Financial Report

City Court of Houma Houma, Louisiana



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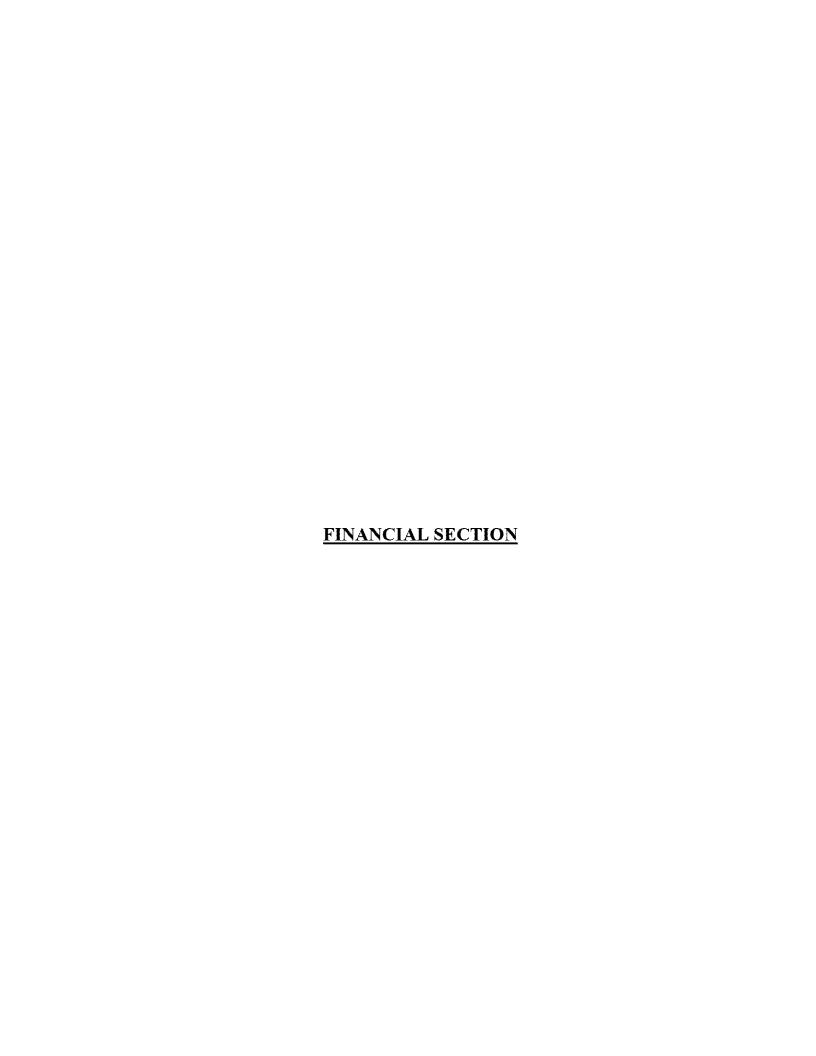
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Judge Matthew H. Hagen, City Court of Houma, Houma, Louisiana.

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the General Fund and Fiduciary Funds of City Court of Houma, State of Louisiana ("City Court"), a component unit of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government (the "Parish"), State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City Court's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the General Fund and Fiduciary Funds of City Court of Houma as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the governmental activities, General Fund and Fiduciary Funds and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of City Court and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements.

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis pages 5 through 10, the Schedule of Changes in City Court's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios on page 51, the Schedules of City Court's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability on pages 52 and 53 and the Schedules of City Court Contributions on pages 54 and 55 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management, and although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise City Court's basic financial statements. The information contained in Schedules 1 and 2 (Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer and Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity as required by Act 87 of 2020 regular Legislative Session) for the year ended December 31, 2021 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 16, 2022 on our consideration of City Court'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* in considering City Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Certified Public Accountants.

Bourgeois Bennett, L.L.C.

Houma, Louisiana, June 16, 2022.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of City Court of Houma's (City Court) financial performance presents a narrative overview and analysis of City Court's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2021. This document focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts. Please read this document in conjunction with the financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

City Court's liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded its assets and deferred outflows of resources at the close of fiscal year 2021 by \$783,890 (net deficit), which represents a 34.74% decrease in net deficit in comparison to last fiscal year's net deficit. The deficit is primarily the result of recognition of long-term obligations for compensated absences (GASB Statement 16), pension (GASB Statement 68), and other postemployment benefits (GASB Statement 75).

City Court's revenue increased by \$367,245 (or 22.34%) primarily due to increases in intergovernmental revenue resulting from American Rescue Plan funds received from the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government (the "Parish").

City Court's expenses decreased by \$177,851 (or 10.04%) primarily due to decreases in personal service.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to City Court's financial statements. City Court's annual report consists of three parts: (1) management's discussion and analysis (this section); (2) financial statements; and (3) various governmental compliance reports and schedules by certified public accountants and management.

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

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of City Court's finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business. The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of City Court's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of City Court is improving or deteriorating. The Statement of Activities presents information showing how City Court's net position changed during each fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods. The governmental activities of City Court are judicial services from which fees are received from criminal, civil, and juvenile cases.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. City Court maintains two types of funds, governmental and fiduciary fund types.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Both the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

City Court maintains an individual governmental fund. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the General Fund. City Court adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget. The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 13 through 19 of this report.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for resources received from criminal and civil cases along with funds from bonds set by the Court, which are held for the benefit of parties outside City Court. While these funds represent a trust responsibility, these assets are restricted in purpose and do not represent assets of City Court. Therefore, these assets are not presented as part of the government-wide financial statements. The Statement of Fiduciary Funds and Change in Fiduciary Net Position can be found on pages 18 and 19 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found in Exhibit J of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of City Court's financial position. As of December 31, 2021, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$783,890. Deferred outflows and inflows of resources are related to City Court's participation in multi-employer defined benefit pensions and other post-employment benefits. A portion of City Court's net position (deficit) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., office equipment and furniture). Consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (Continued)

Condensed Statements of Net Position

	Decen	Dollar	
	2021	2020	Change
Current assets	\$1,155,354	\$ 849,441	\$305,913
Net pension asset	167,929	50,366	117,563
Capital assets	18,857	23,936	(5,079)
Deferred outflows of resources	358,386	477,287	(118,901)
Total assets and deferred			
outflows of resources	1,700,526	1,401,030_	299,496
Long-term obligations	1,828,492	1,989,627	(161,135)
Current liabilities	78,534	119,731	(41,197)
Deferred inflows of resources	577,390	492,822	84,568
Total liabilities and deferred			
inflows of resources	2,484,416_	2,602,180	(117,764)
Net positions (deficit):			
Net investment in capital assets	18,857	23,936	(5,079)
Unrestricted	(802,747)	(1,225,086)	422,339
Total net position	\$ (783,890)	\$(1,201,150)	\$417,260

Current assets increased due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2021. As of December 31, 2021, City Court reported a net pension asset for its portion of participation in the Parochial Employees' Retirement System. Long-term obligations as of December 31, 2021 for net pension liability, compensated absences and other postemployment benefits total \$452,549, \$74,359, and \$1,301,584, respectively. Deferred outflows and inflows of resources are a result of accounting for pensions and other post-employment benefits.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (Continued)

Governmental Activities

Governmental activities for the year decreased City Court's net deficit by \$417,260. Key elements of this decrease are as follows:

Condensed Statements of Activities

				Total
	December 31,		Dollar	Percentage
	2021	2020	Change	Change
Program revenues	-			
Charges for services	\$ 654,284	\$ 747,532	\$ (93,248)	-12.47%
Operating grants	1,350,629	880,464	470,165	53.40%
General revenues				
Interest	5,076	14,285	(9,209)	-64.47%
Miscellaneous	1,400	1,863	(463)	-24.85%
Total revenues	2,011,389	1,644,144	367,245	22.34%
Expenses				
Judicial activities	1,594,129	1,771,980	(177,851)	-10.04%
Increase (decrease) in				
net position	417,260	(127,836)	545,096	426.40%
Net position (deficit)				
Beginning of year	(1,201,150)	(1,073,314)	(127,836)	11.91%
End of year	\$ (783,890)	\$(1,201,150)	\$ 417,260	34.74%
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In 2021, City Court's revenues increased \$367,245 primarily due to an increase intergovernmental revenue as a result of American Rescue Plan one-time funding received from the Parish. Expenses decreased \$177,851 primarily due to decreases in personal services related to personnel changes and the change in the pension liability during the fiscal year 2021.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND

As noted earlier, City Court uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND (Continued)

Governmental Funds

The focus of City Court's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing City Court's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. As of the end of the current fiscal year, City Court's General Fund's ending fund balance is \$1,067.435, which is a increase of \$347,530 in comparison with the prior year. The entire balance is unassigned and available for spending at City Court's discretion.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

City Court prepares its budget in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

The budget was amended once during the year. The primary reason for amending the budget was to align budgeted revenues and expenditures with actual.

