CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

Primary Government Basic Financial Statements, Independent Auditor's Reports, and Supplemental Information

Year Ended December 31, 2014

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Wendy O'Quin Perrette, Mayor And the Members of the City Council City of Bogalusa, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Bogalusa Louisiana (the City), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my 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. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, I express no such opinion. An audit includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

The financial statements do not include financial data for the City's discretely presented component units as described in Note 1 to the financial statements. 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 City's primary government unless the City also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component units. The City has not issued such reporting entity financial statements. The

Adverse Opinion

In my opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, the financial position of the aggregate discretely presented component units of the City as of December 31, 2014, 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

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to previously 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 City of Bogalusa, as of December 31, 2014, 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.

Emphases of Matters

As discussed in note 5 and 13b to the financial statements, the City is non-compliant with certain bond covenants regarding sinking fund requirements. The effects of this non-compliance are unknown at this time. Additionally, the City's general fund reported a net deficit fund balance of \$1,353,251. Also, as described in Note 10 and 15a to the financial statements in 2014, the City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System adopted a new accounting standard, GASB Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Note Disclosures for Defined Contribution Plans*. My opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedules of Funding Progress and Employer Contributions for its Post Employment Benefits, and the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, on pages 4-11, page 58, and pages 59 - 69, respectively 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. I 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 my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I 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.

Management has omitted a Schedule of Changes in the City of Bogalusa Retirement System's Net Pension Liability that Government Accounting Standards require be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a required part of the 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. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Bogalusa's basic financial statements as a whole. The information required by debt agreements, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to the Agency Head (compensation schedule), and the combining and individual non-major fund financial statements, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The compensation schedule is required by LA R.S. 24:513.

The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and the compensation schedule required by state law are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements themselves, and other records used to prepare the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The information required by debt agreements have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated July 2, 2015, on my consideration of the City of Bogalusa, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting and on my 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 my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should-be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

Chert A. Neibin

Bogalusa, Louisiana July 2, 2015

CITY OF BOGALUSA MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) offers the readers of the City of Bogalusa's financial statements a narrative overview of the financial activities of the City of Bogalusa for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. The City's financial performance is discussed and analyzed in correlation with the accompanying statements and disclosures following this section.

The reader is urged to continue on past the MD&A and review other important sections of this financial report, including footnotes and other Required Supplemental Information (RSI).

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the City of Bogalusa exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of 2014 by \$30.62 million (total net position). Unrestricted uet position is in a deficit position of \$14.74 million. This deficit position is the result of the City's non-capital related liabilities exceeding unrestricted assets. A major contributing factor to this unfavorable financial position is the City's unfunded obligation on its pension plan.
- During the year, expenses for governmental activities amounted to \$14.65 million. These expenses were
 paid from revenues of approximately \$14.68 million, consisting of \$9.63 million generated from taxes,
 \$1.48 million generated from other revenues for governmental programs, \$1.20 million generated from
 grants and contributions, and \$2.37 million generated from transfers from business-type activities.
- In the City's business-type activities, expenses amounted to approximately \$3.62 million. These expenses were paid from revenues of \$4.20 million for service charges and \$1.34 million for taxes and other program revenues.
- At the close of the fiscal year, the City of Bogalusa's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1.96 million, an increase of approximately \$.152 million. This combined fund balance is largely attributable to amounts accumulated in the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund and several debt service funds. Most of these governmental fund balances, except that for the general fund, are restricted as to their use. Business-type funds reported \$11.50 million in total net position (including capital assets) for the close of the fiscal year, or a decrease of approximately \$.45 million from prior year total net position, largely because of transfers to the general fund.
- The general fund reported a deficit fund balance of \$1.35 million as of the end of the fiscal year. This unfavorable financial position in the City's primary operating fund signifies financial stress upon the City.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of four parts – management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, required supplementary information, and an optional section that presents combining statements for non-major governmental funds. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the City:

Government-wide Statements

The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the City's overall financial status.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the City's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by private-sector companies. The difference between the assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows is reported as net position. Over time, increases and decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or weakening.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event that gives rise to change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes).

Fund Financial Statements

The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the City government, reporting the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. Governmental funds are used to account for the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of available resources, as well as balances of available resources that can be used to meet the City's ongoing obligations at the close of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the City's near-term financing requirements.

The City uses fifteen *governmental type funds*. There are four major governmental funds, which have separately presented information in the Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances. The major funds are the General Fund, the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund, the Landfill Fund, and the General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund. The eleven non-major funds are presented in the aggregate in the governmental fund financial statements. The individual fund financial information is presented in the combining statements found in the Supplemental Information.

The City has one *proprietary type fund*. Proprietary type funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City's proprietary type fund is considered to be an enterprise fund, since the costs of activities are paid for by the customer user fees. The enterprise fund accounts for its Utilities System operations, which provides water, sewer, and garbage services.

Fiduciary type fund statements provide financial information on funds for which the City acts as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others, such as the City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplemental information (Budgetary Comparison Schedules, and the Schedule of Funding Progress and Employee Contributions for the City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System and OPEB), as well as supplemental information presented in the form of combining statements of individual fund financial information, detailed Budgetary Comparison Schedules for the General Fund, Schedule of Insurance In-force, and Public Utility System Operations.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The City reported combined net position at the end of fiscal year 2014 in the amount of \$30,616,903, a decrease of \$427,837 from fiscal year 2013. The schedule of net position below indicates net position for both governmental activities and business-type activities, and combines them into total primary government columns.

Schedule of Net Position (in Millions)

		Governmental Activities		ss-type ities	Total Primary Government		
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Current and other assets	\$ 7.13	\$ 6.23	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.17	\$ 8.20	\$ 7.40	
Capital assets	31.63	31.97	18.30	19.40	49.93	51.37	
Total assets	38.76	38.20	19.37	20.57	58.13	58.77	
Long-term debt outstanding	14.64	14.95	7.57	8.28	22.21	23.23	
Other liabilities	4.96	4.12	0.30	0.34	5.26	4.46	
Total liabilities	19.60	19.07	7.87	8.62	27.47	27.69	
Deferred inflows	0.04	0.04	-	-	0.04	0.04	
Net position							
Net investment in							
capital assets	28.97	28.71	13.00	13.56	41.97	42.27	
Restricted	3.09	3.61	0.30	0.32	3.39	3.93	
Unrestricted	(12.94)	(13.23)	(1.80)	(1.93)	(14.74)	(15.16)	
Total net position	\$ 19.12	\$ 19.09	\$ 11.50	\$ 11.95	\$ 30.62	\$ 31.04	

The largest portion of the City of Bogalusa's net position (137%) reflects net investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, improvements, streets, bridges, equipment, vehicles, utility systems, and furniture and fixtures), less any related debt or deferred inflows used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; therefore, these assets are not available for future spending. It should be noted that the resources needed to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the City of Bogalusa's net position (11%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of net position (-48%) represents a deficit that is a result of pension system debt and other liabilities exceeding assets available to pay those liabilities.

Changes in net position

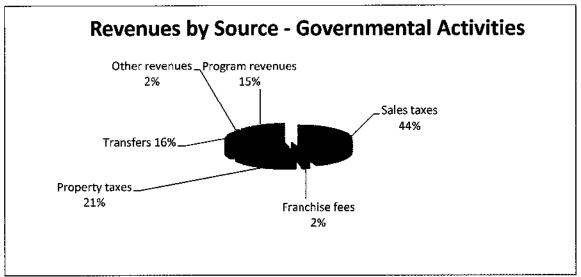
The City's total revenue and expenses for governmental and business-type activities are reflected in the following chart:

Changes in Net Position (in Millions)

	Governmental Activities		Busine Activ	ess-type vities	Total Primary Government		
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for services	\$ 0.91	\$ 0.86	\$ 4.20	\$ 3.96	\$ 5.11	\$ 4.82	
Oper. grants & contrib.	0.72	0.78	0.19	-	0.91	0.78	
Capital grants & contrib.	0.48	4.93	-	0.29	0.48	5.22	
General revenues:							
Property and other taxes	3.13	3.24	0.20	0.18	3.33	3.42	
Sales taxes	6.50	6.32	0.89	0.86	7.39	7.18	
Franchise fees	0.34	0.31	-	-	0.34	0.31	
Unrestricted interest	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.07	0.07	
Miscellaneous	0.19	0.36	0.01	0.03	0.20	0.39	
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	0.02	-	-	-			
Transfers	2.37	2.14	(2.37)	(2.14)		-	
Total revenues	14.68	18.97	3.17	3.22	17.83	22.19	
Expenses:							
General government	4.55	6.44	-	-	4.55	6.44	
Public safety	4.80	5.28	-	-	4.80	5.28	
Public works	3.22	3.87	-	-	3.22	3.87	
Landfill	0.42	0.36	-	-	0.42	0.36	
Culture & recreation	0.35	0.40	-	-	0.35	0.40	
Economic development	0.72	0.71	-	-	0.72	0.71	
Airport	0.48	0.10	-	-	0.48	0.10	
Interest on long term debt	0.11	0.11	-	-	0.11	0.11	
Water, sewer, & garbage	-	•	3.62	3.46	3.62	3.46	
Total expenses	\$14.65	\$ 17.27	\$ 3.62	\$ 3.46	\$ 18.27	\$ 20.73	
Change in net position	0.03	1.70	(0.45)	(0.24)	(0.44)	1.46	
Net position, beginning	19.09	17.39	11.95	12.19	31.04	29.58	
Net position, ending	\$19.12	\$ 19.09	\$ 11.50	\$ 11.95	\$ 30.60	\$ 31.04	

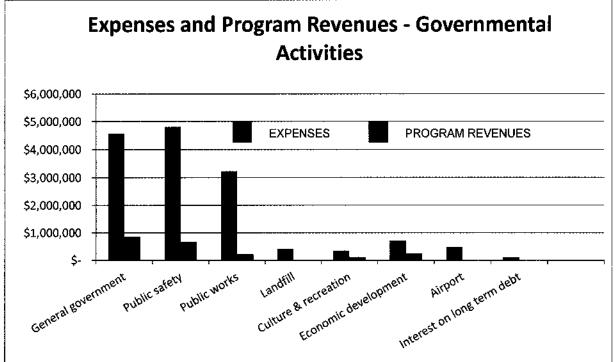
The City's net position within its governmental activities increased by \$27,175 because of revenues exceeding expenses for the year. However, revenues included a one-time donation of equipment from other local governments of public safety equipment with a value of \$65,000. Without that donation, a decrease in net position would have occurred. However, the City did experience a slight increase in sales tax revenue, a positive sign for revenue growth. Expenses decreased by \$2,613,535 primarily as a result of a decrease in the accrued pension cost. The City's net position within its business-type activities decreased by \$455,012, primarily due to an increase in the depreciation expense due to a change in estimated lives of water meters and because of transfers out of the fund to subsidize the general fund. On a combined basis, the City's change in net position, or net economic loss, was (\$427,837).

CITY OF BOGALUSA MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS DECEMBER 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)



Revenues for the City's governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 were \$14,675,479. Sales tax and property tax revenues are the largest components of revenues (78%), exclusive of transfers in. Sales taxes represent approximately 53% of recurring government activity revenue, exclusive of transfers in, and totaled \$6,503,092 for 2014, an increase of 3% over 2013.

The cost of all governmental activities in 2014 was \$14,648,304, compared to \$17,261,839 in 2013, a decrease of 15% over the prior year largely attributable to the decrease in pension costs. These costs were essentially covered by the sources of revenue as outlined above.



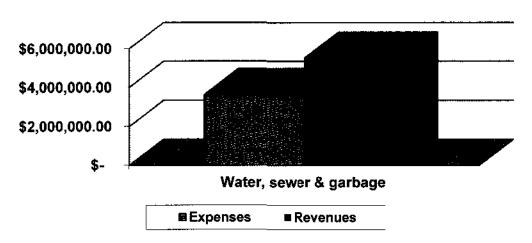
The graph above shows the City's seven primary governmental activities in 2014, as well as long-term debt interest, compared to program-generated revenues covering those expenses. General revenues, such as taxes, cover the remaining costs.

The following graph indicates business-type activities revenues by source:



Revenues by Source - Business-type Activities

Revenues for the City's business-type activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 were \$5,540,284. User fees are by far the largest source of revenue (76%) for the City's utility system and garbage collections. Sales tax revenue (16%) is largely dedicated to the payment of long-term debt incurred on the sewer system upgrade. The City's utility system business-type activities are related to water, sewer, and garbage collection activities.



Expenses and Revenues - Business-type Activities

The above graph reveals that the utility system fully supports itself. Of the revenues generated from the utility system, the City was able to net transfer \$2,366,337 from the business-type activities to subsidize the governmental activities.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY'S FUNDS

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, the City reported combined fund balances in *governmental funds* of approximately \$1.96 million, an increase of \$.152 million from 2013. The General Fund reported a deficit fund balance of approximately \$1.35 million at December 31, 2014, which represents a decrease in the deficit fund balance of approximately \$.72 million from 2013. The reduction of the fund deficit is primarily due to net transfers in of 3.4 million from the City's other funds to refund the General Fund for expenditures paid on behalf of the other funds and subsidies from the Utility Fund. The General Fund is the city's primary operating fund, and therefore, the deficit fund balance signifies operating cash shortages.

The largest fund balance (\$1.58 million) is reported in the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund. This fund experienced a \$.10 million decrease from 2013 largely due to an increase in expenditures. The landfill, debt service and other governmental funds report aggregate fund balances of approximately \$1.7 million, a decrease of \$.50 million over 2013. The balances within the Industrial Park Sales Tax Fund and the other governmental funds are, with minor exceptions, restricted as to use and cannot be used to fund general operations.

The Proprietary Fund (the Utility System) reported a decrease in net position, resulting from expenses and transfers exceeding revenue by .46 million. This bottom-line net income for the System included 1.17 million of depreciation expense, and therefore, the utility system's net income before depreciation, a measurement of operations commonly used in the private sector, was 1.92 million.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the fiscal year, the 2014 budget was revised to reflect an anticipated decrease in revenues and decrease in expenditures. Actual results for 2014 showed revenues and transfers-in falling short of the final budget by \$343,750. Actual expenditures were \$517,251 more than budgeted.

The General Fund operated at a surplus (or net change in fund balance) of \$721,415 for 2014. When this operating surplus is subtracted to the already existing fund balance deficit of \$2,074,666 at the beginning of the year, the resulting general fund balance deficit at December 31, 2014 is \$1,353,251. Some of the level of net gains that were planned for 2014 through expenditure cuts and revenue increases in order to decrease the deficit fund balance was achieved.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of 2014, the City had invested \$49.9 million (net of depreciation) in a broad range of capital assets, including police, fire, and public works equipment, buildings, park facilities and road, sewer and water system infrastructures. The following table represents capital assets at December 31, 2014, at cost less accumulated depreciation:

				Total Primary Government		
2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	
\$ 1,724,758	\$ 1,724,758	\$-	\$-	\$ 1,724,758	\$ 1,724,758	
20,210,351	19,474,797	9,292,152	9,292,152	29,502,503	28,766,949	
4,102,142	3,888,024	417,018	395,851	4,519,160	4,283,875	
29,048,797	28,979,585	12,730,611	12,730,611	41,779,408	41,710,196	
-	-	13,391,315	13,349,584	13,391,315	13,349,584	
	28,835	4,888,158	4,888,158	4,888,158	4,916,993	
\$ 55,086,048	\$ 54,095,999	\$40,719,254	\$ 40,656,356	\$ 95,805,302	\$ 94,752,355	
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ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

	Govern	rmental	Busine	ss-type	Total Primary			
	Activ	vities	Acti	vities	Government			
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013		
Buildings	\$ 9,717,860	\$ 9,178,713	\$ 7,920,626	\$ 7,757,643	\$ 17,638,486	\$ 16,936,356		
Equipment	2,607,762	2,662,980	395,841	368,828	3,003,603	3,031,808		
Infrastructure	11,127,834	10,288,043	9,612,255	9,342,116	20,740,089	19,630,159		
Improvements								
and Other	-	-	4,491,841	3,785,816	4,491,841	3,785,816		
	\$ 23,453,456	\$ 22,129,736	\$22,420,563	\$ 21,254,403	\$ 45,874,019	\$ 43,384,139		
Capital								
Assets, net	\$ 31,632,592	\$ 31,966,263	\$18,298,691	\$ 19,401,953	\$ 49,931,283	\$ 51,368,216		

In governmental activities the City reported a \$333,671 decrease in net capital assets over 2013. The decrease is largely due to the depreciation expense exceeding the capital asset additions during 2014. *Business-type activities* of the City reported a net decrease of \$1,103,262 in net capital assets compared to 2013, primarily as result of depreciation expense.

Long-Term Debt

At the end of the fiscal year 2014, the City had \$14,643,665 in outstanding debt and other long-term liabilities, including notes and bonds payable, pension obligations, claims payable, and accrued vacation and sick leave for its governmental activities. The outstanding notes and bonds payable are backed by the full faith and credit of the City of Bogalusa.

The City had \$7,567,833 outstanding in revenue bonds, certificates of indebtedness, pension obligations, claims payable, and compensated absences payable, in its business-type activities. The revenue bonds are backed solely by the revenue streams dedicated to payment of those bonds.

The net pension obligation increased by \$642,052 bringing the total pension obligation to \$12,205,389.

