ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lakefront Management Authority (the Authority), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority'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 business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lakefront Management Authority as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, the cash flows thereof 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, the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, 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 the Authority, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority'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.



To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority November 18, 2024

Auditors' 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 judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

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



To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority November 18, 2024

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Governmental Funds Budget and Actual, and schedules of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, Contributions - Retirement Plan, Proportionate Share of the Collective Net OPEB Liability and the related Notes to Required Supplemental Information (together "required supplementary information") are 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 the Authority's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. 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 basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority November 18, 2024

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 18, 2024 on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

November 18, 2024 New Orleans, Louisiana

Certified Public Accountants

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LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

JUNE 30, 2024

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Lakefront Management Authority (the Authority) presents a narrative overview and analysis of the Authority's financial results for the year ended June 30, 2024. This document focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts relating to the Authority and the following five organizations:

- South Shore Harbor Marina
- Lakefront Airport
- Orleans Marina
- Lake Vista Community Center
- New Basin Canal

These five organizations are accounted for as proprietary funds of the Authority. While the Orleans Levee District owns the assets of these proprietary funds, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East (SLFPAE), which controls the Orleans Levee District, is prohibited from managing or operating them. Accordingly, they are managed and controlled by the Authority. The powers and duties of the Authority are designated in LA R.S. 38:330.12 and LA R.S. 38:330.12.1.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The "government-wide financial statements" are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The "statement of net position" presents information on all of the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event 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 (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave). Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish function of the Authority that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The Authority has both governmental activities and business-type activities.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

The governmental activities include most of the Authority's basic services such as infrastructure and public works, and general government. Property taxes and operating grants finance most of this activity. The vast majority of governmental activities are related to upkeep of roadways and public recreation areas along Lake Pontchartrain and related activities.

The business-type activities reflect operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private businesses where the entity charges a fee for services it provides. The Orleans Levee District's marinas, airport, and business park which are managed by the Authority are included here.

The State of Louisiana (the primary government) issues financial statements that include the activity contained in these financial statements. The State's financial statements are issued by the Louisiana Division of Administration - Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy and are audited by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. The Authority is a component unit of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East, which is a component unit of the State of Louisiana.

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. The Authority, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The Authority's funds are classified as "governmental funds" and "proprietary 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. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

The proprietary funds for which the Lakefront Management Authority charges customers a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds, like government-wide statements, provide both long and short-term financial information.

The Authority maintains two governmental funds that are separated for management purposes. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the following funds: the Orleans Levee District Real Estate Fund and General Improvement Fund. Both of these funds are considered to be "major" funds.

The Authority's Board adopts annual budgets for both of the governmental and improvement funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for each fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

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.

PROPRIETARY FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements present information for the operations of the Authority in a format designed to make the statements easier for the reader to understand. The statements in this section include the Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, and the Statement of Cash Flows.

The Statement of Net Position presents the current and long-term portions of assets and liabilities separately, as well as deferred inflows and deferred outflows. The difference between assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows is net position and may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position presents information showing how the Authority's net position changed as a result of current year operations. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, there are transactions included that will not affect cash until future fiscal periods.

The Statement of Cash Flows presents information showing how the Proprietary Funds' cash changed as a result of current year operations. The cash flow statement is prepared using the direct method and includes the reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities (indirect method) as required by GASB Codification 2200.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Condensed Statement of Net Position

The following table describes the net position of the Authority at the end of the current and prior fiscal years:

Table 1
Net Position
(In Thousands)

		Govern	nmen	tal		Busines	ss-Ty	pe		Total				
		Acti	vities	3		Acti	vities			Acti	vities	S		
	2024		2023		2024		2023		2024			2023		
Current and other assets	\$	3,480	\$	2,782	\$	3,464	\$	5,955	\$	6,944	\$	8,737		
Capital and noncurrent		11		40		34,025		30,032		34,036		30,072		
Total assets		3,491		2,822		37,489		35,987		40,980		38,809		
Total deferred outflows														
of resources		271		265		1,161		1,549		1,432		1,814		
Current liabilities		699		1,585		1,034		1,070		1,733		2,655		
Long-term liabilities		1,141		1,015		4,866	_	5,480		6,007		6,495		
Total liabilities		1,840		2,600		5,900		6,550		7,740		9,150		
Total deferred inflows														
of resources		103		93		34,704		30,903		34,807		30,995		
Net investment in capital														
assets		11		40		465		348		476		387		
Unrestricted		1,807		355	_	(2,419)	_	(264)		(611)		91		
Total net position	\$	1,819	\$	394	\$	(1,954)	\$	83	\$	(135)	\$	478		

The Authority's total net position at the close of fiscal year 2024 was approximately a negative \$135 thousand which was a decrease of approximately \$612 thousand from the prior year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

Condensed Statement of Activities

The following table describes the changes in net position of the Authority during the current and prior fiscal years:

Table 2
Changes in Net Position
(In Thousands)

	Govern	nmen	ıtal	Business-Type Activities					Total Activities				
	Acti	vitie	s										
	2024		2023		2024		2023		2024		2023		
Program revenues	\$ 540	\$		\$	13,191	\$	9,166	\$	13,731	\$	9,166		
Program expenses	 (2,380)		(2,359)		(6,651)		(7,477)		(9,031)		(9,836)		
Program gain (loss)	 (1,840)		(2,359)		6,540		1,689		4,700		(670)		
General revenues and													
transfers	 3,264		3,444		(8,577)		(1,057)	_	(5,313)		2,387		
Changes in net position	\$ 1,424	\$	1,085	\$	(2,037)	\$	633	\$	(613)	\$	1,718		

The Authority's net position reduced approximately \$612 thousand during 2024. The decrease is primarily due to increases of transfers to Orleans Levee District in the form of capital improvements.

Table 3
Capital Assets at Year-end
(Net of Depreciation, In Thousands)

		Governmental				Busines	ss-Typ	e	Total							
		Acti	vities		Activities			Activitie				ies				
	20	024	4 2023		2024		2024		2023		2023		2024			2023
Equip ment	\$	11	\$	40	\$	465	\$	383	\$	476	\$	422				
Total capital assets, net	\$	11	\$	40	\$	465	\$	383	\$	476	\$	422				

The Authority transfers improvements and construction in progress for the real property it manages to the Orleans Levee District annually on June 30th. Transfers for improvements to assets owned by the Orleans Levee District equaled \$9,124,307 for 2024.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following table lists long-term obligations of the Authority:

Table 4
Long-Term Liabilities, at Year-end
(In Thousands)

	Governmental					Busine	ype	Total				
	Activities				Activities				Activities			
		2024		2023		2024		2023		2024		2023
Compensated absenses	\$	88	\$	88	\$	149	\$	137	\$	237	\$	225
OPEB liability		163		106		857		778		1,021		884
Pension liability		890		821		3,860	_	4,565		4,749	_	5,385
Total long-term liabilities	\$	1,141	\$	1,015	\$	4,866	\$	5,480	\$	6,007	\$	6,495

VARIATIONS BETWEEN EXPECTED AND ACTUAL AMOUNTS

The Authority's officials considered many factors when setting the original fiscal year 2024 budget such as anticipated revenues versus salary and benefit expenditures with additional staff, monthly services such as utilities, and expenditures required to maintain the assets (i.e. Trash Pick Up, Grass Cutting, etc.) Capital improvement projects were budgeted based on the remainder of revenues after those expenditures and the availability of grant revenues.

The general fund revenue variance of \$1.1 million between the actual amounts received versus the original budgeted amount is due to higher than anticipated ad valorem revenues, rising credited interest rates for the Authority's investments, and capital grants received during the year. The general fund's actual expenditures were approximately \$313 thousand lower than budgeted due to lower personnel services and contractual services in the general fund.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets, Rates, and Fees

The Authority's appointed officials considered the following factors and indicators when setting next year's budget, rates, and fees:

- Changes in organization processes
- Necessary major maintenance and project expenditures
- Additional boat slip capacity in the New Orleans area
- Local economic conditions and projected growth
- Inflation and cost of materials for construction and maintenance
- Community feedback and stakeholder input
- Insurance and liability costs
- Emergency preparedness and contingency funding

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

Contacting the Authority's Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to show the Authority's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Authority at New Orleans Lakefront Airport, Terminal Building, Suite 219, 6001 Stars & Stripes Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana 70126.



LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY COMBINED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 165,257	\$ -	\$ 165,257
Investments - LAMP	3,128,321	-	3,128,321
Receivables, net	96,219	477,035	573,254
Internal balances	(385,842)	385,842	142.574
Due from OLD Due from other governments	143,574 329,897	367,363	143,574 697,260
Current portion of lease receivable	329,897	2,230,188	2,230,188
Other assets	2,130	3,575	5,705
Total current assets	3,479,556	3,464,003	6,943,559
NON CURRENT ACCETS.			
NON-CURRENT ASSETS: Lease receivables, net of current portion		33,559,758	33,559,758
Capital assets, net of depreciation	11,264	465,119	476,383
Total noncurrent assets	11,264	34,024,877	34,036,141
Total assets	3,490,820	37,488,880	40,979,700
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
OPEB deferrals	78,263	410,869	489,132
Pension deferrals	192,494	750,579	943,073
Total deferred outflows of resources	270,757	1,161,448	1,432,205
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable	611,555	44	611,599
Contracts payable	-	416,325	416,325
Deferred revenues	4,200	217,831	222,031
Accrued payroll liabilities	83,175	399,460	482,635
Total current liabilities	698,930	1,033,660	1,732,590
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Accrued compensated absences	88,242	149,214	237,456
Post-employment benefit liability	163,295	857,297	1,020,592
Net pension liability	889,865	3,859,538	4,749,403
Total noncurrent liabilities	1,141,402	4,866,049	6,007,451
Total liabilities	1,840,332	5,899,709	7,740,041
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
OPEB deferrals	37,804	198,482	236,286
Pension deferrals	64,727	203,615	268,342
Lease deferrals	_	34,302,248	34,302,248
Total deferred inflows of resources	102,531	34,704,345	34,806,876
NET POSITION:			
Net investment in capital assets	11,264	465,119	476,383
Unrestricted	1,807,450	(2,418,845)	(611,395)
Total net position	\$ 1,818,714	\$ (1,953,726)	\$ (135,012)

