Audit of Financial Statements

June 30, 2021



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#### Independent Auditor's Report

Judge Jerry L. Denton City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II Denham Springs, Louisiana

# **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II (the City Court), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City Court's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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# Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Other Matters**

# Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis beginning on page 5 and the net pension liability and contributions by plan information on pages 45 and 46 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 (GASB), who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City Court's basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 A(3), and the justice system funding schedules - collecting/disbursing entity (Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head and the justice system funding schedules - collecting/disbursing entity 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 has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head and the justice system funding schedules - collecting/disbursing entity are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 22, 2021 on our consideration of the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City Court's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA December 22, 2021 **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (PART I)** 

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our discussion and analysis of the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II's (the City Court) financial performance provides an overview of the City Court's financial activities for the year, which ended June 30, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the City Court's financial statements, which begin on page 10.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Assets and deferred outflows of resources of the City Court exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$116,357, an increase in net position of \$77,008. Unrestricted net position is a deficit of \$105,029.

The City Court's total program revenues were \$672,334 compared to \$646,035 in the prior year, an increase of \$26,299, or 4%.

Total expenses for the City Court during the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$595,326 compared to \$691,210 in the prior year, a decrease of \$95,884, or 14%.

# **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This report consists of a series of financial statements. The statement of net position and the statement of activities (pages 10 and 11) provide information about the City Court's activities as a whole. The governmental fund balance sheet (page 13) details the assets and liabilities of the governmental fund, while the reconciliation of the governmental fund balance sheet to the statement of net position (page 14) shows why the amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different. Pages 15 and 16 detail the revenues, expenditures. and changes in fund balance of the governmental fund, while the reconciliation (page 17) reconciles net changes in fund balance to changes in net position of the governmental activities. Page 18 reflects the differences in the final budget and actual amounts. Then, on pages 19 and 20. the fiduciary fund financial statements can be found, for which the City Court acts only as an agent or trustee for the benefit of agencies outside of the City Court. The notes to financial statements as a form of explanation follow on pages 21 through 43. The City Court Judge is an independent elected official. However, since the City Court is dependent on the City of Denham Springs to provide office space, a courtroom, and related utility costs, as well as a portion of its salaries and related employee benefit costs, the City Court is determined to be a component unit of the City of Denham Springs. The accompanying financial statements only present information on the funds maintained by the City Court.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

# REPORTING THE FUNDS MAINTAINED BY THE CITY COURT AS A WHOLE

#### The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

Our analysis of the funds maintained by the City Court as a whole begins on page 10. The statement of net position and the statement of activities report information about the funds maintained by the City Court as a whole and about its activities in a way which helps answer one of the most important questions asked about the City Court's finances, "Is the City Court, as a whole, better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting used by most private sector companies. Accrual of the current year's revenues and expenses is taken into account regardless of when the cash was received or paid.

These two statements report the City Court's net position and the changes in it. This net position, the difference between the assets and deferred outflows of resources and the liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, is one way to measure the City Court's financial position or financial health and, over time, increases or decreases in the net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

We record the funds maintained by the City Court as governmental activities in the statement of net position and the statement of activities.

All of the expenses paid from the funds maintained are reported here as governmental activities and consist primarily of salaries, fees paid, and benefits; office expenses; contract services; memberships and educational conferences; and grants. Fines and fees and operating grants and contributions from the City of Denham Springs and the Livingston Parish Council (the Parish Council) finance most of the activities of the City Court.

# REPORTING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS MAINTAINED BY THE CITY COURT

The analysis of the major fund maintained by the City Court begins on page 13 and provides detailed information about the revenues and expenditures of this most significant fund, the General Fund.

All of the City Court's expenses are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of these funds, and the balances left at year-end which are available for spending. These funds are reported using the modified accrual method, which measures cash and all other assets that could be readily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the City Court's general operations and the expenses paid from these funds. The information in the governmental funds helps determine if there are more or less financial resources to finance future City Court expenses.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

# THE CITY COURT AS A TRUSTEE

The City Court is a trustee for custodial funds for its civil division, collection of restitution funds, and criminal division. Since these funds are simply held for other parties and cannot be used for any of the City Court activities, they are not included in the government-wide financial statements, but are separately reported in the financial statements of the fiduciary funds.

# **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of an entity's financial position. The City Court's total net position changed from a year ago, increasing from \$39,349 to \$116,357. The comparative analysis is presented below.

The largest portion of the City Court's assets is in cash and cash equivalents. Because of this, the City Court is able to take advantage of new technology in an effort to provide services to the public in the most efficient and effective manner.

	2021	2020	Dollar Change	Total Percent Change
Current Assets and Investments	\$ 290,398	\$ 227,751	\$ 62,647	27.51%
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated				
Depreciation)	93,036	75,455	17,581	23.30%
Net Pension Asset	47,607	14,650.00	32,957	0.00%
Total Assets	 431,041	317,856	113,185	35.61%
Deferred Outflows - Related to Pensions	 92,152	 62,439	29,713	47.59%
Current Liabilities	41,441	26,068	15,373	58.97%
Long-Term Liabilities	292,120	276,793	15,327	5.54%
Total Liabilities	 333,561	 302,861	 30,700	10.14%
Deferred Inflows - Related to Pensions	 73,275	 38,085	35,190	92.40%
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	93,036	75,455	17,581	23.30%
Restricted Civil Fees	128,350	142,124	(13,774.00)	-9.69%
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(105,029)	(178,230)	73,201	-41.07%
Total Net Position	\$ 116,357	\$ 39,349	\$ 77,008	195.71%

# **Condensed Statements of Net Position**

The net position of the funds maintained by the City Court's governmental activities increased by \$77,008 over the prior year. Unrestricted net position, the part of net position that can be used to finance City Court expenses without constraints or other legal requirements, increased by \$73,201 from \$(178,230) at June 30, 2020 to \$(105,029) at June 30, 2021.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

	2021	2020	 Dollar Change	Total Percent Change
Revenues				
Program Revenues				
Fines and Fees, Capital Grants, Operating				
Grants, and Contributions	\$ 668,202	\$ 644,866	\$ 23,336	3.62%
Interest Income and Miscellaneous	4,132	1,169	2,963	253.46%
Total Revenues	 672,334	646,035	26,299	4.07%
Program Expenses				
General Governmental - Judicial	595,326	691,210	(95,884)	-13.87%
Total Program Expenses	 595,326	691,210	(95,884)	-13.87%
Change in Net Position	\$ 77,008	\$ (45,175)	\$ 122,183	-270.47%

# **Condensed Statements of Activities**

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, total revenues increased by \$26,299. Court costs and fees received increased by \$42,739. Expenses decreased by \$95,884, or approximately 14%.

