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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENT INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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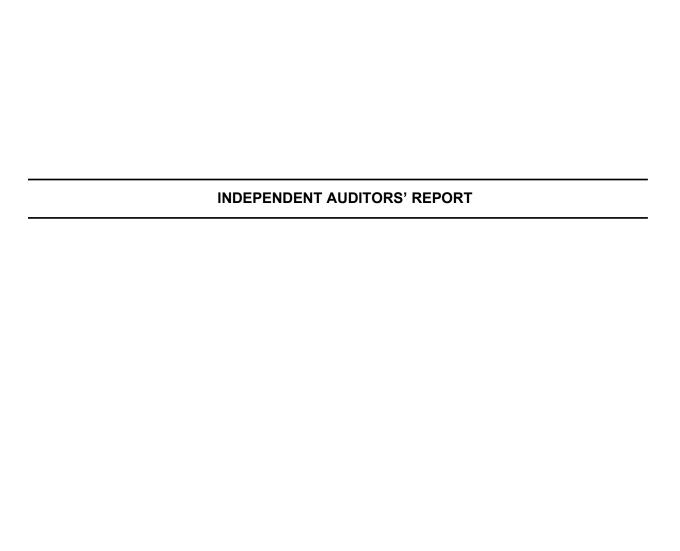
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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Members of the West Feliciana Parish Government Council St. Francisville, 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of West Feliciana Parish Government ("the Government") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Government's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Summary of Opinions

<u>Opinion Unit</u>	Type of Opinion
Governmental Activities	Unmodified
Business-Type Activities	Unmodified
Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units	Adverse
General	Unmodified
Solid Waste	Unmodified
Recreation	Unmodified
Road Improvement	Unmodified
Waterworks District No. 13	Unmodified
Solitude Sewer	Unmodified
Independence Sewer	Unmodified
Aggregate remaining fund information	Unmodified

#### 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 Government, as of June 30, 2024, or the changes in financial position thereof 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, based on our audit, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Government, as of June 30, 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.

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#### 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Government, 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.

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

The financial statements do not include financial data for the Government's legally separate 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 Government's primary government unless the Government also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component units. The Government has not issued such reporting entity financial statements. The effects of not including the Government's legally separate component units on the aggregate discretely presented component units has not been determined.

#### 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 Government'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.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our 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 Government'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 Government's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

## Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and Schedule of Contributions to Each Retirement System and the related notes 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.

# Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Government's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the Parish President, the Schedule of West Feliciana Parish Government Council Members, the Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity as required by Act 87 of 2020 Regular Legislative Session - Cash Basis presentation, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and accompanying notes, 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 are not a required part of the basic 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 or to 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 combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the Parish President, the Schedule of West Feliciana Parish Government Council Members, the Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity as required by Act 87 of 2020 Regular Legislative Session - Cash Basis presentation, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and accompanying notes are 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 schedule of insurance in force and the schedule of information required by rural development but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' 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 our report dated January 2, 2025 on our consideration of the Government's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 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 the Government's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

EISNERAMPER LLP Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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January 2, 2025



#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our analysis of financial performance of the West Feliciana Parish Government (the Government) provides an overview of the Government's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the Government's financial statements. The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is designed to focus on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts.

#### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

In the year ended June 30, 2024, the Government's total revenues increased relative to the prior period by approximately \$6.2 million and the Government's total expenses increased by approximately \$2.6 million. The major financial highlights for the year ended June 30, 2024 are as follows:

- Assets and deferred outflows of the primary government exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the year by approximately \$65.3 million (net position). Of this amount, approximately \$15.0 million (unrestricted net position) may be used without restrictions to meet the primary government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The primary government's total net position increased by approximately \$7.4 million during the year ended June 30, 2024.
- Governmental activities' net position had an increase of approximately \$3.9 million.
- Business-type total net position had an increase of approximately \$3.5 million.
- As of the end of the 2024 period, the primary government's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of approximately \$26.8 million, an increase of approximately \$4.0 million in comparison to the prior period balance. This is predominantly due to revenues exceeding expenditures in the General Fund, Solid Waste Fund, Recreation Fund, and Road Improvement Fund.

Significant aspects of the Government's financial well-being, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, is detailed throughout this analysis.

#### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 focuses on the government as a whole and on major individual funds. Both perspectives allow the reader to address relevant questions, broaden a basis for comparison from year to year and should enhance the Government's accountability.

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Government as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Government's finances.

For governmental activities, fund financial statements depict how services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Government's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Government's most significant funds.

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

#### Reporting on the Government as a Whole

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information about the Government as a whole and about its activities in a way to determine if the Government is in better condition as a result of the year's financial results. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to accounting methods used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in these statements for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods.

These two statements report the Government's net position and related changes. You can think of the Government's net position—the difference between assets and liabilities—as one way to measure the Government's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Government's net position is one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the Government's property and sales tax base and the condition of the Government's roads and buildings, to assess the overall health of the Government.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, we divide the Government into two kinds of activities:

**Governmental activities** - Most of the Government's basic services are reported here, including public safety, streets and sanitation, culture and recreation, economic development and general administration. Property and sales taxes, charges for services, and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

**Business-type activities** - The Government charges a fee to customers to help it cover the cost of certain services it provides. The Government operates four sewer systems and a water and wastewater treatment system which are reported in the financial statements.

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The analysis below of the primary government focuses on the net position and change in net position of the Government's governmental and business-type activities.

West Feliciana Parish Government Statements of Net Position June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023 (in thousands)

	Governmental Activities			Business-type Activities				Primary Government Total				
		2024		2023		2024	2023		2023 2024		2023	
Current and other assets	\$	28,133	\$	25,371	\$	4,160	\$	3,840	\$	32,293	\$	29,211
Capital assets		28,220		28,599		11,385		7,292		39,605		35,891
Total assets		56,353		53,970		15,545		11,132		71,898		65,102
Deferred outflows of resources		454		891		89		156		543		1,047
Current and other liabilities		1,350		2,826		886		930		2,236		3,756
Long-term liabilities		1,549		1,977		3,232		2,358		4,781		4,335
Total Liabilities		2,899		4,803		4,118		3,288		7,017		8,091
Deferred inflows of resources		66		135		30		46		96		181
Net Position:												
Net investments in capital assets		26,975		27,169		8,197		4,962		35,172		32,131
Restricted		14,829		12,373		542		443		15,371		12,816
Unrestricted		12,038		10,382		2,747		2,550		14,785		12,932
Total net position	\$	53,842	\$	49,924	\$	11,486	\$	7,955	\$	65,328	\$	57,879

At June 30, 2024, the Government's net position was approximately \$65.3 million, of which approximately \$15.0 million was unrestricted. Restricted net position of \$15.2 million is reported separately to show legal constraints from debt covenants and enabling legislation that limits the Government's ability to use that net position for day-to-day operations.

Total net position of the Government's governmental activities increased by approximately \$3.9 million during the year ended June 30, 2024. Unrestricted net position represents the portion of the Government's resources that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements.

The Government operates utility systems for its constituents. The principal focus of this activity is to operate on a profitable basis or to at least cover the costs. The net position of the Government's business-type activities increased by approximately \$3.5 million during the year ended June 30, 2024.

# **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The results of this period's operations for the primary government as a whole as reported in the Statement of Activities, are as follows for the year ended June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023 (in thousands):

# West Feliciana Parish Government St. Francisville, Louisiana Statements of Activities For the years ended June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023 (in thousands)

		Governmental		Business-type							
		Activities		Activities			Total				
	2	024	2	2023	2024	2023		2024		2	023
Revenues:											_
Program revenues:											
Fees and charges for services	\$	796	\$	848	\$ 2,571	\$	2,325	\$ 3,	367	\$ :	3,173
Operating grants		2,782		1,321	-		-	2,	782		1,321
Capital grants/contributions		2,517		588	2,150		322	4,0	667		910
General revenues:											
Ad valorem taxes		6,536		6,184	-		-	6,	536	(	6,184
Sales taxes		3,283		3,800	-		-	3,	283	;	3,800
Video poker		248		241	-		-	2	248		241
Other taxes		1		2	-		-		1		2
Other general revenues		1,219		377	174		691	1,	393		1,068
Total revenues	1	7,382	,	13,361	4,895		3,338	22,	277	10	6,699
Functions/Program Expenses:											
General government		4,013		2,471	_		_	4 (	013		2,471
Culture and recreation		1,797		1,968	_		_	•	797		1,968
Health and welfare		669		671	_		_	•	669		671
Public safety		306		264	_		_		306		264
Public works		5,343		4,132	_		_		343		4,132
Business-type expenses		-		-	2,662		2,917		662		2,917
nterest expense		39		42	, -		, -	,	39		42
Total expenses	1	2,167		9,548	2,662		2,917	14,	329	1:	2,465
ncrease (decrease) in net position											
pefore transfers		5,215		3,813	2,233		421	7,	448		4,234
Transfers	(	(1,297)		-	1,297		-		-		-
Change in net position		3,918		3,813	3,530		421	7,	448		4,234
Beginning net position	4	9,924	4	46,111	7,956		7,535	57,	380	5	3,646
Ending net position	\$ 5	3,842	\$ 4	49,924	\$ 11,486	\$	7,956	\$ 65,	328	\$ 5	7,880

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Traditional users of governmental financial statements will find the fund financial statements presentation more familiar. The focus is now on major funds, rather than generic fund types.

#### Reporting the Government's Most Significant Funds

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds and not the Government as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law or by bond covenants. However, the Government establishes other funds to control and manage financial resources for particular purposes or meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other assets. The Government's two kinds of funds, governmental and proprietary, use different accounting bases.

Governmental funds - Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. Most of the Government's basic services are reported in governmental funds. These funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Government's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Government's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in the reconciliation to the financial statements.

**Proprietary funds** - When the Government charges customers for the services it provides—whether to outside customers or to other units of the Government—these services are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. In fact, the Government's proprietary funds are the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows, for proprietary funds.

**Notes to the financial statements -** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements are a required part of the basic financial statements.

**Other information** - In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning original and final budgetary comparisons to actual results for the year for the Government's major funds. These schedules are included for additional information and analysis and do not constitute a part of the basic financial statements.

### Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

The government operations of the Government are accounted for in the General, Special Revenue, and Debt Service Fund. The focus of these funds, as noted earlier, is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Government's financing requirements.

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The following is a summary of general governmental operations for the year ended June 30, 2024 by fund type (in thousands):

		Special	Debt	
	General	Revenue	Service	
	Fund	Funds	Fund	Total
Revenues & other financing sources	\$ 6,245	\$ 11,801	\$ 290	\$ 18,336
Expenditures & other financing uses	4,716	9,357	224	14,297
Surplus (deficit)	1,529	2,444	66	4,039
Fund Balance June 30, 2023	10,438	11,943_	376	22,757
Fund Balance June 30, 2024	\$ 11,967	\$ 14,387	\$ 442	\$ 26,796

The Government's governmental funds experienced a surplus of approximately \$4.0 million during the year ended June 30, 2024. There were increases in intergovernmental revenues related to grant programs of approximately \$3.4 million as well as increases in other revenues related to the sale of property. Expenses also increased approximately \$3.4 million related to ongoing projects related to the grant programs. At June 30, 2024, fund balances were approximately \$26.8 million. Approximately \$9.4 million is unassigned and available for utilization at the Government's discretion. The remainder of the fund balance has been restricted, committed, or classified as nonspendable. These restrictions are for debt service, infrastructure and maintenance, and public improvements. Committed funds are primarily to be used for emergency and Government designated capital projects.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Government. Fund balance of the General Fund was approximately \$12.0 million and \$10.4 million at the end of June 2024 and June 2023, respectively. The fund balance increased approximately \$1.5 million.

The Government's other major governmental funds are the Solid Waste Fund, Recreation Fund, and Road Improvement Fund. The Solid Waste Fund operated at a surplus of approximately \$466,000. The Recreation Fund operated at a surplus of approximately \$514,000. The Road Improvement Fund operated at a surplus of approximately \$889,000.

Sources of governmental revenues, excluding transfers, are summarized below for the years ended June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023.

	(in thousands)						
	20	24	2	023			
Source of Revenue	Revenue	Percent	Revenue	Percent			
Taxes	\$ 10,068	56%	\$ 10,227	73%			
Intergovernmental	5,260	30%	1,871	13%			
Licenses and permits	265	1%	251	2%			
Charges for services	531	3%	597	4%			
Other	2,007	11%_	1,015	7%			
Total	\$ 18,131	100%	\$ 13,961	100%			
Charges for services Other	531 2,007	3% 11%	597 1,015	4% 7%			

Revenues of the primary government for governmental fund types for the 2024 year totaled \$18.1 million, compared with \$14.0 million for the previous period. The increase is predominantly due to the increase in intergovernmental revenues for grant programs, taxes and other revenues.

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The expenditures of the primary government increased slightly by approximately \$3.4 million for the 2024 year. The increase is due to additional capital outlay expenses offset by a decline in debt payments.

General governmental expenditures for each major function are summarized in the following table.

(in thousands)

	2024				202	3	
Function	Ехр	enditures	Percent	Expe	enditures	Percent	
General government	\$	3,844	29%	\$	2,134	22%	
Culture and recreation		1,588	12%		1,714	18%	
Health and welfare		590	5%		588	6%	
Public safety		265	2%		224	2%	
Public works		3,693	29%		3,925	40%	
Capital outlay		2,879	22%		891	9%	
Debt service		223	1%		223	3%	
Total	\$	13,082	100%	\$	9,699	100%	

#### **VARIATIONS BETWEEN ORIGINAL AND FINAL BUDGET**

Budget amendments were adopted during the year ended June 30, 2024 for various funds to better reflect actual operations as they evolve through the fiscal year. The amendments were the result of variances in revenues and expenses compared to originally budgeted amounts and increases to expenditures.

#### **CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Capital Assets**

At the end of the 2024 year, the Government had approximately \$39.6 million invested in a broad range of capital assets, including land, construction in progress, buildings, utility systems, equipment, furniture and fixtures, library collection, building improvements, infrastructure, and vehicles. This amount represents an approximate \$3.7 million increase in overall capital investment balance from the prior period.

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

(in thousands)								
	Govern	mental	Busines	ss-type				
	Activ	vities	Activ	<i>i</i> ities	Tot	als		
	2024	2023	2024	2023 2024		2023		
Land	\$ 2,532	\$ 3,032	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,532	\$ 3,032		
Construction in progress	2,976	2,384	1,076	-	4,052	2,384		
Buildings	11,522	11,941	374	-	11,896	11,941		
Utility systems		-	9,778	7,095	9,778	7,095		
Equipment	1,985	1,880	150	176	2,135	2,056		
Furniture and fixtures	6	12	-	-	6	12		
Building improvements	31	34	-	-	31	34		
Infrastructure	8,711	9,105	-	-	8,711	9,105		
Vehicles	457	212	7	20	464	232		
Total assets,								
net of depreciation	\$ 28,220	\$ 28,600	\$ 11,385	\$ 7,291	\$ 39,605	\$ 35,891		

More detailed information about the Government's capital assets as well as information on the Government's capital projects is presented in Note 4 to the financial statements. The Government had approximately \$5.0 million in capital additions and disposals of approximately \$788,000 during the 2024 year. These capital outlays were predominantly related to additional purchases toward construction for improvement projects, buildings, equipment, and utility systems. Depreciation expense of the Government's assets of approximately \$1.8 million.

#### **Debt and long-term obligations**

At June 30, 2024, the Government had \$4.7 million in bonds and long-term obligations versus \$4.0 million at June 30, 2023 — as shown below:

	(in thousands)							
	Governmental Activities							
	6/30/2023	Additions	Deletions	6/30/2024				
Bonds payable Compensated absences	\$ 1,430 215	\$ - 2	\$ 185 14	\$ 1,245 203				
Total governmental activities	\$ 1,645	\$ 2	\$ 199	\$ 1,448				
		Business-Ty	pe Activites					
	6/30/2023	Additions	Deletions	6/30/2024				
Bonds payable Compensated absences	\$ 2,329 44	\$ 1,872 2	\$ 1,014 15	\$ 3,187 31				
Total business-type activities	\$ 2,373	\$ 1,874	\$ 1,029	\$ 3,218				

The Government remained current on all bonds outstanding. In 2024, The Government issued approximately \$1.9 million in Water Revenue Bonds for improvements to the Water Utility System. More detailed information about the Government's long-term liabilities is presented in Notes 10 and 11 to the financial statements.