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

			P	rogram	Revenues	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Postion					
Functions/Programs]	Expenses	Charges for Services		Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
Governmental Activities:											
Property management	\$	2,380,107	\$ -	\$	540,249	\$ (1,839,858)	\$		\$	(1,839,858)	
Total governmental activities		2,380,107			540,249	 (1,839,858)				(1,839,858)	
Business-Type Activities											
South Shore Harbor Marina		1,232,106	474,123		45,938	-		(712,045)		(712,045)	
Lakefront Airport		4,037,983	2,690,428		6,447,956	-		5,100,401		5,100,401	
Orleans Marina		963,214	1,430,661		36,714	-		504,161		504,161	
New Basin Canal		179,774	1,768,051		5,301	-		1,593,578		1,593,578	
Lake Vista Community Center		237,625	286,359		5,302	 <u>-</u>	-	54,036		54,036	
Total business-type activities		6,650,702	6,649,622		6,541,211	 <u> </u>		6,540,131	-	6,540,131	
Total functions/programs	\$	9,030,809	\$ 6,649,622	\$	7,081,460	 (1,839,858)		6,540,131		4,700,273	
			General revenues, spec Taxes Unrestricted intergov			2,334,616		-		2,334,616	
			Investment income	CHIHICI	ital revenues	208,588		_		208,588	
			Miscellaneous incom	ne.		147,792		688,326		836,118	
			Gain (loss) on dispos		ssets	(12,798)		-		(12,798)	
			Litigation payments	an or a		(12,770)		(255,000)		(255,000)	
			Transfers (to)/from C	DLD		 586,126		(9,010,550)		(8,424,424)	
			Total general revenue	es, spec	ial items and transfers	 3,264,324		(8,577,224)		(5,312,900)	
			Change in net position	on		1,424,466		(2,037,093)		(612,627)	
			Net position - beginn	ing of	year	 394,248	-	83,367		477,615	
			Net position - end of	year		\$ 1,818,714	\$	(1,953,726)	\$	(135,012)	

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS

		LMA OLD Real Estate Fund	In	LMA General nprovement Fund	G	Total overnmental Funds
CURRENT ASSETS:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	165,257	\$	-	\$	165,257
Investments - LAMP		3,128,321		-		3,128,321
Investments		-		-		-
Receivables		96,219		-		96,219
Accrued interest		-		-		-
Due from other funds		24,774,866		-		24,774,866
Due from other governments		216,183		113,714		329,897
Other assets	_	2,130		<u>-</u>		2,130
Total assets	\$	28,382,976	\$	113,714	\$	28,496,690
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURC LIABILITIES:	ES,	AND FUND B	ALA	ANCES		
Accounts payable	\$	611,555	\$	_	\$	611,555
Contracts payable	*	-	•	-	•	-
Other accrued		83,175		-		83,175
Due to other funds		22,850,285		2,166,849		25,017,134
Due to other agencies						
Total liabilities		23,545,015		2,166,849		25,711,864
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		90,931			_	90,931
FUND BALANCES:						
Nonspendable:						
Prepaid and other assets		2,130		- (2.052.125)		2,130
Unassigned		4,744,900		(2,053,135)	-	2,691,765
Total fund balances (deficit)		4,747,030		(2,053,135)		2,693,895
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,						
and fund balances	\$	28,382,976	\$	113,714	\$	28,496,690

Fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 2,693,895
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Combined	
Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets in governmental activities are not financial	
resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds, net of	
accumulated depreciation of \$180,602.	11,264
Revenues that are not available within 60 days of year-end are reported	
as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds.	86,731
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are not	
reported in the governmental funds:	
Pensions	192,494
OPEB	78,263
Pension and OPEB related deferrals are deferred inflows of resources	
on the statement of net position:	
Pensions	(64,727)
OPEB	(37,804)
Liabilities that are not due and payable within 60 days of year-end	
and, therefore, and not reported in the funds	
Accrued compensated absences	(88,242)
Post-employment benefit liability	(163,295)
Net pension liability	 (889,865)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 1,818,714

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	LMA LMA General OLD Real Improvement Estate Fund Fund				Total Governmental Funds			
REVENUES:								
Taxes	\$ 2,247,885	\$	-	\$	2,247,885			
Royalties, leases, and permits	46,497		-		46,497			
Operating grants	497,362		-		497,362			
Other	101,295		-		101,295			
Investment earnings (loss)	 208,588		<u>-</u>		208,588			
Total revenues	 3,101,627				3,101,627			
EXPENDITURES:								
Property management	 2,191,508			-	2,191,508			
Total expenditures	 2,191,508				2,191,508			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over expenditures	 910,119				910,119			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers in/(out)	 586,126	-			586,126			
Total other financing sources (uses)	 586,126				586,126			
Net change in fund balances	1,496,245		-		1,496,245			
Fund balances (deficit) - beginning of year	 3,250,785	(2,0	053,135)		1,197,650			
Fund balances (deficit) - end of year	\$ 4,747,030	\$ (2,0)53,135 ₎	\$	2,693,895			

RECONCILIATION OF THE COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE TO THE COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 1,496,245
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Combined Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position are different because governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:	
Depreciation expense	(15,438)
Assets disposed during the year	(12,798)
Revenues in the Combined Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position that do not	
provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds	86,731
Some items reported in the Combined Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds	
Compensated absences	161
Post-employment benefit obligation	(173,246)
Pension expense	 42,811
Change in net position	\$ 1,424,466

COMBINED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS $\underline{\text{AS OF JUNE 30, 2024}}$

			Major Funds			
	South Shore Harbor Marina	Lakefront Airport	Orleans Marina	New Basin Canal	Lake Vista	Total Proprietary Funds
CURRENT ASSETS:		<u> </u>		100 Busin Cunui		T WITHO
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Receivables, net of allowance for						
uncollectables accounts	66,206	339,849	16,910	43,831	10,239	477,035
Due from other funds	-	-	7,360,082	15,175,052	315,500	22,850,634
Due from other governments	-	367,363	-	-	-	367,363
Current portion of lease receivable Other assets	2,570	1,145,054 520	256,356 485	579,704	249,074	2,230,188 3,575
Total current assets	68,776	1,852,786	7,633,833	15,798,587	574,813	25,928,795
NONCURRENT ASSETS:						
Lease receivables, net of current portion	-	6,056,558	4,677,302	22,430,762	395,136	33,559,758
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	108,599	335,590	_	_	20,930	465,119
Total noncurrent assets	108,599	6,392,148	4,677,302	22,430,762	416,066	34,024,877
Total assets	177,375	8,244,934	12,311,135	38,229,349	990,879	59,953,672
DEFERRED OUTLFOWS OF RESOURCES:						
Pensions	158,807	428,198	126,920	18,326	18,328	750,579
OPEB	78,257	239.673	68,478	9,784	14,677	410,869
Total deferred outflows of resources	237,064	667,871	195,398	28,110	33,005	1,161,448
Total deferred outflows of resources	237,004	00/,8/1	193,396	20,110		1,101,446
Total assets and deferred outflow of resources	414,439	8,912,805	12,506,533	38,257,459	1,023,884	61,115,120
CURRENT LIABILITIES:						
Accounts payable	65,296	318,276	32,797	-	-	416,369
Due to other funds	4,684,932	17,779,860	-	-	-	22,464,792
Rents paid in advance	176,123	10,412	31,296	-	-	217,831
Other accruals	21,315	295,755	82,390			399,460
Total current liabilities	4,947,666	18,404,303	146,483			23,498,452
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:						
Accrued compensated absences	10,651	120,555	18,008	-	-	149,214
Post-employment benefit liability	163,296	500,089	142,883	20,412	30,617	857,297
Net pension liability	816,597	2,201,827	652,632	94,241	94,241	3,859,538
Total noncurrent liabilities	990,544	2,822,471	813,523	114,653	124,858	4,866,049
Total liabilities	5,938,210	21,226,774	960,006	114,653	124,858	28,364,501
DEFENDED INELOWS OF DESCRIPCES.						
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES: Leases	_	6,859,532	4,715,537	22,095,064	632,115	34,302,248
Pensions	43,081	116,160	34,430	4,971	4,973	203,615
OPEB	37,806	115,780	33,081	4,726	7,089	198,482
Total deferred inflows of resources	80,887	7,091,472	4,783,048	22,104,761	644,177	34,704,345
NET POSITION:						
Net investment in capital assets	108,599	335,590	-	-	20,930	465,119
Unrestricted	(5,713,257)	(19,741,031)	6,763,479	16,038,045	233,919	(2,418,845)
Total net position	\$ (5,604,658)	\$ (19,405,441)	\$ 6,763,479	\$ 16,038,045	\$ 254,849	\$ (1,953,726)

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Major Funds											
		outh Shore rbor Marina	Lak	efront Airport	Orleans Marina		Nev	w Basin Canal	Lake Vista			Total Proprietary Funds
OPERATING REVENUES:												
Charges for services												
Rentals	\$	474,123	\$	1,952,772	\$	1,430,661	\$	1,768,051	\$	286,359	\$	5,911,966
Fuel flowage fees				737,656		<u>-</u>		-		-		737,656
Total charges for services		474,123		2,690,428		1,430,661		1,768,051		286,359		6,649,622
Miscellaneous income				687,859		115		<u>-</u>		352		688,326
Total operating revenues		474,123		3,378,287		1,430,776		1,768,051		286,711		7,337,948
OPERATING EXPENSES:												
Personnel services		537,434		1,717,176		461,333		70,939		78,620		2,865,502
Travel		6		1,529		-		-		-		1,535
Contractual services		414,305		1,465,724		176,811		14,439		133,152		2,204,431
Materials and supplies		16,225		84,515		47,449		-		3,386		151,575
Professional services		104,974		194,668		178,761		74,343		11,596		564,342
Other charges		68,035		34,918		98,860		20,053		5,628		227,494
Depreciation		4,777		71,777		-		-		4,653		81,207
Major maintenance		86,350		467,676						590		554,616
Total operating expenses		1,232,106		4,037,983	_	963,214	_	179,774	_	237,625	_	6,650,702
Net operating income (loss)		(757,983)		(659,696)		467,562		1,588,277		49,086		687,246
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):												
Grant income		45,938		6,447,956		36,714		5,301		5,302		6,541,211
Litigation payments		-		-		(255,000)		-		-		(255,000)
Transfers to governmental activities		(1,816,896)		(6,838,779)		(327,974)		<u>-</u>		(26,901)		(9,010,550)
Total nonoperating revenues		(1,770,958)		(390,823)	_	(546,260)		5,301		(21,599)	_	(2,724,339)
Change in net position		(2,528,941)		(1,050,519)		(78,698)		1,593,578		27,487		(2,037,093)
Total net position - beginning of year		(3,075,717)		(18,354,922)		6,842,177		14,444,467		227,362		83,367
Total net position - end of year	\$	(5,604,658)	\$	(19,405,441)	\$	6,763,479	\$	16,038,045	\$	254,849	\$	(1,953,726)

