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CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA

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Financial Report For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying basic primary government financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana (which is "the City" as well as "the primary government"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the basic primary government financial statements of the City's primary government as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City's management. 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

The financial statements referred to above include only the primary government of the City, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments and offices that comprise the City's legal entity. The financial statements do not include financial data for the City's legally separate component unit, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial data of the City's primary government. As a result, the primary government financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the reporting entity of the City as of June 30, 2004, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the Unites States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information for the primary government of the City as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

<u>Mailing Address:</u> P. O. Box 2474 West Monroe, LA 71294-2474 Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana Page 2

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2004, on our consideration of the City of West Monroe's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 11 and 39 through 41, are not a required part of the basic primary government financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic primary government financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic primary government financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and is also not a required part of the basic primary government financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic primary government financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic primary government financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic primary government financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic primary government financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Cameron, Hines & Hartt (APAC)

West Monroe, Louisiana September 30, 2004

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART A) MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA

Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2004

As management of the City of West Monroe, we offer readers of the Financial Statement this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the accompanying transmittal letter and the accompanying basic financial statements. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the City's financial performance as a whole.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the City of West Monroe, on a government-wide basis, exceeded its liabilities of the close of the fiscal year by \$45.4 million (net assets). Of this amount, \$6.3 million is unrestricted.
- The City's total net assets increased by \$1.3 million for the current fiscal year. This increase is a result of a \$690,085 increase in net assets of business-type activities and a \$592,314 increase in Governmental activities.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the City of West Monroe's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$9.4 million.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$4.5 million, or 33% of the total general fund expenditures.
- The general fund reported a surplus of \$427,806 before transfers, and a surplus of \$328,794 after transfers.
- The City's bonded debt had a net increase of \$3.6 million. Total bonded debt at 6-30-04 was \$7,895,000.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City of West Monroe's basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements comprise three components:

- Government-wide financial statements,
- Fund financial statements,
- *Notes to the financial statements.*

This report contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the City:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the City's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the City's government, reporting the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
 - The governmental fund statement tells how general government services like public safety were financed in the short term as well as what amounts remain for future spending.
 - Proprietary fund statement offers short-and long-term financial information about the activities the government operates like businesses, such as the public utilities (water, sewer, sewer treatment systems).
 - Fiduciary fund statement provides information about the financial relationship in which the City acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others, to whom the resources in question belong.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements

In the past, the primary focus of local government financial statements has been summarized fund type information on a current financial resources basis. However, with the implementation of Statement No. 34 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB Statement No. 34) for June 30, 2003, the new focus is on both the City as a whole (government-wide) and the fund financial statements. Each view provides a different snapshot of the City's finances. The government-wide financial statements provide both long-term and short term information about the City's overall financial status. The fund financial statements focus on the individual parts of the City government, reporting the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. Both perspectives (government-side and fund) allow the user to address relevant questions, broaden the basis of comparison (year-to-year or government-to-government) and enhance the City's accountability.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS

The government-wide statements report information about the City of West Monroe as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, which are the government-wide statements, include all of the government's assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two government-wide statements report the City's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets-the difference between the City's assets and liabilities – are one way to measure the City's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. Other non-financial factors such as changes in the City's property tax base and the condition of the City's roads and other infrastructure may need to be considered to assess the overall health of the City.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, the City is divided into two categories:

- Governmental activities Most of the City's basic services are included here, such as the activities of the police, fire, public works, social services, and parks and recreation departments, and general administration. Sales taxes and grants finance most of these activities.
- Business-type activities The City charges fees to customers to cover the cost of certain services it provides. The City's water, sewer, and sewer treatment are included here.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The format of the fund financial statements will be more familiar to traditional users of government financial statements. The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the City's most significant funds – not the City as a whole. Funds are accounting mechanisms that the City uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

The City has three kinds of funds:

- Governmental funds Most of the City's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances remaining at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. Because this information does not encompass the long-term focus of the government-wide statements, additional information is provided on a subsequent page that explains the relationship (or differences) between the government-wide and fund statements.
- Proprietary funds Services for which the City charges customers a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds, like the government-wide statements, provide both short-term and long-term financial information. The City's enterprise funds (one type of proprietary fund) are the same as its business-type activities, but they provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The City also uses internal service funds (another kind of proprietary fund) to report activities that provide supplies and services for the City's other programs and activities such as the Employees Health Insurance Fund.
- Fiduciary funds Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others outside the government. The City maintains a Cemetery Trust Fund and a Workers Compensation Reserve Fund. These activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net assets. The City excludes this activity from its government-wide financial statements because the City cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The Total Governmental Funds column requires reconciliation because of the different measurement focus from the government-wide statements (current financial resources versus total economic resources) which is reflected at the bottom of or following each statement. The flow of current financial resources will reflect bond proceeds and interfund transfers as other financing sources as well as capital expenditures and bond principal payments as expenditures. The reconciliation will eliminate these transactions and incorporate the capital assets and long-term

obligations (bond and others) into the Governmental Activities column (in the government-wide statements).

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY AS A WHOLE

The City's combined net assets for the 2003-2004 fiscal year increased by \$1.3 million dollars. Table 1 shows the statement of net assets for the year ending 2003 and the year ending 2004. The table also shows the net assets for governmental activities, business type activities and combines them into the total primary government.

Statement of Net Assets

The following table reflects the condensed statement of net assets:

		(in Millio	ns)						
	 GOVERI ACTI		£	BUSINE ACTIN				TOTAL F	
	2003	2004	2	2003	2	2004		2003	2004
ASSETS:									
Current and other assets	\$ 8.34	\$ 9.90	\$	0.51	\$	0.50	\$	8.85	\$ 10.40
Capital Assets	 40.66	41.40		4.78		5.47		45.44	 46.87
Total Assets	 49,00	\$ 51.30	\$	5.29	\$	5.97	_\$	54.29	\$ 57.27
LIABILITIES:									
Long-term debt outstanding	\$ 7.49	\$ 10.96	\$	0.12	\$	0.10	\$	7.61	\$ 11.06
Other liabilities	2.41	0.64		0.12		0.12		2.53	0.76
Total Liabilities	\$ 9.90	\$ 11.60	\$	0.24	\$	0.22	\$	10.14	\$ 11.82
NET ASSETS:									
Invested in Capital Assets									
Net of debt	\$ 36.32	\$ 33.50	\$	4.78	\$	5.47	\$	41.10	\$ 38.97
Restricted	0.54	0.14		-		-		0.54	0.14
Unrestricted	 2.25	 6.06		0.27		0.27		2.52	 6.33
Total Net Assets	\$ 39.11	\$ 39.70	\$	5.05	\$	5.74	\$	44.16	\$ 45.44

TABLE 1 NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL AND BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES

Net assets (assets less liabilities) may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The City of West Monroe's assets exceeded liabilities by \$45.44 million at the close of the fiscal year. The largest portion of the City's net assets (86%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, equipment, infrastructure, less accumulated depreciation and less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The city uses these assets to provide services to its citizens and these assets are not available for spending. The resources needed to repay any debt related to these capital assets will be provided from other sources.

Less than one percent of the City's net assets are subject to restrictions. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets \$6.33 million may be used to meet the City's ongoing obligations.

Governmental Activities

Net assets of the City's governmental activities increased from \$39.11 million to \$39.70 million. This increase is mainly due to a reduction in the City's accounts payable at year end of \$1.7 million from last year.

Business-type Activities

Net assets of the City's business-type activities increased from \$5.05 million to \$5.74 million, primarily because of capital assets increasing by \$680,000.

Statement of Activities

The following table shows the revenues and expenses of the governmental and business-type activities:

TABLE 2 CHANGES IN NET ASSETS (in Millions)

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		BUSINESS ACTIVIT		TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT		
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	
REVENUES:							
Program Revenues							
Charges for services	\$ 3.11	\$ 3.63	\$ 1.82 \$.95	\$ 4.93	\$ 5.58	
Operating grants and contributions	2.97	3.04			2.97	3.04	
Capital grants and contributions	0.11	1.26			0.11	1.26	
General Revenues							
Property Taxes	0.77	0.82			0.77	0.82	
Other taxes	12.44	12.21			12.44	12.21	
Intergovernmental	0.22	0.18			0.22	0.18	
Franchise	0.60	0.89			0.60	0.89	
Miscellaneous	0.57	0.45			0.57	0.45	
Sale of Assets	0.58	0.16			0.58	0.16	
Interest earned	0.09	0.08			0.09	0.08	
Capital contributions			0.21	1.05	0.21	1.05	
Total Revenues	\$ 21.46	\$ 22.72	\$.03	.00	\$ 3.49	\$ 5.72	
EXPENSES:							
General government	\$ 6.46	\$.02			\$.46	\$.02	
Public safety	6.10	6.82			6.10	6.82	
Public works	2.51	3.45			2.51	3.45	
Culture and recreations	3.25	3.10			3.25	3.10	
Urban Development	0.94	0.52			0.94	0.52	
Health and welfare	1.84	2.89			1.84	2.89	
Interest on long-term debt	0.30	0.31			0.30	0.31	
Utilities	-	-	2.35	2.32	2.35	2.32	
Total Expenses	\$ 21.40	\$ 22.11	\$.35 \$	<u>`</u>	\$ 3.75	\$ 4.43	
Increase in net assets before							
transfers	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.61	\$ (0.31) \$	0 68	\$ (0.26)	\$ 1.29	
Transfers	(0.18)	(0.02)	0.18	0.02	-	-	
Increase/decrease in assets	\$ (0 12)	\$ 0.59	\$ (0.13) \$	0.70	\$ (0.26)	\$ 1.29	

Governmental Activities

The City's total revenues from governmental activities increased from \$21.46 million (year end 2003) to \$22.72 million (year end 2004). This \$1.26 million increase is mainly due from a \$1.15 million increase in capital grants for the 2004 year. West Monroe's largest source of general revenue (\$13.0 million) is taxes, composed of property tax, sales tax, insurance premium taxes, and beer tax. Fifty-eight percent of the City's revenue from governmental activities comes from these taxes. Charges for services (\$3.63 million) were the second largest revenue source for governmental activities.

The City's expenses for the fiscal year end June 30, 2004 were \$22.11 million, an increase of \$.71 million from year end 2003. These expenses cover a wide range of services with the largest being public safety \$6.82 million or 31%, general government \$5.02 million or 23% and public works \$3.45 million or 16%.

Business-Type Activities

The total revenues from business-type activities were \$3.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. This is an increase of almost \$1.0 million over last year. This increase is a result of a small rate increase for utilities and a \$840,000 increase in capital contributions. Expenses for the City's business-type activities were \$2.32 million. The business-type activities had a net profit of \$690,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

FINANACIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY'S FUNDS

The City of West Monroe uses Fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Government Funds

The focus of the City's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the City's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$9.4 million, compared to \$6.0 million from the for the 2003 year. Approximately \$8.9 million constitutes unreserved fund balance, which is available for spending at the government's discretion. The remainder of the fund balance is reserved and is not available for spending because it has already been committed to inventories and to pay debt service

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At the end of the fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$4.5 million, an increase of \$400,000 from year end June 30, 2003. As a measure of the general fund liquidity, it may be useful to compare unreserved fund balance to total expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 32% of the total general fund expenditures. Due to the uncertain economic conditions, expenditures were closely monitored and correlated to revenues received.

The City spent a total of \$2.8 million out of the 86 Sales Tax Capital Fund to fund major capital projects and purchases. This amount is virtually unchanged from last year. The fund transferred out \$840,000 to pay for debt service. The capital fund ended the year with a \$467,180 unreserved fund balance up almost \$400,000.