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS**

The Government's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the budget and tax rates. One of those factors is the economy. With ad valorem tax and sales tax being the largest sources of income to support the general governmental operations of the Government, local business activities can have a significant impact on the Government.

The Government will continue to work closely with regional and state partners to seek out and take advantage of all grant opportunities available. Below are some additional highlights of the budget for 2024-2025:

- Ad Valorem taxes are estimated to decrease slightly.
- Sales taxes for video poker and sports wagering are estimated to increase. Other sales taxes are estimated to remain consistent.
- Other revenues are estimated to decline primarily as a result of grant proceeds received in fiscal 2024 that are not anticipated to be received in fiscal 2025.
- Planned improvements include the purchase of a road work vehicle, development of a comprehensive road overlay program, parks and recreation upgrades, and buildings and grounds upgrades.

#### **Contacting the Government's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Government's finances and to show accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Danyell Vice with the Government's Finance Department at (225) 635-3864, or P.O. Box 1921, St. Francisville, Louisiana 70775.



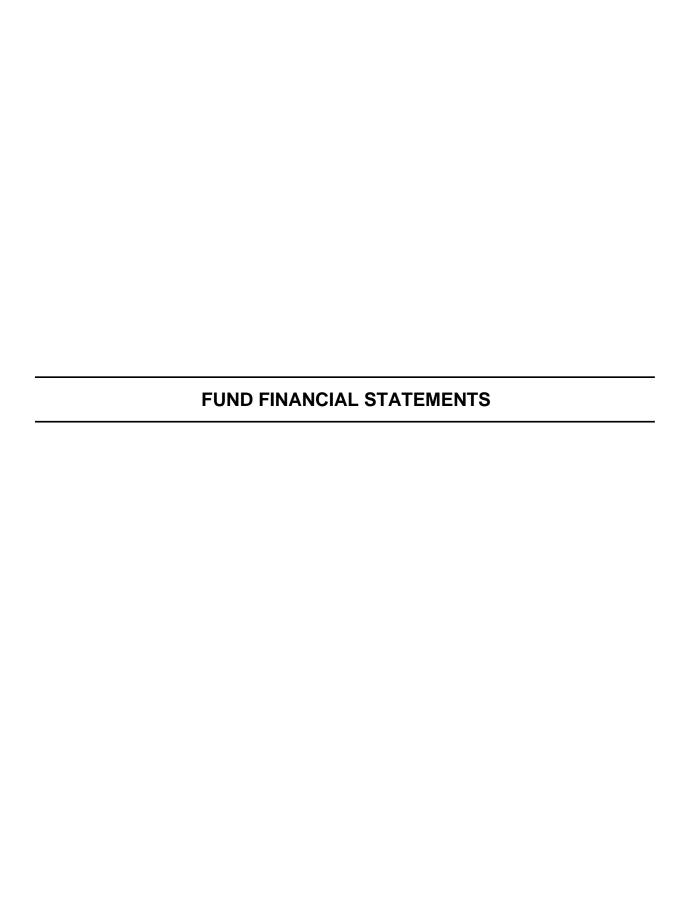
# Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

		nt	
	Governmenta	Primary Governmen  Business-type	<u> </u>
	Activities	Activities	Total
ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,828,3		\$ 2,989,362
Investments	21,885,6		23,963,838
Taxes receivable	335,3		335,347
Due from other governments	1,312,6		2,561,901
Accounts receivable (net)	1,329,2	299 129,625	1,458,924
Restricted assets:			
Investments	441,2	250 541,647	982,897
Capital assets:			
Land and construction in progress	5,507,8		6,583,955
Depreciable capital assets, net	22,711,8	331 10,308,840	33,020,671
TOTAL ASSETS	56,352,0	15,544,822	71,896,895
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES -			
Net pension liability	442,0	068 81,282	523,350
Total other post-employment benefit liability	12,1	08 7,862	19,970
Total deferred outflows of resources	454,1	76 89,144	543,320
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable	474,9	78,661	553,568
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	1,483,5	528 18,784	1,502,312
Customer deposits	-	- 180,426	180,426
Internal balances	(608,6	608,603	-
Long-term obligations:			
Due within one year	200,0	106,524	306,524
Due beyond one year	1,248,2	256 3,112,015	4,360,271
Total other post-employment benefit liability			
Due within one year	3,2	200 -	3,200
Due beyond one year	20,5	531 10,196	30,727
Net pension liability	76,7	<u>765</u> <u>2,987</u>	79,752
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,898,5	4,118,196	7,016,780
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES -			
Net pension liability	49,0	91 15,308	64,399
Total other post-employment benefit liability	16,8	323 14,313	31,136
Total deferred inflows of resources	65,9	29,621	95,535
NET POSITION:			
Net investment in capital assets	26,974,6	8,196,896	35,171,529
Restricted for:			
Debt service	441,6	361,221	802,878
Capital improvements	5,822,4	-	5,822,438
Health unit	950,7	<b>'</b> 34 -	950,734
Library	1,307,8	- 397	1,307,897
Other	6,306,3	- 335	6,306,335
Unrestricted	12,038,0	2,928,032	14,966,089
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 53,841,7	<u>* 11,486,149</u>	\$ 65,327,900

Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2024

						Primary	Gover	nment		
						R	et (Expense) evenue and anges in Net Position			
		Expenses	Fees and Charges for Services		G	Operating Frants and Intributions	-	tal Grants and ontributions		overnmental Activities
Function/Programs										
Primary Government										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$	3,962,344	\$	697,721	\$	2,701,416	\$	-	\$	(563,207)
Culture and recreation		1,774,133		-		-		-		(1,774,133)
Health and welfare		660,222		-		80,283		-		(579,939)
Public safety		302,450		98,126		-		7,788		(196,536)
Public works		5,429,314		-		-		2,509,519		(2,919,795)
Interest on long-term debt		38,420								(38,420)
Total governmental activities		12,166,883		795,847		2,781,699		2,517,307		(6,072,030)
Business-type activities:										
Enterprise - Waterworks District No. 13		2,276,331		2,352,962		-		2,149,756		-
Enterprise - Solitude sewer		129,640		65,664		-		-		-
Enterprise - Independence sewer		172,197		81,570		-		-		-
Remaining sewers		83,495		71,250		-		-		-
Total business-type activities		2,661,663		2,571,446		-		2,149,756		-
Total primary government	\$	14,828,546	\$	3,367,293	\$	2,781,699	\$	4,667,063		(6,072,030)
				al revenues: alorem taxes						6,535,889
				s taxes						3,282,977
				o poker						247,819
				er taxes						1,438
			Othe							1,219,216
				ers (to) from c	ther fu	ınds				(1,297,460)
						and transfers				9,989,879
			Chang	je in net positi	on					3,917,849
			Net po	osition, June 3	0, 202	3				49,923,902
			Net po	sition, June 3	0, 202	4			\$	53,841,751

	Re	t (Expense) evenue and anges in Net Position								
		isiness-type Activities	Total							
	\$	-	\$	(563,207)						
		-		(1,774,133)						
		-		(579,939)						
		-		(196,536)						
		-		(2,919,795)						
		-		(38,420)						
				(6,072,030)						
		2,226,387		2,226,387						
		(63,976)		(63,976)						
		(90,627)		(90,627)						
		(12,245)		(12,245)						
		2,059,539		2,059,539						
_		2,059,539		(4,012,491)						
		-		6,535,889						
		-		3,282,977						
		-		247,819						
		470.005		1,438						
		173,905		1,393,121						
		1,297,460 1,471,365		11,461,244						
		3,530,904		7,448,753						
		7,955,245		57,879,147						
	\$	11,486,149	\$	65,327,900						



Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

	General	Solid Waste		Recreation		Road Improvement		Non-Major overnmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 821,810	\$	593,982	\$	388,200	\$	554,005	\$ 470,309	\$	2,828,306
Investments	10,711,949		2,546,944		2,168,666		2,025,989	4,432,085		21,885,633
Receivables, net:										
Accounts	1,310,615		-		-		1,025	17,659		1,329,299
Taxes	68,529		136,263		70,607		57,549	2,399		335,347
Due from other funds	608,603		-		-		-	-		608,603
Due from other governments	33,617		-		-		1,263,524	15,464		1,312,605
Restricted assets:										
Investments	 		-		-		-	 441,250		441,250
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 13,555,123	\$	3,277,189	\$	2,627,473	\$	3,902,092	\$ 5,379,166	\$	28,741,043
<u>LIABILITIES</u>										
Accounts payable	\$ 176,258	\$	672	\$	14,231	\$	221,716	\$ 62,030	\$	474,907
Accrued expenses and liabilities	1,411,752		2,218		15,434		29,758	10,800		1,469,962
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,588,010		2,890		29,665		251,474	72,830		1,944,869
FUND BALANCES										
Restricted	-		3,274,299		2,597,808		3,650,618	5,306,336		14,829,061
Committed	2,569,266		-		-		-	-		2,569,266
Unassigned	 9,397,847		-		-		-	 -		9,397,847
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	11,967,113		3,274,299		2,597,808		3,650,618	5,306,336		26,796,174
TOTAL LIABILITIES										
AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 13,555,123	\$	3,277,189	\$	2,627,473	\$	3,902,092	\$ 5,379,166	\$	28,741,043

# Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

Fund balance, June 30, 2024 - governmental funds	\$ 26,796,174
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:	
Cost of capital assets at June 30, 2024 Less: accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2024  (15,453,061)	28,219,633
Accrued interest on long-term debt	(13,566)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental fund liabilities:	
Bonds payable Compensated absences	(1,245,000) (203,256)
Net pension asset balances in accordance with GASB 68:	
Deferred outflow of resources - deferred pension contributions	84,961
Deferred outflow of resources - related to net pension liability	357,107
Net pension liability	(76,765)
Deferred inflow of resources - related to net pension liability	 (49,091)
Total other post-employment benefit liability balances in accordance with GASB 75:	
Deferred outflow of resources - total other post-employment benefit liability	12,108
Total other post-employment benefit liability	(23,731)
Deferred inflow of resources - total other post-employment benefit liability	 (16,823)
Total net position at June 30, 2024 - Governmental Activities	\$ 53,841,751

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

Year Ended June 30, 2024	Sai Effect Guile 30, 2024											rmerly Major Non-Major		
		General	So	olid Waste	F	Recreation	lm	Road nprovement		uilding and Grounds		overnmental Funds	G	Total overnmental Funds
REVENUES:														
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	2,647,797	\$	-	\$	200	\$	2,509,519	\$	-	\$	102,189	\$	5,259,705
Taxes:														
Ad valorem		1,499,560		-		634,812		1,867,094		-		2,534,423		6,535,889
Beer		1,438		-		-		-		-		-		1,438
Sales		149,193		1,631,762		845,427		656,595		-		-		3,282,977
Video poker		247,819		-		-		-		-		-		247,819
Licenses and permits		264,991		-		_		-		_		-		264,991
Charges for services		236,672		-		188,668		-		_		105,516		530,856
Other revenues		697,352		178,932		112,027		270,080		-		248,692		1,507,083
TOTAL REVENUES:		5,744,822		1,810,694		1,781,134		5,303,288		-		2,990,820		17,630,758
EXPENDITURES:														
General government		2,921,843		25,192		146,250		197,060		_		266,121		3,556,466
Culture and recreation		-		-		1,100,168		-		_		487,869		1,588,037
Health and welfare		146,840		_		-		_		_		442,698		589,538
Public safety		264,960		_		_		_		_		-		264,960
Public works				1,179,955		_		2,769,079		_		903,863		4,852,897
Capital outlay		20,295		-		70,558		1,587,910		_		40,584		1,719,347
Debt service:		20,200				70,000		1,007,010				10,001		1,7 10,0 17
Principal		_		_		_		_		_		185,000		185,000
Interest		_		_		_		_		_		38,294		38,294
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		3,353,938		1,205,147		1,316,976		4,554,049		-		2,364,429		12,794,539
Excess (deficiency) of revenues														
over expenditures		2,390,884		605,547		464,158		749,239		-		626,391		4,836,219
Other financing sources (uses):		(4.000.040)		(4.40.000)										(4 500 040)
Transfers out		(1,362,243)		(140,000)		-		4 40 000		-		44700		(1,502,243)
Transfers in		-		-		50,000		140,000		-		14,783		204,783
Proceeds from sale of property		500,000		- (4.40.000)		-		-				- 44700		500,000
		(862,243)		(140,000)		50,000		140,000		-		14,783		(797,460)
Net change in fund balance		1,528,641		465,547		514,158		889,239		-		641,174		4,038,759
Fund balance, beginning, as previously presented		10,438,472		2,808,752		2,083,650		2,761,379		1,817,311		2,847,851		22,757,415
Change within financial reporting entity (major to nonmajor fund)						-		-		(1,817,311)		1,817,311		-
Fund balance, beginning, as adjusted		10,438,472		2,808,752		2,083,650		2,761,379		-		4,665,162		22,757,415
Fund balance, ending	\$	11,967,113	\$	3,274,299	\$	2,597,808	\$	3,650,618	\$	_	\$	5,306,336	\$	26,796,174
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Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net change in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ 4,038,759
The change in net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Capital outlay and other capitalized purchases Disposal of capital assets Capital outlay and other capitalized purchases (787) Depreciation expense (1,310)	7,866)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but recorded as a payout of a liability in the governmental activity.	
Bond principal payments 185,	5,000
·	1,548 (126)
	196,422
Change in net pension asset (liability) and deferred inflows and outflows in accordance with GASB 68	52,298
Change in total other post employment benefit liability and deferred inflows and outflows in accordance with GASB 75	9,615
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ 3,917,850

Statement of Net Position Enterprise Funds June 30, 2024

	Waterworks District No. 13	Independence Sewer	Solitude Sewer	Non-Major Sewer Funds	Total
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,542	\$ 511	\$ 445	\$ 150,558	\$ 161,056
Investments	2,078,205	-	-	-	2,078,205
Due from other governments	1,249,296	-	-	-	1,249,296
Receivables, net					
Accounts	109,738	5,591	6,669	7,627	129,625
Total current assets	3,446,781	6,102	7,114	158,185	3,618,182
Restricted assets					
Investments	541,647	-	-	-	541,647
Total restricted assets	541,647				541,647
Noncurrent assets Capital assets:					
Construction in progress	1,076,153	-	-	-	1,076,153
Capital assets, net of depreciation	6,762,413	2,680,493	635,507	230,427	10,308,840
Total noncurrent assets	7,838,566	2,680,493	635,507	230,427	11,384,993
TOTAL ASSETS	11,826,994	2,686,595	642,621	388,612	15,544,822
DEFERRED OUTLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Net pension liability	81,282	-	_	_	81,282
Total other post-employment benefit liability	7,862	-	_	_	7,862
Total deferred outflow of resources	89,144		-	-	89,144
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	75,732	819	1,153	957	78,661
• •	· ·	843	1,137	352	•
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	16,452	043	1,137	332	18,784
Compensated absences	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
Customer deposits	180,426	-	-	-	180,426
Due to other funds	210,000	30,000	368,603	-	608,603
Bonds payable	82,826	4,703	13,995		101,524
Total current liabilities	570,436	36,365	384,888	1,309	992,998
Long-term liabilities:					
Compensated absences	25,442	-	-	-	25,442
Total other post-employment benefit liability	10,196	-	-	-	10,196
Net pension liability	2,987	-	-	-	2,987
Bonds payable	2,391,849	209,045	485,679		3,086,573
Total long-term liabilities	2,430,474	209,045	485,679		3,125,198
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,000,910	245,410	870,567	1,309	4,118,196
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Net pension liability	15,308	-	-	-	15,308
Total other post-employment benefit liability	14,313		<u> </u>		14,313
Total deferred inflows of resources	29,621				29,621
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets	5,363,891	2,466,745	135,833	230,427	8,196,896
Debt service	361,221	-	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	361,221
Unrestricted (deficit)	3,160,495	(25,560)	(363,779)	156,876	2,928,032
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 8,885,607	\$ 2,441,185	\$ (227,946)	\$ 387,303	\$ 11,486,149
				<del></del>	