# **GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

As explained above, overall revenues increased and expenses were down compared to the prior year. The City Court did not amend its budget for the year ended June 30, 2021.

# **CAPITAL ASSETS**

During the year ended June 30, 2021, capital assets increased by \$17,581 due to capital outlays of \$49,845 exceeding depreciation of \$32,264.

# ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The City Court's management considered many factors when setting the operating budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Budgeted revenues and expenditures are expected to be consistent with the year ended June 30, 2021.

# CONTACTING THE CITY COURT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide the citizens and taxpayers with a general overview for the funds maintained by the City Court and to show the City Court's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions or need additional financial information, contact Denham Springs City Court, Clerk of Court/Judicial Administrator's office at 116 N. Range Avenue, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Governmental Activities					
		2021		2020		
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	289,003	\$	227,656		
Receivables, Net		1,395		95		
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)		93,036		75,455		
Net Pension Asset		47,607		14,650		
Total Assets		431,041		317,856		
Deferred Outflows of Resources						
Deferred Outflows - Related to Pensions		92,152		62,439		
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		92,152		62,439		
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable		15,713		7,602		
Accrued Expenses		25,728		18,466		
Long-Term Liabilities						
Net Pension Liability		292,120		276,793		
Total Liabilities		333,561		302,861		
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Deferred Inflows - Related to Pensions		73,275		38,085		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		73,275		38,085		
Net Position						
Net Investment in Capital Assets		93,036		75,455		
Restricted Civil Fees		128,350		142,124		
Unrestricted Deficit		(105,029)		(178,230)		
Total Net Position	\$	116,357	\$	39,349		

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2021 With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Governmental Activities					
		2021		2020		
Program Expenses						
Judicial						
Salaries, Fees Paid, and Benefits	\$	421,269	\$	487,604		
Office Expenses		61,564		96,789		
Contract Services		53,881		52,522		
Depreciation		32,264		28,377		
Memberships and Educational Conferences		26,348		25,918		
Total Program Expenses		595,326		691,210		
Program Revenues						
Fines and Fees		597,318		551,579		
Capital Grants		5,751		18,172		
Operating Grants and Contributions		65,133		75,115		
Total Program Revenues		668,202		644,866		
Net Program Revenue (Expense)		72,876		(46,344)		
General Revenues						
Interest Income		300		193		
Miscellaneous		3,832		976		
Total General Revenues		4,132		1,169		
Change in Net Position		77,008		(45,175)		
Net Position, Beginning of Year		39,349		84,524		
Net Position, End of Year	\$	116,357	\$	39,349		

# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS GOVERNMENTAL FUND

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Balance Sheet Governmental Fund June 30, 2021 With Comparative Totals as of June 30, 2020

		General Fund						
	······	2021						
Assets								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	289,003	\$	227,656				
Accounts Receivable - Other		1,395		95				
Total Assets	\$	290,398	\$	227,751				
Liabilities and Fund Balance								
Liabilities								
Accounts Payable	\$	15,713	\$	7,602				
Accrued Expenses		25,397		18,135				
Total Liabilities		41,110		25,737				
Fund Balance								
Restricted Civil Fees		128,350		142,124				
Unassigned		120,938		59,890				
Total Fund Balance		249,288		202,014				
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	290,398	\$	227,751				

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2021 With Comparative Totals as of June 30, 2020

	2021	2020
Fund Balance - Total Governmental Fund	\$ 249,288	\$ 202,014
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:		
Governmental Capital Assets Less: Accumulated Depreciation	198,817 (105,781)	148,972 (73,517)
Net Pension Asset	47,607	14,650
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:		
Compensated Absences Net Pension Liability	(331) (292,120)	(331) (276,793)
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in governmental funds.	92,152	62,439
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in governmental funds.	 (73,275)	(38,085)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 116,357	\$ 39,349

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2021 With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Total General Fund			
		2021		2020
Revenues				
Charges for Services				
Court Costs	\$	464,398	\$	291,509
Civil Fees		129,707		209,082
Probation and Continuance Fees		250		48,513
Drivers' License Reinstatement Fees		2,963		2,475
Intergovernmental Revenues				
On-Behalf Payments		23,382		25,431
Grant		5,751		18,172
Primary Government - City of Denham Springs		38,940		46,860
Interest Income		300		193
Miscellaneous		3,832		976
Total Revenues		669,523		643,211
Expenditures				
Judicial				
Salaries, Fees Paid, and Benefits				
Salaries		256,900		303,426
Civil Fees Paid		72,956		72,890
Retirement Expense		52,976		49,178
Employee Group Insurance		30,520		36,144
Payroll Tax Expense		17,259		20,086
Office Expenses				
Office Supplies and Printed Forms		38,366		79,200
Telephone		10,150		9,190
Bank Fees		8,564		4,891
Insurance		3,906		1,927
Miscellaneous		578		1,581

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Fund (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2021 With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Total General Fund				
	2021	2020			
Expenditures (Continued)					
Contract Services					
Professional Fees	35,543	19,224			
Maintenance Agreement	6,834	18,730			
Court Reporter	5,693	_			
Security (Denham Springs Marshal)	-	12,028			
File Storage	2,900	1,740			
Maintenance and Repair	2,911	800			
Memberships and Educational Conferences					
Membership Dues and Subscriptions	20,127	25,668			
Educational Conferences and Seminars	6,221	250			
Capital Outlay	49,845	2,900			
Total Expenditures	622,249	659,853			
Net Change in Fund Balance	47,274	(16,642)			
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	202,014	218,656			
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 249,288	\$ 202,014			

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Fund to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2021 With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	2021	2020
Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Fund	\$ 47,274	\$ (16,642)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeded depreciation/depreciation exceeded capital outlay, respectively.	17,581	(25,477)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds:		
Pension Expense	 12,153	(3,056)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 77,008	\$ (45,175)