Proprietary Funds

The City's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Net assets of the Utilities Enterprise Fund at the end of the year were \$5.7 million, an increase of approximately \$700,000. The fund had an operating profit for the year of \$690,000 after depreciation and transfers.

Net assets of the Internal Service Fund (Employees Health Insurance Fund) ended the fiscal year with a negative \$122,581. The year ended June 30, 2004 had a \$45,000 operating loss.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the City Council revised the City budget twice. Differences between the original expenditure budget and the fund actual amounts were relatively minor and represent an increase of \$32,396 or less than 1%. Actual total revenues exceed the original budget by \$482,000 and the final amended budget by \$212,000 or 1.5%.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

The following table shows the Capital Assets (net of depreciation) of the governmental and business type activities:

	(NE I	OF DEPRECIA	TION IN million	IS)			
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		BUSINES		TOTAL		
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	
Land	\$ 4.56	\$ 5.92	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.04	\$ 4.60	\$ 5.96	
Construction in progress	0.25	0.81	-	-	0.250	0.810	
Buildings	19.42	18.80	0.003	0.001	19.423	18.800	
Improvements	0.65	0.67	-	-	0.650	0.670	
Equipment	0.78	0.68	0.350	0.440	1.130	1.120	
Vehicles	0.55	0.62	-	-	0.550	0.620	
Infrastructure	14.44	13.90	-	-	14.440	13.900	
Water Plant			0,790	1.240	0.790	1.240	
Treatment Plant			3.610	3.750	3.610	3.750	
Total	<u>\$ 4</u> 0.65	\$ 41.40	<u>\$ 4.</u> 793	\$ 5.471	<u>\$ 45.</u> 443	\$ 46.870	

TABLE 3 CAPITAL ASSETS (NET OF DEPRECIATION in millions)

The City of West Monroe's investment in Capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2004, amounts to \$46.87 million (net of depreciation). This is up \$1.43 million from last year. This investment includes land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, equipment, vehicles, infrastructure, water and sewer treatment plant.

The City had additions to governmental and business-type capital assets of \$3.9 million.

The City has a major capital project planned for the fiscal year 2004 and the year 2005. The construction of the I-20 Downing Pines Interchange will begin. The total cost of construction and right-of-way acquisition will be approximately \$7.2 million.

Long-term Debt

The following table shows the City's outstanding debt:

OUTSTA	TABLE 4 NDING DEBT AT YEAR END	
	YR END 6/30/03	YR END 6/30/04
Bonds payable series 1999 and 1998	\$ 4,335,000	\$ 0
Bond Payable Series 2003	0	7,895,000
Firefighters Retirement System	1,360,897	1,284,820
Heart and Lung Disability	1,120,512	1,074,897
Vacation, Sick and Comp. Time	669,676	702,292
Total	\$ 7,486,085	\$ 10,957,009

At the end of the fiscal year, the City of West Monroe had total bonded debt outstanding of \$7.89 million. During the 2003-2004 fiscal year, the City refinanced its old debt and borrowed an additional \$3.5 million to fund the I-20 interchange project. This is the reason the total bonded debt increased. All of this amount is backed by the full faith and credit of the City and is being repaid from the Sales Tax Capital Fund.

The City of West Monroe's total long-term debt obligations at year end were \$10.95 million.

Additional information of the City's long-term debt can be found in Note 12 in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The City's management and elected officials considered many factors when preparing the 2004-2005 budget. The major factor in preparing the budget is to determine the revenue that will be generated from sales tax. Sales tax accounts for 60% of the total General Fund revenue. With current economic conditions, sales tax revenue is projected to remain flat for the 2004-2005 fiscal year. All other General Fund revenues should remain fairly consistent with prior year collections with the exception of sanitation revenue which will be up due to a rate increase. The total General Fund revenue budget for the 2004-2005 fiscal year is \$13.7 million compared to \$13.5 million last year.

Beginning in early 2005, the construction of Trenton Meadows Retail Development should start. This development should substantially increase the City's sales tax base. These extra sales tax revenues should be sufficient to cover the City's expenditures for many years into the future.

The budgeted expenses for the 2004-2005 fiscal year were \$14.7 million, an increase of \$800,000 over the prior year. This increase is caused by an increase in pension contributions and the City giving all employees a 4% pay raise effective July 1, 2004. The largest expense for the City is personnel cost. The City's administration has taken steps to reduce all overtime to minimal levels in the current years budget.

Beginning in July of 2003 and continuing into this budget year the Police, Firefighters and the Municipal Employees pensions passed substantial increases in the employer contributions. However, at year end a lawsuit challenging the increase in the employer contribution to the Firefighters Retirement Systems was pending in the Louisiana Supreme Court. The City will continue to reserve the entire amount of the increase until the suit is settled. The City's administration will closely monitor all revenues and expenses to ensure the City ends the 2004-2005 fiscal year with a surplus.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

The financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to demonstrate the City's accountability for the funds it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Financial Director, City of West Monroe, 2305 North 7th Street, West Monroe, Louisiana 71291.

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2004

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
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Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 8,490,405	\$ 117,014	\$ 8,607,419
Investments	726,405	-	726,405
Accounts Receivable	333,926	252,526	586,452
Due From Other Governments	441,797	-	441,797
Internal Balances	(127,410)	127,410	-
Inventories	31,726	-	31,726
Capital Assets:	(700 7/ (28.850	1 711 EN 1
Non-Depreciable	6,728,766	37,750	6,766,516
Depreciable	34,672,896	5,435,676	40,108,572
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	\$ 51,298,511	\$ 5,970,376	\$ 57,268,887
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Bank Overdraft	\$ 9,808	\$-	\$ 9,808
Accounts Payable	585,462	3,754	589,216
Deposits Payable	47,759	117,014	164,773
Non-Current Liabilities			
Due Within One Year			
Bonds and Notes Payable	786,402	-	786,402
Compensated Absences	769,736	105,205	874,941
Due in More Than One Year			
Bonds Payable	7,190,000	-	7,190,000
Notes Payable	1,203,418	-	1,203,418
Compensated Absences	1,007,453	<u> </u>	1,007,453
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	11,600,038	225,973	11,826,011
<u>NET ASSETS</u>			
Invested in Capital Assets,			
Net of Related Debt	33,506,662	5,473,426	38,980,088
Restricted For:			
Capital Projects (Deficit)	(320,346)	-	(320,346)
Debt Service	456,265	-	456,265
Unrestricted	6,055,892	270,977	6,326,869
Total Net Assets	39,698,473	5,744,403	45,442,876
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 51,298,511	<u>\$ 5,970,376</u>	\$ 57,268,887

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

		Program Revenues			
		Operating Charges for Grants and		Capital Grants and	
	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	
Function/Program Activities			_		
Primary Government:					
Government Activities:					
General Government	\$ 5,018,953	\$ 1,278,920	\$ -	\$ 1,175,003	
Public Safety	6,829,912	318,107	312,522	87,664	
Public Works	3,448,965	806,635	-	-	
Culture and Recreation	3,114,704	1,169,067	247,358	-	
Urban Redevelopment	516,204	42,736	12,104	-	
Health and Welfare	2,894,837	14,789	2,467,023	-	
Interest on Long-Term Debt	313,538	-	•	-	
Total Governmental Activities	22,137,113	3,630,254	3,039,007	1,262,667	
Business-Type Activities:					
Utilities	2,306,215	1,958,507			
<u>Total Primary Government</u>	\$ 24,443,328	\$ 5,588,761	\$ 3,039,007	\$ 1,262,667	

General Revenues:

Taxes:

Property Taxes Levied for General Purposes Property Taxes Levied for Street Maintenance Sales Taxes Insurance Premium Taxes Intergovernmental Revenues Insurance Proceeds Franchise Revenue Miscellaneous Special Item - Sale of Assets Interest Earned Capital Contributions Transfers Total General Revenues, Special Items and Transfers Changes in Net Assets

<u>Net Assets - Beginning</u>

Net Assets - Ending

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets Primary Government					
Governmental	Business-Type				
Activities	Activities	Total			
<u></u> ,					
\$ (2,565,030)	\$-	\$ (2,565,030)			
(6,111,619)	-	(6,111,619)			
(2,642,330)	-	(2,642,330)			
(1,698,279)	-	(1,698,279)			
(461,364)	-	(461,364)			
(413,025)	-	(413,025)			
(313,538)		(313,538)			
(14,205,185)	-	(14,205,185)			
	(347,708)	(347,708)			
<u>\$ (14,205,185)</u>	<u>\$ (347,708)</u>	\$ (14,552,893)			
666,949 156,752	-	666,949 156,752			
11,795,609	-	11,795,609			
411,863	-	411,863			
178,419	-	178,419			
32,333	-	32,333			
893,075	-	893,075			
416,823	•	416,823			
160,139	-	160,139			
79,978	-	79,978			
-	1,053,999	1,053,999			
16,206	(16,206)	<u> </u>			
14,808,146	1,037,793	15,845,939			
602,961	690,085	1,293,046			
39,095,512	5,054,318	44,149,830			
\$_39,698,473_	\$ 5,744,403	<u>\$ 45,442,876</u>			

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PRIMARY GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>BALANCE SHEET</u> <u>GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> <u>JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	General Fund	86 Sales Tax 75% Capital Fund	I-20/Downing Pines Interchange Project
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,455,023	\$ -	\$ 3,088,914
Investments	-	-	-
Accounts Receivable	310,509	-	-
Due From Other Governments	39,140	-	-
Due From Other Funds	-	540,161	168,589
Inventories	31,726		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,836,398	<u>\$ </u>	\$ 3,257,503
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ 304,718	\$ 63,173	\$ 116,378
Bank Overdraft	-	9,808	-
Due To Other Funds	-	-	-
Deposits Payable	47,759		<u> </u>
Total Liabilities	352,477	72,981	116,378
Fund Balances:			
Reserved for:			
Inventories	31,726	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-
Unreserved, Reported In:			
General Fund	4,452,195	-	-
Special Revenue Funds	-	467,180	-
Expendable Trust Funds	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds		<u> </u>	3,141,125
Total Fund Balances	4,483,921	467,180	3,141,125
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 4,836,398	\$ 540,161	\$ 3,257,503

1	CDBG - Total						
	Street Nonmajor			Total			
	Paving	Go	vernmental	G	overnmental		
	Project		Funds		Funds		
				-			
\$	406,957	\$	539,511	\$	8,490,405		
+		+	726,405	Ŧ	726,405		
	-		21,209		331,718		
	-		402,657		441,797		
	-		769,471		1,478,221		
	-		-		31,726		
<u>\$</u>	406,957	\$	2,459,253	\$	11,500,272		
		~	0 1 400	•			
\$		\$	94,400	\$	578,669		
	-		-		9,808		
	406,957		1,080,678		1,487,635		
	-		-		47,759		
	406,957		1,175,078		2,123,871		
	-		-		31,726		
	-		456,265		456,265		
	-		-		4,452,195		
	-		200,431		667,611		
	-		947,825		947,825		
	-		(320,346)		2,820,779		
			1,284,175	_	9,376,401		
\$	406,957_	\$	2,459,253	\$	11,500,272		

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<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL</u> <u>FUNDS BALANCES TO STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS</u> <u>JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 9,376,401
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the	
funds.	41,414,661
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	(10,970,008)
The internal service fund is used for the financing of services provided by one fund to other funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of	
net assets	 (122,581)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	 39,698,473

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CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

