,455	55,155
Other governmental funds		27,300
Total	\$ 82,455	\$ 82,455

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

B. Transfers

Transfers consisted of the following at December 31, 2024:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund	\$ 1,350,000	\$ 1,415,570
Parishwide Drainage	146,250	505,000
Parishwide Recreation	-	175,000
Debt Service Road Improvement	-	950,000
Grants and Capital Outlay	1,369,320	-
Natural Gas System	-	850,000
Solid Waste	-	750,000
Multi-Use Center	250,000	
Total major funds	3,115,570	4,645,570
Other governmental funds	1,930,000	400,000
Total	\$ 5,045,570	\$ 5,045,570

(14) <u>Federal Compliance Contingencies</u>

The Parish receives Federal and State grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by governmental agencies. Such audits could result in requests for reimbursement by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. It is the opinion of Parish management that such disallowances, if any, will not be significant.

(15) Risk Management

The Parish is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employee health and life; and natural disasters for which the Parish carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in the insurance coverage during the year.

(16) Litigation and Claims

The Parish is subject to various lawsuits and claims, many of which arise in the normal course of business. The Parish's legal counsel has reviewed the claims and lawsuits, in order to evaluate the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome to the Parish and to arrive at an estimate, if any, of the amount or range of potential loss to the Parish not covered by insurance. As a result of the review, there are no claims and lawsuits that an unfavorable outcome would materially affect the financial statements. Also, the Parish may be exposed to losses for which the amounts cannot be determined at this time.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

In accordance with Paragraph (B) (1) of Section 3 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana, the Parish entered into an agreement on May 20, 1992 with all of the sales and use taxing authorities of the Parish of Pointe Coupee designating the Sales Tax Department of the Parish as the single tax collection agency. The agreement is effective as of July 1, 1992.

(17) Deficit Fund Balance

As of December 31, 2024, the Capital Outlay Fund reported a deficit fund balance of \$92,445. The deficit resulted from timing of grant reimbursements. Management is aware of the deficit and the shortfall will be covered by grant reimbursements and interfund transfers from the General Fund.

(18) <u>New Accounting Pronouncement</u>

In June 2022, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. This standard revises the accounting and financial reporting for compensated absences by introducing a unified recognition and measurement model. The standard requires governments to recognize a liability for leave that has been earned and is attributable to services already rendered, regardless of whether it is contingent on future events. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, the Parish implemented GASB No. 101, Compensated Absences. The amounts reported for compensated absences are disclosed in Note 5. The effect on beginning balances of compensated absences and net position is as follows:

	Governmental Activities			
	Cor	npensated		
	Α	Absences	Net Position	
January 1, 2024 beginning, as reported	\$	269,101	\$ 37,994,254	
Prior period adjustment: Change in accounting principle:				
Net effect of GASB 101 implementation		173,103	(173,103)	
January 1, 2024 beginning, as restated	\$	442,204	\$ 37,821,151	

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	D	1 4		Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	A atual	Positive
Revenues:	Original	<u> Finai</u>	Actual	(Negative)
Taxes	\$1,042,500	\$1,107,500	\$ 1,215,509	\$ 108,009
Intergovernmental	φ1,042,300	φ1,107,500	Ψ 1,213,309	Ψ 100,000
Federal grants	300,000	2,369,320	4,848,335	2,479,015
State funds -	300,000	2,307,320	1,010,333	2,477,013
Grants	2,365,100	1,414,600	2,526,515	1,111,915
Other	909,284	854,284	851,256	(3,028)
Charges for services	210,929	335,929	340,668	4,739
Licenses and permits	382,900	382,900	459,417	76,517
Investment income	100	100	18	(82)
Miscellaneous	66,260	9,260	45,109	35,849
Total revenues	5,277,073	6,473,893	10,286,827	3,812,934
Expenditures:				
Current -				
General government	3,153,282	3,182,382	2,877,770	304,612
Health and welfare	186,525	144,000	217,313	(73,313)
Culture and recreation	122,029	122,529	113,848	8,681
Public safety	940,544	931,544	877,449	54,095
Public works	- -	-	100,000	(100,000)
Economic development	96,276	96,276	129,569	(33,293)
Capital outlay	1,904,500	2,107,500	2,365,575	(258,075)
Debt service -				
Principal	250,000	250,000	159,000	91,000
Interest	-	-	56,706	(56,706)
Total expenditures	6,653,156	6,834,231	6,897,230	(62,999)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	(1,376,083)	(360,338)	3,389,597	3,749,935
Other financing sources (uses):				
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	25,000	25,000	52,471	27,471
Transfer in	1,320,500	1,350,000	1,350,000	-
Transfer out	(200,000)	(1,269,320)	(1,415,570)	(146,250)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,145,500	105,680	(13,099)	(118,779)
Net change in fund balance	(230,583)	(254,658)	3,376,498	3,631,156
Fund balance, beginning	3,631,311	3,631,311	3,631,311	
Fund balance, ending	\$3,400,728	\$3,376,653	\$ 7,007,809	\$3,631,156