For the year, revenues and expenditures were greater than budgetary estimates. See Exhibit G for a comparison of budgeted and actual revenue and expenditures.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

City Court's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2021, amounts to \$18,857 (net of accumulated depreciation). As of December 31, 2021 and 2020 net investment in capital assets includes furniture and equipment as follows.

	2021	2020
Furniture and equipment	\$18,857	\$23,936

Additional information on City Court's capital assets can be found in Note 3, Exhibit J of this report.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

Management considers current year's actual expenses and revenues when setting the next year's budget. Management adjusts for different factors as they become known or transpire.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of City Court's finances for all those with an interest in City Court's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Judge Matthew Hagen, 8046 Main St. Houma, Louisiana 70360.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

City Court of Houma

	Governmental Activities
Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources Cash and cash equivalents Investments Net pension asset Prepaid insurance Capital assets - depreciable, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 545,969 600,000 167,929 9,385 18,857
Total assets	1,342,140
Deferred outflows of resources: Other postemployment benefits Pensions	182,913 175,473
Total deferred outflows of resources	358,386
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	1,700,526
Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources Accounts payable and accrued expenditures Due to Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Long-term obligations - due after one year	2,896 75,638 1,828,492
Total liabilities	1,907,026
Deferred inflows of resources: Other postemployment benefits Pensions	256,699 320,691
Total deferred inflows of resources	577,390
Total liabilities and inflows of resources	2,484,416
Net Position (Deficit) Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	18,857 (802,747)
Total net position (deficit)	\$ (783,890)
See notes to financial statements.	

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Primary Government Governmental activities: Judicial activities	\$ 1,594,129	\$ 654,284	\$ 1,350,629	\$ 410,784
General revenues: Interest and investment income Miscellaneous				5,076 1,400
Total general revenues				6,476
Change in net position				417,260
Net Position (Deficit) Beginning of year				(1,201,150)
End of year				\$ (783,890)

GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 545,969
Investment	600,000
Total assets	\$ 1,145,969
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 2,896
Due to Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government	75,638
Total liabilities	78,534
Fund Balance	
Unassigned	1,067,435
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 1,145,969

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

Fund Balance - Governmental Fund		\$1,067,435
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental fund. Governmental capital assets	\$ 65,227	
Less accumulated depreciation	(46,370)	18,857
Long-term assets are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental fund.		
Net pension assets		167,929
Prepaid expenses reported in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental fund.		
Prepaid insurance		9,385
Deferred outflows of resources used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in governmental funds.		
Pensions	175,473	
Other postemployment benefits	182,913	358,386
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental fund.		
Net pension liability	(452,549)	
Other postemployment benefit obligation	(1,301,584)	
Compensated absences payable	(74,359)	(1,828,492)
Deferred inflows of resources are applicable to future periods and are not reported in governmental funds.		
Pensions	(320,691)	
Other postemployment benefits	(256,699)	(577,390)
Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ (783,890)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Revenues	
Charges for services:	¢ 114.470
Criminal fees	\$ 114,472
Civil fees	385,094
Juvenile fees	52,258
Building fees	102,460
Intergovernmental revenue:	
Federal	51,744
State of Louisiana	74,137
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government:	
On- Behalf Payments	894,084
American Rescue Plan	330,664
Miscellaneous:	
Interest and investment income	5,076
Other	1,400
Total revenues	2,011,389
Expenditures	
Current:	
General government:	
Personal services	1,370,096
Supplies and materials	34,076
Other services and charges	170,498
Repairs and maintenance	7,402
Professional services	29,987
Travel, education, and seminars	12,187
Computer services	21,268
Miscellaneous	16,157
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Capital outlay	2,188
Total expenditures	1,663,859
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	347,530
Fund Balance	
Beginning of year	719,905
End of year	\$ 1,067,435
See notes to financial statements	

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund		\$ 347,530
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.		
Capital outlay	\$2,188	
Depreciation expense	(7,267)	(5,079)
Some expenditures reported in the governmental fund do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenses in the statement of activities.		
Increase in prepaid insurance	(420)	
Pension expense	79,683	
Other postemployment benefits	(9,838)	
Compensated absences	5,384	74,809
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 417,260

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

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	Original	d Amounts Final		
Revenues				
Charges for services:				
Criminal fees	\$ 151,700	\$ 114,471	\$ 114,472	S 1
Civil fees	536,096	487,554	385,094	(102,460)
Juvenile fees	45,768	52,258	52,258	
Building fees	125,483	-	102,460	102,460
Intergovernmental revenue:				
Federal	51,744	51,744	51,744	-
State of Louisiana	-	-	74,137	74,137
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated				
Government:	770 0 47	221221	22.422.4	
On- Behalf Payments	758,043	894,084	894,084	-
American Rescue Plan	-	330,664	330,664	-
Miscellaneous:	11 211	5.074	5.076	2
Interest and investment income Other	11,311	5,074 1,400	5,076 1,400	2
Other		1,400_	1,400	
Total revenues	1,680,145	1,937,249	2,011,389	74,140
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government:				
Reimbursement to Terrebonne				
Parish Consolidated Government	1,275,768	1,234,974	-	1,234,974
Personal services	103,026	106,123	1,370,096	(1,263,973)
Supplies and materials	36,945	32,486	34,076	(1,590)
Other services and charges	154,832	133,827	170,498	(36,671)
Repairs and maintenance	8,384	7,402	7,402	(1.020)
Professional services	25,664	28,967	29,987	(1,020)
Computer services	14,656	16,583	21,268	(4,685)
Travel, education, and seminars Miscellaneous	24,555 22,630	12,187 17,173	12,187 16,157	1,016
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Capital outlay			2,188	(2,188)
Total expenditures	1,666,460	1,589,722	1,663,859	(74,137)
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	13,685	347,527	347,530	148,277
Fund Balance				
Beginning of year	899,963_	719,905	719,905	-
End of year	\$ 913,648	\$ 1,067,432	\$ 1,067,435	\$ 148,277
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STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY FUNDS

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

	Custodial Funds			
	Civil Fund	Criminal Fund	Bond Fund	Total Custodial Funds
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$ 205,720 450,000	\$ 4,573	\$ 8,212	\$ 218,505 450,000
Total assets	\$ 655,720	\$ 4,573	\$ 8,212	\$ 668,505
Liabilities				
Civil funds Criminal funds	\$ 655,720	\$ - 4,573	\$ - -	\$ 655,720 4,573
Total liabilities	655,720	4,573		660,293
Fiduciary net position Held for others	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ (44,561)	\$ 8,212	\$ (36,349)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

		Total		
	Civil	Criminal	Bond	Custodial
	Fund	Fund	Fund	<u>Funds</u>
Additions: Collections for other governments	\$ 925,131	\$ 620,276	\$ 43,476	\$ 1,588,883
Deductions: Distributions to other governmental units	925,131	664,837_	51,812	1,641,780
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position	-	(44,561)	(8,336)	(52,897)
Net position at beginning of year	_	_	16,548	16,548
Net position at end of year	\$ -	\$ (44,561)	\$ 8,212	\$ (36,349)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of City Court of Houma ("City Court") conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies:

a) Reporting Entity

City Court is organized under Louisiana Revised Statue 13:1872 and is a limited jurisdiction within the boundaries of Terrebonne Parish handling civil suits up to \$20,000, adult misdemeanors and juvenile proceedings.

The Judge for City Court is an independently elected official with a six year term. However, City Court is fiscally dependent on the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government (the "Parish") for the payment of salaries, courthouse space, maintenance, utilities and other office expenses. Each year the Parish budgets a certain amount of expenditures which will be paid on behalf of City Court. All expenditures exceeding the Parish's budget shall be paid by City Court. Accordingly, City Court has been determined to be a component unit of the Parish and as such, these financial statements will be included in the annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) of the Parish for the year ended December 31, 2021.

GASB 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity, GASB 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units-an Amendment of GASB" Statement 14, and GASB 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus and amendment of GASB" Statements 14 and 34 established the criterion for determining which component units should be considered part of City Court for financial reporting purposes. The basic criteria are as follows:

1. Legal status of the potential component unit including the right to incur its own debt, levy its own taxes and charges, expropriate property in its own name, sue and be sued, and the right to buy, sell and lease property in its own name.

a) Reporting Entity (Continued)

- 2. Whether the governing authority appoints a majority of the board members of the potential component unit.
- 3. Fiscal interdependency between City Court and the potential component unit.
- 4. Imposition of will by City Court on the potential component unit.
- 5. Financial benefit/burden relationship between City Court and the potential component unit.