		86 Sales Tax	I-20/Downing Pines Interchange
Revenues	General Fund	75% Capital Fund	Project
Taxes	\$ 9,167,592	\$ 4,000,458	\$-
Intergovernmental	194,852	φ -1,000,100 -	Ψ -
Licenses and Permits	760,746	-	-
Charges for Services	1,984,873	-	-
Fines and Forfeitures	490,288	-	_
Interest Earned	67,385	2,395	-
Franchise Revenue	893,075	-,	-
Other	385,736	118,873	299,950
Total Revenues	13,944,547	4,121,726	299,950
Expenditures			
General Government	3,281,382	-	-
Public Safety	5,626,173	-	-
Public Works	2,104,934	-	-
Culture and Recreation	2,064,455	-	-
Urban Redevelopment	439,797	-	-
Health and Welfare	-	-	-
Capital Improvements	-	2,887,954	1,668,069
Claims Paid	-	-	-
Debt Service:			
Principal Payments	-	-	-
Interest and Other			<u> </u>
Total Expenditures	13,516,741	2,887,954	1,668,069
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues			
<u>Over Expenditures</u>	427,806	1,233,772	(1,368,119)
Other Financing Sources and (Uses)			
Proceeds from Bonds	-	-	4,309,244
Transfers In	16,206	-	-
Transfers Out	(115,218)	(840,000)	
Total Other Financing		(0.4.0.00.0)	
Sources and Uses	(99,012)	(840,000)	4,309,244
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>	328,794	393,772	2,941,125
Fund Balances - Beginning	4,155,127	73,408	200,000
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 4,483,921	\$ 467,180	\$ 3,141,125

	CDBG - Street Paving Project	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$	325,939	\$ 426,628	\$ 13,920,617
	-	3,118,043	3,312,895
	-	-	760,746
	-	-	1,984,873
	-	-	490,288
	-	10,198	79,978
	-	-	893,075
		476,837	1,281,396
	325,939	4,031,706	22,723,868
~,	325,939	436,613 113,022 277,080 - 2,606,962 547,440 155,055 846,077 292,782	3,281,382 6,062,786 2,217,956 2,341,535 439,797 2,606,962 5,429,402 155,055 846,077 292,782
	325,939	5,275,031	23,673,734
	-	(1,243,325)	(949,866) 4,309,244
	-	955,218	971,424
	-	,	(955,218)
			<u></u>
		955,218	4,325,450
	-	(288,107)	3,375,584
	-	1,572,282	6,000,817
<u>\$</u>	_ 	<u>\$ 1,284,175</u>	\$ 9,376,401

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,</u> <u>EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES</u> <u>OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE</u> <u>STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 3,375,584
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Government funds report capital	
outlays as expenditures while	
governmental activities report depreciation	
expense to allocate those expenditures	
over the life of the assets:	0.014.152
Capital asset purchases capitalized	2,914,153
Depreciation expense	<u>(2,157,798)</u> 756,355
	150,555
The internal service fund is used for the	
financing of services provided by one	
fund to other funds. The net revenue of	
the internal service fund is reported with	
governmental activities.	(45,055)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	
provide current financial resources to government	
funds, but the issuing of debt increases long-term	
liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.	(4,309,244)
Repayment of debt principal is an	
expenditure in the governmental funds,	
but the repayment reduces long-term	
liabilities in the statement of net assets.	825,321
Change in Net Assets in Governmental	
Activities	<u>\$ 602,961</u>

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<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS</u> <u>PROPRIETARY FUNDS</u> <u>JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Business-Type Activities Utility Enterprise Fund		Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund	
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance	\$	252,526	\$	2,208
Due From Other Funds		127,410		<u> </u>
Total Current Assets		379,936		2,208
Non-Current Assets				
Restricted:				
Cash - Customer Deposits		117,014		-
Capital Assets:				
Land		37,750		-
Buildings		74,786		-
Water Plant		3,769,347		-
Wastewater Treatment Plant		9,826,648		-
Machinery, Equipment & Other		1,174,920		-
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(9,410,025)	_	<u> </u>
Total Non-Current Assets		5,473,426	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL ASSETS		5,970,376	\$	2,208
LIABILITIES				
<u>Current Liabilities</u>				
Accounts Payable	\$	3,754	\$	6,793
Customer Deposits		117,014		-
Accrued Vacation and Sick Pay		105,205		-
Due to Other Funds				117,996
Total Current Liabilities		225,973		124,789
<u>NET ASSETS</u>				
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt		5,473,426		-
Unrestricted	<u> </u>	270,977		(122,581)
Total Net Assets		5,744,403	<u></u>	(122,581)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	5,970,376	\$	2,208

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS</u> <u>PROPRIETARY FUNDS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Business-Type Activities Utility Enterprise Fund		Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund	
Operating Revenues				
User Charges	\$	1,133,940	\$	1,078,818
Treatment Plant Fees		495,789		-
Water Penalties and Turn-on Fees		112,692		-
Sewer District 5 Contributions		216,086		
Total Operating Revenues		1,958,507		1,078,818
Operating Expenses				
Waterworks		551,766		-
Sewerage		259,342		-
Water Treatment Plant	164,245			-
Sewer Treatment Plant		343,152		-
Public Works Construction	284,931			-
Public Works Administrative		227,807		-
Other Administrative	111,060			225,609
Claims Paid		-		898,264
Depreciation		363,912		-
Total Non-Current Assets		2,306,215		1,123,873
Operating Loss		(347,708)		(45,055)
Contributed Capital		1,053,999		-
Transfers Out		(16,206)		
Total		1,037,793	÷	
<u>Changes in Net Assets</u>		690,085		(45,055)
<u>Net Assets - Beginning</u>		5,054,318		(77,526)
<u>NET ASSETS - ENDING</u>	\$	5,744,403	<u>\$</u>	(122,581)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Business-Type Activities Utility Enterprise Fund		Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund	
Cash Flows From Operations				
Receipts From Customers	\$	2,083,038	\$	-
Receipts From Group Contributions		-		1,076,610
Payments to Provide Services		(1,941,550)		(303,135)
Payments for General and Administrative		(125,282)		(773,475)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities		16,206		-
Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities				
Increase in Customer Deposits		613		-
Operating Transfers Out		(16,206)		
Net Cash Flows From Noncapital				
Financing Activities		(15,593)		-
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities				
Acquisitions of Capital Assets		(1,053,999)		
Capital Contribution From Other Funds		1,053,999		_
Net Cash Flows From Capital and Related	<u> </u>	1,033,777		<u> </u>
Financing Activities		-		
Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents		613		-
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year		116,401		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		117,014	<u>\$</u>	
Classified As:				
Cash in Bank	\$	-	\$	-
Restricted Assets		117,014		<u> </u>
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		117,014	<u> </u>	-

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)</u> <u>PROPRIETARY FUNDS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Business-Type Activities Utility Enterprise Fund		Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund	
<u>Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash</u> <u>Used by Operating Activities:</u>				
Changes in Net Assets Adjustments to Reconcile Net Loss to Net	\$	(347,708)	\$	(45,055)
Cash Used by Operating Activities Depreciation		363,912		-
Increase in Accounts Receivable Increase in Accounts Payable		(24,237) 1,852		(1,683) 6,793
Decrease in Due From Other Funds Decrease in Due to Other Funds		148,768 (112,159)		39,945
Increase in Accrued Vacation and Sick Pay Total Adjustments		(14,222) 363,914		45,055
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$	16,206		-

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

INTRODUCTION

The City of West Monroe, Louisiana (the City) consists of an executive branch of government headed by a mayor and a legislative branch of government consisting of five aldermen. The City's major operations include police and fire protection, garbage and trash collection, a senior center, street and drainage maintenance, administrative services, and other health and welfare activities. In addition, the City operates a Utility Enterprise Fund to provide water and sewage services.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements of the City have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). In June 1999 the GASB issued Statement 34 Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments and Statement 35 Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments for state and Universities. These Statements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments and public colleges and universities throughout the United States. They require new information and restructure much of the information that government should have presented in the past. Comparability with reports issued in years prior to 2003 is affected.

Other GASB Statements are required to be implemented in conjunction with GASB Statements 34 and 35. Therefore, the City has implemented the following GASB Statements: Statement 33 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions, Statement 36 – Recipient Reporting for Certain Shared Nonexchange Revenues, Statement 37 – Basic Financial Statements- and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments: Omnibus, and Statement 38 – Certain Financial Statements Note Disclosures.

The accompanying financial statements present the financial position of the City and the various funds and fund types, the results of operations of the City and the various funds and fund types, and the cash flows of the proprietary funds. The financial statements are presented as of June 30, 2004 and for the year then ended.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

As the municipal governing authority, for reporting purposes, the City of West Monroe, Louisiana is considered a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

A. Financial Reporting Entity (continued)

GASB Statement 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the City. Organizations for which the City does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the City. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship. Based on the previous criteria, the City has determined that the following component unit is part of the reporting entity:

	Fiscal	Criteria
Component Unit	Year-End	<u>Used</u>
City of West Monroe	June 30	2

The City Court of West Monroe meets only one of the criteria for the inclusion in this report and it has not been included.

Since the City is legally separate and fiscally independent of other state and local governments and has a separately elected governing body, it meets the definition of a primary government as defined by GASB Statement 14.

GASB Statement 14 provides for the issuance of primary government financial statements that are separate from those of the reporting entity. However, the City of West Monroe, Louisiana financial statements are not a substitute for the reporting entity's financial statements. The accompanying primary government financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. These financial statements are not intended to and do not report on the reporting entity but rather are intended to reflect only the financial statements of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information of all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these government-wide statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely, to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Account Policies (continued)

B. Government-Wide Fund Financial Statements (continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function, segment or component unit are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function, segment or component unit. Program revenues include charges to customers who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods or services provided by a given function, segment or component unit. Program revenues also include grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function, segment or component unit. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues rather than as program revenues. The City does not allocate general government (indirect) expenses to other functions.

Net assets are restricted when constraints placed on them are either externally imposed or imposed by constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Internally imposed designations of resources are not presented as restricted net assets. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the City's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds. However, the fiduciary funds are not included in the government-wide financial statements. Major individual government funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements – The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements – The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities or the current period. For this purpose, the City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year end. Principal revenue sources considered susceptible to accrual include federal grants, interest on investments, sales and income taxes, and lease payments receivable. Some revenue items that are considered measurable and available for expenditure due to the City's present appropriation system. These revenues have been accrued in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America since they have been earned and are expected to be collected within sixty days of the end of the period. Other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the City.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Account Policies (continued)

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

Governmental Fund Financial Statements (continued) – Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Modifications to the accrual basis of accounting include:

- Employees' vested annual leave is recorded as an expenditure when utilized. The amount of accumulated annual leave unpaid at June 30, 2004 has been reported only in the government-wide financial statements.
- Interest on general long-term obligations is recognized when paid.
- Debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Proprietary Funds and Fiduciary Funds – The financial statements of the proprietary and fiduciary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, similar to the government-wide statements described above.

Each proprietary fund has the option under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting to elect to apply all Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued after November 30, 1989, unless FASB conflicts with GASB. The primary government's enterprise fund has elected to not apply FASBs issued after the applicable date.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

D. Fund Accounting

The financial activities of the City are recorded in individual funds, each of which is deemed to be a separate accounting entity. The City uses fund accounting to report on its financial position and results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a selfbalancing set of accounts.

1. Major Governmental Funds

General Fund – This fund accounts for all activities of the City not specifically required to be accounted for in other funds. Included are transactions for services such as general government, health services, public safety, regulatory services and social services.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Fund Accounting (continued)

1. Governmental Funds (continued)

1986 Sales Tax 75% Capital Fund – These funds account for monthly transfers from sales tax collections 75% of the one cent sales tax passed in 1986. The funds are predominately used for capital expenditures.

I-20/Downing Pines Interchange Project – These funds account for the construction of a new interchange project along Interstate 20.

CDBG Street Paving Project – These funds account for the Community Development Block Grant funds used for street overlay projects.