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,2024

						Major Funds					
		outh Shore rbor Marina	La	kefront Airport	(Orleans Marina	New Basin Canal	_	Lake Vista		Total Proprietary Funds
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:											
Receipts from customers	\$	475,344	\$	2,491,520	\$	1,451,723	\$ 1,398,150	\$	277,555	\$	6,094,292
Other operating cash receipts		-		687,859		115	-		352		688,326
Payments to suppliers		2,085,192		(763,776)		(387,200)	(1,326,595)		(179,450)		(571,829)
Payments to employees		(692,993)		(1,799,378)	_	(518,378)	(76,856)	_	(76,858)	_	(3,164,463)
Net cash from (used in) operating activities	_	1,867,543		616,225	_	546,260	(5,301)	_	21,599	_	3,046,326
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:											
Proceeds from federal and state grants		45,938		6,273,849		36,714	5,301		5,302		6,367,104
Purchase of capital assets		(1,913,481)		(6,890,074)		(327,974)	-		(26,901)		(9,158,430)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets					-	(255,000)		_	-		(255,000)
Net cash from (used in) capital and related financing activities		(1,867,543)		(616,225)		(546,260)	5,301	_	(21,599)		(3,046,326)
Net change in cash		-		-		-	-		-		-
Cash and cash equivalents – beginning of year					_			_		_	<u>-</u>
Cash and cash equivalents – end of year	\$		\$		\$		\$ -	\$		\$	
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO CASH FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:											
Operating income (loss)	\$	(757,983)	\$	(659,696)	\$	467,562	\$ 1,588,277	\$	49,086	\$	687,246
Adjustment to reconcile operating income (loss) to net											
cash used in operating activities:											
Depreciation expense		3,082		71,777		-	-		4,653		79,512
Change in operating assets and liabilities: Receivables, net		46,328		(16,141)		37,309	64.073		(11,006)		120.473
Due from other funds		40,328		(10,141)		85,700	(1,211,080)		(11,096) (3,002)		(1,128,382)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		(2,205)		(320)		65,700	(1,211,000)		(3,002)		(2,525)
Lease receivables		-		(1,676,419)		50,309	(2,576,754)		(141,216)		(4,344,080)
Accounts and other payables		30,008		255,774		32,797	-		(40,155)		278,424
Due to other funds		2,727,050		1,218,913		-	(6,680)		-		3,939,283
Post-employment benefit liability		(13,548)		66,824		10,251	2,728		12,934		79,189
Net pension liability		(206,159)		(318,871)		(146,131)	(17,058)		(4,231)		(692,450)
Other liabilities		(50,207)		(9,460)		(36,879)	(63,259)		-		(159,805)
Change in deferred outflows of resources		111,289		189,379		73,883	9,006		4,114		387,671
Change in deferred inflows of resources		(20,112)		1,494,465	_	(28,541)	2,205,446	_	150,512	_	3,801,770
Net cash from (used in) operating activities	\$	1,867,543	\$	616,225	\$	546,260	\$ (5,301)	\$	21,599	\$	3,046,326

LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

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

Reporting Entity

The Lakefront Management Authority, formerly known as the Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority, (Authority) was created by LA R.S. 38:330.12, which placed the non-flood related assets and activities of the Orleans Levee District (OLD) under the management and control the Authority. The statute also states that those assets will continue to be owned by OLD. The creation, powers, duties and functions of the Authority are specified in LA R.S. 38:330.12.1.

The Authority is governed by a Board of Commissioners (the Board), consisting of 17 members. The members shall be composed of the following members who shall be subject to Senate confirmation, provided that no elected official shall be appointed to serve as a member:

- One member appointed by the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority East (SLFPAE).
- One member appointed by the state senator representing Senate District No. 3 and Senate District No. 4, and by the state representative representing House District No. 97, House District No. 94, House District No. 99, and two members by the Congressional Representative representing Congressional District No. 1. At least one member appointed shall be a lawyer, at least one member shall be a certified public accountant and at least one member shall be a realtor.
- One member appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans.
- One member appointed by each New Orleans city council member in whose district a non-flood asset is located.
- Two members appointed jointly by the presidents of the Lakeshore, Lake Vista, Lake Terrace, and Lake Oaks property owners associations.
- One member appointed by the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.
- One member appointed by the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation.
- One member appointed by the board for the New Orleans City Park.

Regular monthly meetings of the Board are convened at a place determined by the Board.

The Financial Statements of the Authority include the governmental fund and the general improvement fund, as well as the aggregate results of the enterprise fund assets of OLD which it manages.

The Authority has responsibility not only for the proprietary funds of OLD, but also roadways and public recreation areas along Lake Pontchartrain and all government-type activities related to them. The OLD Real Estate Fund is reported with the governmental funds. The General Improvement Fund is also managed by the Authority.

Measurement Focus, Basis Of Accounting, And Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information about the Authority as a whole. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely primarily on fees and charges for support.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, And Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of the given functions are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function (allocated to functions based on actual revenues and expenditures) and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Basis of Accounting

In April 1984, the Financial Accounting Foundation established the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to promulgate generally accepted accounting principles and reporting standards with respect to activities and transactions of state and local governmental entities. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with such principles. The accompanying financial statements present information only as to the transactions of the Authority as authorized by Louisiana statutes. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements mode, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The accounts of the Authority are maintained in accordance with applicable statutory provisions and the regulations of the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e. both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined; and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The Authority considers most revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after year end. For certain grants for which collectability is assured, but do not meet the availability criteria, the revenue is recorded as unearned revenue. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred under the accrual basis of accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded when paid.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Authority's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

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

Reporting Entity (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, And Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

Fund Balance

In 2012, the Authority adopted the provisions of GASB Codification 1300 Fund Accounting and 1800 Classification and Terminology, which changed the reporting of fund balance in the balance sheets of governmental fund types. In fund financial statements, fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy primarily on the extent to which the Authority is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported in five components – nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

- *Nonspendable* This component consists of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted This component consists of amounts that have constraints placed on them either externally by third-parties (creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments) or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation authorizes the Authority to assess, levy, change or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement (compelled by external parties) that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.
- Committed This component consists of amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Authority removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) it employed previously to commit those amounts.
- Assigned This component consists of amounts that are constrained by the Authority's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The authorization for assigning fund balance is expressed by the Authority or the designee as established in the Authority's Fund Balance Policy.
- *Unassigned* This component consists of amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Authority's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources in the following order: committed resources first, then assigned, and then unassigned as they are needed.

Net Position

In 2013, the Authority adopted GASB Standards which provided financial reporting guidance for deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and net position. State and local governments enter into transactions that result in the consumption or acquisition of assets in one period that are applicable to future periods. GASB Statement No. 63 requires that deferred outflows of resources should be reported in a statement of net position in a separate section following assets and deferred inflows of resources should be reported in a separate section following liabilities. During 2013, the Authority adopted the statement and restated balances previously referred to as net assets to net position.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

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

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, And Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

Net Position (Continued)

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows. Net position should be displayed in three components – net *investment in capital assets* consisting of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any debt proceeds used for the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets; *restricted* distinguishing between major categories of restrictions and consisting of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets; and *unrestricted* consisting of the net amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

Major Funds

The OLD's Real Estate Fund is used to provide management and administration of non-flood control operations, including OLD's proprietary funds as well as parks, roadways, and bridges. The Authority's General Improvement Fund is used to account for financial resources received and used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of non-flood protection related capital facilities. This fund is controlled and managed by the Authority.

The South Shore Harbor Marina, Orleans Marina, Lakefront Airport, Lake Vista Community Center, and New Basin Canal are proprietary funds used for financial resources received and used for the operation maintenance, and improvement of capital facilities. These funds are controlled and managed by the Authority.

Use of Estimates

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include all demand accounts and certificates of deposit with an original maturity of three months or less.

Under state law, the Authority may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. State statutes authorize the Authority to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes or certificates. These are classified as investments if the original maturities exceed 90 days. Investments are stated at fair value using published market rates.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents (Continued)

Cash and cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates market value. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These pledged securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank in the form of commercial paper held by the state treasurer. The Authority's deposits were fully covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") and pledged securities at June 30, 2024.

Investments - LAMP

The Louisiana Asset Management Pool ("LAMP") is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets.

The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LA-R.S. 33:2955. LAMP is rated AAA by Standard & Poor's.

The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to the account balances. The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based on quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares. LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as an investment company. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the LAMP administrative office at (800) 249-5267.

Investments in LAMP are stated at amortized cost due to their liquidity.

Receivables

All receivables are shown net of allowance for doubtful accounts.

Interfund Receivables or Payables

The amounts are referred to as either due to or due from other funds, which result from a pooled cash management process. Interfund receivables or payables reflect a cumulative excess of costs (due from) or revenue (due to) generally between the general funds and all other funds. As a general rule, all interfund balances are eliminated in the government-wide financial statements.

Inventory

Supplies and fuel are expensed when purchased.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

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

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. The Authority has implemented a \$5,000 minimum capitalization threshold. The Authority's capitalization threshold for infrastructure assets is \$2,000,000 to be consistent with the recommendation by the Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy.

The following are the major classes of capital assets and the related asset lives:

Equipment 5-40 years

In addition to assets, the statement of financial 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 and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The Authority has two items that meet this criterion – pension and OPEB-related deferrals. In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position 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 and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The Authority has two items that meet the criteria for this category – OPEB and pension-related deferrals.

Compensated Absences

Employees earn and accumulate annual and sick leave of various rates, depending on the years of service. The amount of annual and sick leave that may be accumulated by each employee is unlimited. Upon termination, employees or the employee's estate are compensated for up to 300 hours of unused annual leave at the employee's hourly rate of pay at the time of termination. Upon retirement, unused annual leave in excess of 300 hours plus unused sick leave are used to compute retirement benefits. In addition, it is the Authority's policy to pay any accumulated compensatory leave at the employee's hourly rate of pay at the time of termination.

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 the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System or the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana and additions to/deductions from the retirement systems' fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the retirement 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.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

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

Other Post-Employment Benefits

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) plan and additions to deductions from the plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the OGB. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term obligations are recognized as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities statement of net position.

Balance Sheet

Governmental funds include a reconciliation of the government-wide statements to the governmental fund financial statements. This reconciliation is necessary to bring the financial statements from the current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting to the economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. Major items included in the reconciliation are capital assets, accrued compensated absences, net pension liability, and post-employment benefits payable, which are shown on the government-wide but not the governmental fund statements. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances – governmental funds include reconciliation between net changes in fund balances – total governmental funds and change in net position of governmental activities. Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities and changes in net position, the cost of those assets is allocated over the estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Other differences in recognition include number of months allowed in estimating revenue collections, contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year, classification of changes in long-term obligations, pension expense, and post-employment benefit and pension expense.