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position Enterprise Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024

	 aterworks strict No. 13			-		Total		
OPERATING REVENUES:		•		-		-		
Charges for services	\$ 2,226,129	\$	81,570	\$	65,664	\$	71,250	\$ 2,444,613
Connection and other fees	 126,833				-			 126,833
Total operating revenues	2,352,962		81,570		65,664		71,250	2,571,446
OPERATING EXPENSES:								
Salaries and employee benefits	468,437		16,478		22,100		19,677	526,692
Depreciation	310,703		91,641		44,899		17,763	465,006
Bad debt	9,411		-		-		-	9,411
Repairs and maintenance	424,363		37,022		23,291		31,079	515,755
Professional services	150,812		1,013		654		-	152,479
Insurance expense	70,765		1,891		2,538		2,233	77,427
Utilities	185,272		15,788		13,331		9,929	224,320
Supplies	376,320		-		-		-	376,320
Office supplies	39,512		-		-		-	39,512
Rent	8,400		-		-		-	8,400
Fuel	52,728		-		-		-	52,728
Regulatory fees	45,990		-		-		-	45,990
Other operating expenses	53,055		1,080		1,080		2,814	58,029
Total operating expenses	2,195,768		164,913		107,893		83,495	2,552,069
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	 157,194		(83,343)		(42,229)		(12,245)	 19,377
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):								
Other revenues	173,905		-		-		-	173,905
Grants and contributions	2,149,756		-		-		-	2,149,756
Tranfers from other funds	1,297,460		-		-		-	1,297,460
Interest expense	(80,563)		(7,284)		(21,747)		-	(109,594)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	3,540,558		(7,284)		(21,747)		-	3,511,527
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	3,697,752		(90,627)		(63,976)		(12,245)	3,530,904
NET POSITION								
Balance, beginning of year	5,187,855		2,531,812		(163,970)		399,548	7,955,245
Balance, end of year	\$ 8,885,607	\$	2,441,185	\$	(227,946)	\$	387,303	\$ 11,486,149

Statement of Cash Flows Enterprise Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

		aterworks trict No. 13		ependence Sewer		Solitude Sewer	on-Major wer Funds	 Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		_				_	 _	 _
Receipts from customers and others	\$	1,110,654	\$	79,707	\$	65,310	\$ 69,547	\$ 1,325,218
Payments to suppliers for goods and services		(1,369,983)		(56,278)		(7,867)	(210,393)	(1,644,521)
Payments to employees for services and benefits		(503,500)		(16,478)		(22,100)	 (19,681)	 (561,759)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(762,829)		6,951		35,343	 (160,527)	 (881,062)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:								
Grants and other contributions		1,351,002		-		-	-	1,351,002
Contribution from other government		1,297,460		-		-	-	1,297,460
Change in due to (due from) to other funds		(210,000)		-				(210,000)
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		2,438,462					 -	 2,438,462
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:								
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(3,298,865)		-		-	-	(3,298,865)
Proceeds from debt issuance		1,871,832		-		-	-	1,871,832
Principal payments on debt		(78,393)		(4,547)		(13,408)	-	(96,348)
Interest paid on debt		(80,563)		(7,284)		(21,747)	-	(109,594)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities		(1,585,989)		(11,831)		(35,155)	 -	 (1,632,975)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:								
Purchases of investments		(391,840)		-		-	-	(391,840)
Net cash used in investing activities		(391,840)		-		-	-	(391,840)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(302,196)		(4,880)		188	(160,527)	(467,415)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year		311,738		5,391		257	 311,085	628,471
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the year	\$	9,542	\$	511	\$	445	\$ 150,558	\$ 161,056
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:								
Operating income (loss)	\$	157,194	\$	(83,343)	\$	(42,229)	\$ (12,245)	\$ 19,377
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net								
cash provided by (used in) operating activities:								
Depreciation Red debte		310,703		91,641		44,899	17,763	465,006
Bad debts (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		9,411 (57,519)		1,534 (3,397)		1,177 (1,531)	4,207 (5,910)	16,329 (68,357)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable  (Increase) decrease in due from other governments		(1,185,639)		(3,397)		(1,551)	(3,910)	(1,185,639)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid items		58,930		-		-	-	58,930
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows related to net pension liability		67,133		-		-	-	67,133
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows related to post-employment benefits		(85)		-		-	-	(85)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		(27,718)		(1,442)		(829)	(164,484)	(194,473)
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses and other liabilities		5,953		(42)		(144)	142	5,909
Increase (decrease) in due to other funds		-		2,000		34,000	-	36,000
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits		850 (42.763)		-		-	-	850 (42.763)
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences Increase (decrease) in total post-employment benefit liability		(13,762) (1,137)		-		-	-	(13,762) (1,137)
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows related to post-employment benefit		(813)		-		-	-	(813)
(Increase) decrease related to net pension liability		(71,180)					_	(71,180)
(Increase) decrease in deferred inflows related to net pension liability		(15,150)						(15,150)
Total adjustments		(920,023)		90,294		77,572	(148,282)	(900,439)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	(762,829)	\$	6,951	\$	35,343	\$ (160,527)	\$ (881,062)
Non-cash investing, capital, and financing activities:								
Forgiveness of debt	\$	917,198	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 917,198
Acquisition of capital assets	·	1,259,211	•	-	•	-	-	1,259,211

Fiduciary Funds Statement of Fiduciary Net Postion Custodial Funds June 30, 2024

	spital tenance	Sa	ales Tax	Total		
ASSETS  Cash and cash equivalents  Taxes receivable	\$ - 339	\$	163,593	\$	163,932	
Total assets	339		163,593		163,932	
LIABILITIES  Due to other governmental agencies	339		163,593		163,932	
Total liabilities	339		163,593		163,932	
NET POSITION  Restricted for other governments	\$ 	\$		\$		

Fiduciary Funds Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Custodial Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

ADDITIONS  Taxes, fees, etc. paid to tax collector  Total additions		lospital intenance	;	Sales Tax	Total		
		215,828 215,828	\$	1,969,786 1,969,786	\$	2,185,614 2,185,614	
DEDUCTIONS  Taxes, fees, etc. distributed to taxing bodies and others		215,828		1,969,786		2,185,614	
Total deductions		215,828		1,969,786		2,185,614	
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position		-		-		-	
NET POSITION, BEGINNING							
NET POSITION, ENDING	\$		\$	<u>-</u>	\$		



Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

#### Introduction

The West Feliciana Parish Government (hereafter referred to as the Government) is the governing authority for West Feliciana Parish and is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana.

Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1236 gives the Government various powers in regulating and directing the affairs of the Parish and its inhabitants. The more notable of these are the power to make regulations for its own governments; to regulate the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges and drainage systems; to regulate the sale of alcoholic beverages; and to provide for the health and welfare of the poor, disadvantaged and unemployed in the Parish.

The West Feliciana Parish Government was originally governed by the provisions of the Lawrason Act, La. Revised Statute 33:321-481. The electorate adopted a Home Rule Charter (the Charter) on November 26, 2012, that became effective on January 1, 2014. The Charter provided for a mayor-council form of government. The Council is elected to member districts. There are currently five council members serving four year terms and they are compensated for their services. The Charter also required a change in accounting period end from December 31st to June 30th.

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements of the West Feliciana Parish Government have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Private Sector Standards of Accounting issued on or prior to November 30, 1989 generally are followed in both the government wide financial statements and the proprietary fund type financial statements as made applicable through GASB Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements

#### **Financial Reporting Entity**

The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government and organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and a financial benefit/burden relationship exists.

Governmental accounting standards establishes the criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the consolidated government for financial reporting purposes. The basic criteria are as follows:

- 1. Legal status of the potential component unit
- 2. Financial accountability
  - a. The primary government appoints a voting majority of the potential component units governing body and the primary government is able to impose its will on the potential component unit or
  - b. When a potential component unit is fiscally dependent on the primary government regardless of whether the organization has separately elected officials or boards.
- 3. Financial benefit/burden relationship between the Government and the potential component unit.
- 4. Misleading to exclude due to 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.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Financial Reporting Entity (continued)**

Based on the previous criteria, the Government has included the following component units in the financial reporting entity:

#### Blended Component Units - Governmental Activities

The West Feliciana Parish Library – The West Feliciana Parish Library (the Library) provides resources and services to individuals for informational needs for day-to-day living and pleasure, and for cultural, educational, and leisurely pursuits. The Library was established by the West Feliciana Parish Government, under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 25:211. The Library does not possess all the corporate powers necessary to make it a legally separate entity from the West Feliciana Parish Government. The Library's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2024 are presented in this report.

20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Criminal Court Fund – 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Criminal Court Fund (Criminal Court Fund) was established for the purpose of payment of expenses the Court deemed necessary by the Judges for efficient operations of the Court. Although the district court judges are independently elected officials, the Criminal Court Fund is fiscally dependent on the Government and exclusion would create misleading or incomplete financial statements of the Government. The Criminal Court Fund's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2024 are presented in this report.

#### Blended Component Unit - Business Type Activities

Waterworks District No. 13 – The Waterworks District No. 13 (the District) was created by the Government as allowed under Louisiana Revised Statute Section 33:7702. The District accounts for the operations and provisions of water services to the residents and boundaries of the District as described in Louisiana Revised Statute Section 33:3381. The councilmen of the Government act as the governing body of the District. The District's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2024 are presented in this report. Separately issued financial statements for the Waterworks District No. 13 can be obtained at Waterworks District No. 13; Danyell Vice, Finance Director; P.O. Box 1921; St. Francisville, Louisiana 70775 or (225) 635-3864.

#### Discrete Component Unit – Not Presented in Financial Statements

The West Feliciana Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 (the Hospital) was established pursuant to state statutes. The Government appoints and removes the Board members of the Hospital. The Hospital is fiscally independent from the Government, issues its own debt, approves its budgets, and sets its rates and charges. The Government has no authority to designate management or approve or modify rates. The Government is not obligated for any debt of the Hospital. The Government does levy taxes on behalf of the Hospital which could have a significant impact to the Hospital's budget. The Hospital's year end is October 31st. These funds have not been discretely presented in the Government's financial statements.

## Related Organizations

Related organizations of the Government which do not meet the definition of component units and issue their own financial statements separately from the Government include (1) Gas Utility District No.1; (2) West Feliciana Parish 911 Communications District; (3) West Feliciana Parish Clerk of Court; (4) West Feliciana Parish Sheriff; (5) the West Feliciana Parish Assessor; (6) West Feliciana Parish Tourist Commission; (7) West Feliciana Parish Fire Protection District No. 1, and (8) West Feliciana Parish District Attorney.

Complete financial statements of the discrete component unit and related organizations can be obtained from its applicable administrative offices or at the office of the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, 1600 North Third Street, P.O. Box 94937, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9397 or online at http://appl.lla.state.la.us/PublicReports.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. 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 demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Emphasis of fund financial reporting is on the major fund level in either the governmental or business-type categories. Major funds are presented alone in a separate column, while non-major funds are summarized into a single column in the basic financial statements. The daily accounts and operations of the Government are organized on the basis of individual funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund, both major and non-major, are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds of the primary government are grouped into generic fund types and broad fund categories as presented below, along with identification of major funds.

Governmental activities presented as governmental funds in the fund financial statements are as follows:

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Government. The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds. The General Fund is always a major fund.

Special Revenue Funds – Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes. Special Revenue funds that are considered to be major funds are the Solid Waste Fund, Recreation Fund, and the Road Improvement Fund.

Debt Service Funds – Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for and the payment of general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

Capital Project Funds – Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities. There are no capital protect funds presented for the year ended June 30, 2024.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## **Fund Financial Statements (continued)**

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 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 enterprise funds reported as major funds include Waterworks District No. 13, Solitude Sewer, and Independence Sewer.

Enterprise funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation of capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Fiduciary funds – custodial funds account for collecting and disbursing activities that the Government performs on behalf of other local governments in a custodial capacity. They utilize the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied.

Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

The 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 tax revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period, while intergovernmental (grant) revenues are considered available if received within one year. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

## **Activity Between Funds**

Activities between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "due to/from other funds".

Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Cash and Investments

The Government's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State law and the Government's investment policy allow the Government to invest in collateralized certificates of deposits, government backed securities, commercial paper, the state sponsored investment pool, and mutual funds consisting solely of government-backed securities.

## **Ad Valorem Taxes and Sales Tax**

Ad valorem taxes are collected by the West Feliciana Parish Tax Collector's Office and remitted to the Government on a monthly basis. Values are established by the West Feliciana Parish Assessor's Office each year.

Ad valorem taxes are assessed and levied on a calendar year basis, based on the assessed value on January 1 of the assessment year. However, before taxes can be levied, the tax rolls must be submitted to the State Tax Commission for approval. Taxes are due and payable by November 15. An enforceable lien attaches on the property as of November 15. As of December 31, taxes become delinquent and interest and penalty accrue. Taxes are generally collected in January, February and March of the fiscal year.

Total assessed value was \$434,330,921 in 2023. Louisiana state law exempts the first \$75,000 of assessed value of a tax payer's primary residence from parish property taxes. This homestead exemption was \$19,135,415 of the assessed value in calendar year 2023.

The following are the Government authorized and levied ad valorem taxes for 2023:

	Expiration Date	Authorized Millage	Levied <u>Millage</u>
		-	_
General Fund	N/A	4.00	3.57
Improvement Fund	2026	8.89	8.89
Health Service	2026	1.00	1.00
Hospital	2026	0.50	0.50
Library (Bond)	2031	0.60	0.60
Library	2031	1.50	1.50

The Government is authorized to levy a one percent sales and use tax for all sales within the incorporated area of the Town of St. Francisville. The Government is authorized to levy a two percent sales and use tax for all sales outside the incorporated area of the Town of St. Francisville.

## **Prepaid Expenses**

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### **Restricted Assets**

Certain proceeds for customer deposits, capital and merchandise, grants, road improvement, construction projects, and debt service are classified as restricted assets on the statement of net position because their use is limited.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## **Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (roads, bridges, sidewalks, sewer infrastructure, and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The Government maintains a threshold level of \$5,000 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.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives
Buildings and improvements	10-40 years
Equipment	3-10 years
Furniture and fixtures	7-10 years
Library collection	3-5 years
Vehicles	5 years
Infrastructure	20-40 years
Utility systems	20-40 years

### **Compensated Absences**

Regular full-time employees earn a certain amount of sick leave each year, depending upon the length and their employment status. Sick leave can be accumulated without limitation. Upon separation of employment, excluding retirement, no sick leave shall be paid to employees. The balance of the sick leave shall be kept on the schedule for a period of five years and reinstated if the employee is rehired.

Regular full-time employees may also accrue compensatory time in lieu of overtime payment. Compensatory time may be carried over to the next calendar year. There is no limit on the amount of compensatory time an employee may accumulate during the term of his/her employment, but is with an understanding that only a maximum of 40 hours will be paid to employees upon retirement or separation.

In the government-wide financial statements and the propriety fund types fund statements, the total compensated absences liability is recorded as an expense and a long-term obligation and allocated on a functional basis. In accordance with GASB Interpretation No.6 Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Financial Statements, (issued in March of 2000), no compensated absences liability is recorded at June 30, 2024, in the governmental fund financial statements. The liquidation of the compensated absence liabilities will be paid proportional to funds in which the compensation was paid, primarily the general and proprietary funds.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Pension Plans**

The West Feliciana Parish Government is a participating employer in three defined benefit pension plans (plans) as described in Note 13. For purposes of measuring the Net Pension Liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of each of the plans, and additions to/deductions from each plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by each of the plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments have been reported at fair value within each plan.