2. Proprietary Funds

Utilities Enterprises Fund – This fund is to account for the provision of water and sewerage to residents of the City of West Monroe. This fund is used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises – where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

Internal Service Fund – This fund accounts for the financing of services provided by one fund to other funds of the City. The Self Insurance Fund, which purchases an insurance policy and accounts for third-party administrative costs and claims, is reported as an internal service fund.

3. Fiduciary Funds

Trust Funds – These funds are used to account for assets held by the City in a trustee capacity or as an agent for the individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. These include Expendable Trust Funds. Expendable trust funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as governmental funds.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Under state law, the City 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.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash equivalents include all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity date of three months or less when purchased.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

F. Investments

The Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP) is an investment pool established as a cooperative endeavor to enable public entities of the State of Louisiana to aggregate funds for investment. LAMP's investment guidelines authorize investments in various investment products, including United States Treasury bills or notes, Federal Home Loan Bank notes, Federal National Mortgage Association notes and other investments as approved by LAMP's board of directors. The investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market values.

G. Noncurrent Receivables

Noncurrent portions of long-term receivables due to government funds are reported on their balance sheets, in spite of their spending measurement focus. Special reporting treatments are used to indicate, however, that they should not be considered "available spendable resources" since they do not represent net current assets. Recognition of governmental fund type revenues represented by noncurrent receivables is deferred until they become current receivables.

H. Bad Debts

Uncollectible amounts for ad valorem taxes and convention center receivables are generally not significant. As a result, the direct write-off method for recognizing bad debts is used. Under this method, the receivable is charged to expense when the account is deemed to be uncollectible. For customers' utility receivables, the allowance method is used to account for uncollectible amounts. Under this method, an allowance account is set up for what is deemed to be uncollectible.

I. Inventories

Special reporting treatments are applied to governmental fund inventories to indicate that they do not represent "available spendable resources", even though they are a component of net current assets. Such amounts are generally offset by fund balance reserve accounts.

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market. Inventory in the General Fund consists of expendable supplies held for consumption. The cost is recorded as an expenditure at the time individual inventory items is used.

J. Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operation, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as due from other funds or due to other funds on the fund financial statements' balance sheet. In the process of aggregating data for the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified. Interfund receivables and payables were eliminated to minimize the "grossing up" effect on assets and liabilities within the governmental activities column.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Account Policies (continued)

K. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (which is normally immovable and of value only to the City, such as roads, bridges, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems, lighting systems, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type columns in the government-wide financial statements. Purchased or constructed capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market value at the date of donation.

Infrastructure constructed prior to July 1, 2000 has been recorded at estimated historical cost. The estimated historical cost for years prior to July 1, 2000 was based on capital outlay expenditures reported by the City's engineer who performed a road, street and bridge inventory for the City. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset's value or materially extend an asset's useful life are not capitalized.

Capital assets utilized in the governmental funds are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund financial statements. Depreciation expense is recorded in the government-wide financial statements, as well as the proprietary funds financial statements.

Capital assets of the primary government are depreciated on the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful life. There is no depreciation recorded for land and construction in progress. Generally, estimated useful lives are as follows:

Vehicles, Machinery and Equipment	5-20 years
Buildings and Other Improvements	30-40 years
Infrastructure	20-40 years

L. Electrical System Operating Agreement

On December 31, 1988, the City Council of West Monroe authorized an operating agreement between the City of West Monroe and Louisiana Power and Light (LP&L) for the operation by LP&L of the electric system within the corporate limits of West Monroe for a period of twentyfive years. The agreement provides that LP&L will pay to the City three percent of gross receipts (as defined) collected from the sale of electric service to residential and commercial customers within the City.

M. Compensated Absences

Accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay, and other employee benefit amounts are accrued when incurred in enterprise funds under the accrual basis of accounting. Employees of the City earn vacation pay in varying amounts ranging from 10 to 28 working days per year depending upon length of service. At the end of each year, employees may carry forward earned vacation time. Up to a maximum of 40 days of unused vacation is paid to an employee upon retirement, separation, or death at hourly rates being earned by that employee upon separation.

Firemen and policemen may receive up to one year's sick leave per illness as prescribed under Louisiana law. For all other City employees, sick leave is accumulated at rates ranging up to 12 days per year. Unused sick leave may be carried forward, however, up to a maximum of 36 days of unused sick leave is paid to an employee upon retirement, separation, or death at hourly rates being earned by that employee upon separation.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Account Policies (continued)

N. Long-Term Liabilities

Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the period the bonds are issued. Bond proceeds are reported as an other financing source net of the applicable premium or discount. Issuance costs, even if withheld from the actual net proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

O. Restricted Net Assets

For the government-wide statement of net assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Portions of fund equity are reserved for future use and are, therefore, not available for future appropriation or expenditure. Designations of unreserved fund balances indicate the City's tentative plans for the use of financial resources in a future period.

P. Dedicated Revenues

Two cents of the sales tax revenue assessment is dedicated as follows: one cent is dedicated to capital improvements; seventy-five percent of the remaining cent is dedicated for purchase and improvements of assets having a life of one year or greater, related professional services and programs, and for paying capital improvements, construction, and repairs; the remaining twenty-five percent shall be used for general operations.

Note 2- Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2004, the City has cash and cash equivalents (book balances net of overdrafts) as follows:

Demand Deposits <u>\$ 8.592.361</u>

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent.

These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable by both parties. Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances) at June 30, 2004, are secured as follows:

Bank Balances	<u>\$ 8.110.248</u>
Federal Deposits Insurance Pledged Securities (Uncollateralized)	\$ 200,000 <u>9,642,328</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$_9.842.328</u>

Note 2- Cash and Cash Equivalents (continued)

Because the pledged securities are held by a custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank rather than in the name of the City, they are considered uncollateralized (Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Codification C20.106; however, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the City that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

Note 3 - Investments

Investments held ad June 30, 2004 consist of \$380,780 in the Louisiana Asset Management pool (LAMP), a local government investment pool and a certificate of deposit in the amount of 345,268 maintained at a local bank. This certificate of deposit is secured with pledged securities in the amount of \$342,668.

In accordance with GASB Codification Section 150.126, the investment in LAMP at June 30, 2004 is not categorized in the three risk categories provided by GASB Codification Section 150.125 because the investment is in the pool of funds and therefore not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LSA-R.S. 33:2955. Accordingly, LAMP investments are restricted to securities issued, guaranteed, or backed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. Government, or one of its agencies, enterprises, or instrumentalities, as well as repurchase agreements collateralized by those securities.

Effective August 1, 2001, LAMP's investment guidelines were amended to permit the investment in government-only money market funds. In its 2001 Regular Session, the Louisiana Legislature (Senate Bill No. 512, Act 701) enacted LSA-R.S. 33:2955(A)(1)(h) which allows all municipalities, parishes, school boards, and any other political subdivisions of the State to invest in "Investment grade (A-1/P-1) commercial paper of domestic United States Corporations". Effective October 1, 2001, LAMP's Investment Guidelines were amended to allow the limited investments in A-1 or A-1+ commercial paper.

The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets in restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based on quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares. LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and to board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

Note 4 – Fund Deficit

At June 30, 2004, the Detention Basin, Litter Abatement, General Insurance, Juvenile Justice Grant, Self Insurance, Officer Witness Court, Brownfields and Section 8 funds had fund deficits totaling \$720,698.

Note 5 - Ad Valorem Taxes

Property taxes are due as of January 1. An enforceable lien attaches to the property with unpaid taxes and is sold at a tax sale.

Property Tax Calendar

Assessment Date	January 1, 2003
Levy Date	September 1, 2003
Tax Bills Mailed	December 1, 2003
Total Taxes Are Due	January 31, 2004
Penalties and Interest are Added	February 15 2004
Tax Sales - 2003 Delinquent Property	June 23, 2004

The Ouachita Parish Tax Assessor establishes assessed values each year on a uniform basis at the following ratios to fair market value:

10% Land 10% Residential Improvements 15% Industrial Improvements	15% Machinery15% Commercial Improvements25% Public Service Properties, Excluding Land
The ad valorem tax millage is as follows:	Mills
General Ad Valorem Tax Street Maintenance	6.95 <u>1.64</u>

8.59

<u>TOTAL</u>

Note 6 – Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2004, consisted of the following:

	Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Proprietary <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Accounts Receivable Other Receivables	\$ 325,246 <u>6,472</u>	\$ 254,734	\$ 579,980 <u> </u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 331,718</u>	<u>\$ 254.734</u>	<u>\$ 586.452</u>

Note 7 - Due From Other Governments

The amounts due from other governments at June 30, 2004 are as follows:

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development	\$	83,742
Department of Housing and Urban Development		160,292
Federal Emergency Management Assistance		72,522
Louisiana Department of Revenue		9,962
Ouachita Parish Police Jury		4,312
Louisiana Community Development Block Grant		46,793
Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs		8,021
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement		36,742
Corporation for National and Community Service		10,776
Department of Social Services		1,015
Department of Public Safety and Corrections		4,802
Environmental Protection Agency		2,818
TOTAL	<u>\$</u>	<u>441,797</u>

Note 8 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2004 is as follows:

	Primary Government					
	June 30, 2003			June 30, 2004		
	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance		
Government Activities:						
Non-Depreciable Assets:						
Land	\$ 4,561,490	\$ 1,381,635	\$(25,036)	\$ 5,918,089		
Construction In Progress	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>810,677</u>		
Total	4,816,169	1,937,633	(25,036)	6,728,766		
Depreciable Assets:						
Buildings	24,859,569	-	-	24,859,569		
Improvements	752,806	45,644	-	798,450		
Equipment	3,431,022	171,373	-	3,602,395		
Vehicles	3,830,437	268,406	(86,751)	4,012,092		
Infrastructure	<u>45,970,074</u>	<u> </u>		<u>_46,473,208</u>		
Total at Historical Cost	78,843,908	988,557	(86,751)	79,745,714		
Less Accumulated						
Depreciation for:						
Buildings	(5,441,921)	(620,106)	-	(6,062,027)		
Improvements	(104,392)	(19,962)	-	(124,354)		
Equipment	(2,652,643)	(272,167)	-	(2,924,810)		
Vehicles	(3,275,774)	(201,019)	86,7 51	(3,390,042)		
Infrastructure	(31,529,041)	(1.044.544)		(32,571,585)		
Total Accumulated						
Depreciation	<u>(43,001,771)</u>	<u>(2,157,798</u>)	<u> </u>	<u>(45,072,818</u>)		
Government Activities Capital	.	# 7/0 000	()	Ø 41 401 660		
Assets, Net	<u>\$ 40.658,306</u>	<u>\$ 768,392</u>	<u>\$(25,036)</u>	<u>\$ 41,401,662</u>		

Note 8 - Capital Assets (continued)

Business-Type Activities:								
Non-Depreciable Assets:								
Land	\$	37,750	\$	-	\$	-	\$	37,750
Depreciable Assets:								
Buildings		74,786		-		-		74,786
Water Plant		3,786,333		521,271		-		4,307,604
Treatment Plant		8,914,945		373,447		-		9,288,392
Equipment	_	<u>1,015,640</u>	_	<u>159,278</u>				<u>1,174,918</u>
Totals at Historical Cost		13,791,704		1,053,996		-	1	4,845,700
Less Accumulated								
Depreciation for:								
Buildings	(71,706)	(1,480)		-	(73,186)
Water Plant	Ì	2,998,256)	Ì	63,124)		-	Ò	3,061,380)
Treatment Plant	Ì	5,309,716)	Ì	229,438)		-	Ò	5,539,154)
Equipment	Ĺ	666,434)	Ĺ	29,870)			Ĺ	7 <u>36,304</u>)
Total Accumulated			_					
Depreciation	(<u>9,046,112</u>)	Ĺ	<u>363,912</u>)			(<u>9,410,024</u>)
Business-Type Activities						_		
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$_</u>	<u>4.783.342</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>690.084</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5,473,426</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2004 was charged to functions of the primary government as follows:

Government Activities:	
General Government	\$ 1,247,877
Public Safety	131,720
Public Works	171,156
Culture and Recreation	38,351
Community Development	75,055
Ike Hamilton Expo Center	443,632
Convention Center	48,998
Health and Welfare	1,009
Total Depreciation Expense -	
Governmental Activities	<u>\$_2.157.798</u>
Business-Type Activities:	
Utilities	<u>\$ 363,912</u>

Note 9 - Restricted Assets and Related Resources

At June 30, 2004 and 2003, all restricted assets were in the form of demand deposits. These assets represent amounts held for utility customer deposits.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Note 10 - Pension and Retirement Plans

CITY OF WEST MONROE-SPONSORED PENSION PLANS

Effective January 1, 1980, the City-Sponsored West Monroe Police Pension and Relief System merged with the State of Louisiana's Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System. As a result of that merger, the City of West Monroe was indebted to the state system for 20 years at 6%, which represented the remaining principle balance of the accrued liability for the employees transferred to the Municipal Police Employees Retirement System. This amount was paid out as of June 30, 1999.

