DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish Lebeau, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish, as of December 31, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our Responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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 District'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.

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Auditor's 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 auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> 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 <u>Government</u> 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 District'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 District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison schedule on page 20 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. 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 provide any assurance.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial

reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statement that collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information on page 21 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The other supplementary 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. Such 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 other supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated May 5, 2022, on our consideration of District Five Public Works Commission'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 the effectiveness of the District Five Public Works Commission's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering District Five Public Works Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with the requirements of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, we have issued a report, dated May 5, 2022 on the results of our statewide agreed-upon procedures performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those control and compliance areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's statewide agreed-upon procedures, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance.

John S Dowley 26

Opelousas, Louisiana May 5, 2022

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (GWFS)

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DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2021

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
ASSETS Cash Ad valorem taxes receivable, net Revenue sharing receivable Prepaid insurance Capital assets, net <u>Total assets</u>	\$ 1,317,558 1,524,840 13,581 31,114 <u>297,714</u> 3,184,807
<u>LIABILITIES</u> Accounts and accrued expenses Long-term liabilities Due within one year Due in more than one year <u>Total liabilities</u>	10,235
<u>NET POSITION</u> Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	297,714 2,859,736_
Total net position	3,157,450

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

		Program Revenues							et (Expenses) evenues and nanges in Net Position	
Activities		Expenses		es, and s for ces	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions		Governmental Activities		
Governmental activities Roads and public works	\$	1,180,643	\$		<u>\$ </u>	_\$	7,830	\$	(1,172,813)	
Total governmental activities		1,180,643	. <u> </u>		<u> </u>		7,830		(1,172,813)	
	Ta I	eral Revenues ixes ^p roperty taxes ergovernmenta							1,550,741	
	s Int	State revenue s erest and invest scellaneous in Total general	sharing stment earni come	ngs					20,350 2,935 3,360 1,577,386	
	Change in net position								4 04,573	
	Net	position, Janua	ary 1, 2021						2,752,877	
	Net	position, Decer	mber 31, 202	21					3,157,450	

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND DECEMBER 31, 2021

	GENERAL FUND
ASSETS	
Cash Ad valorem taxes receivable, net	\$ 1,317,558
of allowance for uncollectibles	1,524,840
Revenue sharing receivable	13,581
Prepaid insurance	31,114
<u>Total assets</u>	2,887,093
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 10,235
<u>Total liabilities</u>	10,235
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Unavaliable revenues-property taxes	20,472
Unavaliable revenues-state revenue sharing Total deferred inflows of resources	<u> </u>
Total deletted fillows of resources	34,055
FUND BALANCE	
Nonspendable	31,114
Unassigned	2,811,691
Total fund balance	2,842,805
<u>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources</u> and fund balance	2,887,093

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND'S BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2021

Total fund balance for the governmental fund at December 31, 2021		\$ 2,842,805
The Statement of Net Position reports receivables at their net realizable value. However, receivables not available to pay for current-period expenditures are deferred in governmental funds.		34,053
Cost of capital assets at December 31, 2021	\$ 900,840	
Less: Accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2021	(603,126)	297,714
Long-term liabilities at December 31, 2021 Compensated absences payable		(17,122)
Net position at December 31, 2021		3,157,450

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Intergovernmental State revenue sharing Interest income Miscellaneous încome	\$ 1,559,295 20,683 2,935 3,360
<u>Total revenues</u>	1,586,273
EXPENDITURES Current operating Labor cost	
Direct to roads	319,177
Office	74,489
Payroll taxes	29,757
Road supplies	
Aggregate	206,110
Advertising	64
Beaver control	66,740
Building rental	1,200
Insurance	82,403
Professional	8,000
Property and equipment	
Rental	127,416
Repairs and maintenance	89,630
Tires/tubes	13,238
Diesel	43,773
Gasoline	12,695
Oil and filters	6,877
Training and education	771
Office and supplies	54,293
Capital outlay	97,426
Total expenditures	1,234,059
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	352,214
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	2,490,591
FUND BALANCE, end of year	2,842,805

