

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

**Primary Government Financial Statements
St. Mary Parish, State of Louisiana**

**Annual Financial Statements
with Independent Auditors' Report**

And

**Independent Auditors' Reports on Internal Control and Compliance and Other Matters
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022**

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Chairman and Members of the St. Mary Parish Council
Franklin, Louisiana

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund, Road Construction & Maintenance Fund, and Sanitation Fund of the St. Mary Parish Council (Council), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Council's primary government as listed in the table of contents under Basic Financial Statements. We have also audited the financial statements of each of the Council's nonmajor governmental funds presented as supplementary information, as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, in the accompanying combining and fund financial statements and individual fund budgetary comparison schedules as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, as listed in the table of contents under Supplementary Information – Nonmajor Governmental Funds.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of the other auditors, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the primary government of the St. Mary Parish Council as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund, Road Construction & Maintenance Fund, and Sanitation Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion based on our audit and the reports of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each nonmajor governmental fund of the primary government of the St. Mary Parish Council as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and respective budgetary comparisons, where applicable thereof, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Claire House and Fairview Treatment Center, which represent .2% and .3%, respectively of the assets and revenues of the governmental activity of the primary government as December 31, 2022. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Claire House and Fairview Treatment Center is based solely on the report of other auditors.

Basis of Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Council and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matters

Primary Government Financial Statements Only

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements referred to above include only the primary government of the St. Mary Parish Council, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that comprise the Council's legal entity. These primary government financial statements do not include financial data for the Council's legally separate component units, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial data of the Council's primary government. As a result, these primary government financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the reporting entity of the St. Mary Parish Council as of December 31, 2022, the changes in its financial position, or where applicable, its cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the reporting entity of the St. Mary Parish Council as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and our report thereon, dated July 3, 2024 expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

Responsibilities of Management 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 control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Council's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

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

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Council's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, Schedule of the Council's Contributions, and Schedule of Changes in the Council's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, as listed in the table of contents 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 appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Council's primary government basic financial statements. The information listed as General Supplementary Information in the table of contents is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, listed as Supplementary Information Required by Uniform Guidance in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Council's primary government.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards and the information listed as General Supplementary Information in the table of contents are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information, except for that portion marked "unaudited" has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements of the Council's primary government, and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the reports of other auditors, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and the information listed as General Supplementary Information in the table of contents is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements of the Council's primary government as a whole. The information marked unaudited has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated July 3, 2024, on our consideration of the St. Mary Parish Council's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and in considering St. Mary Parish Council's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

July 3, 2024
Morgan City, Louisiana

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2022

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business-type <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,784,734	\$ 72,082	\$ 5,856,816
Investments	4,225,783	872	4,226,655
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles)	763,918	669,204	1,433,122
Lease receivable	1,185,723		1,185,723
Due from component units	905,285		905,285
Due from other governments	9,181,403	8,031	9,189,434
Due from other funds	1,096,651		1,096,651
Other assets	13,840		13,840
Internal balances	<u>(1,076,253)</u>	<u>1,076,253</u>	<u>-</u>
Total current assets	<u>22,081,084</u>	<u>1,826,442</u>	<u>23,907,526</u>
Noncurrent assets			
Restricted cash		1,436,349	1,436,349
Restricted investments		810,862	810,862
Internal balances	<u>(5,132,580)</u>	<u>5,132,580</u>	<u>-</u>
Total restricted assets	<u>(5,132,580)</u>	<u>7,379,791</u>	<u>2,247,211</u>
Capital assets			
Land and improvements	1,919,874	3,762,536	5,682,410
Buildings, net of accumulated depreciation	7,242,796	889,171	8,131,967
Improvements other than buildings, net of accumulated depreciation	18,138,576	15,004,644	33,143,220
Equipment and furniture, net of accumulated depreciation	1,488,862	564,815	2,053,677
Infrastructure, net of accumulated depreciation	73,029,649		73,029,649
Right-of-use leases, net of accumulated amortization	591,676	189,473	781,149
Construction in progress	3,790,870	-	3,790,870
Net pension asset	<u>3,086,800</u>	<u>737,791</u>	<u>3,824,591</u>
Total capital assets	<u>109,289,103</u>	<u>21,148,430</u>	<u>130,437,533</u>
Total assets	<u>126,237,607</u>	<u>30,354,663</u>	<u>156,592,270</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Gain on refunding	24,000		24,000
Debt redemption costs		354,900	354,900
Related to Pensions	783,973	187,380	971,353
Related to OPEB	<u>4,759,292</u>	<u>888,220</u>	<u>5,647,512</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>5,567,265</u>	<u>1,430,500</u>	<u>6,997,765</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 131,804,872</u>	<u>\$ 31,785,163</u>	<u>\$ 163,590,035</u>
LIABILITIES			
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 1,973,565	\$ 346,760	\$ 2,320,325
Contracts payable	356,053		356,053
Retainage payable	201,859		201,859
Accrued liabilities	446,739		446,739
Due to other funds	1,096,651		1,096,651
Accrued interest payable	378,539		378,539
Current portion of long-term debt	2,708,800	289,124	2,997,924
Current portion of lease obligation payable	<u>209,953</u>	<u>57,975</u>	<u>267,928</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>7,372,159</u>	<u>693,859</u>	<u>8,066,018</u>
Noncurrent liabilities			
Other post-employment benefits	8,961,384	1,214,569	10,175,953
Compensated absences	330,000		330,000
Long-term debt	36,140,176	6,310,000	42,450,176
Landfill closure costs and post-closure care costs		10,623,000	10,623,000
Lease obligation payable	498,205	132,221	630,426
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>45,929,765</u>	<u>18,279,790</u>	<u>64,209,555</u>
Total liabilities	<u>53,301,924</u>	<u>18,973,649</u>	<u>72,275,573</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to Pensions	2,972,368	710,441	3,682,809
Related to OPEB	10,884,085	2,396,412	13,280,497
Deferred inflow of resources related to revenue	<u>1,210,839</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,210,839</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>15,067,292</u>	<u>3,106,853</u>	<u>18,174,145</u>
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	<u>68,369,216</u>	<u>22,080,502</u>	<u>90,449,718</u>
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	66,645,169	13,622,042	80,267,211
Restricted for:			
Capital projects	2,009,877		2,009,877
Debt service	2,521,644	1,307,554	3,829,198
Other purposes	4,165,783		4,165,783
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(11,906,817)</u>	<u>(5,224,935)</u>	<u>(17,131,752)</u>
Total net position	<u>63,435,656</u>	<u>9,704,661</u>	<u>73,140,317</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	<u>\$ 131,804,872</u>	<u>\$ 31,785,163</u>	<u>\$ 163,590,035</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Statement of Activities
Year Ended December 31, 2022

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Governmental activities							
General government	\$ 8,280,344	\$ 1,205,859	\$ 6,648,439	\$ 1,231,142	\$ 805,096		\$ 805,096
Public safety	5,039,436	7,305		367,734	(4,664,397)		(4,664,397)
Public works	9,004,903		982,047	2,453,390	(5,569,466)		(5,569,466)
Sanitation	2,245,066	1,731,673	16,776	85,771	(410,846)		(410,846)
Culture & recreation	2,456,342	50,660	11,188		(2,394,494)		(2,394,494)
Health & welfare	1,926,861	209,300	1,757,706		40,145		40,145
Urban redevelopment & housing	510,663	-	525,705		15,042		15,042
Economic development & assistance	223,924				(223,924)		(223,924)
Interest on right-of-use leases	5,173				(5,173)		(5,173)
Interest on long-term debt	1,355,491				(1,355,491)		(1,355,491)
Fees on long-term debt	104,048				(104,048)		(104,048)
Total governmental activities	<u>31,152,251</u>	<u>3,204,797</u>	<u>9,941,861</u>	<u>4,138,037</u>	<u>(13,867,556)</u>		<u>(13,867,556)</u>
Business-type activities							
Solid Waste Landfill	6,227,607	4,003,167				\$ (2,224,440)	(2,224,440)
Small Animal Control	340,215	79,321				(260,894)	(260,894)
Kemper Williams Park	516,365	182,143	32,903			(301,319)	(301,319)
Total business-type activities	<u>7,084,187</u>	<u>4,264,631</u>	<u>32,903</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,786,653)</u>	<u>(2,786,653)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 38,236,438</u>	<u>\$ 7,469,428</u>	<u>\$ 9,974,764</u>	<u>\$ 4,138,037</u>	<u>(13,867,556)</u>	<u>(2,786,653)</u>	<u>(16,654,209)</u>
General revenues:							
Taxes							
Sales and use							
					7,328,861		7,328,861
					3,484,236		3,484,236
					183,028		183,028
					1,146,604		1,146,604
					115,504		115,504
					3,370,223		3,370,223
					692,831		692,831
					138,066		138,066
					170,932	(38,638)	132,294
					54,209		54,209
					(1,380,000)	1,380,000	
					<u>15,304,494</u>	<u>1,341,362</u>	<u>16,645,856</u>
					<u>1,436,938</u>	<u>(1,445,291)</u>	<u>(8,353)</u>
					61,999,016	11,149,142	73,148,158
					(298)	810	512
					<u>61,998,718</u>	<u>11,149,952</u>	<u>73,148,670</u>
					<u>\$ 63,435,656</u>	<u>\$ 9,704,661</u>	<u>\$ 73,140,317</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2022

	General Fund	Road Construction & Maintenance Fund	Sanitation Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	CDBG Recovery Fund	Combined Sewer Construction Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 418	\$ 390	\$ -	\$ 3,227,655		\$ -	\$ 2,556,271	\$ 5,784,734
Investments			630,239	1,707,844		423,130	1,464,570	4,225,783
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles)	128,195	119,341	253,479	211,120			51,783	763,918
Lease receivable	1,182,963							1,182,963
Due from component units	559,784					345,501		905,285
Due from other governments	3,260,064	997,468	655,345	2,968,215			1,300,311	9,181,403
Due from other funds	1,096,651							1,096,651
Advance to other funds		228,559					2,398,025	2,626,584
Other assets				4,673	\$ 1,145		8,022	13,840
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,228,075</u>	<u>\$ 1,345,758</u>	<u>\$ 1,539,063</u>	<u>\$ 8,119,507</u>	<u>\$ 1,145</u>	<u>\$ 768,631</u>	<u>\$ 7,778,982</u>	<u>\$ 25,781,161</u>
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$ 201,397	\$ 49,637	\$ 200,380			\$ 423	\$ 1,521,728	\$ 1,973,565
Contracts payable				\$ 356,053				356,053
Retainage payable				201,859				201,859
Accrued liabilities	186,696	84,053					175,990	446,739
Due to other funds							1,096,651	1,096,651
Advance from other funds	1,832,974		270,640	5,552,863		17,474	1,161,466	8,835,417
Total liabilities	<u>2,221,067</u>	<u>133,690</u>	<u>471,020</u>	<u>6,110,775</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,897</u>	<u>3,955,835</u>	<u>12,910,284</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	1,090,550						120,289	1,210,839
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	<u>3,311,617</u>	<u>133,690</u>	<u>471,020</u>	<u>6,110,775</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,897</u>	<u>4,076,124</u>	<u>14,121,123</u>
FUND BALANCES								
Fund balances (deficits)								
Nonspendable - non-current receivables	559,784					347,507		907,291
Restricted for								
Use in specific geographic areas							1,626,183	1,626,183
Debt service							2,240,605	2,240,605
Assigned for								
General Government							200,616	200,616
Public safety		1,212,068					3,820	1,215,888
Culture & recreation							108,231	108,231
Health & welfare							11,951	11,951
Debt service							659,578	659,578
Sanitation			1,068,043			403,227		1,471,270
Capital projects				2,008,732	1,145			2,009,877
Unassigned	2,356,674						(1,148,126)	1,208,548
Total fund balances	<u>2,916,458</u>	<u>1,212,068</u>	<u>1,068,043</u>	<u>2,008,732</u>	<u>1,145</u>	<u>750,734</u>	<u>3,702,858</u>	<u>11,660,038</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund balances	<u>\$ 6,228,075</u>	<u>\$ 1,345,758</u>	<u>\$ 1,539,063</u>	<u>\$ 8,119,507</u>	<u>\$ 1,145</u>	<u>\$ 768,631</u>	<u>\$ 7,778,982</u>	<u>\$ 25,781,161</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2022

Reconciliation of the total fund balance - total governmental funds
to the total net position of governmental activities:

Total fund balance - Governmental Funds		\$ 11,660,038
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Accrued interest income for right-of-use leases in governmental activities is not current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.		2,760
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.		106,202,303
Interest payable on long-term debt does not require current financial resources, and, therefore, interest payable is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds balance sheet.		(378,539)
Noncurrent liabilities are not due and payable in the current period are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet:		
Long-term debt	\$ (38,848,976)	
Lease obligation	(708,158)	
Compensated absences	(330,000)	
Other post-employment benefit plans	(8,961,384)	
Net pension asset	<u>3,086,800</u>	<u>(45,761,718)</u>
The deferred outflows and inflows of resources that do not affect the current period are not reported in the governmental fund balance sheet:		
Deferred outflows gain on refunding	24,000	
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	783,973	
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEBs	4,759,292	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	(2,972,368)	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs	<u>(10,884,085)</u>	<u>(8,289,188)</u>
Net position of governmental activities		\$ <u>63,435,656</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
 Governmental Funds
 For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	General Fund	Road Construction & Maintenance Fund	Sanitation Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	CDBG Recovery Fund	Combined Sewer Construction Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES								
Taxes								
Sales and use			\$ 3,198,406				\$ 4,150,455	\$ 7,328,861
Ad valorem	\$ 3,484,236						183,028	3,667,264
Other taxes, penalties, & interests, etc.	115,504							115,504
Intergovernmental revenues								
Federal grants	5,064,684	\$ 1,055,396		\$ 1,023,500	\$ 117,393		1,093,317	8,354,290
Medicaid							869,751	869,751
State funds								
State grants	72,669	91,780	16,776	1,142,019			320,345	1,643,587
State revenue sharing	692,831							692,831
Royalty road funds		3,370,223						3,370,223
Parish road transportation funds		459,279						459,279
Severance taxes	1,146,604							1,146,604
Local			85,771	90,249		\$ (2,006)	367,734	541,748
Riverboat fees							1,400,000	1,400,000
Licenses & permits	751,404						20,493	771,897
Fees, charges, & commission	359,401		1,731,673				173,089	2,244,163
Mosquito abatement	188,737							188,737
Lease Revenue	138,066							138,066
Investment earnings & interest	51,668	4,730		64,047		7,029	40,400	167,874
Other revenues	568,467	430,988					11,788	811,243
Total revenues	<u>12,414,271</u>	<u>5,412,596</u>	<u>5,032,626</u>	<u>2,319,815</u>	<u>117,393</u>	<u>5,023</u>	<u>8,610,398</u>	<u>33,911,922</u>
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government	6,887,664						2,217,935	9,105,599
Public safety	767,419		172,356				2,811,433	3,751,208
Public works	418,817	3,695,986					261,887	4,376,690
Sanitation			2,239,987			5,079		2,245,066
Culture & recreation	943,706						312,244	1,255,950
Health & welfare	740,289				117,393		986,438	1,844,120
Urban redevelopment & housing							510,663	510,663
Economic development & assistance	223,924							223,924
Miscellaneous	2,781							2,781
Capital outlay				7,042,455			109,311	7,151,766
Right-of-Use leases								
Lease	383,986	345,006						728,992
Principal	95,725	40,925						136,650
Interest	504	2,084						2,588
Debt service								
Principal							2,670,000	2,670,000
Interest							1,291,137	1,291,137
Fees		94,273					9,775	104,048
Total expenditures	<u>10,464,815</u>	<u>4,178,274</u>	<u>2,412,345</u>	<u>7,042,455</u>	<u>117,393</u>	<u>5,079</u>	<u>11,180,823</u>	<u>35,401,182</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>1,949,456</u>	<u>1,234,122</u>	<u>2,620,283</u>	<u>(4,722,640)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(56)</u>	<u>(2,570,425)</u>	<u>(1,489,260)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES								
Lease financing	383,986	345,006						728,992
Operating transfers in	1,925,000	1,775,000				200,000	4,062,426	7,962,426
Operating transfers out	(2,345,000)	(2,267,371)	(1,985,395)	(24,660)			(2,720,000)	(9,342,426)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(36,014)</u>	<u>(147,365)</u>	<u>(1,985,395)</u>	<u>(24,660)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>1,342,426</u>	<u>(651,008)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>1,913,442</u>	<u>1,086,757</u>	<u>634,888</u>	<u>(4,747,300)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>199,944</u>	<u>(1,227,999)</u>	<u>(2,140,268)</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>1,003,016</u>	<u>125,311</u>	<u>433,155</u>	<u>6,756,032</u>	<u>1,145</u>	<u>550,790</u>	<u>4,930,857</u>	<u>13,800,306</u>
Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ 2,916,458</u>	<u>\$ 1,212,068</u>	<u>\$ 1,068,043</u>	<u>\$ 2,008,732</u>	<u>\$ 1,145</u>	<u>\$ 750,734</u>	<u>\$ 3,702,858</u>	<u>\$ 11,660,038</u>

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Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Reconciliation of the changes in fund balances - total governmental funds to the change in net position of governmental activities:

Net change in fund balance - Governmental Funds \$ (2,140,268)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are 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 as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation (\$6,676,876) was exceeded by capital outlays (\$4,882,018) meeting the Council's Capitalization policy in the current period. (1,794,858)

Repayment of bond principal and lease obligations is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces noncurrent liabilities in the Statement of Net Position

Repayments of principal on long term debt	\$ 2,598,800	
Lease obligation payments	<u>172,753</u>	
Net adjustment		<u>2,771,553</u>

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources; therefore, are not reported in governmental funds as expenditures.

Increase in accrued compensated absences	(20,000)	
Increase in accrued interest income	3,058	
Decrease in accrued interest expense	16,261	
Amortize on lease assets	(137,316)	
Amortize gain on refunding	<u>(12,000)</u>	
Net adjustment		<u>(149,997)</u>

Effects of recording net pension liability, other postemployment benefits liability, deferred inflows and outflows of resources, and other items related to these liabilities:

Decrease in pension expense	1,045,060	
Non employer pension contributions	54,209	
Increase on other postemployment benefit expense	<u>1,651,239</u>	
Net adjustment		<u>2,750,508</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ 1,436,938

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Funds
December 31, 2022

	Business-type Activities			Total
	Enterprise Funds			
	Reduction and Transfer Fund	Small Animal Control Fund	Kemper Williams Park Fund	
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 125	\$	\$ 71,957	\$ 72,082
Investments	872			872
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles)	655,073	6,652	7,479	669,204
Due from other governments	8,031			8,031
Advance to other funds	1,058,062		124,777	1,182,839
Total current assets	1,722,163	6,652	204,213	1,933,028
Noncurrent assets				
Restricted cash	1,436,349			1,436,349
Restricted investments	810,862			810,862
Restricted advances	5,132,580			5,132,580
Total restricted assets	7,379,791	-	-	7,379,791
Property, plant, and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	17,127,619	758,928	2,334,619	20,221,166
Right-of-use leases (net of accumulated amortization)	178,026	11,447		189,473
Net pension asset	473,566	154,850	109,375	737,791
Total noncurrent assets	25,159,002	925,225	2,443,994	28,528,221
Total assets	26,881,165	931,877	2,648,207	30,461,249
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Debt redemption costs	354,900			354,900
Related to pension	120,274	39,328	27,778	187,380
Related to OPEB	505,152	192,650	190,418	888,220
Total deferred outflows of resources	980,326	231,978	218,196	1,430,500
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 27,861,491	\$ 1,163,855	\$ 2,866,403	\$ 31,891,749
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 299,899	\$ 15,177	\$ 31,684	\$ 346,760
Lease obligation payable within one year	52,484	5,491		57,975
Bonds payable within one year	289,124			289,124
Advance from other funds	39,941	66,642		106,586
Total current liabilities	681,451	87,310	31,684	800,445
Long-term liabilities				
Other post-employment benefits	578,126	332,916	303,527	1,214,569
Lease obligation payable	126,245	5,978		132,221
Bonds payable, including unamortized premium	6,310,000			6,310,000
Landfill closure and post-closure care costs	10,623,000			10,623,000
Total long-term liabilities	17,637,369	338,894	303,527	18,279,790
Total liabilities	18,318,820	426,204	335,211	19,080,235
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Related to pension	456,011	149,109	105,321	710,441
Related to other post-employment benefits	1,410,345	482,804	503,263	2,396,412
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	20,185,176	1,058,117	943,795	22,187,088
FUND EQUITY				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	10,528,495	758,928	2,334,619	13,622,042
Restricted	1,507,554			1,507,554
Unrestricted	(4,159,734)	(653,190)	(412,011)	(5,224,935)
Total net position	7,676,315	105,738	1,922,608	9,704,661
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and net position	\$ 27,861,491	\$ 1,163,855	\$ 2,866,403	\$ 31,891,749