Effective January 1, 1986, the City-Sponsored West Monroe Firemen's Pension and Relief System merged with the State Firefighters' Retirement System. As a result of that merger, the City of West Monroe was indebted to the State Firefighters' Retirement System for \$1,284,820 at June 30, 2004 which represents the remaining principle balance of the accrued liability for those employees transferred to the Firefighters' Retirement System. This amount is being paid over 30 years at 7% interest. The City paid principal and interest payments of \$171,340 during fiscal year 2004 from sales tax revenues.

STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF LOUISIANA

Substantially all city employees, except firemen and policemen are members of the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (MERS), a multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public employee retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. The MERS is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. All members participate in Plan A.

All permanent employees working at least 35 hours per week and elected city officials are eligible to participate in the system. Under the MERS, a member who retires at or after age 60 with at least 10 years of creditable service, at or after age 55 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with at least 30 years of creditable service is entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of the member's final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service.

Final compensation is a member's average monthly earnings during the highest 36 consecutive months or joined months if service was interrupted. A member who withdraws from active service prior to retirement eligibility is entitled to receive benefits beginning on the normal retirement date, assuming completion of ten years of creditable service and no prior refund of contributions. The system also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – State statute requires covered employees to contribute 9.25 percent of their salaries to the System. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The current actuarially determined rate is 11.0 percent of annual covered payroll. The City's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$489,242, \$363,370 and \$296,399, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System, 7937 Office Park Blvd., Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, or by calling (225) 925-4810.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Note 10 - Pension and Retirement Plans (continued)

MUNICIPAL POLICE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

All full-time police officers engaged in law enforcement are eligible to participate in the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System (MPERS), a multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public employee retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. Members who retire at or after age 55 with 12 years of creditable service, at or after age 50 with 20 years of creditable service, at or after age 50 with 20 years of creditable service are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3-1/3 percent of the member's average final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service, not to exceed 100 percent of his average final compensation

Average final compensation is the average annual earned compensation of a member for any period of 36 successive or joined months of service that produce the highest average. The system also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

<u>Funding Policy</u> - State statute requires covered employees to contribute 7.50 percent of their salaries to the system. The City is required to contribute 15.25 percent of covered employees' salaries. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year.

The City's contributions to the System for the years ending June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$332,760, \$204,589 and \$178,528, respectively, equal to the required contributions for the year.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System, 8401 United Plaza Blvd., Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809-7017, or by calling (225) 929-7411.

FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

All full-time firefighters for the City who are engaged in fire protection are eligible to participate in the Firefighters' Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public employee retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. A member who has completed 20 years of creditable service, has been a member at least 1 year, and has reached the age of 50 is eligible for retirement.

A member with at least 12 years of service who has reached the age of 55 is eligible for retirement, provided he has been a member for at least 1 year. Upon retirement, the benefit amount is 3-1/3 percent of average final compensation multiplied by years of creditable service, not to exceed his average final compensation. Average final compensation is the member's average annual earned compensation for any period of 36 successive or joined months of service that produce the highest average. The system also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

Note 10 - Pension and Retirement Plans (continued)

<u>Funding Policy</u> - State statute requires covered employees to contribute 8.00 percent of their salaries to the system. The City is required to contribute 22.00 percent of covered employees' salaries. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The City's contribution to the System for the years ending June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$221,805, \$126,830, and \$90,270, respectively, equal to the required contributions for the year.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Firefighters' Retirement System, 3100 Brentwood Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809-1752, or by calling (225) 925-4060.

LOUISIANA STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The City Judge is eligible to participate in the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS), a multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public employee retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. LASERS provides benefits for certain elected officials and officials appointed by the governor. A member who has completed 20 years of creditable service is eligible for retirement. Upon retirement, the benefit amount is 2-1/2 percent 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 thirty-six consecutive months of employment. 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 services are also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

<u>Funding Policy</u> - State statute requires covered employees to contribute 12.30 percent of their salaries to the system. The City is required to contribute 15.8 percent of covered employees' salaries. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The City's contribution to the plan for the years ending June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$5,173, \$4,411 and \$4,127, respectively, equal to the required contributions for the year.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, 3401 United Plaza Blvd., Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, or by calling (225) 922-0600.

Note 11 - Postemployment Health Care Benefits

The City does not provide medical coverage for its retirees; consequently there is no liability for postemployment health care benefits. Retirees are able to continue their insurance coverage but must pay for it in its entirety without any City assistance.

Note 12 - Long-Term Debt

Governmental Activities: Bonds and Notes Payable:	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Amounts Due Ending Within <u>Balance One Year</u>
Certificates of Indebtedness Series 2003	s, \$ -	\$ 7,895,000	\$-	\$ 7,895,000 \$ 705,000
Series 1999 and 1998	4,335,000	-	4,335,000	
State Firefighters' Retirement System	_ <u>1,360,897</u>		76,077	<u>1,284,820</u> <u>81,402</u>
<u>Total Bonds and</u> <u>Notes Payable</u>	5,695,897	7,895,000	4,411,077	9,179,820 786,402
Other Liabilities: Accrued Heart and Lung Disability	\$ 1,120,512	\$ -	\$ 45,615	\$ 1,074,897 \$ 67,444
Accrued Vacation, Sick And Compensatory Time	e <u>669,676</u>	32,616		<u> </u>
Total Other Liabilities	<u>1,790,188</u>	32,616	45,615	<u>1,777,189</u> <u>769,736</u>
<u>Total Governmental Activities</u> Long-Term Debt	<u>\$_7.486.085</u>	<u>\$_7.927.616</u>	<u>\$ 4,456,692</u>	<u>\$10,957,009</u> <u>\$1,556,138</u>

Payments on the bonds and notes payable that pertain to the City's governmental activities are made by the debt service funds. The accrued heart and lung disability and accrued vacation, sick and compensatory time will be liquidated primarily by the General Fund. Payment of compensated absences is dependent upon many factors; therefore, the timing of future payments is not readily determinable.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the City's bonds and notes payable obligations are as follows:

	Certificates of	of Indebtedness	State Fin	refighters'
Year Ended	<u>Series</u>	<u>s 2003</u>	<u>Retireme</u>	nt System
<u>June 30.</u>	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Principal	Interest
2005	\$ 705,000	\$ 283,996	\$ 81,402	\$ 89,938
2006	685,000	259,520	87,100	84,239
2007	715,000	232,990	93,198	78,142
2008	735,000	205,513	99,721	71,618
2009	765,000	177,088	106,702	64,638
2010-2014	4,290,000	418,795	656,567	200,131
2015-2019	<u>_</u>		160,130	11,209
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 7.895.000</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,872</u>	<u>\$ 1,284,820</u>	<u>\$ 569,915</u>

Note 13 - Long-Term Firemen's Disability Payments

The City of West Monroe is self-insured with respect to workers' compensation claims up to \$250,000 per occurrence. Consequently, the City is responsible for providing Louisiana State Workers Compensation benefits under the Heart and Lung Act. Under this act, special treatment has been accorded firemen who develop any disease or infirmity of the heart and lungs. Louisiana Revised Statute 33.2581 provides a presumption in favor of firemen that the disease is related to employment even if they are not on duty when stricken with the disease, if the disease manifests itself after the first five years of employment. At June 30, 2004, the City is responsible for payment of lifetime benefits to five firemen. The actuarial estimate of the liability is \$1,074,897.

The annual payment requirements outstanding at June 30, 2004 are as follows:

2005	\$ 67,444
2006	67,444
2007	67,444
2008	67,444
2009	67,444
2010-2014	337,220
2015-2019	277,841
2020-2024	81,744
2025-2029	<u> </u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$1.074.897</u>

Note 14 - Northeast Louisiana Arts Council

The City provides office space and utilities at no charge to the Northeast Louisiana Arts Council. The amount of the services provided has not been determined.

Note 15 - Litigation

There are several pending lawsuits in which the City is involved. The City Attorney is unaware of any pending litigation from which he would reasonably expect the City to incur a liability in excess of its applicable deductible on any insurance policy, and is further unaware of any litigation where the City may not be insured as to any claim where he would reasonably expect the City to incur a liability in excess of \$10,000.

Note 16 - Self-Insurance Program

During 1998, the City began a self-insurance program for hospitalization and medical coverage for its employees. The City limits its losses through the use of reinsurers. The City's aggregate annual loss limitation is based on a formula that considers, among other things, the total number of employees. At June 30, 2004, the City's annual cost, excluding reinsurance premiums, is limited to approximately \$1,510,788.

Note 17 - Purchase Commitments

The City has committed to pay for 20% of the purchase price of two vans that the West Ouachita Senior Center has contracted with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) to buy. The City has already remitted the required matching funds of \$13,032 for the vans as of year end. The vans are expected to be delivered in fiscal year 2005.

Note 18 - Lease Pursuant To Cooperative Endeavor

The City constructed a building and is receiving monthly rent income from the Monroe-West Monroe Convention & Visitor's Bureau of Ouachita Parish (the Bureau). The agreement is a lease pursuant to Cooperative Endeavor for \$2,000 per month and a lump sum payment at the end of each year for a period of 15 years. In addition to the monthly rental, the Bureau is to pay back to the City all of the construction costs of the building. The Bureau is not obligated to make all of the payments but has agreed to use all best efforts to obtain and maintain funds from which payments under this agreement may be made. At June 30, 2004, the amount was paid in full.

Note 19 - Interfund Receivables and Payables

Interfund balances at June 30, 2004, were as follows:

Fund	Receivables	Interfund Pavables
<u>r unu</u>	ICCOULTEDIOS	<u>I UJUDIOS</u>
Major Funds: '86 Sales Tax I-20/Downing Pines Interchange	\$ 540,161 168,589	\$ - -
Enterprise Fund	127,410	-
Non-Major Funds: Governmental Funds Internal Service Fund	769,471	1,4 87,635 <u>117,996</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 1.605.631</u>	<u>\$ 1,605,631</u>

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system and payments between funds are made.