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN THE FUND BALANCE OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Total net change in fund balance for the year ended December 31, 2021 per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance		\$ 352,214
Governmental funds defer revenues that do not provide current financial resources. However, the Statement of Activities recognizes such revenues at their net realizable value when earned, regardless of when received		(8,887)
Capital outlay which is considered expenditures on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance	\$ 97,426	
Depreciation expense for year ended December 31, 2021	(42,374)	55,052
Donated Capital contributions are not reported in the governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities, the fair market value		
of those assets is recognized as revenue		7,830
Increase in compensated absences on the accrual basis		(1,636)
Total change in net position for the year ended December 31, 2021, per Statement of		
<u>Activities</u>		404,573

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>

District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish (the Commission), is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and possesses all the powers necessary to construct, acquire, operate, and maintain roads, bridges, and road drainage facilities as well as the rights, powers, and authority enumerated for road districts in Part II of Chapter 2 of Title 48. The Commission was created by Louisiana Revised Statute 48:600.1.

The Commission is governed by 9 commissioners appointed by the St. Landry Parish Government. Presently, the commissioners receive no compensation for their service.

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

A. <u>REPORTING ENTITY</u>

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the St. Landry Parish Government is the financial reporting entity for St. Landry Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (parish government), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the St. Landry Parish Government for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the parish government to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the parish government.
- 2. Organizations for which the parish government does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the parish government.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

The District Five Public Works Commission has control over their operation. This includes the hiring and retention of employees, authority over budgeting, responsibility for deficits, power to incur debt and issue bonds, and the receipt and disbursement of funds. The Commission is financially independent and operates autonomously from the State of Louisiana and independently from the St. Landry Parish Government. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the Commission and do not present information on the parish government, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> – Continued

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statements of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Commission's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function, and therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense is specifically identified by function and in included in the direct expense of each function. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The Commission uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. On the other hand, an account group is a financial reporting device designated to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds of the Commission are classified as governmental funds. Governmental funds account for the Commission's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of capital assets, and the servicing of general long-term debt. The Commission uses one governmental fund as follows:

General Fund - the general operating fund of the Commission which accounts for all financial resources.

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

Measurement Focus

On the government-wide Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus as defined in item "b" below.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> - Continued

C. <u>MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING</u> - Continued

Measurement Focus - Continued

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used as appropriate:

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

Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, both governmental and business-type activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when "measurable and available." Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for general obligation bond principal and interest which are reported when due.

Revenues from local sources consist primarily of property taxes. Property tax revenues and revenue sharing revenues received from the State of Louisiana are recognized when susceptible to accrual. Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenue when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available.

Purchases of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased. The costs of governmental fund type inventories are recorded as expenditures when purchased and items on hand at year-end, if material, are recorded as assets. The policy regarding prepaid expenditures is to record the portion of insurance premiums that are paid during the current year for future periods.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

D. EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS

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

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

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance reports aggregate amounts for five classifications of fund balances based on the constraints imposed on the use of these resources.

The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form – prepaid items or inventories; or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

The spendable portion of the fund balance comprises the remaining four classifications: restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

- <u>Restricted fund balance</u> This classification reflects the constraints imposed on resources either

 (a) externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions for enabling legislation.
- 2. <u>Committed fund balance</u> These amounts can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal resolutions or ordinances of the Board– the government's highest level of decision-making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes the specified use by taking the same type of action imposing the commitment. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.
- 3. <u>Assigned fund balance</u> This classification reflects the amounts constrained by the Commission's "intent" to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. The Board has the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balances include all remaining amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds, other than the General Fund, that are not classified as nonspendable and are neither restricted nor committed.
- 4. <u>Unassigned fund balance</u> This fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

D. <u>EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS</u> – Continued

The Commission considers restricted amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents/contracts that prohibit doing this, such as in grant agreements requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the Commission would first use committed, then assigned and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Commission's policy to use externally restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources – committed, assigned and unassigned – in order as needed.

E. BUDGETS

The Commission legally adopted a budget for the General Fund for the year ended December 31, 2021. The original budget was adopted on December 3, 2020 and amended on November 4, 2021. The budget for the General Fund is prepared on a modified accrual basis. At year-end, all appropriations lapse. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts as revised for the year. The level of budgetary control is by total appropriations; however, for report purposes, the budgetary information has been expanded.

F. ENCUMBRANCES

The Commission does not employ the encumbrance system of accounting.

G. INVESTMENTS IN CASH

Investments are stated at cost or amortized cost, which approximates market.

Louisiana statutes authorize the Commission to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes or certificates, time certificates of deposit in state and national banks, or any other federally insured investment.

H. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental columns in the government-wide or fund 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 costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

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

The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Buildings and improvements	20-40 years
Equipment and vehicles	5-20 years
Furniture and fixtures	10-20 years

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

H. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u> – Continued

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

1. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Annual leave is granted to full time employees and accrued based on years of service to the Commission and can only be used in the calendar year earned or in the first quarter of the following year. Accumulated leave carried forward each year cannot exceed 40 hours. The maximum amount of accumulated leave is 200 hours. Excess will be credited to a "reserve" account maintained in the personnel file for use during a prolonged illness where the employee is expected to return to work. Upon termination, accrued annual leave accumulated will be paid to the employee up to the maximum of 200 hours.

Sick leave is granted to full time employees and accrued at the rate of 1½ hours biweekly for 1 to 3 years of service and 2 hours biweekly for more than 3 years of service. The unused accumulated sick leave earned by an employee shall be carried forward to the succeeding year but not to exceed 30 workdays (300 hours). Sick leave is a gratuitous benefit of employment, which does not accrue as a wage. Sick leave will not be paid out upon an employee's termination or resignation.

Compensatory time will be calculated at the rate of 1 and ½ times the employee's regular hourly rate. Upon termination, accrued compensatory time accumulated will be paid to the employee up to the maximum of 100 hours.

J. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

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

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position includes a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then.

Property taxes and state revenue sharing receivable for the governmental fund types, which have been remitted within 60 days subsequent to the year-end, are considered measurable and available and recognized as revenues. All other property taxes and state revenue sharing are offset by deferred inflows of resources and, accordingly, have not been recorded as revenue.

K. 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 reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. <u>CASH</u>

At December 31, 2021, the carrying amount of cash was \$1,317,558 and the bank balance of cash was \$1,322,158. Of the bank balance, \$500,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$822,158 was covered by pledged securities. Deposits secured by pledged securities were exposed to custodial credit risk. These deposits are uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institutions' trust department or agent, but not in the Commission's name.

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

3. AD VALOREM TAXES

District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish levies a special tax of fifteen (15) mills on all taxable property. This tax, which was approved at a special election held on October 16, 1993, was assessed for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 1994 and ending with the year 2004, for the purpose of constructing, acquiring, operating and maintaining the roads, bridges and road drainage facilities of the Commission and acquiring the necessary equipment therefore. The tax was renewed on April 21, 2012 and will expire in 2023.

The Commission's ad valorem property tax is levied each October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property located in the District. Property taxes are due on October 1 and become delinquent by January 1 of the following year. The St. Landry Parish Sheriff bills, collects, and distributes the property taxes for the Commission using the assessed values determined by the Tax Assessor of St. Landry Parish.

The Commission is required to remit a percentage of the total ad valorem taxes per the tax roll to a State Pension Fund. This amount is determined by the legislative auditor each year. Since the Sheriff collects all taxes for the parish, the tax collected in the first month is reduced by the Sheriff for the Pension Fund amount owed and the remainder is remitted to the taxing district. Therefore, the ad valorem tax receivable and revenue are shown net of Pension Fund distributions. A breakdown of tax receivable is as follows:

	 Total Per Tax Roll	 		Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes		Received In ecember	Tax Receivable		
2021	\$ 1,604,453	\$ (50,035)	\$	(2,807)	\$	(26,771)	\$	1,524,840	

4. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, was as follows:

Governmental activities: Furniture and fixtures Equipment Autos Building Land	Balance 1/1/2021 \$ 12,479 591,239 140,090 10,293 41,483	Additions \$ - 34,234 22,604 48,418 -	Deletions \$ - - - -	Balance 12/31/2021 \$ 12,479 625,473 162,694 58,711 41,483
<u>Totals</u>	795,584	105,256	-	900,840
Less accumulated depreciation Furniture and fixtures Equipment Autos Building <u>Total accumulated</u> <u>depreciation</u>	10,471 412,466 130,930 <u>6,885</u> 560,752	109 35,944 4,040 2,281 42,374	- - - 	10,580 448,410 134,970 9,166 603,126
Governmental activities, Capital assets, net	234,832	62,882	-	297,714

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Roads and public works	\$ 42,374
	42,374

5. LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in long-term liabilities during the year ended December 31, 2021 are as follows:

Description of Debt	Balance ription of Debt 1/1/2021 Increase			Deci	rease	Balance /31/2021	Due Within One Year		
Compensated absences	\$	15,486	\$	1,636	\$		\$ 17,122	\$	
		15,486		1,636		-	 17,122		-

6. OPERATING LEASES

On February 20, 2019, the Commission entered into an operating lease for a Caterpillar D6N. The lease is for a period of five years and requires monthly payments of \$3,799 plus insurance and taxes. Rental expenditures for 2021 were \$45,593.