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
Proprietary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds			
	Reduction and Transfer Fund	Small Animal Control Fund	Kemper Williams Park Fund	Total
OPERATING REVENUES				
Solid waste disposal fees	\$ 3,771,138			\$ 3,771,138
Impound fees		\$ 75,702		75,702
Admission fees			\$ 14,131	14,131
Campsite fees			127,025	127,025
Special events			21,585	21,585
Other	232,029	3,619	19,402	255,050
	<u>4,003,167</u>	<u>79,321</u>	<u>182,143</u>	<u>4,264,631</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Personal services	738,733	142,088	183,508	1,064,329
Contractual services	226,555		2,384	228,939
Supplies	54,716	27,559	25,336	107,611
Materials	692,268	16,039	10,924	719,231
Utilities	88,286	27,109	124,558	239,953
Repairs and maintenance	513,743	16,678	23,882	554,303
Landfill closure costs	1,533,000			1,533,000
Equipment and rentals	859,810	30,852	16,784	907,446
Miscellaneous	59,884	2,842	9,579	72,305
Depreciation	1,087,776	61,464	77,497	1,226,737
Amortization of capital leases	52,663	5,494		58,157
Capital Outlay				-
Insurance	21,786	10,028	41,913	73,727
	<u>5,929,220</u>	<u>340,153</u>	<u>516,365</u>	<u>6,785,738</u>
Total operating expenses				
Net operating income (loss)	<u>(1,926,053)</u>	<u>(260,832)</u>	<u>(334,222)</u>	<u>(2,521,107)</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES				
Investment earnings	(38,636)	(68)	66	(38,638)
Gifts/donations			32,903	32,903
Interest	(294,387)	(62)		(294,449)
Fees	(4,000)			(4,000)
	<u>(337,023)</u>	<u>(130)</u>	<u>32,969</u>	<u>(304,184)</u>
Total non-operating revenues				
Income (loss) before transfers	<u>(2,263,076)</u>	<u>(260,962)</u>	<u>(301,253)</u>	<u>(2,825,291)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers in				
General Fund		330,000	350,000	680,000
Sanitation Fund	700,000			700,000
Total transfers	<u>700,000</u>	<u>330,000</u>	<u>350,000</u>	<u>1,380,000</u>
Change in net position	<u>(1,563,076)</u>	<u>69,038</u>	<u>48,747</u>	<u>(1,445,291)</u>
Net position, beginning of year (as previously stated)	9,239,391	35,890	1,873,861	11,149,142
Prior period restatement	-	810		810
Net position, beginning of year (as restated)	<u>9,239,391</u>	<u>36,700</u>	<u>1,873,861</u>	<u>11,149,952</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 7,676,315</u>	<u>\$ 105,738</u>	<u>\$ 1,922,608</u>	<u>\$ 9,704,661</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Increase (Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Reduction and Transfer Fund</u>	<u>Small Animal Control Fund</u>	<u>Kemper Williams Park Fund</u>	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Received from charges for services	\$ 4,199,358	\$ 76,354	\$ 183,495	\$ 4,459,207
Payments to suppliers for goods & services	(2,837,447)	(145,911)	(246,202)	(3,229,560)
Payments to employees for services	<u>(1,139,837)</u>	<u>(271,668)</u>	<u>(300,379)</u>	<u>(1,711,884)</u>
Net cash flows (deficiency) from operating activities	<u>222,074</u>	<u>(341,225)</u>	<u>(363,086)</u>	<u>(482,237)</u>
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:				
Due to other funds	39,944			39,944
Contributions			32,903	32,903
Operating transfers in from other funds	700,000	330,000	350,000	1,380,000
Repayment of advances by other funds		19,005		19,005
Advances to other funds			(8,674)	(8,674)
Repayment of advances by other funds	<u>389,260</u>			<u>389,260</u>
Net cash flows (deficiency) from noncapital financing activities	<u>1,129,204</u>	<u>349,005</u>	<u>374,229</u>	<u>1,852,438</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financial activities				
Fixed asset acquisitions	(7,653)	(2,178)	(25,383)	(35,214)
Lease payments	(51,962)	(5,534)		(57,496)
Debt payments	<u>(815,263)</u>			<u>(815,263)</u>
Net cash flows (deficiency) from capital and related financing activities	<u>(874,878)</u>	<u>(7,712)</u>	<u>(25,383)</u>	<u>(907,973)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities				
Investment earnings	(38,636)	(68)	66	(38,638)
Sale of investments	<u>41,717</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,717</u>
Net cash flows from investing activities	<u>3,081</u>	<u>(68)</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>3,079</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>479,481</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,174)</u>	<u>465,307</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>956,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,131</u>	<u>1,043,124</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 1,436,474</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 71,957</u>	<u>\$ 1,508,431</u>
Shown in the accompanying Statement of Net Position as:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 125		\$ 71,957	\$ 72,082
Restricted cash	<u>1,436,349</u>			<u>1,436,349</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 1,436,474</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 71,957</u>	<u>\$ 1,508,431</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

	Business-type Activities			
	Enterprise Funds			
	Reduction and Transfer <u>Fund</u>	Small Animal Control <u>Fund</u>	Kemper Williams Park <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash, provided by operating activities:				
Operating income (loss)	\$ (1,926,053)	\$ (260,832)	\$ (334,222)	\$ (2,521,107)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	1,140,439	66,958	77,497	1,284,894
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	196,191	(2,967)	1,352	194,576
Decrease (increase) in net pension asset	(284,444)	(106,306)	(62,516)	(453,266)
Decrease (increase) in deferred outflows related to pension	64,294	8,047	17,953	90,294
Decrease (increase) in deferred outflows related to other post-employment benefits	(6,875)	(2,292)	(2,292)	(11,459)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued expenses	32,725	(14,804)	9,158	27,079
Increase (decrease) in landfill closure costs	1,533,000			1,533,000
Increase (decrease) in other post-employment benefits	(1,260,484)	(419,351)	(420,161)	(2,099,996)
Decrease in retainage payable	(353,124)			(353,124)
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows related to pension	50,529	45,030	4,853	100,412
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows related to other post-employment benefits	1,035,876	345,292	345,292	1,726,460
Total adjustments	<u>2,148,127</u>	<u>(80,393)</u>	<u>(28,864)</u>	<u>2,038,870</u>
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>\$ 222,074</u>	<u>\$ (341,225)</u>	<u>\$ (363,086)</u>	<u>\$ (482,237)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Original <u>Budget</u>	Final <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Ad Valorem	\$ 3,150,000	\$ 3,150,000	\$ 3,484,236	\$ 334,236
Other taxes, penalties, & interests, etc.	120,000	120,000	115,504	(4,496)
Intergovernmental revenues				
Federal grants	4,799,635	5,062,429	5,064,684	2,255
State funds				
State grants		72,669	72,669	-
State revenue sharing	460,600	664,312	692,831	28,519
Severance taxes	1,050,000	1,050,000	1,146,604	96,604
Licenses & permits	711,500	731,500	751,404	19,904
Fees, charges, & commission	196,675	341,453	339,401	(2,052)
Mosquito abatement	180,000	180,000	188,737	8,737
Lease Revenue			138,066	138,066
Investment earnings & interest	16,100	16,100	51,668	35,568
Other revenues	475,596	583,596	368,467	(215,129)
Total revenues	<u>11,160,106</u>	<u>11,972,059</u>	<u>12,414,271</u>	<u>442,212</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General government				
Legislative	514,369	530,369	499,513	30,856
Judicial	1,274,430	1,274,430	1,279,628	(5,198)
Executive	264,229	264,229	269,858	(5,629)
Elections	95,593	95,593	82,063	13,530
Finance & administrative	1,387,215	1,387,215	1,105,383	281,832
Courthouse	1,563,075	1,784,190	1,579,681	204,509
Other	1,517,312	1,762,024	2,071,538	(309,514)
Public safety	709,169	860,374	767,419	92,955
Culture & recreation	1,077,255	1,241,795	943,706	298,089
Health & welfare	635,036	646,836	576,730	70,106
Economic development & assistance	269,999	269,999	223,924	46,075
Mosquito abatement	182,683	182,683	163,559	19,124
Airport operations	295,913	466,913	418,817	48,096
Miscellaneous	3,100	3,100	2,781	319
Right-of-use leases				
Lease			383,986	(383,986)
Principal			95,725	(95,725)
Interest			504	(504)
Total expenditures	<u>9,789,378</u>	<u>10,769,750</u>	<u>10,464,815</u>	<u>304,935</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>1,370,728</u>	<u>1,202,309</u>	<u>1,949,456</u>	<u>747,147</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Lease financing			383,986	383,986
Operating transfers in				
Sanitation Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund	1,375,000	1,375,000	1,375,000	-
Juror Comp Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Gaming Receipt Fund	450,000	450,000	450,000	-
Operating transfers out				
Road Construction & Maintenance Fund	(1,575,000)	(1,575,000)	(1,575,000)	-
Small Animal Control Fund	(230,000)	(330,000)	(330,000)	-
Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund		(90,000)	(90,000)	-
Kemper Williams Park Fund	(350,000)	(350,000)	(350,000)	-
Capital Improvement	(1,200,000)			-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,430,000)</u>	<u>(420,000)</u>	<u>(36,014)</u>	<u>383,986</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>(59,272)</u>	<u>782,309</u>	<u>1,913,442</u>	<u>1,131,133</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>575,000</u>	<u>1,003,016</u>	<u>1,003,016</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 515,728</u>	<u>\$ 1,785,325</u>	<u>\$ 2,916,458</u>	<u>\$ 1,131,133</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Road Construction & Maintenance Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental revenues				
Federal grants	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,055,396	\$ 1,055,396	\$ -
State funds				
State grants	91,780	91,780	91,780	-
Royalty road funds	2,700,000	3,200,000	3,370,223	170,223
Parish road transportation funds	400,000	400,000	459,279	59,279
Investment earnings & interest	2,500	2,500	4,730	2,230
Other revenues	405,000	527,415	430,988	(96,427)
Total revenues	<u>3,749,280</u>	<u>5,277,091</u>	<u>5,412,396</u>	<u>135,305</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public works				
Highways/streets & roads	3,711,825	3,907,194	3,256,159	651,035
Road supervisor	109,018	109,018	112,089	(3,071)
Bridges	259,090	244,090	199,415	44,675
Avoca ferry	151,804	151,804	128,323	23,481
Right-of-use leases				
Lease			345,006	(345,006)
Principal			40,925	(40,925)
Interest			2,084	(2,084)
Debt service				
Fees(Transfer to Bonding Agent)		961,125	94,273	866,852
Total expenditures	<u>4,231,737</u>	<u>5,373,231</u>	<u>4,178,274</u>	<u>1,194,957</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>(482,457)</u>	<u>(96,140)</u>	<u>1,234,122</u>	<u>1,330,262</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Lease financing			345,006	(345,006)
Operating transfers in				
General Fund	1,575,000	1,575,000	1,575,000	-
Sanitation Fund	200,000	200,000	200,000	-
Operating transfers out				
Debt Service Fund (Interest)			(478,608)	478,608
Debt Service Fund (Principal)			(388,763)	388,763
Certificates of Indebtedness Sinking Fund	(1,400,000)	(1,400,000)	(1,400,000)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>375,000</u>	<u>375,000</u>	<u>(147,365)</u>	<u>(522,365)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>(107,457)</u>	<u>278,860</u>	<u>1,086,757</u>	<u>807,897</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>200,000</u>	<u>125,339</u>	<u>125,311</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 92,543</u>	<u>\$ 404,199</u>	<u>\$ 1,212,068</u>	<u>\$ 807,897</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Sanitation Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Sales and use	\$ 2,450,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,198,406	\$ 198,406
Intergovernmental revenues				
State grants	70,600	35,600	16,776	(18,824)
Local grants	70,000	70,000	85,771	15,771
Fees, charges, & commission	1,358,000	1,433,000	1,731,673	298,673
Investment earnings & interest	15,000	15,000		(15,000)
Total revenues	<u>3,963,600</u>	<u>4,553,600</u>	<u>5,032,626</u>	<u>479,026</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety	195,351	202,851	172,356	30,495
Sanitation	2,189,700	2,209,700	2,239,987	(30,287)
Health & Welfare	70,600	35,600		35,600
Total expenditures	<u>2,455,651</u>	<u>2,448,151</u>	<u>2,412,343</u>	<u>35,808</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>1,507,949</u>	<u>2,105,449</u>	<u>2,620,283</u>	<u>514,834</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers out				
General Fund	(50,000)	(50,000)	(50,000)	-
Road Construction and Maintenance Fund	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	-
Solid Waste Bond Sinking Fund	(700,000)	(700,000)	(700,000)	-
3/4% Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund	(705,000)	(705,000)	(705,000)	-
Combined Sewer Construction Fund	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	-
Certificates of Indebtedness Sinking Fund	(130,395)	(130,395)	(130,395)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,985,395)</u>	<u>(1,985,395)</u>	<u>(1,985,395)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	(477,446)	120,054	634,888	514,834
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>500,000</u>	<u>433,155</u>	<u>433,155</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 22,554</u>	<u>\$ 553,209</u>	<u>\$ 1,068,043</u>	<u>\$ 514,834</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Notes to the Financial Statements
December 31, 2022

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

On July 16, 1983, the voters of the parish approved a change in the form of parish government from the police jury form of government to the parish council system. The newly elected parish council was seated on November 26, 1984. The St. Mary Parish Council is the governing authority for St. Mary Parish. The parish council consists of eleven members, eight of whom are elected from single-member districts and three elected at large. The parish president, elected by the voters of the parish, is the chief executive officer of the parish and is responsible for carrying out the policies adopted by the parish council and for exercising such general executive authority as authorized by the charter.

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

The financial statements of the St. Mary Parish Council have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Council's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The GASB has established several criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity. The reporting entity for St. Mary Parish should include the St. Mary Parish Council, which as governing authority of the parish is the primary government, and other governmental entities within the parish for which the Council has financial accountability. Financial accountability is determined by the Council, on the basis of applying the following criteria from those established by the GASB:

1. Financial benefit or burden
2. Appointment of a voting majority
3. Imposition of will
4. Fiscally dependent

The GASB requires that certain other organizations be included in the reporting entity although the primary government is not financially accountable if exclusion from the financial statements would render the reporting entity's financial statements incomplete or misleading.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Based on the previous criteria, the Council has determined that the following are component units and should be discretely reported components within the reporting entity but not within the primary government except for the Industrial Development Board of the Parish of St. Mary (included with the Council as part of the primary government as it has no assets, liabilities, deferred inflows or outflows; nor revenues or expenses).

<u>Component Unit</u>	<u>Area Served</u>	<u>Fiscal Year End</u>	<u>Criteria Used</u>
St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Comm.:			
No. 1	Amelia/Siracusa	December 31	1, 2, 3
No. 2	Bayou Vista	September 30	1, 2,3
No. 3	West of Patterson to Calumet, Verdunville, & Centerville	September 30	1,2,3
No. 4	Chatsworth, St. Joseph, Irish Bend, Yokely, Sorrell, Websterville, Charenton, St. Peter	September 30	1, 2,3
No.5	Four Corners/Glencoe	September 30	1. 2, 3
St. Mary Parish Library	St. Mary Parish except Morgan City	December 31	1, 2, 3
Hospital Service District:			
No. 1	Wax Lake Outlet to Jeanerette	September 30	2, 3
No. 2	Atchafalaya River to Amelia	December 31	2, 3
Waterworks District:			
No. 5	West of Patterson to Calumet, Verdunville, & Centerville	May 31	2, 3
Sewerage District:			
No. 11(<i>no activity</i>)	Cypremort Point	September 30	1, 2, 3
Wards 5 & 8 Joint Sewer Comm.	Atchafalaya River west to Wax Lake Outlet	September 30	2, 3
Consolidated Gravity Drainage District:			
No. 1	Wax Lake Outlet west to Jeanerette	September 30	2, 3
No. 2A	Atchafalaya River to Bayou Ramos	September 30	2, 3, 4

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

<u>Component Unit</u>	<u>Area Served</u>	<u>Fiscal Year End</u>	<u>Criteria Used</u>
Wax Lake East Drainage District	Berwick, Bayou Vista, Patterson, Calumet	September 30	2, 3
Sub Gravity Drainage District No.1 of Gravity Drainage District No.2	Bayou Vista	September 30	2, 3
Cajun Coast Visitors and Convention Bureau	St. Mary Parish	September 30	2, 3
St. Mary Parish Sales and Use Tax Dept. <i>(Fiduciary Fund-Custodial Type)</i>	St. Mary Parish	December 31	1, 3
Recreation District:			
No. 1	Amelia	September 30	2, 3
No. 2	Siracusa	September 30	1, 2, 3, 4
No. 3	Bayou Vista	September 30	1, 2, 3
No. 4	Patterson	September 30	1, 2, 3
No. 5	Four Corners, Sorrell Glencoe	September 30	2, 3
No. 7	Centerville, Verdunville	September 30	2, 3
Atchafalaya Golf Course Commission	St. Mary Parish	September 30	1,2,3,4
Fire Protection District:			
No. 1	Cypremort Point	December 31	2, 3
No. 2	Franklin/Ward 3	September 30	1, 2, 3
No. 3	Amelia	September 30	1, 2, 3
No. 7	Bayou Vista	September 30	2, 3
No. 11	Four Corners, Glencoe, Sorrell	September 30	2, 3
No. 12 <i>(no activity)</i>	Charenton	September 30	2, 3
Mosquito Control District No. 1	Cypremort Point	December 31	1, 2, 3
Communications District (911)	St. Mary Parish	December 31	2, 3, 4
St. Mary Parish Assessor	St. Mary Parish	December 31	1, 4
St. Mary Parish Clerk of Court <i>(Includes Fiduciary Fund-Custodial Type)</i>	St. Mary Parish	June 30	1, 4

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

<u>Component Unit</u>	<u>Area Served</u>	<u>Fiscal Year End</u>	<u>Criteria Used</u>
Industrial Development Board of the Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana, Inc. <i>(only activity is issuance of conduit debt through the Council, See Note 15)</i>	St. Mary Parish	December 31	1,2, 3, 4

The GASB provides for the issuance of primary government financial statements which are separate from those of the reporting entity. However, a primary government's financial statements are not a substitute for the reporting entity's financial statements. The Council has chosen to issue financial statements for the primary government only. As such, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to and do not report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Audit reports for component units can be obtained from the administrative offices of each component and from the Clerk of the Parish Council.

The parish school board, the St. Mary Parish Sheriff, and the municipal level governments, are excluded from the accompanying financial statements as they are considered autonomous governments. These units of government issue financial statements separate from that of the Council. Also in accordance with GASB, the St. Mary Community Action Committee Association, Inc. (CAA) and the West St. Mary Parish Port, Harbor, and Terminal District (Port) are considered to be related organizations of the St. Mary Parish Council, primary government. Several different primary governments or other bodies appoint members to the board of the Port and CAA but none are considered to be financially accountable because they do not impose their will or have a financial benefit or burden relationship with the Port or CAA.

B. Basic Financial Statements - Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities which report all activities of the Council as a whole (the Council does not conduct fiduciary activities). The government-wide presentation focuses primarily on the sustainability of the Council as an entity and the change in the Council's net position resulting from the current year's activities. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities* generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange revenues, are reported separately from *business type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are 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*.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

C. Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the Council are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, deferred outflows and inflows of resources, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types." The following is a description of the funds utilized by the Council.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Council. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds. The Council reports the General Fund as a major fund.

Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are earmarked for expenditures for specified purposes.

The Council reports two special revenue funds as major funds as follows:

ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE FUND

The Road Construction and Maintenance Fund accounts for the maintenance and upkeep of the parish road system. Major financing is provided by the State of Louisiana Parish Transportation Funds and Royalty Road funds. Use of Transportation Funds is restricted by Louisiana Revised Statutes.

SANITATION FUND

The Sanitation Fund accounts for the collection of solid waste for the Parish. Major financing is from the three-fourths percent sales tax and garbage collection fees. The expenditures are restricted by the three-fourths percent sales tax ordinance.

Debt Service Funds

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

Capital Projects Funds

Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The Council reports the three following capital project funds as major funds:

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

The Capital Improvement Fund accounts for ongoing capital projects, other than those accounted for in the CDBG Recovery Fund or the Sewer Construction Fund. The projects may be funded with either federal, state, or local funds. A major portion of the funds are currently being funded with the proceeds of the \$11,500,000 St. Mary GOMESA Project Fund 2019 Bonds.

CDBG RECOVERY FUND

The CDBG Recovery Fund accounts for major ongoing capital projects and is funded by federal funds. The Fund was established to handle approximately \$19 million in federal grants. The Council will continue to maintain this as a major fund until all projects are substantially complete.

COMBINED SEWER CONSTRUCTION FUND

The Combined Sewer Construction Fund is used to account for the proceeds of sewer bonds and three quarters percent sales tax that is being used to construct and improve sewer systems within the Parish.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Enterprise Funds

Enterprise funds are used to account for activities of providing goods and services to outside parties similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is *necessary or useful to sound financial administration*.

The Council reports two of its three proprietary funds as major funds:

REDUCTION AND TRANSFER FUND

The Reduction and Transfer Fund accounts for the operation of the parish solid waste disposal plant. All garbage and trash in the western portion area of the parish is collected at the reduction station in Berwick. All garbage and trash in the eastern portion of the parish is first collected at the transfer station in Franklin and then transferred to the Berwick reduction station for disposal.