Note 20 - Interfund Operating Transfers In and Out

Interfund operating transfers in and out during the year ended June 30, 2004, were as follows:

		ng <u>Transfers</u>
<u>Fund</u>	<u>In</u>	Out
Major Funds:		
General Fund	\$ 16,206	\$ 115,218
'86 Sales Tax Capital	-	840,000
Enterprise Fund	-	16,206
Non-Major Funds:		
Governmental Funds	115,218	
Debt Service Funds	840,000	
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$_971,424</u>	<u>\$_971,424</u>

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Note 21 - Restatement of Beginning Fund Balance - Section 8 Housing Fund

During the year, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) adjusted the amount of their overpayment to the City for the year 2002-2003. Instead of requesting these funds back, HUD lowered the amount of payments for the 2003-2004 year and had the City restate the Section 8 financial statements beginning fund balance. This occurrence had the following effect on the Section 8 beginning fund balance:

Fund Balance at July 1, 2003	\$(44,723)
HUD Required Restatement for Overpayment	(<u>10,647)</u>
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE RESTATED	<u>\$(</u>	<u>55,370)</u>

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART B) BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

				Variance With Final Budget
	Budgeted A	Amounts	Actual	Over
	Original	Final	Amounts	(Under)
<u>Resources (Inflows):</u>				
Taxes	9,353,500	9,255,800	9,167,592	(88,208)
Intergovernmental	153,670	194,000	194,852	852
Licenses and Permits	663,800	760,000	760,746	746
Charges for Services	1,977,320	1,957,000	1,984,873	27,873
Fines and Forfeitures	389,000	490,000	490,288	288
Interest Earned	105,400	31,000	67,385	36,385
Franchise Revenue	676,000	687,000	893,075	206,075
Other	99,360	373,600	385,736	12,136
Transfers From Other Funds	60,140	-	16,206	16,206
Amounts Available for				
Appropriation	13,478,190	13,748,400	13,960,753	212,353
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General Government:				
Elected Council	74,392	74,392	73,332	1,060
City Court	286,131	301,681	311,175	(9,494)
Marshal	240,117	231,517	231,444	73
Mayor's Office	153,849	151,644	149,806	1,838
City Clerk's Office	682,947	665,647	659,324	6,323
City Hall Maintenance	417,151	448,266	443,351	4,915
General and Administrative	1,371,688	1,447,188	1,412,950	34,238
Public Safety:				
Legal	267,835	276,725	270,250	6,475
Fire	1,602,750	1,563,550	1,567,960	(4,410)
Police	3,145,381	3,160,250	3,192,243	(31,993)
Prison	504,200	510,000	512,776	(2,776)
Police Shop	80,790	81,000	82,944	(1,944)
Public Works:				
Garbage	645,534	660,874	640,896	19,978
Trash	494,750	466,560	454,910	11,650
Streets	550,366	541,236	546,795	(5,559)
Cemetery	42,300	42,540	42,115	425
Planning and Zoning	172,562	167,482	165,002	2,480
City Maintenance Shop	273,775	264,550	255,216	9,334

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

				Variance With
				Final Budget
	Budgeted	Amounts	Actual	Over
	Original	Final	Amounts	(Under)
Culture and Recreation:				
Recreation and Parks	280,640	25 8 ,715	256,878	1,837
Kiroli Park	313,482	316,995	315,330	1,665
Lazarre Park	6,400	8,700	9,736	(1,036)
Farmer's Market	16,950	17,620	17,236	384
Tanner Building & Business Center	187,410	172,885	174,108	(1,223)
Community Development	212,240	215,000	215,855	(855)
Ike Hamilton Expo Center	824,625	811,889	804,997	6,892
Convention Center	634,645	670,755	660,278	10,477
Economic Development	50,445	50,195	49,834	361
Non-Departmental:				
Transfers to Other Funds	131,000	134,350	115,218	19,132
Total Charges to Appropriations	13,664,355	13,712,206	13,631,959	80,247
Excess of Resources Over (Under)				
Charges to Appropriations	(186,165)	36,194	328,794	292,600
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	4,155,127	4,155,127	4,155,127	- <u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ 3,968,962	\$ 4,191,321	\$ 4,483,921	<u>\$ 292,600</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - '86 SALES TAX 75% CAPITAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Budgeted	Amounts	Actual	Variance With Final Budget Over
	Original	Final	Amounts	(Under)
Resources (Inflows):				
Sales Tax	3,730,000	4,117,825	4,000,458	(117,367)
Non-City Revenue	-	-	118,873	118,873
Interest Income	2,000	3,000	2,395	(605)
Amounts Available for				
Appropriation	3,732,000	4,120,825	4,121,726	901
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows);				
Computer Equipment and Software	292,000	358,000	356,059	1,941
Street Projects	225,000	130,000	151,915	(21,915)
Drainage Projects	50,000	51,000	51,681	(681)
Furniture and Fixtures	40,000	21,000	21,771	(771)
Vehicles	300,000	335,000	337,850	(2,850)
Machinery and Equipment	250,000 733,000		733,828	(828)
Consultants	55,000	179,000	177,579	1,421
Engineering	280,000	230,000	227,811	2,189
Construction/Buildings/Facilities	40,000	13,000	12,854	146
Water Projects	125,000	450,000	450,174	(174)
Sewer Projects	140,000	188,000	188,908	(908)
Treatment Plant Projects	500,000	-	-	_
Land Purchases	-	40,000	39,064	936
Maintenance	165,000	117,000	138,460	(21,460)
Transfers Out To Other Funds	1,050,000	840,000	840,000	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	3,512,000	3,685,000	3,727,954	(42,954)
Excess of Resouces Over (Under)				/ -
Charges to Appropriations	220,000	435,825	393,772	(42,053)
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	566,408	73,408	73,408	-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ 786,408	\$ 509,233	\$ 467,180	\$ (42,053)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

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

- 1. In May of each year, the Mayor submits to the Board of Aldermen an operating and capital budget for the succeeding year.
- 2. A public hearing is scheduled by the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen after allowing for at least ten days notice to the public at the time the budget is initially submitted to the Board of Aldermen.
- 3. Final adoption of the budget by the Board of Aldermen is on the second Tuesday in June.
- 4. The Mayor may authorize transfers of budgetary amounts within departments. However, any revision requiring alteration of levels of expenditures or transfers between departments must be approved by the Board of Aldermen.
- 5. Operating appropriations and nonmajor capital appropriations, to the extent not expended, lapse at year-end. Major capital appropriations continue in force until the project is completed.

All legally adopted budgets of the City are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Budgets are adopted for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds, Capital Project Funds, and Expendable Trust Funds.

Budget comparison schedules included in the accompanying financial statements include the original adopted budgets and all subsequent adopted amendments.

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Mid-So IDA Initi Gran	Fire Gra		Boys and Girls Club Grant		
Revenues						
Taxes	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Intergovernmental		-		-		-
Interest		-		-		-
Other			{	30,534	_	16,668
Total Revenues	.	-		30,534		16,668
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Public Safety		-		-		-
Public Works		-		-		-
Health and Welfare		-		-		-
Culture and Recreation	10	,535		-		20,034
Capital Expenditures &						
Major Repairs		-	5	30,534		-
Total Expenditures	10	,535	8	80,534		20,034
Excess (Deficiency) of						
<u>Revenues Over Expenditures</u>	(10	,535)		-		(3,366)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Operating Transfers - In		-		-		-
Total Other Financing						
Sources (Uses)		-				
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>	(10,	,535)		-		(3,366)
Fund Balances - Beginning	13,	763				14,968
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$</u> 3,	228		-	<u>\$</u>	11,602

Rental Rehabilitation Fund		Rehabilitation			Metro LCLE Grant Fund		Juvenile Justice Grant Fund		Justice Grant		Justice Grant		rth Delta Law orcement ing Center Fund	office of Motor Vehicles	
\$	6,904	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -							
	-		- 27,710		- 9,032		-	- 4,802	С						
	<u> </u>		2,614		_		67,266	 67,673							
\$	6,904	\$	30,324	\$	9,032	\$	67,266	\$ 72,475	0						
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	6,904		2,614		(52)		66,946	 72,426	Ε						
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\$	6,904	\$	30,324	\$	9,032	\$	67,266	\$ 72,475							

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<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Section 8 Housing			Americorps Grant Fund	
<u>Revenues</u>	•	^	^	<u>^</u>	
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Intergovernmental	1,955,451	12,104	20,216	114,812	
Interest	1,360	-	-	-	
Other	19,112		2,070		
Total Revenues	1,975,923	12,104	22,286	114,812	
Exponditures					
<u>Expenditures</u> Public Safety					
Public Works	-	-	-	-	
Health and Welfare	- 1,983,058	-	-	-	
Culture and Recreation	1,965,056	- 12,504	-	116,011	
Capital Expenditures &	-	12,504	-	110,011	
Major Repairs			22,286		
Total Expenditures	1,983,058	12,504	22,286	116,011	
Total Expenditures	1,983,038	12,504	22,200	110,011	
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of</u> <u>Revenues Over Expenditures</u>	(7,135)	(400)	-	(1,199)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating Transfers - In Total Other Financing	-	-	-	-	
Sources (Uses)	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>	(7,135)	(400)	-	(1,199)	
Fund Balances - Beginning	(55,370)		<u> </u>	21,096	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ (62,505)	<u>\$ (400)</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 19,897	

Childrens' Trust Fund		Ab	Litter Abatement <u>Grant</u>		mmunity Center onations Fund	Credit Union Fund	Inv F	orkforce estment Board Grant	
\$	1,015 276	\$	- - -	\$	30,884	\$ 21,209	\$	1,972	С
\$	1,291	<u> </u>		<u>\$</u>	30,884	 21,209	\$	1,972	O N
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	-		26,479		-	21,209		-	N U
	1,291		(26,479)		30,884	 <u> </u>		1,972	E D
\$	1,291	\$		\$	30,884	\$ 21,209	\$	1,972	_

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Street Maintenance Fund		West Ouachita Senior Center Fund		Emergency Shelter Program Fund		Officer Witness Court Fund	
Revenues	•		•		•		•	
Taxes	\$	156,752	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Intergovernmental		-		326,096		-		-
Interest		-		56		-		-
Other		-		165,661	<u> </u>	15,492		11,079
Total Revenues		156,752		491,813		15,492		11,079
<u>Expenditures</u>								
Public Safety		-		-		-		18,325
Public Works		113,022		-		-		-
Health and Welfare		-		607,031		16,873		-
Culture and Recreation		-		-		-		-
Capital Expenditures &								
Major Repairs		-		-		-		-
Total Expenditures		113,022		607,031		16,873		18,325
Excess (Deficiency) of								
<u>Revenues Over Expenditures</u>		43,730		(115,218)		(1,381)		(7,246)
Other Financing Sources								
Operating Transfers - In		-		115,218		-		-
Total Other Financing								
Sources				115,218		-		
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>		43,730		-		(1,381)		(7,246)
Fund Balances - Beginning		11,451		-	<u>_</u>	11,149		3,822
FUND BALANCES - ENDING		55,181	\$	-	\$	9,768	\$	(3,424)

	Century			Total					
	hita Parish		letproof	Nonmajor					
	ol Board		Vest	Spec	ial Revenue				
(Grant	(Grant		Funds				
\$	-	\$	-	\$	83,246				
	-		-		21,209				
	-		-		355,864				
	5,080		5,812		270,477				
\$	5,080	\$	\$ 5,812		730,796				
\$	314	\$	-	\$	40,233				
	-		-		490,132				
	314				530,365				
	4,766		5,812		200,431				
\$	5,080	\$	5,812	_\$	730,796				

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CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

ASSETS	Mid-South IDA Initiative <u>Grant</u>			ire Act Grant	Boys and Girls Club Grant	
Cash in Bank Accounts Receivable Due From Other Governments Due From Other Funds TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 		\$ 	72,522	\$ 	- - 11,602 11,602
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable Due To Other Funds Total Liabilities	\$		\$	72,522 72,522	\$	
FUND BALANCES Unreserved		3,228	4.7.			11,602
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		3,228	_\$	72,522	\$	11,602

Rental Rehabilitation Fund		Metro LCLE Grant Fund		Juvenile Justice Grant Fund		North Delta Law Enforcement Training Center Fund		Office of Motor Vehicles		
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	74,536	\$	-	
	-		251,515		10,952		-		57,846	
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	-		251,515		10,952		74,536		57,846	
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	-		251,515		9,031		91,828		65,914	
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	-		-		1,921		(17,292)		(8,068)	υ
6	<u>,904</u>		2,614		(1,973)		84,238		80,494	
<u>\$ 6</u>	,904	\$	2,614	\$	(52)	\$	66,946	<u> </u>	72,426	