### **Fund Balance**

The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- Nonspendable fund balance amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid items) or are required to be maintained intact;
- Restricted fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantor, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation;
- Committed fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its
  highest level of decision-making authority by a vote of the Council; to be reported as committed, amounts
  cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to
  remove or change the constraint;
- Assigned fund balance amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be
  expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governmental body delegates the
  authority such as the Government's management;
- Unassigned fund balance amounts that are available for any purpose.

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

## **Net Position**

The Government has implemented GASB Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position.* This standard provides guidance for reporting the financial statement elements of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. Deferred outflows represent the consumption of the Government's net position that is applicable to a future reporting period. A deferred inflow represents the acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period.

Because deferred outflows and deferred inflows are, by definition, neither assets nor liabilities, the statement of net assets title is referred to as the statement of net position. The statement of net position reports net position as the difference between all other elements in a statement of net position and should be displayed in three components—net investment in capital assets, restricted net position (distinguishing between major categories of restrictions), and unrestricted net position.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## **Net Position (continued)**

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of borrowings for capital asset acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets, increased by deferred outflows of resources attributable to capital asset acquisition, construction or improvement, and deferred inflows of resources attributable to either capital asset acquisition, construction, or improvement or to capital asset related debt. Capital-related debt or deferred inflows equal to unspent capital asset related debt proceeds or deferred inflows of resources is included in calculating either restricted or unrestricted net position, depending upon whether the unspent amounts are restricted.

Restricted net position reflects net position when there are limitations imposed on a net position's use by external parties such as creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments. Restricted net position consists of restricted assets less liabilities related to restricted assets less deferred inflows related to restricted assets. Liabilities and deferred inflows related to restricted assets include liabilities and deferred inflows to be liquidated with restricted assets and arising from the same resource flow that results in restricted assets. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Unrestricted net position is the balance (deficit) of all other elements in a statement of net position remaining after net investment in capital assets and restricted net position.

The Government has implemented GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. This standard provides guidance for reporting the financial statement elements of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, required by GASB Statement No. 63, as applied to the governmental fund statements. In addition to identifying which items should be reported in these new categories in proprietary fund, fiduciary fund, government-wide statements of net position and governmental fund balance sheets, GASB Statement No. 65 also identifies certain items previously reported as assets and liabilities that the GASB determined should be recognized as revenues, expenses, or expenditures when incurred and not reported in statements of net position/balance sheets.

### **Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## **Current Year Adoption of New Accounting Standards**

The Government implemented GASB Statement 99, *Omnibus 2022*. The statement establishes or amends accounting and financial reporting requirements for specific issues related to financial guarantees, derivative instruments, leases, public-public and public-private partnerships (PPPs), subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs), the transition from the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly, food stamps), nonmonetary transactions, pledges of future revenues, the focus of government-wide financial statements, and terminology. The adoption of this statement did not significantly impact these financial statements.

The Government implemented GASB Statement 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections-an amendment of GASB Statement 62. This Statement aims enhance the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The adoption of this statement required additional reporting and disclosure in the current financial statements.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

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

- a. A letter of request is sent on or about April 1 to each department head requesting submission of operating budget along with the capital outlay budget request. Each department head is encouraged to seek help from the finance department and have their final budget requests in the main office by May 1.
- b. The Parish President submits to the Council a proposed operating budget at least forty-five days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and total anticipated revenues.
- c. At the meeting of the Council at which the operating budget is submitted, the Council orders a public hearing on it. At least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, the council publishes in the official journal a general summary of the
- d. At least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, the Government publishes in the official journal a general summary of the proposed budget.
- e. After the holding of the public hearing and completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance, no later than the fifteenth day of the last month of the fiscal year.
- f. Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one department, office, or agency to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated require the adoption of an ordinance by the Council.
- g. Every appropriation, except an appropriation for a capital expenditure, lapses at the close of the fiscal year to the extent that it has not been expended.
- h. Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended from time to time by the Council.

## 2. Deposits, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

At June 30, 2024, the Government had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$2,989,362 consisting of deposits with financial institutions. These deposits were stated at cost, which approximates market. Deposits in financial institutions can be exposed to custodial credit risk. 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 fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent.

Custodial risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned. Under the state law, all deposits are required to be secured by federal depository insurance or the pledge of securities held by the pledging banks agent in the Government's name. As of June 30, 2024, the primary government's bank balances amounted to \$3,648,526. Of the bank balances, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and the remaining balances are required to be protected against custodial credit risk by collateral held by the pledging banks' trust department or agent in the Government's name. The primary government's deposits were not exposed to credit risk as of June 30, 2024.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 2. Deposits, Cash Equivalents, and Investments (continued)

#### Investments:

As of June 30, 2024, the primary government had the following investments:

Investment Type Fair Value

Investments measured at the net asset value (NAV)

External investment pool \$ 24,946,735

The \$24,946,735 invested in LAMP are investment in money market instruments. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LSA-R.S. 33:2955.

- Credit risk: LAMP is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's.
- Custodial credit risk: LAMP participants' investments in the pool are evidenced by shares of the pool.
  Investments in pools should be disclosed but not categorized because they are not evidenced by
  securities that exist in physical or book-entry form. The public entity's investment is with the pool, not the
  securities that make up the pool; therefore, no disclosure is required.
- Concentration of credit risk: Pooled investments are excluded from the 5 percent disclosure requirement. The Government does not have a limit on the amount the Government may invest in one issuer. One hundred percent of the Government's investments are in LAMP funds.
- Interest rate risk: LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their
  account balances. LAMP prepares its own interest rate disclosure using the weighted average maturity
  (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days and consists of no
  securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days or 762 days for U.S. Government floating/variable rate
  investments.
- Foreign currency risk: Not applicable. LAMP complies with the provisions of Louisiana Law concerning permissible investments for municipalities, parishes and other political subdivisions set for in La R.S. 33:2955 and the investment policy does not provide for investment in foreign obligations.

The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based on quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

An annual audit of LAMP is conducted by an independent certified public accountant. The Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana has full access to the records of LAMP.

LAMP issues financial reports which can be obtained by writing: LAMP, Inc., 228 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 1123, New Orleans, LA 70130.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

### 3. Accounts Receivable and Due from Other Governments

Accounts receivable and due from other governments consists of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received. Allowances for uncollectible accounts are based upon historical trends, period aging and prior write-offs of similar accounts receivable, receivables balances, ad valorem, sales, and franchise tax collections. Accounts receivable and due from other governments for the primary government at June 30, 2024 were as follows:

## **Governmental Activities:**

					Service Fees	
	1	√arious		Sales	and	
		Taxes		Taxes	Other	Total
General	\$	56,250	\$	12,279	\$ 1,344,232	\$ 1,412,761
Solid Waste		-		136,263	-	136,263
Recreation		1,026		69,581	-	70,607
Road Improvement		3,018		54,531	1,264,549	1,322,098
Non-Major Governmental Funds		2,399		-	33,123	35,522
Total	\$	62,693	\$	272,654	\$ 2,641,904	\$ 2,977,251

# **Business-type Activities:**

		Combined	
	Waterworks	Sewer	
	District No. 13	Funds	Total
Operating fund	\$ 194,339	\$ 49,763	3 \$ 244,102
Grants	1,249,296	-	1,249,296
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	( 84,601)	( 29,876	6) <u>( 114,477</u> )
Total	\$ 1,359,034	\$ 19,887	7 \$ 1,378,921

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

# 4. Capital Assets

## **Governmental Activities**

The following is a summary of the changes in capital assets for the primary government for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	06/30/23 Balance	Additions	Deletions	Transfers	06/30/24 Balance
Capital Assets Not Depreciated					
Land	\$ 3,032,245	\$ -	\$ (500,000)	\$ -	\$ 2,532,245
Construction in Progress	2,384,280	879,143	(287,866)	-	2,975,557
Subtotal	5,416,525	879,143	(787,866)		5,507,802
Depreciated					
Buildings	18,698,573	83,614	-	-	18,782,187
Equipment	4,330,777	374,856	-	-	4,705,633
Library Equipment	439,666	-	-	-	439,666
Furniture & Fixtures	116,581	-	-	-	116,581
Library Collections	214,899	-	-	-	214,899
Infrastructure	12,632,325	33,191	-	-	12,665,516
Building improvements (Library)	129,421	-	-	-	129,421
Vehicle	848,294	348,543	(85,848)		1,110,989
Subtotal	37,410,536	840,204	(85,848)	<del>-</del>	38,164,892
Accumulated Depreciation					
Buildings	(6,758,615)	(500,287)	_	_	(7,258,902)
Equipment	(2,463,751)	(263,916)	_	_	(2,727,667)
Library Equipment	(426,538)	(6,417)	_	_	(432,955)
Furniture & Fixtures	(105,423)	(5,918)	_	_	(111,341)
Library Collections	(214,899)	-	_	_	(214,899)
Infrastructure	(3,527,442)	(427,909)	-	-	(3,955,351)
Building improvements (Library)	(95,313)	(2,413)	-	-	(97,726)
Vehicle	(636,202)	(103,865)	85,848	-	(654,219)
Subtotal	(14,228,183)	(1,310,725)	85,848	_	(15,453,060)
Net capital assets being depreciated	23,182,353	(470,521)			22,711,832
Total capital assets, net	\$ 28,598,878	\$ 408,622	\$ (787,866)	\$ -	\$ 28,219,634

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

# 4. Capital Assets (continued)

# **Governmental Activities (continued)**

Depreciation expense totaling \$1,310,725 for the year ended June 30, 2024 was charged to the following government functions:

General government	\$ 504,909
Culture and recreation	208,570
Health and welfare	77,429
Public safety	34,799
Public works	 485,018
Total	\$ 1,310,725

# **Business-type Activities**

The following is a summary of the changes in capital assets for the primary government for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	06/30/23 Balance	Additions	Deletions Transfers		06/30/24 Balance	
Capital Assets Not Depreciated		•				
Construction in Progress	<u> </u>	\$ 1,076,153	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,076,153	
Subtotal	<del>-</del>	1,076,153	-	-	1,076,153	
Capital Assets Being Depreciated						
Utility Systems	16,542,493	3,106,794	-	-	19,649,287	
Buildings	-	375,129	-	-	375,129	
Equipment	590,686	-	-	-	590,686	
Vehicles	207,523	_		-	207,523	
Subtotal	17,340,702	3,481,923	-		20,822,625	
Accumulated Depreciation						
Utility Systems	(9,446,491)	(424,206)	-	-	(9,870,697)	
Buildings	-	(1,250)	-	-	(1,250)	
Equipment	(414,536)	(26,548)	-	-	(441,084)	
Vehicles	(187,752)	(13,002)	-	-	(200,754)	
Subtotal	(10,048,779)	(465,006)			(10,513,785)	
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	7,291,923	3,016,917			10,308,840	
Total capital assets, net	\$ 7,291,923	\$ 4,093,070	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,384,993	

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#### 5. Dedicated Revenue

#### Sales and Use Tax

The Government has a one percent sales and use tax approved for an indefinite term by the voters on October 9, 1984. The tax, after all necessary costs for collection and administration, is to be used for purposes in the percentages assigned as follows.

- Dedicated for maintaining, operating, acquiring and/or improving solid waste collection and disposal facilities in and for the parish
- · Dedicated for maintaining, operating and/or improving the West Feliciana Parish Hospital
- Dedicated for maintain and improving roads in the Parish

An additional ½ of one percent sales and use tax was approved by voters on November 6, 2012 for 7 years for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, maintaining, operating and/or improving buildings, facilities and equipment for the West Feliciana Parish Hospital.

The additional ½ of one percent sales tax was approved by voters on November 16, 2019 for an additional 10 years for the purpose of 75% for acquiring, constructing, maintaining, operating and/or improved buildings, facilities and equipment for the West Feliciana Parish Hospital and 25% for repairing, maintaining, and improving public roads and bridges in West Feliciana Parish, including the acquisition, maintenance and/or operation of equipment and materials for said purpose.

#### 6. Tax Revenues Abated

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 June 30, 2024, \$193,000 in West Feliciana Parish Government ad valorem tax revenues were abated by the state of Louisiana through the Louisiana Industrial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption program.

## 7. Interfund Balances

From time to time, cash may be borrowed between funds or costs may be fronted by one fund for another fund resulting in interfund balances. The amounts are not expected to be repaid within one year as they depend on the timing of receipts in other funds. The following interfund balances existed at June 30, 2024.

	_	ue from ner Funds	Due to Other Funds		
Governmental Activities: General	<u>\$</u> \$	608,603 608,603	<u>\$</u> \$	-	
Business-Type Activities: Independence Sewer Waterworks District No. 13 Solitude Sewer	\$	- - - -	\$	30,000 210,000 368,603 608,603	
Total	\$	608,603	\$	608,603	

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

### 8. Interfund Transfers

Transfers between funds occur to provide reimbursement of certain operating costs and are not expected to be repaid. Transfers between funds during the year ended June 30, 2024 occurred as follows:

	Transfers In		Transfers Out	
Governmental Activities:				
General Fund	\$	-	\$	1,362,243
Solid Waste Fund		-		140,000
Recreation Fund		50,000		-
Road Improvement Fund		140,000		-
Non-Major Governmental Funds		14,783		
·	\$	204,783	\$	1,502,243
Business-Type Activities:				
Waterworks District No. 13	\$	1,297,460	\$	-
Non-Major Sewer Funds				
•		1,297,460		-
Total	\$	1,502,243	\$	1,502,243

## 9. Disaggregation of Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Governmental activities accounts payables and accrued liabilities as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Vendors	\$ 474,907
Salaries and benefits payable	1,469,962
Interest payable	 13,566
Total governmental fund encumbrances	\$ 1,958,435

Business-type accounts payable and accrued liabilities as of June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Vendors	\$ 78,661
Salaries and benefits payable	8,401
Interest payable	 10,383
Total business-type fund encumbrances	\$ 97,445

# 10. Governmental Activities Long-Term Obligations

## **Activities**

Long-term liability activity of governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

								Α	mounts
	Beginning						Ending	Dι	ıe Within
	Balance Additions		Reductions		Balance		One Year		
Bonds payable	\$ 1,430,000	\$	=	\$	(185,000)	\$	1,245,000	\$	190,000
Compensated absences	214,804		2,452		(14,000)		203,256		10,000
	\$ 1,644,804	\$	2,452	\$	(199,000)	\$	1,448,256	\$	200,000

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 10. Governmental Activities Long-Term Obligations (continued)

## **Bonds Payable**

For the purpose of constructing a public library building, acquiring furniture and fixtures, and acquiring equipment, the Government issued \$3,500,000 in general obligation bonds during the year ended June 30, 2013.

Bonds outstanding were as follows at June 30, 2024:

	Date of Issue	U	inal/Notional Balance	Ending Balance	
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012, 2.25% to 3.0%	8/01/2012	\$	3,500,000	\$ 1,245,000	
		\$	3,500,000	\$ 1,245,000	

Principal and interest payments are due as follows:

Year Ending June 30,		Principal		Interest		Total
2005	Φ	400.000	Φ	04.750	ф	004.750
2025	\$	190,000	\$	31,756	\$	221,756
2026		195,000		26,944		221,944
2027		205,000		21,816		226,816
2028		210,000		16,237		226,237
2029		220,000		10,050		230,050
2030		225,000		3,374		228,374
	\$	1,245,000	\$	110,177	\$	1,355,177

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012

These bonds were offered for public sale that are subject to the following:

- Termination events with finance related consequences During any period after the initial delivery of the
  Bonds in book-entry-only form when the Bonds are delivered in multiple certificates form, upon request of
  a registered owner of at least \$1,000,000 in principal amount of Bonds outstanding, all payments of
  principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds will be made by wire transfer in immediately
  available funds.
- Subjective acceleration clauses The Government may call the Bonds at the option of the Issuer on or after March 1, 2022.