Expenditures are controlled at a major cost category level. The Executive Director may reallocate resources among cost categories and departments so long as aggregate cost does not change. Changes to the budgets that will change total revenue or expense must be approved by the Board.

Budgetary Accounting

By April 1 of each year, the Board submits the annual budgets to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and to the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana for the succeeding fiscal year. The operating and capital budgets include proposed expenditures and the means of financing.

All original budgets were adopted in March of 2023. The budgeted amounts are included in the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual – Governmental Funds.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

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

Budgetary Accounting (Continued)

The most significant changes made are described below:

Revenues

Authority's original budget for governmental funds called for a total of \$2,515,500 in revenues, with the budget not being amended for revenues. The Authority had a favorable revenue variance of \$1,127,364 due to higher than anticipated operating grants, rising credited interest rates for the Authority's investments, and the rights to mineral revenues being transferred from Orleans Levee District to the Lakefront Management Authority.

Expenditures

The Authority's budget for governmental funds called for total expenditures and transfers of \$2,504,724. The budget to actual variance was favorable by \$899,342 including net transfers of \$586,126. Combined variances in the final budget amounts and actual results are shown in the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual – Governmental Funds.

Date of Management's Review

Subsequent events have been evaluated through November 18, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

(2) <u>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS</u>

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes petty cash and demand deposits. Cash equivalents may include amounts in time deposits, money market mutual funds, commercial paper, and United States Treasury bills.

Amounts deposited in banks and investment accounts were as follows:

	Cash	LAMP	Total			
Balance per agency books	\$ 165,257	\$ 3,128,321	\$	3,293,578		
Deposits in bank and investment						
accounts per banks	\$ 817,042	\$ 3,128,321	\$	3,945,363		

The total bank balances will not necessarily equal the deposits in bank account per the combined statement of net position. Deposits in bank accounts are stated at cost, which approximates market value. Under state law, these deposits are secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. All balances are covered by sufficient collateral and FDIC coverage.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

(2) <u>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)</u>

Investments

At June 30, 2024, the Authority had an investment of \$3,128,321 with the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP), which is included in investments. LAMP is stated at amortized cost and is therefore not included in the fair value hierarchy below.

(3) <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

A summary of changes in governmental fund type fixed assets for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

	6/3	0/2023		Additions	Re	ductions	6/30/2024		
Governmental Activities: Capital assets being depreciated: Equipment	\$	212,540	\$		\$	(20,674)	\$	191,866	
Total capital assets being depreciated		212,540	_			(20,674)		191,866	
Less accumulated depreciation for: Equipment		173,040	_	15,438		(7,876)		180,602	
Total accumulated depreciation		173,040		15,438		(7,876)		180,602	
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		39,500	_	(15,438)		(12,798)		11,264	
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	39,500	\$	(15,438)	\$	(12,798)	\$	11,264	

A summary of changes in business-type fixed assets for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

		5/30/2023	Α	Additions	Red	ductions	6/30/2024		
Business-Type Activities:									
Capital assets being depreciated: Equipment	\$	1,269,800	\$	163,499	\$		\$	1,433,299	
Total capital assets being depreciated		1,269,800		163,499				1,433,299	
Less accumulated depreciation for:									
Equipment		886,973		81,207				968,180	
Total accumulated depreciation		886,973		81,207				968,180	
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		382,827		82,292				465,119	
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$	382,827	\$	82,292	\$		\$	465,119	

Depreciation for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$15,438 and \$81,207 for government type and business type activities, respectively.

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(4) COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The cost of leave privileges, computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C60 *Compensated Absences*, is recognized as an expense when leave is earned. The combined statement of net position present the cost of accumulated annual and compensatory leave as a liability. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the Authority does not have a policy to pay this amount when employees separate from service. The combined value of accrued annual leave and compensatory leave at June 30, 2024 was \$237,456.

(5) RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description - LASERS

Employees of the Authority are provided with pensions 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 RS 11:401) grants to LASERS Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. LASERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.lasersonline.org.

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

Retirement Benefits - LASERS

The age and years of creditable service required in order for a member to retire with full benefits are established by statute, and vary depending on the member's hire date, employer, and job classification. A rank and file member hired prior to July 1, 2006, may either retire with full benefits at any age upon completing 30 years of creditable service and at age 60 upon completing ten years of creditable service depending on their plan. Those members hired between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2015, may retire at age 60 upon completing five years of creditable service and those hired on or after July 1, 2015, may retire at age 62 upon completing five years of creditable service. The basic annual retirement benefit for members is equal to 2.5% to 3.5% of average compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Additionally, members may choose to retire with 20 year of service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit.

Average compensation is defined as the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 36 consecutive months of employment for members employed prior to July 1, 2006. For members hired July 1, 2006 or later, average compensation is based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. The maximum annual retirement benefit cannot exceed the lesser of 100% of average compensation, or a certain specified dollar amount of actuarially determined monetary limits, which vary depending upon the member's age at retirement. As an alternative to the basic retirement benefits, a member may elect to receive their retirement throughout their life, with certain benefits being paid to their designated beneficiary after their death.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

Retirement Benefits - LASERS (Continued)

Act 992 of the 2010 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session changed the benefit structure for LASERS members hired on or after January 1, 2011. This resulted in three new plans: regular, hazardous duty, and judges. The new regular plan includes regular members and those members who were formerly eligible to participate in specialty plans, excluding hazardous duty and judges. Regular members and judges are eligible to retire at age 60 after five years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Hazardous duty members are eligible to retire with twelve years of creditable service at age 55, 25 years of creditable service or at any age or with a reduced benefit after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment for all three new plans. Members in the regular plan will receive a 2.5% accrual rate, hazardous duty plan a 3.33% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate. The extra 1.0% accrual rate for each year of service for court officers, the governor, lieutenant governor, legislators, House clerk, sergeants at arms, or Senate secretary, employed after January 1, 2011, was eliminated by Act 992. Specialty plan and regular member, hired prior to January 1, 2011, who are hazardous duty employees have the option to transition to the new hazardous duty plan.

Act 226 for the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session established new retirement eligibility for members of LASERS hired on or after July 1, 2015, excluding hazardous duty plan members. Regular members and judges under the new plan are eligible to retire at age 62 after five years of creditable service and, may also retire at any age, with a reduced benefit, after 20 years of creditable service. Average compensation will be based on the member's average annual earned compensation for the highest 60 consecutive months of employment. Members in the regular plan will receive 2.5% accrual rate, and judges a 3.5% accrual rate, with the extra 1.0% accrual rate based on all years of service a judge.

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

Deferred Retirement Benefits - LASERS

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

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

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

Disability Benefits - LASERS

Generally, active members with ten or more years of credited service who become disabled may receive a maximum disability retirement benefit equivalent to the regular retirement formula without reduction by reason of age. Upon reaching retirement age, the disability retiree may receive a regular retirement benefit by making application to the Board of Trustees. For injuries sustained in the line of duty, hazardous duty personnel in the Hazardous Duty Services Plan will receive a disability benefit equal to 75% of final average compensation or 100% of the final average compensation if the injury was the result of an intentional act of violence.

Survivor's Benefits - LASERS

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

The deceased regular member hired on or after January 1, 2011, must have a minimum of five years of service credit regardless of when earned in order for a benefit to be paid to a minor child. The aforementioned minimum service credit requirements for a surviving spouse are 10 years, 2 years being earned immediately prior to death, and active state service at the time of death, or a minimum of 20 years of service credit regardless of when earned. A deceased member's spouse must have been married for at least one year before death.

A Hazardous Duty Services Plan member's surviving spouse and minor or handicapped or mentally incapacitated child or children are entitled to survivor benefits of 80% of the member's final average compensation if the member was killed in the line of duty. If the member dies in the line of duty as a result of an intentional act of violence, survivor benefits may be increased to 100% of the member's final average compensation.

Permanent Benefit Increases/Cost-of-Living Adjustments - LASERS

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

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) $\underline{\text{JUNE 30, 2024}}$

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

Contributions - LASERS

Contribution requirements of active employees are governed by Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and may be amended by the Louisiana Legislature. Employee contributions are deducted from a member's salary and remitted to LASERS by participating employers along with employer portion of the contribution.

The employer contribution rates in effect as of June 30, 2023 for the various plans follow:

40.40%
40.40%
43.90%
39.30%
39.30%
39.20%
43.40%
46.70%
46.10%
44.80%
43.80%
43.80%
36.60%
37.90%
37.90%
41.80%
40.40%
40.40%
40.40%
40.40%
38.60%
52.20%

The Authority's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024 was 41.30% of annual payroll (47% for hazardous duty), actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the Authority were \$770,169 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Refunds of Contributions - LASERS

If a member leaves covered employment or dies before any benefits become payable on their behalf, the accumulated contributions may be refunded to the member or their designated beneficiary. Similarly, accumulated contributions in excess of any benefits paid to members or their survivors are refunded to the member's beneficiaries or their estates upon cessation of any survivor's benefits.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) $\underline{\text{JUNE 30, 2024}}$

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - LASERS</u>

At June 30, 2024, the Authority reported a liability of \$4,608,750 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Authority's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the Authority's proportion was 0.068854%, which was an increase of .005220% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Authority recognized pension expense of \$718,810 plus the Authority's amortization of change in proportionate share and difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions of \$26,940.

At June 30, 2024, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Outflows of Inflo	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	99,766	\$	139,978
Change in assumptions		-		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		26,346		-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		-		103,162
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date		770,169		
Total	\$	896,281	\$	243,140

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

(5) RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Deferred outflows of resources of \$770,169 related to pensions resulting from the Authority's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows for the year ending June 30th:

Year ending June 30	<u>:</u>	
2025	\$	(117,119)
2026		(166,375)
2027		226,909
2028		(60,443)
Total	\$	(117,028)

Actuarial Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
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Actuarial Assumptions:

Expected Remaining Service Lives 2 years

Investment Rate of Return 7.25% per annum. Inflation Rate 2.30% per annum.

Mortality 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 increases were projected based on a 2014-2018 experience study of the System's members. The salary

increase ranges for specific types of members are:

	Lower	Upper
Member Type	Range	Range
Regular	3.0%	12.8%
Judges	2.6%	5.1%
Corrections	3.6%	13.8%
Hazardous Duty	3.6%	13.8%
Wildlife	3.6%	13.8%

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)

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.