City Court has reviewed all of its activities and determined that there are no potential component units which should be included in its financial statements.

b) Basis of Presentation

City Court's financial statements consist of the government-wide statements on all non-fiduciary activities of City Court and the governmental fund financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities for all activities of City Court. The government-wide presentation focuses primarily on the sustainability of City Court as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period.

Fund Financial Statements

The daily accounts and operations of City Court are organized on the basis of a fund and accounts groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of a fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, equity, revenues and expenditures. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in the fund based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following is the governmental fund of City Court:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of City Court. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

b) Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Fiduciary Funds

Custodial Funds - These funds are used to account for and report assets that City Court holds for other governments and others in a custodial capacity. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of others and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of City Court, these funds are not incorporated into the governmental-wide statements.

c) Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

Government-Wide 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.

Fund Financial Statements

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

Governmental fund revenues resulting from exchange transactions are recognized in the fiscal year in which the exchange takes place and meets the government's availability criteria (susceptible to accrual). Available means that the resources will be collected within the current year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. For this purpose, City Court considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year.

c) Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Allocations of cost such as depreciation are not recognized in the governmental funds.

d) Use of Estimates

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

e) Operating Budgetary Data

As required by the Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1303, management adopted a budget for City Court's General Fund. Any amendment involving the transfer of monies from one function to another or increases in expenditures must be approved by management. City Court amended its budget once during the year. All budgeted amounts that are not expended, or obligated through contracts, lapse at year-end.

The General Fund budget is adopted on a basis materially consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The General Fund budget presentation is included in the financial statements, see Exhibit G.

f) Accounts Receivable

The financial statements for City Court contain no allowance for uncollectible accounts. Uncollectible amounts due for other receivables are recognized as bad debts at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable. These amounts are not considered to be material in relation to the financial position or operations of the funds.

g) Capital Assets

The accounting treatment over property, plant and equipment (capital assets) depends on whether the assets are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

g) Capital Assets (Continued)

Government-Wide Financial Statements

In the government-wide financial statements, fixed assets are accounted for as capital assets. Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$1,000 or more are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated capital assets which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset are as follows:

Furniture and equipment 5 - 10 years

Fund Financial Statements

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

h) Long-Term Obligations

The accounting treatment of long-term obligations depends on whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

All long-term obligations to be repaid from governmental resources are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statements. Long-term obligations consist of accrued compensated absences (vacation and sick leave), obligations for retirement (net pension liability) and other postemployment benefits (group health insurance).

Fund Financial Statements

Long-term obligations for governmental funds are not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements.

i) Vacation and Sick Leave

City Court provides vacation benefits to all full-time employees, after 180 days of continuous employment. Unused vacation carries forward to the next year. Eligible employees earn one week of vacation after 180 days of employment, two weeks of vacation after one year of employment, 88 hours after 6 years, and increases by an 8 hour day each year thereafter up to 15 years of continued employment for a total of 160 hours earned. Employees with less than 10 years of service may accumulate a maximum of 160 hours of annual leave, employees with 10 or more years of service may accumulate a maximum of 200 hours of annual leave. Accumulated earned and unused vacation is payable upon termination.

Eligible personnel will earn sick leave. Sick leave is earned up to 10 days (80 hours) per year. Sick leave is earned by introductory employees on their 91st day of employment at a rate of 5 days, with the remaining 5 days being earned at their 181st day. Employees earn an additional 5 days after their first year of employment, and continue to earn an additional 5 days every six months after their first year of employment. The balance of sick time accumulates each year. Sick leave is payable upon termination up to one-half of the accumulated balance, up to a maximum of 240 hours.

Compensatory time will be given to employees in lieu of overtime. The rate of accrual is one and a half hours per hour of overtime worked. Compensatory time accumulates up to 60 hours of time. An employee who has accrued the maximum number of compensatory hours shall be paid overtime compensation for any additional overtime hours worked. Compensatory time accumulates to the limit until termination at which point it will be paid to the employee.

The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as a long-term obligation in the government-wide statements. In the fund financial statements, government funds report compensated absence as paid or a liability payable from expendable available financial resources.

j) Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of City Court's retirement plans, Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (the "Systems") and additions to/deductions from the Systems' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

k) Deferred Outflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. City Court has pension and other postemployment benefits related deferred outflows.

1) Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources from pensions and other postemployment benefits in City Court's government-wide statements.

m) Equity

Government-Wide Statements

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

a. Net investment in capital assets - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets, if any. As of December 31, 2021, City Court had no outstanding borrowings.

m) Equity (Continued)

Government-Wide Statements (Continued)

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

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is City Court's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. As of December 31, 2021 and for the year then ended, City Court did not have or receive restricted resources.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as follows:

- a. Non-spendable amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in non-spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to maintain intact.
- b. Restricted amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, charter requirements or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.
- c. Committed amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of City Court's management. Commitment may be established, modified, or rescinded only through actions approved by City Court's management.
- d. Assigned amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as either restricted or committed but are intended to be used for specific purposes. Assignment may be established, modified or rescinded by the Judge.
- e. Unassigned all other spendable amounts.

m) Equity (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

For the classification of governmental fund balances, City Court considers an expenditure to be made from the most restrictive first when more than one classification is available. City Court's fund balance was classified as unassigned as of December 31, 2021.

n) New GASB Statements

During the year ending December 31, 2021, City Court implemented the following GASB Statements:

Statement No. 89, "Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period" establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. Such interest cost includes all interest that previously was accounted for in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs 5-22 of Statement No. 62, "Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA", which are superseded by this Statement. This Statement requires that interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred for financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. As a result, interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period will not be included in the historical cost of a capital asset reported in a business-type activity or enterprise fund. This Statement did not affect City Court's financial statements.

Statement No. 91, "Conduit Debt Obligations" provides a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related noted disclosures. This Statement achieves those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures. This Statement did not affect City Court's financial statements.

n) New GASB Statements (Continued)

Statement No. 98, "The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report" establishes the term annual comprehensive financial report and its acronym ACFR. That new term and acronym replace instances of comprehensive annual financial report and its acronym in generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments. This Statement was developed in response to concerns raised by stakeholders that the common pronunciation of the acronym sounds like a profoundly objectionable racial slur. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2021. This Statement did not affect City Court's financial statements.

The GASB has issued the following Statements which will become effective in future years as shown below:

Statement No. 87, "Leases" increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged. Management has not yet determined the effect of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 92, "Omnibus 2020" establishes accounting and financial reporting requirements for specific issues related to leases, intra-entity transfers of assets, postemployment benefits, government acquisitions, risk financing and insurance related activities of public entity risk pools, fair value measurements, and derivative instruments. The requirements of this Statement apply to all financial statements of all state and local governments at dates varying from upon issuance to fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management has not yet determined the effect of this Statement on the financial statements.

n) New GASB Statements (Continued)

Statement No. 93, "Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates" some governments have entered into agreements in which variable payments made or received depend on an interbank offered rate (IBOR) most notably, the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR). As a result of global reference rate reform, LIBOR is expected to cease to exist in its current form at the end of 2021, prompting governments to amend or replace financial instruments for the purpose of replacing LIBOR with other reference rates. The Statement will preserve the consistency and comparability of reporting hedging derivative instruments and leases after governments amend or replace agreements to replace an IBOR. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management has not yet determined the effect of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 94, "Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements" improves financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs). As used in this Statement, a PPP is an arrangement in which a government (the transferor) contracts with an operator (a governmental or nongovernmental entity) to provide public services by conveying control of the right to operate or use a nonfinancial asset, such as infrastructure or other capital asset (the underlying PPP asset), for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Some PPPs meet the definition of a service concession arrangement (SCA), which the Board defines in this Statement as a PPP in which (1) the operator collects and is compensated by fees from third parties; (2) the transferor determines or has the ability to modify or approve which services the operator is required to provide, to whom the operator is required to provide the services, and the prices or rates that can be charged for the services; and (3) the transferor is entitled to significant residual interest in the service utility of the underlying PPP asset at the end of the arrangement. This Statement also provides guidance for accounting and financial reporting for availability payment arrangements (APAs). As defined in this Statement, an APA is an arrangement in which a government compensates an operator for services that may include designing, constructing, financing, maintaining, or operating an underlying nonfinancial asset for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. Management has yet to determine the effect of the Statement on the financial statements.

Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

n) New GASB Statements (Continued)

Statement No. 96, "Subscription-based Information Technology Arrangements" provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines SBITA; (2) established a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset - and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosure regarding a SBITA. The requirements of the Statement are effective for the years beginning after June 15, 2022. Management has yet to determine the effect of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 97 "Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans - an Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a Supersession of GASB Statement No. 32" provides objectives to (1) increase consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units in circumstances in which a potential component unit does not have a governing board and the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution other postemployment benefits (OPEB) plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans) as fiduciary component units in fiduciary fund financial statements; and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 457 deferred compensation plans (Section 457 plans) that meet the definition of a pension plan and for benefits provided through those plans. The requirements of this Statement are effective for the years beginning after June 15, 2021. Management has yet to determine the effect of the Statement on the financial statements.