During the 2013 fiscal year, the City became obligated for asbestos remediation for condemned and demolished properties at an estimated cost of \$600,000. Approximately \$100,000 of the clean-up obligation has been satisfied as of December 31, 2013; however, approximately \$500,000 remains as a liability at December 31, 2014.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

While the economic outlook looks promising for the nation as a whole for 2014, older and rural communities such as the City of Bogalusa face enormous challenges due to an aging and declining population and a stagnant tax base. In the midst of these challenges, the 2014 budget was prepared using reasonable estimates for revenues and anticipated expenditures. Sales taxes, the City's main revenue source, are expected to remain constant. Expenditures are expected to decrease due to implementation of cost cutting measures in an attempt to improve the City's financial condition.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, grantors, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to demonstrate the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions concerning this report or need additional financial information, contact Stacy Smith at the City of Bogalusa's Administrative offices, located in City Hall at 202 Arkansas Avenue, Bogalusa, LA 70427.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF NET POSITION</u> <u>DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

	Primary Government Governmental Business-type					
	Governmental					
	Activities	<u>Activities</u>	Total			
ASSETS:						
Cash and cash equivalents	3,532,583	\$ 323,216	\$ 3,855,799			
Property taxes receivable	638,845	38,320	677,165			
Accounts receivable (net)	1,361,543	633,815	1,995,358			
Internal Balances	223,078	(223,078)	-			
Inventory	7,766	•	7,766			
Restricted assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	370,302	296,632	666,934			
Other assets	-	-	-			
Investment in joint venture - Choctaw Landfill	992,539	-	992,539			
Capital assets:						
Land and construction in progress	1,724,758	-	1,724,758			
Depreciable capital assets, net	29,907,834	18,298,691	48,206,525			
TOTAL ASSETS	38,759,248	19,367,596	58,126,844			
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:						
LIABILITIES:						
Accounts payable	1,781,220	253,620	2,034,840			
Accrued expenses	219,046	51,095	270,141			
Other payables	866,323	-	866,323			
Certificates of indebtedness	1,990,000	-	1,990,000			
Net post employment benefit liability	105,874	-	105,874			
Long-term liabilities:	,		,			
Due within one year	773,436	557,000	1,330,436			
Due beyond one year	13,870,229	7,010,833	20,881,062			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	19,606,128	7,872,548	27,478,676			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:						
Resources received prior to time requirement	31,265	_	31,265			
<u>NET POSITION:</u>						
Net investment in capital assets	28,968,147	13,004,691	41,972,838			
Restricted for:						
Debt service	1,034,426	296,632	1,331,058			
Industrial Complex	1,581,315	-	1,581,315			
Landfill	478,983	•	478,983			
Unrestricted	(12,941,016)	(1,806,275)	(14,747,291)			
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 19,121,855</u>	<u>\$ 11,495,048</u>	\$ 30,616,903			

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

					Prima	агу Governme	ent				
				Program				Net (Expense) Changes in !			
		Expenses		s, Fines, and harges for Services	G	rants and ntributions	G	overnmental Activities	Bu	siness-type Activities	 Total
<u>Function/Programs</u> <u>Primary Government</u> Governmental:											
General government	\$	4,550,861	\$	497,168	\$	357,923	\$	(3,695,770)	\$	-	\$ (3,695,770)
Public safety		4,801,373		157,552		508,611		(4,135,210)		-	(4,135,210)
Public works		3,226,011		-		213,105		(3,012,906)		-	(3,012,906)
Landfili		418,072		-		-		(418,072)		-	(418,072)
Culture and recreation		347,250		-		112,604		(234,646)		-	(234,646)
Economic development		716,718		252,404		-		(464,314)		-	(464,314)
Airport		480,764		-		6,576		(474,188)		-	(474,188)
Interest expense		107,255				-		(107,255)			 (107,255)
Total governmental activities		14,648,304		907.124		1,198,819		(12,542,361)		<u> </u>	 (12.542.361)
Business-type:		2 (20 0 70		4 000 000		101 (71				7/2 450	arca 450
Enterprise - Utilities		3,628,959		4,200,738		191,671				763,450	 763,450
Total business-type activities		3,628,959		4,200,738		191,671	· ·			763,450	 763,450
Total primary government	_\$	18,277,263		5,107,862	\$	1,390,490	\$	(12,542,361)	\$	763.450	\$ (11,778,911)
			Gener	ral revenues:							
				perty taxes				3,094,088		203,399	3,297,487
				es taxes				6,503,092		885,998	7,389,090
				er taxes				31,829		•••••	31,829
			Fra	nchise fees				342,017		•	342,017
			Inte	erest income				24,125		48,213	72,338
			Oth	ler				190,433		10,265	200,698
			Gai	n (loss) on sale	e of caj	pital assets		17,615		-	17,615
			Trans	fers (net)				2,366,337		(2,366,337)	 -
]	fotal general re	evenue	s		12,569,536		(1,218,462)	 11,351,074
			Chang	ge in net positi	on			27,175		(455,012)	(427,837)
			Net p	osition, Decem	iber 31	1, 2013		19,094.680		11,950,060	 31,044,740

<u>\$ 19,121,855</u> <u>\$ 11,495,048</u> <u>\$ 30,616,903</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Net position, December 31, 2014

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2014

ASSETS General Other Non- Obligation Major Total ASSETS General Sales Tax Landfill Fund Fund #1 Funds Funds Cash and cash equivalents Investments in joint venture \$ 945,304 \$ 1,403,822 \$ 273,620 \$ 259,632 \$ 650,205 \$ 3,532,583 Investments in joint venture - - 851,976 - - 851,976 Property taxes receivable 430,140 - 68,978 42,558 97,169 638,845 Accounts receivable 829,393 88,192 - - 443,958 1,361,543 Due from other funds 957,304 247,231 10,169 439,000 454,348 2,108,052 Inventory of supplies 7,766 - - - 7,766 Cash and cash equivalents - - - 370,302 370,302 370,302 TOTAL ASSETS 3,169,907 1,739,245 1,204,743 741,190 2,015,982 8,871,067			Special Rev	venue Funds	Debt Service Fund		
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DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	IOTAL ASSETS	5,109,907	1,739,245	1,204,745	741,190	2,015,962	6,671,007
	DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED						
OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES \$ 3,169,907 \$ 1,739,245 \$ 1,204,743 \$ 741,190 \$ 2,015,982 \$ 8,871,067		\$ 3.169 907	\$ 1,739,245	\$ 1.204.743	\$ 741.190	\$ 2.015.982	\$ 8.871.067
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LIABILITIES	LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable \$ 1,506,835 \$ (570) \$ - \$ - \$ 274,955 \$ 1,781,220		\$ 1,506,835	\$ (570)	s -	s -	\$ 274,955	\$ 1.781.220
Accrued expenses 201,242 201,242			-	-	- -	•	
Certificates of indebtedness 1,990,000 1,990,000			-	-	-	-	
Due to other funds 690,868 158,500 - 113,452 922,154 1,884,974			158 500	-	113.452	922.154	
Due to other governments 866,323 866,323			-	866.323	-		
TOTAL LIABILITIES 4,388,945 157,930 866,323 113,452 1,197,109 6,723,759		4,388,945	157,930		113,452	1,197,109	
			<u>,</u>				
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Resources recovered prior to time requirement <u>134,213</u> - <u>16,921</u> <u>10,188</u> <u>22,847</u> <u>184,169</u>	Resources recovered prior to time requirement	134,213		16,921	10,188	22,847	184,169
FUND BALANCES							
<u>Non-spendable:</u>							
Prepaid expenses and other 851,976 851,976		-	-	851,976	-	-	,
Inventory of supplies 7,766 7,766		7,766		-	-	-	7,766
<u>Restricted for:</u>							
Debt service		-	-	-	617,550		
Capital projects		-	-	-	-	,	
Maintenance 130,247 130,247		-	-	-	-		
Special programs 35,369 1,581,315 107,063 1.723,747		35,369	1,581,315	-	-	107,063	1.723,747
Committed:							
Park 7,655 7,655		,	-	-	-	-	
Police forfeitures 3,437 3,437		3,437	-	-	-	-	3,437
Assigned:							
Sitel 285 - 285			-	-	-	-	
<u>Unassigned</u> $(1,407,763)$ - $(530,477)$ - $(205,406)$ $(2,143,646)$							
TOTAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT) (1,353,251) 1,581,315 321,499 617,550 796,026 1,963,139	IUIAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)	(1,353,251)	1,581,315	321,499	617,550	796,026	1,963,139
TOTAL LIADE THE DECORDED	TOTAL LIADE FREE NEEDDED						
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS. AND FUND BALANCES <u>\$ 3,169,907</u> <u>\$ 1,739.245</u> <u>\$ 1,204,743</u> <u>\$ 741,190</u> <u>\$ 2,015,982</u> <u>\$ 8,871,067</u>		\$ 3,169,907	\$ 1,739.245	\$ 1,204,743	<u>\$ 741,190</u>	\$ 2,015,982	\$ 8,871,067

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET</u> <u>TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION</u> <u>DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

Fund balances December 31, 2014 - governmental funds	\$	1,963,139
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:		
	86,048 53,456)	31,632,592
Property tax revenues were collected more than sixty days after year-end and, therefore, are not available soon enough to pay for current period expenditures:		152,904
Equity interest in landfill joint venture not reported at fund level		140,563
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		(2,590,000)
Accrued interest payable		(17,804)
Notes payable		(444,747)
Net pension obligation payable		(10,023,065)
Compensated absences		(739,278)
Net OPEB benefits		(105,874)
Claims and judgements payable		(846,575)
Total net position at December 31, 2014 - governmental activities	_\$	19,121,855

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

		Special Rev	cove Funds	Debt Service Fund		
	General	Industrial Complex Sales Tax	Landfill Fund	General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund #1	Other Non- Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues: Ad valorem taxes	\$ 2,096,178	\$-	\$ 334,884	\$ 205,238	\$ 447,673	\$ 3,083,973
		554,412	\$ 334,004	\$ 203,238	4 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Sales taxes	3,219,976	554,412	-	-	2,728,704	6,503,092
Other taxes	31,829 422.765	-	-	-	-	31,829 422,765
Licenses and permits	, .	-	-	-	-	
Franchise fees	342,017	-	-	-	277.642	342,017
Intergovernmental	757,176	-	-	-	376,643	1,133,819
Charges for services	74,403	-	-	-	-	74,403
Fines	132,333	-	- 53	- 49	-	132,333
Interest	23,418	436	33	49	169	24,125
Rent	100 554	-	-	-	252,404	252,404
Miscellaneous	180,554			-	35,098	215,652
Total revenues	7,280,649	554,848	334,937	205,287	3,840,691	12,216,412
Expenditures:						
Current -						
General government	4,032,170	-	-	-	-	4,032,170
Public safety	4,045,261	-	-	-	875,424	4,920,685
Public works	1,359,895	-	-	-	879,601	2,239,496
Landfill	-	-	340,390	-	-	340,390
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	224,850	224,850
Economic development	-	197,004	-	-	175,506	372,510
Airport	112,013	-	-	-	1,279	113,292
Capital outlay	303,925	407,194	_	-	457,916	1,169,035
Intergovernmental	163,947		_	-		163,947
Debt Service -	105,747	-	_	_	_	105,747
Capital lease payments	_	_	_	_	293,113	293,113
Bond principal			_	360,000	110,000	470,000
Bond interest	÷	-	-	40,799	68.747	109,546
Total expenditures	10.017.211	604,198	340,390	400,799	3,086.436	14,449,034
I bui experiorer es	10,017,211			400,799	5,000,450	14,449,004
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(2,736,562)	(49,350)	(5,453)	(195,512)	754,255	(2,232,622)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	17,796	-	-	-	-	17,796
Transfers to other funds	(62,680)	(50,000)	_	-	(1,173,562)	(1,286,242)
Transfers from other funds	3,502,861	(00,000)	_	_	149,718	3,652,579
Total other financing sources (uses)	3,457,977	(50,000)		-	(1,023,844)	2,384,133
Net change in fund balance	721,415	(99,350)	(5,453)	(195,512)	(269,589)	151,511
	,	1	(-,)	(-)	(
Fund balance (deficit), beginning	(2,074,666)	1,680,665	326,952	813,062	1,065,615	1,811,628
Fund balance (deficit), ending	\$ (1,353,251)	\$ 1,581,315	\$ 321.499	\$ 617,550	<u>\$</u> 796,026	\$ 1,963,139

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA <u>RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,</u> <u>AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

Net change in fund balances - governmental funds		\$ 151,511
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	1,234,035	
Depreciation expense	(1,567,525)	(333,490)
_		
Add accumulated depreciation on capital assets disposed	243,805	(101)
Less cost basis of assets retired during the year	(243,986)	(181)
Change in deferral of revenues due to collection beyond 60 days		10,115
Non-current expenses of landfill operations, net of proportioned revenue		(77,682)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities: Bond and capital lease principal payments		763,113
Other shares in laws town chlipsticas		
Other changes in long-term obligations: Accrued interest payable	2 201	
Net pension obligation payable	2,291	
Compensated absences	(829,056)	
Net OPEB obligation	293,762	
Claims and judgements payable	(36,337)	(496 211)
Ciauns and Judgements payable	83,129	 (486,211)
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$ 27,175

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION ENTERPRISE (UTILITIES) FUND DECEMBER 31, 2014

Current assetsS323,216Cash and cash equivalentsS33,220Property taxes receivable633,815Due from other funds5,512Total current assets1,000,863Restricted assets296,632Cash and cash equivalents296,632Total restricted assets296,632Cash and cash equivalents296,632Capital assets296,632Capital assets296,632Capital assets296,632Capital assets296,632Capital assets18,298,691Construction in progress-Capital assets19,596,186DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES-LIABILITIES-Current liabilities:228,590Accrued salaries12,100Other payables-Scope-term liabilities:228,590Long-term debt, current557,000Total current liabilities228,590Long-term liabilities:228,590Compensated absences91,599Restricted absences91,599Total LIABILITIES\$,101,138DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCESNet investment in capital assets13,004,691Restricted for debt service296,632Umrestricted(1,886,275)Total LIABILITIES\$,101,138DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCESNet investment in capital assets13,004,691Restricted for debt service296,632<	ASSETS	
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CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION ENTERPRISE (UTILITIES) FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

OPERATING REVENUES:

Charges for service -	
Water, sewer and garbage fees	\$ 4,200,738
Miscellaneous service revenues	10,265
Total operating revenues	4,211,003
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Salaries and wages	583,831
Employee benefits	179,966
Change in net pension obligation	(187,004)
Utilities	309,816
Contractual services	615,060
Supplies and materials	255,042
Repairs	493,498
Gas and oil	31,412
Depreciation	1,166,160
Insurance and other	11,785
Total operating expenses	3,459,566
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	751,437
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):	
Advalorem taxes	203,399
Sales taxes	885,998
Intergovernmental	191,671
Interest income	48,213
Interest expense	(169,393)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	1,159,888
Net income before transfers	1,911,325
Transfers to other funds	(2,366,337)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(455,012)
NET POSITION:	
Balance, beginning of year	11,950,060
Baiance, end of year	<u>\$ 11,495,048</u>

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ENTERPRISE (UTILITIES) FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	Page 1 of 2
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash received from customers	\$ 4,241,885
Cash paid to suppliers	(1,757,660)
Cash paid to employees	(743,347)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,740,878
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Advalorem taxes	201,415
Sales taxes	849,239
Due to other funds (net change in)	29,125
Transfers to other funds	(2,366,337)
Net cash used in non-capital financing activities	(1,286,558)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Intergovernmental grants (capital)	171,494
Principal payments on debt	(543,000)
Interest paid on debt	(172,110)
Acquisition of capital assets	(62,898)
Net cash used in capital financing activities	(606,514)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Investment income	58,462
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(93,732)
Call and and antical set of the former	712 500
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	713,580
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 619,848
Reconciliation to the Statement of Net Position:	
Cash and cash equivalents - current	\$ 323,216
Cash and cash equivalents - restricted	296,632
	\$ 619,848
	(continued)

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ENTERPRISE (UTILITIES) FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	F	Page 2 of 2	
Income from operations	\$	751,437	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation expense		1,166,160	
Bad debt expense		149,653	
Change in assets and liabilities:		,	
Receivables		(118,771)	
Accounts payable		(40,074)	
Other payables		(973)	
Compensated absences		20,414	
Accrued salaries		36	
Net pension obligation		(187,004)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		1,740,878	

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF PLAN NET POSITION</u> <u>CITY OF BOGALUSA EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM</u> <u>FIDUCIARY FUND</u> <u>JUNE 30, 2014</u>

ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	199,420
Receivables: Member contributions Employer contributions Accrued interest	17,531 220,785 <u>18,090</u>		256,406
Investments at fair market value: Fixed income assets Value equity assets Growth equity assets Total investments	2,368,712 1,707,916 1,424,495		5,501,123
TOTAL ASSETS			5,956,949
LIABILITIES			819
NET POSITION OF PENSION PLAN ASSETS		<u>\$</u>	5,956,130

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION</u> <u>CITY OF BOGALUSA EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM</u> <u>FIDUCIARY FUND</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014</u>

ADDITIONS Contributions:	
Members	127,923
Employer	407,112
Total contributions	535,035
Investment income:	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	720,410
Interest and dividends	126,058
	846,468
Less: investment fee expense	(32,348)
Net investment income	814,120
Total additions	1,349,155
DEDUCTIONS	
Benefits	891,233
DROP withdrawals	44,048
Refunds of contributions	38,984
Administrative expenses	460
Other	325
Total deductions	975,050
INCREASE IN NET POSITION	374,105
NET POSITION OF PENSION PLAN ASSETS:	
Beginning of the year	5,582,025
End of the year	\$ 5,956,130

NOTES TO THE PRIMARY GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

The City of Bogalusa, Louisiana (the City) was incorporated July 4, 1914, and is governed by the provisions of a home rule charter adopted October 22, 1977. The City operates under a "mayor-council" form of government which consists of an elected council representing the legislative branch of the government and an elected mayor heading the executive branch.

As the municipal governing authority, for reporting purposes, the City is considered a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (municipality), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) 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 (GASB) Statement No. 61 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the City for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. This criteria includes:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the City Council 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 City Council.
- 2. Organizations for which the City Council does not appoint a voting majority but which are fiscally dependent on the Council and provide specific financial benefits or impose specific financial burdens on the City Council.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization were not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.
- 4. Organizations in which it has a majority equity interest for the purpose of directly facilitating government services.

The City has chosen to issue financial statements of the primary government and only one component unit.

Component Unit Included

City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS) – COBERS is a legally separate organization, but is fiscally dependent upon the City. It meets the definition of a component unit, and is blended into the basic financial statements as a Fiduciary Type Fund.

Component Units Omitted

City Court of Bogalusa (the Court) -The City Court of Bogalusa is a court of limited jurisdiction and serves Ward 4 of Washington Parish, Louisiana. Although the City Court Judge is an independently elected official, the Court is considered a component unit of the City because of fiscal dependence. The City provides the courtroom and office space for the Court. The City also pays salaries and retirement for the Court's administrative staff.

Constable of City Court of Bogalusa (the Constable) - The office of the Constable of City Court of Bogalusa was created by special legislative act R.S. 13:1952(5). The Constable is an elected official, and is responsible for executing the orders and mandates of the City Court of Bogalusa. The Constable is also fiscally dependent on the City and considered a component unit.

Christmas in the Park Commission (the Commission) – The Commission was created on November 1, 1995 by Ordinance No. 1588. The Commission is governed by an eleven-member board appointed by the Mayor, with approval of the City Council. The Commission advises the Mayor and the City Council, stimulates public interest and accepts donations to enhance holiday lighting and activities.

Bogalusa Community Arena Commission (the Commission) – The Bogalusa Community Arena Commission is governed by an eleven-member board appointed by the Mayor with approval of the Council. The Commission was established by Ordinance No. 1607 dated June 21, 1995 and amended on December 20, 1995 by Ordinance No. 1623.

Bogalusa Parks and Recreation Commission (the Commission) – The Bogalusa Parks and Recreation Commission is governed by a seventeen-member board appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council. The Commission was established by Ordinance No. 824 dated March 6, 1973.

Complete financial statements of the individual component units can be obtained from their respective administrative offices.

Administrative Offices

City Court of Bogalusa 202 Arkansas Avenue Bogalusa, LA 70427 Constable of City Court of Bogalusa 202 Arkansas Avenue Bogalusa, LA 70427

Ms. Stacy Smith Director of Administration City of Bogalusa, Louisiana Post Office Box 11 79 Bogalusa, LA 70429

Primary government officials may appoint some, or all, governing board members of organizations that are not included as component units in the primary government's reporting entity. These organizations are classified as (a) related organizations and (b) joint ventures, as follows:

Related Organizations

Housing Authority of Bogalusa - The Mayor, with confirmation of the City Council, appoints all five Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Bogalusa. However, no further contact or influence exists.

Washington Economic Development Foundation, Inc. - The Mayor appoints one member and the City Council appoints two members of the thirty member Board of Directors of Washington Economic Development Foundation, Inc., which is a non-profit corporation exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(3).

Joint Ventures

Choctaw Road Landfill (the Joint Venture) - The City is a participant with the Washington Parish Government (the Parish) in a joint venture to construct and operate the Choctaw Road Landfill, a solid waste disposal landfill. The Joint Venture was opened in July of 1989. The agreed upon percentages for sharing of construction costs, revenue and operating costs were 58.1% for the Parish and 41.9% for the City. The Parish's share of costs has been funded by a dedicated one percent sales tax in Washington Parish, excluding Ward 4. The City's share of costs has been funded by an ad valorem tax and the issuance of general obligation bonds. Complete financial statements for the Joint Venture can be obtained from the Washington Parish Government at the parish courthouse in Franklinton, LA.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the City of Bogalusa 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. The City has applied GASB Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements, which eliminates the option for business-type activities to follow new FASB pronouncements, although they may continue to be applied as "other accounting literature."

A. 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 nonfiduciary 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.

B. 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 City 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 nonmajor, 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:

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. 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.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B. Fund Financial Statements (continued)

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. The two special revenue funds reported as major funds in the fund financial statements are as follows:

The Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund accounts for the ¹/₄-cent sales tax dedicated to improvement maintenance of the City's Industrial Park.

The Landfill Fund accounts for the receipt of a 5-mill ad valorem tax dedicated to constructing, acquiring, improving, maintaining and/or operating landfill facilities for the city, including acquisition of land therefore. This fund also accounts for the City's investment in operations of the Choctaw Road Landfill, a joint venture with the Washington Parish Government.