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 weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.3% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 8.19% for 2023. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Cash	0%	0.80%
Domestic equity	34%	4.45%
International equity	18%	5.44%
Domestic fixed income	3%	2.04%
International fixed income	17%	5.33%
Alternative investments	28%	8.19%
Total	100%	5.75%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. 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 active and inactive plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(5) RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

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

The following presents the Authority's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Authority's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.25%) or one percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	Current					
	1% Decrease 6.25%		Discount Rate 7.25%		1% Increase 8.25%	
Authority's proportionate share						
of the net pension liability	\$	6,032,484	\$	4,608,750	\$	3,399,311

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued LASERS 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report at www.lasersonline.org.

Plan Description - TRSL

One employee of the Authority is provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana (TRSL). Chapter 2 of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S. 11:401) grants to TRSL Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature the authority to review administration, benefit terms, investments, and funding of the plan. TRSL issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.trsl.org.

Benefit Formula - TRSL

For all plans, retirement benefits are based on a formula which multiplies the final average compensation by the benefit factor, and by the years of creditable service. For Regular Plan and Lunch Plan B members whose first employment makes them eligible for membership in a Louisiana state retirement system on or after January 1, 2011, final average compensation is defined as the highest average 60-month period. For all other members, final average compensation is defined as the highest average 36-month period.

Payment Options – TRSL

A retiring member is entitled to receive the maximum monthly benefit payable until the member's death. However in lieu of the maximum monthly benefit, the member may elect to receive a reduced monthly benefit (based on a named beneficiary's age). In addition, all options (except Option 1) are allowed a lump sum that can't exceed 36 months of the members' maximum monthly benefit amount. Effective July 1, 2009, members may make an irrevocable election at retirement to receive an actuarially reduced monthly benefit which increases 2.5% annually, beginning on the first retirement anniversary date, but not before age 55 or before the retiree would have attained age 55 in the case of a surviving spouse. This option can be chosen in combination with the above options.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

<u>JUNE</u> 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

Benefits Provided - TRSL

The following is a description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general informational purposes only. TRSL provides retirement, deferred retirement option (DROP), disability, and survivor's benefits. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

Normal Retirement

Members hired prior to July 1, 1999 prior to July 1, 1999

2.0% benefit At least age 60 with at least 5 years of service credit, or

factor Any age with at least 20 years of service credit

2.5% benefit At least age 65 with at least 20 years of service credit, or **factor** At least age 55 with at least 25 years of service credit, or

Any age with at least 30 years of service credit

Members joining system between July 1, 1999 and December 31, 2010

2.5% benefit At least age 60 with at least 5 years of service credit, or factor At least age 55 with at least 25 years of service credit, or

Any age with at least 20 years of service credit (actuarially reduced), or Any age with at least 30 years of service credit

Members first eligible to join and hired between January 1, 2011 and June 30, 2015

2.5% benefit At least age 60 with at least 5 years of service credit, or factor Any age with at least 20 years of service credit (actuarially

reduced)

Members first eligible to join and hired on or after July 1, 2015

2.5% At least age 62 with at least 5 years of service credit, or

benefit Any age with at least 20 years of service credit (actuarially reduced)

factor

Members hired before July 1, 2015

2.0% At least age 60 with at least 5 years of service credit, or benefit At least age 55 with at least 30 years of service credit

factor

Members first eligible to join and hired on or after July 1, 2015

2.0% At least age 62 with at least 5 years of service credit, or

benefit Any age with at least 20 years of service credit (actuarially reduced)

factor

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) – TRSL

In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, an eligible member can begin participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) on the first retirement eligibility date for a period not to exceed 3 years. A member has a 60 day window from his first eligible date to participate in the program in order to participate for the maximum number of years. Delayed participation reduces the three year maximum participation period. During participation, benefits otherwise payable are fixed, and deposited in an individual DROP account.

Upon termination of DROP participation, the member can continue employment and earn additional benefit accruals to be added to the fixed pre-DROP benefit.

Upon termination of employment, the member is entitled to the fixed benefit, an additional benefit based on post-DROP service (if any), and the individual DROP account balance which can be paid in a lump sum or as an additional annuity based upon the account balance.

Disability Retirement Benefits - TRSL

Active members whose first employment makes them eligible for membership in a Louisiana state retirement system before January 1, 2011, and who have five or more years of service credit are eligible for disability retirement benefits if certified by the State Medical Disability Board (SMDB) to be disabled from performing their job. All other members must have at least 10 years of service to be eligible for a disability benefit. Calculation of the disability benefit as well as the availability of a minor child benefit is determined by the plan to which the member belongs and the date on which the member's first employment made them eligible for membership in a Louisiana state retirement system.

Survivor Benefits – TRSL

A surviving spouse with minor children of an active member with five years of creditable service (2 years immediately prior to death) or 20 years of creditable service is entitled to a benefit equal to the greater of (a) \$600 per month, or (b) 50% of the member's benefit calculated at the 2.5% benefit factor for all creditable service. When a minor child(ren) is no longer eligible to receive survivor benefits, the spouse's benefit reverts to a survivor benefit in accordance with the provisions for a surviving spouse with no minor child(ren). Benefits for the minor child(ren) cease when he/she is no longer eligible.

Each minor child (maximum of 2) shall receive an amount equal to the greater of (a) 50% of the spouse's benefit, or (b) \$300 (up to 2 eligible children). Benefits to minors cease at attainment of age 21, marriage, or age 23 if enrolled in an approved institution of higher education.

A surviving spouse without minor children of an active member with 10 years of creditable service (2 years immediately prior to death) or 20 years of creditable service is entitled to a benefit equal to the greater of (a) \$600 per month, or (b) the option 2 equivalent of the benefit calculated at the 2.5% benefit factor for all creditable service.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

Permanent Benefit Increases/Cost-of-Living Adjustments - TRSL

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

Contributions - TRSL

The employer contribution rate 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. Each sub plan pays a separate actuarially determined employer contribution rate. However, all assets of TRSL are used for the payment of benefits for all classes of members, regardless of their plan.

The agency's contractually required composite contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024 was 24.1% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the Agency were \$24,217 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

<u>Pension Liability, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – TRSL</u>

At June 30, 2024, the Authority reported a liability of \$140,653 for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability. The Net Pension Liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Agency's proportion of the Net Pension Liability was based on a projection of the Agency's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the Agency's proportion was .001556% which was a decrease of .000062% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Agency recognized pension expense of \$24,119 plus employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions of \$98.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) $\underline{\text{JUNE 30, 2024}}$

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

At June 30, 2024, the Agency reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected		
and actual experience	\$ 6,605	\$ 8
Change in assumptions	6,343	4,586
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	9,628	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	20,608
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	 24,216	 _
Total	\$ 46,792	\$ 25,202

The \$24,216 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Agency contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the Net Pension Liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ending June 30:	
2024	\$ (11,393)
2025	(3,127)
2026	12,320
2027	 (426)
Total	\$ (2,626)

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

(5) RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions – TRSL

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023 are as follows:

Actuarial cost method Entry Age Normal

Amortization approach Closed

Actuarial assumptions:

Expected Remaining

5 years **Service Lives**

Investment rate of return 7.25% net of investment expenses*

Inflation rate 2.3% per annum

Projected salary increases 3.1% - 4.6% varies depending on duration of service

Cost-of-living adjustments None

Active members – RP-2014 White Collar Employee tables, adjusted by

1.010 for males and by 0.997 for females.

Non-Disabled retiree/inactive members – RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant tables, adjusted by 1.366 for males and by 1.189 for females.

Disability retiree mortality – RP-2014 Disability tables, adjusted by

Mortality

1.111 for males and by 1.134 for females.

These base tables are adjusted from 2014 to 2018 using the MP-2017 generational improvement table, with continued future mortality improvement projected using the MP-2017 generational mortality

improvement tables.

Termination, disability, and retirement assumptions were projected based Termination and disability

on a 5-year (July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2017) experience study of the

System's members.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expenses 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 resulting long-term geometric nominal expected rate of return was 8.72% for 2023. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(5) <u>RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)</u>

<u>Actuarial Assumptions – TRSL (Continued)</u>

		Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	22.5%	4.55%
International equity	11.5%	5.01%
Domestic fixed income	8.0%	2.20%
International fixed income	6.0%	-0.29%
Alternative investments	52.0%	7.11%
Total	100%	5.46%

Discount Rate - TRSL

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the System's actuary. 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.

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

The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.25%) or one percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1%	Decrease 6.25%	Dis	count Rate 7.25%	1	% Increase 8.25%
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	199,240	\$	140,653	\$	91,362

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - TRSL

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRSL's 2023 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report at www.trsl.org.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(6) OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Office of Group Benefits (OGB) administers the State of Louisiana Post-Retirement Benefits Plan – a defined-benefit, multi-employer other postemployment benefit plan. The plan provides medical, prescription drug, and life insurance benefits to retirees, disabled retirees, and their eligible beneficiaries through premium subsidies. Current employees, who participate in an OGB health plan while active, are eligible for plan benefits if they are enrolled in the OGB health plan immediately before the date of retirement and retire under one of the state sponsored retirement systems (Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, or Louisiana State Police Retirement System) or they retire from a participating employer that meets the qualifications in the Louisiana Administrative Code 32:3:303. Benefit provisions are established under LA R.S. 42:851 for health insurance benefits and LA R.S. 42:821 for life insurance benefits. The obligations of the plan members, employer(s), and other contributing entities to contribute to the plan are established or may be amended under the authority of LA R.S. 42:802. The Plan does not issue a stand-alone report.

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75. Effective July 1, 2008, and OPEB trust fund was statutorily established; however, this plan is not administered as a trust and no plan assets have been accumulated as of June 30, 2021. The plan is funded on a "pay-as-you-go basis" under which the contributions to the plan are generally made at about the same time and in about the same amount as benefit payments become due.