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual - Governmental Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Budgetary Amounts				Actual -		Variance with Final Budget	
-	Budgeta Original	-	<u>y Amounts</u> Final		Budgetary Basis		Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues	Unginal		1 11101		Dasis	(UIII	av olabiej	
Charges for Services								
Court Costs	\$ 350,000	\$	250.000	\$	464 309	\$	114 209	
	- /		350,000	Ş	464,398	Þ	114,398	
Civil Fees	100,000		100,000		129,707		29,707	
Probation and Continuance Fees	73,813		73,813		250		(73,563)	
Drivers' License Reinstatement Fees	3,000		3,000		2,963		(37)	
Intergovernmental Revenues								
On-Behalf Payments	46,860		46,860		23,382		(23,478)	
Grants	-		-		5,751		5,751	
Primary Government - City of Denham Spring:	29,323		29,323		38,940		9,617	
Interest Income	3,123		3,123		300		(2,823)	
Miscellaneous	381		381		3,832		3,451	
Total Revenues	606,500		606,500		669,523		63,023	
Expenditures								
Judicial								
Salaries, Fees Paid, and Benefits								
Salaries	300,000		300,000		256,900		43,100	
Civil Fees Paid	70,350		70,350		72,956		(2,606)	
Retirement Expense	53,000		53,000		52,976		24	
Employee Group Insurance	51,000		51,000		30,520		20,480	
Payroll Tax Expense	25,000		25,000		17,259		7,741	
Office Expenses	20,000		20,000		11,200		7,741	
Office Supplies and Printed Forms	30,222		30,222		38,366		(8,144)	
Telephone	14,000		14,000		10,150		3,850	
Bank Fees	14,000				8,564			
	-		-		-		(8,564)	
Insurance	1,300		1,300		3,906		(2,606)	
Miscellaneous	1,475		1,475		578		897	
Uniforms	1,000		1,000		-		1,000	
Contract Services	10.000							
Professional Fees	13,628		13,628		35,543		(21,915)	
Maintenance Agreement	31,000		31,000		6,834		24,166	
Court Reporter	-		-		5,693		(5,693)	
File Storage	-		-		2,900		(2,900)	
Maintenance and Repair	3,525		3,525		2,911		614	
Memberships and Educational Conferences								
Membership Dues and Subscriptions	11,000		11,000		20,127		(9,127)	
Educational Conferences and Seminars	-		-		6,221		(6,221)	
Capital Outlay	-		-		49,845		(49,845)	
Total Expenditures	606,500		606,500		622,249		(15,749)	
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$-	\$			47,274	\$	47,274	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year					202,014			
Fund Balance, End of Year				\$	249,288			

	Custodial Funds	
Assets		
Cash	\$ 391,755	3
Total Assets	\$ 391,75	3
Liabilities		
Due to Others	\$ 391,753	3
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 391,753</u>	3

# CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Statement of Changes in Due to Others Fiduciary Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Custodial Funds						
	Civil		Criminal	B	Judicial	т.	.41
		Docket	Docket	Restitution	College	10	otal
Additions						• • •	
Fines and Bonds Collected	\$	408,707	\$ 1,237,610	\$ -	\$ 2,073	\$ 1,6	48,390
Restitution Received		-	-	4,547	-		4,547
Interest Income		139	-	1	-		140
Total Additions		408,846	1,237,610	4,548	2,073	1,6	53,077
Deductions							
Fines Disbursed to City of							
Denham Springs - General		_	326,601	-	-	3	26,601
Fines Disbursed to Parish							,
Council - General		-	2,061	-	-		2,061
Fines Disbursed to Louisiana			2,001				2,001
Supreme Court		_	_	_	2,073		2,073
General Fund Court Costs		_	401,004		2,010	1	01,004
Public Service Court Costs		-	829	-	-	7	829
Witness Fee Court Costs		-	5,954	-	-		5,954
Marshal's Office Court Costs		-		-	-	1	
		-	192,125	-	-	1	92,125
District Attorney Fees		-	239	-	-		239
Bonds and Fines Refunded		12,976	4,980	-	-		17,956
Law Enforcement Training		-	628	-	-		628
Miscellaneous		3,161	2,841	-	-		6,002
Bank Service Charge		-	10,037	-	-		10,037
Collection Fee		-	32,479	-	-		32,479
Judicial College		708	1,247	-	-		1,955
Indigent Defenders' Board		-	105,535	-	-	1	05,535
Marshal's Fees		91,390	-	-	-		91,390
Recording Fees		69,375	-	-	-		69,375
Restitution Paid to Victims		-	-	1,568	-		1,568
Building and Technology Fund		16,620	32,148	2,933	-		51,701
Serving Citations		20,371	-	-	-		20,371
Judge's Supplemental							,
Compensation Fund		34,844	-	-	-		34,844
Excess Civil Fees Transfers to							,
General Fund		110,005	-	-	-	1	10,005
Juvenile Justice Committee		-	13,177	-	-		13,177
Trial Court Case Management			10,111				10,111
Information System			7,892				7,892
Louisiana Traumatic Head and		-	1,002	-	-		1,002
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Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund		-	2,600	-	-		2,600
Baton Rouge Crime Stoppers Sex Registry		-	5,456 6,844	-	-		5,456 6,844
Cox Hogicaly			0,011				0,011
Total Deductions		359,450	1,154,677	4,501	2073	1,5	20,701
Net Additions/Deductions		49,396	82,933	47	-	1	32,376
Due to Others, Beginning of Year		252,445	5,797	1,092	43	2	59,377
Due to Others, End of Year	\$	301,841	\$ 88,730	\$ 1,139	\$ 43	\$3	91,753

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II (the City Court), Parish of Livingston, Louisiana, was established in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 13:1872 A(1) by resolution of the Denham Springs Mayor and Council on June 24, 1968. The City Court collects fines on behalf of Ward II in Livingston Parish, which includes the City of Denham Springs and a portion of Livingston Parish, and remits these fines to the same, after deducting court costs for operation of the City Court and Marshal's offices.

