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**CITY OF SUNBURY
DELAWARE COUNTY
DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the City Council:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Sunbury, Delaware County, Ohio (the City), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash-basis financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City, as of December 31, 2021, thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General fund for the year then ended in accordance with the cash-basis of accounting described in Note 2.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) 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 City, 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.

Emphasis of Matter - Accounting Basis

Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) requires the City to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, during 2021, the City has elected to change its financial presentation to a cash basis of accounting comparable to the requirements of *Governmental Accounting Standards*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

As discussed in Note 16 to the financial statements, during 2020, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the City. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 2, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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 City's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 GAAS 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 City'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 City'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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 10, 2023, on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

August 10, 2023

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CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,124,124	\$ 4,871,083	\$ 16,995,207
Total assets	\$ 12,124,124	\$ 4,871,083	\$ 16,995,207
Net cash position:			
Restricted for:			
Debt service	\$ 449,996	\$ -	\$ 449,996
Capital projects	1	-	1
Street maintenance and repair	678,884		678,884
Cemetery	237,773		237,773
American Rescue Plan Act	333,475		333,475
Other purposes	146,142		146,142
Unrestricted	10,277,853	4,871,083	15,148,936
Total cash net position	\$ 12,124,124	\$ 4,871,083	\$ 16,995,207

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Program Cash Receipts</u>			
		<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Charges for Services and Sales</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 1,418,478	\$ 360,881	\$ 333,475	\$ -	-
Security of persons and property	1,601,162	11,142	-	-	-
Public health and welfare	57,427	38,858	39,998	-	-
Transportation	761,337	3,975	38,671	-	-
Community environment	121,382	249,563	-	-	-
Leisure time activity	46,007	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	2,031,795	355,987	342,460	81,852	
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	329,780	41,798	10,242	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	41,915	7,647	1,338	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>6,409,283</u>	<u>1,069,851</u>	<u>766,184</u>	<u>81,852</u>	
Business-type activities:					
Water	213,228	-	-	-	-
Sewer	3,581,651	1,569,306	-	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>3,794,879</u>	<u>1,569,306</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Total primary government	<u>\$ 10,204,162</u>	<u>\$ 2,639,157</u>	<u>\$ 766,184</u>	<u>\$ 81,852</u>	

General receipts:

Property taxes levied for:
 General purposes
Income taxes levied for:
 General purposes
Payments in lieu of taxes
Grants and entitlements not restricted
 to specific programs
Investment earnings
OWDA loan issuance
Miscellaneous

Total general receipts

Change in net cash position

Net cash position at beginning of year (restated)

Net cash position at end of year

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Net (Disbursements) Receipts
and Changes in Net Cash Position**

Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
\$ (724,122)	\$ -	\$ (724,122)
(1,590,020)	-	(1,590,020)
21,429	-	21,429
(718,691)	-	(718,691)
128,181	-	128,181
(46,007)	-	(46,007)
(1,251,496)	-	(1,251,496)
(277,740)	-	(277,740)
(32,930)	-	(32,930)
<u>(4,491,396)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,491,396)</u>
-	(213,228)	(213,228)
-	<u>(2,012,345)</u>	<u>(2,012,345)</u>
-	<u>(2,225,573)</u>	<u>(2,225,573)</u>
<u>(4,491,396)</u>	<u>(2,225,573)</u>	<u>(6,716,969)</u>
463,859	-	463,859
3,618,848	-	3,618,848
59,387	-	59,387
152,627	-	152,627
13,960	-	13,960
-	2,754,011	2,754,011
138,544	1,130	139,674
<u>4,447,225</u>	<u>2,755,141</u>	<u>7,202,366</u>
(44,171)	529,568	485,397
12,168,295	4,341,515	16,509,810
<u>\$ 12,124,124</u>	<u>\$ 4,871,083</u>	<u>\$ 16,995,207</u>

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND CASH BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,277,853	\$ 1,846,271	\$ 12,124,124
Total assets	\$ 10,277,853	\$ 1,846,271	\$ 12,124,124
Fund cash balances:			
Restricted	\$ -	\$ 1,846,271	\$ 1,846,271
Committed	38,554		38,554
Assigned	5,507,064		5,507,064
Unassigned	4,732,235		4,732,235
Total fund cash balances	\$ 10,277,853	\$ 1,846,271	\$ 12,124,124