Employer Contributions are based on plan premiums and the employer contribution percentage. Premium amounts vary depending on the health plan selected and if the retired member has Medicare coverage. OGB offers retirees four self-insured healthcare plans and one fully insured plan. Retired employees who have Medicare Part A and Part B coverage also have access to four fully insured Medicare Advantage plans. The employer contribution percentage is based on the date of participation in an OGB plan and employee years of service at retirement. Employees who begin participation or rejoin the plan before January 1, 2002, pay approximately 25% of the cost of coverage (except single retirees under age 65, who pay approximately 25% of the active employee cost). For those beginning participation or rejoining on or after January 1, 2002, the percentage of premiums contributed by the employer and retiree is based on the following schedule:

	Employer	Employee
OGB Participation	Share	Share
Under 10 years	19%	81%
10 - 14 years	38%	62%
15 - 19 years	56%	44%
20+ years	75%	25%

In addition to healthcare benefits, retirees may elect to receive life insurance benefits. Basic and supplemental life insurance is available for the individual retirees and spouses of retirees subject to maximum values. Employers pay approximately 50% of monthly premiums for individual retirees. The retiree is responsible for 100% of the premium for dependents. The total monthly premium for retirees varies according to age group.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(6) OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Total OPEB Liability

At June 30, 2024, the Authority reported a liability of \$1,020,592 for its proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of July 01, 2023 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Authority's proportionate share of the total collective OPEB liability at June 30, 2024 was based on a projection of the Authority's total OPEB liability relative to the projected total OPEB liability of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At July 01, 2023, the Authority's proportion was .014277%, an increase of .001175% from its proportion at July 01, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024 the Authority recognized OPEB expense of \$40,123. At June 30, 2024, the employer reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Ou	deferred atflows of desources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected					
and actual experience	\$	20,597	\$	-	
Change in assumptions		64,340		213,446	
Changes in proportion and differences					
between employer contributions and					
proportionate share of contributions		300,249		22,840	
Employer contributions subsequent to					
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date		103,946		_	
the measurement date	-	103,770	-	<u>-</u>	
Total	\$	489,132	\$	236,286	

The \$103,946 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2025.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

(6) OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs will be recognized in OPEB expense (benefit) as follows:

Total	\$	148,900
2028		24,989
2027		35,583
2026		38,984
2025	\$	49,344
Year ending June 30	<u>):</u>	

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs

The total collective OPEB liability in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial methods, assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal, level percentage of 1	nav

Expected Remaining Service Lives 4.50 years

Inflation Rate Consumer Price Index (CPI) 2.4%
Salary increase rate Consistent with state's pension plan

Discount rate 4.13% based on the S&P Municipal Bond 20-year high grade

rate index

Mortality rates Based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Employee Table, adjusted

by .978 for males and 1.144 for females, projected from 2014 on a fully generational basis by Mortality Improvement Scale

MP-2018

Healthcare cost trend rates 7.00% for pre-Medicare eligible employees grading down by

.25% each year, beginning in 2023-2024, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2032; 5.50% for post-Medicare eligible employees grading down by .25% each year, beginning in 2023-2024, to an ultimate rate of 4.5% in 2032-2033 and thereafter; the initial trend was developed using the National Health Care Trend Survey; the ultimate trend was developed using a building block approach which considers Consumer Price Index, Gross Domestic Product, and technology growth.

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from the 4.09% as of July 1, 2022 to 4.13 % as of July 1, 2023, and the baseline per capita costs and medical plan election percentages were updated to reflect 2023 claims and enrollment.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

(6) OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the primary government of the OGB Plan, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (3.13%) or one percentage point higher (4.13%) than the current discount rate:

	Current								
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase						
	3.13%	4.13%	5.13%						
Authority's proportionate share									
of the collective total OPEB liability	\$ 1,234,822	\$ 1,020,592	\$ 853,480						

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the primary government of the OGB Plan, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	Current								
	1% Decrease	Trend Rate	1% Increase						
Authority's proportionate share									
of the collective total OPEB liability	\$ 850,749	\$ 1,020,592	\$ 1,244,345						

(7) <u>LEASES</u>

The Authority manages and leases boat slips, land, and building space to certain parties. At June 30, 2024, the total cost of the land, buildings and improvements leased to others is \$202 million. At June 30, 2023, these assets had \$102 million of related accumulated depreciation. Current year rents amount to \$5.8 million, which include \$1.3 million of interest on long-term leases.

The Authority's proprietary funds report lease receivables on leases that convey control to the use of OLD's nonfinancial assets and exist for a maximum term of greater than 12 months. Generally, boat slips are leased on a yearly basis and do not qualify for recognition.

The lease receivable for long-term leases are recognized at the commencement of the lease term at the present value of lease payments expected to be received during the lease period. Lease payments are subject to CPI and fair market value adjustments, depending on the term of the lease and tenant renewal options.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) $\underline{\text{JUNE 30, 2024}}$

(7) <u>LEASES (CONTINUED)</u>

Future minimum rental payments to be received under these leases are as follows for the years ending June 30, 2024:

]	Present Value	e of	Payments											
	I	Lakefront Airport		Orleans Marina	New Basin Canal								onMajor	Total Interest		Future Minimum Payments	
2025	\$	1,145,054	\$	256,356	\$	579,704	\$	249,074	\$	1,225,416	\$	3,455,604					
2026		1,150,742		265,448		600,284		218,094		1,144,580		3,379,148					
2027		1,181,230		274,860		621,595		131,168		1,064,134		3,272,987					
2028		981,463		284,607		643,658		43,359		989,710		2,942,797					
2029		883,657		294,706		666,507		2,515		923,265		2,770,650					
2030 - 2034		905,352		1,521,263		3,378,188		-		3,907,731		9,712,534					
2035 - 2039		328,065		1,072,694		2,623,372		-		3,031,974		7,056,105					
2040 - 2044		174,702		94,030		2,784,071		-		2,457,881		5,510,684					
2045 - 2049		208,052		111,928		2,928,466		-		1,906,251		5,154,697					
2050 - 2054		219,136		133,232		2,424,225		-		1,338,679		4,115,272					
2055 - 2059		24,159		158,592		1,678,334		-		971,602		2,832,687					
2060 - 2064		-		188,777		979,780		-		672,086		1,840,643					
2065 - 2069		-		222,611		445,868		-		537,360		1,205,839					
2070 - 2074		-		54,554		530,734		-		426,997		1,012,285					
2075 - 2079		-		-		573,581		-		321,333		894,914					
2080 - 2084		-		-		110,968		-		262,674		373,642					
2085 - 2089		-		-		132,090		-		241,552		373,642					
2090 - 2094		-		-		157,232		-		216,410		373,642					
2095 - 2099		-		-		187,160		-		186,483		373,643					
2100 - 2104		-		-		222,784		-		150,859		373,643					
2105 - 2109		-		-		265,188		-		108,454		373,642					
2110 - 2114		-		-		315,664		-		57,979		373,643					
2115 - 2119						161,013				7,126		168,139					
	\$	7,201,612	\$	4,933,658	\$	23,010,466	\$	644,210	\$	22,150,536	\$	57,940,482					

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

(8) LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Changes in Long-Term Obligations

The following schedules summarize the changes in long-term debt during the year ended June 30, 2024:

	Balance 6/30/2023	Additions	Additions Reductions Balance 6/30/20.		Due Within One Year	
Governmental Activities:						
Compensated absences	\$ 225,490	\$ -	\$ (137,248)	\$ 88,242	\$ -	
Net pension liability	820,675	69,190	-	889,865	-	
Net OPEB liability	106,106	57,189		163,295		
Total governmental activities	1,152,271	126,379	(137,248)	1,141,402		
Business-Type Activities:						
Compensated absences	137,087	12,127	-	149,214	-	
Net pension liabilities	4,564,810	-	(705,272)	3,859,538	-	
Net OPEB liability	778,108	79,189		857,297		
Total business-type activities	5,480,005	91,316	(705,272)	4,866,049		
Total governmental and business-type activities	\$ 6,632,276	\$ 217,695	\$ (842,520)	\$ 6,007,451	\$ -	

(9) CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A variety of claims have been made against the Authority and its districts in a number of pending lawsuits. Management has regular litigation reviews, including updates from outside counsel, to assess the need for accounting recognition or disclosure of these contingencies. The Authority accrues an undiscounted liability for those contingencies when the incurrence of a loss is probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. If a range of amounts can be reasonably estimated and no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount, then the minimum of the range is accrued. The Authority does not record liabilities when the likelihood that the liability has been incurred is probable, but the amount cannot be reasonably estimated or when the liability is believed to be only reasonably possible or remote. For contingencies where an unfavorable outcome is reasonably possible and which are significant, the Authority discloses the nature of the contingency and, where feasible, an estimate of the possible loss. For purposes of our contingency disclosures, "significant" includes material matters as well as other matters which management believes should be disclosed. The Authority and its districts will continue to defend itself vigorously in these matters. Based on a consideration of all relevant facts and circumstances, the Authority does not believe the ultimate outcome of any currently pending lawsuit against the Authority will have a material, or adverse effect upon the Authority's operations, financial condition, or financial statements taken as a whole.

It is the opinion of the Authority, after conferring with legal counsel for the Authority, that several of the potential claims against the Authority, while not classified as "probable," do not have the reasonable possibility of an unfavorable outcome, so no liability has been booked.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

<u>JUNE 30, 2024</u>

(9) <u>CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Federally Assisted Grant Programs

The Authority participates in a number of federally-assisted grant programs. The programs are subject to compliance audits under the Office of Management and Budget Uniform Grant Guidance. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grants. The Authority believes that the amount of disallowances, if any, which may arise from future audits, will not be material.

(10) <u>TAX ABATEMENT</u>

Orleans Parish

The local government is subject to certain property tax abatements granted by the Louisiana State Board of Commerce and Industry (the "State Board"), a state entity governed by board members representing major economic groups and gubernatorial appointees. Abatements to which the government may be subject include those issued for property taxes under the Restoration Tax Abatement Program (RTAP).

Under the RTAP, as authorized by Article 7, Section 21(H) of the Louisiana Constitution and LRS 47:4311, companies that expand, restore, improve, or develop an existing structure or structures in a downtown, historic, or economic development district can apply to the State Board and the local governing authority for a property tax exemption. The exemptions are granted for a 5-year term and are renewable for an additional 5-year term upon the approval of the State Board and the local governing authority. The property tax abatements have resulted in reductions of property taxes, which the tax assessor administers as a temporary reduction in the assessed value of the property involved.

The abatement agreements stipulate a percentage reduction of property taxes, which can be as much as 100 percent. The local government may recapture abated taxes if a company fails to expand facilities or otherwise fail to fulfill its commitments under the agreement. The City Council of the City of New Orleans approved tax abatement projects of which \$43,119 was for the Authority.