# Financial Reporting Entity

For reporting purposes, the City of Denham Springs, Louisiana (the City), serves as the financial reporting entity for both the municipality and for the Ward II Court System. The financial reporting entity consists of (1) the primary government (all funds under the auspices of the Mayor and Council of the City of Denham Springs), (2) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (3) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the City of Denham Springs for financial reporting purposes. The basic criteria are as follows:

- 1. Legal status of the potential component unit, and
- 2. Financial accountability, and
  - a. The primary government appoints a voting majority of the potential component unit's governing body and the primary government is able to impose its will on the potential component unit (or)
  - b. When a potential component unit is fiscally dependent on the primary government regardless of whether the organization has separately elected officials or boards.
- 3. Financial benefits/burden relationship between the primary government and the potential component unit, and
- Misleading to exclude which covers other potential component units for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

# **Financial Reporting Entity (Continued)**

Based on the previous criteria, the City's management has included the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II as a component unit of the City of Denham Springs. Since the Judge of the City Court is an elected official and has certain statutorily defined sources of funds for his own operating and/or capital budget discretion, the funds of the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II are included as a discretely presented component unit in the City of Denham Springs government-wide financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2021.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The City Court's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the City Court as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the City Court's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. There were no activities of the City Court categorized as a business-type activity.

In the government-wide statement of net position, the governmental activity column (a) is presented on a consolidated basis by column, and (b) is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis.

The government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of the City Court's function. The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues and operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants, while capital grants reflect capital-specific grants.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (interest and investment earnings, etc.).

The City Court does not allocate indirect costs.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the City Court as an entity and the change in the City Court's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## **Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

## Government-Wide Financial Statements (Continued)

The financial transactions of the City Court 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 comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The City Court uses the following fund types:

#### Governmental Funds

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund financial statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental fund of the City Court:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City Court. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### Fiduciary Funds

Custodial Funds - Custodial funds are used to account for assets held by the City Court in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. They are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Custodial Funds consist of the Civil Docket, Criminal Docket, Restitution, and Judicial College Funds. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used to address activities of the City Court, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide financial statements.

#### **Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### Accrual Basis

The governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and the fiduciary funds financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

# Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus (Continued) Accrual Basis (Continued)

Revenues of the City Court consist principally of interest income and fines and fees for services relating to court filings. Interest income is recorded when earned. Fines and fees for services are recorded when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received.

#### **Modified Accrual Basis**

The governmental fund financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. 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 that the amount of the transaction can be determined, and available means that the amount of the transaction is collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The City Court considers all revenues available if they are collected within sixty days of fiscal year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Depreciation is not recognized in the governmental fund financial statements.

#### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are reported in the government-wide financial statements at historical cost. Additions, improvements, or other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Computer Equipment and Software	5 Years
Office Furniture and Equipment	5 to 10 Years
Office Improvements	20 Years

# **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

The proposed budget for the General Fund of the City Court was prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting by the Clerk of the City Court.

#### Accumulated Unpaid Vacation and Sick Pay

Employees employed by the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II earn 10 days of vacation leave each year. Vacation days must be used by December 31<sup>st</sup>; no carryover of vacation days is allowed. The City Court's employees earn 10 days of sick leave each year. Sick time is not to be carried over; it must all be used by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Estimates

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

# **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

The statement of financial position will often report a separate section for deferred outflows and/or inflows of financial resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of a net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until that time.

All of the City Court's deferred outflows and inflows of resources on the statement of net position are related to pensions. See Note 6.

## Pensions

The City Court is a participating employer in two cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plans as described in Note 6. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of each of the plans and additions to/deductions from the plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

# **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any debt proceeds used for the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets. At June 30, 2021, the City Court had no outstanding debt.

#### Fund Balance

The City Court has adopted GASB Statement No. 54 which redefined how fund balances are presented in fund financial statements. In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

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

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Fund Balance (Continued)

*Restricted* - Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of state or federal laws, or externally-imposed conditions by grantors or creditors.

*Committed* - Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the City Court. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the City Court removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action that was employed when the funds were initially committed.

Assigned - Amounts that are designated as committed by the City Court but are not spendable until a budget ordinance is passed.

*Unassigned* - All amounts not included in other spendable classifications. The City Court has not adopted a policy to maintain the General Fund's unassigned balance above a certain minimum level.

The details of the fund balances are included in the balance sheet --governmental fund (page 13). As noted above, restricted funds are used first as appropriate. Assigned funds are reduced to the extent that expenditure authority has been budgeted by the City Court or the assignment has been changed by the City Court. Decreases to fund balance first reduce unassigned fund balance; in the event that unassigned becomes zero, then assigned and committed fund balances are used in that order.

#### **Summary Financial Information for 2020**

The financial statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total. Such information does not include sufficient details to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the City Court's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2020, from which the summarized information was derived.

### **Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

The GASB issued Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. The objective of GASB 84 is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. The adoption of the guidance did not have a material impact on the City Court's financial statements.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## **New Upcoming Accounting Pronouncements**

The GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The objective of GASB 87 is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. 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. In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, postponing the effective date of GASB 87 to reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

The GASB issued Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period.* The objectives of GASB 89 are to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period and to simplify accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. This Statement establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, postponing the effective date of GASB 89 to reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2020.

The GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. The Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements for government end users. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022.

The GASB issued Statement No. 97, *Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans.* The Statement amends Questions 4.3 and 4.5 of Implementation Guide 201-2. The requirements of this Statement related to the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 plans are effective June 15, 2021.

# Note 2. Interest Earned

The Civil and Criminal Dockets and the Restitution Fund have placed funds in interestbearing accounts. Since the Dockets operate in a fiduciary capacity and are not required to pay interest on bonds paid in advance of trial, interest income is transferred to the General Fund and used for operations of the City Court.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 3. Deposits and Investments

For reporting purposes, cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts. Under state law, the City Court may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

Under state law, the City Court may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the City Court's cash and cash equivalents totaled \$680,756, and the bank balances were \$708,515. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. The following is a summary of cash and cash equivalents and investments at June 30, 2021:

		Deposits in Bank Accounts						
Go		ernmental Fund	-	Custodial Funds Total		Total		
Book Balances	\$	289,003	\$	391,753	\$	680,756		
Bank Balances	\$	297,127	\$	411,388	\$	708,515		

#### **Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits**

In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the City Court's deposits may not be recovered. To mitigate this risk, state law requires these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) to be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent bank. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. The pledged securities are deemed by Louisiana State Law to be under the control and possession and in the name of the City Court regardless of their designation by the financial institution in which they are deposited. As of June 30, 2021, \$90,248 of the City Court's bank balance of \$708,515 was exposed to custodial credit risk. However, these deposits were secured from risk by the pledge of securities owned by the banks.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 4. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 was as follows:

Governmental Activities	Beginning Balance		Increases		Decreases		Ending Balance	
Capital Assets Being Depreciated	Dalance		110	mereases		Decleases		Jaiance
	~	44.040	•		•		•	44.040
Furniture and Fixtures	\$	14,916	\$	-	\$	-	\$	14,916
Software		73,200		49,845		-		123,045
Computer Equipment		60,856		-		-		60,856
Total Capital Assets Being								
Depreciated		148,972		49,845		-		198,817
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:								
Furniture and Fixtures		9,319		2,983		-		12,302
Software		26,566		17,383		-		43,949
Computer Equipment		37,632		11,898		-		49,530
Total Accumulated Depreciation		73,517		32,264		-		105,781
Capital Assets, Net	\$	75,455	\$	17,581	\$	-	\$	93,036

Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$32,264.