KEMPER WILLIAMS PARK FUND

The Kemper Williams Park Fund accounts for the operations of Kemper Williams Park, a recreational facility available for parish residents. The facility charges its patrons for admission to the park which consists of picnic grounds, campsites, athletic fields, a jogging trail, and tennis courts.

Because the Council only has one remaining proprietary fund it is presented in the basic financial statements, even though the Council considers it to be a nonmajor fund.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

SMALL ANIMAL CONTROL FUND

The Small Animal Control Fund accounts for the operation of a small animal shelter. This fund was established for the collection, housing, adoption, and euthanasia of small stray animals within St. Mary Parish and is funded by the parish, cities, and public of St. Mary Parish.

D. Basis of Accounting

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

Government-wide Statements and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide statements and the proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, all assets, all deferred outflows of resources, all liabilities, and all deferred inflows of resources (whether current or noncurrent) are included in determining financial position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flow takes place.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The Council has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current deferred outflows of resources and current liabilities and current deferred inflows of resources generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net fund balance.

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount can be determined. Available means the normal time of collection is within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities (the Council generally uses a ninety day period after year end).

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E. Revenues

The following is a summary of the Council's recognition policies for its major revenue sources:

Sales tax revenues are recorded when the taxable sales take place, regardless of when the sales taxes are collected by the St. Mary Parish Council's sales tax department.

Ad valorem taxes and the related State Revenue Sharing (which are based on population and homesteads in the Parish) are recorded in the year the taxes are assessed.

Federal and State aid and grants are recorded when the Council has met the requirements of the grant and is entitled to receive the funds.

Investment earnings are generally recorded when earned.

Substantially all other revenues are recorded when they become available to the Council.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Council's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sale and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

F. Expenses/Expenditures

The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements recognize expenses under the accrual basis of accounting and records the related liability at the time the expense is incurred.

In the governmental fund financial statements, expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, except principal and interest on long-term debt which is not recognized until due.

G. Budgets

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

1. Ninety days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the Parish President presents to the Council the annual operating budget which was prepared by the Director of Finance under the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer.
2. The Council then orders a public hearing, notice of which, along with a summary of the budget, will be published ten days prior to the date of the hearing in the official journal of the Council.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

3. No later than the second to last regular meeting of the fiscal year, the Council enacts an ordinance to adopt the annual operating budget for the ensuing fiscal year. The Council may adjust the budget as proposed by the Parish President or amend it, as they see fit, by a vote of the majority of the Council.
4. The Parish President may accept or veto the entire budget as approved by the Council or he may line item veto certain appropriations.
5. Should the Council and Parish President be unable to adopt a budget prior to the beginning of the year, then fifty percent of the prior year's budget shall be appropriated for the upcoming year; until such time as a new budget is properly enacted.
6. The Director of Finance, under the direction of the Chief Administrative Officer, has the authority to alter, and must approve all changes in budgeted amounts within function lines. However, budget adjustments that cross function lines require approval of the Council.
7. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year.
8. The General Fund and all Special Revenue Funds with activity have adopted budgets.
9. Budget appropriations lapse at year end.
10. In the financial statement comparison of the budget to actual amounts, both the original and final amended budget amounts are shown.

H. *Cash and Cash Equivalents*

For financial statement purposes, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short term investments with original maturities of less than three months.

Certain short-term interest bearing cash accounts are maintained on a pooled basis, interest revenue or expense is allocated to each participating fund based upon its pro rata share of the total pooled account balance. The overall balance in the pooled account is always a large positive balance. However, from time to time an individual fund's proportionate share of the balance may temporarily be negative. This most commonly occurs when a fund makes an unusually large disbursement such as a payment on a construction contract or when the fund is awaiting an investment to mature and be placed in its cash account.

I. *Investments*

The Council invests in bank certificates of deposit (CDs) and external investment pools. The CDs (nonparticipating contracts) are recorded at cost, unless there is significant impairment of the credit standing of the issuer. The pooled investments are recorded at fair market value.

The Council also invests in Federal government securities which the Council records at fair value.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

J. Receivables

Receivables are stated at net realizable value after provision for estimated uncollectible accounts.

K. Restricted Assets

In the Reduction and Transfer Enterprise Fund certain assets are set aside for certain uses. These amounts are reported as either cash, investments or advances and are reported as restricted assets. At December 31, 2022, these assets are restricted for the following purposes:

Reserved for debt service by debt covenants	\$2,015,546
Reserved for depreciation and contingencies by debt covenants	192,952
Ear marked for landfill closure costs and post-closure care costs by Council action	<u>5,171,293</u>
	<u>\$7,379,791</u>

L. Fixed Assets

The accounting treatment for property, plant, equipment (fixed assets) depends on whether they are reported in the government-wide, proprietary fund, or governmental fund financial statements.

Government-wide Statements and Proprietary Fund

In the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, fixed assets are accounted for as capital assets. All purchased fixed assets are valued at historical cost. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. Fixed assets are reported at their historical cost or estimated fair market value less their accumulated depreciation. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful life of the various assets. The following is a summary of estimated useful lives by classification of the fixed assets:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	25-40
Equipment and furniture	5-15
Improvements	20-30
Infrastructure	25-50

Fund Financial Statements

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

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

M. Long-term obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund type financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Significant bond premiums and discounts, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount, if significant. Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

N. Compensated Absences

Employees earn vacation and sick leave annually at varying rates depending upon length of service. These compensated absences are allowed to accumulate from period to period if not used.

Upon termination an employee is compensated for accumulated vacation time; but, employees are not compensated for sick time unless termination is due to qualified retirement.

An accrual is made for the amount of compensation the employees will receive in the future based upon services performed in the current year for vacation time not used. An accrual is also made for accumulated sick time estimated to be paid to employees at retirement. Only the portion of this accumulated sick pay estimated to be paid to employees retiring within the next year is recorded as a liability within the fund to which the particular employees' salary is allocated, the remaining liability is included with long-term debt in the Statement of Net Position. The liability for the long-term portion of this accumulated sick pay, effects thirty-one employees and totals approximately \$330,000 and is not discounted to present value.

The Council's current compensated absences, by fund, are approximately as follows:

Major funds	
General Fund	\$139,000
Road Construction and Maintenance Fund	79,000
Reduction and Transfer Fund	79,000
Non-major funds	
Small Animal Control Fund	33,000

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements. For governmental funds financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount that is normally expected to be paid using expendable available financial resources. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

O. Net Pension Liability or Asset and Related Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

The Council follows GASB pronouncements establishing the accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. This guidance requires the Council to calculate and recognize a net pension liability or asset and certain deferred outflows and inflows of resources and pension expense. The Council is a member of Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana – Plan A (PERS-A), a cost sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system. For purposes of measuring its net pension liability or asset, deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and pension expense, the Council uses the same basis as PERS-A.

See Note 17 for further details about this pension plan.

P. Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

The Council has agreed to provide its employees with postemployment benefits. In 2018 the Council adopted GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (OPEB) which establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expenses related to OPEB.

See Note 18 for further details about this OPEB plan.

Q. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources (Related to Debt Refundings)

In prior years the Council's Reduction and Transfer Fund issued refunding debt which resulted in the defeasance of old debt issues. The difference between the reacquisition price (amount required to repay the previously issued old debt) and the net carrying amount of the old debt is reported as a deferred outflow of resources or deferred inflow of resources and recognized as a component of interest expense in future periods. Accordingly, the Reduction and Transfer Fund report debt redemption costs of \$354,900 as a deferred outflow of resources. At year end \$99,000 of amortization was charged to interest expense for the year.

R. Equity Classifications

Government-wide Statements and Proprietary Fund Statements

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in the three components:

- a) Net investment in capital assets- Consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- b) Restricted net position - Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributions, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c) Unrestricted net position - All other net position that does not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets”.

At December 31, 2022 \$1,852,626 of the Council’s restricted net position was required by enabling legislation.

At December 31, 2022, the Council’s unrestricted net position (deficit) of \$17,131,752 includes the effect of the \$13,280,497 of deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and \$3,682,809 of deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, which will be recognized as a reduction of the unrestricted net deficit in future years.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified by five categories: nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

- a.) Nonspendable - represents those portions of fund equity that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- b.) Restricted - represents those portions of fund equity not appropriate for expenditure or legally segregated for a specific future use.
- c.) Committed - represents those portions of fund equity that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Council’s highest level of decision-making authority. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through formal adoption of an ordinance (other than the annual budget ordinance) by the Council
- d.) Assigned – represents those portions of fund equity that are constrained by the Council’s intent through budget ordinance to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.
- e.) Unassigned – This classification is the residual fund balance for the General Fund. It represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to a specific purpose within the General fund.

The Council considers amounts to have been expended first out of committed funds, followed by assigned funds, and then unassigned funds when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which funds of any unrestricted fund balance classifications have been used.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

S. Interfund Transfers

Permanent reallocations of resources between funds of the Council are classified as interfund transfers. For the purpose of the Statement of Activities, all interfund transfers between individual governmental funds are generally eliminated. Three of the Council's non-major governmental funds, which are substantially funded by Federal grants, operate based upon the grant year which ends within the Council's normal December 31 year end. Occasionally a transfer to one of these three funds to or from another of the Council's funds will occur between their yearend and December 31. In this case, amounts of transfers in and transfers out will differ by the amount of the interperiod transfer.

T. Reclassification

Certain items have been reclassified in order to make these financial statements more meaningful and comparative.

U. Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles require management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

V. New GASB Pronouncements

In the current year, the Council adopted the following GASB pronouncements: GASB Statement No. 87 *Leases* which improves the financial reporting and accounting of leases by governments.

GASB Statement No. 91 *Conduit Debt Obligations* which provides a clarified definition of conduit debt and a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations.

The GASB has issued its Statement No. 92 *Omnibus 2020* which enhances comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues that have been identified.

All these pronouncements are in effect for the Council for the year 2022. Management has determined there are no significant effects of these Statements on the financial statements.

W. Future Accounting Changes

The GASB has issued its Statement No. 101 "*Compensated Absences*" which updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. The pronouncement will be effective for the Council for the year 2023. Management has not yet determined the effects of this Statement on its financial reporting.

NOTE 2 – PRIOR PERIOD RESTATEMENT
RESTATEMENT RELATED TO NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT

In 2022 the Council adopted GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases* which enhances the relevance and consistency of information about governments’ leasing activities. The statement establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the principle that leases are financing of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. For addition information, refer to Note 14 – Capital Lease.

The changes were incorporated in the Council’s 2022 financial statements and had an effect on the beginning net position of the Governmental and Business-Type Activities. The Council recognized \$422,745 and \$243,936 in net book value for the intangible right to use lease asset and a lease liability of \$421,465 and \$243,126 for various leases initiated January 1, 2022. The Council recognized \$139,496 in a lease receivable and \$141,074 in a deferred inflow of resources in Governmental Activities for various leases initiated January 1, 2022.

The implementation of GASB Statement No. 87 had the following effect on net position reported December 31, 2021:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
Net Position December 31, 2021	\$61,999,016	\$11,149,142
Adjustments:		
Lease Receivable	139,496	--
Net book value – leased assets	422,745	243,936
Lease Liability	(421,465)	(243,126)
Deferred Inflow of Resources	<u>(141,074)</u>	<u>--</u>
Restated Net Position December 31, 2021	<u>\$61,998,718</u>	<u>\$11,149,952</u>

NOTE 3 - FUND DEFICITS

The following individual fund of the Council had a deficit fund balance at year end:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nonmajor Fund:	
Fairview Treatment Center	\$(1,222,452)
Jail Operating and Maintenance Fund	(176,229)
Clair House	(61,203)

NOTE 3 - FUND DEFICITS (continued)

The deficit in the Jail Operating and Maintenance Fund will be funded by future revenues or transfers into that fund.

Fairview Treatment Center and Clair House program were closed during the year and the Council entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement with a private concern to take over the operations of these two programs and to continue providing the services previously offered by Fairview and Claire House. The private concern entered into a lease with the Council for the facilities previously utilized by these two programs. This agreement provides for lease payments to be received by the Parish with an option to purchase the facility at its fair market value. It is the Parish's intention to use those funds to offset the fund deficit in a future period.

NOTE 4 - EXPENDITURES - EXCESS OF ACTUAL OVER APPROPRIATED

Actual expenditures exceeded appropriated expenditures by a significant amount in the following for 2022:

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Unfavorable Variance</u>
Jail Operating Fund	\$2,587,745	\$2,386,750	\$(200,995)
Gaming Receipt Fund	121,200	96,860	(24,340)
16 TH JDC-St. Mary Parish Drug Court	269,413	239,978	(29,435)
Fairview Treatment Center	1,952,412	1,796,994	(155,418)

NOTE 5 - SIGNIFICANT BUDGET REVENUE SHORTFALL

During 2022 actual revenue received by the following funds was significantly less than the actual budgeted.

	<u>Budgeted Revenue</u>	<u>Actual Revenue</u>	<u>Shortfall</u>
Fairview Treatment Center	\$1,798,994	\$899,651	\$899,343
Claire House	579,363	401,986	177,377
DWI Court	70,000	17,115	52,885

NOTE 6 - TAXES

Sales Taxes

The Council administers a Sales Tax Department that is responsible for the collection and distribution of various sales and use taxes levied within the parish. The Department has agreements with the Council, the school board and various municipalities, whereby they agree to reimburse the Department for the cost of collections of the taxes.

The proceeds from the one per cent sales and use tax received by the Council are used for construction and maintenance of roads, construction and maintenance of navigation channels, and water and flood control projects, acquiring and improving public works and buildings, supplementing salaries of all parish employees, operation of recreational facilities, acquisition, maintenance and repair of vehicles and machinery, and funding bonds. The proceeds of the tax are deposited in the Sales Tax Bond Sinking Debt Service Fund.

NOTE 6 – TAXES (continued)

The proceeds from the three-fourths of one per cent sales and use tax received by the Council are used for construction, acquisition, extension, improvement, operation and maintenance of solid waste collection and disposal facilities, sewers and sewerage disposal works, facilities for pollution control and abatement, and funding bonds issued for these purposes. The proceeds of the tax are deposited in the Sanitation Special Revenue Fund.

The proceeds from the three-tenths of one per cent sales and use tax received by the Council are used within Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 10 of the parish for acquiring and maintaining electric lights on streets, roads, alleys and public places, acquiring, improving and extending public works, including drainage and water control extensions, acquiring, constructing, improving and maintaining fire protection facilities, public safety facilities and equipment, recreational facilities, and public health facilities and equipment. The proceeds of the tax are deposited in the Wards 5 and 8 Special Revenue Fund and in the Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, and 10 Special Revenue Fund.

The proceeds from the one-half of one percent sales and use tax received by the Council are used solely for the purposes of paying the cost of operating and maintaining jail facilities and minimum security facilities of the Parish, including the cost of feeding, transporting and clothing prisoners and providing medical care. The proceeds of the tax are deposited in the Jail Operating and Maintenance Special Revenue Fund.

Ad Valorem Taxes

Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis in September or October of each year. The taxes become due and payable by December 31 and become delinquent on January 1. Notices regarding seizures are sent out in April with the seizure date being May 1. The taxes are collected on behalf of the Council by the Sheriff and then remitted to the Council. Most ad valorem taxes are received by the Council in December, January and February.

For 2022, the Council levied the following ad valorem taxes.

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Millage</u>
Parish tax for defraying the expenses of the Council and other legal purposes	7.60
Criminal Justice System Tax helping to defray the expense of the Criminal Justice System	3.80
Library – Debt Service Only	.31

NOTE 7 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

The Council does not have a formal investment policy related to interest rate risk (the risk of an investment decreasing in value due to increasing interest rates).

In addition, the Council does not have a formal investment policy related to credit risk (including concentrations of credit). However the Council does follow state law as to limitations on types of deposits and investments as described below.

The Council does not invest in any investments subject to foreign currency risk.

Cash and cash equivalents

Under state law the Council may deposit its funds with certain state and federally chartered financial institutions. These deposits are required to be insured or collateralized by the financial institutions.

At year end 2022 the carrying amount of the Council's cash was \$7,293,165 and the bank balance was \$7,585,545. A portion of these balances was covered by federal depository insurance, the uninsured portion of \$6,585,545 is subject to custodial credit risks and was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institutions.

Investments

Under state law the Council may invest in certain federal or federally guaranteed securities, certain bank time certificates of deposit, mutual or trust funds, and in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP). LAMP is a 2A7-like external investment pool operated to allow local government to pool their investment funds. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. LAMP is subject to regulatory oversight of the Louisiana State Treasurer and the LAMP board of directors. LAMP share values for the pool are valued at fair value based on quoted market rates determined on a weekly basis. The value of the Council's investment in LAMP is the same as the net asset values of its pool shares.

NOTE 7 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (continued)

The following is a summary of investments held by the Council at December 31, 2022.

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Investments</u>
U.S. Government Securities	\$2,979,752	59%
LAMP (rated AAAM by Standard & Poors)	<u>2,057,765</u>	<u>41%</u>
	<u>\$5,037,517</u>	<u>100%</u>

As of December 31, 2022, the Council had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Investment Maturities (in years)</u>			
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less than 1</u>	<u>1 - 5</u>	<u>6-10</u>
U.S. Agencies	<u>\$2,979,752</u>	<u>\$2,168,790</u>	<u>\$810,862</u>	--

LAMP determines its maturities using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. The WAM for LAMP's total investments is 52 days as of December 31, 2022.

The Council categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GASB Statement No. 72, "Fair Value Measurement and Application". The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The Council has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2022:

- U.S. Government securities of \$2,979,752 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs)

NOTE 8 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at December 31, 2022, are as follows:

Governmental Funds						
Major						
	General Fund	Road Const. & Maint. Fund	Sanitation Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Receivables
Accounts	\$ 128,195	\$ 119,341	\$ 253,479	\$ 211,120	\$ 51,783	\$ 763,918
Total	<u>\$ 128,195</u>	<u>\$ 119,341</u>	<u>\$ 253,479</u>	<u>\$ 211,120</u>	<u>\$ 51,783</u>	<u>\$ 763,918</u>

Nonmajor Governmental Funds						
	Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund	Housing Program	Fairview Treatment Center	16th JDC St. Mary Parish Drug Court	OJP Enhancement Grant	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Accounts	\$ 1,133	\$ 41	\$ 1,390	\$ 318	\$ 48,901	\$ 51,783
Total	<u>\$ 1,133</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>	<u>\$ 1,390</u>	<u>\$ 318</u>	<u>\$ 48,901</u>	<u>\$ 51,783</u>

Enterprise Funds				
	Reduction and Transfer Fund	Small Animal Control Fund	Kemper Williams Park Fund	Total Enterprise Funds Receivables
Accounts	\$ 655,073	\$ 6,652	\$ 7,479	\$ 669,204
Total	<u>\$ 655,073</u>	<u>\$ 6,652</u>	<u>\$ 7,479</u>	<u>\$ 669,204</u>

All receivables are net of allowances for uncollectible accounts which are immaterial.

NOTE 9 - ADVANCES TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

Advances to/from other funds as of December 31, 2022 consisted of the following:

Funds Advance due from	Funds Advance due to				Total
	Road & Maintenance Construction	Reduction and Transfer	Kemper Williams	Non Major Governmental Funds	
General Fund	\$ 228,559	\$ 359,497	\$ 40,661	\$ 1,204,257	\$ 1,832,974
Sanitation	-	-	-	270,640	270,640
Capital Improvement	-	4,939,628	-	613,235	5,552,863
Combined Sewer	-	-	17,474	-	17,474
Non Major Governmental	-	875,139	-	286,327	1,161,466
Subtotal	228,559	6,174,264	58,135	2,374,459	8,835,417
Reduction and Transfer	-	16,378	-	23,566	39,944
Small Animal Control	-	-	66,642	-	66,642
Total	\$228,559	\$ 6,190,642	\$ 124,777	\$ 2,398,025	\$ 8,942,003

Advances between funds primarily arise as follows:

The Council maintains a comingled cash account and periodically one fund temporarily borrows amounts from the other funds to cover expenditures.