Note 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Louisiana state law allows all political subdivisions to invest excess funds in obligations of the United States or any other federally insured investment, certificates of deposit of any bank domiciled or having a branch office in the state of Louisiana, guaranteed investment contracts and investment grade (A-1/P-1) commercial paper of domestic corporations.

Note 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continue)

Bank Deposits

State law requires that deposits (cash and certificates of deposit) of all political subdivisions to be fully collateralized at all times. Acceptable collateralization includes FDIC insurance and the market value of securities purchased and pledged to the political subdivision. Obligations of the United States, the State of Louisiana and certain political subdivisions are allowed as security for deposits. Obligations furnished as security must be held by the political subdivision or with an unaffiliated bank or trust company for the account of the political subdivision.

The year-end balances of deposits are as follows:

	Bank Balances	Report Amount
Cash Certificates of deposit	\$ 822,251 1,050,000	\$ 764,474 1,050,000
Totals	\$1,872,251	\$1,814,474

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, City Court's deposits may not be returned to it. City Court has a written policy for custodial credit risk, which reflects state law. As of December 31, 2021, \$1,052,251 of City Court's bank balance of \$1,872,251 was exposed to custodial credit risk. These deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, and are deemed to be held in City Court's name as allowed by state statutes.

As of December 31, 2021, cash was adequately collateralized in accordance with state law by securities held by unaffiliated banks for the account of City Court. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which promulgates the standards for accounting and financial reporting for state and local governments, considers these securities subject to custodial credit risk. Even though these deposits are considered subject to custodial credit risk under the provisions of GASB Statement 40, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within ten days of being notified by the depositor that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

Note 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Bank Deposits (Continued)

A reconciliation of deposits as shown on the Statement of Net Position and Governmental Fund Balance is as presented below:

Amounts reported	\$1,814,474
Less amounts reported in	
the Statement of Fiduciary Funds:	
Cash and cash equivalents	(218,505)
Investments	(450,000)
Total	\$1,145,969
Governmental Fund Balance Sheet:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 545,969
Investments	600,000
Total	\$1,145,969

Note 3 - CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Balance January 1, 2021	Additions	Deleti	ions	Balance December 31, 2021
Capital assets being depreciated: Furniture and equipment	\$63,039	\$ 2,188	\$	/ '= 8	\$65,227
Less accumulated depreciation for: Furniture and equipment	(39,103)	(7,267)		_=	(46,370)
Total capital assets, net	\$23,936	\$(5,079)	\$	<u> </u>	\$18,857

Note 4 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENDITURES

Accounts payable and accrued expenditures amounted to \$2,896 as of December 31, 2021 and consisted of vendor invoices for operating expenditures.

In addition City Court has reported amounts due to Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government as follows:

Operating expenses Building fund fees	\$67,842 7,796
Total	\$75,638

Note 5 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long-term obligations consist of accumulated earned and unpaid vacation and sick leave, other postemployment benefits and net pension liabilities and all are due in excess of one year. The following is a summary of changes in the long-term obligations of City Court for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	Payable January 1, 2021	Increase	Decrease	Payable December 31, 2021
Accumulated unpaid annual				
leave	\$ 79,743	\$ 89,981	\$ (95,365)	\$ 74,359
Other postemployment				
benefits	1,271,244	30,340	-	1,301,584
Net pension liability:				
Louisiana State Employees'				
Retirement System	638,640		(186,091)	452,549
Totals	\$1.989.627	\$120.321	\$(281,456)	\$1.828.492
·	\$1,989,627	\$120,321	\$(281,456)	\$1,828,492

Compensated absences, other postemployment benefits and net pension liability are described in Notes 1(i), 1(j), 7, and 8, respectively.

Note 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

City Court is exposed to various risks of loss related to workers compensation; torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; natural disasters; and group health benefits for which City Court carries commercial insurance and also participates in the Parish's risk management program for general liability, workers' compensation and group insurance. No settlements were made during the year that exceeded City Court's insurance coverage. City Court pays yearly premiums to the Parish for general liability based on various factors such as its operations and maintenance budget, exposure and claims experience. The premiums for workers' compensation are based on a fixed percentage of payroll. The premiums for group insurance are based on a fixed rate per employee. The Parish handles all claims filed against City Court for which it has insurance coverage with the Parish.

City Court could have additional exposure for claims in excess of the Parish's insurance contracts as described below:

	Coverage
Policy	Limit
General Liability	\$ 10,000,000
Workers' Compensation	Statutory

Coverage for general liability claims in excess of the above stated limits are to be funded first by assets of the Parish's risk management internal service fund, \$2,038,046 as of December 31, 2020, then secondly by City Court. The Parish is self-insured for the first \$175,000 of each claim relating to group health insurance. The aggregate deductible for all group claims relating to group insurance for 2020 was \$16,149,813. Insurance contracts cover the excess liability on individual claims. Covered employees are subject to a lifetime maximum claims limit. Coverage for group health claim liabilities are to be funded first by assets of the Parish's group health internal service fund, \$4,089,382 as of December 31, 2020, then secondly by City Court. Worker's compensation claims in excess of \$600,000 are covered under an insurance contact for claims aggregate up to limits are to be funded first by assets of the Parish's workers' compensation internal service fund. As of December 31, 2021, City Court had no claims in excess of the above coverage limits. Total premiums paid to the Parish for insurance coverage during the year ended December 31, 2021 totaled \$315,258.

Note 7 - POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS

Plan Description

City Court administers a single employer defined benefit healthcare plan (the "Plan") through the Parish's Group Insurance Fund. The Plan provides for the payment of medical, dental and life insurance premiums for eligible employees, retirees and their dependents. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75. Louisiana Revised Statute 33:5161 provided the authority of City Court Judge to establish and amend the benefit terms and financing. For employees retiring before January 1, 2005 City Court funds the entire premium for all benefits on employees retiring with at least ten years of service upon retiring from the formal retirement systems.

City Court employees retiring on or after January 1, 2005 and before January 1, 2014 with at least ten years of permanent full-time creditable service with City Court shall be eligible to participate in the Plan under the following vesting Schedule: 11 to 15 years of service, 2.75% per year; 16 to 20 years of service 41.25% plus 3.75% per year of service; 21 years or more of service, 60% plus 5% per year of service, limited to 85% of the premium. Employees hired after December 31, 2013 with at least 30 years of permanent full-time creditable service, age 55 and 5 years of participation in City Court's group health insurance plan immediately prior to retirement shall be eligible to participate in the Plan with benefits limited to 80% of premiums. A retired employee may provide dependent hospitalization coverage at applicable dependent rates. City Court does not issue a publicly available financial report on the Plan.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

Inactive employees currently	
receiving benefit payments	9
Active employees	17_
Total	26

City Court's total OPEB liability of \$1,301,584 was measured as of December 31, 2021 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2021.

Total OPEB Liability

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The total OPEB liability as of December 31, 2021 was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless, otherwise specified:

Measurement Date	December 31, 2021
Actuarial Valuation Date	January 1, 2021
Inflation	2.50%

Salary Increases, including inflation 3.00%

Discount Rate 1.84%

Healthcare Cost Trend Rates Medical - 6.00% in year 1 decreasing

in decrements of 0.50% in years 2 and 3 per year until 5.00% years 3

through 5.

Dental - 3.50% in year 1 decreasing in decrements of 0.25% per year until

2.50% through year 5.

The discount rate was based on the December 31, 2021 Fidelity General Obligation AA 20-Year Yield.

Mortality rates for active employees were based on the PubG.H-2010 (general) and PubS.H-2010 (public safety) Employee Mortality Tables, Generational with Projection Scale MP-2021 for males or females, as appropriate.

Mortality rates for retirees were based on the PubG.H-2010 (general) and PubS.H-2010 (public safety) Healthy Retiree Mortality Tables, Generational with Projection Scale MP-2021 for males or females, as appropriate.

Total OPEB Liability (Continued)

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total
	OPEB
	Liability
Balance as of December 31, 2020	\$1,271,244
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	30,599
Interest	26,492
Difference between expected	
and actual experience	(3,986)
Changes in assumptions and	
other inputs	14,700
Change in proportion	(2,820)
Benefit payments	(34,645)
Net changes	30,340
Balance as of December 31, 2021	\$1,301,584

Sensitivity to the Total OPEB Liability to Change in the Discount Rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability of City Court, as well as what City Court's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current discount rate.

		Current	
	1.00%	Discount	1.00%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(0.84%)	(1.84%)	(2.84%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$1,620,239	\$1,301,584	\$1,133,526

Total OPEB Liability (Continued)

Sensitivity to Total OPEB Liability to Change in the Health Cost Trend Rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability of City Court, as well as what City Court's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate.