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

						nmissio <mark>n</mark> Law		
	Section 8 Housing		Brownfields Pilot Grant		Enforcement Block Grant			ericorps Grant Fund
ASSETS								<u> </u>
Cash in Bank Accounts Receivable	\$	76,342	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Due From Other Governments Due From Other Funds		160,292		2,818		-		10,776 9,121
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	236,634	\$	2,818	<u> </u>	-	\$	19,897
<u>LIABILITIES</u>								
Accounts Payable Due To Other Funds Total Liabilities	\$	299,139 299,139	\$	3,218 3,218	\$	- - -	\$	-
FUND BALANCES								
Unreserved		(62,505)		(400)		-		19,897
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND</u> <u>FUND BALANCES</u>	<u>\$</u>	236,634	<u>\$</u>	2,818	<u> </u>	-	<u>\$</u>	19,897

	Childrens' Trust Fund		Litter batement Grant	tement Donations Unio		Center Credit onations Union			orkforce vestment Board Grant	
\$	- 4,994 - - 4,994	\$	- - - -	\$	<u>7,720</u> 7,720	\$	- 	\$	- - - -	
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	4,994		12,838		2,739			• <u> </u>		T I
	-		(12,838)		4,981		-		-	N
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	-		(12,838)		4,981		-		-	Ð
	1,291		(13,641)		25,903		-		1,972	
<u>\$</u>	1 ,29 1	_\$	(26,479)	\$	30,884	<u> </u>	_ 	\$	1,972	

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

ASSETS	Street Maintenance Fund		West Ouachita Senior Center Fund		Emergency Shelter Program Fund		Officer Witness Court Fund	
Cash in Bank Accounts Receivable Due From Other Governments Due From Other Funds	\$	- - 55,181	\$	- 66,897 -	\$	- - 9,768	\$	- - -
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	55, <u>18</u> 1	\$	66,897	\$	9,768	\$	_
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable Due To Other Funds	\$	-	\$	12,115 54,782	\$	-	\$	3,424
Total Liabilities		-		66,897		-		3,424
FUND BALANCES								
Unreserved		55,181				<u>9,768</u>	. <u></u>	(3,424)
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND</u> <u>FUND BALANCES</u>	\$	55,181	\$	66,897	\$	<u>9,768</u>	\$	-

21st Century Ouachita Parish School Board Grant		letproof Vest Grant	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds				
\$	-	\$ -	\$	231,288			
	-	-		2,753,986			
	-	-		1,416			
	68,189	7,130		428,630			
	68,189	 7,130		3,415,320			
	62,450	- - -		436,613 113,022 2,606,962 277,080			
	62,450	 <u>1,318</u> 1,318	—	<u>104,138</u> 3,537,815			
	5,739	 5,812		(122,495)			
	-	-		115,218			
		 		115,218			
	5,739	5,812		(7,277)			
	(973)	 		207,708			
\$	4,766	\$ 5,812	_\$	200,431			

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR DEBT SERVICE FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET</u> <u>JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Firemen's Pension Merger Fund		Capital Projects Debt Service Fund		Total Nonmajor Debt Service Funds	
ASSETS						
Cash in Bank	\$	104,249	\$	352,016	_\$	456,265
<u>LIABILITIES</u>						
Due To Other Funds	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
FUND BALANCES						
Reserved For Debt Service	<u> </u>	104,249		352,016		456,265
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND</u> <u>FUND BALANCES</u>	<u> </u>	104,249		352,016	\$	456,265

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR DEBT SERVICE FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Firemen's Pension Merger Fund			Capital Projects Debt Service Fund		Total Ionmajor Ibt Service Fun <u>ds</u>
Revenues Taxes	\$	171,340	\$		\$	171,340
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Principal Retirement		76,077		770,000		846,077
Interest		95,263		197,519		292,782
Total Expenditures	<u></u>	171,340		967,519		1,138,859
<u>Excess ((Deficiency) of Revenues</u> <u>Over Expenditures</u>		-		(967,519)		(967,519)
Other Financing Sources Operating Transfers - In		<u> </u>		840,000	<u> </u>	840,000
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>		-		(127,519)		(127,519)
Fund Balance - Beginning		104,249		479 <u>,</u> 535	<u> </u>	583,784
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$	104,249		352,016	\$	456,265

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

ACCETC	Detention Basin Grant Project		CDBG - Bancroft Bag Project		CDBG - Pine Valley Foods Project	
ASSETS						
Due From Other Governments Due From Other Funds	\$	- 	\$	- 10,097	\$ 	46,793 63,964
TOTAL ASSETS	\$		\$	10,097	\$	110,757
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable Due To Other Funds Total Liabilitites	\$	<u>323,069</u> 323,069	\$	7,374	\$	46,793 63,964 110,757
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)						
Unreserved:						
Designated for Future						
Expenditures		(323,069)	<u> </u>	2,723		<u> </u>
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND</u> <u>FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)</u>	\$		<u> </u>	10,097	\$	110,757

Tec	DBG - Send hnologies Project	Total onmajor ital Project Funds
\$	21,325	\$ 46,793 95,386
<u>\$</u>	21,325	\$ 142,179
\$	<u>21,325</u> 21,325	\$ 54,167 408,358 462,525
	<u> </u>	 (320,346)
\$	21,325	\$ 1 <u>42,</u> 179

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Detention Basin Grant Project	CDBG - Bancroft Bag Project	CDBG - Pine Valley Foods Project
<u>Revenues</u> Intergovernmental Other Total Revenues	\$ - 	\$	\$ 248,239
Expenditures Capital Projects	71,871	101,867	248,239
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of</u> <u>Revenues Over Expenditures</u>	(71,871)	-	-
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Operating Transfers - In Operating Transfers - Out Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	- 	- 	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(71,871)		
<u>Fund Balances - Beginning</u>	(251,198)	2,723	- <u></u>
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ (323,069)	\$ 2,723	<u> </u>

Tecl	DBG - Send nnologies Project	Total Ionmajor Dital Project Funds
\$	21,325	\$ 364,057 7,374
	21,325	 371,431
	21,325	 443,302
	-	(71,871)
<u> </u>		 <u> </u>
	-	(71,871)
	<u> </u>	 (248,475)
	<u></u>	 (320,346)

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR FIDUCIARY FUNDS - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING BALANCE SHEET</u> <u>JUNE 30, 2004</u>

<u>ASSETS</u>	W Cor	nployees' 'orkmen's npansation serve Fund		General nsurance Fund	 Hasley Cemetery Fund	Total Nonmajor endable Trust Funds
Investments Due From Other Funds	\$	472,553 122,489	\$	-	\$ 253,852 281,119	\$ 726,405 403,608
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	595,042	\$	_	\$ 534,971	\$ 1,130,013
LIABILITIES Due To Other Funds <u>FUND BALANCES</u>	\$	-	\$	182,188	\$ -	\$ 182,188
Reserved: Workmen's Compensation Claims Cemetery Maintenance Insurance Claims Total Fund Balances		595,042 - - 595,042		(182,188) (182,188)	 534,971	 595,042 534,971 (182,188) 947,825
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u> </u>	595,042	<u> </u>		\$ 534,971	 1,130,013

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<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NONMAJOR FIDUCIARY FUNDS - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS</u> <u>COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND</u> <u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Employees' Workmen's Compansation Reserve Fund		General Insurance Fund		Hasley Cemetery Fund		Total Nonmajor Expendable Trus Funds	
<u>Revenues</u>								
Sales Tax	\$	-	\$	24,000	\$	-	\$	24,000
Lot Sales		-		-		8,500		8,500
Insurance Proceeds		-		32,333		-		32,333
Interest		6,352		-		2,430		8,782
Total Revenues		6,352		56,333		10,930		73,615
<u>Expenditures</u> Hasley Cemetery Claims Paid		-		- 152,625		2,430		2,430 152,625
Total Expenditures				152,625		2,430		155,055
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Other Financing Sources (Uses)		6,352		(96,292)		8,500		(81,440)
Operating Transfers - Out							<u> </u>	
<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>		6,352		(96,292)		8,500		(81,440)
Fund Balance - Beginning		588,690		(85,896)	<u>, </u>	526,471		1,029,265
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$	595,042	\$	(182,188)	\$	534,971	\$	947,825

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA ALL FUNDS SCHEDULE OF ASSESSED VALUATION AND AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR 2003

Original Assessed Valuation		\$ 96,416,662
Tax Rate Per Thousand Dollars (Mills)		8.59
Gross Tax Levy		\$ 828,219
Less: Adjustments		 (1,787)
Adjusted Gross Tax Levy		\$ 826,432
Tax Collected 2003 Assessments		\$ 823,701
	2003 Tax Rate Mills	
Allocation of Tax Collected		
General Fund Street Maintenance	6.95 1.64	\$ 666,949 156,752
Total	8.59	\$ 823,701

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - CONVENTION CENTER FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Revenues	Events \$ 116,862	Concession \$7,883	Catering \$ 356,198	Total \$ 480,943
<u>Cost of Operations</u> Operating Expenditures Personnel Total	17,081 70,531 87,612	- 	174,871 172,680 347,551	191,952 243,211 435,163
Gross Profit	<u>\$ 29,250</u>	\$ 7,883	<u>\$ 8,647</u>	45,780
Administrative Expenditures Director's Salary Operations Salaries Vehicle Maintenance Materials, Repairs & Supplies Gas and Oil Cell Phones and Pagers Advertising Office Utilities Total Administrative				39,136 95,162 1,075 14,274 449 1,317 758 40,745 32,199
Expenditures				225,115
Deficiency of Revenues Over Expenditures				<u>\$ (179,335)</u>

		Variance - Favorable				
I	Budget	(Un	favorable)			
\$	3,900	\$	41,880			
•	- ,	-	,			
	38,400		(736)			
	97,775		2,613			
	800		(275)			
	12,200		(2,074)			
	380		(69)			
	1,300		(17)			
	2,000		1,242			
	43,600		2,855			
	33,800		1,601			
	230,255		5,140			
đ	(00(055)	¢	47.000			
\$	(226,355)		47,020			

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<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - IKE HAMILTON EXPO CENTER</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	Equine Events	Co	ncession		Rentals & havings		Total
Revenues	\$ 176,029	\$	98,108	\$	162,810	\$	436,947
Cost of Operations							
Operating Expenditures	39,945		79,122		23,460		142,527
Promotional	5,332		-				5,332
Personnel	73,639		-		47,080		120,719
Total	 118,916		79,122		70,540		268,578
Gross Profit	\$ 57,113	<u> </u>	18,986	<u> </u>	92,270		168,369
Administrative Expenditures							
Director's Salary							61,069
Operations Salaries							126,269
Vehicle Maintenance							3,191
Materials, Repairs & Supplies							36,239
Gas and Oil							75
Office							31,010
Cell Phones and Pagers							1,662
Advertising							-
Other Miscellaneous Purchases							270
Utilities							276,634
Total Administrative							
Expenditures							536,419
Deficiency of Revenues Over							
Expenditures							(368,050)

	Variance -
	Favorable
Budget	(Unfavorable)

\$ 180,650	\$ (12,281)
61,068	(1)
116,771	(9,498)
4,500	1,309
28,500	(7,739)
600	525
31,000	(10)
1,300	(362)
14,700	14,700
500	230
 285,000	 8,366
 543,939	 7,520
 (363,289)	\$ (4,761)

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION – GRANT ACTIVITY

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

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of West Monroe, Louisiana

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P. O. Box 2474

We have audited the primary government financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana (the City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the City's basic primary government financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2004. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the basic primary government financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial control over financial reporting that, in our judgement, could adversely affect the City's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the basic primary government financial statements. The reportable conditions are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 04-2, 04-3, 04-4 and 04-5.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe none of the reportable conditions described above is a material weakness.