NOTE 10 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers in for the year ended December 31, 2022, consisted of the following:

TRANSFER TO	TRANSFER FROM		
Major Governmental Funds:			
General Fund	Sanitation Fund	50,000	
	Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund	1,375,000	
	Gaming Receipt Fund	450,000	
	Juror Compensation Fund	<u>50,000</u>	
Total General Fund			\$ 1,925,000
Road Construction & Maintenance	General Fund	1,575,000	
	Sanitation Fund	<u>200,000</u>	
Total Road Construction & Maintenance			1,775,000
Total Transfers In - Major Governmental Funds			<u>3,700,000</u>
Non Major Governmental Funds:			
Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund	Gaming Receipt Fund	845,000	
	General Fund	<u>90,000</u>	
Total Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund			935,000
3/4% Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund	Sanitation Fund		705,000
Certificate of Indebtedness Sinking Fund	Road Construction & Maintenance	1,400,000	
Certificate of Indebtedness Sinking Fund	Sanitation Fund	<u>130,395</u>	
Total Certificate of Indebtedness Sinking Fund			1,530,395
GOMESA Debt Service Fund	Capital Improvement	24,660	
	Road Construction & Maintenance	<u>867,371</u>	
Total GOMESA Debt Service Fund			892,031
Combined Sewer Construction Fund	Sanitation Fund		<u>200,000</u>
Total Transfers In -Non Major Governmental Funds			<u>4,262,426</u>
Total Transfers In - Governmental Funds			<u>\$ 7,962,426</u>
Business-type Activities:			
Solid Waste Bd Sinking Fund 04	Sanitation Fund		700,000
Small Animal Control Fund	General Fund		330,000
Kemper Williams Park Fund	General Fund		<u>350,000</u>
Total Transfers In - Business-type Activities			<u>\$ 1,380,000</u>
Total Transfers In			<u>\$ 9,342,426</u>

NOTE 10 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS (continued)

Interfund transfers out for the year ended December 31, 2022, consisted of the following:

TRANSFER FROM	TRANSFER TO		
Major Governmental Funds:			
General Fund	Jail Operating and Maintenance Fund	90,000	
	Kemper Williams	\$ 350,000	
	Road Construction and Maintenance	1,575,000	
	Small Animal Control Fund	<u>330,000</u>	
Total General Fund			\$ 2,345,000
Road Construction & Maintenance Fund	Certificate of Indebtedness	1,400,000	
	GOMESA Debt Service Fund (Interest)	478,608	
	GOMESA Debt Service Fund (Principal)	<u>388,763</u>	
Total Road Construction & Maintenance Fund			2,267,371
Sanitation Fund	3/4% Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund	705,000	
	Certificate of Indebtedness	130,395	
	Combined Sewer Construction Fund	200,000	
	General Fund	50,000	
	Road Construction Fund	200,000	
	Solid Waste Bond Sinking Fund	<u>700,000</u>	
Total Sanitation Fund			1,985,395
Capital Improvement Fund	GOMESA Debt Service Fund (Interest)		<u>24,660</u>
Total Transfers Out - Major Governmental Funds			<u>6,622,426</u>
Non Major Governmental Funds:			
Juror Compensation Fund	General Fund		50,000
Gaming Receipt Fund	Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund	845,000	
	General Fund	<u>450,000</u>	
Total Gaming Receipt Fund			1,295,000
Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund	General Fund		<u>1,375,000</u>
Total Transfers Out- Non Major Governmental Funds			<u>2,720,000</u>
Total Transfers Out			<u>\$ 9,342,426</u>

Transfers are used to:

Move revenues from the fund, that the budget ordinance requires to collect them to the fund that the budget ordinance requires to expend them,

Move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the debt service fund as debt service payments become due, and

Use excess unrestricted revenues collected in one fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

To transfer any assets and liabilities remaining in a fund which has ceased operations to a fund continuing to operate.

NOTE 11 - DUE TO/FROM COMPONENT UNITS

Due from component units at December 31, 2022 consists of the following:

<u>Payable to</u>	<u>Due From</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Major Funds:		
General Fund	Atchafalaya Golf Course Commission	\$ 559,784 *
		<u>559,784</u>
Combined Sewer Construction Fund	St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Comm. No. 5	216,891 *
	St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Comm. No. 4	128,610 *
		<u>345,501</u>
Total due from component units		<u>\$ 905,285</u>

*The portion not expected to be repaid currently is shown as non-spendable portion of fund balance in the General Fund and Combined Sewer Construction Fund balance sheets.

NOTE 12 - FIXED ASSETS

CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2022, is as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated					
Land	\$ 1,919,874				\$ 1,919,874
Construction in progress	1,589,904	\$ 4,347,313	\$ (424,327)	\$ (1,722,020)	3,790,870
Total capital assets not being depreciated	3,509,778	4,347,313	(424,327)	(1,722,020)	5,710,744
Other capital assets					
Right-of-use lease - equipment	-	135,686	-	-	135,686
Right-of-use lease - land	-	234,565	-	-	234,565
Right-of-use lease - improvements	-	1,346	-	-	1,346
Right-of-use lease - vehicles	-	357,395	-	-	357,395
Infrastructure	155,032,482	754,422	-	1,706,371	157,493,275
Building	20,165,052	-	(64,651)	-	20,100,401
Equipment and furniture	15,134,282	262,231	-	-	15,416,513
Improvements	38,369,018	7,030	-	15,649	38,391,697
Total other capital assets at historical cost	228,720,834	1,752,675	(64,651)	1,722,020	232,130,878
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for					
Right-of-use lease - equipment	-	(56,390)	-	-	(56,390)
Right-of-use lease - land	-	(34,290)	-	-	(34,290)
Right-of-use lease - improvements	-	(379)	-	-	(379)
Right-of-use lease - vehicles	-	(46,257)	-	-	(46,257)
Infrastructure	(80,391,061)	(4,072,565)	-	-	(84,463,626)
Building	(12,435,640)	(421,965)	-	-	(12,857,605)
Equipment and furniture	(13,297,646)	(630,005)	-	-	(13,927,651)
Improvements	(18,700,779)	(1,552,342)	-	-	(20,253,121)
Total accumulated depreciation	(124,825,126)	(6,814,192)	-	-	(131,639,318)
Other capital assets, net	103,895,708	(5,061,517)	(64,651)	1,722,020	100,491,560
Governmental capital assets, net	\$ 107,405,486	\$ (714,204)	\$ (488,978)	\$ -	\$ 106,202,303
Business-type activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated					
Construction in progress	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Land	2,052,372	-	-	-	2,052,372
Land Improvements	1,710,164	-	-	-	1,710,164
Total capital assets not being depreciated	3,762,536	-	-	-	3,762,536
Other capital assets:					
Right-of-use lease - equipment	-	21,446	-	-	21,446
Right-of-use lease - vehicles	-	226,185	-	-	226,185
Buildings	5,571,364	-	-	-	5,571,364
Equipment	8,785,016	35,214	-	-	8,820,230
Improvements	24,019,924	-	-	-	24,019,924
Total other capital assets at historical cost	38,376,304	282,845	-	-	38,659,149
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for					
Right-of-use lease - equipment	-	(6,653)	-	-	(6,653)
Right-of-use lease - vehicles	-	(51,503)	-	-	(51,503)
Buildings	(4,629,254)	(52,939)	-	-	(4,682,193)
Equipment	(7,846,279)	(409,136)	-	-	(8,255,415)
Improvements	(8,250,618)	(764,662)	-	-	(9,015,280)
Total accumulated depreciation	(20,726,151)	(1,284,893)	-	-	(22,011,044)
Other capital assets, net	17,650,153	(1,002,048)	-	-	16,648,105
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 21,412,689	\$ (1,002,048)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,410,641
Depreciation and amortization expenses were charged to function as follows:					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$	1,122,952			
Public safety		1,288,228			
Public works		3,119,879			
Health and welfare		82,741			
Culture and recreation		1,200,392			
Total governmental activities depreciation expense	\$	6,814,192			
Business type activities:					
Reduction and Transfer	\$	1,140,438			
Kemper William Park		77,497			
Small Animal Control		66,958			
Total business-type activities depreciation expense	\$	1,284,893			

NOTE 13 - LONG TERM DEBT

As of December 31, 2022, the governmental long-term debt is segregated between the amounts to be repaid from governmental activities and amounts to be repaid from business-type activities.

Governmental Activities:

As of December 31, 2022, the governmental long-term debt of the Council consisted of the following:

Public Improvement Sales Tax Bonds

\$2,500,000 of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009, were issued March 1, 2009, to improve, construct and acquire buildings, equipment, and books for the parish libraries, outside the City of Morgan City. The bonds bear interest at 3.8 to 4.0 percent and are payable through the year 2029. These bonds are to be retired from ad valorem taxes. Although the Council is servicing these bonds, the St. Mary Parish Library Fund will be expending the proceeds and will also be transferring ad valorem taxes to the Council to service the debt. These bonds are being paid from the St. Mary Parish Library General Obligation '96 Sinking Fund

\$1,175,000

\$600,000 of Certificate of Indebtedness, Series 2020 were issues June 30, 2020 for the purpose of (1) acquiring, constructing, extending, or improving works of public improvement within the Issuer (2) paying the cost of issuance of the Certificates. The bonds bear interest at 3.250 percent being retired from the Certificate of Indebtedness Sinking Fund.

370,000

NOTE 13 - LONG TERM DEBT (continued)

\$3,960,000 Taxable Public Improvement Sales Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 proceeds were issued February 27, 2020. The proceeds along with \$633,803 from the Debt Service Reserve Fund and \$29,299 from the Debt Service Fund was used to partially advance refund \$4,325,000 of outstanding Public Improvement Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2011. The bonds bear interest of 1.80% to 2.54% and are payable through 2031 are being retired from the Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund. \$3,960,000

Plus original issue premium, amortized on a straight line basis 124,600

\$1,500,000 of Public Improvement Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2020A was issued February 27, 2020 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and repairing roads, capital improvements, public works and buildings, including the acquisition of necessary fixtures, equipment, furnishings and appurtenances bonds bear interest at 2.07 percent being retired from the Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund and are payable through 2031. 1,200,000

\$1,000,000 of Taxable Public Improvement Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2021 was issued July 1, 2021 for the purpose of improving, equipping and furnishing the Parish jail facilities. The bonds bear interest of 2.28% and are payable through 2031 and are being retired from the Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund. 925,000

REVENUE BONDS

\$2,190,000 Sewerage Sales Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015, were issued April 17, 2015, to repay \$2,135,000 of Sewerage Sales Tax Bonds Series 2006. The bonds bear interest of 2.09% and are payable through 2025. The bonds are to be retired from the Three-fourths Percent Sales Tax and are paid from the Three-fourths Percent Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund. 780,000

NOTE 13 - LONG TERM DEBT (continued)

\$3,890,000 of Sewerage Sales Tax refunding bonds, Series 2012, were issued on October 1, 2012, for the purpose of refunding \$3,810,000 of Sewerage Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2004 and paying the cost of issuance of the bonds. The bonds bear interest of 2.0 to 2.75 percent and are payable through the year 2024. The bonds are to be retired from the Three-fourths percent Sales Tax and are paid from the Three-fourths Percent Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund. \$820,000

Plus original issue premium, amortized on straight-line basis 9,376

\$19,500,000 of Limited Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 were issued on April 16, 2021 to provide debt service savings the purpose of refunding the Series 2018 and 2019 Bonds. The bonds bear interest at 2.95% and are payable through 2039. These bonds are being retired from the Certificates of Indebtedness Sinking Fund. 18,280,000

\$11,500,000 Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority Revenue Bonds (St. Mary Parish GOMESA Project) Series 2019 Bonds were issued on July 23, 2019. These bonds were issued for the purpose of coastal restoration and other activities and endeavors permitted under the provisions of GOMESA. The bonds bear interest at 4.40% and are payable through 2045. These bonds are being retired from GOMESA Debt Service Fund with GOMESA revenues received each year. \$11,205,000

Accrued compensated absences-all noncurrent 330,000

Total Governmental Activity Debt \$39,178,976

NOTE 13 - LONG TERM DEBT (continued)

Business-type Activities:

As of December 31, 2022, the long-term debt payable from proprietary fund resources consisted of the following:

\$6,010,000 of Solid Waste Sales Refunding Tax Bonds, Series 2017, were issued on July 13, 2017 for the purpose of constructing and acquiring improvements at the parish landfill. The certificates bear interest of 1.75 to 5 percent and are payable through the year 2028. The bonds are to be retired from the three-fourths percent sales tax and excess operating revenues from the landfill and are to be paid from the Reduction and Transfer Fund

\$5,225,000

Plus original issue premium

289,124

\$4,945,000 of Solid Waste Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2013, were issued on April 9, 2013 for the partial refunding of Solid Waste Bonds, Series 2008. The Certificates bear interest of 2.0 to 3.25 percent and payable through the year 2024. The bonds are to be retired from the three-fourths percent sales tax and excess operating revenues from the landfill and are to be paid from the Reduction and Transfer Fund

1,085,000

Total Enterprise Indebtedness

\$6,599,124

NOTE 13 - LONG TERM DEBT (continued)

At December 31, 2022, \$30,340,000 of outstanding bonds are considered defeased.

The Council is subject to certain affirmative and negative covenants pursuant to its bond and debt agreements. These covenants include but are not limited to:

- 1 Establishment and funding of certain debt service funds
- 2 Preparation and adoption of budgets
- 3 Preparation and independent audit of financial statements
- 4 Restriction as to additional debt issuance
- 5 Restriction as to investments

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2022, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Amounts Due within One Year</u>
Governmental Activities:					
Bonds payable:					
General obligation Debt	\$ 8,450,000		\$ (820,000)	\$ 7,630,000	\$ 870,000
Revenue bonds	32,840,000		(1,755,000)	31,085,000	1,815,000
Original issue premium	157,776	-	(23,800)	133,976	23,800
Total bonds payable	<u>41,447,776</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,598,800)</u>	<u>38,848,976</u>	<u>2,708,800</u>
Other liabilities:					
Compensated absences	310,000	20,000	-	330,000	-
Lease obligation payable	-	708,158	-	708,158	209,953
Total other liabilities	<u>310,000</u>	<u>728,158</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,038,158</u>	<u>209,953</u>
Governmental activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 41,757,776</u>	<u>\$ 728,158</u>	<u>\$ (2,598,800)</u>	<u>\$ 39,887,134</u>	<u>\$ 2,918,753</u>
Business-type Activities					
Bonds payable:					
Landfill debt	\$ 7,215,000	\$ -	\$ (905,000)	\$ 6,310,000	\$ 930,000
Original issue premium	353,124	-	(64,000)	289,124	64,000
Total bonds payable	<u>7,568,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(969,000)</u>	<u>6,599,124</u>	<u>994,000</u>
Other liabilities:					
Lease obligation payable	-	190,196	-	190,196	57,975
Business-type activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 7,568,124</u>	<u>\$ 190,196</u>	<u>\$ (969,000)</u>	<u>\$ 6,789,320</u>	<u>\$ 1,051,975</u>

NOTE 13 - LONG TERM DEBT (continued)

Debt Maturity

Debt service requirements (excluding compensated absences and premiums or discounts) at December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	Governmental Activities - Bonds			
	General Obligation		Revenue Bonds	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2023	870,000	184,226	1,815,000	1,055,565
2024	895,000	163,398	1,860,000	1,000,632
2025	920,000	141,349	1,490,000	943,684
2026-2029	3,445,000	354,012	5,340,000	3,333,990
2030-2034	1,500,000	53,806	7,760,000	3,081,130
2035-2044	-	-	12,820,000	2,143,197
Total	<u>\$ 7,630,000</u>	<u>\$ 896,791</u>	<u>\$ 31,085,000</u>	<u>\$ 11,763,134</u>

	Business-type Activities Solid Waste		Council's Total Debt		
	Landfill Debt		Principal	Interest	Total
	Principal	Interest			
2023	930,000	241,269	3,615,000	1,481,060	5,096,060
2024	955,000	231,244	3,710,000	1,395,274	5,105,274
2025	1,030,000	181,786	3,440,000	1,266,819	4,706,819
2026-2029	3,395,000	224,850	12,180,000	3,912,852	16,092,852
2030-2034	-	-	9,260,000	3,134,936	12,394,936
2035-2044	-	-	12,820,000	2,143,197	14,963,197
	<u>\$ 6,310,000</u>	<u>\$ 879,149</u>	<u>\$ 45,025,000</u>	<u>\$ 13,539,074</u>	<u>\$ 58,564,074</u>

NOTE 14- CAPITAL LEASE

In the prior year, the Council entered into a long-term, 5 year, lease purchase agreement for construction equipment totaling \$186,506. The Council is to pay \$41,249 beginning June 1, 2021 and ending June 1, 2025.

These agreements qualified as a capital lease for accounting purposes and therefore the obligation was recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the lease inception.

As of December 31, 2022, the equipment acquired with these capital leases is reported at \$149,205 (\$186,506 less \$37,301 for accumulated amortization) in the Statement of Net Position as equipment and furniture.

In the year 2022, \$37,301 of amortization was taken on the equipment.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of the minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2022 is as follows:

Year ending December 31

2022	\$ 41,249
2023	41,249
2024	41,249
2025	<u>41,249</u>
Total minimum lease payments	\$164,996
Less: Interest portion	<u>(13,078)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$151,919</u>

NOTE 14 - CAPITAL LEASE (continued)

Leases Payable

As of 12/31/2022, St. Mary Parish, LA had 30 active leases. The leases have payments that range from \$206 to \$51,900 and interest rates that range from 0.2580% to 3.4450%. As of 12/31/2022, the total combined value of the lease liability is \$782,558. The combined value of the right to use asset, as of 12/31/2022 of \$976,624 with accumulated amortization of \$195,475 is included within the Lease Class activities table found below. The leases had \$0 of Variable Payments and \$0 of Other Payments, not included in the Lease Liability, within the Fiscal Year.

Amount of Lease Assets by Major Classes of Underlying Asset

Asset Class	As of Fiscal Year-end	
	Lease Asset Value	Accumulated Amortization
Equipment	157,132	63,044
Vehicles	583,581	97,761
Land	234,565	34,291
Land Improvements	1,346	379
Total Leases	976,624	195,475

Principal and Interest Requirements to Maturity

Fiscal Year	Business-Type Activities		
	Principal Payments	Interest Payments	Total Payments
2023	57,975	971	58,946
2024	58,315	629	58,944
2025	52,314	299	52,613
2026	21,594	32	21,626

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities		
	Principal Payments	Interest Payments	Total Payments
2023	168,703	9,459	178,162
2024	143,395	7,082	150,477
2025	107,279	4,659	111,938
2026	87,756	2,406	90,162
2027	51,211	953	52,164
2028 - 2032	33,996	356	34,352

Leases Receivable

As of 12/31/2022, St. Mary Parish, LA had 6 active leases. The leases have receipts that range from \$3,564 to \$26,610 and interest rates that range from 0.3800% to 2.5360%. As of 12/31/2022, the total combined value of the lease receivable is \$1,182,964, and the combined value of the deferred inflow of resources is \$1,090,550. The leases had \$0 of Variable Receipts and \$0 of Other Receipts, not included in the Lease Receivable, within the Fiscal Year.

Principal and Interest Expected to Maturity

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities		
	Principal Payments	Interest Payments	Total Payments
2023	217,152	26,378	243,530
2024	272,988	20,250	293,238
2025	276,008	13,745	289,753
2026	280,614	7,102	287,716
2027	136,222	1,016	137,238

NOTE 15 - CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

The Council works with the Louisiana Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) to assist certain private entities in expanding their business in order to create jobs in the parish.

LEDC assists these private businesses by issuing grants to the Council, that the Council in turn uses to acquire assets to be leased to the private businesses. The businesses agree to use the assets to create a specified number of new jobs. At the end of the lease, the assets become the property of the business. If the businesses fail to create the agreed number of new jobs, the LEDC may require repayment of the grant by the business. During 2022 the LEDC and the Council were assisting a local business under this program.

In 2007 the I D Board issued \$2.1 million of Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds to assist with the development of a new business. These Bonds are secured solely by properties owned by the business and revenues earned by the business and a guarantee by its affiliated company. In 2009, all of the approved bond proceeds had been drawn and utilized by the Company and the project was complete. The Company began making principle payments in 2010 and the outstanding balance of the debt was \$350,616 at December 31, 2022.

Neither the Council, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for repayment of any of the above described debt. Accordingly, the debt is not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

At December 31, 2022, \$350,616 of conduit debt was outstanding.

NOTE 16 - VENTURES WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The Council is participating in an agreement with the City of Franklin (City) for the operation of sewerage facilities for the City and surrounding Parish areas. The City government operates the system including budgetary and financial matters and the Council does not participate in the operation or management of the system. The Council reimburses the City for thirty percent of the operating costs. The Council, in turn, is reimbursed for 33% of its share by St. Mary Parish Water and Sewer Commission No. 4. The fiscal year for the project ends April 30, 2022.

Total revenues for the year ended April 30, 2022, were approximately \$186,000; total expenditures were approximately \$376,000. Separate balance sheet amounts are not readily available at year end.

The City maintains separate financial information for this project, which is included in its financial report for the year ended April 30, 2022, which is available from the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Franklin.

The City, Parish, and the St. Mary Parish Consolidated Drainage District No. 1 (District) have agreed to set up a fund for maintenance of the Yokely Pumping Station. Each of the three is to place in a Capital Maintenance Fund money in the amount of \$3,333 per year until the amount reaches the sum of \$50,000. At any time the fund falls below \$50,000 each entity is to replenish the fund on the same equal basis up to \$50,000. The District is in charge of overseeing the Capital Maintenance Fund. The District maintains separate financial information for this project, which is included in its financial report for the year ended September 30, 2022, which is available from the Clerk of the St. Mary Parish Council. Total revenues for the year ended September 30, 2022, were approximately \$7,000; total expenditures were approximately \$5,000. At September 30, 2022, total assets were approximately \$19,000 and the total fund balance was approximately \$15,000.