Parishwide Drainage Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

				Variance with Final Budget
	Bud	lget		Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 900,000	\$ 900,000	\$1,005,884	\$ 105,884
Intergovernmental				
State funds -				
Grants	-	-	350,235	350,235
Charges for services	552,000	552,000	540,833	(11,167)
Miscellaneous	29,762	29,762		(29,762)
Total revenues	1,481,762	1,481,762	1,896,952	415,190
Expenditures:				
Current -				
Drainage	1,351,193	1,365,393	1,345,879	19,514
Capital outlay	222,000	222,000	564,436	(342,436)
Total expenditures	1,573,193	1,587,393	1,910,315	(322,922)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	(91,431)	(105,631)	(13,363)	92,268
Other financing uses:				
Transfer in	-	-	146,250	146,250
Transfer out	(205,000)	(505,000)	(505,000)	
Net change in fund balance	(296,431)	(610,631)	(372,113)	238,518
Fund balance, beginning	795,944	795,944	795,944	
Fund balance, ending	\$ 499,513	\$ 185,313	\$ 423,831	\$ 238,518

Parishwide Recreation Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Buc	lget		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 650,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 704,119	\$ 54,119
State funds -	Ψ 020,000	Ψ 020,000	Ψ /01,119	Ψ 31,113
Grants	-	_	_	-
Charges for services	123,300	123,300	161,514	38,214
Miscellaneous	110,118	110,118	- -	(110,118)
Total revenues	883,418	883,418	865,633	(17,785)
Expenditures:				
Current -				
Culture and recreation	552,117	635,817	620,822	14,995
Capital outlay	175,000	200,000	141,221	58,779
Total expenditures	727,117	835,817	762,043	73,774
Excess of revenues				
over expenditures	156,301	47,601	103,590	55,989
Other financing uses:				
Transfer out	(175,000)	(175,000)	(175,000)	
Net change in fund balance	(18,699)	(127,399)	(71,410)	55,989
Fund balance, beginning	1,967,271	1,967,271	1,967,271	
Fund balance, ending	\$1,948,572	\$1,839,872	\$ 1,895,861	\$ 55,989

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB Liability							
Service cost	\$ 127,722	\$ 128,973	\$ 195,807	\$ 153,788	\$ 133,876	\$ 42,205	\$ 48,611
Interest	172,795	182,356	116,176	116,014	97,982	111,434	102,486
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected							
and actual experience	252,144	-	2,011,922	(42,677)	(260,578)	304,593	(57,225)
Changes of assumptions	(784,860)	307,846	(2,785,455)	52,973	2,035,756	488,681	(224,380)
Benefit payments	(229,721)	(209,240)	(209,979)	(127,282)	(120,646)	(134,651)	(127,631)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(461,920)	409,935	(671,529)	152,816	1,886,390	812,262	(258,139)
Total OPEB liability - beginning	5,286,664	4,876,729	5,548,258	5,395,442	3,509,052	2,696,790	2,954,929
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$ 4,824,744	\$5,286,664	\$ 4,876,729	\$5,548,258	\$ 5,395,442	\$3,509,052	\$2,696,790
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,649,029	\$2,427,377	\$ 2,317,305	\$2,320,639	\$ 2,253,048	\$1,531,788	\$1,487,173
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	182.13%	217.79%	210.45%	239.08%	239.47%	229.08%	181.34%
Notes to Schedule:							
Benefit Changes	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Changes of Assumptions:							
Discount rate	4.08%	3.26%	3.72%	2.06%	2.12%	2.74%	4.10%
Mortality	PubG H-2010	PubG H-2010	PubG H-2010	RP-2014	RP-2014	RP-2000	RP-2000
Trend	5.5%	5.5%	4.5% to 6.5%	4.5% to 5.5%	4.5% to 5.5%	5.5%	5.5%

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

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability/Asset Parochial Employees' Retirement System - Plan A For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Employer Proportion	Employer Proportionate		Employer's Proportionate Share	Plan Fiduciary Net Position
*	of the	Share of the		of the Net Pension	as a Percentage
Year	Net Pension	Net Pension	Employer's	Liability (Asset) as a	of the Total
Ended	Liability	Liability	Covered	Percentage of its	Pension Liability
December 31	(Asset)	(Asset)	Payroll	Covered Payroll	(Asset)
2015	0.389700%	\$ 106,533	\$ 2,181,782	4.88%	99.15%
2016	0.383400%	\$ 1,011,730	\$ 2,203,729	45.91%	92.23%
2017	0.330600%	\$ 680,878	\$ 1,863,077	36.55%	94.15%
2018	0.265600%	\$ (197,148)	\$ 1,487,173	13.26%	101.98%
2019	0.267035%	\$ 1,185,197	\$ 1,641,622	72.20%	88.86%
2020	0.331117%	\$ 15,587	\$ 2,099,538	0.74%	99.89%
2021	0.306861%	\$ (538,054)	\$ 2,049,535	26.25%	104.00%
2022	0.324787%	\$ (1,529,888)	\$ 2,179,106	-70.21%	110.46%
2023	0.350172%	\$ 1,347,739	\$ 2,339,513	57.61%	91.74%
2024	0.359407%	\$ 342,415	\$ 2,604,886	13.15%	98.03%