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. One debt service fund is reported as a major fund, the General Obligation Bond Sinking fund number 1 fund, which holds and collects monies for the retirement of the series 2012 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, which refunded the 1998 General Obligation Sewer Bonds.

Capital Projects Fund – Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds). There are no major capital projects funds.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing or/and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the proprietary funds are user fees. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The City reports the following major proprietary fund:

The Utilities Fund accounts for all financial resources of water system, sewer system, and garbage collection.

Additionally, the City reports the City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS) as a fiduciary fund since the City acts in a fiduciary capacity for the benefit of the employees. Assets held in this fund are segregated from the City's general operating assets and are not subject to the claims of general creditors.

C. 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.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

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.

COBERS is a single-employer pension plan that covers most permanent City employees except policemen and firemen. The COBERS's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions to the plan are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

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 City 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.

D. Deposits and Investments

The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and shortterm investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State law and the City's investment policy allow the City 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. The City has no investments.

The City of Bogalusa Employees Retirement System's (COBERS) 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 COBERS investment policy allow the COBERS to invest in collateralized certificates of deposits, government backed securities, commercial paper, the state sponsored investment pool, and mutual funds investing in debt and equity securities, as well as direct equity investments all within limitations for each type of investment.

E. Activity Between Funds

Activity 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".

F. Summary of Authorized Ad Valorem and Sales Taxes

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 of each year. Taxes are levied by the City in September or October and are actually billed to the taxpayer in November. Billed taxes become delinquent on January 1 of the following year. Revenues from ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year billed.

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

Notes to the Primary Government Financial Statements As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2014

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

F. Summary of Authorized Ad Valorem and Sales Taxes (continued)

The City bills and collects its own property taxes using the assessed values determined by the Tax Assessor of Washington Parish. When the City receives the tax roll, a receivable is set up and revenue is recognized based on the assessed values to the extent available.

Sales taxes are recognized as revenue in the month of the underlying sale transaction. The Washington Parish Sheriff is authorized to collect and remit this tax to the City.

Fund Type	Purpose	Authorized Mills	Levied Mills	Expiration Date
General	General purpose	10.84	10.84	Indefinite
General	Maintenance, equipment, operations and salaries of municipal employees	3.64	3.62	2017
General	Fire department maintenance	2.75	2.71	2017
General	Maintenance and operation of municipal services	2.65	2.71	2019
General	Retirement for police department, fire department, and general city employees	7,79	7.79	2019
General	City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System	2.75	2.75	2015
Debt Service	Street Improvement Bonds	2.75	2.75	Indefinite
Special Revenue	Parks and Recreation Facilities	2	2	2019
Special Revenue	Municipal Buildings	2	2	2019
Special Revenue	Landfill	5	5	2021
Enterprise	Sewer and water works	2.71	2.71	2017
Debt Service	Paying bonds and interest	4.95	3.01	Indefinite
	Total	49.83	47.89	

The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes.

The following is a summary of authorized sales taxes.

Fund Type	Purpose	Percent	Expiration Date
Special Revenue	Street and drainage maintenance	0.25	05/31/17
Special Revenue	Capital improvements	0.15	05/31/17
Enterprise	Water and sewer maintenance	0.15	05/31/17
General	General operations	0.45	05/31/17
Special Revenue	Industrial complex maintenance	0.25	Indefinite
Special Revenue	Employee salaries and benefits	0.50	Indefinite
Special Revenue	Jail operations	0.33	Indefinite
General	General operations	1.00	Indefinite
Enterprise	Wastewater system improvement	0.25	02/01/23
	Total	3.33	

G. Inventories and Prepaid Expenses

All inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out method. Inventories of the governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased. 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.

I. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (continued)

H. <u>Restricted Assets</u>

Certain funds of governmental activities, capital lease proceeds, and enterprise fund revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for bond repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants.

I. 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 City maintains a threshold level of \$2,500 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
Roads, bridges, and infrastructure	20-40 years
Buildings and building improvements	25-40 years
Furniture and fixtures	5-10 years
Vehicles	5 years
Equipment	5-10 years

J. Compensated Absences

Vacation and sick leave in each department is governed by a different union contract and in the case of fire and police, civil service and other state laws.

Public Works Department and Finance Department/General Government:

Vacation time is required to be taken in the year it is earned, except with permission from the appropriate department head. The union contract calls for payment for unused vacation at the end of the year. The City's practice is to pay an employee for up to 90 days at separation. The City allows an employee to bank more vacation time than he/she will be paid for in the event he needs to use it for an emergency.

Sick leave is earned at a rate of 2 days a month and is cumulative up to 260 days. An employee can be paid for up to 20 days of sick leave at separation. The days earned, but not taken, up to 260 days are kept on the books until an employee separates.

Comp time or bank time is earned at 1.5 times the hours actually worked at an overtime rate. The City's practice is to pay an employee for up to 90 days at separation. The City allows an employee to bank more vacation time than he/she will be paid for in the event he needs to use it for an emergency.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

J. Compensated Absences (continued)

Fire Department and Police Department:

Vacation time is required to be taken in the year it is earned, except with permission from the appropriate chief. The City's practice is to pay an employee for up to 90 days at separation, yet the city allows an employee to bank more vacation in the event he or she needs to use it for an emergency.

Comp time or bank time was earned at 1.5 times the hours actually worked at an overtime rate. Currently, bank time is unlimited.

GASB Statement No. 16 Accounting for Compensated Absences requires governments to accrue compensated absences only to the extent it is probable that the employer will compensate employees for benefits through cash payments conditioned on the employees' termination or retirement. The City has recorded the following liabilities as of December 31, 2014 for certain salary-related benefits associated with the payment of compensated absences:

- 1. Accrued and unused vacation for each employee valued at the employees' current rate of pay.
- 2. Accrued and unused sick leave up to the maximum to be paid upon termination,
- 3. A total of 100% of the compensatory leave for each employee valued at the employees' current rate of pay.

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 December 31, 2014, 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.

K. <u>Fund Balance</u>

The City reports fund balance in accordance with GASB Statement 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. This Statement provides definitions of fund balance categories that are designed to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balance more transparent. 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 expenses) 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;

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (continued)

K. Fund Balance (continued)

- 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 City 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 City's management;
- Unassigned fund balance amounts that are available for any purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

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

L. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are reported net of an allowance for uncollectables. The more significant accounts receivable are recorded for amounts due from governments in the governmental activities and funds, and for customers' accounts in the business-type activities and the utility fund. Customer Utility accounts are estimated to be uncollectable upon coming sixty days past due. Amounts due from governments are estimated to be uncollectable based upon the facts and circumstances of the grant agreement or funding source.

M. Net Position

The City 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 now 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.

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.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

M. <u>Net Position</u> (continued)

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. Liabilities and deferred inflows related to restricted assets 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 City'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.

N. 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.

O. <u>New Pronouncements</u>

GASB Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Note Disclosures for Defined Contribution Plans, became effective for the City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS) in fiscal year beginning after June 15, 2013. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by state and local governmental pension plans. This Statement replaces the requirements of Statements No. 25, Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Note Disclosures for Defined Contribution Plans, and No. 50, Pension Disclosures. COBERS financial statements included in this report include GASB Statement No. 67 reporting and disclosures.

The GASB issued Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions in June 2012. This Statement replaces the requirements of Statement No. 27, Accounting for Pensions by State and Local Governmental Employers, as well as the requirements of Statement No. 50, Pension Disclosures. Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, revises existing standards of financial reporting for most pension plans. This Statement and Statement 67 establish a definition of a pension plan that reflects the primary activities associated with the pension arrangement--determining pensions, accumulating and managing assets dedicated for pensions, and paying benefits to plan members as they come due. This Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014.

The GASB issued Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date, in November 2013. The objective of this Statement is to address an issue regarding application of the transition provisions of Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The issue relates to amounts associated with contributions, if any, made by a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing net pension liability. The provisions of this Statement are required to be applied simultaneously with the provisions of Statement No. 68.

1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (continued)

P. <u>New Pronouncements</u> (continued)

Management of the City is currently assessing the impact of these new pronouncements on the financial statements.

2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

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

- a. The Mayor 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.
- b. At the meeting of the council at which the operating budget is submitted, the council orders a public hearing on it.
- c. At least ten days prior to the date of such hearing, the council publishes in the official journal a general summary of the proposed budget.
- d. 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 twenty-seventh day of the last month of the calendar year.
- e. 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.
- f. 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.
- g. 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 City Council.

3. DEPOSITS, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS

A. City of Bogalusa

At December 31, 2014, the City had cash (book balances) totaling \$4,522,733 consisting primarily of demand deposit accounts at local banks. These deposits were stated at cost, which approximates market. 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.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures" requires disclosure of custodial credit risk for bank deposits. 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 City of Bogalusa's name. At December 31, 2014, the City's bank balances amounted to \$5,031,695. Of the bank balances, \$500,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$4,411,393 was protected against custodial credit risk by collateral held by the pledging banks' trust department or agent in the City's name at December 31, 2014.

3. DEPOSITS, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

A. <u>City of Bogalusa</u> (continued)

The City has one bank account that was exposed to custodial credit risk of \$120,302 that represents the amount on deposit that exceeded the federal depository insurance and with no collateral pledged in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224.

B. City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS)

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

At June 30, 2014, cash and cash equivalents consisted of \$134,150 invested in short-term money market mutual funds and \$65,270 in a commercial checking account. The commercial checking account is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000, while the money market funds are not subject to custodial credit risk.

Investments:

In accordance with LRS 11:263, the System is authorized to invest under the Prudent-Person Rule. The Prudent-Person Rule shall require each fiduciary of a retirement system and each board of trustees acting collectively on behalf of each system to act with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances prevailing that a prudent institutional investor acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with like aims. Notwithstanding the Prudent-Person Rule, the System's investment policy allows for fifty percent of the total portfolio to be invested in equity securities and fifty percent to be invested in fixed income securities consisting of U.S. Government and U.S. corporation bonds and notes. Rebalancing occurs when the investment weight of the categories varies by five percent or more.

Concentration of Credit Risk:

Concentration of credit risk is defined as the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the System's investment in a single issuer. The System's investment policy states that no more than 5 percent of the total stock portfolio value at market may be invested in the common stock of an organization.

In addition, exposure to any economic sector shall not exceed greater of 30% of the portfolio at market value and investments in one issuer shall not exceed 5% of the fixed income portfolio's market value unless otherwise authorized by the Board. Investments in FHLB, FNMA US Treasury Notes represent a concentration greater than 5% of total investments as of June 30, 2014. These issuers' percentages of total fixed income were 6.73%, 5.05%, and 6.10%, respectively.

Credit Risk:

Credit risk is defined as the risk that an issuer or other counter party to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The following are credit risk ratings of the System's investments in long-term debt securities as of June 30, 2014.

3. <u>**DEPOSITS, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS** (continued)</u>

B. <u>City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS)</u>

Below is a schedule of debt securities owned with their applicable ratings:

Rating	Corporate Bonds	Municipal Bonds	H	Federal ome Loan Aortgage Corp	I N	Federal National fortgage ssociation	Hot	ederal me Loan Bank	N M	vernment lational lortgage sociation	Tre	US easury lotes	lutual Fund		Total
A1	\$ 105,455	\$-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	105,455
A2	211,732	109,992	ļ	-		-		-		-		-	200,109		521,833
A3	100,977	108,410)	-		-		-		-		-	-		209,387
Aal	-	146,501		-		-		-		-		-	-		146,501
Aa3	100,562	69,434		-		-		-		-		•	-		169,996
Aaa	-	-		17,476		360,444		189,853		73,596	1	48,908	-		790,277
Baal	223,265	-		-		-		-		-		-	-		223,265
Baa3	201, <mark>998</mark>	-				-				-			 -		201,998
	\$ 943,989	\$ 434,337	<u> </u>	17,476	\$	360,444	\$	189,853	\$	73,596	\$ 1	48,908	\$ 200,109	\$ 2	2,368,712

The System's investment policy limits its investments to corporate debt issues rated equivalent of B or better by Standard & Poor's or B2 by Moody's Investor Services. If securities fall to a CCC rating, they are to be eliminated in a timely manner.

Rate of return. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 15.72%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Custodial Credit Risk:

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Exposure to custodial credit risk arises when securities are uninsured, or are not registered in the name of the Retirement System, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent, but not in the System's name. The System was not exposed to custodial credit risk as of June 30, 2014. However, the System does not have a policy regarding custodial credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk:

Interest rate risk is defined as the risk that changes in interest rates in the general market will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The holding period of an investment security can be an indicator of interest rate risk exposure. As of June 30, 2014, the System had the following investments in long-term debt securities and maturities:

3. DEPOSITS, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

B. City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS) (continued)

Interest Rate Risk: (continued)

	F	air Value	Less	Than 1 Year	1-	5 Years	6-	10 Years	 eater Than 0 Years
Corporate Bonds	\$	943,989	\$	306,994	\$	413,730	\$	223,265	\$ -
Municipal Bonds		434,337		-		325,927		108,410	-
FHLMC		17,476		-		-		17,476	-
FNMA		360,444		-		35,414		-	325,030
FHLB		189,853		-		27,475		162,378	-
GNMA		73,596		-		12,966		-	60,630
US Treasury Notes		148,908		-		148,908		-	-
Mutual Fund		200,109		200.109					
	\$	2,368,712	\$	507,103	\$	964,420	\$	511,529	\$ 385,660

The System has no formal policy regarding interest rate risk.

The System may invest in collateralized mortgage obligations. These securities are based on cash flows from interest payments on underlying mortgages. Therefore, they are sensitive to prepayments by mortgagees, which may result from a decline in interest rates. The holding periods for the collateralized mortgage obligations above are based on maturity dates of the securities.

4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consist 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, and sales and franchise tax collections.

Accounts receivable at December 31, 2014 were as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Sa	ales Taxes		Grants	 Other	 Total
General Fund	\$	511,301	\$	3,440	\$ 314,652	\$ 829,393
Industrial Complex Sales Tax		88,192		-	-	88,192
Non-Major Governmental Funds		433,794		-	 10,164	 443,958
Total	\$	1,033,287	\$	3,440	\$ 324,816	\$ 1,361,543
Business-type Activities:	Si	ales Taxes	-	ustomer Utility ccounts	 Other	Total
Operating Fund	\$	141,036	\$ 1	,361,589	\$ 85,894	\$ 1,588,519
Allowance for Uncollectible						
Accounts		-		(954,704)	 -	 (954,704)
Total	\$	141,036	\$	406,885	\$ 85,894	\$ 633,815

5. CASH RESTRICTED UNDER DEBT AGREEMENTS

At December 31, 2014, the City held restricted cash required by bond covenants pertaining to the \$2,670,000 Revenue Refunding Bonds 2012, \$2,000,000 Water Revenue Bonds 2009A and \$3,000,000 Water Revenue Bonds 2009B as follows:

Wastewater Improvement Sales Tax	\$ 48,906
Sewer Sales Tax Bond Reserve Account	226
Water Revenue Bond Reserve Account	147,161
Water Revenue Bond Sinking Account	88
Water Revenue Bond Contingency Account	 100,251
Total business-type activities restricted cash	\$ 296.632

The City is required by its Loan and Pledge Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals pursuant to the issuance of the 2009A and B bonds (See note 13) to make monthly deposits into its water revenue bond and sinking fund cash accounts. Additionally, the Water Revenue Bond Reserve Account and the Water Revenue Contingency Accounts are required to maintain minimum balances. As of December 31, 2014, the City had not fully funded the Water Revenue Bond Sinking Account nor had it maintained the required minimum balance.

On July 31, 2012, the City issued Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, in the amount of \$2,670,000. The City is required to make monthly deposits into its sinking fund cash account. As of December 31, 2014, the City had not created a sinking fund cash account and therefore, had not made the monthly required deposits.

At December 31, 2014, the City held restricted cash of \$370,302 remaining for the issuance of the Louisiana Municipal Capital lease proceeds in 2013. The City expects to use the remaining capital lease proceeds for the purchase of capital assets during 2015.

6. <u>NET INVESTMENT IN CHOCTAW ROAD LANDFILL</u>

The City's investment in Choctaw Road Landfill, a joint venture, is presented in the government-wide financial statements as follows:

Current financial resources (current assets less current liabilities)		
presented in the Fund Financial	-	
Statements	\$	851,976
Other economic resources		
(net capital assets less landfill closure		
and post closure care costs)		140,563
Net investment in joint venture	<u>\$</u>	<u>992,539</u>

The City recognized expense of \$418,072 in the Governmental Statement of Activities representing the City's share of the net costs of operating the landfill.

A liability of \$866,323 is recorded as other payable in the Governmental Statement of Activities and in the landfill fund; \$543,823 of which is in arrears at December 31, 2014.

7. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

A. Governmental Activities

The following is a summary of the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2014:

	Balance 12/31/2013	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/2014
<u>Cost</u>				
Land	\$ 1,724,758	\$ -	\$-	\$ 1,724,758
Construction in progress	28,835	303,925	(332,760)	<u> </u>
	1,753,593	303,925	(332,760)	1,724,758
Depreciated				
Buildings	19,474,797	735,554	-	20,210,351
Infrastructure	28,979,585	69,212	-	29,048,797
Furniture and equipment	3,888,024	458,104	(243,986)	4,102,142
	52,342,406	1,262,870	(243,986)	53,361,290
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Buildings	(9,178,713)	(539,147)	-	(9,717,860)
Infrastructure	(10,288,043)	(839,791)	-	(11,127,834)
Furniture and equipment	(2,662,980)	(188,587)	243,805	(2,607,762)
	(22,129,736)	(1,567,525)	243,805	(23,453,456)
Net capital assets being depreciated	30,212,670	(304,655)	(181)	29,907,834
Total capital assets, net	\$ 31,966,263	\$ (730)	\$(332,941)	\$ 31,632,592

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 was charged to the following governmental functions:

General government	\$ 96,221
Public safety	115,120
Public works	563,515
Culture and recreation	99,011
Economic Development	344,208
Airport	 349,450
	\$ 1,567,525

7. CAPITAL ASSETS (continued)

B. Business-type Activities

The following is a summary of the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2014:

	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/2014
Cost				
Water and sewer plant	\$ 9,292,152	\$-	\$-	\$ 9,292,152
Sewer treatment plant	2,682,688	-	-	2,682,688
Water well	1,686,604	-	-	1,686,604
Collection system	2,744,249	-	-	2,744,249
Sewer pumping system	1,398,264	-	-	1,398,264
Water line	4,218,806	-	-	4,218,806
Equipment and vehicles	395,851	21,167	-	417,018
Sewer treatment				
improvements	13,349,584	41,731	-	13,391,315
Water meter	4,888,158	-	-	4,888,158
	\$40,656,356	62,898	-	40,719,254
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Water and sewer plant	(7,757,643)	(162,983)	-	(7,920,626)
Sewer treatment plant	(2,664,946)	(1,610)	-	(2,666,556)
Water well	(667,938)	(91,151)	-	(759,089)
Collection system	(2,538,429)	(68,606)	-	(2,607,035)
Sewer pumping system	(1,349,049)	(2,363)	-	(1,351,412)
Water line	(2,121,754)	(106,409)	-	(2,228,163)
Equipment and vehicles	(368,828)	(27,013)	-	(395,841)
Sewer treatment				
improvements	(3,495,857)	(336,522)	-	(3,832,379)
Water meter	(289,959)	(369,503)		(659,462)
Total accumulated				
depreciation	(21,254,403)	(1,166,160)		(22,420,563)
Total capital assets, net	\$ 19,401,953	\$ (1,103,262)	\$ -	\$ 18,298,691

8. 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 exist at December 31, 2014.