On June 6, 2019, the Commission entered into an operating lease for a Caterpillar 316FL Excavator. The lease is for a period of five years and requires monthly payments of \$1,902 plus insurance and taxes. Rental expenditures for 2021 were \$ 24,256.

On June 6, 2019, the Commission entered into an operating lease for a Caterpillar 308E Excavator. The lease is for a period of five years and requires monthly payments of \$1,325 plus insurance and taxes. Rental expenditures for 2021 were \$ 16,808.

On July 22, 2019, the Commission entered into an operating lease for a Caterpillar 420F2 Backhoe. The lease is for a period of five years and requires monthly payments of \$1,101 plus insurance and taxes. Rental expenditures for 2021 were \$ 14,279.

On June 29, 2020, the Commission entered into an operating lease for a Caterpillar 120-14 Motor Grader. The lease is for a period of five years and requires monthly payments of \$2,206 plus insurance and taxes. Rental expenditures for 2021 were \$26,479.

Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

2022	\$	125,086		
2023		125,086		
2024		58,546		
2025		13,239		
		321,957		
	-			

Rental expenditures under all operating leases were approximately \$ 127,416.

7. FUND BALANCE

The General Fund does not have a deficit fund balance for the year ended December 31, 2021.

8. BOARD MEMBERS

Board members do not get paid for serving on the board. A list of board members are as follows:

Name	Office Held				
Angelique Fogleman	Chairwoman				
Tracy Beard	Commissioner				
Aaron Ducote	Commissioner				
Julian Rideau	Commissioner				
Vince Sagnibene	Commissioner				
Krysten Cannatella	Commissioner				
Joey Duplechain	Commissioner				
Vacant Spot					
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9. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

The District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish does not provide any postemployment benefits to retirees and therefore is not required to report under GASB No. 45, <u>Accounting</u> and <u>Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-employment Benefits Other Than Pensions</u>.

10. UNCERTAINTIES

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease ("COVID-19") as a pandemic. This matter may negatively impact the results of the District's operations and financial position, but the related financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events were evaluated through May 5, 2022, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. As of May 5, 2022, there were no subsequent events noted.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

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DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET			ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)	
REVENUES							
Taxes							
Property taxes	\$ 1,303,877	\$	1,553,814	\$	1,559,295	\$	5,481
Intergovernmental							
State revenue sharing	20,500		20,683		20,683		-
Interest	-		681		2,935		2,254
Miscellaneous income			-	<u> </u>	3,360		3,360
<u>Total revenues</u>	1,324,377		1,575,178		1,586,273		11,095
EXPENDITURES							
Current operating							
Contract services	69,000		66,740		66,740		-
Office and supplies	111,000		119,132		93,314		25,818
Insurance	110,000		77,061		82,403		(5,342)
Repairs	85,565		140,798		89,630		51,168
Fuel	90,000		63,345		63,345		-
Labor and expenses	440,000		365,707		393,666		(27,959)
Training and education	4,000		771		771		-
Road supplies	130,000		206,110		206,110		-
Equipment rental	180,500		127,474		127,416		58
Tires and tubes	20,000		10,320		13,238		(2,918)
Debt service							
Principal payments	22,636		-		-		-
Interest	2,824		-		-		-
Capital outlay	40,000		46,050	·	97,426		(51,376)
Total expenditures	1,305,525		1,223,508		1,234,059		(10,551)
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NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	18,852		351,670		352,214		544
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year				. <u> </u>	2,490,591		
FUND BALANCE, end of year					2,842,805		

See Independent Auditor's Report.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION. BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECEMBER 31, 2021

Agency Head Name: Angelique Fogleman, Chairwoman

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

To the Board of Commissioners District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish Lebeau, 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 5, 2022.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the 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 District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that the 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 and therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses that we consider to be a significant deficiency, listed as item 2021-1.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. 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 are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's Response to Findings

District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

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Opelousas, Louisiana May 5, 2022

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES DECEMBER 31, 2021

A. <u>SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS</u>

- 1. We have audited the basic financial statements of the District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated May 5, 2022. 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our audit of the financial statements as of December 31, 2021 resulted in an unmodified opinion.
- One significant deficiency and no material weaknesses relating to the audit of the financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.
- No instances of noncompliance relating to the audit of the financial statements of the District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish was reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.
- 4. No management letter was issued for the District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021.
- 4. There was no single audit required under the Uniform Guidance.