^{*} The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

Schedule of Employer Contributions Parochial Employees' Retirement System - Plan A For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

				tributions in					
			R	elation to					Contributions
Year	Co	ntractually	Co	ontractual	Con	tribution	I	Employer's	as a % of
Ended	F	Required	F	Required	Deficiency			Covered	Covered
December 31	Co	ntribution	Со	ntribution	(E	xcess)		Payroll	Payroll
2015	\$	319,541	\$	319,541	\$	-	\$	2,203,729	14.50%
2016	\$	242,200	\$	242,200	\$	-	\$	1,863,077	13.00%
2017	\$	206,750	\$	206,750	\$	-	\$	1,580,656	13.08%
2018	\$	187,067	\$	187,067	\$	-	\$	1,626,668	11.50%
2019	\$	241,366	\$	241,366	\$	-	\$	2,099,538	11.50%
2020	\$	251,068	\$	251,068	\$	-	\$	2,049,535	12.25%
2021	\$	266,941	\$	266,941	\$	-	\$	2,179,106	12.25%
2022	\$	273,185	\$	273,185	\$	-	\$	2,339,513	11.68%
2023	\$	299,562	\$	299,562	\$	-	\$	2,604,886	11.50%
2024	\$	324,572	\$	324,572	\$	-	\$	2,822,370	11.50%

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability/Asset Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

* Year Ended	Employer Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Prop Sha Ne	nployer cortionate are of the t Pension iability		nployer's Covered	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
December 31	(Asset)	(Asset)	I	Payroll	Covered Payroll	(Asset)
2015	0.199300%	\$	48,809	\$	27,036	180.53%	76.86%
2016	0.202600%	\$	57,509	\$	27,840	206.57%	73.98%
2017	0.206300%	\$	45,278	\$	28,248	160.29%	80.51%
2018	0.206100%	\$	48,657	\$	28,248	172.25%	80.57%
2019	0.214910%	\$	40,189	\$	29,088	138.16%	84.83%
2020	0.221245%	\$	47,662	\$	29,888	159.47%	83.32%
2021	0.204560%	\$	6,489	\$	30,642	21.18%	97.68%
2022	0.197442%	\$	48,413	\$	28,257	171.33%	82.46%
2023	0.149289%	\$	28,372	\$	23,277	121.89%	86.73%
2024	0.154180%	\$	16,961	\$	22,540	75.25%	92.59%

^{*} The amounts presented have a measurement date of June 30.

Schedule of Employer Contributions Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Year Ended December 31	Re	tractually equired tribution	Re Cor Re	ributions in lation to ntractual equired tribution	Def	tribution iciency xcess)	C	nployer's overed Payroll	Contributions as a % of Covered Payroll
2015	\$	6,435	\$	6,435	\$	_	\$	27,529	23.38%
2016	\$	6,003	\$	6,003	\$	_	\$	28,044	21.41%
2017	\$	5,952	\$	5,952	\$	-	\$	28,248	21.07%
2018	\$	4,872	\$	4,872	\$	-	\$	29,088	17.25%
2019	\$	5,206	\$	5,206	\$	_	\$	29,488	17.65%
2020	\$	5,436	\$	5,436	\$	_	\$	30,198	18.00%
2021	\$	5,639	\$	5,639	\$	-	\$	31,327	18.00%
2022	\$	4,190	\$	4,190	\$	-	\$	23,277	18.00%
2023	\$	4,057	\$	4,057	\$	-	\$	22,540	18.00%
2024	\$	5,406	\$	5,406	\$	-	\$	30,031	18.00%

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability/Asset District Attorneys' Retirement System For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

* Year Ended	Employer Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Employer Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability		Employer's Covered		Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	
December 31	(Asset)	(Asset)	P	ayroll	Covered Payroll	(Asset)	
2015	0.013300%	\$	714	\$	7,764	9.20%	98.56%	
2016	0.012800%	\$	2,458	\$	7,767	31.65%	95.09%	
2017	0.012800%	\$	3,445	\$	7,800	44.17%	93.57%	
2018	0.012500%	\$	4,018	\$	7,800	51.51%	92.92%	
2019	0.013198%	\$	4,246	\$	7,767	54.67%	93.13%	
2020	0.012533%	\$	9,930	\$	7,767	127.85%	84.86%	
2021	0.012444%	\$	2,215	\$	7,788	28.44%	96.79%	
2022	0.012005%	\$	12,932	\$	7,767	166.50%	81.65%	
2023	0.011663%	\$	10,002	\$	7,767	128.78%	85.85%	
2024	0.011099%	\$	5,334	\$	7,767	68.68%	92.33%	

^{*} The amounts presented have a measurement date of June 30.

Schedule of Employer Contributions District Attorneys' Retirement System For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Year Ended December 31	Re	ractually quired ribution	Rel Con Re	butions in ation to atractual equired	Def	tribution iciency xcess)	C	ployer's overed ayroll	Contributions as a % of Covered Payroll
2015	\$	385	\$	385	\$	-	\$	7,764	4.96%
2016	\$	136	\$	136	\$	-	\$	7,767	1.75%
2017	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	0.00%
2018	\$	49	\$	49	\$	-	\$	3,883	1.26%
2019	\$	204	\$	204	\$	-	\$	7,767	2.63%
2020	\$	311	\$	311	\$	-	\$	7,767	4.00%
2021	\$	525	\$	525	\$	-	\$	7,788	6.74%
2022	\$	738	\$	738	\$	-	\$	7,767	9.50%
2023	\$	835	\$	835	\$	-	\$	7,767	10.75%
2024	\$	942	\$	942	\$	-	\$	7,767	12.13%

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

(1) <u>Budgetary Practices</u>

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

- a. Prior to December 15, the Director of Finance prepares a proposed operating budget which is submitted to the budget committee who in turn submits the proposed budget to the Members of the Parish Council no later than fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year.
- b. A summary of the proposed budget is published, and the public notified that the proposed budget is available for public inspection. At the same time, a public hearing is called.
- c. A public hearing is held on the proposed budget at least ten days after publication of the call for the hearing.
- d. After the holding of the public hearing and completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is adopted through passage of a resolution prior to the commencement of the fiscal year for which the budget is being adopted.
- e. Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one department, program or function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated require the approval of the Members of the Parish.
- f. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.
- g. Budgets for all funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Parish. Such amendments were not material in relation to the original appropriations.