In 2009 the City, the Council, and the District entered into intergovernmental agreement with the State of Louisiana to fund Phase II of the Yokely Project. The total estimated cost of engineering and construction of this phase of the project is \$1,723,494, with the State's share being 90% of the cost or \$1,551,145 and the local share of the project being 10% or \$172,350. The City, the Council, and the District are each responsible for one-third of the local share. The Council has made payments totaling approximately \$460,000 through 2022, which includes construction, engineering, legal, and right of way costs incurred prior to beginning construction. The City is in charge of overseeing the project until completion and will maintain financial information on the project which will be available from the City's Chief Financial Officer.

The Council entered into an agreement with Franklin City Court to provide 34% of the operation expenses for the Court and Marshal's office. The Council's share totaled approximately \$150,000 in 2022.

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

The Council contributes to the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana Plan A (PERS-A), a cost sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by a Board of Trustees. The System was established and provided for by the Louisiana Revised Statutes (LRS).

Benefits Provided

PERS-A provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. All permanent employees who work at least 28 hours a week may become members on the date of employment. New employees meeting the age and Social Security criteria have up to 90 days from the date of hire to elect to participate.

Retirement Benefits

Members can retire providing he/she meets one of the following criteria:

For employees hired prior to January 1, 2007:

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

For employees hired after January 1, 2007:

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

The monthly retirement allowance consists of an amount equal to three percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his/her years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions, as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

Survivor Benefits

Upon the death of any member with five or more years of creditable service who is not eligible for retirement, the plan provides for benefits for the surviving spouse and minor children, as outlined in the statutes. Any member who is eligible for normal retirement at time of death, the surviving spouse shall receive benefits, as outlined in the statutes.

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

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

Deferred Retirement Option Plan.

Act 338 of 1990 established the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for the Retirement System. DROP is an option for members who are eligible for normal retirement. In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, members who are eligible to retire may elect to participate in DROP in which they are enrolled for three years and defer the receipt of benefits. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP Fund.

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

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

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

Disability Benefits.

Members shall be eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if they were hired prior to January 1, 2007, and have at least five years of creditable service or if hired after January 1, 2007, have seven years of creditable service, and are not eligible for normal retirement and have been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. Upon retirement caused by disability, a member of Plan A shall be paid a disability benefit equal to the lesser of an amount equal to three percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his years of service, not to be less than fifteen years, or three percent multiplied by years of service assuming continued service to age sixty.

Cost of Living Increases.

The Board is authorized to provide a cost of living allowance for those retirees who retired prior to July 1973. The adjustment cannot exceed 2% of the retiree's original benefit for each full calendar year since retirement and may only be granted if sufficient funds are available from investment income in excess of normal requirements. In addition, the Board may provide an additional cost of living increase to all retirees and beneficiaries who are over age sixty-five equal to 2% of the member's benefit paid on October 1, 1977, (or the member's retirement date, if later). Also, the Board may provide a cost of living increase up to 2.5% for retirees 62 and older (RS 11:1937). Lastly, Act 270 of 2009 provided for further reduced actuarial payments to provide an annual 2.5% cost of living adjustment commencing at age 55.

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

Contributions

According to state statute, contributions for all employers are actuarially determined each year. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the actuarially determined contribution rate was 10.38% of member's compensation. However, the actual rate for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021 was 12.25%. Contributions to the Pension Plan from the Council were \$602,414 for the year ended December 31, 2022.

According to state statute, the System also receives $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of ad valorem taxes collected within the respective parishes. The System also receives revenue sharing funds each year as appropriated by the Legislature. Tax monies and revenue sharing monies are apportioned between Plan A and Plan B in proportion to the member's compensation. These additional sources of income are used as additional employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities.

At December 31, 2022, the Council reported an asset of \$3,824,591 for its proportionate share of the net pension asset. The net pension asset was measured as of December 31, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension (liability) was determined by an actuarial valuations as of that date. The Council's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Council's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2021, the Council's proportion was 0.811940%, which was a decrease of 0.031806% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2020. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Council recognized pension expense (benefit) of \$(690,572). The Council recognized revenue of \$67,165 as its proportionate share of non-employer contributions for the year ended December 31, 2022.

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

At December 31, 2022, the Council reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$231,080	\$277,195
Changes of assumptions	\$199,460	
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments		3,308,205
Change in proportion and differences between fund's contributions and proportionate share of contributions		97,409
Fund's contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>540,813</u>	<u> </u>
	<u>\$971,353</u>	<u>\$3,682,809</u>

The Council's amount reported as deferred outflows of revenues from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of net pension liability (or an increase in net pension asset) in the year ended December 31, 2023.

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

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

Year Ending December 31:

2023	\$(668,851)
2024	(1,345,821)
2025	(883,006)
2026	(354,591)

Actuarial Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of December 31, 2021, are as follows:

Valuation Date	December 31, 2021
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Investment Rate of Return	6.40% (Net of investment expense including inflation)
Expected Remaining Service lives	4 years
Projected Salary Increases	4.75% (2.45% Merit/2.30% Inflation)
Cost of Living Adjustments	The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increase not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees.
Mortality	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Health Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for disabled annuitants.

The mortality rate assumption used was set based upon an experience study performed on plan data for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017. The data was assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. As a result of this study, mortality for employees was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale. In addition, mortality for annuitants and beneficiaries was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Healthy Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females each with full generational projection using the MP 2018 scale. For Disabled annuitants mortality was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale.

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions (continued)

The investment rate of return was 6.40% for Plan A at December 31, 2021. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the Capital Asset Pricing Model, (CAPM) (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations are projected on a forward looking basis in equilibrium, in which best-estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.10% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.00% for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2021 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Asset Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return</u>
Fixed Income	33%	0.85%
Equity	51%	3.23%
Alternatives	14%	0.71%
Real Assets	2%	0.11%
Totals	<u>100%</u>	<u>4.90%</u>
Inflation		<u>2.10%</u>
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return		<u>7.00%</u>

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.40%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers and non-employer contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates, which are calculated in accordance with relevant statutes and approved by the Board of Trustees and the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

NOTE 17 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of the participating employers calculated using the discount rate of 6.40%, as well as what the employers' net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower 5.40% or one percentage point higher 7.40% than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(5.40%)</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>(6.40%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(7.40%)</u>
Council's Proportionate Share of			
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$681,851	(\$3,824,591)	(\$7,599,561)

Payables to the Pension Plan

The Council recorded no accrued liabilities payable to the System for the year ended December 31, 2022.

The Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana issued a stand-alone audit report on its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. Access to the audit report can be found on the System's website: www.persla.org or on the Office of Louisiana Legislative Auditor's official website: www.lla.state.la.us.

NOTE 18 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

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

Benefits Provided – Medical benefits are provided through a comprehensive medical plan and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Most employees are covered by the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age; age 55 and 25 years of service; age 60 and 10 years of service; or, age 65 and 7 years of service. For employees hired on and after January 1, 2007, retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: age 55 and 30 years of service; age 62 and 10 years of service; or, age 67 and 7 years of service. For the few employees not covered by that system, the same retirement eligibility has been assumed.

NOTE 18 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

Employees covered by benefit terms – At December 31, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	65
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	<u>136</u>
	<u>201</u>

Total OPEB Liability

The Parish's total OPEB liability of \$10,175,953 was measured as of December 31, 2022 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	4.75%, including inflation
Discount rate	2.06% annually (Beginning of Year to Determine ADC)
	3.72%, annually (As of End of Year Measurement Date)
Healthcare cost trend rates	Getzen model

The discount rate was based on the average of the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of December 31, 2022, the end of the applicable measurement period.

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2022.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at December 31, 2021	<u>\$21,268,210</u>
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	476,137
Interest	443,084
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,474,257
Changes in assumptions	(13,012,471)
Benefit payments and net transfers	<u>(473,264)</u>
Net changes	<u>(11,092,257)</u>
Balance at December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 10,175,953</u>

NOTE 18 --OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

Changes of Assumptions. The discount rate as of December 31, 2021 was 2.06% and it changed to 3.72% as of December 31, 2022.

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Parish, as well as what the Parish’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.72%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.72%) than the current discount rate:

	1.0% Decrease (2.72%)	Current Discount Rate (3.72%)	1.0% Increase (4.72%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 11,562,832	\$ 10,175,953	\$ 9,036,397

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Parish, as well as what the Parish’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

	1.0% Decrease (4.5%)	Current Trend (5.5%)	1.0% Increase (6.5%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 8,914,446	\$ 10,175,953	\$ 11,745,864

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

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Parish recognized OPEB expense of \$(1,563,778). At December 31, 2022, the Parish reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$2,335,751	\$ (2,050,147)
Changes in assumptions	<u>3,311,759</u>	<u>(11,230,351)</u>
Total	<u>\$5,647,510</u>	<u>\$ (13,280,498)</u>

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

<u>Years ending December 31:</u>	
2023	\$(2,482,999)
2024	(2,482,998)
2025	(1,830,646)
2026	(1,417,429)
2027	363,309
Thereafter	\$217,775

NOTE 19 - COMMITMENTS

In late 2016, the Council renewed an agreement with the Belle of Orleans, LLC (Belle), a riverboat casino approved by parish voters to be berthed in and operate in Amelia, Louisiana, as the Amelia Belle. In lieu of the Council imposing an admission fee upon the Belle's patrons, the Belle has agreed to pay fees to the Council based upon a percentage of its net gaming proceeds for a period of ten years. Presently, the fee is \$1,400,000 annually.

In 2011, the Council was awarded a federal grant for approximately \$19,500,000 to be funded and expended over ten years for various infrastructure and housing redevelopment and rehabilitation projects throughout the parish. The total amount spent on the projects through 2022 is approximately \$19,377,000. The Council will continue to conduct these projects in future years.

In 2021, the Council issued Revenue Bonds totaling \$20,000,000. The proceeds of these bonds are being used for improving roads, streets and bridges, and other improvements associated therewith. Through 2022 the Council has entered into approximately \$20 million in contracts for work related to these projects. All funds were spent on these projects through 2022.

In 2019, the Council issued \$11,500,000 of GOMESA Revenue Bonds. The proceeds of the bond will be used for coastal restoration and other activities and endeavors permitted under the provisions of GOMESA. Through 2022 the Council has entered into approximately \$11.3 million in contracts for work related to fourteen projects. Approximately \$7.5 million was spent on these projects through 2022.

In 2020, the Council issued \$1.5 million of Sales Tax Bonds. The proceeds are being used to repair, waterproof and improvements Fairview Treatment Center building. Through 2022, the Council has entered into contracts for the \$1.5 million. All funds were spent on this project through 2022.

In 2021, the Council issued \$1 million in taxable public improvement bonds for renovations and equipment purchases to improve the Parish's jail facilities. Through 2022, the Council has contracted for the \$1 million of these improvements. Approximately \$918,000 has been spent on these projects through 2022.

NOTE 20 - SOLID WASTE LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POST CLOSURE CARE COSTS

The Council provides for the collection and disposal of garbage through the operation of the Reduction and Transfer Fund, an enterprise fund. As part of this operation, a landfill composed of five areas is maintained. The operation of the landfill is subject to certain federal and state regulations. In 1989, the Council ceased operating and closed approximately 40 acres of the landfill which composed areas one and two.

Area 4 was permitted in 2002 and began operations in 2008, it includes approximately 65 acres and is the main portion of the Parish landfill currently in operation. Area 3A which totals approximately 7 acres is restricted to receiving construction waste and debris and has been used primarily for debris from storms. Area 3 covers approximately 40 acres, in 2008 it reached capacity and was capped on an interim basis, it is now available for additional use.

Since the Council accepted solid wastes at the landfill site after October 1993, the Council will be responsible for meeting state and federal requirements on the portions of the landfill which operate after that time. Those requirements mandate not only rigid landfill closure requirements but also monitoring, remediation and containment requirements for thirty years after closure. For 2022 management, with the assistance of consulting engineers, has updated costs for closure of the landfill to be approximately \$17,400,000. In 2022 the costs for postclosure care, monitoring, and containment have been updated to be approximately \$4,140,000 (over thirty years). These updated costs for the current year are based upon inflationary factors.

GASB statement No. 18, which specifies the accounting method to be utilized by governments that operate landfills, became applicable to the Council's operations effective January 1, 1994. GASB No. 18 requires that landfills estimate the total cost of closure and post closure care. Further that the landfill recognize a portion of these estimated closure and postclosure costs over the operating life of the landfill. These closure and postclosure costs should be recognized as a liability and charged as an expense of operations of the landfill each year based upon the amount of landfill space utilized in that year as compared to the total available landfill space.

GASB No. 18 also requires that current costs be adjusted when changes in closure or post closure care plans or landfill operating conditions increase or decrease the estimated costs. In addition changes in estimated cost should also account for inflationary factors. The current year estimates are based upon the inflationary changes and resulted an estimated increase in landfill closure costs of approximately \$220,000 and in landfill post closure care costs of approximately \$60,000 for a total increase of approximately \$280,000 in ultimate landfill closure and post closure care costs over the life of the landfill. The Council recognized \$1,533,000 in landfill closure costs during the current year based upon the amount of landfill space used.

NOTE 20 - SOLID WASTE LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POST CLOSURE CARE COSTS (continued)

As of December 31, 2022, the Council has recognized \$10,623,000 as the total estimated closure and postclosure care costs based upon the actual utilization through yearend compared to estimated total available usable landfill space as follows: Area 3 - 88%, Area 3A - 36%, and Area 4 - 38%. This leaves approximately \$10,903,000 of estimated closure and postclosure care costs remaining to be recognized in future years. It is estimated that the landfill will reach its capacity in approximately 30 years at the current rate of use.

Estimated costs for closure and post closure are based on estimated costs at the current time and under the current regulations. Future changes in inflation, technology, or regulating requirements could cause these estimated costs to increase or decrease.

The Council meets the federal and state financial assurance requirements for operations of landfills, under the financial test or "self-insurance" method. The Council has set aside approximately \$5,200,000 in restricted assets for closure or post closure care costs, which is reported with restricted assets on the balance sheet of the Reduction and Transfer Fund.

NOTE 21 - RELATED PARTY

The Council received payment from the St. Mary Parish Sales Tax Department of approximately \$10,000 for office rental payments in 2022.

The Council made the following payments from the Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund during the year:

St. Mary Parish Recreation District No. 3	\$65,000
St. Mary Parish Recreation District No. 4	50,000
Wax Lake East Drainage District	2,265

The Council made a \$30,000 payment to St. Mary Parish Recreation No. 7, from the Wards 1,2,3,4,7 & 10 Sales Tax Fund during the year.

The Council made grant payments of \$250,000 to the Atchafalaya Golf Course during the year.

See Note 9 for the amounts payable to and receivable from Components at December 31, 2022.

NOTE 22 - RISK MANAGEMENT AND CONTINGENCIES

The Council is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft or damage to assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. The Council has purchased commercial insurance to protect against loss from most of these perils. In addition, the Council provides certain medical and health care to parish prisoners. The Council has entered into a "Health Services Agreement" with a Commercial Health Care provider to provide certain medical care to prisoners on an ongoing basis for a monthly fee (a portion of which is reimbursed to the Council by the Sheriff). However the Council is still responsible for the hospitalization and certain other serious medical problems of the prisoners. During 2022 the Council paid \$854,000 and was reimbursed \$365,000 by the Sheriff under this agreement. In 2022, the Council paid an additional \$17,000 for hospitalization or other serious medical care.

There are no significant reductions in insurance coverages from prior years in the Council's insurance.

Settlements in the prior three years have not exceeded insurance coverages.

The Council participates in a number of federally assisted programs. These programs are audited in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1996. Audits of prior years have not resulted in any significant disallowed costs; however, grantor agencies may provide for further examinations.

The Council is subject to several lawsuits. The Council intends to vigorously defend itself against these claims. Management and its legal counsel cannot yet predict the outcome of these matters. However management believes the Council's ultimate liability, if any, after insurance company and third party reimbursements would be immaterial. Accordingly, no liability is recorded in these financial statements for these claims.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

SCHEDULE OF THE COUNCIL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET)
 Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan A)
 as of December 31, 2021 (The Plan Measurement Date)

	<u>December 30, 2021</u>	<u>December 30, 2020</u>	<u>December 30, 2019</u>	<u>December 30, 2018</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>	<u>December 31, 2015</u>	<u>December 31, 2014</u>
Council's Proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.852247%	0.877355%	0.092632%	0.940278%	0.918222%	0.99130%	1.10695%	1.1396%
Amount of council's Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ (5,824,591)	\$ (1,479,436)	\$ 43,606	\$ 4,173,289	\$ (681,547)	\$ 2,041,589	\$ 2,913,768	\$ 301,282
Council's covered-employee payroll	5,416,484	5,144,082	5,434,112	5,724,217	5,386,519	6,080,187	6,346,977	6,035,133
Council's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	-70.61%	-28.76%	0.80%	72.91%	-12.20%	33.58%	45.91%	4.99%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	110.46%	96.16%	99.89%	88.86%	101.98%	94.15%	92.23%	99.15%

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 Additional years will be displayed as they become available

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTIONS
Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (Plan) A
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>December 31, 2022</u>	<u>December 31, 2021</u>	<u>December 31, 2020</u>	<u>December 31, 2019</u>	<u>December 31, 2018</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>December 31, 2016</u>	<u>December 31, 2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 602,414	\$ 663,522	\$ 630,150	\$ 624,921	\$ 658,264	\$ 698,309	\$ 767,258	\$ 919,381
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(602,414)	(663,522)	(630,150)	(624,921)	(658,284)	(698,309)	(767,258)	(919,831)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered employee payroll	4,704,844	5,416,484	5,144,082	5,434,112	5,724,217	5,586,519	6,080,187	6,543,977
Contribution as a percentage of covered employee payroll	12.80%	12.25%	12.25%	11.50%	11.50%	12.50%	12.62%	14.50%

Notes to Schedule:

Changes in Benefit Terms

There were no changes of benefit terms.

Changes in Assumptions

<u>Fiscal Year ended December 31,</u>	<u>Discount Rate</u>	<u>Investment Rate of Return</u>	<u>Inflation Rate</u>	<u>Projected Salary Increase</u>
2015	7.25%	7.25%	3.00%	5.75%
2016	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	5.25%
2017	7.00%	7.00%	2.50%	5.25%
2018	6.75%	6.75%	2.50%	5.25%
2019	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	4.75%
2020	6.50%	6.50%	2.40%	4.75%
2021	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4.75%
2022	6.40%	6.40%	2.30%	4.75%

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE COUNCIL'S NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Total OPEB Liability	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Service cost	\$ 476,137	\$ 639,600	\$ 543,106	\$ 484,289	\$ 544,183
Interest	443,084	409,315	603,786	672,022	604,744
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,474,257	1,030,559	(5,000,888)	924,737	(85,358)
Changes of assumptions	(13,012,471)	196,511	1,739,124	4,163,671	(1,661,026)
Benefit payments	(473,264)	(630,202)	(597,347)	(601,724)	(581,332)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(11,092,257)	1,645,783	(2,712,219)	5,642,995	(1,178,789)
Total OPEB liability - beginning	21,268,210	19,622,427	22,334,646	16,691,651	17,870,440
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$ 10,175,953	\$ 21,268,210	\$ 19,622,427	\$ 22,334,646	\$ 16,691,651
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,230,072	\$ 5,682,299	\$ 5,463,749	\$ 5,552,373	\$ 5,338,820
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	240.56%	374.29%	359.14%	402.25%	312.65%

Notes to Schedule:

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of GASB No. 75, paragraph 4.

Benefit Changes: There were no changes of benefit terms for the year ended December 31, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019 and 2018

Changes of Assumptions: The discount rate as of 12/31 was:

2022	3.72%
2021	2.06%
2020	2.12%
2019	2.94%
2018	4.10%

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
COMBINING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
By Governmental Fund Type

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are earmarked for expenditures for specified purposes.