		Current	
	1.00%	1.00%	
	Decrease	Trend Rate	Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$1,098,953	\$1,301,584	\$1,681,965

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

For the year ended December 31, 2021 City Court recognized OPEB expense of \$282,483. As of December 31, 2021, City Court reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources
Difference between expected		
and actual experience	\$ 18,179	\$ (113,025)
Change in assumptions	120,380	(103,925)
Changes in proportion	44,354	(39,749)
Totals	\$ 182,913	\$ (256,699)

Total OPEB Liability (Continued)

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

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

Year Ending December 31,	Amount
2022	\$(15,351)
2023	(10,036)
2024	(51,115)
2025	2,716
Total	\$(73,786)

Note 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

a) Parochial Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. City Court contributes to Plan B of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (System), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by Act 205 of the 1952 regular session of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana to provide retirement benefits to all employees of any parish in the State of Louisiana or any governing body or a parish which employs persons serving the parish. Act 765 of the year 1979, established by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, revised the System to create Plan A and Plan B. Plan A was designated for employers out of Social Security. Plan B was designated for those employers that remained in Social Security on the revision date.

The Retirement System is governed by Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 11, Section 1901 through 2025, specifically and other general laws of the State of Louisiana.

Eligibility. All permanent parish government employees, includes City Court, who work at least 28 hours a week shall become members on the date of employment. New employees meeting the age and Social Security criteria have up to 90 days from the date of hire to elect to participate.

As of January 1997, elected officials, except coroners, justices of the peace, and parish presidents may no longer join the System.

a) Parochial Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Benefits Provided. The System provides retirement, deferred retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits are generally equal to 2.0% of the member's final average compensation multiplied by the years of creditable service. For members hired prior to January 1, 2007 they may retire with full benefits at age 55 upon completing 30 years of service, at age 60 after completing 10 years of service or retire at age 65 after completing 7 years of service. For members hired after January 1, 2007 they may retire with full benefits at age 55 after completing 30 years of service, at age 62 after completing 10 years of service or at age 67 after completing 7 years of service.

Act 338 of 1990 established the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for the System. When a member enters DROP their status changes from active to retired even though they continue to work and draw their salary for up to three years. During the three year period, employer contributions continue but employee contributions cease. The election to participate in DROP is irrevocable once participation begins. Retirement benefits that would be paid, had the person ceased employment, are paid into the DROP account. Upon termination of employment a participant in DROP may receive a lump sum equal to payments into the participant's account, an annuity or a roll over to an Individual Retirement Account. Members hired before January 1, 2007 with 5 or more years of service who becomes disabled may receive retirement benefits determined in the same manner as retirement benefits. Members hired after January 1, 2007 with 7 or more years of service who become disabled may receive retirement benefits determined in the same manner as retirement benefits. Death benefits are payable to eligible surviving dependents based on the deceased member's years of creditable service and compensation and the dependent's relationship to the deceased member. The System provides permanent benefit increases, cost of living adjustments (COLA) as approved by the State Legislature.

Contributions. According to state statute, contributions for all employers are actuarially determined each year. For the year ending December 31, 2020, the actuarial employer contribution rate was 7.39% of member's compensation. However, the actual rate for both the fiscal years ending December 31, 2020 and 2019 was 7.50%.

According to state statute, the System also receives ¼ of 1% of ad valorem taxes collected within the respective parishes, except for Orleans and East Baton Rouge parishes. The System also receives revenue sharing funds each year as appropriated by the Legislature. Tax monies and revenue sharing monies are apportioned between Plan A and Plan B in proportion to the member's compensation. These additional sources of income are used as additional employer contributions and are considered support from non-employer contributing entities.

a) Parochial Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Contributions to the System from City Court were \$55,771 for the year ended December 31, 2021. Contribution rates for the year ended December 31, 2021 was 7.50% for employers and 3.00% for employees.

Actuarial Assumptions. A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension asset as of December 31, 2021 are as presented below:

Valuation Date December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal

Actuarial Assumptions:

Expected Remaining 4 years

Service Lives

Investment Rate of Return 6.40%, net investments expense, including

inflation.

Project Salary Increases 4.25% (2.30% inflation, 1.95% merit).

Inflation Rate 2.30%

Mortality Rates Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality

Table for Health Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018

scale for disabled annuitants.

Cost of Living Adjustments The present value of future retirement benefits

is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases

not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees.

a) Parochial Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the capital asset pricing model pricing method (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations are projected on a forward looking basis in equilibrium, in which best-estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.00% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.00% for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020 are as follows:

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Fixed income	33.00%	0.86%
Equity	51.00%	3.36%
Alternatives	14.00%	0.67%
Real assets	2.00%	0.11%
Total	100.00%	5.00%
Inflation		2.00%
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Rate		7.00%

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

a) Parochial Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Sensitivity of City Court's Proportionate Share of the Collective Net Pension Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents City Court's proportionate share of the collective net pension asset using the discount rate of 6.40%, as well as what City Court's proportionate share of the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (5.40%) or one percentage-point higher (7.40%) than the current rate as follows:

		Current	
	1.0%	Discount	1.0%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(5.40%)	(6.40%)	(7.40%)
Court's proportionate share of the			(1 2
net pension asset (liability)	\$(156,991)	\$167,929	\$439,443

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. The Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana issued a stand-alone audit report on their financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. Access to the audit report can be found on the System's website, www.persla.org or on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website, www.lla.la.gov.

b) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. The Judge for City Court is provided with a pension through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS). Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) grants to the LASERS Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. LASERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

Eligibility. All state employees, including the City Court judge, become members of LASERS' Defined Benefit Plan (DBP) as condition of employment, unless they elect to continue as a contributing member in any other retirement system for which they remain eligible for membership. Certain elected officials, including the City Court judge, and officials appointed by the Governor may, at their option, become members of LASERS.

b) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Benefits Provided. LASERS provides retirement, deferred retirement, disability and death benefits for the members. Retirement benefits are generally equal to 3.5% of the average compensation multiplied by the years of creditable service. The City Court judges elected prior to July 1, 2006, may retire with full benefits at any age after completing 30 years of creditable service or at age 60 after completing 10 years of service. City Court judges elected to office on or after July 1, 2006 and before July 1, 2015 may retire at age 60 after completing 5 years of creditable services. The age limitation increases to 62 for City Court judges elected on or after July 1, 2015. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 years of service at any age with an actuarially reduced benefit. The State Legislature authorized LASERS to establish a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). When a member enters DROP their status changes from active to retired even though they continue to work and draw their salary for up to three years. During participation in DROP, retirement benefits which normally would be paid are separately tracked and invested in LASERS Self Directed Plan, which offers a variety of investment options. The election to participate in DROP is irrevocable once participation begins. . Members with 10 or more years of service who become disabled may receive retirement benefits determined in the same manner as retirement benefits. Death benefits are payable to eligible surviving dependents based on the deceased member's compensation and the dependent's relationship to the deceased member. LASERS provides permanent benefit increases, cost of living adjustments (COLA) as approved by the State legislature.

Contributions. The employer contribution rate for all employees is established annually under La. R.S. 11:101-11:104 by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee (PRSAC), taking into consideration the recommendation of the System's Actuary. Contribution requirements of active employees, 7.5% if hired before July 1, 2006 and 8% if hired after June 30, 2006, are governed by Section 401 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401). City Court's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2021 was 43.60% and 42.00% for the year ended June 30, 2020, of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded actuarial accrued liability. Contributions to the pension plan from City Court were \$69,974 for the year ended December 31, 2021.

b) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial methods and assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement as presented below:

Valuation Date June 30, 2021

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal

Actuarial Assumptions:

Expected Remaining

Service Lives 2 years.

Investment Rate of Return 7.40% per annum, net investment expenses

Inflation Rate 2.30% per annum

Mortality Rates Non-disabled members - The RP-2014 Blue

Collar (males/females) and White Collar (females) Healthy Annuitant Tables projected on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale

MP-2018.

Disabled members - Mortality rates based on the RP-2000 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table, with

no projection for mortality improvement.

Termination, Disability,

and Retirement

Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based on a five-year (2014-2018)

experience study of the System's members.

Salary Increases Salary increase were projected based on a 2014-

2018 experience study of the System's members. The salary increase ranges for Judges start at a low

of 2.60% and at a high of 5.10%.