At December 31, 2024, the General Fund and the Parishwide Drainage Fund reported expenditures in excess of appropriations.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

(2) <u>Retirement Systems</u>

A. <u>Parochial Employees' Retirement System</u>

Changes of benefit terms –

There were no changes of benefit terms.

Changes of assumptions -

* Year ended December 31,	Discount Rate	Investment Rate Inflation of Return Rate		Expected Remaining Service Lives	Projected Salary Increase
2015	7.25%	7.25%	3.00%	4	5.75%
2016	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	4	5.25%
2017	7.00%	6.75%	2.50%	4	5.25%
2018	6.75%	6.75%	2.50%	4	5.25%
2019	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	4	4.75%
2020	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	4	4.75%
2021	6.40%	6.40%	2.40%	4	4.75%
2022	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%
2023	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%
2024	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4	4.75%

^{*} The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

B. Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System

Changes of benefit terms –

There were no changes of benefit terms.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Changes of assumptions –

Year ended December 31,	Discount Rate	Investment Rate of Return	Inflation Rate	Expected Remaining Service Lives	Projected Salary Increase
2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023	7.00% 7.00% 6.75% 6.50% 6.50% 6.40% 6.25% 6.25%	7.00% 7.00% 6.75% 6.50% 6.50% 6.40% 6.25% 6.25%	2.50% 2.50% 2.50% 2.40% 2.40% 2.30% 2.30% 2.30% 2.30%	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	6.00% 6.00% 6.00% 6.00% 6.00% 5.25% 5.25% 5.25%
2024	6.25%	6.25%	2.30%	5	5.25%

^{*} The amounts presented have a measurement date of June 30.

C. <u>District Attorneys' Retirement System</u>

Changes in benefit terms –

There were no changes of benefit terms.

Changes of assumption –

* Year ended December 31,	Discount Rate	-		Expected Remaining Service Lives	Projected Salary Increase
2015	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	6	5.50%
2016	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	7	5.50%
2017	6.75%	6.75%	2.50%	7	5.50%
2018	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	6	5.50%
2019	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	6	5.50%
2020	6.25%	6.25%	2.30%	6	5.00%
2021	6.10%	6.10%	2.20%	5	5.00%
2022	6.10%	6.10%	2.20%	5	5.00%
2023	6.10%	6.10%	2.20%	5	5.00%
2024	6.10%	6.10%	2.20%	4	5.00%

^{*} The amounts presented have a measurement date of June 30.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Criminal Court Fu		
	First Six	Second Six	
	Month	Month	
	Period	Period	
	Ended	Ended	
Cash Basis Presentation	06/30/2024	12/31/2024	
Receipts From:			
Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff - Court fines	\$ 79,745	\$ 63,445	
Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff - Costs/fees	22,429	17,239	
Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff - Coroner fees	1,580	1,400	
Total Receipts	\$ 103,754	\$ 82,084	

New Roads, Louisiana

SCHEDULE OF COLLECTIONS, DISTRIBUTIONS, AND COSTS OF COLLECTION

As Required by Act 669 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Collections	
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 19,743,142
All Other Taxes	371,788
Total Collections Received	20,114,930
Less Collections Received and Held in Escrow - Paid Under Protest	(2,898)
Total Collections Available for Disbursement	20,112,032
Amounts Disbursed to Each Local Taxing Authority (Net of Collection Costs)	
Sales and Use Tax -	
Pointe Coupee Parish Government	8,439,417
Pointe Coupee Parish School Board	8,042,015
City of New Roads	1,895,978
Town of Livonia	352,058
Village of Morganza	74,233
Town of Fordoche	61,436
18th Judicial District Attorney	395,369
Occupational Licenses -	
Pointe Coupee Parish Government	288,729
Occupancy Tourism -	
City of New Roads	15,965
Pointe Coupee Office of Tourism	67,095
Total Amounts Disbursed to Local Taxing Authorities	19,632,295
Total Amount Retained by Collector	482,636
Amounts Disbursed for Costs of Collection	
Collector Employee Salaries	107,362
Collector Employee Benefits	42,387
Contracted Collector Services	65,438
All Other Costs of Collection	53,880
Collection rebate paid back to districts	<u> </u>
Total Amounts Disbursed for Costs of Collection	269,067
Balance in Excess (Deficiency) of Costs of Collection	\$ 213,569 *

^{*} Excess is paid back to taxing districts after 12/31/2024

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head Joseph "Major" Thibaut, Jr., Parish President Year Ended December 31, 2024

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ 168,118
Benefits - insurance	17,879
Benefits - retirement	15,971
Medicare tax benefits	2,699
Vehicle allowance	18,000
Cell phone allowance	360
Travel	1,161
Registration fees	275
Dues	5,000
	\$ 229,463

Schedule of Compensation Council Year Ended December 31, 2024

Dustin Boudreaux	\$	15,600
Stephen P. Bergeron, Jr.		14,400
Jimmie M. Gaspard		14,400
Sidney Lacoste, II		14,400
Edwin Soulier		14,400
Edward W. Bazile		14,400
Kurt Jarreau		14,400
Charles G. Watkins	_	14,400
	\$	116,400