	Budget	ary Amounts		Actual on Budgetary Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:					
Tax revenue	\$	2,250,000	\$	2,247,885	\$ (2,115)
Mineral revenue		-		46,497	46,497
Operating grants		-		497,362	497,362
Miscellaneous income		136,500		101,295	(35,205)
Investment income (loss)		129,000	_	208,588	79,588
Total revenues		2,515,500		3,101,627	586,127
EXPENDITURES:					
Personnel services		714,474		568,816	145,658
Travel and training		7,500		3,032	4,468
Professional services		234,500		230,882	3,618
Contractual services		1,351,000		1,250,001	100,999
Materials and supplies		182,750		127,107	55,643
Other charges		14,500	_	11,670	2,830
Total expenditures		2,504,724		2,191,508	313,216
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over					
(under) expenditures		10,776	_	910,119	899,343
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Net transfers		_		586,126	586,126
rect dansiers				300,120	
Total other financing (uses)			_	586,126	586,126
Net change in fund balance		10,776		1,496,245	
Fund balance, beginning of year		1,197,650		1,197,650	
Fund balance, end of year	\$	1,208,426	\$	2,693,895	

SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE COLLECTIVE NET PENSION LIABILITY LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.54820%	0.06363%	0.06601%	0.07008%	0.0627%	0.0688%	0.0598%	0.0587%	0.0580%	0.0577%
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$4,608,750	\$5,231,010	\$4,225,409	\$5,796,107	\$4,544,377	\$4,688,722	\$4,211,394	\$4,607,924	\$3,942,864	\$3,606,517
Authority's Covered Payroll	\$1,960,572	\$1,960,572	\$1,497,952	\$1,400,537	\$1,371,808	\$1,181,204	\$1,092,345	\$1,024,891	\$ 983,879	\$1,017,612
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	235.07%	266.81%	282.08%	413.85%	331.27%	396.94%	385.54%	449.60%	400.75%	354.41%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	68.4%	63.7%	72.8%	58.0%	62.9%	62.5%	62.5%	57.7%	62.7%	65.0%
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF LOUISIANA Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.00156%	0.00162%	0.00165%	0.00165%	0.00233%	0.00144%				
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 140,653	\$ 154,475	\$ 88,143	\$ 183,539	\$ 231,145	\$ 141,917				
Authority's Covered Payroll	\$ 84,611	\$ 75,643	\$ 80,807	\$ 78,921	\$ 107,005	\$ 64,494				
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	166.23%	232.56%	232.56%	232.56%	216.01%	220.05%				
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	74.3%	72.4%	83.9%	65.6%	68.6%	68.2%				

^{*}The amounts presented have a measurement date of July 1 of the prior year.

LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY SCHEUDLE OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

LOUISIANA STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM	_	2024	2023		2022	2021		2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
LOUISIANA STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM													
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	770,169 \$	792,071	\$	687,981	\$ 5,677,241	\$	570,019	\$ 519,915 \$	447,993 \$	391,200	\$ 381,924 \$	374,236
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	_	(770,169)	(792,071)		(687,981)	(5,677,241))	(570,019)	(519,915)	(447,993)	(391,200)	(381,924)	(374,236)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u> <u>\$</u>		\$		<u>s -</u>	\$		<u>s -</u> <u>s</u>	<u> </u>		<u> - </u>	_
Authority's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	1,864,816 \$	1,960,572	\$ 1	1,815,252	\$ 1,497,952	\$ 1	1,400,537	\$ 1,371,808 \$	1,181,204 \$	1,092,345	\$ 1,024,891 \$	983,879
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll		41.30%	40.40%		37.90%	37.90%	ó	40.70%	37.90%	37.93%	35.81%	37.26%	38.04%
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF LOUISIANA													
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	24,217 \$	20,984	\$	19,488	\$ 22,626	\$	20,356	\$ 27,821 \$	17,220			
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		(24,217)	(20,984)		(19,488)	(22,626))	(20,356)	(27,821)	(17,220)			
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u> <u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	\$	-	<u> </u>	\$		<u>s - s</u>	<u> </u>			
Authority's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	102,084 \$	84,611	\$	75,643	\$ 80,807	\$	78,921	\$ 107,005	\$ 64,494			
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll		23.72%	24.80%		25.76%	28.00%	Ď	25.79%	26.00%	26.70%			

SCHEUDLE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE COLLECTIVE NET OPEB LIABILITY $\underline{\mathsf{LAST}\;\mathsf{TEN}\;\mathsf{FISCAL}\;\mathsf{YEARS}^*}$

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
OFFICE OF GROUP BENEFITS Authority's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.01428%	0.01310%	0.01120%	0.01140%	0.01310%	0.01710%	0.02180%	0.02180%
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ 1,020,592	\$ 884,214	\$ 1,025,836	\$ 945,408	\$ 1,012,488	\$ 1,461,203	\$ 1,894,619	\$ 1,977,939
Authority's Covered Payroll	\$ 1,829,484	\$ 1,579,863	\$ 1,387,639	\$ 1,236,541	\$ 1,371,808	\$ 1,181,204	\$ 1,092,345	\$ 1,024,891
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	55.79%	55.97%	73.93%	76.46%	73.81%	123.70%	173.45%	192.99%

Note: Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

^{*}The amounts presented have a measurement date of July 1 of the prior year.

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION JUNE 30, 2024

(1) PENSION PLAN SCHEDULES

Change of Benefit Terms - LASERS

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2017, there was a 1.5% cost of living increase effective July 1, 2016, provided by Acts 93 and 512 of the 2016 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session and added benefits for members of the Harbor Police Retirement System which was merged with LASERS effective July 1, 2015 by Act 648 of 2014.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2016, there was a 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2014, provided by Act 102 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, and, improved benefits for certain members employed by the Office of Adult Probation and Parole within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections as established by Act 852 of 2014.

There were no changes in benefit terms during any other years presented.

Change of Benefit Terms – TRSL

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2017, there was a 1.5% cost of living increase effective July 1, 2016, provided by Acts 93 and 512 of the 2016 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2016, there was a 1.5% COLA, effective July 1, 2014, provided by Act 102 of the 2014 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session.

There were no changes in benefit terms during any other years presented.

Changes of Assumptions - LASERS

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2022, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.60% to 7.25%. The inflation rate was also decreased from 2.5% to 2.3%.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2021, the investment rate of return was increased from 7.55% to 7.60%. The inflation rate was also increased from 2.3% to 2.5%.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2020, the investment rate of return was decreased from 7.60% to 7.55%. The inflation rate was also decreased from 2.5% to 2.3%. The remaining expected service lives assumption was reduced from 3 years to 2 years.

During the year ended June 30, 2019, the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) adjusted its assumption of the investment rate of return and the discount rate from 7.65% to 7.60%. LASERS lowered its inflation rate assumption from 2.75% to 2.50%. Additionally, LASERS adjusted its expected remaining service lives from 3 years to 2 years. Mortality rates used changed from RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Table with mortality improvement projected to 2015 to RP-2014 Healthy Mortality Table with mortality improvement projected using the MP-2018. The adjusted the ranges of its salary increase assumptions from 3.4% - 14.3% to 3.2% - 14.0%.

During the year ended June 30, 2018, LASERS adjusted its assumption of the investment rate of return and the discount rate from 7.70% to 7.65%.

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2024

(1) PENSION PLAN SCHEDULES (CONTINUED)

Changes of Assumptions – LASERS (Continued)

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the LASERS adjusted its assumption of the investment rate of return and the discount rate from 7.75% to 7.70%. LASERS lowered its inflation rate assumption from 3.0% to 2.75%. Additionally, LASERS adjusted the ranges of its salary increase assumptions from 3.6% - 14.5% to 3.4% - 14.3%.

There were no changes in assumptions during any other years presented.

Changes of Assumptions - TRSL

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2022, the Teachers Retirement System of Louisiana changed the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability from 7.40% to 7.25%.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2021, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability changed from 7.55% to 7.45%.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2020, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability changed from 7.65% to 7.55%.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2019, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability changed from 7.70% to 7.65%.

For the valuation year ended June 30, 2018, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability changed from 7.75% to 7.70%.

There were no changes in assumptions during any other years presented.

(2) OPEB SCHEDULE

There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the requirements in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75 to pay related benefits.

Change of Benefit Terms

There were no changes in benefit terms for the valuation dates presented.

Changes of Assumptions

For the July 1, 2023 valuation, the discount rate changed from 4.09% to 4.13%. Baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2023 claims and enrollment.

For the July 1, 2022 valuation, the discount rate changed from 2.18% to 4.09%. Baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2022 claims and enrollment. Medical plan election percentages were updated based on the coverage elections of recent retirees.

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2024

(2) OPEB SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

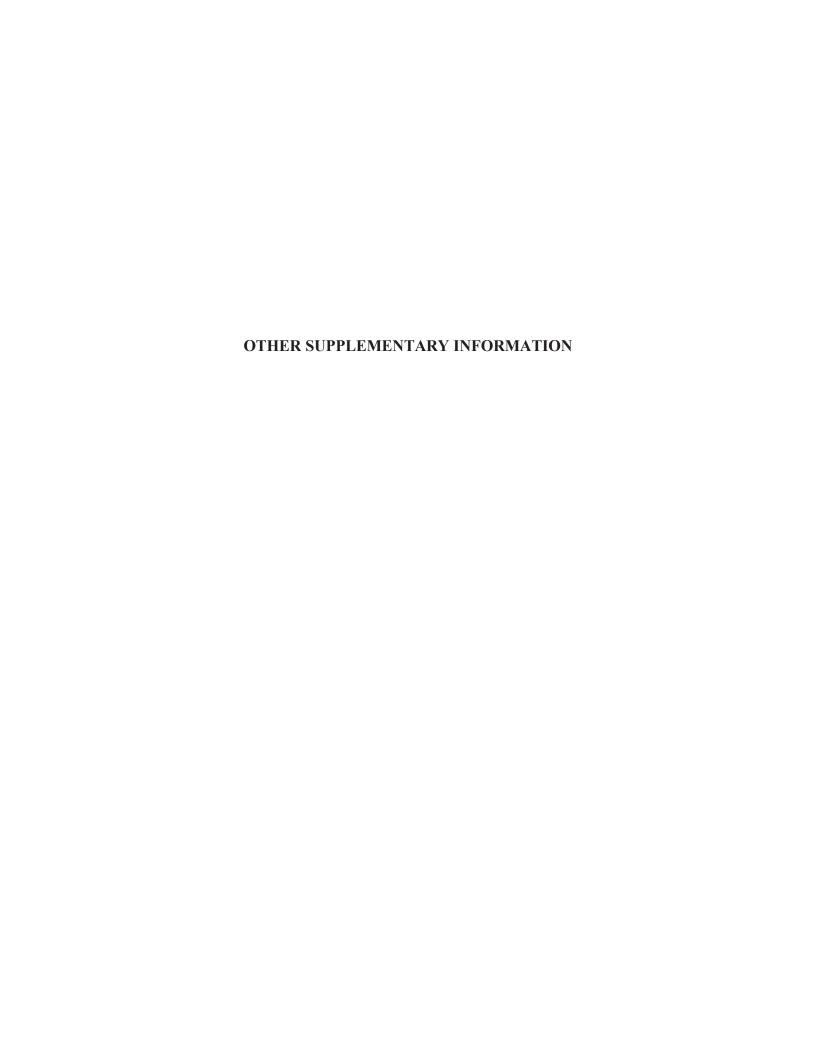
Changes of Assumptions (Continued)

For the July 1, 2021 valuation, the discount rate changed from 2.66% to 2.18%. Baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2021 claims and enrollment for the prescription drug costs and retiree contributions were updated based on 2022 premiums. 2021 medical claims and enrollment experience were reviewed but not included in the projection of expected 2022 plan costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the actuary does not believe this experience is reflective of what can be expected in future years. The salary scale assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.