## **Legal Debt Margin**

Computation of legal debt margin for general obligation bonds is as follows:

Ad valorem tax – Assessed valuation, 2023 tax rolls	\$ 434,330,921
Debt limit: 10% of assessed valuation (for any purpose)	\$ 43,433,092
Debt limit: 15% of assessed valuation (for sewerage purposes)	\$ 65,149,638
Debt limit: 35% of assessed valuation (aggregate, all purposes)	\$ 152,015,822

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 11. Business-Type Activities Long-Term Obligations

#### Activities

Long-term debt activity of business-type activities for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

							Α	mounts
	Beginning					Ending	Dι	ue Within
	Balance	 Additions Reductions		s Balanc		Balance One \		
Direct Placement Debt	\$ 848,267	\$ 1,871,832	\$	(935, 153)	\$	1,784,946	\$	18,698
Other Debt	1,481,544	-		(78,393)		1,403,151		82,826
Compensated absences	44,204	 2,000		(15,762)		30,442		5,000
	\$ 2,374,015	\$ 1,873,832	\$	(1,029,308)	\$	3,218,539	\$	106,524

## **Bonds and Notes Payable**

#### Direct Placement Debt

For the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of constructing and acquiring improvements and renovations to the Solitude sewer system, the Government issued \$429,000 in sewer revenue bonds during the year ended December 31, 2006. The bonds were borrowed on the credit of the income and revenues derived or to be derived from the operation of the Solitude sewer system. The bonds' collateral is a pledge of the Solitude sewer system's revenue.

For the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of constructing and acquiring improvements and renovations to the Solitude sewer system, the Government issued \$236,000 in sewer revenue bonds during the year ended December 31, 2006. The bonds were borrowed on the credit of the income and revenues derived or to be derived from the operation of the Solitude sewer system. The bonds' collateral is a pledge of the Solitude sewer system's revenue.

For the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of constructing and acquiring improvements and renovations to the Independence sewer system, the Government issued \$253,000 in sewer revenue bonds during the year ended December 31, 2012. The bonds were borrowed on the credit of the income and revenues derived or to be derived from the operation of the Independence sewer system. The bonds' collateral is a pledge of the Independence sewer system's revenue.

In February 2023, the Consolidated Waterworks District No.13 of West Feliciana Parish entered into an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Health (the Department) as part of the State of Louisiana Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund whereby the Department has committed to loan the Government up to \$4,240,000 to fund a portion of the costs of acquiring and constructing additions, extensions, and improvements to its waterworks system. The loan is to be advanced in incremental amounts as project costs are incurred. The indebtedness to the Government will be evidenced through the Taxable Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2024 in the amount of \$4,240,000.

The bond will mature in 20 principal installments, payable annually on July 20 beginning no later than one year after the completion date. Each annual installment due is based upon a pre-determined percentage of the ultimate amount of the borrowing that is not forgivable. Interest on the bonds is incurred at the rate of 1.95% and payment thereof began August 1, 2023 and continues to occur semi-annually thereafter. The bonds are to be funded with amounts provided under the Safe Water Drinking Act. A portion of the bond funds advanced is forgivable as a debt upon advancement. The District received advances of bond funds of \$1,871,832 during fiscal year 2024 and \$917,198 has been forgiven.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 11. Business-Type Activities Long-Term Obligations (continued)

## **Bonds and Notes Payable (continued)**

Other Debt

For the purpose of improving and extending the waterworks system, the Consolidated Waterworks District No.13 of West Feliciana Parish issued \$2,600,000 in water revenue bonds during the year ended December 31, 1997. The bonds were borrowed on the credit of the income and revenues derived or to be derived from the operation of the waterworks system. The bonds' collateral is a pledge of the water system's revenue.

Bonds outstanding were as follows at June 30, 2024:

	Date of	Origi	nal / Notional	Ending
	Issue		Balance	Balance
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2006, 4.25%	6/15/2006	\$	429,000	\$ 321,688
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2006, 4.375%	6/15/2006		236,000	177,985
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2012, 2.0% - 3.25%	6/1/2012		253,000	213,748
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 1997, 5.0%	3/20/1997		2,600,000	1,403,151
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023, 1.95%	2/9/2023		4,240,000	1,071,525
		\$	7,758,000	\$ 3,188,097

Principal and interest payments for direct placements are as follows:

Year Ending							
June 30,	F	Principal	Interest		Total		
2025	\$	18,698	\$ 28,325	\$	47,023		
2026		19,471	27,552		47,023		
2027		20,279	26,744		47,023		
2028		21,118	25,904		47,022		
2029		21,994	25,029		47,023		
2030 - 2034		124,438	110,677		235,115		
2035 - 2039		152,532	82,583		235,115		
2040 - 2044		187,037	48,078		235,115		
2045 - 2049		115,531	12,748		128,279		
2050 - 2052		32,323	1,634		33,957		
	\$	713,421	\$ 389,274	\$	1,102,695		
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The Series 2023, Water Revenue Bonds are being funded on a revolving loan basis until the underlying project is completed. Therefore, as of June 30, 2024, there is no future payout schedule.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 11. Business-Type Activities Long-Term Obligations (continued)

## **Bonds and Notes Payable (continued)**

Other Debt (continued)

Principal and interest payments for other debt is as follows:

Year Ending					
June 30,	P	rincipal	 Interest		Total
2025	\$	82,826	\$ 67,870	\$	150,696
2026		87,063	63,633		150,696
2027		91,518	59,178		150,696
2028		96,200	54,496		150,696
2029		101,122	49,574		150,696
2030 - 2034		588,713	164,767		753,480
2035 - 2037		355,709	 23,658		379,367
	\$ -	1,403,151	\$ 483,176	\$	1,886,327

Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2006

This bond is a direct placement bond that is subject to the following:

- Events of default with finance-related consequences These bonds would be in default for failure of
  payment of principal and interest when due or non-performance of observance of covenants, agreements,
  or conditions in the Bond Resolution.
- Subjective acceleration clauses The Government may prepay the whole or any part of the principal amount of any installment on any Bond at any time.

Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2012

This bond is a direct placement bond that is subject to the following:

- Events of default with finance-related consequences These bonds would be in default for failure of payment of principal and interest when due or non-performance of observance of covenants, agreements, or conditions in the Bond Resolution.
- Subjective acceleration clauses The Government may prepay the whole or any part of the principal amount of any installment on any Bond at any time.

Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1997

These bonds were offered for public sale that are subject to the following:

- Events of default with finance-related consequences These bonds would be in default for failure of payment of principal and interest when due, failure to comply with the provisions of the resolution, or shall default in any covenant for a period of 30 days after written notice thereof.
- Subjective acceleration clauses The Government may prepay the whole or any part of the principal amount of any installment on any Bond at any time.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 11. Business-Type Activities Long-Term Obligations (continued)

## **Bonds and Notes Payable (continued)**

Other Debt (continued)

Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023

This bond is a direct placement bond that is subject to the following:

- Events of default with finance-related consequences This bond would be in default for failure of
  payment of principal and interest when due, failure to comply with the provisions of the resolution, or shall
  default in any covenant for a period of 30 days after written notice thereof.
- Subjective acceleration clauses The Government may prepay the whole or any part of the principal amount of any installment on the bond at any time.

### 12. Pension Plans

The West Feliciana Parish Government (the Government) is a participating employer in three cost-sharing defined benefit pension plans. These plans are administered by three public employee retirement systems, the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana – Plan B (PERS), the District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS) and the Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System (ROVERS). 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 and all Systems are component units of the State of Louisiana.

Each of the Systems issues an annual 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:

ROVERS: PERS: DARS: 7905 Wrenwood Blvd. 1645 Nicholson Drive PO Box 57 Baton Rouge, Louisiana Baton Rouge, LA Jennings, LA 70809 70802-8143 70546 (225) 267-4824 (225) 928-1361 (800) 510-8515 www.persla.org www.ladars.org www.larovers.com

The Government implemented Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68 on Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Statement 71 on Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an Amendment of GASB 68. These standards require the Government to record its proportional share of each of the pension plans Net Pension Liability (Asset) and report the following disclosures:

#### **Plan Descriptions:**

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS)

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana is the administrator of a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. The System was established and provided for by R.S.11:1901 of the Louisiana Revised Statute (LRS). The System provides retirement benefits to employees of taxing districts of a parish or any branch or section of a parish within the State which does not have their own retirement system and which elects to become members of the system. The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to these appropriate statutes for more complete information.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 12. Pension Plans (continued)

#### Plan Descriptions (continued):

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS) (continued)

## Eligibility Requirements:

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.

#### Retirement Benefits:

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

For employees hired prior to January 1, 2007:

- 1. Age 55 with thirty (30) years of creditable service.
- 2. Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service.
- 3. 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 for any member of Plan B shall consist of an amount equal to two percent of the members' final average compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions, as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

## Survivor Benefits:

Plan B members need ten (10) years of service credit to be eligible for survivor benefits. Upon the death of any member of Plan B with twenty (20) or more years of creditable service who is not eligible for normal retirement, the plan provides for an automatic Option 2 benefit for the surviving spouse when he/she reaches age 50 and until remarriage, if the remarriage occurs before age 55.

A surviving spouse who is not eligible for Social Security survivorship or retirement benefits, and married not less than twelve (12) months immediately preceding death of the member, shall be paid an Option 2 benefit beginning at age 50.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

#### 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## Plan Descriptions (continued):

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS) (continued)

Deferred Retirement Option Plan:

Act 338 of 1990 established the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for the Retirement 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 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.

For individuals who become eligible to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan on or after January 1, 2004, all amounts which remain credited to the individual's subaccount after termination in the Plan 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 this Plan 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 the Plan are the sole liability and responsibility of the participant and the designated provider to which contributions have been made.

## Disability Benefits:

For Plan B, a member shall be eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if he/she was 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 B shall be paid a disability benefit equal to the lesser of an amount equal to two percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his years of service, not to be less than fifteen, or an amount equal to what the member's normal benefit would be based on the member's current final compensation but assuming the member remained in continuous service until his earliest normal retirement age.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## Plan Descriptions (continued):

District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS)

The District Attorneys' Retirement System, State of Louisiana is the administrator of a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. The System was established on the first day of August, 1956 and was placed under the management of the board of trustees for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits as stated under the provisions of R.S. 11, Chapter 3 for district attorneys and their assistants in each parish.

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 board for assistant district attorneys. 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.

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 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 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.

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 three percent (three and one-half percent 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 fifteen years) or projected continued service to age sixty.

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#### 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## Plan Descriptions (continued):

District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS) (continued)

Upon the death of a member with less than 5 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 5 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 widows of members who have retired an annual cost of living increase of 3% of their original benefit, (not to exceed sixty dollars per month) and all retired members and widows who are sixty-five 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.

In lieu of receiving a 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 three years 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 the money 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.

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#### 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## Plan Descriptions (continued):

District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS) (continued)

Prior to January 1, 2009, eligible members could elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) for up to three years 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 one percent. 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 sub-account after termination of participation in the plan were invested in liquid money market funds. Interest was credited thereon as actually earned.

Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System (ROVERS)

The System was established on January 1, 1955 for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits as stated under the provisions of R.S. Title 11:2032, as amended, for registrars of voters, their deputies and their permanent employees in each parish. 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.

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.

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 sixty years, who shall have completed ten 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 sixty years.

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#### 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## Plan Descriptions (continued):

Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System (ROVERS) (continued):

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 sixty years shall be entitled to a regular retirement allowance. The disabled member who has not yet attained age sixty shall be entitled to a disability benefit equal to the lesser of three percent of his average final compensation multiplied by the number of creditable years of service (not to be less than fifteen years) or three and one third percent of average final compensation multiplied by the years of service assuming continued service to age sixty. Disability benefits may not exceed two-thirds of earnable compensation.

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.

In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement allowance, any member with ten or more years of service at age sixty, twenty or more years of service at age fifty-five, or thirty 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 employment and receive 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 provisions for the System allows the board of trustees to provide an annual cost of living increase of 2.5% 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 sixty and have been retired at least one year. Funding criteria for granting cost of living adjustments is dependent on the funded ratio.

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#### 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## **Funding Policy**

Article X, Section 29(E)(2)(a) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the Legislature the authority to determine employee contributions. 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).

Contributions to the plans are required and determined by State statute (which may be amended) and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The contribution rates in effect for the year ended June 30, 2024, for the Government and covered employees were as follows:

	Government	Employees
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B):	7.50%	3.00%
District Attorneys' Retirement System	12.00%	8.00%
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	18.00%	7.00%

The contributions made to the Systems for the past three fiscal years, which equaled the required contributions for each of these years, were as follows:

	June 30,						
	2024	2023	2022				
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B):	\$ 185,107	\$ 197,688	\$ 187,691				
District Attorneys' Retirement System	2,730	1,876	1,876				
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	5,198	5,198	4,653				

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The following schedule lists the Government's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) allocated by each of the pension plans based on the December 31, 2023 (PERS) and June 30, 2023 (DARS and ROVERS) measurement date. The Government uses this measurement to record its Net Pension Liability (Asset) and associated amounts as of June 30, 2024 in accordance with GASB Statement 68. The schedule also reflects the change in the proportionate share from the previous measurement date. The Government's proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) 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.

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# 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

	L	Pension Liability Valuation Date	Rate at 2023 Valuation Date	Increase (Decrease) to 2022 Rate
Governmental Activities: Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B) District Attorneys' Retirement System Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	\$	16,931 25,425 34,409 76,765	1.687836% 0.029648% 0.181054%	-0.122673% -0.000870% 0.000421%
Business-Type Activities: Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B)		2,987	0.297813%	-0.013696%
The following schedule list each pension plan's recognized per Governmental Activities:	nsion	expense:		

Governmental Activities:

Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B)	\$ (21,856)
District Attorneys' Retirement System	5,722
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System	 3,137
	\$ (12,997)

Business-Type Activities:

Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B) \$

At June 30, 2024, the Government reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		In	Deferred Iflows of Esources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	67,466	\$	(52,512)
Changes of assumptions		40,798		-
Contributions in excess (deficiency) of required amount		14,550		(7,998)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		281,086		-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions		20,479		(3,889)
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date		98,971		-
Total	\$	523,350	\$	(64,399)

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## 12. Pension Plans (continued)

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

Summary totals of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources by pension plan:

	Deferred			Deferred
	0	utflows of	In	nflows of
	R	esources	Re	esources
Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B)	\$	490,296	\$	(58,151)
District Attorneys' Retirement System		11,244		(1,871)
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System		21,810		(4,377)
	\$	523,350	\$	(64,399)

The Government reported a total of \$98,971 as deferred outflow of resources related to pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement which will be recognized as a reduction in Net Pension Liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. The following schedule list the pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement period for each pension plan:

	Sı	ıbsequent
	Co	ntributions
Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B)	\$	91,043
District Attorneys' Retirement System		2,730
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System		5,198
	\$	98,971

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	F	PERS B		DARS ROVERS		DARS		 Total
2025	\$	32,668	\$	2,142	\$	6,179	\$ 40,989	
2026		171,917		1,740		(89)	173,568	
2027		251,374		4,069		7,341	262,784	
2028		(114,857)		(1,308)		(1,196)	 (117,361)	
	\$	341,102	\$	6,643	\$	12,235	\$ 359,980	

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## 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## **Actuarial Assumptions**

Service Lives

Mortality

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability for each pension plan as of June 30, 2024 are as follows

5 years

expenses

2.20%

6.10% net of investment

PERS (Plan B)

Valuation Date
December 31, 2023

Actuarial Cost Method
Entry Age Normal

Actuarial
Assumptions:
Expected
Remaining

DARS

June 30, 2023
Entry Age Normal
Entry Age Normal
Entry Age Normal

Investment Rate of Return 6.40% net of investment expenses
Inflation Rate 2.30% per annum

4 years

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Health Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females MP2021 usina 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 MP2021 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2021 scale for disabled annuitants.

authorized by the Board of

Salary Increases 4.25%

Cost of Living
Adjustments

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 increase not yet

Trustees.

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Above-Median General 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

MP2019 scale. 5.0% (2.2% inflation, 2.8% merit)

retirees.

Only those previously granted.