	Due from Other Funds	Due to Other Funds
Governmental Funds:		
General Fund	\$ 957,304	\$ 690,868
Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund	247,231	158,500
Landfill Fund	10,169	-
General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund	439,000	113,452
Nonmajor governmental funds	454,348	922,154
Proprietary Funds:		
Utility System	5,512	228,590
	\$ 2,113,564	\$ 2,113,564

9. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Transfers between funds occur to provide reimbursement of certain operating costs and are not expected to be repaid. Transfers between funds during 2014 occurred as follows:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
Governmental Funds:		
General Fund	\$ 3,502,861	\$ 62,680
Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund	-	50,000
Nonmajor governmental funds	149,718	1,173,562
Proprietary Funds:		
Utility System	<u> </u>	2,366,337
	<u>\$ 3,652,579</u>	\$ 3,652,579

10. ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS FOR SALARIES

The State of Louisiana sends a check monthly for approximately \$500 directly to each individual fireman and policeman that is qualified and has been employed by the City for at least one year. Policemen received a total of \$242,034, and the firemen received \$181,416 in 2014. The total payments of \$423,450 have been included in the fund financial statements in intergovernmental revenue and public safety expenditures.

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11. SHORT-TERM DEBT

The City borrows money during the year to finance expenditures for general operations that are budgeted evenly throughout the year, which are expected to be paid from ad valorem tax revenues collected at year-end.

Short-term debt activity for the year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Funds Borrowed	Repayments	Ending Balance	
Certificates of Indebtedness	<u>\$ 1,800,000</u>	\$ 1,990,000	\$ (1,800,000)	<u>\$ 1,990,000</u>	

The borrowings for 2014 were advanced to the City through a series of certificates of indebtedness bearing interest at prime minus 2.00%.

12. GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

a. Activities

Long-term liability activity of governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	A	dditions	R	eductions	En	ding Balance	ithin One Year
Bonds Payable	\$ 3,060,000	\$	-	\$	(470,000)	\$	2,590,000	\$ 480,000
Notes Payable:								
Capital One-Fire Trucks	22,888		-		(22,888)		-	-
Louisiana Municipal Lease (equip.)	714,972		-		(270,225)		444,747	278,436
Net Pension Obligation	9,194,009		966,624		(137,568)		10,023,065	-
Compensated Absences	1,033,040		-		(293,762)		739,278	-
Claims and Judgments	429,704		-		(83,129)		346,575	15,000
Pollution Remediation Obligations	500,000		-		-		500,000	
	\$ 14,954,613	\$	966,624	\$	(1,277,572)	\$	14,643,665	\$ 773,436

b. Bonds Pavable

On October 4, 2012, the City issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, in the amount of \$2,200,000 in order to refund the General Obligation Sewer Bonds, Series 1998 which had a balance of \$2,154,105 at the time of issuance of the refunding bonds. The City is required to create a sinking fund account and maintain a minimum balance. As of December 31, 2014, the City had maintained the required minimum balance. Bonds Payable were as follows at December 31, 2014:

	Date of Issuance	Original Balance	Ending Balance
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series			
2012, 2.25 - 2.5%	10/4/2012	\$ 2,200,000	\$ 1,505,000
General Obligation 2007, 4.125 – 6.0%	10/1/2007	1,750,000	1,085,000
		\$ 3,950,000	\$ 2,590,000

12. GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (continued)

c. Notes Payable

In 2009, the City obtained financing for the purchase of a fire truck and eight police cars through a lease-financing arrangement with Capital One Bank. The lease agreement for the fire truck is in the amount of \$246,387, bearing interest at 4.86%, payable in 60 monthly installments. The lease agreement for the eight police cars was repaid in 2012 with the fire truck being repaid in 2014.

In 2013, the City obtained financing for the purchase of various vehicles and heavy equipment through a lease-financing arrangement with Government Capital Corporation, a Texas corporation. The lease-financing agreement, for \$\$25,000, required the placement of the financing proceeds into escrow from which draws were to be made upon purchase of the assets. As of December 31, 2014, \$454,698 had been disbursed from the account while \$370,302 remained in escrow. The City pays \$23,997 per month to service the debt with an interest rate of 3%.

d. Annual debt service requirements of bonds and notes pavable

The annual requirements to service all debts outstanding are as follows for the next five years and for five year increments thereafter:

	Bonds Payable							Notes	Payable		
		Principal		Interest		Total]	Principal	I	nterest	Total
2015	\$	480,000	\$	77,999	\$	557,999	\$	278,436	\$	9,525	\$ 287,961
2016		490,000		64,593		554,593		166,311		1,665	167,976
2017		505,000		50,273		555,273		-		-	-
2018		525,000		34,788		559,788		-		-	-
2019		140,000		23,595		163,595		-		-	-
2020-2022		450,000		31,325		481,325		-		-	 -
	\$	2,590,000	\$	282,573	\$	2,872,573	\$	444,747	\$	11,190	\$ 455,937

13. BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

a. Activity

Long-term debt activity of business-type activities for the year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Amounts Due within One Year
Bonds Payable	5,837.000	\$ -	\$ (543,000)	5,294,000	557,000
Net Pension Obligation	2,369,328	210,463	(397,467)	2,182,324	-
Compensated Absences	71,095	20,414		91,509	
	\$ 8,277,423	\$ 230,877	\$ (940,467)	\$ 7,567,833	\$ 557,000

13. <u>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS</u> (continued)

b. Bonds Payable

The City entered into a series of agreements with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (the Department) as part of the Build America Bonds Program whereby the Department has committed to loan the City up to \$5,000,000 to fund construction of a water meter system (project). The loan is to be advanced in incremental amounts as project costs are incurred. The indebtedness to the City will be evidenced through the Series 2009A and 2009B bonds in the amounts of \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000, respectively, and these bonds will mature in 20 principal installments, payable annually on each September 1 beginning in 2011. Each annual installment due is based upon a pre-determined percentage of the ultimate amount of the borrowing that is not forgivable (see forgiveness provisions in the following paragraph). Interest on the bonds is incurred at the rate of 2.95% and payment thereof began March 1, 2010 and continues to occur semi-annually thereafter.

The 2009A series bonds were funded with amounts provided under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). One half of the 2009A bond funds advanced to the City is forgivable as a debt upon advancement. The City received no advances of 2009A bond funds during 2014 as the bonds were fully funded during 2012.

The City is required to create reserve accounts and maintain minimum balances within that account and to make monthly deposits into a sinking fund. As of December 31, 2014, the City had not made the required minimum deposits to the sinking fund account.

On July 31, 2012, the City issued Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, in the amount of \$2,670,000 in order to refund the Sales Tax Sewer Bonds, Series 1998, Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 1998 and the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 1999 which had balances of \$1,395,000, \$630,000 and \$880,000, respectively, at the time of issuance of the refunding bonds. The remaining balance on the refunded bonds was paid with the cash in the reserve accounts as set aside for the sewer bonds. The City is required to make monthly deposits to a sinking fund. As of December 31, 2014, the City had not created such accounts and therefore, had not made the required deposits to those accounts.

Bonds outstanding were as follows at December 31, 2014:

	Date of Issuance	Original Balance	Ending Balance
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009A, 2.95%	Various	1,000,000	879,000
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009B, 2.95% Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, 2.25 –	Various	3,000,000	2,510,000
2.5%	7/31/2012	2,670,000	1,905,000
		\$ 6.670,000	\$ 5.294.000

13. BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (continued)

c. Annual debt service requirements

A schedule of annual debt service requirements for the bonds for each of the next five years and for five-year increments thereafter is as follows:

			Boi	ıds Payable	
	Ē	rincipal]	Interest	Total
2015	\$	557,000	\$	140,819	\$ 697, 8 19
2016		573,000		126,970	699,970
2017		582,000		112,776	694,776
2018		602,000		97,719	699,719
2019		501,000		82,890	583,890
2020-2024		1,038,000		306,033	1,344,033
2025-2029		1,1 8 5,000		144,521	1,329,521
2030		256,000		3,776	 259,776
	\$:	5,294,000	\$ 1	,015,504	\$ 6,309,504

14. LEGAL DEBT MARGIN

Computation of the legal debt margin for general obligation bonds payable from ad-valorem tax is as follows. The City is within its allowed legal debt limitation.

<u>Ad-valorem taxes:</u> Assessed valuation, 2014 tax rolls	<u>\$69,288,970</u>
Debt limit: 35% of assessed valuation	<u>\$ 24,251,140</u>
General obligation bonds outstanding at December 31, 2014, secured by ad-valorem tax	<u>\$ 2,590,000</u>

15. PENSION PLANS

a. City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description:

Plan administration. The City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (COBERS) administers the City of Bogalusa Pension Plan - a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides pensions for all permanent full-time general and public safety employees of the City. The City's Home Rule Charter grants the authority to establish and amend the benefit terms to the COBERS Board of Trustees (COBERS Board).

Management of the plan is vested in the COBERS Board, which consists of nine members-five elected by plan members.

<u>Membership</u>: Participation is mandatory for virtually all full-time non-fire and non-police employees who are employed on a permanent basis, and are under the age of 60 years on the date of employment.

15. PENSION PLANS (continued)

a. City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (continued)

The membership of the plan at June 30, 2014 is as follows:

Retirees & beneficiaries receiving benefits	60
Terminated plan members entitled to but	
not yet receiving benefits	-
Active plan members	<u>_78</u>
Total	<u>138</u>

<u>Description of Benefits:</u> Members become benefit eligible at age 60 with 10 years of service or age 50 with 25 years of service. The normal benefit is equal to two and two-thirds percent of average salary for each year of total service and any fractional part of a year of service. The minimum amount of benefit is 25% of average salary, while maximum benefit is 66 2/3% of average salary. Under the joint and survivor option, 75% of benefits are paid and continue to the surviving spouse until death or remarriage. Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) are provided with approval of the City Council.

<u>Contributions</u>: Plan members are required to contribute 6% of their annual covered salary. The City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the City contributed \$224,112 in employer contributions or 11% of covered payroll. Additionally, the City contributed \$182,990 for the year ended June 30, 2014 which represents the net assessment of the 2.75 mills property tax from 2013 that is dedicated to the system. Contribution requirements of the plan members are established and may be amended by state law.

<u>Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation</u>: During 1996, the City implemented GASB Statement No. 27, Accounting for Pensions by State and Local Governmental Employers. The GASB required, among other things, that the liability balance of the Net Pension Obligation (NPO) be recognized as general long-term debt. The NPO has been defined as the cumulative difference since 1986 between annual pension cost and the employer's contributions to the plan.

The City's annual pension cost and net pension obligation to the COBERS, calculated in accordance with GASB 27, for the year ended June 30, 2014 were as follows:

Annual required contribution	\$	1,313,689
Interest on net pension obligation	Ψ	
		711,786
Adjustment to annual required contribution		<u>(848,388</u>)
Annual pension cost		1,177,087
Contributions made		(535,035)
Increase in net pension obligation		642,052
Net pension obligation beginning of year		<u>11,563,337</u>
Net pension obligation end of year	<u>\$</u>	12,205.389
Recorded in the Statement of Net Position:		
Governmental activities		10,023,065
Business-type activities		2,182,324
Total	<u>\$</u>	12,205,389

The City continued to accrue the net pension obligation in accordance with GASB 27 since the adoption of GASB 68 will be required for the following year December 31, 2015.

15. <u>PENSION PLANS</u> (continued)

a. City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (continued)

The annual required contribution for 2014 was determined as part of a June 30, 2013 actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions under that valuation included (a) 6.50% investment rate of return and (b) projected payroll increases of 2.50% per year of employment. The actuarial value of assets was determined at market value. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of annual compensation. As of June 30, 2013, the amortization period expired and was re-set starting in 2014 with another amortization period of 30 years.

While the City continues to account for pension costs under GASB Statement No. 27, the Plan (the Trust or COBERS) adopted GASB Statement No. 67 *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans* effective for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. Implementation of this new accounting standard required among other things, measurement of a net pension liability measured using prescribed methods and assumptions and resulted in higher pension liabilities than were measured under GASB Statement No. 25.

<u>Net Pension Liability</u>: The components of the net pension liability of the COBERS at June 30, 2014, were as follows:

Total pension liability	\$	24,343,388
Plan fiduciary net position		(5,055,270)
Net pension liability	_\$	19,288,118
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		20.77%

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.5 percent
Salary increases	4.5 percent, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	6.5 percent, net of pension plan investment expense,
	including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the 2014 optional combined table for small plans.

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15. PENSION PLANS (continued)

a. City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System (continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which best-estimate 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2014 are summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Real Rate of Return
Value portfolio	7.7%
Growth portfolio	8.4%
Fixed income	(2.5%)
Cash and short-term	(3.0%)

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.208 percent. 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 City's contributions will be made at current levels. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to exhaust its assets by 2021, at which time the burden of paying the benefits would shift directly to the City. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 6.5% was applied to all periods up to that date, and a rate of 3.05% is assumed thereafter.

Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the City, calculated using the discount rate of 3.208 percent, as well as what the City's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.208 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.208 percent) than the current rate:

		Applied	
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
	(2.208%)	(3.208%)	(4.208%)
City's net pension liability	\$22,055,649	\$19,288,118	\$16,065,591

b. Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (MPERS)

<u>Plan description</u>: All of the City's full-time police employees participate in the MPERS, a cost sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate Board of Trustees. MPERS provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits to participating, eligible employees. Benefits are established and amended by state statute. MPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System, 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Suite 270, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70809, or by calling (225) 929-7411.

<u>Funding policy:</u> Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 10.0 percent of their annual covered salary to the System, and the City is required to make contributions at an actuarially determined rate. The rate paid by the City during 2014 was 31.00% of covered payroll for the first six months and 31.50% percent for the last six months of the year. The contribution requirements of plan members and the City of Bogalusa are established and amended by state statute.

15. PENSION PLANS (continued)

b. Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (MPERS) (continued)

As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The City's contributions to the MPERS during the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012 totaled \$585,340, \$577,573, and \$476,763, respectively.

c. Firefighters' Retirement System (FRS)

<u>Plan description</u>: All of the City's full time fire employees participate in the FRS, a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate Board of Trustees. FRS provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits to participating, eligible employees. Benefits are established and amended by state statute. FRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to Firefighters' Retirement System, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70806, or by calling (225) 925-4060.

<u>Funding policy</u>: Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 10% of their salary to the system, and the City is required to make contributions at an actuarially determined rate. The rate paid by the City during the 2014 was 28.25% of covered payroll for the first six months and 29.25 percent for the last six months of the year. The contribution requirements of the plan members and the employer are established by, and may be amended by state law. As required by state law, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The City of Bogalusa's contributions to the FRS during the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012 totaled \$329,748, \$381,456, and \$331,296, respectively.

Beginning with the 2015 fiscal year and the adoption of GASB Statement No. 68, the net pension liability of the COBERS, as well as a proportional share of the MPERS and FRS plans will be recognized on the City's statements of Net Position. This new accounting standard will also require certain deferred outflows, inflows, and pension expenses to be recorded.

16. RISK MANAGEMENT

Litigation and General Liability

The City 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 City attempts to minimize risk from significant losses by participating in a public entity risk pool. According to the participation contract, the City transfers all risk to the public entity risk pool. The City is only responsible for the payment of premiums and deductibles on claims; the public entity risk pool is responsible for the payment of claims excluding the deductible.

On December 31, 2014, the City was a defendant in a number of lawsuits and other claims arising from the normal course of operations; most of which were being defended through the City's participation on the public entity risk pool. However, some of the claims were not covered through the risk pool and were thus handled through other hired counsel. The City Attorney has advised that his position on the suits covered under insurance is that they should be defended and/or settled within the policy limits. The lawsuits and claims not covered by insurance are also being vigorously defended. The ultimate disposition of all of these matters is unknown as of the date of issuance of these financial statements; however, certain of these matters could materially affect the City's financial condition if rulings are made in favor of the plaintiff or if the City chooses to settle these matters.

16. **RISK MANAGEMENT** (continued)

Litigation and General Liability (continued)

A liability of approximately \$15,000 is recorded in the accompanying financial statements for claims or other matters related to such exposure.

Worker's Compensation

In prior years, the City had a self-insured retention (deductible) of \$175,000 for worker's compensation. In 2009, the city purchased a full coverage worker's compensation insurance policy. No deductible is required; therefore, no reserve liability exists for claims incurred from 2009 forward. However, a liability is recorded in the Governmental Activities long-term debt for the City's retained risk pertaining to claims incurred prior to 2009 that remain open as of December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$331,575.

Past Due Amounts

The City was in arrears to the public entity risk pool in which it participates for premiums due and amounts owed for past self-insured worker's compensation claims. The total amount owed to the risk pool entity was approximately \$600,000 at December 31, 2014. These amounts owed are included in accounts payable of the General Fund.

17. GRANTS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

Federal and state governmental units provide an important source of supplementary funding used to finance employment, construction programs, and other activities beneficial to the community. This funding, primarily in the form of grants, is recorded throughout all of the City's fund types. A grant receivable is recorded when the City has a right to reimbursement under the related grant, which is generally at the time an eligible expenditure has been incurred.

Most grants received by the City specify the purpose for which the grant monies are to be used and are subject to audit by the granting agency or, in the case of federal grants, the Single Audit Act. These audits may result in disallowed cost on previously received reimbursements requiring the City to return the funds to the grantor. Any potential return of funds is accounted for in accordance with FASB Statement No 5, Accounting for Contingencies, as made applicable under GASB Statement 62.

Grants and contribution revenues are to be categorized between operating and capital. The following categorization supports the grants and contribution revenues reported in the Statement of Activities:

Function/Program	Operating	Capital	Total
Governmental Activities:			
General government	\$ 63,922	\$ 294,001	\$ 357,923
Public safety	443,611	65,000	508,611
Public works	213,105	-	213,105
Culture and recreation	-	112,604	112,604
Airport		6,576	6,576
	720,638	478,181	1,198,819
Business-type Activities:			
Utilities	191,671		191,671
	\$ 912,309	\$ 478,181	\$1,390,490

18. LEASES OF CITY PROPERTY

The City of Bogalusa has operating leases for various buildings, land and improvements. The lease's terms range from five years to fifteen years. Operating lease income for December 31, 2014 was \$252,404. The following is a schedule of future minimum lease commitments:

Year	 Amount			
2015	\$ 308,502			
2016	263,502			
2017	157,100			
2018	86,100			
2019	 69,000			
	\$ 884,204			

19. COMPENSATION PAID TO CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

Name	Title		mount
Wendy Perrette	City Council – At Large	\$	7,200
Doug (Frank) Ritchie	City Council - At Large		7,800
Penny Williams	City Council – District A		7,200
Michael O'Ree	City Council – District B		7,200
Oneita Graham	City Council – District C		7,200
Theodore (Judson) Drummond	City Council - District D		7,200
Randy Hodges	City Council – District E		7,200
		\$	51,000

20. OPERATING ENVIRONMENT AND FINANCIAL DEFICIENCIES

Deficit fund balances exist in the following funds:

General Fund	\$ 1,353,251
Youth Recreation and Parks Fund	205,406
Landfill Fund (unassigned)	530,477

The General Fund's liabilities exceed currently available resources to satisfy those liabilities. This condition signifies financial difficulties for the City. This condition is the result of increasing operating and personnel costs over a period of six years and transfers to capital project funds to pay for infrastructure and capital improvements. If the fund balance is not brought into a positive position and a higher level of fund balance is not maintained, the City's operations could be severely hampered. Additionally, if operating surpluses are not achieved in future years in the other funds listed above sufficient to reverse the deficit position, then those funds' obligations may also fall to the general fund. The City's administration is aware of the cash flow and fund balance issues and has developed a plan for strengthening the City's financial condition through expenditure reductions and revenue increases.

20. OPERATING ENVIRONMENT AND FINANCIAL DEFICIENCIES (continued)

The Youth Recreation and Parks fund exceeded its currently available resources due to the expenditures of the construction of a new sprinkler park built during the year that is recorded in this fund. This deficit is expected to be resolved in the subsequent year through reduction in operating expenditures and transfers from other funds.