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

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

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Balance Sheet
 Nonmajor Governmental Funds - By Fund Type
 December 31, 2022

	Special Revenue <u>Funds</u>	Debt Service <u>Funds</u>	Total Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 61,907	\$ 2,494,364	\$ 2,556,271
Investments	907,705	556,865	1,464,570
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles)	51,783		51,783
Due from other governments	716,610	583,701	1,300,311
Advance to other funds	955,101	1,442,924	2,398,025
Other assets	<u>8,022</u>		<u>8,022</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,701,128</u>	<u>\$ 5,077,854</u>	<u>\$ 7,778,982</u>
 LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 1,521,728		\$ 1,521,728
Accrued liabilities	175,990		175,990
Due to other funds		\$ 1,096,651	1,096,651
Advance from other funds	<u>236,372</u>	<u>925,094</u>	<u>1,161,466</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,934,090</u>	<u>2,021,745</u>	<u>3,955,835</u>
Deferred inflows of resources related to debt	<u>120,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>120,289</u>
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	<u>2,054,379</u>	<u>2,021,745</u>	<u>4,076,124</u>
 Fund equity			
Fund balances			
Restricted for			
Use in specific geographic areas	1,626,183		1,626,183
Debt services		2,240,605	2,240,605
Assigned for			
General Government	200,616		200,616
Public safety	3,820		3,820
Culture & recreation	108,231		108,231
Health & welfare	11,951		11,951
Debt services		659,578	659,578
Unassigned	<u>(1,304,052)</u>	<u>155,926</u>	<u>(1,148,126)</u>
Total fund equity	<u>646,749</u>	<u>3,056,109</u>	<u>3,702,858</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund equity	<u>\$ 2,701,128</u>	<u>\$ 5,077,854</u>	<u>\$ 7,778,982</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
 Nonmajor Governmental Funds - By Fund Type
 For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	Special Revenue <u>Funds</u>	Debt Service <u>Funds</u>	Total Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>
REVENUES			
Taxes			
Sales and use	\$ 1,914,120	\$ 2,216,335	\$ 4,130,455
Ad Valorem		183,028	183,028
Intergovernmental revenues			
Federal	1,093,317		1,093,317
Medicaid	869,751		869,751
State	320,343		320,343
Local	367,734		367,734
Riverboat fees	1,400,000		1,400,000
Licenses & Permits	20,493		20,493
Fees, Charges, & Commission	173,089		173,089
Investment earnings & interest	15,968	24,432	40,400
Other revenues	11,788		11,788
Total revenues	<u>6,186,603</u>	<u>2,423,795</u>	<u>8,610,398</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	2,217,935		2,217,935
Public safety	2,811,433		2,811,433
Public works	261,887		261,887
Culture & Recreation	312,244		312,244
Health & Welfare	986,438		986,438
Urban redevelopment & housing	510,663		510,663
Capital outlay	109,311		109,311
Debt service			
Principal		2,670,000	2,670,000
Interest		1,291,137	1,291,137
Fees		9,775	9,775
Total expenditures	<u>7,209,911</u>	<u>3,970,912</u>	<u>11,180,823</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(1,023,308)</u>	<u>(1,547,117)</u>	<u>(2,570,425)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Operating transfers in	935,000	3,127,426	4,062,426
Operating transfers out	<u>(1,345,000)</u>	<u>(1,375,000)</u>	<u>(2,720,000)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(410,000)</u>	<u>1,752,426</u>	<u>1,342,426</u>
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	<u>(1,433,308)</u>	205,309	<u>(1,227,999)</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>2,080,057</u>	<u>2,850,800</u>	<u>4,930,857</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 646,749</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,109</u>	<u>\$ 3,702,858</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

COMBINING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES NON-MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

GAMING RECEIPT FUND

The Gaming Receipt Fund is used to account for money received under an agreement with the Amelia Belle Riverboat Casino.

WITNESS FEE FUND

The Witness Fee Fund is used to account for monies received for court costs and fines related to cases in St. Mary Parish. Funds are used to pay witness fees related to Parish court cases.

JUROR COMPENSATION FUND

The Juror Compensation Fund is used to account for monies received related to juror compensation fees and paid for jury costs for cases in St. Mary Parish.

WARDS 5 & 8 SALES TAX FUND

The Wards 5 and 8 Sales Tax Fund accounts for the proceeds of the three-tenths of one percent sales and use tax levied within Wards 5 and 8 to acquire and maintain lights, public works, fire protection, recreational, and health facilities.

WARDS 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, & 10 SALES TAX FUND

The Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, and 10 Sales Tax Fund accounts for the proceeds of the three-tenths of one percent sales and use tax levied within these wards to acquire and maintain lights, public works, fire protection, recreational, and health facilities.

JAIL OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

The Jail Operating fund is used to account for the proceeds of the one-half of one percent sales and use tax levied in St. Mary Parish to be used solely for the purposes of paying the cost of operating and maintaining jail facilities and minimum security facilities of the Parish.

16th JDC - ST. MARY PARISH DRUG COURT FUND

The 16th JDC - St. Mary Parish Drug Court fund accounts for the operation of the adult and juvenile outpatient drug court program funded by federal and state grants from the Louisiana Supreme Court.

JOB READINESS PROGRAM FUND

The Job Readiness Program Fund is used to account for Federal and State funds received for the purpose of providing work readiness training and job development/placement for drug court clients and inmates in the Sixteenth Judicial District.

BOAT LANDING PERMITS FUND

The Boat Landing Permits Fund accounts for funds received from the sale of permits and launch fees to users of the various boat landings located throughout St. Mary Parish.

HOUSING PROGRAM

The Housing Program administers the Section 8 Housing Program which covers all of St. Mary Parish, excluding Morgan City.

DWI COURT

The DWI Court Fund is used to increase public safety by ensuring DWI offenders are held accountable for their behavior.

DWI COURT - PATIENT FEE FUND

The DWI Court Patient Fee Fund is used to account for fees received and other expenses related to participants in the DWI Court Program.

OJP ENHANCEMENT GRANT

The purpose of the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY18 Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program is to provide financial and technical assistance to implement and enhance drug courts and veterans treatment courts.

FAIRVIEW TREATMENT CENTER

The Fairview Treatment Center operates an alcohol and drug abuse, inpatient treatment facility for the residents of Louisiana.

CLAIRE HOUSE

Claire House operates a long-term residential treatment facility for chemically addicted women and their children.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
December 31, 2022

	Gaming Receipt Fund	Witness Fee Fund	Juror Compensation Fund	Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund	Wards 1,2,3,4,7 & 10 Sales Tax Fund	Jail Operating & Maint. Fund	16th JDC- St. Mary Parish Drug Court	Job Readiness Program Fund
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 120							\$ 4,506
Investments				594,595	312,169	\$ 714		
Accounts receivable						1,133	\$ 318	
Due from other governments				85,677	87,513	218,466	42,610	
Advance to other funds	66,169	\$ 102,977	\$ 93,866	175,295	420,200		8,797	\$
Other assets								
Total assets	<u>\$ 66,289</u>	<u>\$ 102,977</u>	<u>\$ 93,866</u>	<u>\$ 855,567</u>	<u>\$ 819,882</u>	<u>\$ 220,313</u>	<u>\$ 51,725</u>	<u>\$ 4,506</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND EQUITY								
Liabilities								
Accounts payable	\$ 5,033			\$ 11,646	\$ 36,225	\$ 175,357	\$ 3,394	
Accrued liabilities					1,395		1,839	
Advance from other funds						221,185		
Total liabilities	<u>5,033</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,646</u>	<u>37,620</u>	<u>396,542</u>	<u>5,233</u>	<u>-</u>
Deferred inflows of resources								
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	<u>5,033</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,646</u>	<u>37,620</u>	<u>396,542</u>	<u>5,233</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund equity (deficit)								
Fund balances (deficits)								
Restricted for use in specific geographic areas				843,921	782,262			
Assigned for								
General government		102,977	93,866					
Public safety								
Culture & Recreation								
Health & Welfare								4,506
Unassigned	61,256					(176,229)	46,492	
Total fund equity (deficit)	<u>61,256</u>	<u>102,977</u>	<u>93,866</u>	<u>843,921</u>	<u>782,262</u>	<u>(176,229)</u>	<u>46,492</u>	<u>4,506</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund equity	<u>\$ 66,289</u>	<u>\$ 102,977</u>	<u>\$ 93,866</u>	<u>\$ 855,567</u>	<u>\$ 819,882</u>	<u>\$ 220,313</u>	<u>\$ 51,725</u>	<u>\$ 4,506</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
December 31, 2022

	<u>Boat Landing Permit Fund</u>	<u>Housing Program</u>	<u>DWI Court</u>	<u>DWI Court - Patient Fee</u>	<u>OJP Enhancement Grant</u>	<u>Fairview Treatment Center</u>	<u>Claire House</u>	<u>Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds</u>
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,597	\$ 23,048	\$ 6,381	\$ 1,055			\$ 200	\$ 61,907
Investments	227							907,705
Accounts receivable		41			48,901	\$ 1,390		51,783
Due from other governments						221,239	61,105	716,610
Advance to other funds	81,407			\$ 6,390				955,101
Other assets							<u>8,022</u>	<u>8,022</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 108,231</u>	<u>\$ 23,089</u>	<u>\$ 6,381</u>	<u>\$ 7,445</u>	<u>\$ 48,901</u>	<u>\$ 222,629</u>	<u>\$ 69,327</u>	<u>\$ 2,701,128</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND EQUITY								
Liabilities								
Accounts payable		\$ 129	\$ 2,561		\$ 2,058	\$ 1,275,331	\$ 9,994	\$ 1,521,728
Accrued liabilities					2,759	49,461	120,536	175,990
Advance from other funds					<u>15,187</u>			<u>236,372</u>
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>2,561</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,004</u>	<u>1,324,792</u>	<u>130,530</u>	<u>1,934,090</u>
Deferred inflows of resources						<u>120,289</u>		<u>120,289</u>
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	<u>-</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>2,561</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,004</u>	<u>1,445,081</u>	<u>130,530</u>	<u>2,054,379</u>
Fund equity (deficit)								
Fund balances (deficits)								
Restricted for use in specific geographic areas								1,626,183
Assigned for								
General government		3,773						200,616
Public safety			3,820					3,820
Culture & Recreation	108,231							108,231
Health & Welfare				7,445				11,951
Unassigned		<u>19,187</u>			<u>28,897</u>	<u>(1,222,452)</u>	<u>(61,203)</u>	<u>(1,304,052)</u>
Total fund equity (deficit)	<u>108,231</u>	<u>22,960</u>	<u>3,820</u>	<u>7,445</u>	<u>28,897</u>	<u>(1,222,452)</u>	<u>(61,203)</u>	<u>646,749</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund equity	<u>\$ 108,231</u>	<u>\$ 23,089</u>	<u>\$ 6,381</u>	<u>\$ 7,445</u>	<u>\$ 48,901</u>	<u>\$ 222,629</u>	<u>\$ 69,327</u>	<u>\$ 2,701,128</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
 Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
 For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	Gaming Receipt Fund	Witness Fee Fund	Juror Compensation Fund	Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund	Wards 1,2,3,4,7 &10 Sales Tax Fund	Jail Operating & Maint Fund	16th JDC- St Mary Parish Drug Court	Job Readiness Program Fund
REVENUES								
Taxes								
Sales and use				\$ 385,855	\$ 462,100	\$ 1,066,165		
Intergovernmental revenues								
Federal							\$ 11,576	
Medicaid								
State							303,228	
Local						367,734		
Riverboat fees	\$ 1,400,000							
Licenses & Permits								
Fees, Charges, & Commission		\$ 58,200	\$ 56,854			7,305	4,348	\$ 480
Investment earnings & interest	184			9,119	3,884	2,701		
Other revenues	600				11,188			
Total revenues	<u>1,400,784</u>	<u>58,200</u>	<u>56,854</u>	<u>394,974</u>	<u>477,172</u>	<u>1,443,905</u>	<u>319,152</u>	<u>480</u>
EXPENDITURES								
Current								
General government	1,035	55,027	42,470		20,000			
Public safety	120,165			27,000	76,523	2,587,745		
Public works				136,419	125,468			
Culture & Recreation				119,000	190,338			
Health & Welfare					7,834		269,413	804
Urban redevelopment & Housing								
Capital outlay					40,191			
Total expenditures	<u>121,200</u>	<u>55,027</u>	<u>42,470</u>	<u>282,419</u>	<u>460,354</u>	<u>2,587,745</u>	<u>269,413</u>	<u>804</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,279,584	3,173	14,384	112,555	16,818	(1,143,840)	49,739	(324)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES								
Operating transfers in						935,000		
Operating transfers out	(1,295,000)		(50,000)					
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,295,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>935,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	(15,416)	3,173	(35,616)	112,555	16,818	(208,840)	49,739	(324)
Fund balance (deficits) at beginning of year	<u>76,672</u>	<u>99,804</u>	<u>129,482</u>	<u>731,366</u>	<u>765,444</u>	<u>32,611</u>	<u>(3,247)</u>	<u>4,830</u>
Fund balance (deficits) at end of year	<u>\$ 61,256</u>	<u>\$ 102,977</u>	<u>\$ 93,866</u>	<u>\$ 843,921</u>	<u>\$ 782,262</u>	<u>\$ (176,229)</u>	<u>\$ 46,492</u>	<u>\$ 4,506</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
 Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
 For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	Boat Landing Permit Fund	Housing Program	DWI Court	DWI Court - Patient Fee Fund	OJP Enhancement Grant	Fairview Treatment Center	Claire House	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
REVENUES								
Taxes								
Sales and use								\$ 1,914,120
Intergovernmental revenues								
Federal		\$ 525,705			\$ 154,050		\$ 401,986	1,093,317
Medicaid						869,751		869,751
State			\$ 17,115					320,343
Local								367,734
Riverboat fees								1,400,000
Licenses & Permits	\$ 20,493							20,493
Fees, Charges, & Commission	29,687			\$ 400		15,815		173,089
Investment earnings & interest	53	27						15,968
Other revenues								11,788
Total revenues	<u>50,233</u>	<u>525,732</u>	<u>17,115</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>154,050</u>	<u>885,566</u>	<u>401,986</u>	<u>6,186,603</u>
EXPENDITURES								
Current								
General government						2,099,403		2,217,935
Public safety								2,811,433
Public works								261,887
Culture & Recreation	2,906							312,244
Health & Welfare			12,104	457	125,378		570,448	986,438
Urban redevelopment & Housing		510,663						510,663
Capital outlay	69,120							109,311
Total expenditures	<u>72,026</u>	<u>510,663</u>	<u>12,104</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>125,378</u>	<u>2,099,403</u>	<u>570,448</u>	<u>7,209,911</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(21,793)	15,069	5,011	(57)	28,672	(1,213,837)	(168,462)	(1,023,308)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES								
Operating transfers in								935,000
Operating transfers out								(1,345,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(410,000)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	(21,793)	15,069	5,011	(57)	28,672	(1,213,837)	(168,462)	(1,433,308)
Fund balance (deficits) at beginning of year	<u>130,024</u>	<u>7,891</u>	<u>(1,191)</u>	<u>7,502</u>	<u>225</u>	<u>(8,615)</u>	<u>107,259</u>	<u>2,080,057</u>
Fund balance (deficits) at end of year	<u>\$ 108,231</u>	<u>\$ 22,960</u>	<u>\$ 3,820</u>	<u>\$ 7,445</u>	<u>\$ 28,897</u>	<u>\$ (1,222,452)</u>	<u>\$ (61,203)</u>	<u>\$ 646,749</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Gaming Receipt Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Riverboat fees	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ -
Investment earnings & interest	500	500	184	(316)
Other revenues			600	600
Total revenues	<u>1,400,500</u>	<u>1,400,500</u>	<u>1,400,784</u>	<u>284</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	1,660	1,660	1,035	625
Public safety	95,200	95,200	120,165	(24,965)
Total expenditures	<u>96,860</u>	<u>96,860</u>	<u>121,200</u>	<u>(24,340)</u>
 Excess of revenues over expenditures	 <u>1,303,640</u>	 <u>1,303,640</u>	 <u>1,279,584</u>	 <u>(24,056)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers out				
General Fund	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	-
Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund	(845,000)	(845,000)	(845,000)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,295,000)</u>	<u>(1,295,000)</u>	<u>(1,295,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	 8,640	 8,640	 (15,416)	 (24,056)
 Fund balance at beginning of year	 <u>6,504</u>	 <u>76,672</u>	 <u>76,672</u>	 <u>-</u>
 Fund balance at end of year	 <u>\$ 15,144</u>	 <u>\$ 85,312</u>	 <u>\$ 61,256</u>	 <u>\$ (24,056)</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Witness Fee Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Fees, Charges, & Commission	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 58,200	\$ 8,200
Total revenues	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>58,200</u>	<u>8,200</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government				
Witness Fees	11,500	5,500	3,567	1,933
Payment to 16th JDC Crimnal Court Fund	40,000	51,460	51,460	-
Total expenditures	<u>51,500</u>	<u>56,960</u>	<u>55,027</u>	<u>1,933</u>
 Excess revenues over expenditures	 <u>(1,500)</u>	 <u>(6,960)</u>	 <u>3,173</u>	 <u>10,133</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Excess (deficiency) of revenues sources over (under) expenditures	(1,500)	(6,960)	3,173	10,133
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>86,442</u>	<u>99,804</u>	<u>99,804</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 84,942</u>	<u>\$ 92,844</u>	<u>\$ 102,977</u>	<u>\$ 10,133</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Juror Compensation Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Fees, Charges, & Commission	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 56,854	\$ 6,854
Total revenues	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>56,854</u>	<u>6,854</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	25,000	40,000	42,470	(2,470)
Total expenditures	<u>25,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>42,470</u>	<u>(2,470)</u>
 Excess revenues over expenditures	 <u>25,000</u>	 <u>10,000</u>	 <u>14,384</u>	 <u>4,384</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers out				
General Fund	(50,000)	(50,000)	(50,000)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	 (25,000)	 (40,000)	 (35,616)	 4,384
 Fund balance at beginning of year	 <u>118,177</u>	 <u>129,482</u>	 <u>129,482</u>	 <u>-</u>
 Fund balance at end of year	 <u>\$ 93,177</u>	 <u>\$ 89,482</u>	 <u>\$ 93,866</u>	 <u>\$ 4,384</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Wards 5 & 8 Sales Tax Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Sales and use	\$ 270,000	\$ 345,000	\$ 385,855	\$ 40,855
Investment earnings & interest	3,000	3,000	9,119	6,119
Total revenues	<u>273,000</u>	<u>348,000</u>	<u>394,974</u>	<u>46,974</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	3,300	3,300		3,300
Public safety				
Fire fighting	10,000	30,000	27,000	3,000
Public works				
Street lighting	57,000	90,000	98,624	(8,624)
Wax Lake East Drainage District	12,000	12,000	2,265	9,735
Bayou Vista Area Sidewalks	43,000	43,000	35,530	7,470
Culture & Recreation				
Town of Berwick	3,000	3,000	3,000	-
Other	1,750	1,750	1,000	750
Recreation District #3	65,000	65,000	65,000	-
Recreation District #4	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Total expenditures	<u>245,050</u>	<u>298,050</u>	<u>282,419</u>	<u>15,631</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	27,950	49,950	112,555	62,605
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>633,728</u>	<u>731,366</u>	<u>731,366</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 661,678</u>	<u>\$ 781,316</u>	<u>\$ 843,921</u>	<u>\$ 62,605</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, & 10 Sales Tax Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Sales and use	\$ 415,000	\$ 465,000	\$ 462,100	\$ (2,900)
Investment earnings & interest	2,000	2,000	3,884	1,884
Other revenues			11,188	11,188
Total revenues	<u>417,000</u>	<u>467,000</u>	<u>477,172</u>	<u>10,172</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government		69,700	20,000	49,700
Public safety				
Baldwin Police Dept.		20,000	20,000	-
Fire fighting	50,523	53,523	56,523	(3,000)
Public works				
Sidewalks & crosswalks				-
Street lighting	140,000	140,000	125,468	14,532
Other				-
Culture & Recreation				
Elizabeth B. Davis Park	45,200	111,200	113,737	(2,537)
Hebert-Washington Park	45,525	45,525	28,221	17,304
City of Franklin	8,384	10,384	5,333	5,051
St. Joseph Recreation Area	800	1,500	1,552	(52)
Recreation District #5		2,000		2,000
Recreation District #7	30,000	30,000	30,000	-
Sorrell Park	400	400	423	(23)
Enrichment Programs	25,750	25,750	10,000	15,750
Other	1,100	1,100	1,072	28
Health & Welfare				
General Assistance	4,000	8,300	7,834	466
Capital outlay				-
Sorrell Park	40,000	40,500	40,191	309
Total expenditures	<u>391,682</u>	<u>559,882</u>	<u>460,354</u>	<u>99,528</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	25,318	(92,882)	16,818	109,700
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>513,143</u>	<u>765,444</u>	<u>765,444</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 538,461</u>	<u>\$ 672,562</u>	<u>\$ 782,262</u>	<u>\$ 109,700</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Sales and use	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 1,066,165	\$ (33,835)
Local				
Sheriff	225,000	350,000	367,734	17,734
Fees, Charges, & Commission	2,000	2,000	7,305	5,305
Investment earnings & interest	2,000	2,000	2,701	701
Total revenues	<u>1,129,000</u>	<u>1,454,000</u>	<u>1,443,905</u>	<u>(10,095)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety				
Administration	515,000	564,250	575,810	(11,560)
Adult Correctional Institution	1,395,000	1,800,000	1,998,781	(198,781)
Cost for Juvenile Prisoners	30,000	15,000	5,250	9,750
Adult Correctional Institution - Morgan City Jail	5,000	7,500	7,904	(404)
Total expenditures	<u>1,945,000</u>	<u>2,386,750</u>	<u>2,587,745</u>	<u>(200,995)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(816,000)</u>	<u>(932,750)</u>	<u>(1,143,840)</u>	<u>(211,090)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Operating transfers in				
General Fund		90,000	90,000	-
Gaming Receipt Fund	845,000	845,000	845,000	-
Total other financing sources	<u>845,000</u>	<u>935,000</u>	<u>935,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	29,000	2,250	(208,840)	211,090
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>4,914</u>	<u>32,611</u>	<u>32,611</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 33,914</u>	<u>\$ 34,861</u>	<u>\$ (176,229)</u>	<u>\$ 211,090</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 16th JDC - St. Mary Parish Drug Court
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Federal grant	\$ 16,800	\$ 16,800	\$ 11,576	\$ (5,224)
State grant	223,200	223,200	303,228	80,028
Patient fees	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,348</u>	<u>348</u>
Total revenues	<u>244,000</u>	<u>244,000</u>	<u>319,152</u>	<u>75,152</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Health and welfare				
Personal services and benefits	83,423	83,423	149,625	(66,202)
Operating services	405	405	42,643	(42,238)
Supplies			639	(639)
Professional services			3,900	(3,900)
COVID Expenses	<u>159,150</u>	<u>159,150</u>	<u>72,606</u>	<u>86,544</u>
Total expenditures	<u>242,978</u>	<u>242,978</u>	<u>269,413</u>	<u>(26,435)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,022	1,022	49,739	48,717
Fund balance (deficit) at beginning of year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,247)</u>	<u>(3,247)</u>
Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ 1,022</u>	<u>\$ 1,022</u>	<u>\$ 46,492</u>	<u>\$ 45,470</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Job Readiness Program Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Fees, Charges, & Commission	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 480	\$ (520)
Total Revenues	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>(520)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Health & Welfare	<u>1,350</u>	<u>1,350</u>	<u>804</u>	<u>546</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,350</u>	<u>1,350</u>	<u>804</u>	<u>546</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(350)	(350)	(324)	26
Fund balance at the beginning of year	<u>845</u>	<u>845</u>	<u>4,830</u>	<u>(3,985)</u>
Fund balance at the end of year	<u>\$ 495</u>	<u>\$ 495</u>	<u>\$ 4,506</u>	<u>\$ (3,959)</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Boat Landing Permit Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Licenses & permits	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,493	\$ 493
Fees, Charges, & Commission	27,700	27,700	29,687	1,987
Investment earnings & interest	2,000	2,000	53	(1,947)
Total revenues	<u>49,700</u>	<u>49,700</u>	<u>50,233</u>	<u>533</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Culture & Recreation	1,800	2,600	2,906	(306)
Capital outlay	<u>105,500</u>	<u>112,500</u>	<u>69,120</u>	<u>43,380</u>
Total expenditures	<u>107,300</u>	<u>115,100</u>	<u>72,026</u>	<u>43,074</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(57,600)	(65,400)	(21,793)	43,607
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>157,300</u>	<u>130,024</u>	<u>130,024</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 99,700</u>	<u>\$ 64,624</u>	<u>\$ 108,231</u>	<u>\$ 43,607</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Housing Program
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Federal grants	\$ 504,800	\$ 504,800	\$ 525,705	\$ 20,905
Fees, Charges, & Commission	-	-	-	-
Investment earnings & interest	-	-	27	27
Other revenues	-	-	-	-
Total revenues	<u>504,800</u>	<u>504,800</u>	<u>525,732</u>	<u>20,932</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Housing assistance and administrative	<u>504,800</u>	<u>504,800</u>	<u>510,663</u>	<u>(5,863)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>504,800</u>	<u>504,800</u>	<u>510,663</u>	<u>(5,863)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,069</u>	<u>15,069</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,891</u>	<u>(7,891)</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 22,960</u>	<u>\$ (7,891)</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 DWI Court
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Federal grant	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 17,115	\$ (52,885)
Total Revenue	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>17,115</u>	<u>(52,885)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Health & welfare	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>12,104</u>	<u>57,896</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>12,104</u>	<u>57,896</u>
Excess of (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		-	5,011	5,011
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,191)</u>	<u>(1,191)</u>
Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,820</u>	<u>\$ 3,820</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 DWI Court - Patient Fee Fund
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Fees, charges, & commission	\$ 960	\$ 960	\$ 400	\$ (560)
Total revenues	<u>960</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>(560)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Health & Welfare	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>1,043</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>1,043</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(540)	(540)	(57)	483
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>7,870</u>	<u>7,870</u>	<u>7,502</u>	<u>(368)</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 7,330</u>	<u>\$ 7,330</u>	<u>\$ 7,445</u>	<u>\$ 115</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
OJP Enhancement Grant
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Other revenues	\$ 155,000	\$ 155,000	\$ 154,050	\$ (950)
Total revenues	<u>155,000</u>	<u>155,000</u>	<u>154,050</u>	<u>(950)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Health & welfare	<u>154,669</u>	<u>154,669</u>	<u>125,378</u>	<u>29,291</u>
Total expenditures	<u>154,669</u>	<u>154,669</u>	<u>125,378</u>	<u>29,291</u>
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	 <u>331</u>	 <u>331</u>	 <u>28,672</u>	 <u>28,341</u>
 Fund balance (deficit) at beginning of year	 <u>-</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>225</u>	 <u>225</u>
 Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	 <u>\$ 331</u>	 <u>\$ 331</u>	 <u>\$ 28,897</u>	 <u>\$ 28,566</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule (Non GAAP Basis)
Fairview Treatment Center
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Federal grant		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Medicaid	\$ 1,796,994	1,796,994	890,449	(906,545)
Patient fees	2,000	2,000	9,202	7,202
Total revenues	<u>1,798,994</u>	<u>1,798,994</u>	<u>899,651</u>	<u>(899,343)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General Government				
Facility fees	344,759	344,759	382,778	(38,019)
Laboratory fees	3,643	3,643	3,225	418
Personal services	1,122,088	1,122,088	1,028,153	93,935
Professional fees	284,391	284,391	382,482	(98,091)
Supplies	41,486	41,486	113,324	(71,838)
Travel	527	527	1,437	(910)
Capital outlay	100	100	41,013	(40,913)
Total expenditures	<u>1,796,994</u>	<u>1,796,994</u>	<u>1,952,412</u>	<u>(155,418)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,052,761)</u>	<u>1,054,761</u>
Net change in fund balance - Non-GAAP Basis	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,052,761)</u>	<u>1,054,761</u>