## Note 5. Postretirement Health Care and Life Insurance Benefits

At June 30, 2021, the City Court had no postretirement health care and life insurance benefit plan in existence.

# Note 6. Pension Plans

The City Court follows the requirements of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment to GASB 68, for pension plans. These standards revised and established new financial reporting requirements for governments that provide their employees with pension benefits.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

These standards require the City Court to record its proportionate share of each of the pension plans' net pension liability and report the following disclosures:

# **General Information about the Pension Plans**

#### Plan Descriptions

#### Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

Employees of the City Court may elect to be members of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - Plan B, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Board of Trustees of Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana. PERS was established and provided for by R.S. 11:190. PERS - Plan B was designed for those employers that contribute to Social Security. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.persla.org.

#### Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System

The Judge is a member of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS). LASERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Board of Trustees of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System. R.S. 11:401 grants to LASERS' Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. LASERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

#### Benefits Provided

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

#### Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

1. Retirement

All permanent parish government employees (except those employed by Orleans, Lafourche, and East Baton Rouge Parishes) who work at least 28 hours a week shall become members on the date of employment. New employees meeting the age and Social Security criteria have up to 90 days from the date of hire to elect to participate. As of January 1997, elected officials, except coroners, justices of the peace, and parish presidents may no longer join the System.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

# Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

# General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)

Benefits Provided (Continued) Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Continued)

# 1. Retirement (Continued)

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

For employees hired prior to January 1, 2007: Age 55 with thirty (30) years of creditable service Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service Age 65 with a minimum of seven (7) years of creditable service

For employees hired after January 1, 2007: Age 55 with thirty (30) years of creditable service Age 62 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service Age 67 with a minimum of seven (7) years of creditable service

Generally, the monthly amount of the retirement allowance for any member of Plan B shall consist of an amount equal to two percent of the members' final average compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions, as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

2. Survivor Benefits

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

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

3. Deferred Retirement Option Plan

Act 338 of 1990 established the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for the retirement system. DROP is an option for that member who is eligible for normal retirement. In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, any member of Plan A or B who is eligible to retire may elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan in which they are enrolled for three years and defer the receipt of benefits.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

# Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

# **General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)**

Benefits Provided (Continued) Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Continued)

3. Deferred Retirement Option Plan (Continued)

During participation in the DROP, employer contributions are payable, but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP Fund. Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the specified period of participation, a participant in the DROP may receive, at his option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account, a true annuity based upon his account balance in that fund, or roll over the fund to an Individual Retirement Account. Interest is accrued on the DROP benefits for the period between the end of DROP participation and the member's retirement date. For individuals who become eligible to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan on or after January 1, 2004, all amounts which remain credited to the individual's subaccount after termination in the plan will be placed in liquid asset money market investments at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. These subaccounts may be credited with interest based on money market rates of return or, at the option of the System, the funds may be credited to self-directed subaccounts. The participant in the self-directed portion of this plan must agree that the benefits payable to the participant are not the obligations of the State or the System, and that any returns and other rights of the plan are the sole liability and responsibility of the participant and the designated provider to which contributions have been made.

4. Disability Benefits

For Plan B, a member shall be eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if he/she was hired prior to January 1, 2007, and has at least five years of creditable service or, if hired after January 1, 2007, has seven years of creditable service, and is not eligible for normal retirement, and has been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. Upon retirement caused by disability, a member of Plan B shall be paid a disability benefit equal to the lesser of an amount equal to two percent of the member's final average compensation multiplied by his years of service, not to be less than fifteen, or an amount equal to what the member's normal benefit would be based on the member's current final compensation but assuming the member remained in continuous service until his earliest normal retirement age.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

# Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

# General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)

Benefits Provided (Continued) Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Continued)

#### 5. 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 65 equal to 2% of the member's benefit paid on October 1, 1977 (or the member's retirement date, if later). Also, the Board may provide a cost-of-living increase up to 2.5% for retirees 62 and older (R.S. 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.

# Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System

1. Retirement

The age and years of creditable service required in order for a member to retire with full benefits are established by statute, and vary depending on the member's hire date, employer, and job classification. The majority of LASERS' rank-and-file members may either retire with full benefits at any age upon completing 30 years of creditable service or at age 60 upon completing 5 to 10 years of creditable service depending on their plan. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 years of service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit. The basic annual retirement benefit for members is equal to 2.5% to 3.5% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service.

Average compensation is defined as the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment for members employed prior to July 1, 2006. For members hired July 1, 2006 or later, average compensation is based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. The maximum annual retirement benefit cannot exceed the lesser of 100% of average compensation or a certain specified dollar amount of actuarially determined monetary limits, which vary depending upon the member's age at retirement. Judges, court officers, and certain elected officials receive an additional annual retirement benefit equal to 1% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service in their respective capacity.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

#### General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)

Benefits Provided (Continued) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

#### 1. Retirement (Continued)

As an alternative to the basic retirement benefits, members may elect to receive their retirement benefits under any one of six different options providing for reduced retirement benefits payable throughout their life, with certain benefits being paid to their designated beneficiary after their death.