The Landfill Fund's deficit is a result of increased costs of operating the landfill including those necessary for compliance with EPA requirements to currently fund a portion of closure and postclosure costs.

The covenants of the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 A and B (see note 13), and the Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 (see note 13) require that sinking funds be established and that monthly deposits be made to those funds in amount to sufficiently fund the debt service occurring at 6 month intervals. Additionally, the assets, revenue and expenses of the water system operation are to be identified and accounted for separately according to the terms of the 2009 A and B bonds. The City was non-compliant with these requirements of the bonds as of December 31, 2014.

21. <u>APPROPRIATIONS IN EXCESS OF BUDGET</u>

The actual expenditures exceeded the budgetary appropriation by more than 5% for the following functions:

	<u>Appropriations</u>			<u>Actual</u>	
General Fund:					
Public safety	\$	3,816,410	\$	4,045,261	
Public works		1,218,680		1,359,895	
Capital Outlay		-		303,925	
Intergovernmental		156,460		163,947	

State law requires a budgetary amendment to be adopted when total actual expenditures are expected to exceed budgeted appropriations by more than 5%.

22. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description

The City of Bogalusa's medical benefits are provided through a comprehensive medical plan and are made available to employees upon actual retirement.

The employees are covered by a retirement system whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 25 years of service at any age; or, age 60 and 10 years of service.

Life insurance coverage is available to retirees upon retirement. The employer pays 100% of the "cost" of the retiree life insurance, but it is based on the blended rate and there is therefore an additional implied employer subsidy. Since GASB 45 requires the use of "unblended" rates, the City has used the 94GAR mortality table to "unblend" the rates so as to reproduce the composite blended rate overall as the rate structure to calculate the actuarial valuation results for life insurance. All of the assumptions used for the valuation of the medical benefits have been used except for the trend assumption; zero trend was used for life insurance. Retiree insurance coverage amounts are a flat \$2,500. Retirees who had medical coverage at retirement have \$17,500 of life insurance coverage until age 65, and \$2,500 thereafter.

22. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

Contribution Rates

Employees do not contribute to their post-employment benefits costs until they become retirees and begin receiving those benefits. The plan provisions and contribution rates are contained in the official plan documents.

Fund Policy

Until 2010, the City of Bogalusa recognized the cost of providing post-employment medical and life insurance benefits (the City of Bogalusa's portion of the retiree medical and life insurance benefit premiums) as an expense when the benefit premiums were due and thus financed the cost of the post-employment benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis. In 2014 and 2013, the City of Bogalusa's portion of health care and life insurance funding cost for retired employees totaled \$41,447 and \$38,377, respectively.

Effective January 1, 2010, the City of Bogalusa implemented Government Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-employment Benefits Other than Pensions (GASB 45). This amount was applied toward the Net OPEB Benefit Obligation as shown in the following table.

Annual Required Contribution

The City of Bogalusa's Annual Required Contribution (ARC) is an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB 45. The ARC is the sum of the Normal Cost plus the contribution to amortize the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL). A level dollar, open amortization period of 30 years (the maximum amortization period allowed by GASB 43/45) has been used for the post-employment benefits. The actuarially computed ARC is as follows:

	2014		2013
Normal Cost	\$	26,692	\$ 25,666
30-year UAL amortization amount		52,331	 50,318
Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$	79,023	\$ 75,984

Post-employment Benefit Obligation (Asset)

The table below shows the City of Bogalusa's Net Other Post-employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligation for fiscal years ending December 31:

	2014	2013
Annual required contribution Interest on Net OPEB Obligation (Asset)	\$ 79,023 2,782	\$ 75,984 1,300
ARC Adjustment	(4,021)	(1,880)
OPEB Cost	77,784	75,404
Contribution	-	-
Current year retiree premium paid	(41,447)	(38,377)
Change in Net OPEB Obligation (Asset)	36,337	37,027
Ending Net OPEB Obligation (Asset)	\$ 105,874	\$ 69,537

22. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

Post-employment Benefit Obligation (Asset) (continued)

The following table shows City of Bogalusa's annual post-employment benefits (PEB) cost, percentage of the cost contributed, and the net unfunded post-employment benefits (PEB) liability for last year and this year:

Fiscal Year Ended	 Annual PEB Cost	Percentage of Annual Cost Contributed	et OPEB bligation (Asset)
December 31, 2014	\$ 77,784	53.28%	\$ 105,874
December 31, 2013	\$ 75,404	50.89%	\$ 69,537
December 31, 2012	\$ 73,153	48.57%	\$ 32,510
December 31, 2011	\$ 82,127	101.14%	\$ 5,109

Funded Status and Funding Progress

In 2014 and 2013, the City of Bogalusa made no contributions to its post-employment benefits plan. The plan is not funded, has no assets, and hence has a funded ratio of zero. Based on the January 1, 2012 actuarial valuation, the most recent valuation, the Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) at the end of the year December 31, 2014 was \$941,139 which is defined as that portion, as determined by a particular actuarial cost method (the City of Bogalusa uses the Projected Unit Credit Cost Method), of the actuarial present value of post-employment plan benefits and expenses which is not provided by normal cost.

	2014	2013		
Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	\$ 941,139	\$ 904,941		
Actuarial Value of Plan Assets (AVP)				
Unfunded Act. Accr. Liability (UAAL)	941,139	904,941		
Funded Ratio (AVP/AAL)	0.00%	0.00%		
Covered Payroll (active plan members) UAAL as a percentage of covered	\$ 6,103,959	\$ 5,895,097		
payroll	15.42%	15.35%		

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. The actuarial valuation for post employment benefits includes estimates and assumptions regarding (1) turnover rate; (2) retirement rate; (3) health care cost trend rate; (4) mortality rate; (5) discount rate (investment return assumption); and (6) the period to which the costs apply (past, current, or future years of service by employees). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

The actuarial calculations are based on the types of benefits provided under the terms of the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the City of Bogalusa and its employee plan members) at the time of the valuation and on the pattern of sharing costs between the City of Bogalusa and its plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the City of Bogalusa and plan members in the future. Consistent with the long-term perspective of actuarial calculations, the actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial liabilities and the actuarial value of assets.

22. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

Actuarial Cost Method

The ARC is determined using the Projected Unit Credit Cost Method. The employer portion of the cost for retiree medical care in each future year is determined by projecting the current cost levels using the healthcare cost trend rate and discounting this projected amount to the valuation date using the other described pertinent actuarial assumptions, including the investment return assumption (discount rate), mortality and turnover.

Actuarial Value of Plan Assets

An age-related turnover scale based on actual experience has been used. The rates, when applied to the active employee census, produce a composite average annual turnover of approximately 10%. In addition, based on past experience it was assumed that 50% of retirees decline medical coverage upon retirement because of the required retiree contribution.

Turnover Rate

An age-related turnover scale based on actual experience has been used. The rates, when applied to the active employee census, produce a composite average annual turnover of approximately 10%. In addition, based on past experience it was assumed that 50% of retirees decline medical coverage upon retirement because of the required retiree contribution.

Post Employment Benefit Plan Eligibility Requirements

Based on past experience, it has been assumed that entitlement to benefits will commence four years after initial eligibility to enter the D.R.O.P., as described above under "Plan Description". Medical benefits are provided to employees upon actual retirement.

Investment Return Assumption (Discount Rate)

GASB Statement 45 states that the investment return assumption should be the estimated long-term investment yield on the investments that are expected to be used to finance the payment of benefits (that is, for a plan which is funded). Based on the assumption that the ARC will not be funded, a 4% annual investment return has been used in this valuation.

Health Care Cost Trend Rate

The expected rate of increase in medical cost is based on a graded schedule beginning with 8% annually, down to an ultimate annual rate of 5.0% for ten years out and later.

Mortality Rate

The 1994 Group Annuity Reserving (94GAR) table, projected to 2002, based on a fixed blend of 50% of the unloaded male mortality rates and 50% of the unloaded female mortality rates, is used. This is a recently published mortality table which has been used in determining the value of accrued benefits in defined benefit pension plans. Projected future mortality improvement has not been used since it is our opinion that this table contains sufficiently conservative margin for the population involved in this valuation.

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

Notes to the Primary Government Financial Statements As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2014

22. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

Method of Determining Value of Benefits

The "value of benefits" has been assumed to be the portion of the premium after retirement date expected to be paid by the employer for each retiree and has been used as the basis for calculating the actuarial present value of OPEB benefits to be paid. The retirees pay 100% of the "cost" of medical benefits, but it is based on "blended" rates (the rates are a blend of the active and retired rates). Since GASB 45 mandates that "unblended" rates be used, we have estimated the "unblended" rates for retired before Medicare eligibility to be 130% of the blended rate. Retiree medical coverage ceases at age 65.

Inflation Rate

Included in both the Investment Return Assumption and the Healthcare Cost Trend rates above is an implicit inflation assumption of 2.50% annually.

Projected Salary Increases

This assumption is not applicable since neither the benefit structure nor the valuation methodology involves salary.

Post-retirement Benefit Increases

The plan benefit provisions in effect for retirees as of the valuation date have been used and it has been assumed for valuation purposes that there will not be any changes in the future.

Below is a summary of OPEB cost and contributions for the last three fiscal calendar years.

	OPEB Costs and Contributions					
		FY 2012		FY 2013		FY 2014
OPEB Cost	\$	73,153	\$	75,405	\$	77,784
Contribution		-		-		-
Retiree premium		35,534		38,378		41,447
Total contribution and premium	_	35,534		38,378		38,378
Change in net OPEB obligation	\$ =	37,619	\$	37,027	\$	36,337
% of contribution to cost		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
% of contribution plus premium to cost		48.57%		50.89%		53.28%

ODED Costs and Contributions

23. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City entered into a short term borrowing arrangement with a local financial institution to assist in financing operations. Under the terms of the arrangement, a maximum of \$1,990,000 may be advanced and all amounts borrowed must be paid in full in March 1, 2016. As of the date of issuance of these financial statements, \$700,000 had been advanced to the City.

24. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

In 2013, the City became aware of disallowed costs for several projects or grants previously funded under the FEMA Public Assistance Program related to past disasters, primarily Hurricane Katrina. Preliminary notifications from the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency preparedness (GOHSEP, the granting agency) indicated that approximately \$250,000 was due to be returned to GOHSEP because of disallowed costs. The City plans to contest and appeal the Governor's Office of Homeland Security's disallowance of these costs and is of the opinion that the matter will be resolved in favor of the City. However, the ultimate resolution of this matter is unknown at this time. As mentioned in footnote 16, the City accounts for contingent liabilities resulting from such audits as prescribed in FASB Statement No 5, *Accounting for Contingencies*, as made applicable to governmental entities through GASB 62. Accordingly, no liability is recorded in the accompanying financial statements for this matter.

In 2013, the City entered into an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality for asbestos remediation for past, present and future demolitions of condemned/adjudicated properties in possession of the City. The City has committed to and has begun remediation of 140 demolitions from the past that were identified by the DEQ upon inspection. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No 49, Accounting and financial reporting for Pollution Remediation Liabilities, an estimated liability of \$500,000 is recorded as payable for the past demolitions, for which remediation activities have already begun. Future demolitions are not estimable at this time.

TIN Inc. the then owner of the paper mill (the Mill) located within the City, as well as the prior owner of the Mill, Gaylord Container Corporation, filed suit for refund of sales taxes. After an initial ruling in favor of the defendants at the district court level, the progression of the suit through the appeals process ended with a settlement agreement being reached between the taxing authorities, including the City, and the Washington Parish Sheriff's Office, as collector, and the owners of the paper mill. The settlement agreement was favorable to the plaintiffs (Mill). Under the terms of the agreement, the mill will receive credits to be applied toward future sales and use taxes in the amount of \$494,197; \$31\$,757 of which is applicable to the City. The credits will reduce to the City's future tax revenues to be derived from the mill over a period of 48 months in the amount of approximately \$6,640 per month. Required Supplemental Information (Part II)

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA **Required Supplemental Information** December 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)

Other Post Employment Benefits Plan Retiree Health and Life Insurance Programs

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Liab	Actuarial Accrued oility (AAL) ntry Age (b)	Jnfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	_	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
01/01/2014	0.00	\$	941,139	\$ 941,139	0.00 %	\$	6,103,959	15.4%
01/01/2013	0.00		904,941	904,941	0.00 %		5,895,097	15.4%
01/01/2012	0.00		870,136	870,136	0.00 %		5,728,798	15.2 %
01/01/2011	0.00		1,040,830	1,040,830	0.00 %		5,901,671	17.6 %

995,590

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

995,590

0.00 %

5,901,671

16.9 %

Fiscal Year Ending	Annual OPEB Amount <u>Cost Contributed</u>		Percentage of Annual OPEB Costs Contributed	Increase (Decrease) to Net OPEB (Asset) Obligation			Net OPEB (Asset) Obligation		
12/31/2014	\$ 77,784	\$	41,447	53.28 %	\$	36,337	\$	105,874	
12/31/2013	75,404		38,377	50.89 %		37,027		69,537	
12/31/2012	73,153		35,534	48.57 %		37,619		32,510	
12/31/2011	82,187		83,066	101.1 %		939		(5,109)	
12/31/2010	78,897		83,067	105.3 %		4,170		(4,170)	

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE</u> <u>GENERAL FUND</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u> <u>(UNAUDITED)</u>

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 2,084,960	\$ 2,175,100	\$ 2,096,178	\$ (78,922)
Sales taxes	3,189,270	3,385,150	3,219,976	(165,174)
Other taxes	33,000	42,000	31,829	(10,171)
Licenses and permits	455,400	431,200	422,765	(8,435)
Franchise fees	333,000	368,000	342,017	(25,983)
Intergovernmental	474,580	1,044,990	757,176	(287,814)
Charges for services	1,250	750	74,403	73,653
Fines	145,000	150,000	132,333	(17,667)
Interest	500	500	23,418	22,918
Miscellaneous	133,150	247,090	180,554	(66,536)
Total revenues	6,850,110	7,844,780	7,280,649	(564,131)
Expenditures:				
Current -				
General government	4,378,740	4,099,270	4,032,170	67,100
Public safety	4,168,560	3,816,410	4,045,261	(228,851)
Public works	1,573,790	1,218,680	1,359,895	(141,215)
Airport	124,640	209,140	112,013	97,127
Capital outlay	-	-	303,925	(303,925)
Intergovernmental	161,600	156,460	163,947	(7,487)
Total expenditures	10,407,330	9,499,960	10,017,211	(517,251)
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(3,557,220)	(1,655,180)	(2,736,562)	(1,081,382)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Sale of assets	10,000	15,000	17,796	2,796
Transfers to other funds	(32,750)	-	(62,680)	(62,680)
Transfers from other funds	3,579,970	3,282,480	3,502,861	220,381
	3,557,220	3,297,480	3,457,977	160,497
Net change in fund balance	<u>-</u>	1,642,300	721,415	(920,885)
Fund balance (deficit), beginning		(2,074,662)	(2,074,666)	(4)
Fund balance (deficit), ending	<u> </u>	\$ (432,362)	\$ (1,353,251)	\$ (920,889)

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE</u> <u>INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX SALES TAX FUND</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u> <u>(UNAUDITED)</u>

	Original Budget			Final Budget		Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues:								
Sales Taxes	\$	559,500	\$	559,500	\$	554,412	\$	(5,088)
Interest		1,150		1,150		436		(714)
Total revenues		560,650		560,650		554,848		(5,802)
Expenditures:								
Economic Development		285,650		285,650		197,004	88,646	
Capital Outlay	250,000			250,000		407,194		(157,194)
Total expenditures		535,650		535,650		604,198		(68,548)
Excess of revenues over expenditures		25,000		25,000		(49,350)		(74,350)
Other financing uses:								
Transfers to other funds		(25,000)		(25,000)		(50,000)		(25,000)
		(25,000)		(25,000)		(50,000)		(25,000)
Net change in fund balance				-		(99,350)		(99,350)
Fund balance, beginning		1,733,700		1,680,670		1,680,665		(5)
Fund balance, ending	\$	1,733,700		1,680,670	\$	1,581,315	\$	(99,355)

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE</u> <u>LANDFILL FUND</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)

	iginal Idget	Final Budget	£	Actual	Fa	riance - vorable avorable)
Revenues:						
Advalorem taxes	342,700	342,700		334,884	\$	(7,816)
Interest	130	130		53		(77)
Miscellaneous	-	-		-		-
Total revenues	 342,830	 342,830		334,937		(7,893)
Expenditures:						
Current -						
Landfill	342,830	669,780		340,390		329,390
Total expenditures	 342,830	 669,780		340,390		329,390
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	-	(326,950)		(5,453)		321,497
Fund balance, beginning	 	 326,950		326,952		2
Fund balance, ending	\$ -	\$ 	<u>\$</u>	321,499	\$	321,499

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF REVENUES</u> <u>GENERAL FUND</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u> <u>(UNAUDITED)</u>

		Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual	F	'ariance - 'avorable 1favorable)
Taxes:								
Ad valorem taxes	\$	2,084,960	\$	2,175,100	\$	2,096,178	\$	(78,922)
Sales tax		3,189,270	•	3,385,150	-	3,219,976	•	(165,174)
Beer tax		23,000		21,000		18,371		(2,629)
Bogalusa Housing Authority taxes		10,000		21,000		13,032		(7,968)
Tax certificates		-		-		426		426
Total taxes		5,307,230		5,602,250		5,347,983		(254,267)
Licenses and permits:								
Occupational licenses and interest		440,000		415,000		419,781		4,781
Alcoholic beverages licenses and permits		14,000		14,000		1,225		(12,775)
Electrical permits		1,000		500		295		(205)
Miscellaneous Permits		400		1,700		1,464		(236)
Total licenses and permits		455,400		431,200		422,765		(8,435)
Franchise fees								
Entergy Electrical		183,000		210,000		207,015		(2,985)
Centerpoint Natural Gas		85,000		90,000		99,846		9,846
Charter Cable TV		30,000		30,000		-		(30,000)
Bell South / AT&T Franchise Fee		30,000		37,000		34,193		(2,807)
Southern Lighting of LA		5,000		1,000		963		(37)
Total franchise fees		333,000		368,000		342,017		(25,983)
Intergovernmental:								
State Supplemental Pay		468.000		350,620		372,516		21,896
LCLE Receipts		6,580		-		4,177		4,177
Department of Justice Grant		-		-		12,761		12,761
LA Gov Assistance Program		-		-		25,000		25,000
Louisiana Safety Commission Grant		-		36,400		32,972		(3,428)
Safe Routes to School Grant		-		246,330		-		(246,330)
Criminal Patrol Grant		-		3,030		-		(3,030)
JAG Grant		-		12,870		-		(12,870)
Historic Structures Grant		•		7,000		5,950		(1,050)
HVAC Renovations		-		173,930		294,001		120,071
DODT Grant		-		-		3,223		3,223
Violence Against Women Grant		-		7,810		-		(7,810)
Bogalusa Creek - USDA Grant		-		87,000		•		(87,000)
Airport State Grant		-		120,000		6,576		(113,424)
Total intergovernmental	<u> </u>	474,580	_\$	1,044,990	\$	757,176	\$	(287,814)

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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CITY OF BOGALUSA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES <u>GENERAL FUND</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)