For the July 1, 2020 valuation, the discount rate changed from 2.79% to 2.66%. Baseline per capita costs (PCCs) were updated to reflect 2020 claims and enrollment for the prescription drug costs and retiree contributions were updated based on 2021 premiums. 2020 medical claims and enrollment experience were reviewed but not included in the projection of expected 2021 plan costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the actuary does not believe this experience is reflective of what can be expected in future years. The salary scale assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.

For the July 1, 2019 valuation, the discount rate was adjusted to 2.79%. Additionally, per capita costs and premiums were updated, certain demographic assumptions were revised, high cost excise tax was removed, and life insurance contributions were adjusted.

For the July 1, 2018 valuation, the discount rate has decreased from 3.13% to 2.98%. Baseline per capita costs were updated to reflect 2018 claims and enrollment and retiree contributions were updated based on 2019 premiums. The impact of the High Cost Excise Tax was revisited, reflecting updated plan premiums. Demographic assumptions were revised for the Louisiana State Police Retirement System, the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana to reflect recent experience studies. The mortality assumption for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System was updated from the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females with generational projections using projection scale MP-2017 to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant and Employee tables for males and females using projection scale MP-2018. The percentage of future retirees assumed to elect medical coverage was modified based on recent plan experience.



SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD $\underline{\text{FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, }2024}$

Agency Head:

Louis Capo (Executive Director)

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Salary	\$	149,254
Benefits-health insurance		9,254
Benefits-retirement		65,359
Benefits-life insurance		626
Benefits-FICA and Medicare		2,118
Car allowance		9,000
Cell Phone		480
Dues		245
Registration fees		597
	\$	236,933



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

To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority New Orleans, 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 *Governmental Audit Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lakefront Management Authority (the "Authority") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 18, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.



To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority November 18, 2024

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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

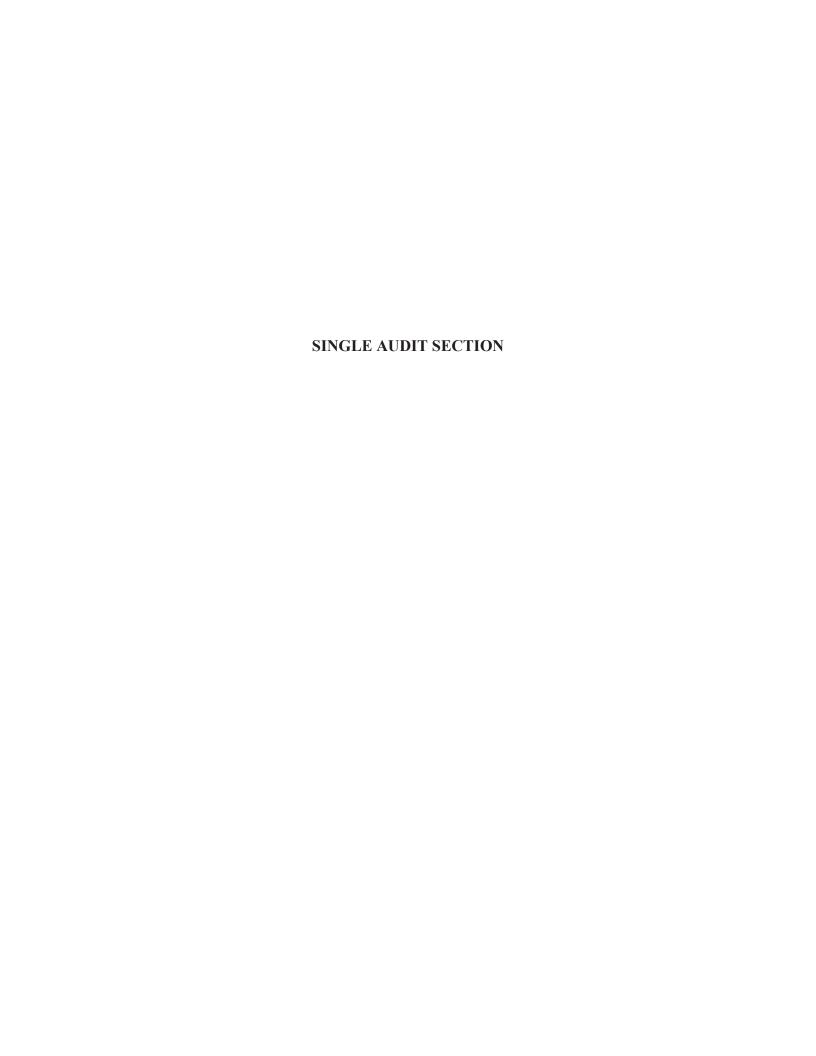
The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in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

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

November 18, 2024 New Orleans, Louisiana

Certified Public Accountants

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

To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority New Orleans, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Lake Front Management Authority's (the "Authority") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Authority's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Authority's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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



To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority November 18, 2024

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding The Authority's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of The Authority's internal control over compliance relevant to
 the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and
 to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform
 Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of The
 Authority's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.



To the Board of Commissioners Lakefront Management Authority November 18, 2024

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

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

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

November 18, 2024 New Orleans, Louisiana

Certified Public Accountants

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through or	Assistance Listing	Grant	Federal
Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Number	Number	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Homeland Security			
Pass - Through Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness			
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared)	97.036	FEMA-DR-4611-LA	\$ 613,034
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			613,034
Federal Aviation Administration			
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	03-22-0038-034-2021	2,377
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	03-22-0038-037-2022	60,847
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	03-22-0038-038-2022	8,548
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	H.015895	3,619,712
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-22-0038-043-2023	6,030
Airport Improvement Program	20.106	3-22-0038-40-2023	1,587,543
Total Federal Aviation Administration			5,285,057
Total expenditures of federal awards			\$ 5,898,091

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1 – SCOPE OF AUDIT PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS AND TITLE 2 U.S. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULUATIONS PART 200, UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS (UNIFORM GUIDANCE)

All federal grant operations of the Lakefront Management Authority ("the Authority) are included in the scope of the single audit. The program which was a major program and was selected for specific testing was:

Airport Improvement Program (AL No. 20.106)

NOTE 2 - FISCAL PERIOD AUDIT

Single audit testing procedures were performed for program transactions occurring during the year ended June 30, 2024.

NOTE 3 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards has been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Grant revenues are recorded for financial reporting purposes when the Authority has met the qualifications for the respective grants.

Accrued and Deferred Reimbursement

Various reimbursement procedures are used for federal awards received by the Authority. Consequently, timing differences between expenditures and program reimbursements can exist at the beginning and end of the year. Accrued balances at year end represent an excess of reimbursable expenditures over cash reimbursements and expenditures will be reversed in the remaining grant period.

Pass-Through Entity Information

Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

Payments to Subrecipients

There were no payments to subrecipients for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

NOTE 4 – INDIRECT COST RATE

The Authority has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The independent auditors' report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Lakefront Management Authority.
- 2. One material weaknesses in internal control relating to the audit of the financial statements is reported in the Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Lakefront Management Authority were reported in the 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*.
- 4. No significant deficiencies or material weaknesses relating to the audit of the major federal award programs are reported in the Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance.
- 5. The independent auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Lakefront Management Authority expresses an unmodified opinion.
- 6. There were no audit findings required to be reported—in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a).
- 7. No management letter was issued for the year ended June 30, 2024.
- 8. The program tested as a major program was:

AL Number

Airport Improvement Program

20.106

- 9. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$750,000.
- 10. Lakefront Management Authority was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2024-001 Untimely Review of Journal Entries

<u>Criteria:</u> Accrual entries must be accurate and timely reviewed as part of the financial reporting process to ensure compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Timely review and approval of journal entries are essential to maintain the accuracy and reliability of financial statements and to prevent errors from affecting decision-making.

<u>Condition:</u> The Authority recorded an incorrect accrual entry that went undetected for two months after the entry was posted. This delay in identifying the error highlights weaknesses in the review and approval process for journal entries.

Effect: The error resulted in misstated financial records for receivables and revenues, potentially affecting the accuracy of financial information reported in the financial statements.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

<u>Cause:</u> The issue arose due to the lack of a timely and effective review process for journal entries, which allowed the error to go unnoticed until months after posting.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Authority implement procedures to ensure all journal entries are reviewed and approved promptly. This should include establishing a policy requiring supervisory review and approval of all journal entries before posting, conducting periodic audits of journal entries to identify and correct errors early, and training staff on the importance of accurate and timely financial reporting.

<u>Views of Responsible Officials</u>: Management agrees with the finding and will implement a review and approval process to ensure that all journal entries are accurate and reviewed timely. See Management's Corrective Action Plan for further details.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATED TO MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

There were no findings related to major federal award programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

SECTION I - FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

There were no findings related to the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023.

SECTION II - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATED TO MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

There were no findings related to major federal award programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

SECTION III - MANAGEMENT LETTER

There was no management letter for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Lakefront Management Authority

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November 18, 2024

Louisiana Legislative Auditor

Lakefront Management Authority respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Name and address of independent public accounting firm:

Ericksen Krentel L.L.P. 4227 Canal Street New Orleans, LA 70119

Audit Period: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

The finding from the June 30, 2024 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs is discussed below. The finding is numbered consistently with the number assigned in the schedule.

SECTION II FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

Finding 2024-001 Untimely Review of Journal Entries

<u>Recommendation:</u> We recommend that the Authority implement procedures to ensure all journal entries are reviewed and approved promptly. This should include establishing a policy requiring supervisory review and approval of all journal entries before posting, conducting periodic audits of journal entries to identify and correct errors early, and training staff on the importance of accurate and timely financial reporting.

<u>Views of Responsible Officials:</u> The Authority agrees with the recommendation and acknowledges that while controls are in place they did not operate in a timely manner over the entry in question. The Authority will enforce stricter timelines over its month and year-end closing procedures to prevent recurrence of the issue.

If there are any questions regarding this plan, please contact Louis Capo, Executive Director, at 6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd., Suite 219, New Orleans, LA 70126.

Sincerely,

Title

ECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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