Act 992 of the 2010 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session changed the benefit structure for LASERS members hired on or after January 1, 2011. This resulted in three new plans: regular, hazardous duty, and judges. The new regular plan includes regular members and those members who were formerly eligible to participate in specialty plans, excluding hazardous duty and judges. Regular members and judges are eligible to retire at age 60 after 5 years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Hazardous duty members are eligible to retire with 12 years of creditable service at age 55, 25 years of creditable service at any age, or with a reduced benefit after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment for all three new plans. Members in the regular plan will receive a 2.5% accrual rate, hazardous duty plan a 3.33% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate. The extra 1% accrual rate for each year of service for court officers, the governor, lieutenant governor, legislators, House clerk, sergeants at arms, or Senate secretary, employed after January 1, 2011, was eliminated by Act 992. Specialty plan and regular members, hired prior to January 1, 2011, who are hazardous duty employees have the option to transition to the new hazardous duty plan.

A member leaving employment before attaining minimum retirement age, but after completing certain minimum service requirements, becomes eligible for a benefit provided the member lives to the minimum service retirement age, and does not withdraw their accumulated contributions. The minimum service requirement for benefits varies depending upon the member's employer and service classification but generally is 10 years of service.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

#### General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)

Benefits Provided (Continued) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

#### 2. Deferred Retirement Benefits

The State Legislature authorized LASERS to establish a Deferred Retirement Option Plan. When a member enters DROP, their status changes from active member to retiree even though they continue to work and draw their salary for a period of up The election is irrevocable once participation begins. During to three years. DROP participation, accumulated retirement benefits that would have been paid to each retiree are separately tracked. For members who entered DROP prior to January 1, 2004, interest at a rate of one-half percent less than the System's realized return on its portfolio (not to be less than zero) will be credited to the retiree after participation ends. At that time, the member must choose among available alternatives for the distribution of benefits that have accumulated in the DROP account. Members who enter DROP on or after January 1, 2004 are required to participate in LASERS Self-Directed Plan (SDP) which is administered by a third-party provider. The SDP allows DROP participants to choose from a menu of investment options for the allocation of their DROP balances. Participants may diversify their investments by choosing from an approved list of mutual funds with different holdings, management styles, and risk factors.

Members eligible to retire and who do not choose to participate in DROP may elect to receive at the time of retirement an initial benefit option (IBO) in an amount up to 36 months of benefits, with an actuarial reduction of their future benefits. For members who selected the IBO option prior to January 1, 2004, such amount may be withdrawn or remain in the IBO account earning interest at a rate of one-half percent less than the System's realized return on its portfolio (not to be less than zero). Those members who select the IBO on or after January 1, 2004 are required to enter the SDP as described above.

#### 3. Disability Benefits

All members with 10 or more years of credited service who become disabled may receive a maximum disability retirement benefit equivalent to the regular retirement formula without reduction by reason of age. Upon reaching age 60, the disability retiree may receive a regular retirement benefit by making application to the Board of Trustees. For injuries sustained in the line of duty, hazardous duty personnel in the Hazardous Duty Services Plan will receive a disability benefit equal to 75% of final average compensation.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

#### General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)

Benefits Provided (Continued) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

#### 4. Survivor's Benefits

Certain eligible surviving dependents receive benefits based on the deceased member's compensation and their relationship to the deceased. The deceased member who was in state service at the time of death must have a minimum of 5 years of service credit, at least 2 of which were earned immediately prior to death, or who had a minimum of 20 years of service credit regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor or handicapped child. Benefits are payable to an unmarried child until age 18, or age 23 if the child remains a full-time student. The aforementioned minimum service credit requirement is 10 years for a surviving spouse with no minor children, and benefits are to be paid for life to the spouse or qualified handicapped child.

#### 5. Permanent Benefit Increases/Cost-of-Living Adjustments

As fully described in Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, the System allows for the payment of permanent benefit increases, also known as cost-of-living adjustments (COLA), that are funded through investment earnings when recommended by the Board of Trustees and approved by the State Legislature.

#### Contributions

#### Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

According to state statute, contributions for all employers are actuarially determined each year. The City Court's required contribution rate for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 was 7.5%. Employees were required to contribute 3% of their annual salary for both periods. Contributions to PERS from the City Court were \$23,382 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

According to state statute, PERS also receives one-fourth of one percent of ad valorem taxes collected within the respective parishes, except for Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes. PERS 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. The amount of non-employer contributions recognized as revenue in the government-wide statement of activities was \$2,811 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

#### **General Information about the Pension Plans (Continued)**

#### Contributions (Continued)

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (Continued)

Contribution requirements of active employees are governed by R.S. 11:401 and may be amended by the Louisiana Legislature. Employee and employer contributions are deducted from a member's salary and remitted to LASERS by participating employers. The City Court's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2021 was 42.50% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the City Court were \$39,420 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

At June 30, 2021, the City Court reported a net pension asset of \$47,607 for its proportionate share of PERS and a net pension liability of \$292,120 for its proportionate share of LASERS. For PERS, the net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2020 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. For LASERS, the net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City Court's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the City Court's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2020, the City Court's proportion measured as of December 31, 2019. At June 30, 2020, the City Court's proportion was .00353% for LASERS, which was a decrease of .00029% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the City Court recognized pension expense of \$5,091 for PERS and pension expense of \$37,638 for LASERS.

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

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

At June 30, 2021, the City Court reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred Outflows of Resources		PERS	L	ASERS	Total			
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	3,020	\$	-	\$	3,020		
Changes in Assumptions		8,153		935		9,088		
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings								
on Pension Plan Investments		-		42,702		42,702		
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Employer								
Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions		320		-		320		
City Court Contributions Subsequent to the								
Measurement Date		5,929		31,093		37,022		
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Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	17,422	\$	74,730	\$	92,152		
Deferred Inflows of Resources		PERS	L	ASERS		Total		
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	1,366	\$	2,805	\$	4,171		
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings								
on Pension Plan Investments		56,264		-		56,264		
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Employer								
Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions		1,124		11,716		12,840		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	58,754	\$	14,521	\$	73,275		

In the year ending June 30, 2021, \$37,022 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the City Court's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability. 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 June 30,	PERS	L	ASERS	Total
2022	\$ (4,075)	\$	599	\$ (3,476)
2023	(19,383)		13,196	(6,187)
2024	 (23,803)		15,321	 (8,482)
Total	\$ (47,261)	\$	29,116	\$ (18,145)

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

#### Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued) *Actuarial Assumptions*

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of December 31, 2020 for PERS and as of June 30, 2020 for LASERS is as follows:

Assumptions	PERS	LASERS
Inflation	2.40%	2.50%
Salary Increases	4.25% including inflation	Salary increases based on 2014-2018 experience study
Investment Rate of Return	6.40% (net of investment expense)	7.55%

For PERS, mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Healthy Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP-2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. Mortality rates for employees were based on the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using the MP-2018 scale. Mortality rates for disabled annuitants were based on the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP-2018 scale.