New Roads, Louisiana Capital Projects Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Revenues: Intergovernmental Federal grants - CDBG program \$ 14,000 Other 1,023,418 State funds - 2,378,941 Total revenues 3,416,359 Expenditures: Current - Public Works 1,023,418 Drainage Administrative services 14,000 Other 1,069,320 Capital outlay 2,823,267 Total expenditures 4,930,005 Excess of revenues over expenditures (1,513,646) Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in 1,369,320 Net change in fund balance (144,326) Fund balance, beginning 51,881 Fund balance, ending 8 (92,445)		Grants and Capital Outlay
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Fund balance, beginning 51,881		
	Net change in fund balance	(144,326)
Fund balance, ending \$ (92,445)	Fund balance, beginning	51,881
	Fund balance, ending	\$ (92,445)

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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NON-MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Motor Vehicle Handling Fund

To account for the expenditure of funds used to maintain the building used for the state department of motor vehicles.

Roads and Bridges Fund

To account for the construction of new roads and bridges, and the maintenance of existing roads and bridges. The major sources of financing are provided by the State of Louisiana Parish Road Fund, Parish Royalty Fund and grants from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. Use of the funds is restricted by Louisiana Revised Statute 48:753.

Drainage and Road Equipment Fund

To account for designated revenues and the expenditures to purchase equipment.

Detention Center

To account for a dedicated tax levy for the construction, maintenance and operations of the parish jail facility.

Criminal Court Fund

To account for the receipts of court fees and fines and the disbursements of court costs of the 18th Judicial District.

Road Construction Fund

To account for funds designated by the Parish for the ongoing construction of Parish maintained roads.

Opioid Abatement Fund

To account for funds received from a settlement from pharmaceutical company Jansen Pharmaceuticals and three major distributors. Funds are to be spent on combating the lethal opioid epidemic.

Industrial Development Fund

To account for funds to be received from the PILOT payments from NextEra Solar Farm project and expenditures to promote industry and develop trade by inducing manufacturing, industrial and commercial enterprises to locate to Pointe Coupee Parish.

New Roads, Louisiana Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Combining Balance Sheet December 31, 2024

	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Taxes receivable Due from other governments	\$1,555,653 51,757 2,115	\$ 5 - 33,408	\$ 1,555,658 51,757 35,523
Other receivables	17,053	45,059	62,112
Total assets	\$1,626,578	\$ 78,472	\$ 1,705,050
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 105,456	\$ -	\$ 105,456
Retainage payable		6,108	6,108
Due to other governments		45,059	45,059
Due to other funds		27,300	27,300
Total liabilities	105,456	78,467	183,923
Fund balance:			
Restricted	450,615	-	450,615
Committed	1,070,507	5	1,070,512
Total fund balance	1,521,122	5	1,521,127
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$1,626,578	\$ 78,472	\$ 1,705,050

New Roads, Louisiana Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Total
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$ 553,236	\$ -	\$ 553,236
Intergovernmental			
Federal grants	-	831,789	831,789
State funds -		,	,
Grants	350,244	-	350,244
Charges for services	117,920	_	117,920
Fines and forfeitures	180,582	_	180,582
Licenses and permits	4,344	_	4,344
Miscellaneous	55,203		55,203
Total revenues	1,261,529	831,789	2,093,318
Expenditures:			
Current -			
Public safety	1,165,555	27,300	1,192,855
Drainage	126,751	-	126,751
Public works	1,063,786	-	1,063,786
Economic development	35,751	-	35,751
Capital outlay	717,205	804,489	1,521,694
Debt service -			
Principal	247,700	-	247,700
Interest	47,586		47,586
Total expenditures	3,404,334	831,789	4,236,123
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	(2,142,805)		(2,142,805)
Other financing sources (uses):			
Proceeds from leases	123,638	-	123,638
Transfers in	1,930,000	-	1,930,000
Transfers out	(400,000)		(400,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,653,638		1,653,638
Net change in fund balance	(489,167)	-	(489,167)
Fund balance, beginning	2,010,289	5	2,010,294
Fund balance, ending	\$ 1,521,122	\$ 5	\$ 1,521,127

New Roads, Louisiana Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

Combining Balance Sheet December 31, 2024

	Motor Vehicles Handling	Roads and Bridges	Drainage and Road Equipment	Criminal Court
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Taxes receivable Due from other governments Other receivables	\$116,789 - 2,115 4,239	\$ 41,170 - - -	\$ 399,696 23,526 - -	\$145,244 - - 12,814
Total assets	\$123,143	\$ 41,170	\$ 423,222	\$158,058
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ 265	\$ 20,309	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 2,115
Fund balance: Restricted Committed	122,878	- 20,861	423,222	155,943
Total fund balance	122,878	20,861	423,222	155,943
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$123,143	\$ 41,170	\$ 423,222	\$158,058

Detention Center	Road Construction	Opioid Abatement	Industrial Development	Total
\$402,139 28,231 - -	\$ 255,106	\$ 195,509 - - -	\$ - - - -	\$1,555,653 51,757 2,115 17,053
\$430,370	\$ 255,106	\$ 195,509	\$ -	\$1,626,578
\$ 82,767	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 105,456
347,603	255,106	195,509	<u>-</u>	450,615 1,070,507
347,603	255,106	195,509		1,521,122
\$430,370	\$ 255,106	\$ 195,509	<u>\$ -</u>	\$1,626,578