Table for General Disabled

Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for disabled

generational projection using the

with

each

5 years

6.25% net of investment

**ROVERS** 

expenses

June 30, 2023

Entry Age Normal

2.30%

RP-2010 Public Retirement Mortality Table Plans general employees multiplied by 120% for males and 120% for females each with full projection using generational MP-2019 the appropriate 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 -Disabled Annuitants.

5.25%

The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by 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.

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#### 12. Pension Plans (continued)

## **Actuarial Assumptions (continued)**

The following schedule list the methods used by each of the retirement systems in determining the long term rate of return on pension plan investments:

DARS

**PERS** The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments determined was using triangulation method which integrated the capital asset pricing model (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an building-block equity model Risk (bottom-up). return and correlations are projected on a forward-looking basis equilibrium, in which best estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.40% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.50% for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The long-term estimated expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which bestestimates ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The resulting long-term rate of return is 7.70% for the year ended June 30, 2023.

**ROVERS** The long-term expected rate of return on pension investments was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment inflation) expense. and developed for each major asset These ranges class. combined to produce the longterm expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The resulting long-term rate of return is 8.37% for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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 the valuation date:

	T	arget Allocation		Long-Term Ex	xpected Real R	ate of Return
Asset Class	PERS	DARS	ROVERS	PERS	DARS	ROVERS
Equities	51.0%	50.11%	57.5%	3.20%	n/a	4.51%
Fixed income	33.0%	32.82%	32.5%	1.12%	n/a	0.91%
Alternatives	14.0%	16.90%	0.0%	0.67%	n/a	0.00%
Cash	0.0%	0.20%	0.0%	0.00%	n/a	0.00%
Real assets	2.0%	0.0%	10.0%	0.11%	n/a	0.45%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	5.10%	5.02%	5.87%
Inflation Expected Arithmetic				2.40%	2.68%	2.50%
Nominal Return				7.50%	7.70%	8.37%

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## 12. Pension Plans (continued)

#### 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 determine the total pension liability. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for PERS, DARS and ROVERS was 6.40%, 6.10%, and 6.25%, respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2024.

# Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the Government's proportionate share of the Net Pension (NP) Liability (Asset) using the discount rate of each Retirement System as well as what the Government's proportionate share of the NP Liability (Asset) 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:

				Current		
	1.0	% Decrease	Dis	count Rate	1.0	% Increase
Governmental Activities:						
Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B)						
Rates		5.40%		6.40%		7.40%
Government's Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	968,842	\$	16,931	\$	(779,756)
District Attorneys' Retirement System						
Rates		5.10%		6.10%		7.10%
Government's Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	47,514	\$	25,425	\$	6,893
Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System						
Rates		5.25%		6.25%		7.25%
Government's Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	62,601	\$	34,409	\$	10,448
Business-Type Activities:						
Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan B)						
Rates	_	5.40%	_	6.40%	_	7.40%
Government's Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	170,949	\$	2,987	\$	(137,585)

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## 13. Other Postemployment Benefits

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description – The West Feliciana Parish (the Parish) provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. The West Feliciana 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 as provided by Louisiana Revised Statute Title 17 Sections 1221 through 1224. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Section P52 Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions—Reporting For Benefits Not Provided Through Trusts That Meet Specified Criteria—Defined Benefit.

Benefits Provided – Medical benefits are provided through a comprehensive medical plan and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Most employees are covered by 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, 2008, 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.

Employees covered by benefit terms - At June 30, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

#### Governmental Activities:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	-
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	=
Active employees	33
	33
Business-Type Activities:	
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	_
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	6

## **Total OPEB Liability**

The Parish's total OPEB liability of \$33,997 was measured as of June 30, 2024 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability as of the June 30, 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 3.0%

Salary increases 3.0%, including inflation

Prior Discount rate 3.65%

Discount rate 3.93% annually

Healthcare cost trend rates 5.5% annually for 5 years, decreasing to 4.14% after 52 years Mortality 100% of Pub-2010 for General Employees and Healthy Retirees

with MP-2021 Scale

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## 13. Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

## **Total OPEB Liability (continued)**

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation AA municipal bond index as of June 30, 2024, the end of the applicable measurement period.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2024 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2024.

## **Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

	Go۱	<i>e</i> rnmental	Business-Typ		
	A	ctivities	Activities		
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$	22,182	\$	11,333	
Changes for the year:					
Service cost		72		212	
Interest		811		418	
Differences between expected and actual experience		(1,292)		877	
Changes in assumptions		1,958		(2,644)	
Benefit payments and net transfers					
Net changes		1,549		(1,137)	
Balance at June 30, 2024	\$	23,731	\$	10,196	

The amount due within one year for the total OPEB liability is estimated to be \$3,200.

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 (2.65%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.65%) than the current discount rate:

	Current 1.0% Decrease Discount Rate (2.93 %) (3.93%)		ount Rate	1.0% Increase (4.93%)		
Total OPEB Liability – Governmental Activities	\$	25,077	\$	23,731	\$	22,523
Business-Type Activities	\$	11,031	\$	10,196	\$	9,469

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 (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

	1.0% Decrease (4.5%)		Tr	ealth Cost end Rate (5.5%)	1.0% Increase (6.5%)	
Total OPEB Liability – Governmental Activities	\$	22,573	\$	23,731	\$	25,016
Business-Type Activities	\$	9,491	\$	10,196	\$	10,997

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 13. Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

# OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Parish recognized OPEB expense of \$(11,662). At June 30, 2024, the Parish reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferre	d Outflows	Deferre	ed Inflows of	
	of Re	sources	Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	16,238	\$	(3,567)	
Changes in assumptions		3,732		(27,569)	
Total	\$	19,970	\$	(31,136)	

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

Years Ending June, 30:	_	
2025	\$	(13,175)
2026		(1,588)
2027		(1,907)
2028		(1,908)
2029		1,073
Thereafter		6,339
	\$	(11,166)

## 14. Sales Tax Remitted to Other Taxing Authority

Act 711 of the 2010 Louisiana Legislative Session amended LRS 24:513 B to provide required footnote disclosure in the financial statements of local governments that collect tax for other taxing jurisdictions. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Government received \$1,969,787 from the tax collector, West Feliciana Parish School Board, for the West Feliciana Parish Hospital Service District No.1. Of this amount, the Government withheld \$32,231 for the taxing authority's share of audit, legal, and administrative fees. This resulted in a remittance of \$1,937,556 of sales tax collections to the West Feliciana Parish Hospital during the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### 15. Lease

Waterworks District No. 13 paid approximately \$8,400 during the year ended June 30, 2024 to the Government for office space during the period on a month-to-month basis at a rate of \$700 per month.

## 16. Commitments and Contingencies

The Government participates in a number of federally assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to state and federal monitoring examinations which could result in disallowed costs having to be returned to the granting agency. Management believes that further examinations would not result in material disallowed costs.

At June 30, 2024, the Government had incurred construction contract commitments of approximately \$3,377,000.

# Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

## 17. Risk Management

## Litigation and General Liability

The Government is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Government has purchased various insurance policies to cover such risks.

The Government is a defendant in various lawsuits. Management and legal counsel for the Government believe that potential claims against the Government not covered by insurance would not materially affect the Government's financial position.

## 18. Change in Major Fund

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Government recognized the Buildings and Grounds Fund (previously a major fund) as a non-major fund. Below is a summary of the reporting units affected by the adjustment to beginning balances:

Fund balances at beginning of year, as previously presented \$ 1,817
Change within financial reporting entity (major to non-major fund)
Fund balances, as adjusted \$ \$

	<b>Buildings and</b>		Other			
	Grounds			lon-Major		
	\$	1,817,311	\$	2,847,851		
)		(1,817,311)		1,817,311		
	\$	-	\$	4,665,162		

Funds

#### 19. Detailed Restricted Net Position

Details of restricted Net Position as reported in the entity-wide Statement of Net Position are as follows:

	Governmental Business-Type Activities Activities		Total	
Capital improvements:				
Dedicated property taxes authorized by the electorate for				
specific revenue funds	\$ 5,822,438	\$ -	\$ 5,822,438	
Total net position restricted for captial projects	5,822,438	5,822,438		
Debt service:				
Waterworks District No. 13 debt service	-	361,221	361,221	
Debt service for obligation bonds	441,657	-	441,657	
Total net position restricted for debt service	441,657	361,221	802,878	
External legal constraints:				
Dedicated property taxes authorized by the electorate				
specific revenue funds	4,856,439	-	4,856,439	
Dedicated sales taxes authorized by the electorate				
specific revenue funds	3,540,561	-	3,540,561	
Court fees for juror compensation and judicial expenses	167,966	-	167,966	
Total net position restricted for external legal constraints	8,564,966	-	8,564,966	
Total restricted net position	\$ 14,829,061	\$ 361,221	\$ 15,190,282	

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2024

# 20. Detailed Fund Balances

Details of nonspendable, restricted, committed, and unassigned fund balances at year-end are as follows:

	General	Solid Waste	Recreation	Road Improvement	Non-Major Governmental	Total
Restricted for:						
Dedicated property taxes						
Library service and construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,307,897	\$ 1,307,897
Road and building improvements	_	-	-	3,650,618	2,171,820	5,822,438
Debt service	-	-	-	-	441,657	441,657
Health services	_	-	-	-	950,734	950,734
Recreation	_	-	2,597,808	-	-	2,597,808
Dedicated sales taxes						
Solid waste and improvement	_	3,274,299	-	-	-	3,274,299
Economic development and other services	_	-	-	-	266,262	266,262
Court fees for juror compensation and judicial expenses	_	-	-	-	167,966	167,966
Total restricted		3,274,299	2,597,808	3,650,618	5,306,336	14,829,061
Committed to:						
General capital improvements	2,569,266					2,569,266
Unassigned	9,397,847					9,397,847
Total fund balances	\$ 11,967,113	\$ 3,274,299	\$ 2,597,808	\$ 3,650,618	\$ 5,306,336	\$ 26,796,174

# Required Supplementary Information

## **Major Fund Descriptions**

### **General Fund:**

General Fund - The General Fund accounts for all transactions not required to be accounted for in another fund.

## **Special Revenue Funds:**

Solid Waste Fund - This fund accounts for sales tax collections for the purpose of maintaining, operating, and acquiring and/or improving solid waste collection and disposal facilities in and for the Parish.

Recreation Fund - This fund accounts for designated tax levy and proceeds from sales tax collections for recreational parks around the parish.

Road Improvement Fund - This fund accounts for designated tax levy for acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating public roads and bridges and related drainage equipment. This fund also accounts for financing provided by the State of Louisiana Parish Road Fund.

Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget		Final Budget  26 \$ 329,809		Actual 0.047.707		F	/ariance - Favorable nfavorable)
Revenues:	\$	20E 026	φ	220 200	φ	0.647.707	ф	2 247 000
Intergovernmental	Ф	305,026	Ф	329,609	\$	2,647,797	\$	2,317,988
Taxes Ad valorem		1,383,020		1,383,000		1,499,560		116,560
Beer		2,000		2,000		1,499,560		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Sales		2,000 145,000		2,000 145,000		149,193		(562) 4,193
				•		•		•
Video poker		140,000		211,000		247,819		36,819
Licenses and permits		211,000		213,100		264,991		51,891
Charges for services		241,000		241,900		236,672		(5,228)
Other revenues		238,500		438,500	-	697,352		258,852
Total revenues		2,665,546		2,964,309		5,744,822		2,780,513
Evpandituraci								
Expenditures:		1 070 776		1 720 902		2 024 042		(1 102 040)
General government Culture and recreation		1,878,776 2,700		1,739,803 2,700		2,921,843		(1,182,040) 2,700
		•				146.040		•
Health and welfare		142,500		96,600		146,840		(50,240)
Public safety		187,000		276,000		264,960		11,040
Capital outlay		200,000		1,550,000		20,295		1,529,705
Total expenditures		2,410,976		3,665,103		3,353,938	-	311,165
Excess of revenues over expenditures		254,570		(700,794)		2,390,884		3,091,678
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers out Transfers in		-		(903,364)		(1,362,243)		(458,879)
Proceeds from sale of property		-		-		500,000		500,000
Total other financing sources (uses)				(903,364)	-	(862,243)		500,000 41,121
Total other illiancing sources (uses)				(903,304)		(802,243)	-	41,121
Excess of revenues and other financing sources over								
expenditures and other financing sources (uses)		254,570		(1,604,158)		1,528,641		3,132,799
Fund balance, beginning		9,476,727		9,476,727		10,438,472		961,745
Fund balance, ending	\$	9,731,297	\$	7,872,569	\$	11,967,113	\$	4,094,544

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Solid Waste Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget			Final Budget	Actual	Fa	ariance - avorable favorable)
Revenues:							
Taxes:							
Sales	\$	1,450,000	\$	1,450,000	\$ 1,631,762	\$	181,762
Other		93,200		93,200	178,932		85,732
Total revenues		1,543,200		1,543,200	1,810,694		267,494
Expenditures:							
General government		51,000		51,000	25,192		25,808
Public works		1,345,000		1,345,000	1,179,955		165,045
Total expenditures		1,396,000		1,396,000	 1,205,147		190,853
Excess of revenues over expenditures		147,200		147,200	605,547		458,347
Other financing sources (uses):							
Transfers out		(140,000)		(140,000)	 (140,000)		-
		(140,000)		(140,000)	 (140,000)		-
Excess of revenues							
and other financing sources over							
expenditures and other financing sources (uses)		7,200		7,200	465,547		458,347
Fund balance, beginning		2,398,886		2,398,886	 2,808,752		409,866
Fund balance, ending	\$	2,406,086	\$	2,406,086	\$ 3,274,299	\$	868,213

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Recreation Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget			Final Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)			
Revenues:									
Intergovernmental	\$	100	\$	100	\$	200	\$	100	
Local sources:									
Ad valorem		580,000		625,426		634,812		9,386	
Sales		823,000		823,000		845,427		22,427	
Charges for services		180,200		173,710		188,668		14,958	
Other		40,000		98,231		112,027		13,796	
Total revenues		1,623,300		1,720,467		1,781,134		60,667	
Expenditures:									
General government		135,150		135,808		146,250		(10,442)	
Capital outlay		330,000		380,000		70,558		309,442	
Culture and recreation		1,140,050		1,142,258		1,100,168		42,090	
Total expenditures		1,605,200		1,658,066		1,316,976		341,090	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		18,100		62,401		464,158		401,757	
Other financing sources (uses):									
Transfers in		-		50,000		50,000		-	
		-		50,000		50,000			
Excess of revenues and other financing sources over									
<b>G</b>		18,100		112,401		514,158		401,757	
Fund balance, beginning		1,587,218		1,587,218		2,083,650		496,432	
Fund balance, ending	\$	1,605,318	\$	1,699,619	\$	2,597,808	\$	898,189	

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Road Improvement Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget		Budget			Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)		
Revenues:	•		_		_				
Intergovernmental	\$	210,400	\$	1,736,236	\$	2,509,519	\$	773,283	
Taxes:									
Ad valorem		1,711,000		1,848,858		1,867,094		18,236	
Sales		630,000		630,000		656,595		26,595	
Other		46,200		87,050		270,080		183,030	
Total revenues		2,597,600		4,302,144		5,303,288		1,001,144	
Expenditures:									
General government		262,350		261,758		197,060		64,698	
Capital outlay		425,000		2,123,275		2,747,923		(624,648)	
Public works		1,969,800		2,031,300		2,769,079		(737,779)	
Total expenditures		2,657,150		4,416,333		5,714,062		(1,297,729)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(59,550)		(114,189)		(410,774)		(296,585)	
Other financing sources (uses):									
Transfers in		140,000		140,000		140,000		-	
Total other financing sources (uses)		140,000		140,000		140,000		-	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over									
expenditures and other financing sources (uses)		80,450		25,811		(270,774)		(296,585)	
Fund balance, beginning		2,115,899		2,115,899		2,761,379		645,480	
Fund balance, ending	\$	2,196,349	\$	2,141,710	\$	2,490,605	\$	348,895	

## Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Financial statement reporting date	Measurement date	Ser	vice cost	lr	nterest	be act ex	ference etween tual and spected perience	as	changes of esumptions or other inputs	Benefit ayments	et change in total OPEB liability	otal OPEB liability - peginning	otal OPEB liability - ending	Cov	vered employee payroll	lotal OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll
6/30/2024	6/30/2024	\$	284	\$	1,229	\$	(415)	\$	(686)	\$ -	\$ 412	\$ 33,515	\$ 33,927	\$	1,933,046	1.76%
6/30/2023	6/30/2023	\$	300	\$	1,075	\$	2,162	\$	(239)	\$ -	\$ 3,298	\$ 30,217	\$ 33,515	\$	2,256,009	1.49%
6/30/2022	6/30/2022	\$	577	\$	689	\$	2,164	\$	(4,811)	\$ -	\$ (1,381)	\$ 31,598	\$ 30,217	\$	2,190,300	1.38%
6/30/2021	6/30/2021	\$	570	\$	636	\$	1,773	\$	125	\$ -	\$ 3,104	\$ 28,494	\$ 31,598	\$	2,502,310	1.26%
6/30/2020	6/30/2020	\$	3,319	\$	4,063	\$	9,279	\$	(102,583)	\$ -	\$ (85,922)	\$ 114,416	\$ 28,494	\$	2,429,427	1.17%
6/30/2019	6/30/2019	\$	1,768	\$	3,875	\$	9,289	\$	3,258	\$ (3,032)	\$ 15,158	\$ 99,258	\$ 114,416	\$	2,420,559	4.73%
6/30/2018	6/30/2018	\$	1,913	\$	3,625	\$	7,239	\$	(2,411)	\$ (2,874)	\$ 7,492	\$ 91,766	\$ 99,258	\$	2,350,058	4.22%

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

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB 75 for this OPEB plan

## Benefit Changes.

#### Measurement date

6/30/2022 There were no changes of benefit terms for the year ended June 30, 2022 6/30/2023 There were no changes of benefit terms for the year ended June 30, 2023 6/30/2024 There were no changes of benefit terms for the year ended June 30, 2024

## Changes of Assumptions.

The changes in assumptions balance was a result of changes below used in each measurement of total OPEB liability.