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP (Cash) Budget Basis to GAAP Basis:

Revenues - Difference	\$ (14,085)
Expenditures - Differences	
Bad debts	(169,770)
Facility fees	-
Personal services	15,309
Professional fees	7,470
Supplies	-
Capital Outlay	-
Total difference in expenditures	<u>(146,991)</u>
Net change in fund balance - GAAP Basis	\$ <u>(1,213,837)</u>

Note on Budgeting Basis:

Fairview Treatment Center budgets on a cash basis rather than on GAAP Basis.

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Claire House
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive <u>(Negative)</u>
REVENUES				
Federal grant	\$ 579,363	\$ 579,363	\$ 393,965	\$ (185,398)
Other income			8,021	8,021
Total revenues	<u>579,363</u>	<u>579,363</u>	<u>401,986</u>	<u>(177,377)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Health and welfare				
Personal services and benefits	415,363	415,363	399,626	15,737
Operating services	148,700	148,700	157,185	(8,485)
Supplies	10,000	10,000	10,586	(586)
Professional services	3,000	3,000	3,051	(51)
Capital Outlay	2,300	2,300		2,300
Total expenditures	<u>579,363</u>	<u>579,363</u>	<u>570,448</u>	<u>8,915</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(168,462)</u>	<u>(168,462)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	-	(168,462)	(168,462)
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>107,259</u>	<u>107,259</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (61,203)</u>	<u>\$ (61,203)</u>

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**ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
COMBINING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NON MAJOR - DEBT SERVICE FUNDS**

SALES TAX BOND SINKING FUND

The Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund accounts for the Council's share of a one percent sales tax which is to be used for the retirement the 2011 bond issue totaling \$6,865,000, the 2020 bond issue totaling \$3,960,000, the 2020A bond issue totaling \$1,500,000, and the 2021 bond issue totaling \$1,000,000. Any amounts accumulated in excess of debt service requirements can be used by the parish for any lawful purpose.

SALES TAX BOND RESERVE FUND

The Sales Tax Bond Reserve Fund is a reserve fund required by the 2011 \$6,865,000 bond issue indenture.

THREE-FOURTHS PERCENT SALES TAX BOND RESERVE FUND

The Three-Fourths Percent Sales Tax Bond Reserve Fund is a reserve fund required by the 2012 \$3,890,000 bond issue, and the 2015 \$2,190,000 Sales Tax Refunding Bond Issue.

THREE-FOURTHS PERCENT SALES TAX BOND SINKING FUND

The Three-Fourths Percent Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund accumulates that portion of the three-fourths percent sales tax needed for the payment of 2012 \$3,890,000 bond issue, and 2015 \$2,190,000 Sewerage Sales Tax Refunding Bond Issue.

ST. MARY PARISH LIBRARY SINKING FUND

The Library General Obligation Sinking Fund accounts for the receipt of ad valorem taxes and payment of the 2009 \$2,500,000 of general obligation bonds.

CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS SINKING FUND

This fund accounts for the transfer of revenues for the repayment of the \$600,000 Certificates of Indebtedness Series 2011, the \$19,095,000 Limited Tax Revenue Bonds Series 2021, and the \$600,000 Certificates of Indebtedness Series 2020.

GOMESA DEBT SERVICE RESERVE FUND

The GOMESA Debt Service Reserve Fund is a reserve fund required by the \$11,500,000 Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority Revenue Bonds (St. Mary Parish GOMESA Project), Series 2019.

GOMESA DEBT SERVICE FUND

The GOMESA Debt Service Fund accounts for receipts and transfers of GOMESA revenues for the repayment of the \$11,500,000 Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority Revenue Bonds (St. Mary Parish GOMESA Project), Series 2019.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Debt Service Funds
December 31, 2022

	<u>Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund</u>	<u>Sales Tax Bond Reserve Fund</u>	<u>3/4% Sales Tax Bond Reserve Fund</u>	<u>3/4% Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund</u>	<u>St. Mary Parish Library Sinking Fund</u>	<u>Certificates of Indebtedness Sinking Fund</u>	<u>GOMFSA Debt Service Reserve Fund</u>	<u>GOMESA Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Nonmajor Debt Service Funds</u>
ASSETS									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 302,500	\$ 60,777	\$ 726,216	\$ 332,500	\$ 137,000	\$ 153,041	\$ 511,593	\$ 270,737	\$ 2,494,364
Investments	555,509	217	2	787	350				556,865
Due from other governments	458,056				125,645				583,701
Advance to other funds		66,642		271,222		1,105,060			1,442,924
Total assets	<u>1,316,065</u>	<u>127,636</u>	<u>726,218</u>	<u>604,509</u>	<u>262,995</u>	<u>1,258,101</u>	<u>511,593</u>	<u>270,737</u>	<u>5,077,854</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY									
Liabilities									
Due to other funds						1,096,651			1,096,651
Advance from other funds	875,139				49,955				925,094
Total liabilities	<u>875,139</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,955</u>	<u>1,096,651</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,021,745</u>
Fund equity									
Fund balances									
Restricted for debt service	285,000		726,218	322,500	129,975		506,175	270,737	2,240,605
Assigned for debt service		127,636		282,009	83,065	161,450	5,418		659,578
Unassigned	155,926								155,926
Total fund equity	<u>440,926</u>	<u>127,636</u>	<u>726,218</u>	<u>604,509</u>	<u>213,040</u>	<u>161,450</u>	<u>511,593</u>	<u>270,737</u>	<u>3,056,109</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$ 1,316,065</u>	<u>\$ 127,636</u>	<u>\$ 726,218</u>	<u>\$ 604,509</u>	<u>\$ 262,995</u>	<u>\$ 1,258,101</u>	<u>\$ 511,593</u>	<u>\$ 270,737</u>	<u>\$ 5,077,854</u>

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Debt Service Funds
For the Year Ending December 31, 2022

	Sales Tax Bond <u>Sinking Fund</u>	Sales Tax Bond Reserve <u>Fund</u>	3/4% Sales Tax Bond <u>Reserve Fund</u>	3/4% Sales Tax Bond <u>Sinking Fund</u>	St. Mary Parish Library <u>Sinking Fund</u>	Certificate of Indebtedness <u>Sinking Fund</u>	GOMESA Debt Service Reserve <u>Fund</u>	GOMESA Debt Service <u>Fund</u>	Total Nonmajor Debt Service <u>Funds</u>
REVENUES									
Taxes									
Sales and use	\$ 2,216,335								\$ 2,216,335
Ad Valorem	45,266				\$ 137,762				183,028
Investment earnings & interest	10,408	\$ 57	\$ 301	\$ 196	163	\$ 339	\$ 5,418	\$ 7,550	24,432
Total revenues	<u>2,272,009</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>301</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>137,925</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>5,418</u>	<u>7,550</u>	<u>2,423,795</u>
EXPENDITURES									
Debt service									
Principal	570,000			645,000	135,000	930,000		390,000	2,670,000
Interest	140,204			45,899	49,700	561,654		493,680	1,291,137
Fees	3,950	-		2,450	1,150	2,225			9,775
Total expenditures	<u>714,154</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>693,349</u>	<u>185,850</u>	<u>1,493,879</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>883,680</u>	<u>3,970,912</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>1,557,855</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>301</u>	<u>(693,153)</u>	<u>(47,925)</u>	<u>(1,493,540)</u>	<u>5,418</u>	<u>(876,130)</u>	<u>(1,547,117)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Proceeds from bonds									-
Payment to refunding bond escrow agent									-
Operating transfers in				705,000		1,530,395		892,031	3,127,426
Operating transfers out	(1,375,000)								(1,375,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,375,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>705,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,530,395</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>892,031</u>	<u>1,752,426</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	<u>182,855</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>301</u>	<u>11,847</u>	<u>(47,925)</u>	<u>36,855</u>	<u>5,418</u>	<u>15,901</u>	<u>205,309</u>
Fund balance (deficits) as previously stated	<u>258,071</u>	<u>127,579</u>	<u>725,917</u>	<u>592,662</u>	<u>260,965</u>	<u>124,595</u>	<u>506,175</u>	<u>254,836</u>	<u>2,850,800</u>
Prior period adjustment									-
Fund balance beginning of year as restated	<u>258,071</u>	<u>127,579</u>	<u>725,917</u>	<u>592,662</u>	<u>260,965</u>	<u>124,595</u>	<u>506,175</u>	<u>254,836</u>	<u>2,850,800</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 440,926</u>	<u>\$ 127,636</u>	<u>\$ 726,218</u>	<u>\$ 604,509</u>	<u>\$ 213,040</u>	<u>\$ 161,450</u>	<u>\$ 511,593</u>	<u>\$ 270,737</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,109</u>

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GENERAL SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

St. Mary Parish Council
Compensation Paid Council Members
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Council Members at Large

Kristie Prejeant, MD	\$ 10,200
Gwendolyn Hidalgo	9,600
Dean Adams	9,600

Single Members:

James Wallace Bennet, Jr.	5,400
Mark Duhon	5,400
Patrick Hebert	5,400
J. Bertrand Ina	5,400
Craig Alonzo Mathews	5,400
Rodney Olander	5,400
Robert Ramsey	5,400
Leslie Rulf	<u>5,400</u>

\$ 72,600

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Reimbursements to
Agency Head, Political Subdivision Head, or Chief Executive Officer
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Parish President: David J. Hanagriff

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 12,000
Benefits-Insurance	21,620
Benefits-Retirement	1,380
Cell phone allowance	1,440
Automobile allowance	14,400
Total	<u>\$ 50,840</u>

Chief Administrative Officer: Henry C. LaGrange

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 107,371
Benefits-Insurance	15,396
Benefits-retirement	12,348
Reimbursement-Travel	340
Total	<u>\$ 135,455</u>

These amounts represent all compensation, benefits, and reimbursements for the year.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
Schedule of Insurance Policies In Force
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Amounts of Limits</u>	<u>Policy Term</u>	<u>Company</u>
Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability	\$1,000,000.00	01/01/21 - 01/01/22	PGRMA
Ferry-Hull and Machinery	\$75,000.00	05/16/22 - 05/16/23	Continental Underwriters, Ltd.
Ferry-Protection & Indemnity	\$1,000,000.00	05/16/22 - 05/16/23	Lloyd's of London
Equipment Floater	\$10,304,936.00	06/15/22 - 06/15/23	Continental Casualty Company
Boiler & Machinery	\$33,641,600.00	06/15/22 - 06/15/23	Continental Casualty Company
Property - Burns Point Dwelling	\$24,000.00	06/28/22 - 06/28/23	Louisiana Citizens
Airport Liability	\$1,000,000.00	09/29/22 - 09/29/23	Hallmark Insurance Company
Package Policy		12/31/22 - 12/31/23	
**General Liability	\$3,000,000.00	12/31/22 - 12/31/23	AmGuard Insurance Company
**Auto Liability Coverage	\$1,000,000.00	12/31/22 - 12/31/23	AmGuard Insurance Company
**Public Entity Management Liability Coverage	\$3,000,000.00	12/31/22 - 12/31/23	AmGuard Insurance Company
**Public Entity Employment Practices (Liability Protection Coverage)	\$3,000,000.00	12/31/22 - 12/31/23	AmGuard Insurance Company
**Employee Benefit Plans Administration (Liability Protection Coverage)	\$3,000,000.00	12/31/22 - 12/31/23	AmGuard Insurance Company
Property	\$9,957,000.00	06/15/22 - 06/15/23	Louisiana Citizens
Property	\$23,850,000.00	06/15/22 - 06/15/23	Maximum
Property X-Wind	\$25,000,000.00	06/15/22 - 06/15/23	Lloyd's of London
Property X-Wind	\$2,160,360.00	06/15/22 - 06/15/23	Lloyd's of London
Bond - Henry LaGrange	\$10,000.00	01/20/22 - 01/20/23	Travelers
Bond - Name Schedule Bond	\$50,000.00	03/01/22 - 03/01/23	Travelers
Bond - Parish President	\$80,000.00	01/11/22 - 01/11/23	Western Surety
Bond - Paul Governale	\$40,000.00	07/31/22 - 07/31/23	Travelers

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Justice System Funding Schedule (Cash Basis) - Receiving Entity
 General Fund
 As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

		<u>First Six Month Period Ended 06/30/22</u>	<u>Second Six Month Period Ended 12/31/22</u>
Receipts From:			
<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>Collection Type</u>		
St. Mary Parish Sheriff	Criminal Court cost/fees	\$ 21,056	\$ 22,794
Subtotal Receipts		<u>\$ 21,056</u>	<u>\$ 22,794</u>

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Justice System Funding Schedule (Cash Basis) - Receiving Entity
 Witness Fee Fund
 As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

		First Six Month Period Ended 06/30/22	Second Six Month Period Ended 12/31/22
Receipts From:			
<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>Collection Type</u>		
St. Mary Parish Sheriff	Criminal Court cost/fees	\$ 28,960	\$ 29,240
Subtotal Receipts		\$ 28,960	\$ 29,240

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Justice System Funding Schedule (Cash Basis) - Receiving Entity
 Juror Compensation Fund
 As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

		First Six Month Period Ended 06/30/22	Second Six Month Period Ended 12/31/22
Receipts From:			
<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>Collection Type</u>		
St. Mary Parish Sheriff	Criminal Court cost/fees	\$ 28,348	\$ 28,508
Subtotal Receipts		\$ 28,348	\$ 28,508

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY UNIFORM GUIDANCE

St. Mary Parish Council
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR NAME/ PROGRAM TITLE	FEDERAL ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER	GRANT NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH IDENTIFYING NUMBER	EXPENDITURES INCURRED
<u>U.S. Department of the Interior</u>				
Bureau of Land Management				
Office of the Secretary of the Interior				
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	15.226			\$ 7,621
GoMESA	15.435			<u>961,124</u>
Total U.S. Department of Interior				<u>968,745</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</u>				
Passed through Louisiana Office of Community Development Disaster Recovery Unit				
Community Development Block Grants/State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii	14.228		(SEE NOTE 2)	117,393
Housing - Federal Housing Commissioner				
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.871			<u>525,705</u>
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development				<u>643,098</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Transportation</u>				
Airport Improvement Program	20.106			114,000
Alcohol Open Container Requirements	20.607			<u>12,104</u>
Total U.S. Department of Transportation				<u>126,104</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Justice</u>				
Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program	16.585	2018-DC-BX-0064		<u>125,378</u>
Total U.S. Department of Justice				<u>125,378</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Treasury</u>				
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	21.027			<u>5,190,843</u>
Total U.S. Department of Treasury				<u>5,190,843</u>

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR NAME/ PROGRAM TITLE	FEDERAL ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH IDENTIFYING NUMBER	EXPENDITURES INCURRED
<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>			
Passed through Louisiana Department of Health Office of Public Health Bureau of Community Preparedness			
Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) and Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Aligned Cooperative Agreements	93.074		4,842
Passed through Louisiana Supreme Court Drug Court Office			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	93.558	(SEE NOTE 3)	\$ 582,024
Passed through Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals			
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	FTC2000299225	<u>129,610</u>
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			<u>716,476</u>
<u>Department of Homeland Security</u>			
Passed through Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness			
Hazard Mitigation Grant	97.039	(SEE NOTE 4)	408,031
Passed through State of Louisiana Office of State Police			
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042		32,726
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067		<u>41,255</u>
Total Department of Homeland Security			<u>482,012</u>
Total Primary Government Federal Financial Assistance			<u>\$ 8,252,656</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is a summary of activity of the Council's federal award programs presented on the basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for fund accounting. In 2022, the Council did not charge nor allocate any indirect costs to federal awards.