Cost of Living Adjustments The present value of future retirement benefits is

based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The projected benefit payments do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet authorized by the Board of Trustees as they were deemed not to be

substantively automatic.

b) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	
Cash	-0.29%
Domestic equity	4.09%
International equity	5.12%
Domestic fixed income	0.49%
International fixed income	3.94%
Alternative investments	6.93%
Total fund	5.81%

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.40%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions from participating employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

b) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Sensitivity of City Court's Proportionate Share of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents City Court's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability using the discount rate of 7.40%, as well as what City Court's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.40%) or one percentage-point higher (8.40%) than the current rate:

		Current	
	1.0%	Discount	1.0%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(6.40%)	_(7.40%)_	_(8.40%)_
Court's proportionate share of			
the net pension liability	\$613,169	\$452,549	\$315,881

c) Combined Balances

Pension Asset. At December 31, 2021, City Court reported a net pension asset of \$167,929 for its proportionate share of net pension asset for PERS. The net pension asset was measured as of December 31, 2020 and the total pension asset used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. City Court's proportion of the net pension asset was based on a projection of City Court's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2020, City Court's proportion of PERS' net pension asset was 0.6541%, which was a decrease of 0.0421% from its proportionate share measured as of December 31, 2019.

Pension Liability. At December 31, 2021, City Court reported a net pension liability of \$452,549 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for LASERS. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. City Court's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of City Court's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. As of June 30, 2021, City Court's proportionate share of LASERS' net pension liability was 0.00822% which is an increase of 0.00047% to its proportionate share as of June 30, 2020.

Pension Expense. For the year ended December 31, 2021, City Court recognized pension expense of \$45,978.

c) Combined Balances (Continued)

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At December 31, 2021, City Court reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources as follows:

Deferred	Deferred
Outflows of Inflows	
Resources Resour	
\$ 11,170	\$ (5,408)
=.	(306,182)
40,667	.=
419	(491)
32,267	(8,610)
90,950	
\$175,473	\$(320,691)
	Outflows of Resources \$ 11,170 - 40,667 419 32,267 90,950

City Court reported \$90,950 as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from City Court's contributions subsequent to the measurement dates and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Amount
2022	\$ (35,122)
2023	(26,049)
2024	(94,682)
2025	(80,315)
Total	\$(236,168)

Note 9 - ON BEHALF PAYMENTS FROM TERREBONNE PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT

City Court recognizes as revenues and expenditures certain payments for personal services and other services and charges made by Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government on behalf of City Court. This operating grant was agreed upon by the Parish Council and liable to increase or decrease every year due to operating budgets adopted by the Parish. As of December 31, 2021, the total operating grant revenue is as follows:

Personal services	\$854,254
Other services and charges	39,830
Total	\$894,084

Note 10 - AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

During the year ended December 31, 2021, City Court received \$330,664 of intergovernmental revenue from the Parish as part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA). The funds were received to provide funding for operating services impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Note 11 - HURRICANE IDA

On August 29, 2021, Hurricane Ida made landfall in Southeast Louisiana. As a result, there were significant damages across the region. The financial impact of these events on City Court has yet to be determined.

Note 12 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management evaluates events occurring subsequent to the date of financial statements in determining the accounting for and disclosure of transactions and events that effect the financial statements. Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 16, 2022, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN CITY COURT'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

City Court of Houma

For the four years ended December 31, 2021

		2021		2020		2019		2018
Total OPEB Liability								
Service cost	\$	30,599	\$	35,915	\$	22,987	\$	54,788
Interest	Ψ	26,492	4	41,397	Ψ	31,334	Ψ	79,832
Difference between expected and actual		,		,		,		,
experience		(3,986)		(181,446)		46,027		(11,840)
Changes in assumptions or other inputs		14,700		(131,566)		274,439		(82,610)
Change in proportion		(2,820)		20,663		(16,057)		-
Change in benefit terms		-		-		-	(1	,196,789)
Benefit payments		(34,645)		(19,360)		(36,918)		(33,210)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability		30,340		(234,397)		321,812	(1	,189,829)
Total OPEB Liability, beginning of year	1	,271,244_]	1,505,641		1,183,829	2	2,373,658
Total OPEB Liability, end of year	<u>\$1</u>	,301,584	\$ 1	1,271,244		1,505,641	\$ 1	,183,829
Covered Employee Payroll	<u>\$1</u>	,036,381	<u>\$</u>	960,752		988,395		988,378
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll		125.59%		132.32%		<u>152.33%</u>		<u>119.77%</u>
Notes to Schedule:								
Changes of Benefit Terms: Effective January 1, 2019, a Medicare Advantage plan was introduced as an option for eligible retirees.								
Changes in assumptions:								

Mortality rates:

Discount rate

- 2018 RPH-2014 Employee and Healthy Annuity, Generational with MP-2019.
- 2019 PubG.H-2010 (general) PubS.H-2010 (public safety) Employee and Healthy Annuitant, Generational with MP-2019.

1.84%

2.00%

2.75%

3.71%

- 2020 PubG.H-2010 (general) PubS.H-2010 (public safety) Employee and Healthy Annuitant, Generational with MP-2020.
- 2021 PubG.H-2010 (general) PubS.H-2010 (public safety) Employee and Healthy Annuitant, Generational with MP-2021.

SCHEDULE OF CITY COURT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY

City Court of Houma

For the seven years ended December 31, 2021

Parochial Employees' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
City Court's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	<u>0.654120%</u>	<u>0.696266%</u>	<u>0.741210%</u>	<u>0.764843%</u>	<u>0.785340%</u>	<u>0.768340%</u>	<u>0.756950%</u>
City Court's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ (167,929)	\$ (50,366)	\$ 200,249	\$ (96,233)	\$ 102,021	\$ 137,100	\$ 63,395
City Court's covered-employee payroll	\$ 809,403	\$ 808,605	\$ 783,887	\$ 774,570	\$ 766,092	\$ 734,538	\$ 761,632
City Court's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered- employee payroll	<u>-20.747%</u>	<u>-6.229%</u>	<u>25.546%</u>	<u>-12.424%</u>	<u>13.317%</u>	<u>18.665%</u>	<u>8.324%</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>106.76%</u>	<u>102.05%</u>	<u>91.93%</u>	<u>104.02%</u>	<u>94.15%</u>	<u>93.48%</u>	<u>99.15%</u>

SCHEDULE OF CITY COURT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY

City Court of Houma

For the seven years ended December 31, 2021

Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
City Court's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	<u>0.008220%</u>	<u>0.007750%</u>	<u>0.007910%</u>	<u>0.008120%</u>	<u>0.008160%</u>	0.007980%	<u>0.789000%</u>
City Court's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 452,549	\$ 638,640	\$ 587,967	\$ 553,193	\$ 585,658	\$ 638,413	\$ 551,665
City Court's covered-employee payroll	\$ 156,848	\$ 154,650	\$ 152,445	\$ 151,944	\$ 150,018	\$ 149,664	\$ 146,585
City Court's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered- employee payroll	<u>288.53%</u>	<u>412.96%</u>	<u>385.69%</u>	<u>364.08%</u>	<u>390.39%</u>	<u>426.56%</u>	<u>376.34%</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>72.80%</u>	<u>58.00%</u>	<u>62.90%</u>	<u>64.30%</u>	<u>62.50%</u>	<u>57.70%</u>	<u>62.70%</u>

SCHEDULE OF CITY COURT CONTRIBUTIONS

City Court of Houma

For the seven years ended December 31, 2021

Parochial Employees' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contributions	\$ 55,771	\$ 60,705	\$ 60,645	\$ 58,792	\$ 61,966	\$ 61,287	\$ 70,424
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(55,771)	(60,705)	(60,645)	(58,792)	(61,966)	(61,287)	(70,424)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
City Court's covered- employee payroll	\$ 743,615	\$ 809,403	\$ 808,605	\$ 783,887	\$ 774,570	\$ 766,092	\$ 734,538
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	<u>7.50%</u>	<u>7.50%</u>	<u>7.50%</u>	<u>7.50%</u>	<u>8.00%</u>	<u>8.00%</u>	<u>9.59%</u>

SCHEDULE OF CITY COURT CONTRIBUTIONS

City Court of Houma

For the seven years ended December 31, 2021

Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contributions	* \$ 69,974 *	\$ 66,245 *	\$ 62,801 *	\$ 59,694 *	\$ 57,393 *	\$ 56,138 *	\$ 53,064
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(69,974)	(66,245)	(62,801)	(59,694)	(57,393)	(56,138)	(53,064)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
City Court's covered- employee payroll	\$ 161,617	\$ 154,650	\$ 154,992	\$ 151,894	\$ 150,382	\$ 149,664	\$ 146,585
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	<u>43.30%</u>	<u>42.84%</u>	<u>40.52%</u>	<u>39.30%</u>	<u>38.16%</u>	<u>37.51%</u>	<u>36.20%</u>

^{*} Includes on-behalf payments from Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and the State of Louisiana.



SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

Agency Head Name: Judge Matthew Hagen

Purpose

Salary	\$ 161,616	*
Benefits - insurance	17,041	*
Benefits - retirement	69,674	*
Benefit - other	-	
Car allowance	-	
Vehicle provided by government	-	
Per diem	885	
Reimbursements	-	
Travel	-	
Registration fees	-	
Conference travel	446	
Continuing professional education fees	-	
Housing	-	
Unvouchered expenses	-	
Meals	_	
	\$ 249,662	

^{*} Includes on-behalf payments from the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and the State of Louisiana.

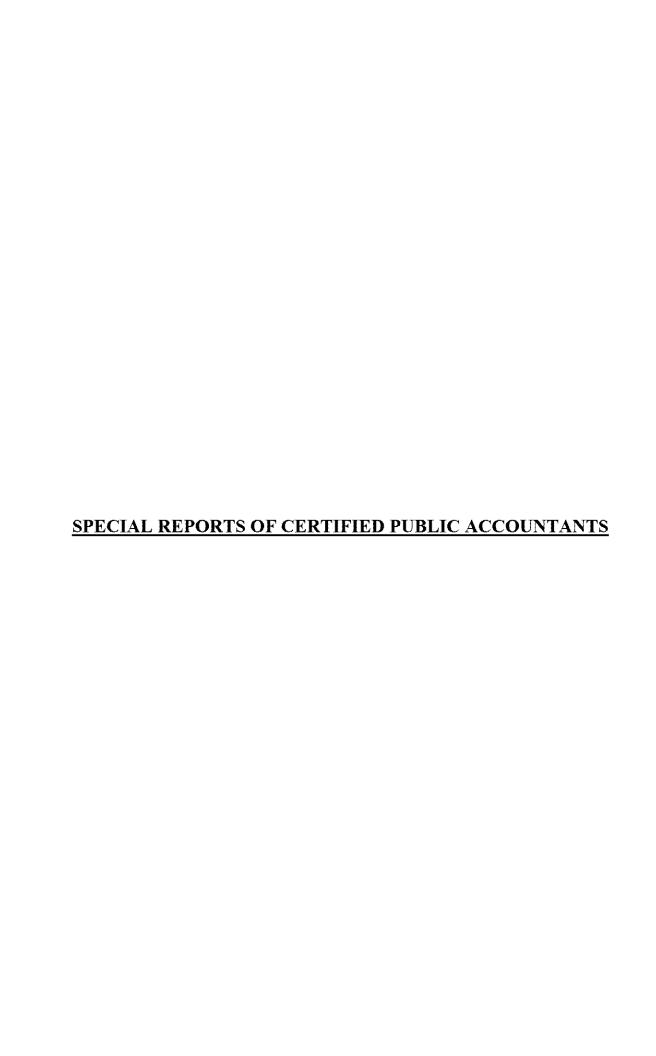
JUSTICE SYSTEM FUNDING SCHEDULE COLLECTING/DISBURSING ENTITY AS REQUIRED BY ACT 87 OF THE 2020 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION

City Court of Houma

December 31, 2021

	First Six Month Period Ended June 30, 2021	Second Six Month Period Ended December 31, 2021
Beginning balance of amounts collected	\$ 338,407	\$219,193
Collections:		
Civil fees	515,121	410,010
Bond fees	26,764	16,712
Criminal court costs/fees	387,453	232,823
Subtotal collections	929,338	659,545
Disbursements to Governments and Nonprofits:		
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Criminal		
Court Costs/Fees	82,607	71,643
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Criminal	,	,
Court Fines - other	11,856	6,746
City Court - General Fund, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	144,931	60,847
City Court - General Fund, Criminal Court Fines - other	8,842	5,231
District Attorney's Office, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	21,141	23,724
District Attorney's Office, Criminal Court Fines - other	3,835	2,230
Terrebonne Parish Indigent Defender Board, Criminal		
Court Costs/Fees	72,698	38,268
Terrebonne Parish Indigent Defender Board, Criminal		
Court Fines - other	996	541
Bayou Crime Stopper, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	2,844	1,695
State of Louisiana Treasurer, Criminal Court Fines -		
other	3,756	2,332
Louisiana Department of Health, Criminal Court Fines -		
other	1,155	645
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, Criminal		
Court Fines - other	6,285	3,928

	First Six Month	Second Six Month
	Period Ended	Period Ended
	June 30, 2021	December 31, 2021
Disbursements to Governments and Nonprofits: (Continued)	1.060	550
Louisiana Supreme Court, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	1,062	558
Other, Criminal Court Fines - other	27,150	12,446
Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Civil	76,458	57,835
Court Costs/Fees	241,107	189,727
City Court - General Fund, Civil Court Costs/Fees	600	250
Secretary of State, Civil Court Costs/Fees	452	654
Housing Authority, Civil Court Costs/Fees	33,370	34,560
State of Louisiana Treasurer, Civil Court Costs/Fees	55,120	38,860
Terrebonne Parish Clerk of Court, Civil Court		
Costs/Fees	636	657
Louisiana Supreme Court, Civil Court Costs/Fees	49,746	28,703
Other, Civil Court Costs/Fees	630	341
Other, Civil Court Fines - other		
Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or		
Processing Agencies:		
Civil Fee Refunds	170,342	56,932
Bond Fee Forfeited/Refunds	30,933	20,880_
Subtotal disbursements/retainage	1,048,552	660,233
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disbursed/retained	\$ 219,193	\$218,505





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

Honorable Matthew H. Hagen, Judge City Court of Houma Houma, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the General Fund of City Court of Houma ("City Court"), a component unit of Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City Court's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 16, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Certified Public Accountants.

Bourgeois Bennett, L.L.C.

Houma, Louisiana, June 16, 2022.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Section I Summary of Auditor's Results
a) Financial Statements
Type of auditor's report issued: unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:
 Material weakness(es) identified? Yes X No
 Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be a material weakness? Yes X None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?Yes X_No
b) Federal Awards
City Court of Houma did not expend federal awards in excess of \$750,000 during the year ended December 31, 2021 and therefore is exempt from the audit requirements under the <i>Uniform Guidance</i> .
Section II Financial Statement Findings
No financial statement findings were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31 2021.
Section III Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs
Not applicable.



SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Section I Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

Internal Control

No material weaknesses were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31, 2020.

No significant deficiencies were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Compliance

No compliance findings material to the financial statements were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Section II Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

City Court of Houma did not expend federal awards in excess of \$750,000 during the year ended December 31, 2020 and therefore is exempt from the audit requirements under the *Uniform Guidance*.

Section III Management Letter

A management letter was not issued in connection with the audit for the year ended December 31, 2020.

MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Section I Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

Internal Control

No material weaknesses were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31, 2021.

No significant deficiencies were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Compliance

No compliance findings material to the financial statements were reported during the audit for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Section II Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

City Court of Houma did not expend federal awards in excess of \$750,000 during the year ended December 31, 2021 and therefore is exempt from the audit requirements under the *Uniform Guidance*.

Section III Management Letter

A management letter was not issued in connection with the audit for the year ended December 31, 2021.





INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Honorable Matthew H. Hagen, Judge City Court of Houma, Houma, Louisiana.

We have performed the procedures described in Schedule 3 on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUP) for the fiscal period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The City Court of Houma's ("City Court") management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

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

The procedures and associated findings are described in Schedule 3.

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

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

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

Certified Public Accountants

Bourgeois Bennett, L.L.C.

Houma, Louisiana, June 16, 2022.

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

City Court of Houma

For the year ended December 31, 2021

The required procedures and our findings are as follows:

Procedures Performed on City Court's Written Policies and Procedures:

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for budgeting, and found it to address all the functions listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for purchasing.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted

c) Disbursements, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for disbursements, and found it to address all the functions listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for receipts, and found it to address all the functions listed above.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Written Policies and Procedures: (Continued)

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for payroll and personnel.

Exceptions: The policy did not include provision for approval process for employee(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedule.

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written contracting policy.

Exceptions: There were no exception noted.

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written credit card policy.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for travel and expense reimbursement. Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

i) Ethics, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute 42:1111-1121; (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place; (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations; and (4) requirement that all employees, including elected officials, annually attest through signature verification that they have read the Commission's ethics policy.

Performance: Obtained and read the written policy for ethics.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inquired of management as to debt service policy.

Exceptions: Management confirmed there was no debt service. There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Written Policies and Procedures: (Continued)

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written Information Technology Disaster Recovery/ Business Continuity policy.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained and read the written sexual harassment policy.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Board:

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

Performance: City Court is not required to have a Board; therefore, no meetings are held and no minutes are recorded.

Exception: Not applicable

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

Performance: City Court is not required to have a Board; therefore, no meetings are held and no minutes are recorded.