	6/30/2017	6/30/2018	6/30/2019	6/30/2020	6/30/2021	6/30/2022	6/30/2023	6/30/2024
Discount Rate	3.58%	3.87%	3.50%	2.21%	2.16%	3.54%	3.65%	3.93%
Mortality Rate	RP-2000	RP-2000	RP-2000	RP-2014	RP-2014	RP-2014	RP-2014	RP-2014
Trend	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%

Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Cost Sharing Plans Only For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 (\*)

Pension Plan	Year	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Covered Payroll	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
Parochial Emp	oloyees' Retirem	ent System of Louisiana F	Plan B			
	2024	1.6878%	19,918	2,538,633	0.7846%	99.77%
	2023	1.8105%	505,230	2,533,434	19.9425%	94.26%
	2022	1.8159%	(1,014,763)	2,484,171	-40.8492%	114.20%
	2021	2.1424%	(550,014)	2,451,255	-22.4381%	106.76%
	2020	2.3376%	(169,115)	2,597,033	-6.5119%	102.05%
	2019	2.2846%	617,216	2,355,990	26.1977%	91.93%
	2018	2.2668%	(285,204)	2,286,631	-12.4727%	104.02%
	2017	2.3129%	300,467	2,304,117	13.0404%	95.50%
	2016	2.3280%	414,494	2,231,399	18.5755%	93.48%
	2015	2.3467%	6,514	2,046,033	0.3184%	99.89%
District Attorne	eys' Retirement	System				
	2024	0.0296%	25,425	22,750	111.7582%	85.85%
	2023	0.0305%	32,874	19,750	166.4506%	81.65%
	2022	0.0301%	5,354	19,750	27.1089%	96.79%
	2021	0.2990%	23,691	18,855	125.6484%	84.86%
	2020	0.0385%	12,387	18,550	66.7763%	93.13%
	2019	0.0385%	12,396	23,596	52.5343%	92.92%
	2018	0.0390%	10,519	23,950	43.9207%	93.57%
	2017	0.0319%	6,109	10,475	58.3199%	95.09%
	2016	0.0340%	1,832	20,350	9.0025%	98.56%
	2015	0.0464%	926	22,150	4.1806%	99.45%
Registrar of V	oters Employee	s' Retirement System of L	ouisiana			
. region an or r	2024	0.1811%	34,409	28,876	119.1612%	86.73%
	2023	0.1806%	44,292	28,876	153.3869%	82.46%
	2022	0.1866%	5,920	25,851	22.9005%	97.68%
	2021	0.2132%	45,931	28,885	159.0133%	83.32%
	2020	0.1051%	19,662	28,885	68.0699%	84.83%
	2019	0.2082%	49,148	28,885	170.1506%	80.57%
	2018	0.2109%	46,296	28,885	160.2770%	80.51%
	2017	0.2103%	59,667	14,443	413.1205%	73.98%
	2016	0.1861%	45,578	25,245	180.5427%	76.86%
	2015	0.1940%	44,863	25,245	177.7104%	77.68%
	-		,	- /		

<sup>(\*)</sup> The amounts presented have a measurement date as of the previous fiscal year end.

Schedule of Contributions to Each Retirement System Cost Sharing Plans Only For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Pension Plan:	Year	Re	tractually equired tribution <sup>1</sup>	Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required Contribution <sup>2</sup>		Def	ribution iciency (cess)	mployer's rered Payroll	Contributions as a % of Covered Payroll
Parochial Employee	es' Retirement Sys	stem of Lou	isiana Plan B						
, ,	2024	\$	185,107	\$	185,107	\$	-	\$ 2,468,092	7.50%
	2023		197,688		197,688		-	2,635,834	7.50%
	2022		187,691		187,691		-	2,502,546	7.50%
	2021		179,083		179,083		-	2,387,773	7.50%
	2020		187,200		187,200		-	2,495,995	7.50%
	2019		192,752		192,752		-	2,570,032	7.50%
	2018		176,444		176,444		-	2,276,838	7.75%
	2017		185,643		185,643		-	2,320,522	8.00%
	2016		191,839		191,839		-	2,257,545	8.50%
	2015		198,591		198,591		-	2,231,399	8.90%
District Attorneys' R	etirement System	1							
	2024	\$	2,730	\$	2,730	\$	-	\$ 22,750	12.00%
	2023		1,876		1,876		-	19,750	9.50%
	2022		1,876		1,876		-	19,750	9.50%
	2021		754		754		-	18,855	4.00%
	2020		742		742		-	18,550	4.00%
	2019		295		295		-	23,596	1.25%
	2018		-		-		-	23,950	0.00%
	2017		-		-		-	23,950	0.00%
	2016		367		367		-	10,475	3.50%
	2015		1,425		1,425		-	20,350	7.00%
Registrar of Voters	Employees' Retire	ement Syste	em of Louisiana						
	2024	\$	5,198	\$	5,198	\$	-	\$ 28,876	18.00%
	2023		5,198		5,198		-	28,876	18.00%
	2022		4,653		4,653		-	25,850	18.00%
	2021		5,199		5,199		-	28,885	18.00%
	2020		5,199		5,199		-	28,885	18.00%
	2019		4,911		4,911		-	28,885	17.00%
	2018		4,911		4,911		-	28,885	17.00%
	2017		5,777		5,777		-	28,885	20.00%
	2016		3,249		3,249		-	14,443	22.50%
	2015		6,122		6,122		-	25,245	24.25%

## For reference only:

Employer contribution rate multiplied by employer's covered payroll
 Actual employer contributions remitted to Retirement Systems
 Covered payroll amount for each of the fiscal year ended June 30

## Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### **Changes of Benefit Terms include:**

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana Plan B

No changes noted

District Attorneys' Retirement System

No changes noted

Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

No changes noted

#### **Changes of Assumptions**

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana Plan B

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2018:

• The investment rate of return changed from 7.00% to 6.75%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2019:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.75% to 6.50%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.50% to 2.40%.

There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2020.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2021:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.50% to 6.40%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.40% to 2.30%.

There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2022.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2023:

The long-term rate of return changed from 7.00% to 7.70%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2024:

- The long-term rate of return changed from 7.70% to 7.50%.
- The scale used for mortality was changed from MP2018 to MP2021.

#### District Attorneys' Retirement System

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2018:

• The investment rate of return changed from 7.00% to 6.75%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2019:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.75% to 6.50%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.50% to 2.40%.

There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2020.

## Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### **Changes of Assumptions** (continued)

District Attorneys' Retirement System (continued)

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2021:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.50% to 6.25%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.40% to 2.30%.
- The mortality table was changed from RP-2000 Combined Healthy with White Collar Adjustment Sex Distinct Tables to Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2022:

- The expected remaining service lives changed from 6 years to 5 years.
- The investment rate of return changed from 6.25% to 6.10%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.30% to 2.20%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2023:

The long-term rate of return changed from 8.25% to 7.69%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2024:

• The long-term rate of return changed from 7.69% to 7.70%.

Registrar of Voters Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2018:

• The investment rate of return changed from 7.00% to 6.75%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2019:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.75% to 6.50%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.50% to 2.40%.

There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2020.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2021:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.50% to 6.40%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.40% to 2.30%.

There were changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2022:

- The investment rate of return changed from 6.40% to 6.25%.
- The inflation rate changed from 2.40% to 2.30%.
- The mortality table changed from RP-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table to RP-2000 Healthy Mortality Table for active members, healthy annuitants, and beneficiaries and RP-2000 Disabled Lives Mortality Table for disabled annuitants.

There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2023.

There were no changes of assumptions for the year ended June 30, 2024:

• The long-term rate of return changed from 8.75% to 8.37%.

## Other Supplemental Information

#### **Non-Major Fund Descriptions**

#### **Special Revenue Funds:**

Health Unit Fund - This fund accounts for designated tax levy for the purpose of acquiring maintaining, and operating public health facilities and other social services.

Economic Development Fund - This fund accounts for the previous designated tax levy for the purpose of economic development by promoting, encouraging, and assisting in locating, development and expansion of agricultural, industrial, manufacturing, and professional concerns in the Parish.

West Feliciana Library Fund - This fund accounts for designated tax levy for the purpose of providing resources and services to fulfill individual information needs for day-to-day living and pleasure, and for cultural, educational and leisurely pursuits.

Criminal Court Fund - This fund accounts for the receipts of court fees and fines and the disbursements of court costs of the 20th Judicial District.

Buildings and Grounds Fund - This fund accounts for designated levy for the on-going maintenance and preservations of Government property.

#### **Debt Service Fund:**

Debt Service Fund – Accumulates funds for the payment of obligation bonds obtained by the Government.

Combining Balance Sheet Non-Major Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

	He	alth Unit		conomic relopment	We	st Feliciana Library	Crir	ninal Court		iildings and Grounds	De	bt Service		Total
<u>ASSETS</u>				•		•								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	81,339	\$	13,777	\$	102,499	\$	166,383	\$	106,311	\$	-	\$	470,309
Investments		863,302		253,085		1,223,586		-		2,092,112		-		4,432,085
Receivables:														
Accounts		2,369		-		1,018		14,272		-		-		17,659
Taxes		-		-		-		-		1,992		407		2,399
Due from other governments		8,064		-		-		-		7,400		-		15,464
Restricted assets:														
Investments				-				-		-		441,250		441,250
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	955,074	\$	266,862	\$	1,327,103	\$	180,655	\$	2,207,815	\$	441,657	\$	5,379,166
<u>LIABILITIES</u>														
Accounts payable	\$	4,340	\$	600	\$	12,664	\$	12,689	\$	31,737	\$	-	\$	62,030
Accrued expenses and liabilities						6,542				4,258		-		10,800
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,340		600		19,206		12,689		35,995		-		72,830
FUND DAI ANGEO														
FUND BALANCES		050 704		200 200		4 207 007		467.000		0.474.000		444.057		E 200 220
Restricted		950,734		266,262		1,307,897		167,966		2,171,820		441,657		5,306,336
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		950,734		266,262		1,307,897		167,966		2,171,820		441,657		5,306,336
TOTAL LIABILITIES														
AND FUND BALANCES	\$	955,074	\$	266,862	\$	1,327,103	\$	180,655	\$	2,207,815	\$	441,657	\$	5,379,166
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Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Non-Major Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

	He	alth Unit	conomic elopment	We	st Feliciana Library	Crim	inal Court	ildings and Grounds	Dek	ot Service	Total
Revenues:											
Intergovernmental revenues	\$	80,283	\$ -	\$	14,039	\$	-	\$ 7,788	\$	79	\$ 102,189
Taxes											
Ad valorem		420,045	-		630,068		-	1,232,282		252,028	2,534,423
Charges for services		-	-		7,390		98,126	-		-	105,516
Other revenues		48,438	19,091		64,764			93,601		22,798	248,692
Total revenues		548,766	19,091		716,261		98,126	 1,333,671		274,905	 2,990,820
Expenditures:											
General government		28,987	-		87,263		114,022	34,715		1,134	266,121
Culture and recreation		-	-		487,869		-	-		-	487,869
Health and welfare		417,072	25,626		-		-	-		-	442,698
Public works		-	-		-		-	903,863		-	903,863
Capital outlay		-	-		-		-	40,584		-	40,584
Debt service:											
Principal		-	-		-		-	-		185,000	185,000
Interest		-	-		-		-	-		38,294	38,294
Total expenditures		446,059	25,626		575,132		114,022	 979,162		224,428	2,364,429
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures		102,707	(6,535)		141,129		(15,896)	354,509		50,477	626,391
Other financing sources (uses):											
Transfers out		-	-		-		-	-		-	-
Transfers in		-	 -		-			 -		14,783	 14,783
		-	 -		-		-	-		14,783	14,783
Excess of revenues and other sources											
over (under) expenditures and other uses		102,707	(6,535)		141,129		(15,896)	354,509		65,260	641,174
Fund balance, beginning, as previously presented		848,027	272,797		1,166,768		183,862	-		376,397	2,847,851
Change within financial reporting entity (nonmajor to major fund)		-	-		-		-	1,817,311		-	1,817,311
Fund balance, beginning, as adjusted		848,027	272,797		1,166,768		183,862	1,817,311		376,397	4,665,162
Fund balance, ending	\$	950,734	\$ 266,262	\$	1,307,897	\$	167,966	\$ 2,171,820	\$	441,657	\$ 5,306,336

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the Parish President Year Ended June 30, 2024

## Parish President's Name: Kenny Havard

Salary	\$ 160,029
Benefits - retirement	12,002
Benefits - life insurance	140
Car allowance	780
	\$ 172,951

## Schedule of West Feliciana Parish Government Council Members Year Ended June 30, 2024

Below is a listing of the West Feliciana Parish Council Members.