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of West Monroe, Louisiana Page 2

Compliance and Other Matters

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

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, federal awarding agencies, and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is to be distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Cameron Hines & Hartt (APAC)

West Monroe, Louisiana September 30, 2004

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of West Monroe, Louisiana

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We have audited the compliance of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana (the City) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2004. The City's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the City's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2004. However, the results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance with those requirements which is required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 04-1.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on the internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of West Monroe, Louisiana Page 2

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants caused by error or fraud that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operations that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is to be distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Cameron, Hines & Hartt (APAC)

West Monroe, Louisiana September 30, 2004

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditors' report expresses an unqualified opinion on the primary government financial statements of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana.
- 2. Six reportable conditions disclosed during the audit of the financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditors' Report On Compliance And On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards and the Independent Auditors' Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable To Each Major Program And Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance With OMB Circular A-133. None of the reportable conditions are deemed to be material weaknesses.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, were disclosed during the audit.
- 4. One reportable condition disclosed during the audit of the major federal award programs is reported in the Independent Auditors' Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable To Each Major Program And Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance With OMB Circular A-133.
- 5. The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the City of West Monroe, Louisiana expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.
- 6. Audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Sections 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 are reported in this schedule.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs included the Department of Housing and Urban Development Voucher Program, CFDA No. 14.857 and Community Development Block Grants, CFDA No. 14.228.
- 8. The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
- 9. The City of West Monroe, Louisiana does not qualify to be a low-risk auditee.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 (continued)</u>

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

04-1 Housing Quality Standards - Quality Control Reinspections

Condition:

In performing the audit on compliance for HUD on the Section 8 Housing department, it was noted that one of the units that had previously failed its Housing Quality Standards inspection and did not have a follow-up Quality Control Reinspection performed.

Criteria:

The Housing Authority (the City) must inspect the unit leased to a family at least annually to determine if the unit meets Housing Quality Standards and the Housing Authority must conduct quality control reinspections on failed units. The Housing Authority must prepare a unit inspection report.

Effect:

By not properly following up on inspections of failed units, there is no way to verify that repairs were completed within the Housing Authority approved time extension.

Recommendation:

The Section 8 department should make sure that all failed inspections are followed by quality control reinspections as HUD regulations dictate.

Response:

This was an unusual occurrence. It is the department's policy to follow up on all failed inspections. The Section 8 department will continue to reinspect all failed inspections as HUD requires.

This finding resulted in no questioned costs.

FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

04-2 Fixed Assets

Condition:

During the audit it was noted that the accounting department had not recorded in the fixed asset detail all of the capital assets acquired or constructed during the year. Also, the accounting department could not provide a report of additions or deletions. All of the additions recorded during the year were found by examining the capital fund and capital project funds.

Criteria:

In order for the City to be able to exercise control over its fixed assets, the detail listing must be updated each time a new capital asset is acquired or constructed, an asset is sold or otherwise deleted, and then reconciled to the general ledger.

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 (continued)

04-2 <u>Fixed Assets</u> (continued)

Effect:

By not updating and maintaining the fixed asset listing, the City will have difficulty in exercising control over is fixed assets.

Recommendation:

The City should continually update the fixed assets records each time a capital asset is added or deleted and reconcile the records to the general ledger. Also, a report should be developed from the general ledger system that shows a complete listing of fixed assets as well as current year additions and deletions.

Response:

The City will update the fixed asset records and continue to reconcile to the general ledger. Also the software manufacturer will be contacted to help with report generation of current year additions and deletions.

04-3 Centralized Purchasing

Condition:

At the present time, there is no centralized purchasing system at the City. All department heads are issued and are responsible for a procurement card that can be used to purchase items at any vendor that accepts credit cards. Also, others is the department can authorize purchases in the accounts payable system without approval of the department head. There is little monitoring of this system by the accounting department as to what is purchased by each department.

Criteria:

The department head is responsible for approving non-capital purchases in his/her department. The purchase made by invoice is approved by the department head and is put into the accounts payable system for payment. There is no such control over the procurement card system.

Effect:

Because there is little monitoring of the procurement card system, the risk of intentional or unintentional errors could occur. Also, unauthorized purchases could be requested and made since more than one person can initiate transactions into the accounts payable system.

Recommendation:

The City should consider centralizing the purchases under one department. This would maintain better controls over expenditures.

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 (continued)

04-3 <u>Centralized Purchasing</u> (continued)

Response:

Due to the size of the operations and the limited number of permanent employees, a centralized purchasing system is not practical at this time. However, the monthly reports will continue to be reviewed when they are received. Also, the City's finance director closely monitors each department's budget as a method of expenditure control. Each procurement card's limit has been significantly reduced to limit what each department purchases.

04-4 <u>Program Funds</u>

Condition:

The City's general ledger software provides for subsidiary ledger funds, or programs, to be created within a fund. This allows for many types of programs to be accounted for in one parent fund. During the audit, some programs were created within the Special Grants and Donations fund that already had their own fund set up in the general ledger.

Criteria:

In order for the City to be able to properly account for these grants and programs, each one should be accounted for in either a program or a fund.

Effect:

The above condition created the problem of detail being coded to both the fund and program that resulted in several adjusting journal entries to correct these transactions. Also, detail is posted to two different funds.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City only create these programs when they are absolutely necessary. In some instances, some of this activity can be accounted for in the general fund, thereby eliminating the need to create a program or fund altogether.

Response:

The City will only create programs in the Special Grants and Donations fund if they are needed and any minor account detail will be accounted for in the general fund.

04-5 Marshal's Office Cash

Condition:

Cash is maintained at the City Marshal's office for making change when fines or other money is collected. A surprise cash count was performed on this cash at the end of one day and at the beginning of the next day. Both cash counts were out of balance each time it was counted by different amounts.

Criteria:

Cash should reconcile each day and be reconciled by the same individual, if possible.

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 (continued)

04-5 Marshal's Office Cash (continued)

Effect:

Since no reconciliation of cash is performed and there is little to no control over the cash in the Marshal's office, errors, whether intentional or unintentional, or misappropriations could occur.

Recommendation:

The cash should be reconciled daily and any discrepancies be investigated immediately.

Response:

The cash box that is the City's responsibility will be closed. The City Marshal is now responsible for funding his own operations.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Federal Grants/Pass Through	CFDA	Agency or Pass -		
Grantor/Program Title	Number	Through Number	<u></u>	xpenditures
Department of Housing & Urban Development				
Public and Indian Housing				
HAP - Vouchers	14.871	LA186VO	* \$	1,955,451
Thru LA Division of Admn, Office of Com	n Dev			
LCDBG - Pine Valley Foods	14.228	599800		248,239
LCDBG - Bancroft Bag	14.228	583317		94,493
LCDBG - Send Technologies	14.228	602279		21,325
LCDBG - Street Rehabilitation	14.228	599796		325,939
Environmental Protection Agency			*	689,996
Brownfields Pilot for Site Identification				
	66.811	BP-986662-01-0		5,586
and Active Redevelopment	00.011	DF-980002-01-0		5,580
Brownfields Assessment & Cleanup				
Cooperative Agreements	66.818	BF-9764601-1		6,518
Department of Justice				
Bureau of Justice Assistance				
LA Commission on Law Enforc.	16.579	B03-2-001		160,724
LA Commission on Law Enforc.	16.579	B01-2-001E		27,887
			÷	188,611
Local Law Enforc. Block Grant	16.592	2003-LB-BX-0011		20,216
Bulletproof Vest Partnership	16.607			7,130
Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency				
Prenvention				
Juvenile Justice Grant	16.540	J03-2-002E02		10,952
Federal Bureau of Investigation				
Safestreets Violent Crime Initiative	???	106-113		27,769
Department of Transportation				
Federal Transit Administration				
Section 5311 - Operating Assistance	20.509	LA-18-X021		59,565
Section 5311 - Capital Assistance	20.509	741-99-0157		26,815
Section 5311 - Capital Assistance	20.509	736-99-1161		29,191
Socion 5511 Capital Assistance	40.307	, 50 37 1101	·····	115,571
Job Access - Reverse Commute	20.516	LA-37-X009		86,370
	20.010			00,270

CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Federal Grants/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title	CFDA Number	Agency or Pass - Through Number	Expenditures
Department of Transportation (continued)			
National Hwy Traffic Safety Admn.			
State & Community Hwy Safety	20.600	CFMS603070	15,479
Federal Emergency Management Agency			
EF&S National Board Program	83.523	36-6000-002	15,492
Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant	83.554	EMW-2003-FG-01832	72,522
Corporation for National and			
Community Service			
AmeriCorps	94.006	94ACHLA0010002	76,940
AmeriCorps	94.006	00ASCLA0192001	20,518
-			97,458
Children's Trust Fund	93.590	CFMS600913	4,994
OFS/Child & Families TANF	93.558	CFMS603453	86,370
			\$ 3,406,485

*Denotes Major Federal Assistance Program. See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES</u> <u>OF FEDERAL AWARDS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

1. General

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal award programs of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana. The City of West Monroe, Louisiana reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the City's primary government financial statements. All federal award programs received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, is included on the schedule.

2. Basis of Accounting

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the City's primary government financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

There were no findings for this category.

Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

03-1 Central Grant Register

Condition:

The central grant register did not include all grants the City is or has been participating in during the current year. In some instances the grant activity was reported in the general ledger by netting the activity in a particular receivable or revenue account.

Recommendation:

The central grant register should be updated with the details of the sources and terms of all grants for which the City has qualified. Each department should be responsible for notifying the accounting department of any grant applications, awards and activity. The accounting department should set up accounts in such a manner that the status of the grant can be readily determined.

Current Status:

The grant register is still not being kept up to date.

03-2 Bank Reconciliations

Condition:

At June 30, 2003, the City was ten months behind reconciling the general operating bank account. This was mainly due to the City's software conversion at the beginning of the year.

Recommendation:

The City should reconcile all bank accounts monthly when the statements are received from the bank.

Current Status:

The City has hired a part time employee who's only job is to reconcile bank statements. All bank accounts are current as of June 30, 2004.

<u>CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA</u> <u>SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 (Continued)

03-3 Fixed Assets Disposals

Condition:

During the audit of fixed assets, it was noted that the City's policy on disposed assets had not been adhered to consistently. The City's policy requires that all missing property incidents should be properly investigated, documented and communicated to the accounting department. The departments of the City were required to take an inventory of all of their fixed assets and compare them to the master listing maintained by the accounting department. Several of the items on the fixed asset listing could not be located at some of the departments nor was the required "Disposal/Transfer" form prepared.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that all missing and stolen property incidents should be documented and reported promptly to the accounting department and submit a Fixed Asset Disposal/Transfer form to the accounting department as required by the written policies.

Current Status:

All department heads were notified of the proper procedures. City management feels that the policies and procedures are being followed as prescribed.

03-4 Petty Cash Boxes

<u>Condition</u>:

During the audit, it was noted that more than one person had access to the cash boxes in the vault.

Recommendation:

There should only be one employee with access to the cash boxes and continue to perform the reconciliations at least once a month while insuring all vouchers are accounted for.

Current Status:

Each cash box is assigned to only one individual.

03-5 Separation of Duties

Condition:

During the audit, it was noted that an accounts payable employee had the ability to initiate purchase orders, authorize invoices and issue checks.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City remove the authorization function from the accounts payable function.

Current Status:

That particular employee no longer is able to initiate purchase orders or authorize invoices.