New Roads, Louisiana Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Motor Vehicles Handling	Roads and Bridges	Drainage and Road Equipment	Criminal Court
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$251,471	\$ -
Intergovernmental				
State funds -		• • • • • • •		
Grants	-	201,360	-	-
Charges for services	41,468	-	-	76,452
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-	180,582
Licenses and permits	-	4,344	-	-
Miscellaneous			19,452	
Total revenues	41,468	205,704	270,923	257,034
Expenditures:				
Current -				
Public safety	10,465	-	-	224,043
Drainage	-	-	126,751	-
Public works	-	1,063,786	-	-
Economic development	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	220,690	280,024	-
Debt service				
Principal	25,000	-	222,700	-
Interest	625	-	46,961	-
			<u> </u>	
Total expenditures	36,090	1,284,476	676,436	224,043
Excess (deficiency) of				
revenues over expenditures	5,378	(1,078,772)	(405,513)	32,991
Other financing sources (uses):				
Proceeds from leases	_	_	123,638	_
Transfers in	_	955,000	100,000	_
Transfers out	-	-	-	_
Total other financing sources (uses)		955,000	223,638	
Net change in fund balance	5,378	(123,772)	(181,875)	32,991
Fund balance, beginning	117,500	144,633	605,097	122,952
Fund balance, ending	\$122,878	\$ 20,861	\$423,222	\$155,943
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Detention Center	Road Construction	Opioid Abatement	Industrial Development	Total
\$ 301,765	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 553,236
- - - -	- - - -	148,884	- - - - - 35,751	350,244 117,920 180,582 4,344 55,203
301,765	<u> </u>	148,884	35,751	1,261,529
811,047 - - - -	- - - - 216,491	120,000 - - - -	- - - 35,751	1,165,555 126,751 1,063,786 35,751 717,205
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	- -	247,700 47,586
811,047	216,491	120,000	35,751	3,404,334
(509,282)	(216,491)	28,884		(2,142,805)
375,000	500,000 (400,000)	- - -	- - <u>-</u>	123,638 1,930,000 (400,000)
375,000	100,000			1,653,638
(134,282)	(116,491)	28,884	-	(489,167)
481,885	371,597	166,625		2,010,289
\$ 347,603	\$ 255,106	\$ 195,509	\$ -	\$1,521,122
			101	

New Roads, Louisiana Nonmajor Capital Projects Funds

Balance Sheet December 31, 2024

	L	CDBG
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	5
Due from other governments		33,408
Other receivables		45,059
Total assets	\$	78,472
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Retainage payable	\$	6,108
Due to other governments		45,059
Due to other funds		27,300
Total liabilities		78,467
Fund balance:		
Committed		5
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	78,472

New Roads, Louisiana Capital Projects Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	LCDBG
Revenues:	
Intergovernmental	
Federal grants -	
CDBG program	\$831,789
Expenditures:	
Current -	
Public Works -	
Engineering services	27,300
Capital outlay -	
Project construction	804,489
Total expenditures	831,789
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-
•	
Fund balance, beginning	5
Fund balance, ending	\$ 5
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New Roads, Louisiana Component Unit - Gravity Drainage District No. 1

Balance Sheet Governmental Fund December 31, 2024

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents Due from other governments	\$ 35,307 34,656
Total assets	\$ 69,963
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Liabilities	\$ -
Fund Balance:	
Unassigned	69,963
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 69,963

New Roads, Louisiana Component Unit - Gravity Drainage District No. 1

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2024

Fund balance for the governmental fund	\$ 69,963
Capital assets, net	 302,437
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 372,400

New Roads, Louisiana Component Unit - Gravity Drainage District No. 1

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Revenues:	
Taxes	\$ 34,656
Intergovernmental:	
State funds -	
Grants	307,241
Total revenues	341,897
Expenditures:	
Capital outlay	 306,265
Excess of revenues	
over expenditures	35,632
Fund balance, beginning	 34,331
Fund balance, ending	\$ 69,963

New Roads, Louisiana Component Unit - Gravity Drainage District No. 1

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Net change in fund balances per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances		\$	35,632
Capital assets: Capital outlay Depreciation expense	\$ 306,265 (3,828)	_	302,437
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$_	338,069

New Roads, Louisiana

Schedule of Insurance in Force December 31, 2024 (Without Audit)

Issuer	Kind of Insurance	Property Covered/Address	Insurance Coverage	Expiration Date
United Fire & Indemmity Company	Commercial property	Listed property	\$16,298,713	June 8, 2025
Olinde Porche Insurance Co.	Commercial property	Towers	\$ 7,500,000	July 3, 2025
Landmaark Insurance Co.	Commercial property	Multi-Use and Detention Center Scott Recreation Park	\$ 8,950,000 \$ 435,000	June 8, 2025 June 8, 2025
LA Parish Risk Management Agency	Worker's Compensation	Eligible employees	\$ 1,000,000	January 1, 2025
Arthur J Gallagher Risk Management	Commercial General Liability	General Liability Auto Liability Sexual abuse Public Officials Liability Employment Practices Liability	\$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000	April 15, 2025 April 15, 2025 April 15, 2025 April 15, 2025 April 15, 2025
Travelers	Crime	Forgery or alteration Inside the premises Outside the premises	\$ 50,000 \$ 100,000 \$ 100,000	February 1, 2025 February 1, 2025 February 1, 2025
Coalition Insurance Solutions	Cyber Liability	Cyber/Privacy breach	\$ 1,000,000	April 27, 2025
SCU - CRC Group	Airport Errors & Omissions Policy	Airport	\$ 1,000,000	April 20, 2025
Hartford	Boiler & Machinery	Courthouse	\$11,330,750	September 8, 2025

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

To Major Thibaut, Parish President, and the Parish Council of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government New Roads, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Pointe Coupee Parish Government (Parish), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Parish's, basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 24, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Parish's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of current and prior year audit findings and management's corrective action plan as item 2024-001.