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES
IN FUND CASH BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	<u>General</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Receipts:			
Income taxes	\$ 3,618,848	\$ -	\$ 3,618,848
Real and other taxes	463,859	-	463,859
Charges for services	335,535	56,678	392,213
Licenses and permits	583,211	22,014	605,225
Fines and forfeitures	28,402	1,550	29,952
Intergovernmental	234,479	705,939	940,418
Special assessments	-	42,461	42,461
Investment income	13,960	1,904	15,864
Contributions and donations	-	58,341	58,341
Payments in lieu of taxes	-	59,387	59,387
Other	138,494	50	138,544
Total receipts	<u>5,416,788</u>	<u>948,324</u>	<u>6,365,112</u>
Disbursements:			
Current:			
General government	1,417,061	1,417	1,418,478
Security of persons and property	1,585,645	15,517	1,601,162
Public health and welfare	-	57,427	57,427
Transportation	752,399	8,938	761,337
Community environment	121,382	-	121,382
Leisure time activity	46,007	-	46,007
Capital outlay	1,611,916	419,879	2,031,795
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	90,096	239,684	329,780
Interest and fiscal charges	-	41,915	41,915
Total disbursements	<u>5,624,506</u>	<u>784,777</u>	<u>6,409,283</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	<u>(207,718)</u>	<u>163,547</u>	<u>(44,171)</u>
Other financing sources (uses):			
Transfers in	-	270,365	270,365
Transfers (out)	(270,365)	-	(270,365)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(270,365)</u>	<u>270,365</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund cash balances	(478,083)	433,912	(44,171)
Fund cash balances at beginning of year (restated)	<u>10,755,936</u>	<u>1,412,359</u>	<u>12,168,295</u>
Fund cash balances at end of year	<u>\$ 10,277,853</u>	<u>\$ 1,846,271</u>	<u>\$ 12,124,124</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN
 FUND CASH BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS
 GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Budgetary basis receipts:				
Income taxes	\$ 3,600,000	\$ 4,198,540	\$ 3,618,848	\$ (579,692)
Real and other taxes	559,000	538,163	463,859	(74,304)
Charges for services	185,000	389,283	335,535	(53,748)
Licenses and permits	533,800	336,357	289,916	(46,441)
Fines and forfeitures	63,000	32,952	28,402	(4,550)
Intergovernmental	118,550	272,039	234,479	(37,560)
Investment income	350,000	16,196	13,960	(2,236)
Other	312,000	160,679	138,494	(22,185)
Total budgetary basis receipts	<u>5,721,350</u>	<u>5,944,209</u>	<u>5,123,493</u>	<u>(820,716)</u>
Budgetary basis disbursements:				
Current:				
General government	1,405,668	1,405,668	1,192,895	212,773
Security of persons and property	1,725,840	1,725,840	1,585,645	140,195
Transportation	914,168	914,168	752,399	161,769
Community environment	334,582	334,582	154,732	179,850
Capital outlay	1,475,896	2,258,755	1,664,941	593,814
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	90,096	90,096	90,096	-
Total budgetary basis disbursements	<u>5,946,250</u>	<u>6,729,109</u>	<u>5,440,708</u>	<u>1,288,401</u>
Excess (deficiency) of budgetary basis receipts over (under) budgetary basis disbursements	<u>(224,900)</u>	<u>(784,900)</u>	<u>(317,215)</u>	<u>467,685</u>
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers (out)	<u>(320,365)</u>	<u>(320,365)</u>	<u>(320,365)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(320,365)</u>	<u>(320,365)</u>	<u>(320,365)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund cash balances	(545,265)	(1,105,265)	(631,554)	467,685
Fund cash balance at beginning of year	10,220,835	10,220,835	10,220,835	-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	298,791	298,791	298,791	-
Fund cash balance at end of year	<u>\$ 9,974,361</u>	<u>\$ 9,414,361</u>	<u>\$ 9,882,046</u>	<u>\$ 467,685</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Nonmajor		
	Sewer	Enterprise Fund - Water	Total
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,767,782	\$ 103,301	\$ 4,871,083
Total assets	\$ 4,767,782	\$ 103,301	\$ 4,871,083
Net cash position:			
Unrestricted	\$ 4,767,782	\$ 103,301	\$ 4,871,083
Total net cash position	\$ 4,767,782	\$ 103,301	\$ 4,871,083