For LASERS, mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Mortality Table with mortality improvement projected using the MP-2018 Mortality Improvement Scale, applied on a fully generational basis. For disabled members, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table with no projection for mortality improvement.

For PERS and LASERS, cost-of-living adjustments, the present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the Systems and includes previously granted cost-of-living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Boards of Trustees.

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

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

For PERS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the CAPM pricing model (topdown), 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 2.00% 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, 2020.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the PERS target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
Fixed Income	33%	0.86%
Equity	51%	3.36%
Alternatives	14%	0.67%
Real Assets	2%	0.11%
	100%	5.00%
Inflation		2.00%
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return		7.00%

For LASERS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification.

#### Note 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

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

#### Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)

The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the LASERS target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
Cash	-0.59%
Domestic Equity	4.79%
International Equity	5.83%
Domestic Fixed Income	1.75%
International Fixed Income	3.98%
Alternative Instruments	6.69%
Global Asset Allocation	4.20%
Total	5.81%

#### Discount Rate

For PERS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.4% which was a decrease of .10% from the prior measurement date of December 31, 2019. For LASERS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.55% which was a decrease of .05% from the prior measurement date of June 30, 2019. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions from participating employers and non-employer contributing entities will be made at actuarially determined 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 pension plans' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive 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 6. Pension Plans (Continued)

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

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

The following presents the City Court's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current discount rate, as well as what the City Court's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate as of December 31, 2020 for PERS and as of June 30, 2020 for LASERS:

		Current									
	1%	Decrease	Dise	count Rate	1% Increas						
PERS - Plan B	B	(5.40%) (6.40%)			(5.40%)			(7.40%)			
City Court's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	44,506	\$	(47,607)	\$	(124,580)					
	40/	D	1% Increase								
LASERS		Decrease (6.55%)	count Rate (7.55%)		(8.55%)						
City Court's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	358,970	\$	292,120	\$	235,390					

#### Pension Plans Fiduciary Net Position

PERS 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.

Detailed information about LASERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued LASERS 2020 Annual Financial Report at www.lasersonline.org or on the Office of Louisiana Legislative Auditor's official website: www.lla.state.la.us.

#### **Payables to the Pension Plans**

At June 30, 2021, included in liabilities is a payable in the amount of \$3,965 to PERS and a payable in the amount of \$2,851 to LASERS. These payables are for normal legally required contributions to the pension plans.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 7. On-Behalf Payments for Salaries and Benefits

The City Court follows GASB Statement No. 24, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Grants and Other Financial Assistance*. This standard requires the City Court to report in the financial statements on-behalf salary and fringe benefit payments made by the Livingston Parish Council (the Parish Council) to the City Court's employees.

Supplementary salary payments are made by the Parish Council directly to the City Court's employees. The City Court is not legally responsible for these salary supplements. Therefore, the basis for recognizing the revenue and expenditure payments is the actual contributions made by the Parish Council. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the Parish Council made supplementary salary and benefit payments of \$23,382 to the City Court's employees.

As an elected official, the Judge statutorily receives a portion of his compensation directly from the City of Denham Springs, the Livingston Parish Council, and the State of Louisiana. As the Judge considers himself to be employed by the State of Louisiana, his compensation is not reflected in these financial statements.

#### Note 8. Risk Management

The City Court is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The City Court has obtained general liability insurance, as well as professional liability insurance for its staff.

#### Note 9. Contingency

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern", and on March 10, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. Actions taken around the world to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus include restrictions on travel, quarantines in certain areas, and forced closures for certain types of public places and businesses. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate it have had, and are expected to continue to have, an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries, including the geographical area in which the City Court operates. It is unknown how long these conditions will last and what the complete financial effect will be to the City Court.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (PART II)** 

#### CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability by Plan For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

PERS*		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016
City Court's Portion of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	C	).185439%	(	0.202493%	C	).193381%	C	).279627%	C	0.293920%	C	.294650%
City Court's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	\$	(47,607)	\$	(14,650)	\$	52,245	\$	(35,183)	\$	38,182	\$	52,461
City Court's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	187,245	\$	224,997	\$	176,875	\$	195,825	\$	292,795	\$	283,195
City Court's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered- Employee Payroll Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		-25.42% 106.75%		-6.51% 102.04%		29.54% 91.93%		-17.97% 101.97%		13.04% 95.50%		18.52% 93.48%
LASERS*		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016
City Court's Portion of the Net Pension Liability	C	0.003530%	(	0.003820%	C	0.003810%	C	0.003820%	0	0.003760%	C	.003480%
City Court's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	292,120	\$	276,793	\$	259,839	\$	268,883	\$	295,256	\$	236,827
City Court's Covered Payroll	\$	73,000	\$	70,008	\$	69,600	\$	68,000	\$	66,600	\$	64,800
City Court's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		400.16%		379.17%		373.33%		386.33%		443.33%		365.47%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		58.00%		62.90%		64.30%		62.54%		57.73%		62.66%

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

\* For PERS, the amounts presented were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. For LASERS, the amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year-end.

#### CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Schedule of Contributions by Plan For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

PERS	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 13,362	\$ 17,008	\$ 16,725	\$ 14,676	\$ 20,871	\$ 25,258
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 (13,362)	(17,008)	(16,725)	(14,676)	 (20,871)	 (25,258)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
City Court's Covered Payroll	\$ 154,782	\$ 226,773	\$ 223,000	\$ 188,654	\$ 260,877	\$ 297,295
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	8.63%	7.50%	7.50%	7.78%	8.00%	8.50%
LASERS	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 31,093	\$ 30,698	\$ 28,035	\$ 27,909	\$ 25,840	\$ 25,375
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 (31,093)	(30,698)	(28,035)	(27,909)	(25,840)	(25,375)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ _	\$ -	\$ -	\$ _	\$ -
City Court's Covered Payroll	\$ 73,160	\$ 73,000	\$ 70,008	\$ 69,600	\$ 68,000	\$ 66,600
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	42.50%	42.05%	40.10%	40.10%	38.00%	38.10%