The Parish's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Parish's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of current and prior year audit findings and management's corrective action plan. The Parish's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Parish's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC Certified Public Accountants

Baton Rouge, Louisiana June 24, 2025

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To Major Thibaut, Parish President, and the Parish Council of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government New Roads, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Pointe Coupee Parish Government's (the Parish) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Parish's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024. The Parish's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Parish complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Parish and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Parish's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Parish's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Parish's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Parish's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Parish's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Parish's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to
 design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control
 over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion
 on the effectiveness of the Parish's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal

program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in the internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. However, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Baton Rouge, Louisiana June 24, 2025

New Roads, Louisiana Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Year Ended December 31, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Name	Assistance Listing Number	Pass - Through Identifying No.	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Expenditures
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development - Passed through State of Louisiana Division of Administration, Office of Community Development Community Development Block				
Grants/State's Program Community Development Block	14.228	B-08-DI-22-0001	\$ -	\$ 14,000
Grants/State's Program Community Development Block	14.228	B-20-DW-22-001	-	804,489
Grants/State's Program Community Development Block	14.228	B-20-DW-22-001	-	2,887
Grants/State's Program Total ALN #14.228	14.228	B-20-DC-22-001		27,300 848,676
United States Department of Transportation and Development - Passed through State of Louisiana, Department of Transaportation and Development Formula Grants for Rural Areas	20.509	LA-2019-011	288,618	288,618
United States Department of the Treasury COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Passed through State of Louisiana Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness:	21.027	N/A	-	4,220,798
COVID -19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Total ALN #21.027	21.027	LAWSP10665	1,023,418 1,023,418	1,023,418 5,244,216
Passed through State of Louisiana, Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund Total U.S. Department of Treasury	21.032	1505-0276	1,023,418	100,000 5,344,216 (continued)

New Roads, Louisiana Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Continued) Year Ended December 31, 2024

		Pass -		
	Assistance	Through	Passed	
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through	Listing	Identifying	Through to	
Grantor/Program Name	Number	No.	Subrecipients	Expenditures
II. '4. 1 Casas Donator at CII. and Come't				
United States Department of Homeland Security -				
Passed through State of Louisiana Department				
of Homeland Security and Emergency				
Preparedness				
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036	JBE-23-SPA-LA-PW3	-	11,250
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036	JML-24-54-SPA-LA-PW2	-	17,018
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036	JML-24-54-SPA-LA-PW6	-	7,564
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036	4611-PA-LA-PW159	-	155,654
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036	JML-24-72-SPA-LA-PW4	-	31,868
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	97.036	JML-24-72-PA-LA-PW8	-	15,565
Total ALN #97.036				238,919
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMW-2021-S-SHSP-PCP	_	30,113
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMW-2022-S-SHSP PCP	_	30,541
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMT-2022-E-EMPG PCP	_	38,250
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	EMT-2023-E-EMPG PCP	_	49,208
Total ALN#97.042	y / 10 . _	2020 2 2011 6 1 61		148,112
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				387,031
			\$ 1,312,036	\$ 6,868,541

New Roads, Louisiana Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

(1) General

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the federal grant activity of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government (the Parish). The Parish reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024. All federal financial assistance received directly from federal agencies is included on the schedule as well as federal financial assistance passed through other government agencies are included on the schedule.

(2) Basis of Accounting

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Parish's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2024.

(3) <u>Indirect Cost Rate</u>

The Parish has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended December 31, 2024

Part I. Summary of Auditor's Results:

Financial Statements -	
Type of auditor's report issued: Financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information	Unmodified
Financial statements of the aggregate discretely presented comonent units	Adverse
Internal control over financial reposting: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiencies identified?	Yes X No Yes X None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	X Yes No
Federal Awards -	
Type of auditor's report issued issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
Internal control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiencies identified?	Yes X No Yes X None reported
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a) of the Uniform Guidance?	YesXNo
Major programs -	
Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
21.027	COVID-19 - Coronavirus State Aid Loca Fiscal Recovery Funds
Dollar Threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee:	YesXNo

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued) Year Ended December 31, 2024

- Part II. Findings which are required to be reported in accordance with generally accepted Governmental Auditing Standards:
 - A. <u>Internal Control Findings</u> –

There are no internal control findings reported.

B. <u>Compliance</u> –

There is a compliance finding reported. See item 2024-001 in the schedule of current and prior audit findings and managements corrective action plan.

Part III. <u>Findings and questioned costs for federal awards which include audit findings as defined in 2 CFR</u> section 200 of the Uniform Guidance:

There are no findings and questioned costs related to federal programs that are required to be reported under the above guidance.

Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings and Management's Corrective Action Plan Year Ended December 31, 2024

Part I. Current Year Findings and Management's Corrective Action

A. <u>Internal Control Over Financial Reporting</u>

There were no internal control findings reported.

B. <u>Compliance and Other Matters</u>

2024-001 <u>Budget noncompliance</u>

CONDITION: The Parishwide Drainage Fund's actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by more than 5%.