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND
CHANGES IN NET CASH POSITION - CASH BASIS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Nonmajor		
	Sewer	Enterprise Fund - Water	Total
Operating receipts:			
Charges for services	\$ 1,569,306	\$ -	\$ 1,569,306
Other operating receipts	1,130	-	1,130
Total operating receipts	<u>1,570,436</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,570,436</u>
Operating disbursements:			
Personal services	303,875	-	303,875
Contract services	442,139	-	442,139
Materials and supplies	150,960	-	150,960
Other	1,243	-	1,243
Total operating disbursements	<u>898,217</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>898,217</u>
Operating income	<u>672,219</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>672,219</u>
Nonoperating receipts (disbursements):			
Principal retirement	(224,084)	-	(224,084)
Interest and fiscal charges	(215,346)	-	(215,346)
OWDA loan issuance	2,754,011	-	2,754,011
Capital outlay	(2,244,004)	(213,228)	(2,457,232)
Total nonoperating receipts (disbursements)	<u>70,577</u>	<u>(213,228)</u>	<u>(142,651)</u>
Change in net cash position	742,796	(213,228)	529,568
Net cash position at beginning of year (restated)	<u>4,024,986</u>	<u>316,529</u>	<u>4,341,515</u>
Net cash position at end of year	<u>\$ 4,767,782</u>	<u>\$ 103,301</u>	<u>\$ 4,871,083</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE CITY

The City of Sunbury, Delaware County, Ohio (the “City”) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio.

The City is directed by a six-member Council elected at large for four-year terms. The Mayor is elected to a four-year term and votes only to break a tie.

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government and other organizations that were included to ensure that the financial statements of the City are not misleading.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.D., these basic financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. In cases where these cash basis basic financial statements contain items that are the same as, or similar to, those items in the basic financial statements prepared in conformity with GAAP, similar informative disclosures are provided. The following are the more significant of the City’s accounting policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The City’s reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, “The Financial Reporting Entity” as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, “Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units” and GASB Statement No. 61, “The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34”. For financial reporting purposes, the City’s basic financial statements include all ~~funds, agencies, boards, commissions,~~ and departments for which the City is financially accountable. Financial accountability, as defined by the GASB, exists if the City appoints a voting majority of an organization’s governing board and is either able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific burdens on, the City. The City may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations with a separately elected governing board, a governing board appointed by another government, or a jointly appointed governing board that is fiscally dependent on the City. The City also took into consideration other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City’s basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based upon the application of these criteria, the City has no component units.

B. Basis of Presentation

The City’s basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net position - cash basis and a statement of activities - cash basis, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements - The statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis display information about the City as a whole.

These statements distinguish between those activities of the City that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The government-wide statement of net position - cash basis presents the cash balances of the governmental and business-type activities of the City at year end. The government-wide statement of activities - cash basis compares disbursements with program receipts for each segment of the business-type activities of the City and for each function or program of the City's governmental activities. These disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts which are not classified as program receipts are presented as general receipts of the City. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing on the cash basis or draws from the general receipts of the City.

Fund Financial Statements - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the City. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

The financial statements for governmental funds are a statement of assets and fund cash balances - cash basis, and a statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund cash balances - cash basis, which reports on the sources (i.e., receipts and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., disbursements and other financing uses) of the current financial resources.

The financial statements of proprietary funds are a statement of net position - cash basis, and a statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in net cash position - cash basis, which presents increases (i.e., receipts) and decreases (i.e., disbursements) in net cash position.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating transactions from nonoperating transactions. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operation. The principal operating transactions of the City's proprietary funds are charges for sales and services and cost of sales and service and administrative costs. All other receipts and disbursements not meeting these definitions are reported as nonoperating transactions.

C. Fund Accounting

The City uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of governmental entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific receipts and disbursements. The transactions of each fund are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts. The City classifies each fund as either governmental, proprietary or fiduciary. The City has no fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds - The City classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The following is the City's major governmental fund:

General fund - The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund cash balance is available for any purpose provided it is disbursed or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Other governmental funds of the City are used to account for (a) specific receipt sources that are restricted or committed to a disbursement for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects, (b) financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to disbursement for principal and interest, and (c) financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to disbursements for capital outlays including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Proprietary Funds - These funds are used to account for activities that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that costs of providing services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The City has no internal service funds, but does report the operations of various enterprise funds.

Enterprise funds - Enterprise funds may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services. The following is the City's major enterprise fund:

Sewer fund - The sewer fund accounts for the provision of sanitary sewer services to residents and commercial users within in the City.

The City's nonmajor enterprise fund is the water fund. This fund accounts for the remainder of funds that previously account for the provision of water distribution to the citizens of the City. As of September 2005, the City no longer provides this service. The remaining funds will be used to tear down the existing water plant.

D. Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in the City's financial records and reported in the basic financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned, and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when incurred. Any such modifications made by the City are described in the appropriate section of the notes to the basic financial statements.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and the effects of these items on receipts and disbursements are not recorded in these basic financial statements. These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, in accordance with the basis of accounting described above.

E. Budgetary Process

All funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the City Council may appropriate. The appropriations ordinance is the City Council's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the City Council. The legal level of control has been established by the City Council at the fund level for all funds. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by ordinance of the City Council.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if the City Finance Director projects increases or decreases in receipts. The amounts reported as the original budget in the budgetary statement reflect the amounts in the certificate of estimated resources when the City Council adopted the original appropriations. The amounts reported as the final budget in the budgetary statement reflect the amounts in the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time the final appropriations ordinance was passed by City Council.

The City Council may amend appropriations throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budget reflect the first appropriations ordinance for a fund covering the entire year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budget represent the final appropriations ordinance the City Council passed during the year.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the City is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the City's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements. Investment receipts are allocated as authorized by State statute.

During 2021, the City's investments were limited to negotiable certificates of deposit, federal agency securities, municipal bonds, a U.S. Treasury note, a U.S. Government money market fund and investments in the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio). Investments are reported at fair value, except for STAR Ohio, which is described below.

During 2021, the City invested in STAR Ohio. STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio), is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The City measures its investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

For 2021, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$100 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$250 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$250 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Investment procedures are restricted by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. Investment receipts credited to the general fund in 2021 amounted to \$13,960 which includes \$4,247 assigned from other funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are presented on the basic financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

G. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment purchased are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying basic financial statements.

H. Unpaid Vacation Leave and Sick Leave

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation leave and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation leave and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the basis of accounting utilized by the City.

I. Long-term Obligations

Bonds and other long-term obligations are not recognized as liabilities in the basic financial statements under the cash basis of accounting. These statements report proceeds of debt when cash is received and debt service disbursements for principal and interest when cash is paid.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

J. Net Cash Position

Net cash position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

The City first applies restricted resources when an obligation is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net cash position is available.

K. Interfund Activity

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the government-wide statements are reported in the same manner as general receipts.

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchasing funds. Nonexchange flows of cash from one fund to another are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after nonoperating receipts/disbursements in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

L. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The City recognizes the disbursements for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 8 and 9, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

M. Inventories of Materials and Supplies and Prepaid Items

The City reports disbursements for inventories of materials and supplies and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying basic financial statements.

N. Interfund Receivables/Payables

The City reports advances in and advances out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying basic financial statements. The City did not report any advances in or advances out during 2021.

O. Fund Cash Balance

Fund cash balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable fund cash balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact.

Restricted - Fund cash balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Committed - The committed fund cash balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of City Council (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the City Council removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund cash balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned - Amounts in the assigned fund cash balance classification are intended to be used by the City for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund cash balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of City Council, which includes giving the City Auditor the authority to constrain monies for intended purposes.

Unassigned - Unassigned fund cash balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is only used to report a deficit fund cash balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The City applies restricted resources first when disbursements occur for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund cash balance is available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund cash balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when disbursements occur for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund cash balance classifications could be used.

P. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of management and are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The City did not report any extraordinary or special items during 2021.

Q. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

R. Fair Value Measurements

The City categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For 2021, the City has implemented GASB Statement No. 89, "Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period."

GASB Statement No. 89 establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. GASB Statement No. 89 requires that interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred for financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. GASB Statement No. 89 also reiterates that financial statements prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus, interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period should be recognized as an expenditure on a basis consistent with governmental fund accounting principles. Since the City does not prepare financial statements using generally accepted accounting principles, the implementation of GASB Statement No. 89 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the City.

For 2021, the City has applied GASB Statement No. 95, "Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance" to GASB Statement Nos. 91, 92 and 93, which were originally due to be implemented in 2021 and to GASB Statement No. 87, which was originally due to be implemented in 2020. GASB Statement No. 95 provides temporary relief to governments and other stakeholders in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. This objective is accomplished by postponing the effective dates of certain provisions in Statements and Implementation Guides that first became effective or are scheduled to become effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2018, and later.