		Original Budget		Final Budget	Actual		Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Charges for services:								
Zoning change charges	\$	1,250	\$	750	\$	300	(450)	
Wreck and fire reports		-		-	-	6,965	6,965	
Pound fees		-		-		1,160	1,160	
Witness fees		-		-		9,670	9,670	
Recording deeds		-		-		(6,648)	(6,648)	
Research fees		-		-		693	693	
Bonding fees		-		-		12,780	12,780	
Fingerprint fees		-		-		1,995	1,995	
Archon collection fee		-		-		46,113	46,113	
Miscellaneous		-		-		1,375	1,375	
Total charges for services		1,250		750		74,403	73,653	
Fines and Penalties								
Court Fines		145,000		150,000		132,333	(17,667)	
Total fines		145,000	_	150,000		132,333	(17,667)	
Interest:								
Interest Earned		500		500		193	(307)	
Cassidy Park Campground Donations & Interest		-		-		4,502	4,502	
Main Street Donations & Interest		-		-		18,660	18,660	
Retirement Interest Earned		-		-		63	63	
Total interest earned		500		500		23,418	22,918	
Miscellaneous:								
2% fire insurance		61,250		59,870		59,868	(2)	
Cemetery plot sales		14,700		13,000		8,400	(4,600)	
Airport income		1,700		1,000		799	(201)	
Donations		2,500		36,000		-	(36,000)	
Clearing Lots		-		-		6,389	6,389	
Returned checks charges		-		-		946	946	
Police seized funds		-		-		1,483	1,483	
Over and short		-		-		55	55	
ATM rent		-		-		300	300	
Sale of adjudicated property		3,000		-		-	-	
Xerox receipts		-		-		15	15	
Conexis Premium Account		-		-		(633)	(633)	
Centennial Jubilee Reciepts		-		-		46,564	46,564	
Worker's Compensation Reimbursement		-		-		18,715	18,715	
Other miscellaneous revenue		50,000		137,220		37,653_	(99,567)	
Total miscellaneous		133,150		247,090		180,554	(66,536)	
TOTAL REVENUES	s	6,850,110	\$	7 ,844,780	\$	7,280,649	<u>s (564,131)</u>	

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<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES</u> <u>GENERAL FUND</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u> <u>(UNAUDITED)</u>

General Government:	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
City Council:				
Salaries and wages	\$ 84,830	\$ 77,340	\$ 77,338	\$ 2
Contract overtime	880	900	912	(12)
Supplies and expense	7,500	4,600	5,476	(876)
Employee group insurance	7,940	7,020	7,136	(116)
Travel	15,000	3,130	4,407	(1,277)
Auditing fees	65,000	50,000	41,895	8,105
Publications	3.350	<u> </u>	35	(35)
Total City Council	184,500	142,990	137,199	5,791
Mayor's Office:				
Salaries and wages	83,820	80,630	94,232	(13,602)
Contract overtime	870	940	944	(4)
Overtime	1,000	340	332	8
Supplies and expense	6,000	3,000	6,288	(3,288)
Gas and oil	4,500	4,500	5.602	(1,102)
Employee group insurance	17,220	14.040	14,273	(233)
Travel	7,500	2,200	2,041	159
Dues and subscriptions	2,500	_,	_,	-
Total Mayor's Office	123,410	105,650	123,712	(18,062)
City Attorney:				
Legal and professional	24,000	24,000	28,120	(4,120)
Total City Attorney	24,000	24,000	28,120	(4,120)
City Description			<u>_</u>	<u>_</u>
City Prosecutor:				
Salaries and wages	44,820	44,820	45,318	(498)
Contract overtime	910	940	946	(6)
Overtime Sumplies and summer	-	160	156	4
Supplies and expense	700	350	621	(271)
Employee group insurance	7,940	7,020	7,136	(116)
Total City Prosecutor	\$ 54,370	\$ 53,290	\$ 54,177	\$ (887)

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Personnel:		iginal Idget		Final Budget		Actual	Fa	ariance - avorable favorable)
Salaries and wages	\$	41.240	\$	82 210	\$	01 210	đ	
Contract overtime	2	41,340	Ф	83,310 1,120	2	83,310 1,032	\$	- 88
Overtime		-		1,120		1,032 93		(93)
Supplies and expense		1.000		2,500		4,530		(2,030)
Employee group insurance		7,940		15,570		4,330		(2,030) (427)
Travel		2,500		540		629		(427)
Education and training		3,000		-		-		(0))
Dues and subscriptions		150		-		-		-
Total personnel		55,930		103,040		105,591		(2,551)
Administration and Finance:								
Salaries and wages		280,620		260,410		280,564		(20,154)
Contract overtime		6,940		5,340		5,383		(43)
Overtime		8,000		4,760		5,586		(826)
Supplies and expense		44,000		22,000		42,386		(20,386)
Gas and oil		-		960		996		(20,330)
Employee group insurance		79,290		52,000		53,485		(1.485)
Travel		4,000		370		364		(1.405)
Computer maintenance		3.500		-		-		0
Education and training		3,500		_		_		-
Contract labor - pension records		10,000		10,000		26,527		(16,527)
Total administration and finance		439,850		355,840		415,291		(10,327) (59,451)
Retirement system:								
General government	1	,052,450		334,520		388,265		(53,745)
Public safety		708,360		806,700		801,047		5.653
Total retirement system	1	,760,810		1,141,220		1,189,312		(48,092)
Purchasing:								
Salaries and wages		72,600		31,850		31,849		1
Supplies and expense		4,000		2,000		2,226		(226)
Gas and oil		270		-		-		-
Employee group insurance		23,810		7,020		7,136		(116)
Education & Training		2,500		-		-		-
Advertising		4,000		9,800		11,126		(1,326)
Travel Total numbershaming	<u>_</u>	3,000	-	-		-		
Total purchasing	\$	110,180	<u> </u>	50,670	\$	52,337	\$	(1,667)

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	Original Budget			Final Budget		Actual		Variance - Favorable _(Unfavorable)	
General and Administrative:									
Fica and medicare expense	\$	90,750	\$	88,750	\$	96,135	\$	(7,385)	
Interest expense		15,000		15,140		19,828		(4,688)	
Insurance expense		900,000		820,000		883,370		(63,370)	
Legal and other professional		50,000		80,000		241,232		(161.232)	
Utilities expense		390,000		190,000		289,612		(99,612)	
Coronor's expense		25,000		10,000		26,343		(16,343)	
Wash. Parish Veterans Office		10,000		10,000		10,020		(20)	
Municipal fire and police - civil service		4,000		4,000		3,598		402	
Police witness fees		15,250		8,400		11,900		(3,500)	
Bonding fees expense		1,200		16,330		18,591		(2,261)	
Assessor's expenses		+-		-		5,848		(5,848)	
Miscellaneous		30,000		30,000		58,224		(28,224)	
GPS		-		6,790		7,709		(919)	
Election expense		21,000		30,260		20,006		10,254	
Planning and zoning		3,750		3,600		3,692		(92)	
Wash. Parish youth services		4,000		-		-		-	
Sales Tax Collection Expense		55,740		55,740		-		55,740	
Main Street expenses		-		-		19.685		(19,685)	
Centenial Jubilee and beautification expenses		-		-		22,732		(22,732)	
City beautification project		10,000		-		-		-	
ARCHON Information Services		-		52,000		52,506		(506)	
Demolition Expenses		-		105,350		105,400		(50)	
Grant Expenses		-		596,210		30.000		566,210	
Total general and administrative		1,625,690		2,122,570		1,926,431		196,139	
Total general government	\$	4,378,740	<u>\$</u>	4,099,270	\$	4,032,170	\$	67,100	

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	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)	
<u>Public Safety</u>					
Police:					
Salaries and wages	\$ 1.205,380	\$ 1,196,880	\$ 1,332,319	\$ (135,439)	
Contract overtime	126,040	129,860	137,159	(7,299)	
Overtime	125,000	110.000	169,697	(59,697)	
Shift differential	8,500	8,500	-	8,500	
Holiday pay	72,600	70,000	23,425	46,575	
State supplemental pay	246,000	189,400	191,100	(1,700)	
Uniform allowance	14,800	14,800	14,400	400	
Supplies and expense	40,000	20,000	55,957	(35,957)	
Gas and oil	65,000	75,000	78,755	(3,755)	
Employee group insurance	348,900	294,840	301.555	(6,715)	
Travel	3,500	500	1,129	(629)	
Repairs - equipment and radios	1,000	-	1,000	(1,000)	
Special investigations	1,000	200	125	75	
Narcotics investigations	5,000	-	-	-	
Education and training	15,000	1,000	1,264	(264)	
Jag Grant police equipment	-	12,870	_,	12,870	
LCLE Grant - Equipment	6,580	-	-	,-	
Total police	2,284,300	2,123,850	2,307,885	(184,035)	
Fire:					
Salaries and wages	1,099,200	1,062,630	1,063,200	(570)	
Contract overtime	118,980	113,400	105,583	7,817	
Overtime	15,000	22,000	39,706	(17,706)	
Shift differentia!	5,540	5,380	57,700	5,380	
Holiday pay	60,600	57,600	58.000	(400)	
State supplemental pay	222,000	161,220	181,416	(20,196)	
Uniform allowance	13,650	11,550	11.550	(=-,,,	
Supplies and expense	20,000	10,000	20,380	(10,380)	
Gas and oil	18,000	18,000	21,834	(3,834)	
Employee group insurance	293,390	230,230	234,933	(4,703)	
Travel	3,500	200	122	78	
Repair - equipment	-	-	307	(307)	
Education and training	14,400	350	345		
Total fire	1,884,260	1,692,560	1,737,376	(44,816)	
Total public safety	\$ 4,168,560	\$ 3,816,410	\$ 4,045,261	<u>\$ (228,851)</u>	

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CITY OF BOGALUSA SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)

Public Works	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Public works - central:				
Salaries and wages	\$ 800,000	\$ 745,900	\$ 733,517	¢ 13.307
Overtime				\$ 12,383 (7.424)
Contract overtime	50,000 1,630	30,000 1,630	37,424 1,777	(7,424)
Allowance - rainsuits, clothing	2,800	1,960	1,960	(147)
Supplies and expense	35,000	1,900	36,352	(10.050)
Gas and oil	75,500	75,500	· · · · · ·	(18,852)
Pest control materials	15,000	75,500	75,239	261
Cemetary maintenance materials	25,000	-	12.065	(10.065)
Uniform expense		19 000	12,065	(12,065)
	21,000	18,000	18,497	(497)
Employee group insurance Travel	325,110	168,000	170,709	(2,709)
	1,000	180	178	2
Education & Training	5,000	-	-	-
Repairs - equipment	1 355 0 40	1.050 (50	512	(512)
Total public works - central	1,357,040	1,058,670	1,088,230	(29,560)
Public works - electrical:				
Salaries and wages	38,630	38,630	39,516	(886)
Overtime	100	0	115	(115)
Allowance - rainsuits, clothing	130	130	130	-
Supplies and expense	300	-	-	-
Tools and equipment	100	70	70	-
Education & Training	1,000		-	-
Employee group insurance	7,940	7,020	7,136	(116)
Total public works - electrical	48,200	45,850	46,967	(1,117)
Public works - motor pool:				
Salaries and wages	53,440	70.950	70,818	10
Overtime	10,000	70,850 3,000		32
Allowance - rainsuits, clothing	280	400	3,023 341	(23)
Supplies and expense	3,250	4,000		59
Tools and equipment	5,000		3,385	615
Gas and oil		2,500	6,444	(3,944)
Employee group insurance	8,500	12,000	12,216	(216)
Vehicle maintenance - general	31,730	21,060	26,174	(5,114)
Vehicle maintenance - general	5,000	-	8,836	(8,836)
Vehicle maintenance - fire	15,000	-	32,235	(32,235)
Vehicle maintenance - public works	10,000	-	25,092	(25,092)
Education & Training	25,000	-	36,005	(36,005)
Licenses - chauffeurs	1,000	-	-	-
Total public works - motor pool	<u>350</u> 168,550	<u>350</u> 114,160	129 224,698	<u> </u>
Total public works	\$ 1,573,790	<u>\$ 1,218,680</u>	<u>\$ 1,359,895</u>	<u>\$ (141,215)</u>

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	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
Airport:				
State airport grant expense	\$ -	\$ 120,000	\$-	\$ 120,000
Salaries and wages	34,280	36,370	37,317	(947)
Employee group insurance	0	7.020	7,136	(116)
Insurance	15,860	-	-	-
Utilities	30,000	30.000	30,543	(543)
Maintenance	25,000	12,000	22,676	(10.676)
Supplies and expense	16,000	3,000	10,553	(7,553)
Travel	3,500	-	1,110	(1,110)
Gas & oil	-	750	2,678	(1,928)
Total airport	124,640	209,140	112,013	97,127
Capital outlay			303,925	(303,925)
Intergoveromental :				
City court personnel compensation	146,600	141,460	153,224	(11.764)
City court supplies and expense	15,000	15,000	10,723	4,277
Total intergovernmental	161,600	156,460	163,947	(7,487)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 10,407,330	<u>\$ 9,499,960</u>	<u>\$ 10,017,211</u>	<u>\$ (517,251)</u>

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CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA Non-Major Governmental Funds December 31, 2014

Special Revenue Funds

Employee Pay Raise Sales Tax - Accounts for the receipt of a 1/2 cent sales and use tax. The proceeds are dedicated to the purpose of paying salaries and benefits of City employees. The tax is for an indefinite period.

Street Improvement Sales Tax - Accounts for the receipt of 25% of a one-cent sales and use tax. The proceeds are dedicated to street and drainage repair, maintenance, operation and additions.

Capital Improvement Sales Tax - Accounts for the receipt of 15% of a one-cent sales and use tax. The proceeds are dedicated to the acquisition, operation, and maintenance of land, buildings, and equipment.

Industrial Complex Rent/Lease - Accounts for the receipt of rent from the Industrial Park. Expenditures are not legally restricted for any certain purpose.

Senior Citizens Programs - Accounts for the receipt of 50% of a 4-mill ad valorem tax dedicated for acquiring, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining senior citizens programs.

Youth Recreation and Parks - Accounts for the receipt of 50% of a 4-mill ad valorem tax dedicated for acquiring, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining parks and recreation facilities.

Jail Operations Sales Tax - Accounts for the receipt of one-third of one percent (1/3%) sales and use tax dedicated for improvements, maintenance and operation of the City Jail, including, but not limited to, the construction of additions to or expansions of the existing Bogalusa City Jail and for purchasing, maintaining and operating related equipment.

LCDBG Fund - Accounts for the receipt of the LCDBG grant dedicated to improvements and renovations of the water tower owned by the City.

Municipal Building Fund - Accounts for the receipt of a 2-mill ad-valorem tax dedicated to improvements and renovations to existing structures owned by the City.

Capital Projects Fund

Airport Expansion Fund – Accounts for the federal grant revenues and expenditures thereof for capital improvements at the George R. Carr Memorial Airport.

Debt Service Fund

General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund #4 - Accumulates monies for payment of the \$1,750,000 General Obligations Revenue Bonds, Series 2007 for street overlay.

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET</u> <u>NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

		Special Revenue Funds												
		ployee Pay e Sales Tax Fund		Street provement s Tax Fund	քայ	Capital provement <u>s Tax Fund</u>	C	idustrial Complex (Lease Fund		r Citizens am Fund		Youth reation and rks Fund		Operations Tax Fund
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	16,741	\$	23,133	\$	16,542	\$	27,529	\$	_	s	86,092	\$	(10,334)
Investments in joint venture	Ψ	-	Φ	23,133	ιþ.	-	Ф	21,565	Ф		3		φ	(10,334)
Property taxes receivable		-		-		-		-		689		28,280		-
Accounts receivable		176,383		88,192		52,844		6,300		-		,		116,375
Due from other funds		-		60,000		5,000		127,802		-		4,068		-
Restricted assets:				-										
Cash and cash equivalents		-		-		370,302				-				₩
TOTAL ASSETS		193,124		171,325		444,688		161,631		689		118,440		106,041
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES							_	-		-		<u> </u>		-
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED			_											
OUTFLOWS	<u>\$</u>	193,124	\$	171,325	\$	444,688	<u>\$</u>	161,631		689	\$	118,440		106,041
LIABILITIES														
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	35,158	\$	35,232	\$	21,666	\$	-	\$	66,701	\$	51,764
Accrued expenses		-			-	-	-	0	•	-		-	-	-
Due to other funds		192,124		136,167		104,187		88,400		-		250,376		468
TOTAL LIABILITIES		192,124		171,325		139,419		110,066		-		317,077		52,232
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES														
Unearned revenue	<u> </u>			-				-		-		6,769		-
FUND BALANCES														
<u>Non-spendable</u>		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Restricted for:														
Debt service		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital projects		-		-		305,269		-		-		-		-
Maintenance		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Special programs Unassigned		1,000		-		-		51,565		689		-		53,809
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		1,000				305,269		51,565		689		(205,406)		53,809
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		1,000		-		303,209				089		(205,406)		
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED														
INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ \$	193,124	\$	171,325	\$	444,688	\$	161,631	¢.	689	di.	118,440	\$	106,041

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<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET</u> <u>NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

		Special Rev	enue F	^r unds	Capital Projects Fund		Debt Service Fund			
	LCDBG Fund		Municipal Building Fund		Airport Expansion Fund		General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund #4			l Non-Major vernmental Funds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	46,304	\$	100 221	\$	50 104	æ	202 (82	¢	660 206
Property taxes receivable	Ф	40,304	Э	100,331 29,314	ъ	50,184	\$	293,683	\$	650,205 97,169
Accounts receivable		-		29,514		3,864		38,886		443,958
Due from other funds		28,400		4,507		3,804 88,978		135,593		445,938 454,348
Restricted assets:		28,400		4,507		00,970		155,595		434,340
Cash and cash equivalents		_		_						370,302
TOTAL ASSETS		74,704		134,152		143.026		468,162		2,015,982
101101100110		74,704		104,102		145,020		408,102	·	2,019,902
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		-		-						
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$	74,704	\$	134,152	<u>\$</u>	143,026	<u></u> \$	468,162	\$	2,015,982
LIABILITI <u>ES</u>										
Accounts payable	\$	46,112	\$	12 529	¢	4 70 4	¢		đ	274.055
Accounts payable Accrued expenses	ų,	40,112	æ	13,528 0	\$	4,794	\$	-	\$	274,955
Due to other funds		- `		12,200		138,232		_		922,154
TOTAL LIABILITIES		46,112		25,728	·	143,026				1,197,109
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES										
Property taxes unavailable for current year				6,769				9,309		22,847
FUND BALANCES										
<u>Non-spendable</u>		-		-		-		•		-
Restricted for:										
Debt service		-		-		-		458,853		458,853
Capital projects		-		-		-		-		305,269
Maintenance		28,592		101,655		-		-		130,247
Special programs		-		-		-		-		107,063
Unassigned		-								(205,406)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		28,592		101,655				458,853	·	796,026
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED										
INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	74,704	<u>\$</u>	134,152	<u> </u>	143,026		468,162	\$	2,015,982
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<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES</u> <u>NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

	Special Revenue Funds									
	Employee Pay Sales Tax Fund	Street Improvement Sales Tax Fund	Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund	Industrial Complex Rent/Lease Fund	Senior Cítizens Program Fund	Youth Recreation and Parks Fund	Jail Operations Sales Tax Fund			
Revenues: Ad valorem Taxes	\$-	s -	\$ -	\$-	\$ (2,436)	\$ 129,205	\$-			
Sales Taxes	1,108,825	554,410	332,202	ъ - -	φ (2,430) -	b 129,203	,			
Intergovernmental	1,100,02.5	-	552,202			112,604	50,934			
Interest	20	- 8	- 5	12		.5	50,554			
Rent	- 20	-	J _	252,404		-	v			
Miscellaneous	_		_	252,404	-	2,783	32,315			
Total revenues	1,108,845	554,418	332,207	252,416	(2,436)	2,705	816,522			
Expenditures:										
Current:										
Public safety	_	-		-	-	-	875,424			
Public works	-	550,168	116,328	_	-	_	-			
Culture and Recreation	_	-	110,520	-	-	178,652	_			
Economic Development	-	-	_	175,506	-	.,0,052	_			
Airport	-	-		-	-	-	-			
Capital outlay	-	4,250	137,400	-	-	268,457	-			
Debt Service:			101,100			,				
Capital lease payments	-	-	293,113	-	-	-	-			
Principal	-	-		-	-	-	-			
Interest	-	-	18,217	-	-	-	-			
Total expenditures		554,418	565,058	175,506	-	447,109	875,424			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	1,108,845	-	(232,851)	76,910	(2,436)	(202,512)	(58,902)			
Other financing sources (uses):										
Transfers to other funds	(1,136,524)	-	-	(37,038)	-	-	-			
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	112,580			
	(1,136,524)			(37,038)			112,580			
Nct change in fund balance	(27,679)	-	(232,851)	39,872	(2,436)	(202,512)	53,678			
Fund balance (deficit), beginning	28,679	_	538,120	11,693	3,125	(2,894)	131			
Fund balance (deficit), ending	\$ 1,000	s -	\$ 305,269	\$ 51,565	\$ 689	\$ (205,406)	\$ 53,809			