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

Internal Control Material to the Financial Statements

2021-1 Inadequate Segregation of Duties

Condition: Due to the small number of employees, District Five Public Works Commission does not have adequate segregation of functions within the accounting system. A system of internal control procedures contemplates a segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to its completion.

Criteria: District Five Public Works Commission should have adequate segregation of duties over accounting functions.

Cause: There are a small number of employees at District Five Public Works Commission performing the daily operating activities.

Effect: Accounting functions are not segregated, and it is important that you are aware of this condition because errors or fraud could occur and not be detected.

Recommendation: A system of internal control procedures should be established in order to mitigate the problem of having such a small number of employees performing the daily operating activities.

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES DECEMBER 31, 2021

B. <u>FINDINGS – FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT</u> - Continued

Internal Control Material to the Financial Statements - Continued

2021-1 Inadequate Segregation of Duties - Continued

Management Response: Due to the size and nature of our operations, it is not considered to be cost beneficial to hire additional personnel at this time. Internal control procedures including reviewing expense and income reports, disbursement listings, and dual signatures of board members on expenditures help mitigate errors or fraud.

Contact Person: Andrew Guidroz II, Office Manager

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARDS PROGRAM AUDIT

N/A

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2021

SECTION I - INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2020-1 Inadequate Segregation of Duties Unresolved- Repeat Comment

2020-2 Public Bid Law Not Followed Resolved

SECTION II - INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO FEDERAL AWARDS

N/A

SECTION III - MANAGEMENT LETTER

N/A

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Commissioners of District Five Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The Commission's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Commission has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

Written Policies and Procedures

- 1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories (if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations):
 - a) Budgeting, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget

Written policies and procedures were obtained for budgeting and address all of the above functions.

b) Purchasing, including (1) how purchases are initiated; (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list; (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders; (4) controls to ensure compliance with the public bid law; and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.

Written policies and procedures were obtained for items 1-3, however, The Commission does not have written policies and procedures for items 4 and 5.

c) Disbursements, including processing, reviewing, and approving

Written policies and procedures were obtained for disbursements and address all of the above functions.

d) Receipts/Collections, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g. periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

Written policies and procedures were obtained for receipts/collections and address all of the above functions.

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e) **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, and (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

Written policies and procedures were obtained for payroll/personnel and address all of the above functions.

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

The Commission does not have written policies and procedures for contracting.

g) Credit Cards (and debit cards; fuel cards, P-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 Commission does not have written policies and procedures for credit cards.

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

Written policies and procedures were obtained for travel and expense reimbursement and address all of the above functions.

 Ethics, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute 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.

The Commission does not have written policies and procedures for ethics, however, they follow the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

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

The Commission does not have written policies and procedures for debt service.

k) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.

Written policies and procedures were obtained for (1) and (3), however, the Commission does not have written policies and procedures for the other functions.

I) **Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

The Commission does not have written policies and procedures for sexual harassment.

Board or Finance Committee

- 2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
 - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.

No exceptions noted.

b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget- to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds⁷. Alternately, for those entities reporting on the nonprofit 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 exceptions noted.

c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

Not applicable.

Bank Reconciliations

- 3. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for selected each account, and observe that:
 - a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged);

No exceptions noted.

 b) Bank reconciliations include evidence that a member of management/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 exceptions noted.

c) Management has documentation reflecting that it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

Not applicable.

Collections

4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).

The Commission only has one deposit site and obtained management's representation that the listing is complete.

5. For each deposit site selected obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (i.e. 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee duties (if no written policies or procedures, 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:

There is only one deposit site and only one collection location for that deposit site.

a) Employees that are responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.

The Commission mainly collects checks for property taxes and revenue sharing; therefore, the Commission's employees do not have a cash drawer or register.

b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., prenumbered receipts) to the deposit.