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

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## Agency Head

Honorable Jerry L. Denton, Judge

Purpose	Amount Paid by the Court
Salary	\$72,956
Benefits - Insurance	\$0
Benefits - Retirement	\$31,093
Benefits - Other	\$0
Car Allowance	\$0
Membership Dues	\$0
Per Diem	\$0
Reimbursements	\$0
Travel	\$0
Registration Fees	\$0
Conference Travel	\$0
Continuing Professional Education Fees	\$0
Housing	\$0
Unvouchered Expenses	\$0
Special Meals	\$0

Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session Civil Docket Cash Basis Presentation For the Six-Month Periods Ended December 31, 2020 and June 30, 2021

	First Six- Month Period Ended 12/31/2020	Second Six- Month Period Ended 6/30/2021
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected	\$ 252,445	\$ 263,153
Add: Collections		
Civil Fees	176,779	231,130
Interest and Other	123	989
Subtotal Collections	176,902	232,119
Less: Disbursements to Governments and Nonprofits:		
Louisiana State Treasurer - Supplemental Compensation	13,614	20,150
Denham Springs Marshal - Ward II - Civil Fees	44,299	47,091
Louisiana Secretary of State - Civil Fees	3,066	-
Acadia Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	89	53
Ascension Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	813	401
Avoyelles Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	50
Caddo Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	103
Calcasieu Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	177
East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	3,668	4,919
East Feliciana Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	86	106
Iberville Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	113	45
Jefferson Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	150	120
Lafayette Parish Sheriff- Civil Fees	96	86
Livingston Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	2,692	3,274
Orleans Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	90	270
Plaquemines Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	30	-
Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	137	72
Rapides Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	35	56
St. Charles Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	76	-
St. Helena Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	308	131
St. James Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	41	25
St. Landry Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	11
St. Martin Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	96
St. Tammany Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	198	191
Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	517	363
Vermillion Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	6
Washington Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	47
Webster Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	-	60
West Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	168	322
West Feliciana Parish Sheriff - Civil Fees	80	-

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#### CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session Civil Docket (Continued) Cash Basis Presentation For the Six-Month Periods Ended December 31, 2020 and June 30, 2021

	Mo	irst Six- nth Period Ended 2/31/2020	Мо	cond Six- 1th Period Ended /30/2021
Less: Other Costs of Collection		461		888
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency City Court of Denham Springs - Ward 1 - Civil Fees		90,109		106,600
Less: Disbursements to Individuals/Third-Party Collection or Processing Agencies Other Disbursements to Individuals		5,258		7,718
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage		166,194		193,431
Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained	\$	263,153	\$	301,841
Other Information Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected Total Waivers during the Fiscal Period	\$	- -	\$	- -

#### CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session Criminal Docket Cash Basis Presentation For the Six-Month Periods Ended December 31, 2020 and June 30, 2021

	Mor	irst Six- nth Period Ended 2/31/2020	Mor	cond Six- hth Period Ended 30/2021
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected	\$	5,797	\$	(21)
Add: Collections				
Criminal Fines and Costs		506,111		729,962
Criminal - Other		1,213		15
On migrie Onici		1,210		10
Subtotal Collections		507,324		729,977
Less: Disbursements to Governments and Nonprofits:				
City of Denham Springs - Criminal Fees and Costs		150,912		182,471
Livingston Parish Council - Criminal Fees and Costs		1,017		1,043
Denham Springs Marshal, Ward 2 - Criminal Fees and Costs		83,187		108,938
Public Defender Board - Criminal Fees and Costs		47,044		58,490
21st Judicial District Attorney - Criminal Fees and Costs		137		102
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement - Criminal Fees and Costs		1,474		2,036
Louisiana Department of Public Safety - Criminal Fees and Costs		2,025		1,035
		5,821		7,356
Louisiana State Treasurer - CMIS - Criminal Costs Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals		3,492		4,400
Traumatic Head and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund - Criminal Costs		1,005		1,595
Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Criminal Costs		2,262		4,582
Baton Rouge Crime Stoppers - Criminal Costs		2,529		2,927
Less: Refunds and Other Costs		16,341		27,749
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency				
City Court of Denham Springs - Ward 2 - Criminal Fees and Costs		195,896		238,502
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage		513,142		641,226
Ending Balance of Amounts Collected				
but not Disbursed/Retained	\$	(21)	\$	88,730
Other Information Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed	~		<i>~</i>	
but not yet Collected	\$	-	\$	-
Total Waivers during the Fiscal Period	\$	-	\$	-

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Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session Restitution Cash Basis Presentation For the Six-Month Periods Ended December 31, 2020 and June 30, 2021

	First Six- Month Period Ended 12/31/2020		Second Six- Month Period Ended 6/30/2021	
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected	\$	1,092	\$	1,092
Add: Collections Restitution		948		667
Subtotal Collections		948		667
Less: Disbursements to Governments and Nonprofits:		-		-
Less: Restitution Paid		948		620
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency City Court of Denham Springs - Ward 2 - Restitution Fees		_		
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage		948		620
Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained		1,092	\$	1,139
Other Information Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected Total Waivers during the Fiscal Period	\$ \$	- -	\$	- -

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#### CITY COURT OF DENHAM SPRINGS - WARD II Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session Judicial College Cash Basis Presentation For the Six-Month Periods Ended December 31, 2020 and June 30, 2021

	First Six- Month Period Ended 12/31/2020		Second Six- Month Period Ended 6/30/2021	
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected	\$	43	\$	(66)
Add: Collections Judicial College Fees		918		1,156
Subtotal Collections	<u></u>	918		1,156
Less: Disbursements to Governments and Nonprofits: Louisiana Supreme Court - Judicial College		1,027		1,047
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency City Court of Denham Springs - Ward 2 - Judicial College	<u></u>	-		_
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage		1,027		1,047
Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained	\$	(66)	\$	43
Other Information Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected Total Waivers during the Fiscal Period	\$ \$	-	\$	-



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#### 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

#### Independent Auditor's Report

Judge Jerry L. Denton City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II Denham Springs, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II (the City Court), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City Court of Denham Springs - Ward II's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 22, 2021.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City Court of Denham Springs -Ward II's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### 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 City Court'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 City Court's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA December 22, 2021

#### Section I. Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements	
Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None None
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	None
Federal Awards	

Not applicable.

## Section II. Financial Statement Findings

None.

#### Section III. Federal Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

Not applicable.

None.