CRITERIA: Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311 requires governments to amend general and special revenue fund budgets when actual expenditures plus expected expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more or when actual revenues plus expected revenues will fall short of budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

CAUSE: The condition is a result of failure to properly monitor the expenditures of the Parishwide Drainage Fund.

EFFECT: The Parish may not prevent and/or detect compliance violations due to revenue falling short of budgeted amounts, over expenditure of the appropriated budget, and/or errors or irregularities on a timely basis.

RECOMMENDATION: The Parish should periodically compare actual activity to budgeted amounts and adopt budgetary amendments as necessary to comply with state statute.

MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN: Management of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government and its Finance Department will monitor its budget continuously during each fiscal year to properly manage finances, along with maintaining compliance with Louisiana budget laws. Management of the Pointe Coupee Parish Government and its Finance Department will continue to monitor budgets of all funds, comparing actual activity to budgeted amounts and amend its budget in accordance with state statutes to ensure fiscal responsibility and compliance.

Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings and Management's Corrective Action Plan (Continued) Year Ended December 31, 2024

Part II: Prior Year Findings:

A. <u>Internal Control Over Financial Reporting</u>

There were no internal control findings reported.

B. <u>Compliance</u>

2023-001 Budget noncompliance

CONDITION: The Parishwide Recreation Fund's actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by more than 5%.

RECOMMENDATION: The Parish should periodically compare actual activity to budgeted amounts and adopt budgetary amendments as necessary to comply with state statute.

CURRENT STATUS: Resolved.

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Parish President

Pointe Coupee Parish Government respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for findings for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Audit conducted by:

Kolder, Slaven, & Company, LLC

200 South Main Street

Abbeville, LA 70510

Audit Period:

Fiscal year ended December 31, 2024

The finding from the December 31, 2024 schedule of current year audit findings and management's corrective action plan are discussed below. The findings are numbered consistently with the numbers assigned in the schedule.

FINDINGS - Compliance and Other Matters

2024-001 - Budget noncompliance

Management's response and corrective action plans are as follows:

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Expected implementation date: July 1, 2025

Contact person: Tonilyn R. Guidry, Director of Finance

If there are any questions regarding this plan, please call Tonilyn Guidry, Director of Finance, at 225-638-5558 or tguidry@pcparish.org

Sincerely,

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New Roads, Louisiana

Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures

Fiscal period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Mrs. Tonilyn R. Guidry, CPA,
Director of Finance
and Members of the Parish Council
and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Pointe Coupee Parish Government's (the Parish) management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Parish has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

Written Policies and Procedures

- 1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
 - a) **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
 - b) *Purchasing*, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
 - c) Disbursements, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
 - d) **Receipts/Collections**, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

- e) *Payroll/Personnel*, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- f) *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- g) *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- h) *Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards)*, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- i) *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- j) **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- k) *Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity*, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- 1) *Prevention of Sexual Harassment*, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

Board or Finance Committee

- 2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
 - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
 - b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum on all special revenue funds. Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.
 - c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
 - d) Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

Bank Reconciliations

- 3. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
 - a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged);
 - b) Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within 1 month that the reconciliation was prepared (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
 - c) Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- 4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
- 5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that
 - a) Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
 - b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g. prenumbered receipts) to the deposit;
 - c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
 - d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
- 6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was in forced during the fiscal period.
- 7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedures #3 (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternately, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
 - a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
 - b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
 - c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

- d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- 8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
- 9. For each location selected under procedure #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
 - a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
 - b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
 - c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;
 - d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and
 - e) Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

[Note: Findings related to controls that constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality); should not be reported.)]

- 10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction and
 - a) Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper of electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and that supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
 - b) Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.
- 11. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy.

[Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.]

Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)

- 12. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.
- 13. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement). Obtain supporting documentation, and
 - a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and
 - b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
- 14. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #13 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g. each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- 15. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:
 - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
 - b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
 - c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures (procedure #1g); and
 - d) Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Contracts

- 16. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternately, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
 - a) Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;

- b) Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
- c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g. if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and
- d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

Payroll and Personnel

- 17. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
- 18. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under #17 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
 - a) Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, officials are not eligible to earn leave and do not document their attendance and leave. However, if the official is earning leave according to policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.);
 - b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees/officials;
 - c) Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and
 - d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
- 19. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee or official's cumulate leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.
- 20. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Ethics

- 21. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17 obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
 - a) Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
 - b) Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
- 22. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Debt Service

- 23. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.
- 24. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

Fraud Notice

- 25. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled so required by R.S. 24:523.
- 26. Observe that the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- 27. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
 - a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
 - b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
 - c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.
- 28. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #19. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.
- 29. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:
 - a) Hired before June 9, 2020 completed the training; and
 - b) Hired on or after June 9, 2020 completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- 30. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #17, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S 42:343.
- 31. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).
- 32. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
 - a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
 - b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
 - c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
 - d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
 - e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

Findings:

Written Policies and Procedures

Exempt from procedures.

Board of Finance Committee

Exempt from procedures.

Bank Reconciliations

Exempt from procedures.

Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

Exempt from procedures.

Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

Exempt from procedures.

Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)

Exempt from procedures.

Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

Exempt from procedures.

Contracts

Exempt from procedures.

Payroll and Personnel

Exempt from procedures.

Ethics

Exempt from procedures.

Debt Service

Exempt from procedures.

Fraud Notice

Exempt from procedures.

Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

No exceptions noted.

Prevention of Sexual Harassment

Exempt from procedures.

We were engaged by the Parish to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Parish and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Abbeville, Louisiana June 24, 2025