Exception: Not applicable.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Board: (Continued)

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

Performance: Obtained the prior year's audit report and observed the unassigned fund balance in the General Fund.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Bank Reconciliations:

3. Obtain a listing of the City Court's bank accounts from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the City Court's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than five). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:

Performance: Obtained the listing of bank accounts from management, and received the management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There was no exception noted.

a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within two months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged);

Performance: Obtained the City Court's bank reconciliation for December and observed that the reconciliation included signature of preparer and was dated within two months of related statement.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

b) Bank reconciliations include evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and

Performance: Obtained the City Court's bank reconciliation and observed that the reconciliation was reviewed by a member who does not handle cash.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained the City Court's bank reconciliation and observed that there were no outstanding items for more than 12 months of statement closing date.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Collections (excluding Electronic Funds Transfers):

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

Performance: Obtained the listing of deposit sites from management, and received management's representation in a separate letter. The City Court has one deposit site.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained the listing of collection locations from management, and received management's representation in a separate letter. The City Court has one deposit site with four collection location.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and observed employees do not share cash drawers/registers.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals, inquired of management, and observed employees collecting cash are not responsible for making deposits.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and observed employees collecting cash do not make general ledger postings.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Collections (Excluding Electronic Funds Transfers): (Continued)

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and employees performing reconciliations do no collect cash.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained a listing of all employees who have access to cash and inquired of management if these employees are covered by a bond or insurance policy for theft.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained supporting documentation for the selected deposits and observed that receipts were sequentially pre-numbered.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Traced supporting documentation to the deposit slip.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Traced deposit slip total to actual deposit per bank statement.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than ten miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and cash is stored securely in a locked drawer).

Performance: Observed that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Collections (Excluding Electronic Funds Transfers): (Continued)

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

Performance: Traced the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Non-Payroll Disbursements (Excluding Card Purchases/Payments, Travel Reimbursements, and Petty Cash Purchases):

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

Performance: Obtained the listing of locations that process payments, and received management's representation in a separate letter. The City Court only has one location that processes payments.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

9. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties, and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:

Performance: Obtained a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions, and received management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and employees as to requirement listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and employees as to requirement listed above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and employees as to requirement listed above. The Accountant has access to add/modify vendors and is also responsible for processing payments. However, all additions/modifications are approved by Court Administrator.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Non-Payroll Disbursements (Excluding Card Purchases/Payments, Travel Reimbursements, and Petty Cash Purchases): (Continued)

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

Performance: Inspected policy manuals and inquired of management and employees as to requirement listed above.

Exceptions: The Accountant prepares checks and also prepares the signed checks for mailing.

10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the City Court's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select five disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction and:

Performance: Obtained the City Court's general ledger for the fiscal period, and obtained management's representation in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

a) Observe that the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by City Court.

Performance: Obtained the disbursement and observed that the disbursement and the related original invoice/billing statement were in agreement.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained the disbursement documentation and observed for proper segregation of duties as listed under #9 above.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Credit Cards, Debit Cards, Fuel Cards, P-Cards:

11. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-Cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

Performance: Inquired of management about active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-cards. The City Court maintains 2 credit cards.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Credit Cards, Debit Cards, Fuel Cards, P-Cards: (Continued)

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

Performance: Obtained the February combined statements from management and observed the statement approval.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Obtained the February combined statements from management and observed if finance or late fees were assessed.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

- 13. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #12 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select ten transactions (or all transactions if less than ten) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e., each card should have ten transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and note whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.
 - a) An original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.

Performance: Obtained February combined statements from management and observed that transactions were supported by itemized receipt.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

b) Written documentation of the business/public purpose.

Performance: Obtained February's combined statements from management and observed that transactions included business purpose.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Credit Cards, Debit Cards, Fuel Cards, P-Cards: (Continued)

c) Documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only).

Performance: Obtained February's combined statements from management and observed that transactions included individuals participating in meals.

Exceptions There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (Excluding Card Transactions):

14. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select five reimbursements, obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the five reimbursements selected:

Performance: Obtained a list of all travel and related expense reimbursements. Management's representation of the listing was confirmed in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov).

Performance: Inspected travel and expense reimbursements and observed per diem rates used were the GSA rates.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected travel and expense reimbursements to observe that expenses using actual costs were supported by an itemized receipt.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by written policy (procedures #1h).

Performance: Inspected travel and expense reimbursement to observe that expenses included the business purpose.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (Excluding Card Transactions): (Continued)

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

Performance: Inspected travel and expense reimbursement to observe that expenses included approval by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Contracts:

15. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Alternately, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and:

Performance: Obtained a listing of all contracts in effect during the fiscal year from management, and received management's representation of completeness in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

a) Observe that the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law.

Performance: Inspected supporting contract documentation to legal requirements and inquired of client about any contracts subject to Louisiana Public Law. None of the contracts were subject to Louisiana Public Bid Law.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected contract documentation. All were approved by the Court Administrator.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment was approval documented).

Performance: Inspected contracts and inquired of the client about any amendments to contracts during the fiscal year. There were no amendments in the fiscal year.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Contracts: (Continued)

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

Performance: Obtained supporting documentation for payments for each contract and agreed payment to the terms of the contract.

Exception: There were no exceptions.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Payroll and Personnel:

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

Performance: Obtained a listing of employees during the fiscal year from management, and received management's representation of completeness in a separate letter.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

- 17. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the five employees/officials selected under #16 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
 - a) Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, officials are not eligible to earn leave and do not document their attendance and leave. However, if the official is earning leave according to a policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.)

Performance: Selected one pay period to test attendance and leave taken during that period. Inspected time sheets for record of attendance and leave during the period.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Inspected time sheets for the approval of attendance and inspected leave forms for approval of leave during the period.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: Observed the leave records maintained by City Court to ensure leave taken during the period was reflected in the records.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Payroll and Personnel: (Continued)

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

Performance: Inspected pay period summary and observed that pay rates agreed with the pay rates kept in the personnel file.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

18. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials, obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and City Court's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employees' or officials' cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employees' or officials' authorized pay rates in the employees' or officials' personnel files, and agree the termination payments to City Court policy.

Performance: Obtained a listing of employees terminated during the fiscal year from management, and received management's representation of completeness in a separate letter. Agreed the terminated employees' hours to the employees' cumulative leave records and agreed the pay rates to the authorized pay rates in the employees' personnel files. The termination pay was in agreement with City Court's termination policy.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

19. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Performance: Obtained representation that employer and employee's portions of third-party related amounts were paid and filed by the required deadline. We examined several payroll reporting forms to confirm that all payments were submitted to the applicable agencies by the required deadlines.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedure Performed on City Court's Ethics:

- 20. Using the five selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Procedures Performed on City Court's Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain ethics compliance documentation from management and:
 - a) Observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.

Performance: Observed that selected employee's files included documentation of ethics training completed during the fiscal year.

Procedure Performed on City Court's Ethics: (Continued)

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

Performance: Observed personnel file for signature verification for the reading of the ethics policy.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Debt Service:

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

Performance: City Court did not issue any debt instruments during the fiscal year. Therefore, testing was not required in the current year.

Exceptions: Management confirmed there was no debt service. There were no exceptions noted.

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

Performance: City Court did not issue any bonds/notes during the fiscal year. Therefore, testing was not required in the current year.

Exceptions: Management confirmed there was no debt service. There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Fraud Notice:

23. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds or assets during the fiscal period, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the City Court reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the City Court is domiciled.

Performance: Inquired of management of any misappropriations of public funds or assets. No instances were noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Fraud Notice: (Continued)

24. Observe the City Court has posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds. Performance: Inquired and observed such notice posted on the premises and website.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

Procedures Performed on City Court's Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity:

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

Performance: We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

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

Performance: We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

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

Performance: We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

Procedures Performed on the City Court's Sexual Harassment:

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

Performance: Examined personnel files and sexual harassment training documentation for the five employees tested.

Procedures Performed on the City Court's Sexual Harassment: (Continued)

27. Observe City Court has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on City Court's premises if City Court does not have a website).

Performance: Observed the sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on the City Court's website.

Exceptions: There were no exceptions noted.

- 28. Obtain City Court's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
 - a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

Performance: Obtained the annual sexual harassment report and observed it contained the above requirements.

Exception: There were no exceptions noted.

b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency:

Performance: Obtained the annual sexual harassment report and observed it contained the above requirement.

Exception: There were no exceptions noted.

c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;

Performance: Obtained the annual sexual harassment report and observed it contained the above requirement.

Exception: There were no exceptions noted.

d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and

Performance: Obtained the annual sexual harassment report and observed it contained the above requirement.

Exception: There were no exceptions noted.

e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

Performance: Inquired of management regarding City Court's annual sexual harassment report for the fiscal period.

Exception: City Court did not have any reports dated on or before February 1, 2022.

Management's Response to Exception Noted in Our Procedures:

- 1e) Management will add provision for approval process of employee(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedule.
- 9d) Management will have the Court Administrator prepare the checks to mail after they are signed.