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>CITY OF BOGALUSA</u> <u>COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES</u> <u>NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014</u>

	Special Reve		М	unds lunicipal ding Fund	Capital Projects Fund Airport Expansion Fund	Debt Service Fund General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund #4	Total Non- Major Governmental Funds
Revenues: Ad valorem Taxes	•		\$	126 770	\$ -	Ф 105-104	\$ 447.673
Sales Taxes	\$	-	Э	135,770	Ъ -	\$ 185,134	\$ 447,673 2,728,704
Intergovernmental		213,105		-	•	-	376,643
Interest		215,105		- 9		- 104	169
Rent		-			-	-	252,404
Miscellaneous		-		-			35,098
Total revenues		213,105		135,779		185,238	3,840,691
Expenditures: Current -							
Public safety		-		-	-	_	875,424
Public works		213,105					879,601
Culture and Recreation		-		46,198	-	-	224,850
Economic Development		-		-	-	-	175,506
Airport		-		-	1,279	-	1,279
Capital outlay		-		12,050	35,759	-	457,916
Debt Service -							
Capital lease payments		-		-	-	-	293,113
Principal		-		-	-	110,000	110,000
Interest				-	-	<u>50,530</u>	68,747
Total expenditures		213,105		58,248	37,038	160,530	3,086,436
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		-		77,531	(37,038)	24,708	754,255
Other financing sources (uses):							
Transfers to other funds		-		-	-	-	(1,173,562)
Transfers from other funds		100		-	37,038		149,718
		100	——	-	37,038		(1,023,844)
Net change in fund balance		100		77,531	-	24,708	(269,589)
Fund balance (deficit), beginning		28,492		24,124		434,145	1,065,615
Fund balance, ending	<u> </u>	28,592	\$	101,655	<u>s -</u>	<u>\$ 458,853</u>	\$ 796,026
See accompanying independent auditor's report.							(concluded)

Schedule Required by State Law LSA RS 24:513A(1)(a)(3)

City of Bogalusa Schedule Required by State Law LSA RS 24:513A(1)(a)(3):

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head

December 31, 2014

The following schedule is required by Louisiana State Law LSA RS 24:513(1)(a)(3) on compensation and benefits paid to the agency head:

Agency Head Name:	Charles Mizell, Mayor				
Purpose	A	mount			
Salary	\$	66,956			
Benefits-insurance		7,137			
Benefits-retirement		14,677			
Car allowance		5,537			
Per diem		375			
Travel		766			
Registration fees		900			
	\$	96,348			

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Information Required by Debt Agreements

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

INSURANCE-IN-FORCE DECEMBER 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)

Policy	Insurance Company	Term	Policy#	Coverage
Property/Inland Marine	Scottsdale Insurance Company	3/25/2014-3/25/2015	CPS1980227	Various
Electronic Equipment	America First Insurance	1/1/2014-1/1/2015	IM8107636	\$ 517,000
Equipment Breakdown	Travelers	12/31/2013-12/31/2014	BAJ-BME1- 1942X304-TIL-14	\$ 100,000 each
Crime	Travelers	2/12/2014-2/12/2017	105562262	\$ 75,000
Airport Liability Lessor's Risk Only	Old Republic Insurance Company	11/1/2014-11/1/2015	PR 00258801	\$ 2,000,000
Worker's Compensation	LA Muni Risk Mgmt Agency	1/1/2014-1/1/2015	70-0289	\$ 100,000 each
Commercial Liability	LA Muni Risk Mgmt Agency	2/14/2013-2/14/2016	100-0330- 00014550	\$ 500,000 each
Law Enforcement Liability	LA Muni Risk Mgmt Agency	2/14/2013-2/14/2016	100-0330- 00014550	\$ 500,000 each
Automotive	LA Muni Risk Mgmt Agency	2/14/2013-2/14/2016	100-0330- 00014550	\$ 500,000 each
Automotive	Houston Specialty Insurance Co.	3/7/2014-3/7/2015	HSLR18- 00073-03	Various
Errors and Omissions	LA Muni Risk Mgmt Agency	2/14/2013-2/14/2016	100-0330- 00014550	\$ 500,000 each

See independent auditor's report.

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

PUBLIC UTILITY SYSTEM OPERATIONS DECEMBER 31, 2014 (UNAUDITED)

Statistics on System Operations

- (a) As of December 31, 2014, there were 4,959 total metered customers for the water system.
- (b) The following rate schedules were in effect during the fiscal year for water services:

Water:

	Residential and Commercial	Residential and Commercial
	Inside City	Outside City
First 3,000 gallons Per additional 1,000 gallons	\$ 15.00 \$ 2.40	\$ 30.00 \$ 4.80

(c) Average monthly billing per residential customer was:

Water, Sewer and Garbage Collection \$ 39.30

(d) Average monthly billing per commercial customer was:

Water, Sewer and Garbage Collection <u>\$ 43.52</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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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 Honorable Wendy O'Quin Perrette, Mayor And the Members of the City Council City of Bogalusa, Louisiana

I 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 the City of Bogalusa, Louisiana (the City) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City of Bogalusa's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 29, 2015.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, I considered the City'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 City's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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 were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, I identified certain deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

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. I consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2014-10, 2014-11, 2014-13, 2014-14, and 2014-15 to be material weaknesses.

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. I consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2014-12 to be a significant deficiency.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, I 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, I do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2014-1 through 2014-9 and 2014-16.

City of Bogalusa's Responses to Findings

The City of Bogalusa's responses to the findings identified in my audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The City of Bogalusa's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

abert A. Neilson

Bogalusa, Louisiana July 2, 2015

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified for all opinion units presented. Adverse for the reporting cntity due to the omission of discretely presented component units
Internal control over financial reporting:	
 Material weaknesses identified? 	<u>X</u> Yes _ No
 Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? 	X Yes None Reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	X_YesNo

Federal Awards – Not applicable

Section II – Findings Affecting the Financial Statements

Noncompliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements

<u>2014-1</u>	Underfunded Retirement System
Criteria	State Law (R.S. 11:3031 – 3053) created the City of Bogalusa Employee's Retirement System (COBERS) and provides for its administration. R.S. 11:3045(A) states, "The City shall make contributions to the system each year on an actuarially funded basis, toward the annuities and benefits herein provided."
Condition	At June 30, 2014, the City's sponsored defined benefit pension plan (COBERS) was severely underfunded. The funded ratio at June 30, 2014 was 21% and the net pension liability was \$19,288,118. This is a repeat finding
	Also, the City owes the retirement system for ad valorem taxes that were deposited in the general fund checking account.
Effect	The assets held in trust are severely deficient of the amount needed to pay the pension benefits promised to employees over the long term.
Cause	The stock market decline of 2008 combined with other demographic conditions such as an aging workforce and longevity of retirement have caused required contribution levels to increase. The City's budget has been unable to absorb these increases and therefore the increases have gone unfunded.

2014-1 (continued)	
Recommendation	The City should develop a plan to ensure that the retirement system is actuarially funded in accordance with state law.
	In addition, the City should pay the retirement system the ad valorem taxes held in its general fund checking account.
Management's Response	The City's Pension Plan, as is the case with many defined benefit plans throughout the nation, is critically underfunded. Long term solutions to this problem are being developed. The City plans on paying the retirement system the amounts held in the general fund checking account.
<u>2014-2</u>	Improper Use of Restricted Funds and Interfund Loans
Criteria	Monies in the G.O. Bond Debt Service Fund #1 and the G.O. Bond Debt Service Fund #4 are to be held in escrow to be used solely to pay principal and interest on certain bond obligations of the City. Monies dedicated for use within the City's Industrial Complex are held in a separate account and fund (the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund) and their use is restricted according to voter proposition to Industrial Complex Activities.
Condition	In prior periods, the General Fund improperly borrowed from the Debt Service Funds and the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund. These funds were partly repaid in 2014, however the net balance of these borrowings for each fund is \$325,448, \$135,593, and \$88,731, respectively. This is a repeat finding.
Effect	Violation of loan agreements, state law and local ordinances
Cause	The City's lack of sufficient operating reserves (unassigned fund balance) caused the City to borrow funds from the G.O. Debt Service Funds when emergencies were encountered in previous years as a result of disasters. The borrowings from the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund were a result of capital projects undertaken by the City without consideration to an appropriate means of financing for those projects.
Recommendation	These loans, along with other interfund loans (or due-to-froms) that have accumulated over several years, should be repaid. In order to repay these loans, the City will need to significantly reduce costs in its general fund, or raise revenues.
Management's Response	The City continues to repay the loans from available unrestricted monies and will work to settle all interfund balances. The net amount owed to the G.O. Bond Debt Service Fund #1 will be reduced to \$261,440 by June 30, 2015.

Bond Covenants

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The covenants of the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 A and B, and Criteria the Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 require that sinking funds be established and that monthly deposits be made to those funds in amount to sufficiently fund the debt service occurring at 6 month intervals. Additionally, the Assets, Revenue and Expenses of the water system operation are to be identified and accounted for separately according to the terms of the 2009 A and B bonds. Condition The sinking fund for the Series 2009 A and B bonds was insufficiently funded at December 31, 2014 and the sinking fund for the Series 2012 bonds had not been established. Additionally, a separate accounting for Water System Operations has not been developed. This is a repeat finding. Violation of bond covenants. Effect Cause The City's finance staff are not familiar with the terms of the bonds, and according to them, were misinformed by consultants regarding the need for such funds. Additionally this condition may have been attributable to monies transferred to the general fund prior to satisfying the sinking fund requirements. The City should periodically review all bond covenants and ensure that Recommendation the City is in compliance. Additionally, the Water and Sewer and Garbage Operations should be separated into separate funds. Management's Response The lack of funding of the sinking funds was a result of misunderstanding of the covenants and requirements of the bonds. The City's administration was of the understanding, based upon consultations with consultants, that such accounts were not required. Going forward, the sinking fund accounts will be adequately funded prior to making transfers to the general fund and a separate fund will be applied for the Water System. The sinking fund account was established in May 2015 and is in the process of being funded. The City would like to point out that despite the lack of sinking fund deposits, the debt payments have been made as scheduled.

2014-4 Violation of the Local Government Budget Act and Negative Fund Balance

- 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 prior years) plus projected revenue and other sources for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are failing to meet total budgeted revenues 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(s) Expenditures of several of the City's funds, including the General Fund and the Industrial Complex Sales Tax Fund exceeded the budgeted amount by more than 5%. Additionally, the General Fund's actual revenues, transfers-in and beginning fund balance, when combined, have fallen short of the amount budgeted by more than 5%. And finally, the City's general fund had a negative fund balance of \$1,353,251 at December 31, 2014. **This is a repeat finding.**
- Effect: The negative variances of more than five percent are a violation of Louisiana Revised State 39:1311A(1-2) and are a major contributor to the City's unfavorable financial condition.
- Cause The budgets are prepared using overly optimistic projections of revenues and expenditures. Progress was made toward eliminating the negative fund balance in 2014 as evidenced through an operating surplus, but much more progress is needed.
- Recommendation The City should use more realistic projections of revenues, expenditures, and available fund balances when preparing operating budgets. Additionally, the City should revisit its current budget and seek cost savings through expenditure reductions and revenue enhancements.

Management's Response

The City is currently operating under a financial plan to improve the City's financial condition. The plan employs the use of realistic budgets that employ expenditure reductions and other measures. Progress toward that plan was achieved in 2014 as evidenced from the \$721,415 postive change in fund balance surplus for 2014.

<u>2014-5</u>	Noncompliance with the Retirement System's Investment Policy
Criteria	The City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System Statement of Investment Policies & Objectives was adopted by the Board of Trustees to serve as the official policy regarding the investment policy and practices for the System. The policy lists permissible investment equities as domestic common stocks, convertible bonds, preferred stocks, and REITS.
Condition	The City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System invested in foreign common stock during the audit period. This is a repeat finding.
Effect	Violation of the Retirement System's investment policies.
Recommendation	The System should trade these holdings for a permissible investment or amend its investment policy.
Cause	The investment market is now more global, but the policy may be outdated.
Management's Response	The System will revisit the current investment policy to determine the most appropriate strategy in today's market.
<u>2014-6</u>	Choctaw Road Landfill Deficit
<u>2014-6</u> Criteria:	Choctaw Road Landfill Deficit Choctaw Road Landfill (the Landfill) is a joint venture between the Washington Parish Government (the Parish) and the City of Bogalusa (the City). The agreed upon percentages for sharing construction costs, revenues, and operating costs is 58.1% for the Parish and 41.9% for the City.
	Choctaw Road Landfill (the Landfill) is a joint venture between the Washington Parish Government (the Parish) and the City of Bogalusa (the City). The agreed upon percentages for sharing construction costs, revenues, and operating costs is 58.1% for the Parish and 41.9% for the
Criteria:	Choctaw Road Landfill (the Landfill) is a joint venture between the Washington Parish Government (the Parish) and the City of Bogalusa (the City). The agreed upon percentages for sharing construction costs, revenues, and operating costs is 58.1% for the Parish and 41.9% for the City. It was noted during my audit that the City owes the landfill \$866,323; \$543,823 of which is non-current. Additionally, we noted that the 5-mill ad valorem tax dedicated to the Landfill to fund the City's portion of Landfill operational costs, provided revenues of approximately \$334,884 in 2014, while the City's share of the costs to operate the Landfill were

CITY OF BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA Schedule of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended December 31, 2014 <u>2014-6</u> Choctaw Road Landfill Deficit (continued) Recommendation I strongly recommend that management evaluate the effect of the City's financial situation and its potential consequences on the operations of the Landfill and develop a plan of action to mitigate any negative impact this could have on the Landfill's current and future operations and plans, Management's Response The Parish President and the Mayor of the City of Bogalusa met to discuss the financial condition of the Landfill and the corresponding funding as it has been provided for in the past. The economic and sociological make up of the City and Parish have changed over the past years, however the responsibility for landfill cost has remained unchanged. The parties will explore options for working together to provide adequate funding for the future of the landfill in accordance with current requirements of each parmer. 2014-7 Violation of the Local Depositories Collateral Requirements Criteria Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1225 requires that deposits in banks to be collateralized in full for the amount on deposit that exceeds the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) coverage. Condition(s) The City has a deposit account at a bank where the balance is in excess of the FDIC coverage amount. State law requires the amount of deposits that is in excess the federal insurance coverage to be collateralized in a manner described in the state law. The bank where the City deposited these funds did not collateralize the excess uninsured deposits. Effect: The City did not comply with the requirements of LRS 39;1225. Cause The City received capital lease proceeds from Government Capital Corporation in 2013 of \$825,000 to be used to finance the acquisition of capital assets. The net cash remaining to be spent at December 31, 2014 of \$370,302 on capital acquisitions is on deposit in a bank that did not provide collateral for the amount in excess of the FDIC. Recommendation The City should require the bank holding its deposits to provide collateral for any amount that exceeds the FDIC coverage in accordance with State Law. Management's Response The City will contact the bank and require the collateral to be pledged to cover the amount on deposit that is in excess of the FDIC limit.

<u>2014-8</u>	Violation of the Securities of Public Entities Requirement
Criteria	Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1438C requires public entities to maintain documentation evidencing compliance with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Section 240.15c2-12 of Title 17 and file required information with the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system that is maintained by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.
Condition(s)	The City has outstanding debt, or securities, that require compliance with the provisions of LRS 39:1438C. The City did not comply with the requirements of the statute as of December 31, 2014, as not all required documents where submitted to EMMA.
Effect	The City did not comply with the requirements of LRS 39:1438C.
Cause	The City was not aware of the requirements of this new law.
Recommendation	The City's management should familiarize itself with the requirements of this law and take steps to comply with its requirements.
Management's Response	The City has taken the steps necessary to comply with this law and is compliant as of the date the audit report was released.
<u>2014-9</u>	Compensated Absences/Accumulated Leave
Criteria	Accrual, use, and pay-out of compensated leave should occur according to documented policies and procedures. The tracking of unused leave should be computerized to ensure a centralized and accurate accounting of accrued leave.
Condition(s)	The City paid an active employee in lieu of taking leave in the amount of \$47,695. The City's general policy calls for payment of unused leave upon termination unless otherwise required by union contracts. The employee remains in that position.
	Additionally, the City's leave records are decentralized, manual and not linked to the computerized payroll system.
Effect	Possible noncompliance with City policies and procedures. Additionally, the City may have disbursed funds prior to the time at which it was obligated to pay them. Given the City's financial condition, payout of such leave should not occur until the point at which such payment is required.

2014-9 Compensated Absences/Accumulated Leave (continued)

- Recommendation The City should re-visit current policies and procedures for consistency with union contracts and for clarity. Pay-out of unused leave should be made according to policy. We also recommend that official compensated absence/annual leave records be kept as a part of a centralized database that is interfaced with the payroll system.
- Management's Response The new administration will re-visit the policies and procedures and make sure they are clearly documented and consistently applied.

Internal Control Matters

2014-10 Utility Bill Adjustments and Cut-off enforcement

- Criteria AU Section 325 of the Professional Standards issued by the Auditing Standards Board states that internal controls are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the entity's objectives regarding financial reporting, operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations are being met. One of the objectives of the City's internal controls is the maximizing of utility system revenues, which should include a policy for customer billing adjustments and cut-off enforcement.
- Condition(s) From time-to-time and as a standard and appropriate business procedure, adjustments to customers' utility bills are made due to unknown leaks, incorrect meter readings and other reasons. However, the City lacks a policy setting forth the reasons for which adjustments may be made, which might allow administrative officials in charge of approving the adjustments an inordinate amount of discretion. Additionally, no formal documentation is required when billing adjustments are made and approved. We also noted approximately 250 customer accounts totaling approximately \$45,000 containing both currently due bills and bills pastdue for more than 60 days. This indicates a lack of cut-off of customer accounts for non-payment.

Three of these customers were identified in our test as home addresses of employees of the City during 2014. In addition, one these customer's meter location is at a property owned by a City official during 2014 (although the account is not in the official's name).

Effect The absence of a policy that establishes the reasons and authority for billing adjustments combined with the lax enforcement of water cut-offs results in less than optional revenue.

- 2014-10 Utility Bill Adjustments and Cut-off enforcement (continued)
- Recommendation We recommend the City adopt a policy regarding billing adjustments and that all adjustments be approved, in writing according to that policy. We also recommend strict enforcement of the cut-off policy. We further recommend a policy that requires City employees or officials to keep their utility billing account current. Adoption and enforcement of such policies could help maximize Utility system revenues.
- Management's Response: The Director of Administration will draft a policy, have it approved by the appropriate authorities and incorporate it into the City's policies and procedures manual. Strict enforcement of the City's cut-off policy of 60 days past due will also occur.

2014-11 Reconciliation of Accounts Receivable

- Criteria AU Section 325 of the Professional Standards issued by the Auditing Standards Board states that internal controls should designed to provide reasonable assurance that the entity's objectives regarding financial reporting are being met. One of the objectives is accuracy of reported revenues and expenses. Timely reconciliation of accounts receivable to subsidiary ledgers (aging reports) helps accomplish this objective.
- Condition Utility System accounts receivable per the general ledger are not being reconciled to subsidiary billing ledgers on an ongoing basis. Also, the City's current accounting process does not allow for the ongoing recording of utility bill adjustments into the general ledger (accounting records). This is a repeat finding.
- Effect The revenue, expenditures, fund equities and net position reported in financial statements of the utility fund could be misstated.