NOTE 2 - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

The following is a detail of certain expenditures from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Community Development Block Grant/State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii (ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER 14.228)

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Pass-Through Identifying Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
CDBG Recovery Fund	684903	\$117,393

NOTE 3 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The following is a detail of certain expenditures from the Department of Health and Human Services.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER 93.558)

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Pass-Through Identifying Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
16 th Judicial District Drug Court Fund	Not available	\$ 11,576
Claire House		<u>570,448</u>
Total Temporary Assistance for Needy Families		\$ <u>582,024</u>

NOTE 4 – DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Hazard Mitigation Grant (ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER 97.039)

In the current year the Hazard Mitigation grant is funded 75% by federal funds. Total expenditures for the current year were \$544,041 of which \$408,031 qualifies for 75% reimbursement.

NOTE 5 – PROGRAMS AUDITED BY OTHER AUDITORS

Expenditures for the following programs included in the accompanying SEFA were audited by other auditors:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	93.558	\$582,024
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	129,610

Neither of these two programs were determined to be major programs in the current year.

INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS



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

Chairman and Members of the Council
St. Mary Parish
Franklin, Louisiana

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund, Road Construction & Maintenance Fund, and Sanitation Fund of the St. Mary Parish Council (Council), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022 (for the year ended June 30, 2022 for Fairview Treatment Center and Claire House) and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Council's primary government and have issued our report thereon dated July 3, 2024. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of Fairview Treatment Center and Claire House, as described in our report on the Council's financial statements. This report includes our consideration of the results of the other auditor's testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those other auditors. However, this report, insofar as it relates to the results of the other auditors, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed 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 questioned costs as items 2022-001, 2022-002, and 2022-003.

St. Mary Parish Council's Response to Findings

The Council's response to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Council's response was not subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

July 3, 2024
Morgan City, Louisiana



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

Chairman and Members of the Council
St. Mary Parish
Franklin, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited St. Mary Parish Council's (Council) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Council's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2022. The Council's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Council complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Council's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

- Obtain an understanding of the Council's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

July 3, 2024
Morgan City, Louisiana

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

1. The auditors' report expresses an unmodified opinion on the basic financial statements of the St. Mary Parish Council's primary government.
2. No material weaknesses were disclosed during the audit of the primary government financial statements that are required to be reported in the Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards.
3. Three instances of noncompliance material to the primary government financial statements of the St. Mary Parish Council were disclosed during the audit
4. No findings related to the audit of major federal award programs are reported as material weaknesses in the Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements that Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance.
5. The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the St. Mary Parish Council expresses an unmodified opinion on all major federal programs.
6. No audit findings relative to the major federal award programs for the St. Mary Parish Council are reported in Part C of this Schedule.
7. The programs tested as major programs include:

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (21.027)
8. The threshold for distinguishing types A and B programs was \$750,000.
9. St. Mary Parish Council was not determined to be a low risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

INTERNAL CONTROL FINDING

NONCOMPLIANCE

ITEM NO. 2022-001 Budget Monitoring

Auditors' Comments

Condition: During the course of the audit for the year ended December 31, 2022, it was noted that some of the Parish's individual funds needed budget amendments that were not made.

Criteria: State Statute require that budgets be amended when actual revenues are less than budgeted revenues by five percent or more or actual expenditures exceed budgeted expenditures by five percent or more. These conditions are explained in detail below.

Effect: Failure to amend budgets to recognize anticipated shortfalls in funds prevents the governmental body from effectively curtailing projects and/or services in accordance with actual available resources.

Cause: Although the cause of the above condition was not fully determined the following appears to have a significant effect. Although the Parish makes accruals for payables and receivables at year end, adjustments are not made in the interim period. When significant differences exist between payables and receivables from year to year, the amount of funds that appear to be available or costs that appear to have been incurred can be distorted. Failure to recognize the effect of these differences can lead to variances between budgeted and actual activity.

Recommendation: The Council should fine tune its ongoing budget monitoring program to periodically consider accruals for major revenues and expenditures.

A more detailed description of the conditions and criteria is presented below:

Auditors' Detailed Comments

Notification was not made and the following budgets were not amended although actual revenues were less than budgeted revenues by five percent or more:

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Claire House	\$401,986	\$579,363	\$(177,377)	30.62%
Fairview Treatment Center	899,651	1,798,944	(899,343)	49.99%
DWI Court	17,115	70,000	(52,885)	75.55%

Notification was not made and the following budgets were not amended although actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by five percent or more:

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Jail Operating & Maintenance	\$2,587,745	\$2,386,750	\$(200,995)	8.42%
Gaming Receipt Fund	121,200	96,860	(24,340)	25.13%
Juror Compensation Fund	42,470	25,000	(17,470)	69.88%
16 th JDC-St. Mary Parish Drug Court	269,413	239,978	(29,435)	12.27%
Fairview Treatment Center	1,952,412	1,796,944	(155,418)	8.65%

Management's Response:

We continually monitor budgeted and actual amounts throughout the year and during the budget amendment process we strive to project amounts as close as possible to anticipated year end results. With the lead time required for ordinance introduction and layover, as prescribed in our Parish Charter, it is sometimes difficult to anticipate revenues and expenditures through year end. We will continually monitor budget variances, especially close to year end, and recommended to the Council when variances exceed the percentages as specified in the State Statute.

ITEM NO. 2022-002 Fund Deficit

Auditors' Comments

Condition: During the course of the audit it was noted that three funds had a deficit fund balance.

Criteria: State statute prohibits expending amounts in excess of fund balance, revenues, and other financing sources.

Effect: Violation of state statute.

Cause: For the special revenue funds, the Council expended amounts in excess of fund balance, revenues, and other financing sources.

Recommendation: A detailed study should be made to develop additional or alternative funding sources or to consider reallocating existing funding.

The following fund was in violation of state statutes and had a deficit fund balance at year end:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Deficit Amount</u>
<u>Nonmajor Special Revenue Fund</u>	
Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund	\$(176,229)
Claire House	(61,203)
Fairview Treatment Center	(1,222,452)

Management's Response:

The deficit in the Fairview Treatment Center will be funded by future revenues. The fund deficit in the DWI Court fund will be funded by future revenues or transfers from the DWI patient fee fund. The deficit in the 16th JDC St. Mary Parish Drug Court Fund will be funded by future revenues or fund transfers.

ITEM NO. 2022-003 FAILURE TO FILE AUDIT REPORT ON TIME

Auditor's Comments

Condition: The Council's audit was completed and furnished to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA) within the required time frame of the approved LLA extension request. However, because the extension is a nonemergency extension a late finding is required to be reported.

Criteria: Audit reports should be filed with the Office of the Legislative Auditor no later than six months after the entity's fiscal year end.

Effect: Failure to complete and furnish the audit on time violated state statute. In addition, management should be presented with timely audited financial information so that they can better manage the Council's operation.

Cause: Due to a delay in receipt of information needed for Landfill calculations which was caused by the delay in receipt of a component unit's report. Therefore an nonemergency extension was requested and approved from the LLA.

Recommendations: Component Units should submit all reports and requested information to the lead auditor in a timely manner to avoid the late submission of the audit report in the future.

Management's Response: We will require all component units to submit reports and information needed to submit the audit report on time.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

NONE

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND RELATED CORRECTIVE
ACTION PREPARED BY MANAGEMENT OF ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Items of Noncompliance

Item No. 2021-001 Budget Monitoring

Condition: During the course of the audit for the year ended December 31, 2021, it was noted that several of the Parish's individual funds needed budget amendments that were not made.

Corrective Action: This has not been corrected.

Item No. 2021-002 Fund Deficits

Condition: During the course of the audit, it was noted that one fund had a deficit fund balance.

Corrective Action: This has not been corrected.

Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

NONE

ST. MARY PARISH GOVERNMENT

SAM JONES, PRESIDENT
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July 3, 2024

Mr. Michael Waguespack, CPA
Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana
P.O. Box 94397
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9397

Dear Mr. Waguespack:

The St. Mary Parish Government respectfully submits the following corrective action plan relative to findings in the audit for the year ended December 31, 2022:

Findings – Financial Statement Audit
Noncompliance
Item No. 2022-001 Budget Monitoring

Management's Response:

We continually monitor budgeted and actual amounts throughout the year and during the budget amendment process we strive to project amounts as close as possible to anticipated year end results. With the lead time required for ordinance introduction and layover, as prescribed in our Parish Charter, it is sometimes difficult to anticipate revenues and expenditures through year end. We will continually monitor budget variances, especially close to year end, and recommended to the Council when variances exceed the percentages as specified in the State Statute.

Item 2022-002 Fund Deficit

Management's Response:

The deficit in the Jail Operating & Maintenance Fund will be funded by future revenues and fund transfers. The fund deficits in the Fairview Treatment Center Fund and the Claire House Fund will be funded by rental income and the sale of land, buildings, and equipment to the new provider of these programs.

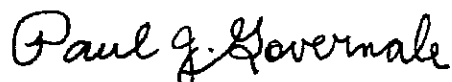
Item 2022-003 FAILURE TO FILE AUDIT REPORT ON TIME

Management's Response:

One of our component units was unable to complete their audit report on time which delayed the completion of our Reporting Entity Report. In the future, we will closely monitor our component units to insure timely submission of their audit reports.

Any questions concerning this corrective action plan should be directed to Mr. Mr. Paul J. Governale, Chief Administrative Officer.

Sincerely,



Paul J. Governale, CPA, CGFO, CGFM
Chief Administrative Officer, St. Mary Parish Government

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ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

STATE OF LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF PROCEDURES PERFORMED AND
ASSOCIATED FINDINGS BASED UPON THE
STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

December 31, 2022

WITH

AGREED UPON PROCEDURES REPORT

BY

INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Chairman and Members
Of the St. Mary Parish Council
and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated in the attached Schedule of Procedures Performed and Associated Findings Based Upon the Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (Schedule), on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA)'s Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. The St. Mary Parish Council's (Council) management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs presented in the attached Schedule.

The Council has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are included in the attached Schedule.

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

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

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

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Morgan City, Louisiana
July 3, 2024

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH OF ST. MARY STATE OF LOUISIANA Schedule of Procedures Performed and Associated Findings Based upon the Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Guide to Presentation Format

This report contains these items presented in this order:

Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (AUPS) prescribed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA),
Procedures performed by the Independent Certified Public Accountant,
Findings based upon the procedures performed, and
Management's Comments relative to the findings, if applicable.

In order to facilitate understanding this report - the procedures and findings are presented in the following format:

<u>Order of Presentation</u>	<u>Presentation Format</u>
Area or function	Centered all CAPITALS IN BOLD TYPE
Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures Prescribed (AUPS) by Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA)	Regular type highlighted with <u>numbers or letters (if there are multiple parts)</u>
Actual procedures performed by Independent Certified Public Accountant	Denoted as Procedure Performed: (in bold type) followed by procedure in regular type
Finding based upon procedure performed	Denoted as Findings: (in bold type) followed by findings in regular type
Management's response to findings	Denoted as Management's Response: (in bold type) followed by <i>managements response in italics</i>

WRITTEN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A) Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:

Budgeting

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Home Rule Charter" and read the written policies and procedures for budgeting.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Purchasing

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Ordinance No. 1297" and "Ordinance No. 1350" and read the written policies and procedures for purchasing.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Disbursements

- iii) Disbursements, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Financial Management Policies" and read the written policies and procedures for disbursements.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Receipts/Collections

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

WRITTEN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (CONTINUED)

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Financial Management Policies" and read the written policies and procedures for receipts and collections.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Payroll/Personnel

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Personnel Policy Manual" and read the written policies and procedures for payroll and personnel.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Contracting

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Financial Management Policies" and read the written policies and procedures for contracts.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Travel and Expense Reimbursement

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Personnel Policy Manual" and read the written policies and procedures for travel and expense reimbursements.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

WRITTEN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (CONTINUED)

Credit Cards

viii) Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable), including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determine the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Financial Management Policies" and read the written policies and procedures for credit cards.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above.

Ethics

ix) Ethics, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's written policies and procedures for ethics.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions listed above, with the exception of a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.

Debt Service

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's "Home Rule Charter" and read the written policies and procedures for debt service.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified functions above.

WRITTEN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (CONTINUED)

Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

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

Procedure Performed: We performed the procedures.

Findings: Discussed the findings with management.

Sexual Harassment

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management and inspected the Council's written policies and procedures for sexual harassment.

Findings: Found the Council has written policies and procedures that include the specified function listed above.

Management's response:

The Council has policies and procedures in all the areas above. However, the procedures are not in writing for Ethics, as it relates to a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy, and Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity. We plan to put these procedures in writing.

BOARD OR FINANCE COMMITTEE

2. Board or Finance Committee

A) Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:

i) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.

Procedure Performed: We obtained and read the Council's meeting minutes for the fiscal period as well as the Council's "Home Rule Charter" as it related to "Council Meetings and Rules."

Findings: Found the Council met with quorum at all twenty-four of the semimonthly meetings and one finance committee meeting.

ii) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. *Alternately, for those entities reporting on the nonprofit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.*

Procedure Performed: We obtained and read the Council's meeting minutes for the fiscal period.

Findings: Found the minutes did not reference nor include budget-to-actual comparisons on any fund.

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

Procedure Performed: We obtained and read the Council's prior audit report and observed the unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

Findings: Found that the general fund did not have a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report.

BOARD OR FINANCE COMMITTEE

- iv) Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

Procedure Performed: We obtained and read the Council's meeting minutes for the fiscal period.

Findings: Found the minutes did not reference whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit findings according to management's corrective action plan.

Management's response:

Although monthly budget-to-actual comparisons are not referenced in the minutes, periodic comparisons are reviewed during the budget and budget amendment process.

In the future, we will provide the board with written updates regarding the progress of our corrective action plan for resolving audit findings.

BANK RECONCILIATIONS

3. Bank Reconciliations

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

Procedures Performed: Obtained the listing of bank accounts from management and received management's representation that the listing is complete. Selected the Council's main operating account and randomly selected 4 additional accounts out of a total of 13 accounts. Randomly selected one month for the fiscal period and obtained and inspected the corresponding bank statements and bank reconciliations prepared for all accounts selected.

Findings:

- i) Observed there is evidence that each bank reconciliation was prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date.
- ii) Observed there is evidence that a member of management/board member who handles cash, posts ledgers, or issues checks reviewed each bank reconciliation.
- iii) Observed management does not have documentation reflecting research on reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the related closing date.

Management' response:

In the future, we will have a member of management who does not post ledgers review each bank reconciliation and have documentation reflecting research on reconciling items which have been outstanding for more than 12 months.

COLLECTIONS (EXCLUDING ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS)

4. Collections (Excluding Electronic Funds Transfers)

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained the listing of deposit sites where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete.

Findings: Found the Council has 2 deposit sites.

- B) For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (i.e., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if no written policies or procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:

- i) Employees responsible for each collection do not share cash drawers/registers.
- ii) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit.
- iii) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
- iv) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

Procedure Performed: Obtained the listing of cash/check/money order (cash) collections locations for the Council's two deposit sites and management's written representation that the listing is complete. The list contained 15 cash collection locations. We randomly selected 1 collection location for each deposit site and inquired employees about the employees' job duties.

COLLECTIONS (EXCLUDING ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS) (CONTINUED)

Findings:

- i) Employees responsible for collecting cash at both collection locations share a cash drawer/register.
- ii) At one collection location, employees responsible for collecting cash are not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits. However, at the other collection location, employees responsible for collecting cash are also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits and reconciling collection documentation.
- iii) Employees responsible for collecting cash at both collection locations are not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledgers or subsidiary ledgers.
- iv) The employee responsible for reconciling cash collection to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is not responsible for collecting cash.

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

Procedure Performed: Obtained a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash from management. Observed the bond or insurance policy was enforced during the fiscal period.

Findings: Observed the bond or insurance policy for theft that was enforced during the fiscal period covers 5 of the 24 employees who have access to cash.

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

- i) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
- ii) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
- iii) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
- iv) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
- v) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

COLLECTIONS (EXCLUDING ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS) (CONTINUED)

Procedure Performed: Randomly selected two deposit dates from the bank statements for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3A (selected the next deposit date chronologically if no deposit was made on the date randomly selected) and obtained supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits.

Findings: 4 of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3A either had only electronic fund transfer activity or did not have any activity during the fiscal period. For the remaining account:

- i) Found there are sequentially prenumbered receipts
- ii) Found sequentially prenumbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation agree to the deposit slips
- iii) Found the deposit slip totals agree to the actual deposits per the bank statement
- iv) Found that all deposits were made at the collection location within one business day of receipt
- v) Found that all the actual deposits per the bank statements were recorded in the general ledger of all accounts

Management's response:

We will ensure all employees who have access to cash are covered by a bond or insurance policy for theft.

In the future, each employee responsible for collecting cash will not be responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation.

**NON-PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS – (EXCLUDING CARD PURCHASE/PAYMENTS,
TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS, AND PETTY CASH PURCHASES)**

The Council has federal programs subject to Single Audit testing which covers this category; therefore, this area is excluded for the purposes of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Agreed-Upon Procedures.

CREDIT CARDS/DEBIT CARDS/ FUEL CARDS/PURCHASE CARDS (CARDS)

The Council has federal programs subject to Single Audit testing which covers this category; therefore, this area is excluded for the purposes of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Agreed-Upon Procedures.

**TRAVEL AND TRAVEL-RELATED EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS (EXCLUDING
CARD TRANSACTIONS)**

The Council has federal programs subject to Single Audit testing which covers this category; therefore, this area is excluded for the purposes of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Agreed-Upon Procedures.

CONTRACTS

The Council has federal programs subject to Single Audit testing which covers this category; therefore, this area is excluded for the purposes of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Agreed-Upon Procedures.

PAYROLL AND PERSONNEL

The Council has federal programs subject to Single Audit testing which covers this category; therefore, this area is excluded for the purposes of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Agreed-Upon Procedures.

ETHICS

10. Ethics

- A) Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
- i) Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
 - ii) Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

Procedure Performed: Obtained a listing of employees employed during the fiscal period and obtained management's representation that the listing is complete. We randomly selected 5 employees and obtained their ethics documentation from management. Obtained management's representation that there were no changes to the Council's ethics policy during the fiscal period.

Findings:

- a) Observed the documentation demonstrates that 4 of the 5 selected employees/officials completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year.
- b) This procedure is not applicable. There were no changes to the Council's ethics policy during the fiscal period.

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

Procedure Performed: Inquired of management and obtained management's written representation that the Council has not appointed an ethics designee.

Findings: Found that the Council has not appointed an ethics designee.

Management's response:

We will have all employees/officials complete one hour of ethics training during the calendar year and will appoint an ethics designee.

DEBT SERVICE

11. Debt Service

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

Procedure Performed: Inquired of management and obtained management's written representation that no debt was issued during the fiscal period.

Findings: Found that no debt was issued during the fiscal period.

- B) Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

Procedure Performed: Obtained from management a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period. Obtained management's written representation that the list is complete. Randomly selected one bond, inspected debt covenants, and obtained supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments.

Findings: Observed actual reserve balances and payments agree to those required by debt covenants.

Management's response:

No Comment

FRAUD NOTICE

12. Fraud Notice

- A) Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled as required by R.S. 24:523.

Procedure Performed: Inquired of management and obtained management's written representation that the Council did not have any misappropriation of public funds and assets during the fiscal period.

Findings: Found the Council did not have any misappropriation of public funds and assets during the fiscal period.

- B) Observe that the entity has posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

Procedure Performed: Observed the Council posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1

Findings: Found the Council posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1

Management's response:

No Comment

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DISASTER RECOVERY/BUSINESS CONTINUITY

13. Information Technology Disaster Recovery/ Business Continuity

- A) Perform the following procedures, **verbally discuss the results with management, and report “We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.”**
- i) Obtain and inspect the entity’s most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government’s local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
 - ii) Obtain and inspect the entity’s most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
 - iii) Obtain a listing of the entity’s computers currently in use and their related locations, and management’s representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.
- B) Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

Procedure Performed: We performed the procedures.

Findings: Verbally discussed the results with management.

PREVENTION OF SEXUAL HARRASSMENT

14. Prevention of Sexual Harassment

- A) Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.

Procedure Performed: Obtained and observed sexual harassment training documentation from management for the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #10.

Findings: Observed the documentation demonstrates 4 of the 5 selected employees/officials completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year.

- B) Observe the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

Procedure Performed: Observed the Council posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website.

Findings: Found the Council posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website.

- C) Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:

- i) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
- ii) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
- iii) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
- iv) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
- v) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint

Procedure Performed: Obtained the Council's annual sexual report for the current fiscal period.

Findings: Observed the report was dated on January 13, 2023 and includes all the applicable information requirements of R.S. 42:344, with the exception of the amount of time it took to resolve each complaint. The Council received one complaint of sexual harassment.

Management's response:

We will have all employees/officials complete at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year. We will report the amount of time it took to resolve complaints of sexual harassment in our annual report in the future.