Thomas Pate P.O. Box 43 St. Francisville, LA 70775	District A	Compensation \$ 4,800
Troy "Tab" Ballard P.O. Box 277 St. Francisville, LA 70775	District B	4,800
John M. Thompson 7589 LA Hwy 421 St. Francisville, LA 70775	District C	9,600
Justin Metz 10459 Tunica Trace St. Francisville, LA 70775	District D	9,600
Gerald "Gerry" Tanner P.O. Box 1202 St. Francisville, LA 70775	District E	4,800
Kevin Dreher P.O. Box 1337 St. Francisville, LA 70775	District E	4,800
Clay Pinson 13817 Oakley Lane St. Francisville, LA 70775	District C	4,800
Melvin Young 6900 Greenwood Road St. Francisville, LA 70775	District A	4,800
Reverend John Thompson 11126 WakeField Drive North St. Francisville, LA 70775	District B	4,800
		\$ 52,800

Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity - As Required by Act 87 of 2020 Regular Legislative Session Cash Basis Prsentation
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/23		Second Six Month Period Ended 6/30/24	
Receipts From:	¢	15 907	<b>o</b>	15 910
West Feliciana Parish Sheriff, Criminal Court Costs/Fees West Feliciana Parish Sheriff, Criminal Fines - Other	\$	15,897 38,362	\$	15,819 37,633
West Feliciana Parish Sheriff, Bond Fees		5,208		5,458
Samuel D'Aquilla, DA - Special Assets Forfeiture Acct, Asset Forfeiture/Sale		914		-
Subtotal Receipts		60,381		58,910
Ending Balance of Amounts Assessed but Not Received	\$		\$	

## WEST FELICIANA PARISH GOVERNMENT & CONSOLIDATED WATERWORKS DISTRICT #13

Schedule of Insurance in Force June 30, 2024

_		Policy Expiration	
Coverage	Insurance Company	Date	Liability Limits
General Liability	Travelers Casualty and Surety Co of America	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Each Occurance \$2,000,000 Aggregate Limit
Auto Liability	Travelers Casualty and Surety Co of America	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Each Accident
Professional Liability	Travelers Casualty and Surety Co of America	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Each Wrongful Act \$2,000,000 Aggregate Limit
Excess Liability	Travelers Casualty and Surety Co of America	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Each Claim \$2,000,000 Aggregate Limit
Crime	Travelers Casualty and Surety Co of America	6/30/2024	\$500,000 Employee Theft per Loss \$500,000 Funds Transfer Fraud
Property	EMC Insurance Companies	6/30/2024	\$40,483,104 Blanket Limit of Ins \$50,000 Utility Service
Inland Marine	EMC Insurance Companies	6/30/2024	\$2,725,171 Equipment \$210,392 Electronic Data \$400,000 Equipment Leased
Boiler and Machinery	Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Ins. Co.	6/30/2024	\$50,000,000 Equip Breakdown Limit
Workers Comp	LUBA Casualty Insurance	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Limit
Student Accident	Zurich American Insurance Co	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Each Incident
Cyber Liability	Underwriters at Lloyd's, London	6/30/2024	\$1,000,000 Each Incident \$1,000,000 Aggregate Limit

## Schedule of Information Required by Rural Development Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

## Item No. 1

The Government's customers' accounts receivable at June 30, 2024, is comprised of the following:

Solitude		0-30 days	31+ days	Total
	No.	134	93	227
	Amount	\$5,078	\$ 10,484	\$15,562
Turner		0-30 days	31+ days	Total
	No.	53	29	82
	Amount	\$2,014	\$ 2,088	\$4,102
Hardwood		0-30 days	31+ days	Total
	No.	103	119	222
	Amount	\$3,869	\$ 11,104	\$14,973
Independe	ence	0-30 days	31+ days	Total
	No.	108	99	207
	Amount	\$4,063	\$ 11,063	\$15,126

## Item No. 2

The Government sewer rates at June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Solitude Sewer Fixed	\$38.00
Turner Sewer Fixed	\$38.00
Hardwood Sewer Fixed	\$38.00
Independence Sewer Fixed	\$38.00

### Item No. 3

The number of active residential and non-residential users at June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Solitude Sewer	
No.	143
Turner Sewer	
No.	54
Hardwood Sewer	
No.	105
Independence Sewer	
No.	179





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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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 the Members of the West Feliciana Parish Government Council St. Francisville, 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of West Feliciana Parish Government (the Government), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Government's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 2, 2025.

#### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Government'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 Government's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Government'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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity'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 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 Government's financial statements are free from 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 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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#### 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 Government'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 Government's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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

To the Members of the West Feliciana Parish Government Council St. Francisville, Louisiana

#### Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

#### **Opinion on the Major Federal Program**

We have audited West Feliciana Parish Government's (the Government) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Government's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Government's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Government, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### Basis for Opinion on the 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 Government 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 the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Government'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 Government's federal programs.

#### Auditors' 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 Government'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 Government's compliance with the requirements of the 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 Government'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 Government'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 Government'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 a 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 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 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 material weaknesses, 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.

EISNERAMPER LLP

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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January 2, 2025





# Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Name	Grantor Project Number	AL Number	Expenditures 2024	Amounts Provided to Subrecipients
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  Pass-through program from Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness:				
FEMA - PUBLIC ASSISTANCE - Plettenberg over Polly Creek FEMA - PUBLIC ASSISTANCE - Emergency Road Work Cat Island FEMA - PUBLIC ASSISTANCE - Emergency Road Work Cat Island	DR 4277 - PW 227 DR 4277 - PW 92 DR 4462 - PW 94	97.036 97.036 97.036	\$ 602,734 567,135 794,641 1,964,510	\$ - 
FEMA - HAZARD MITIGATION - Hardwood Drainage FEMA - HAZARD MITIGATION - Solitude Drainage FEMA - HAZARD MITIGATION - Hazard Mitigation Plan Update	DR 4277 - PW 147 DR 4277 - PW 004 DR 4277 - PW 008	97.039 97.039 97.039	1,395 10,613 60,498 72,506	<u>-</u>
TOTAL UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			2,037,016	
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY  Passed through from Louisiana Department of Administration:  COVID-19 STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND - Weyanoke Well #2  COVID-19 STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND - Island Road Over Therese Creek Waterline Bore	21-1803-26 24-0803	21.027 21.027	994,695 14,899 1,009,594	<u>-</u> <u>-</u> <u>-</u>
COVID - 19 LOCAL ASSISTANCE AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND (Direct Funding)	N/A	21.032	50,000	
TOTAL UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY			1,059,594	
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)  Pass through Office of Community Development  WATER SECTOR PROGRAM: Tunica Consolidation Waterline & Tank Painting  WATERSHED PROGRAM: Bridge Over Jones Vaughn Creek	LAWSP1033 B-18-DP-22-001	14.228 14.228	984,983 219,913	
TOTAL UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)			1,204,896	
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)  Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF):  Pass through Louisiana Department of Health  DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND	1125010-01	66.468	1,871,832	
TOTAL UNITED STATES UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)			1,871,832	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 6,173,338	<u> </u>

#### Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

#### Note A - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of West Feliciana Parish Government and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the 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). Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

#### Note B - De Minimus Cost Rate

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the West Feliciana Parish Government did not elect to use the 10% de minimus cost rate as covered in §200.414 of the Uniform Guidance.

#### Note C - Reconciliation to the Basic Financial Statements

Reconciliation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) to the Financial Statements

Total Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 5,259,705
Grants and contributions	2,149,756
Intergovernmental Revenues Excluding Federal Grants Loan proceeds recorded on the SEFA	(281,489)
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	 (954,634)
Total Federal Expenditures - SEFA	\$ 6,173,338

## **Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs**

## A. Summary of Auditors' Results

Fin	ancial Statements						
	ne of auditors' report issued: <i>Unmodified, imponent Units</i>	Adverse	for the	Aggreg	ate Disc	retely Pre	sented
•	Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?			yes		_ no _ none rep	orted
	The considered to be material weakinesses:			yos		_ Horic rep	orted
	ncompliance material to financial rements noted?			yes	X	_ no	
Fed	deral Awards						
Inte	ernal control over major programs:						
•	Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?			_ yes _ yes		_no _none rep	orted
Тур	e of auditors' report issued on compliance fo	r major p	rogram	ıs: Unmo	odified		
	Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR §200.516(a)? yes no						
Ide	ntification of major programs:						
	sistance Listing Numbers 027			al Progra ate and l		<u>uster</u> cal Recov	ery
97.	036	Disaster	Grants	s – Public	c Assista	ince	
14.	228	Community Development Block Grant Program					
66.	468	Drinking	Water	State Re	evolving	Fund	

- The threshold for distinguishing types A & B programs was program expenditures exceeding \$750,000.
- The West Feliciana Parish Government did not qualify as s a low-risk auditee.

## **Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs**

B. Findings – Financial Statement Audit

None.

C. Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Award Programs

None.

#### **Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings**

#### B. Findings – Financial Statement Audit

#### 2023-001: Violation of Local Government Budget Act

Criteria: Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311A(1-2) requires that the budget shall be

amended when total revenue and other sources (including fund balance from the prior years) plus projected revenue and other sources for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are failing to meet total budgeted revenue and other sources by five percent or more and total actual expenditures and other uses plus projected expenditures and other uses for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are exceeding the total budgeted

expenditures and other uses by five percent or more.

Condition: Revenues plus transfers in of the Government's Recreation and Buildings &

Grounds Funds, both major funds, were lower than the budgeted revenues

plus transfers in by more than 5%.

Cause: Actual transfers in were less than budgeted.

Effect: The negative variances of more than five percent are a violation of

Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311A (1-2).

Recommendation: The Government should amend the budget in accordance with the statute.

View of Responsible Official and Planned Corrective Action:

The West Feliciana Parish Government Finance Director will ensure that all Funds' budgets are reviewed and revised in accordance with Louisiana

Revised Statute 39:1311A (1-2) annually prior to fiscal year end.

Current Status: Resolved.

#### C. Findings and Questioned Costs - Major Federal Award Programs

None.

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## **WEST FELICIANA PARISH GOVERNMENT**

REPORT ON STATEWIDE
AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES on COMPLIANCE and
CONTROL AREAS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024



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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To: Council of the West Feliciana Parish Government and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor

We have performed the procedures enumerated in Schedule A on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) of the West Feliciana Parish Government for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. West Feliciana Parish Government's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The West Feliciana Parish Government has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of performing specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 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 we performed, and the associated findings are summarized in the attached Schedule A, which is an integral part of this report.

We were engaged by West Feliciana Parish Government to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs of the West Feliciana Parish Government for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. 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 West Feliciana Parish Government and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

The purpose of 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.

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The procedures performed and the results thereof are set forth below. The procedure is stated first, followed by the results of the procedure presented in italics. If the item being subjected to the procedures is positively identified or present, then the results will read "no exception noted" or for step 13 "we performed the procedure and discussed the results with management". If not, then a description of the exception ensues.

#### 1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A. 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):
  - i. **Budgeting**, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

ii. **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.

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

iii. **Disbursements**, including processing, reviewing, and approving

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

iv. **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).

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

v. **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.

The Entity's written policies and procedures contain attributes for (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, but do not contain attributes for (1) payroll processing or (3) approval process for employee(s) rate of pay or approval of maintenance of pay rate schedules. This is considered an exception.

vi. **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

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vii. *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.

The Entity has written policies for Travel and Expense Reimbursements; however, the policies does not contain attribute (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense. This is considered an exception. The policies do contain the remaining above attributes.

viii. Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable), 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).

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

ix. **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.

No exceptions noted.

x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

xi. 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.

The Entity's written policies and procedures do not contain any of the above attributes. This is considered an exception.

xii. **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.

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#### 2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. 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:
  - i. Observe whether 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.

No exception noted.

ii. 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.

No exception noted.

iii. 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.

No exception noted.

iv. 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.

No exception noted.

#### 3) Bank Reconciliations

A. 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 listing of bank accounts was provided and included a total of 29 bank accounts. Management identified the entity's main operating account. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From the listing provided, we selected 5 bank accounts (1 main operating and 4 randomly) and obtained the bank reconciliations for November 2023, resulting in 5 bank reconciliations obtained and subjected to the below procedures.

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i. Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged);

No exception noted.

ii. 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 (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and

No exception noted.

iii. 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.

No exception noted.

#### 4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

A. Obtain a listing of <u>deposit sites</u> 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).

A listing of deposit sites was provided and included a total of 4 deposit sites. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From the listing provided, we selected 4 deposit sites and performed the procedures below.

B. 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 listing of collection locations for each deposit site selected in procedure #4A was provided and included a total of 5 collection locations. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From each of the listings provided, we randomly selected one collection location for each deposit site. Review of the Entity's written policies and procedures or inquiry with employee(s) regarding job duties was performed in order to perform the procedures below.

i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;

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ii. 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. pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;

For two of the locations selected, the employee responsible for collecting cash is also responsible for making deposits. This is considered an exception. For the other two locations selected no exception was noted.

iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also 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

No exception noted.

iv. 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 verifies the reconciliation.

No exception noted.

C. 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 force during the fiscal period.

No exception noted.

D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (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). Alternatively, 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:

We randomly selected 2 deposit dates for 2 of the bank accounts selected in procedure #3A. The remaining bank accounts in procedure #3A did not contain cash collections/deposits during the current fiscal year. We obtained supporting documentation for each of the 4 deposits and performed the procedures below.

i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

No exception noted.

ii. Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.

No exception noted.

iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

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iv. 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).

No exception noted.

v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

No exception noted.

## 5) Non-payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

A. 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).

The listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period was provided. There is only 1 location that processes payments and for which the procedures below were performed. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

B. For each location selected under #5A 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:

The listing of employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions for each payment processing location selected in procedure #5A was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

Review of the Entity's written policies and procedures or inquiry with employee(s) regarding job duties was performed in order to perform the procedures below.

i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;

No exception noted.

ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;

No exception noted.

iii. 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:

No exception noted.

iv. 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

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v. 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.

No exception noted.

C. For each location selected under #5A 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 listing of non-payroll disbursements for each payment processing location selected in procedures #5A was provided related to the reporting period. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From each of the listings provided, we randomly selected 5 disbursements and performed the procedures below.

i. Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or 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

No exceptions noted.

ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.

No exception noted.

D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, 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.

For the month selected, there were 2 electronic disbursements noted. No exception noted.

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

A. 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.

A listing of cards was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

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B. 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

From the listing provided, we randomly selected 5 credit cards used in the fiscal period. We randomly selected one monthly statement for each of the 5 cards selected and performed the procedures noted below.

i. 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

No exception noted.

ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

No exception noted.

C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #6B above, <u>excluding fuel cards</u>, 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.

We randomly selected 10 transactions, or all transactions if less than 10 transactions from each statement for a total of 18 transactions and obtained supporting documentation for the transactions.

No exceptions noted.

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

A. 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:

The listing of travel and travel-related expense reimbursements was provided for the fiscal period. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From the listing provided, we randomly selected 5 reimbursements and performed the procedures below.

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i. 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);

No exception noted.

ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;

No exception noted.

iii. 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 #1A(vii); and

No exception noted.

iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

No exception noted.

#### 8) Contracts

A. 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. Alternatively, 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

An active listing of agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From the listing provided, we randomly selected 5 contracts and performed the procedures below.

*i.* 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;

No exception noted.

ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g. Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);

No exception noted.

iii. 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

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iv. 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.

No exception noted.

#### 9) Payroll and Personnel

A. Obtain a listing of employees/elected officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees/officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.

A listing of employees/elected officials employed during the fiscal year was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From the listing provided, we randomly selected 5 employees/officials and performed the specified procedures.

B. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees/officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and

We randomly selected 1 pay period during the fiscal period and performed the procedures below for the 5 employees/officials selected in procedure #9A.

i. Observe that all selected employees/officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);

No exception noted.

ii. Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;

No exception noted.

iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and

No exception noted.

iv. Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

No exception noted.

C. 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's or official's cumulative 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.

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A listing of employees/officials receiving termination payments during the fiscal period was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

From the listing provided, we randomly selected 2 employees/officials and performed the specified procedures.

D. 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.

No exceptions noted.

#### 10) Ethics

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure "Payroll and Personnel" procedure #9A, above obtain ethics documentation from management, and
  - 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

No exception noted.

ii. 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.

No exception noted.

B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

No exception noted.

#### 11) Debt Service

A. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all bonds/notes on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each bond/note issued as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

No exception noted.

B. 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).

A listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period was provided. No exceptions were noted as a result of performing this procedure.

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From the listing provided, we randomly selected 1 bond/note and performed the specified procedures.

No exceptions were noted.

#### 12) Fraud Notice

A. 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 as required by R.S. 24:523.

No exception noted.

B. 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.

No exception noted.

#### 13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- A. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
  - i. 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.
    - We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.
  - ii. 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.
    - We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.
  - iii. 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.
    - We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.
- B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidenced that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

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- C. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, 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:
  - 1. Hired before June 9, 2020 completed the training; and
  - 2. Hired on or after June 9, 2020 completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

#### 14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from "Payroll and Personnel" procedure #9A, 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.

No exceptions noted.

B. 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).

No exception noted.

- C. 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:
  - i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

No exception noted.

ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;

No exception noted.

iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;

No exceptions noted.

iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and

No exceptions noted.

v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

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Management has reviewed and will address the exceptions noted above.