Cause Conversions to new accounting and billing systems.

- Recommendation The City's staff should receive training on the new systems and should reconcile the accounts on a monthly basis. Discrepancies should be investigated and resolved. Also, billing adjustments should be recorded on an ongoing basis and accounts receivable should reconcile the billing system monthly. Management's
- Response The accounting system support company will be contacted to provide training to City personnel.

<u>2014-12</u>	Internal financial reporting
Criteria:	Financial reports provided to the mayor and the council should be complete and accurate, yet concise and straightforward enough to allow for appropriate monitoring of financial condition and decision making.
Condition:	The City's internal and monthly financial reporting process did not allow for sufficient monitoring and decision making by the mayor and council.
Cause:	The financial reports provide excessive detail of expenditures compared to budget for the year, but do not present the financial condition (fund balance). As a result, the reports generated by the administrative staff are insufficient for proper decision-making.
Effect:	Decisions are being made without complete information.
Recommendation:	Monthly financial reports should include revenues and expenditures compared to budget for all major funds of the City as well as the existing fund balance. Fund balance should be clearly identified as to what has been previously encumbered and what is available for spending.
Management's Response:	The monthly financial reporting process is being redesigned and will include the aforementioned features.
<u>2014-13</u>	Payroll processing and pay rate authorization
Criteria:	AU Section 325 of the Professional Standards issued by the Auditing Standards Board states that internal controls should designed to provide reasonable assurance that the entity's objectives regarding financial reporting are being met. One of the objectives is accuracy of reported expenses. Accurate and current approved forms documenting pay rates and segregation of duties of payroll processing and access to modify pay rates helps accomplish this objective.
Condition:	The City does not have current approved pay rate change forms or documentation on employees. Our test of payroll transaction indicated the latest approved pay rate change form was in 2009. The pay rate being paid to the employees in our test of payroll transactions did not agree to the approved documented pay rate in the personnel files. Also, the City employee(s) responsible for processing payroll have the ability to change the pay rate of employees without having approved documentation to make the change.

2014-13 Payroll processing and pay rate authorization (continued)

- Cause: Management is not completing and approving the forms necessary to evidence pay rate modifications. Also, the personnel files on the employee's payroll tested did not contain the documentation necessary for us to determine if the pay rate being paid was approved. In addition, the City does not require or has assigned a separate employee from payroll to have sole access to making pay rate changes in the payroll software system and who is separate from the payroll processing.
- Effect: Without approved documentation, evidence does not exist to support the pay rate being paid to employees. The employee processing payroll having the ability to modify pay rates has the opportunity to misappropriate funds.
- Recommendation: Management should adopt a pay rate change form, or other suitable documentation, and require this form prior to any modification of pay rates in the payroll system. This documentation should be maintained in the personnel files of each employee. Also, management should designate an employee separate from the payroll processing personnel to have sole access to pay rate modifications.

Management's Response:

ponse: Management will begin requiring an approved pay rate change form prior to any modification of pay rates in the payroll system. Also, management will explore assigning a separate employee from payroll to have access to modify pay rates in the payroll system.

2014-14 Processing of collections

- Criteria: AU Section 325 of the Professional Standards issued by the Auditing Standards Board states that internal controls should designed to provide reasonable assurance that the entity's objectives regarding financial reporting are being met. One of the objectives is accuracy of reported revenues and receivables. Procedures on segregating of duties with an employee's access to their own account, approval process for voiding transactions and handling of cash deposits helps accomplish this objective.
- Condition: The City has employees, or cashiers, whose responsibilities include the collection of payments received from customer or citizens for utility payments, property taxes, and other matters. During our current year review of the collection process we noted the following matters that could cause assets to be misappropriated:
 - Cashiers have the ability to collect and record payments to their own account in the system.
 - Cashiers have the ability to void transactions that are recorded initially in error without concurrently having a supervisor approve the void. Voids are approved but only after they have been processed.

2014-14 Processing of collections (continued)

- Cause Policies and procedures are lacking with the process of collecting and recording receipts by the cashiers. Also, review and approval processes are not being done timely.
- Effect Allowing employees to have access to record or modify transactions into their own account allows opportunities for misappropriation of assets to occur. This could also result from allowing the cashiers to void transactions without a concurrent supervisor approval of the void to continue with the collection and recording of the transaction. Also, not requiring all cash to be deposited each day could result in misappropriation of assets.
- Recommendation Management should adopt or modify its collection process to include restricting cashiers from accessing their own accounts, requiring concurrent approval of voids in the system, and requiring all cash collected to be deposited with the bank.
- Management's Response Management will make modification to the collection software system to restrict an employee's access to their own account. This modification will include a requirement for a supervisor to enter an approval into the register for voids before the cashier can continue with the receipt process. In addition, management will require all cash to be deposited and prohibit cash overages to be left in the cash drawer.

2014-15 Capital Asset Records

Criteria Capital Asset records should be maintained in accordance LA Revised State 24:515. Capital Asset system should capture information such as tagging numbers or identifying numbers, serial numbers, funding source, department, cost and dates of purchase.

Condition Capital Asset accounting records do not contain tagging or serial numbers or funding source. Additionally, the records are updated only once per year through a manual process lacking efficiency and automation. Donated assets are not formally tracked and added to the records. One such donated asset is the building that houses the local charter school; however, documentation was not available to make a final determination if this building's title was transferred to the City.

Cause Outdated accounting systems and processes.

Effect Without a centralized and automated process, assets may go unaccounted for.

Recommendation The City should centralize and automate its capital asset records and include all identifying information and donated assets.

<u>2014-15</u>	Capital Asset Records (continued)
Management's Response	The City is considering options for accounting for capital assets, including utilization of modules within a recently purchased accounting system.
<u>2014-16</u>	Non-compliance with State Audit Law
Criteria	La. R.S. 24:513 provides that an annual audit must be remitted to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor within six months of the close of the fiscal year.
Condition	This deadline was not met for the current year.
Effect	The City is non-compliant with the audit law.
Cause	Complex audit and accounting matters that needed to be resolved.
Recommendation	The City and the Auditor should resolve complex matters earlier in the audit process.
Management's Response:	We will work with our auditor to resolve issues more timely.

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Not Applicable

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

<u>2013-1</u>	Underfunded Retirement System
Criteria	State Law (R.S. $11:3031 - 3053$) created the City of Bogalusa Employee's Retirement System (COBERS) and provides for its administration. R.S. $11:3045(A)$ states, "The City shall make contributions to the system each year on an actuarially funded basis, toward the annuities and benefits herein provided."
Condition	At June 30, 2013, the City's sponsored defined benefit pension plan (COBERS) was severely underfunded. The funded ratio at June 30, 2013 was 28.8% and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability was \$16,564,513.
	Also, the City owes the retirement system for ad valorem taxes that were deposited in the general fund checking account.
Effect	The assets held in trust are severely deficient of the amount needed to pay the pension benefits promised to employees over the long term.
Cause	The stock market decline of 2008 combined with other demographic conditions such as an aging workforce and longevity of retirement have caused required contribution levels to increase. The City's budget has been unable to absorb these increases and therefore the increases have gone unfunded.
Recommendation	The City should develop a plan to ensure that the retirement system is actuarially funded in accordance with state law.
	In addition, the City should pay the retirement system the ad valorem taxes held in its general fund checking account.
Management's Respons e	The City's Pension Plan, as is the case with many defined benefit plans throughout the nation, is critically underfunded. Long term solutions to this problem are being developed.
Current Status:	The condition still exists. See finding 2014-1.

2013-2 Improper Use of Restricted Funds and Interfund Loans

- Criteria Monies in the Debt Service Fund and Street Overlay Fund are to be held in escrow to be used solely to pay principal and interest on certain bond obligations of the City. Monies dedicated for use within the City's Industrial Park are held in a separate account and fund and their use is restricted according to voter proposition to Industrial Park Activities.
- Condition In prior periods, the General Fund improperly borrowed \$660,000 from the Debt Service Fund and \$151,030 from the Street Overlay Fund. During the 2013 fiscal period, approximately \$1,200,000 was improperly borrowed from the Industrial Park fund.
- Effect Violation of loan agreements, state law and local ordinances
- Cause The City's lack of sufficient operating reserves (unassigned fund balance) caused the City to borrow funds from the G.O. Debt Service Fund and the Street Overlay Funds when emergencies were encountered in previous years as a result of disasters. The current year's borrowings from the Industrial Park Fund were a result of capital projects undertaken by the City without consideration to an appropriate means of financing for those projects. The City fell short of cash in the general, capital outlay and special revenue funds was forced to finance these projects from the only fund with available cash, the Industrial Park Fund. A contributing factor to this condition was the lack of current internal financial statements to show the monies available within the various funds as result of an accounting system crash and subsequent conversion to a new system.
- Recommendation These loans, along with other interfund loans that have accumulated over several years, should be repaid. In order to repay these loans, the City will need to significantly reduce costs in its general fund, or raise revenues. Additionally, the City should prioritize its system conversion so that current and accurate financial statements can be presented to decision makers.
- Management's Response In 2012 and 2013, the City's General Fund began to repay these borrowings. Approximately \$120,000 and \$100,000 was repaid to the Debt Service Fund for 2012 and 2013, respectively, leaving a balance owed of \$440,000. The Street Overlay funds owed have been reduced by \$21,030, leaving a balance of \$130,000 owed thru December 31, 2013. The City will continue to repay the debt as funds become available.
- Current Status: The condition still exists. See finding 2014-2.

<u>2013-3</u>	Bond Covenants
Criteria	The covenants of the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 A and B, and the Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 require that sinking funds be established and that monthly deposits be made to those funds in amount to sufficiently fund the debt service occurring at 6 month intervals. Additionally, the Assets, Revenue and Expenses of the water system operation are to be identified and accounted for separately according to the terms of the 2009 A and B bonds.
Condition	The sinking fund for the Series 2009 A and B bonds was insufficiently funded at December 31, 2013 and the sinking fund for the Series 2012 bonds had not been established. Additionally, a separate accounting for Water System Operations has not been developed.
Effect	Violation of bond covenants.
Cause	The City's finance staff are not familiar with the terms of the bonds, and according to them, were misinformed by consultants regarding the need for such funds.
Recommendation	The City should periodically review all bond covenants and ensure that the City is in compliance. Additionally, the Water and Sewer and Garbage Operations should be separated into separate funds.
Management's	
Response	The lack of funding of the sinking funds was a result of misunderstanding of the covenants and requirements of the bonds. The City's administration was of the understanding, based upon consultations with consultants, that such accounts were not required. Going forward, the sinking fund accounts will be adequately funded and a separate fund will be applied for the Water System.
Current Status:	The condition still exists. See finding 2014-3.

2013-4 Violation of the Local Government Budget Act and Negative Fund Balance

- 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 prior years) plus projected revenue and other sources for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are failing to meet total budgeted revenues 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(s) Expenditures of several of the City's funds, including the General Fund, the Industrial Park Fund and the Recreation Fund exceeded the budgeted amount by more than 5%. Additionally, the City's actual revenue and beginning fund balance, when combined, have fallen short of the amount budgeted by more than 5%. And finally, the City's general fund had a negative fund balance of \$2,074,666 at December 31, 2013.
- Effect: The negative variances of more than five percent are a violation of Louisiana Revised State 39:1311A(1-2) and are a major contributor to the City's unfavorable financial condition.
- Cause The budgets are prepared using overly optimistic projections of revenues and expenditures. Additionally, large capital projects were undertaken during the fiscal year without adequate assessment of the means of financing these projects.
- Recommendation The City should use more realistic projections of revenues, expenditures, and available fund balances when preparing operating budgets and when planning and procuring large capital projects. Additionally, the City should revisit its current budget and seek cost savings through expenditure reductions and revenue enhancements.
- Management'sResponseThe City is currently developing a financial plan to improve the City's
financial condition. The plan will employ the use of realistic budgets that
employ expenditure reductions and other measures.
- Current Status: The condition still exists. See finding 2014-4.

<u>2013-5</u>	Noncompliance with the Retirement System's Investment Policy
Criteria	The City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System Statement of Investment Policies & Objectives was adopted by the Board of Trustees to serve as the official policy regarding the investment policy and practices for the System. The policy lists permissible investment equities as domestic common stocks, convertible bonds, preferred stocks, and REITS.
Condition	The City of Bogalusa Employees' Retirement System invested in foreign common stock during the audit period.
Effect	Violation of the Retirement System's investment policies.
Recommendation	The System should trade these holdings for a permissible investment or amend its investment policy.
Cause	The investment market is now more global, but the policy may be outdated.
Management's Response	The System will revisit the current investment policy to determine that most appropriate strategy in today's market.
Current Status:	The condition still exists. See finding 2014-5.
<u>2013-6</u>	Taxes Levied to Service General Obligation Bonds
Criteria	Article VI, Section 33 of the Louisiana Constitution states:
	The governing authority of the issuing political subdivision shall levy and collect or cause to be levied and collected on all taxable property in the political subdivision ad valorem taxes sufficient to pay principal and interest and redemption premiums, if any, on such bonds as they mature.
Condition	The City has accumulated funds in its General Obligation Sinking fund #4 in slightly above the amount needed to service the bonds for which it accumulates funds (the 2007 overlay bonds). Additionally, amounts on hand to serve as a debt service reserve from this fund and the General Obligation Sinking Fund #1 have been used to make loans to other funds in prior years.
Effect	The City may be levying taxes in an amount more than needed to pay the debt.
Cause	The balance in the funds is not reviewed upon determination of the millages to be approved and assessed.

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- Recommendation The City's administrative officer should review the fund balance in all sinking funds prior to bringing the millages to the City Council for adoption. Additionally all loans made from the funds to other funds should be repaid to allow for appropriate cash reserves.
- Management's Response The City is currently developing a plan to return its general fund to solvency and to address other financial needs. Once the financial condition of the general fund is adequate, the interfund loans will be repaid and the millages decreased to a level that, when combined with existing fund balance of the sinking funds, are sufficient to service the remaining debt.
- Current Status Levies of G.O. bond millages were reduced in 2014 and the fund balance of the sinking funds is now maintained at an appropriate level. Finding cleared.

Internal Control Matters

2013-7 Utility Bill Adjustments

- Criteria AU Section 325 of the Professional Standards issued by the Auditing Standards Board states that internal controls are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the entity's objectives regarding financial reporting, operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations are being met. An objective of the City's internal controls is for the maximizing of utility system revenues, which should include a policy for customer billing adjustments.
- Condition From time-to-time and as a standard and appropriate business procedure, adjustments to customers' utility bills are made due to unknown leaks, incorrect meter readings and other reasons. However, the City lacks a policy setting forth the reasons for which adjustments may be made, which might allow administrative officials in charge of approving the adjustments an inordinate amount of discretion. Additionally, no formal documentation is required when billing adjustments are made and approved.
- Effect The absence of a policy that establishes the reasons and authority for billing adjustments combined with the lack of documentation for said adjustments could result in fraud and abuse with respect to the utility system billings.
- Recommendation We recommend the City adopt a policy regarding billing adjustments and that all adjustments be approved, in writing according to that policy. Adoption of such a policy could help maximize Utility system revenues.

Internal Control Matters

<u>2013-7</u>	Utility Bill Adjustments (continued)
Management's Response	The Director of Administration will draft a policy, have it approved by the appropriate authorities and incorporate it into the City's policies and procedures manual.
Current Status:	The condition still exists. See finding 2014-10.
<u>2013-8</u>	Reconciliation of Accounts Receivable and Payable
Criteria	AU Section 325 of the Professional Standards issued by the Auditing Standards Board states that internal controls should designed to provide reasonable assurance that the entity's objectives regarding financial reporting are being met. One of the objectives is accuracy of reported revenues and expenses. Timely reconciliation of accounts receivable and payable to subsidiary ledgers (aging reports) helps accomplish this objective.
Condition	Utility System accounts receivable and accounts payable per the general ledger is not being completely reconciled to subsidiary ledgers on an ongoing basis. Also, the City's current accounting process does not allow for the ongoing recording of utility bill adjustments into the general ledger (accounting records).
Effect	The revenue, expenditures, fund equities and net position reported in financial statements of the utility fund could be misstated.
Cause	Conversions to new accounting and billing systems.
Recommendation	The City's staff should receive training on the new systems and should reconcile the accounts on a monthly basis. Discrepancies should be investigated and resolved. Also, billing adjustments should be recorded on an ongoing basis and accounts receivable should reconcile the billing system monthly.
Management's Response	The accounting system support company will be contacted to provide training to City personnel.
Current Status:	The condition still exists. See finding 2014-11.

2013-9 Choctaw Road Landfill Deficit

- Criteria: Choctaw Road Landfill (the Landfill) is a joint venture between the Washington Parish Government (the Parish) and the City of Bogalusa (the City). The agreed upon percentages for sharing construction costs, revenues, and operating costs is 58.1% for the Parish and 41.9% for the City.
- Condition: It was noted during our audit that the City owes the landfill \$769,055; \$441,556 of which is in arrears. Additionally, we noted that the 5-mill ad valorem tax dedicated to the Landfill to fund the City's portion of Landfill operational costs, provided revenues of approximately \$342,000 in 2013, while the City's share of the costs to operate the Landfill were approximately \$370,000.
- Cause: From this information, it appears the funding with which the City relies upon to support the Landfill may no longer be sufficient to support their annual share of the Landfill's operational costs.
- Effect: If this underfunding is not addressed, this could have an impact on the operations of the Landfill and their plans to build out new cells in the near future.
- Recommendation: We strongly recommend that management evaluate the effect of the City's financial situation and its potential consequences on the operations of the Landfill and develop a plan of action to mitigate any negative impact this could have on the Landfill's current and future operations and plans.
- Management's Response:
- Response: The Parish President and the Mayor of the City of Bogalusa met to discuss the financial condition of the Landfill and the corresponding funding as it has been provided for in the past. The economic and sociological makeup of the City and Parish has changed over the past 5 years; however the responsibility for landfill cost has remained unchanged. The parties will explore options for working together to provide adequate funding for the future of the landfill in accordance with current requirements of each partner.
- Current Status: The condition still exists. See finding 2014-6.

2013-10 Transfers of Restricted Cash

- Criteria: Proper internal controls requires the documented approval of transfers between funds and accounts. Two-party clearance (security) is also an effective internal control to ensure transfers are authorized.
- Condition: The City's accounting department lacks a process to document approval of transfers of cash among funds and two-party security are not required.

<u>2013-10</u>	Transfers of Restricted Cash (continued)
Cause:	The process for transferring cash was not properly designed.
Effect:	The process as designed currently allows for transfers of cash between funds by one person that may or may not be authorized.
Recommendation:	A document should be developed designed and utilized for the approval of interfund transfers. In coordination with the bank, two-party control should be established.
Management's response:	An approval form will be utilized and dual access control will be established with the bank.
Current Status:	Dual approval is now required for all bank transfers. Finding cleared.
<u>2013-11</u>	Internal financial reporting
Criteria:	Financial reports provided to the mayor and the council should be complete and accurate, yet concise straightforward enough to allow for appropriate monitoring of financial condition and decision making.
Condition:	The City's internal and monthly financial reporting process does not allow for sufficient monitoring and decisions making by the mayor and council.
Cause:	The financial reports provide excessive detail of expenditures compared to budget for the year, but do not present the financial condition. The reports generated by the administrative staff are insufficient.
Effect:	Decisions are being made without complete information.
Recommendation:	Monthly financial reports should include revenues and expenditures compared to budget for all major funds of the City as well as the existing fund balance. Fund balance should be clearly identified as to what has been previously encumbered and what is available for spending.
Management's Response:	The monthly financial reporting process is being redesigned and will include the aforementioned features.
Current Status:	The condition still exists. See finding 2014-12.