No exceptions noted.

c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.

The Office Manager is responsible for collections and posting collection entries to the general ledger.

d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, are not responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee verifies the reconciliation.

The Office Manager reconciles the bank accounts and is responsible for collections.

6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe the bond or insurance policy for theft was enforced during the fiscal period.

No exceptions noted.

- 7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3 under "Bank Reconciliations" above (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternately, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
 - a. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

No exceptions noted.

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

No exceptions noted.

c. Trace the deposit slip to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

No exceptions noted.

d. Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the deposit 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 exceptions noted.

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

No exceptions noted.

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

8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).

The Commission processes payments at one location and obtained management's representation that the listing is complete.

- 9. For each location selected under #8, 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, inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:
 - a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.

No exceptions noted.

b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.

No exceptions noted.

c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.

No exceptions noted.

d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments

The Accounting Clerk is responsible for mailing the payments once signed by the board members. However, on occasion, the Office Manager mails the payments, and he is responsible for processing payments.

- 10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and:
 - a) Observe whether the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.

No exceptions noted.

b) Observe that the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable

No exceptions noted.

Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards

11. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-card (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.

The Commission has a total of 6 active credit cards. Management's representation was obtained that the listing was complete.

- 12. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement), obtain supporting documentation, and:
 - a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder.

No exceptions noted.

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

No exceptions noted.

13. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #12 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e., each card should have 10 transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observe 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 note whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

No exceptions noted.

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

- 14. 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, obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:
 - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe 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).

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

c) Observe 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 policy (procedure #1h).

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

Contracts

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

Not applicable.

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

Not exceptions noted.

c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe 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, was approval documented).

Not applicable.

d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

No exceptions noted.

Payroll and Personnel

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

No exceptions noted.

17. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under #16 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:

> a) Observe all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, officials are not eligible to earn leave and do not document their attendance and leave. However, if the official is earning leave according to a policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.)

No exceptions noted.

b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials.

No exceptions noted.

c) Observe any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records.

No exceptions noted.

d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agree to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

No exceptions noted.

18. 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, obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee or officials' cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee or officials' authorized pay rates in the employee or officials' personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

Not applicable. No termination payments were made during the fiscal period.

19. 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.

Ethics

- 20. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
 - a) Observe whether the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.

No exceptions noted.

b) Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

The Commission does not have an ethics policy; however, they follow the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics.

Debt Service

21. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued.

No bonds/notes were issued during the fiscal period.

22. 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).

No exceptions noted. All required debt service payments were made on leases as required by debt covenants.

Fraud Notice

23. 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.

Per management, there were no misappropriations of public funds or assets during the fiscal period.

24. Observe 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 exceptions noted.

Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- 25. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
 - a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe that such backup occurred within the past week. If backups are stored on a physical medium (e.g., tapes, CDs), observe evidence that backups are encrypted before being transported.

No exceptions noted.

b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.

No exceptions noted.

c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

No exceptions noted.

Sexual Harassment

26. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year.

No exceptions noted.

 Observe 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 exceptions noted.

- 28. 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 it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
 - a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements.
 - b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency.
 - c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred.
 - d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
 - e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

No exceptions noted.

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

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

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

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Opelousas, Louisiana May 5, 2022

DISTRICT FIVE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH LEBEAU, LOUISIANA DECEMBER 31, 2021

Management's responses to the following statewide agreed-upon procedure sections:

Written Policies and Procedures

1. b) Purchasing (4 and 5)

- f) Contracting
- g) Credit cards
- j) Debt Service
- k) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity
- I) Sexual Harassment

Management's Response: The District plans to develop written policies and procedures in the future. Due to the limited number of staff and resources, this will be a long-term project.

Collections

5. c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.

5. d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions are not responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee verifies the reconciliation.

Management's Response: Due to the size and nature of our operations, it is not considered to be cost beneficial to hire additional personnel at this time. Internal control procedures, including reviewing expenses and income reports, disbursement listings and dual signatures of board members on expenditures, help mitigate errors or fraud.

Non-Payroll Disbursements

9. d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments.

Management's Response: Due to the size and nature of our operations, it is not considered to be cost beneficial to hire additional personnel at this time. Internal control procedures, including reviewing expenses and income reports, disbursement listings and dual signatures of board members on expenditures, help mitigate errors or fraud.