The following pronouncements are postponed by one year and the City has elected delaying implementation until the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022:

- Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*
- Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020*
- Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*

The following pronouncements are postponed by eighteen months and the City has elected delaying implementation until the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022:

- Statement No. 87, *Leases*
- Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, *Leases*

B. Compliance

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(B) requires the City to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the City prepared its basic financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying basic financial statements omit assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The City can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the City.

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

C. Restatement

For 2021, the City has elected to prepare its basic financial statements using a cash basis of accounting, commonly referred to as “GAAP look-alike,” which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Prior to 2021, the City used the regulatory cash basis of accounting.

The regulatory cash basis of accounting presented columns for each fund-type. The GAAP look-alike presentation is described in Note 2. The City reclassified a fund under GASB Statement No. 54 for 2021. These two changes required a restatement to the fund cash balances presented at December 31, 2020.

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Fund cash balance as previously reported	\$ 10,755,936	\$ 994,132	\$ 345,348	\$ 72,879	\$ -	\$ 12,168,295
Change to GAAP-look alike presentation		(994,132)	(345,348)	(72,879)	1,412,359	-
Restated fund cash balance, at January 1, 2021	<u>\$ 10,755,936</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,412,359</u>	<u>\$ 12,168,295</u>

	Enterprise	Sewer	Nonmajor Enterprise Funds	Total Enterprise Funds
Fund cash balance as previously reported	\$ 4,341,515	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,341,515
Change to GAAP-look alike presentation	(4,341,515)	4,024,986	316,529	-
Restated net cash position, at January 1, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,024,986</u>	<u>\$ 316,529</u>	<u>\$ 4,341,515</u>

The restated fund cash balance at January 1, 2021 for total governmental funds of \$12,168,297 is also the net cash position at January 1, 2021 for governmental activities. The restated net cash position at January 1, 2021 for total enterprise funds of \$4,341,515 is also the net cash position at January 1, 2021 for business-type activities.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the City into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the City treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

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NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the City has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) above and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
8. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and,
9. Under limited circumstances, corporate note interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Protection of the City's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the City by the financial institution, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

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NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the City, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the City or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At December 31, 2021, the carrying amount of all City deposits was \$391,147. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, “Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures”, as of December 31, 2021, \$246,644 of the City’s bank balance of \$746,664 was exposed to custodial credit risk as discussed below, while \$500,000 was covered by the FDIC. Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the City will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The City has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by (1) eligible securities pledged to the City’s and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured, or (2) participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the City to a successful claim by the FDIC.

B. Investments

As of December 31, 2021, the City had the following investments and maturities:

Measurement\ Investment Type	Measurement Value	Investment Maturities			
		6 Months or Less	7 to 12 Months	13 to 18 Months	19 to 24 Months
<i>Amortized cost:</i>					
STAR Ohio	\$ 8,743,406	\$ 8,743,406	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<i>Fair value:</i>					
FFCB	999,700	999,700	-	-	-
Negotiable CDs	5,061,015	1,937,862	746,357	645,939	1,730,857
Municipal bonds	807,269	-	807,269	-	-
U.S. Treasury note	990,120	-	-	-	990,120
U.S. Government money market	2,550	2,550	-	-	-
Total	\$ 16,604,060	\$ 11,683,518	\$ 1,553,626	\$ 645,939	\$ 2,720,977

The weighted average maturity of investments is 0.47 years.

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NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

The City’s investment in a U.S. Government money market and a U.S. Treasury note are valued using quoted prices in active markets (Level 1 inputs). The City’s investments in federal agency securities, municipal bonds and negotiable certificates of deposit are valued using quoted market prices in markets that are not considered to be active, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources for similar assets or liabilities for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly (Level 2 inputs).

Interest Rate Risk: Interest rate risk arises as potential purchasers of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the City’s investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Credit Risk: Standard & Poor’s has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAM money market rating. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The U.S. Government money market mutual fund note carries a rating of AAAM by Standard & Poor’s. The U.S. Treasury note carries a rating of Aaa by Moody’s Investor Services. The City’s investments in federal agency securities were rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor’s and Moody’s Investor Services, respectively. The City’s investments in municipal bonds were rated AA or A+ by Standard & Poor’s or Aa2 by Moody’s Investor Services. The City’s investments in negotiable certificates of deposit are fully insured by the FDIC. The City’s investment policy does not specifically address credit risk beyond requiring the City to only invest in securities authorized by State statute.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The City has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial credit risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the City or qualified trustee.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The City places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the City at December 31, 2021:

Measurement\ <u>Investment Type</u>	Measurement <u>Value</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
<i>Amortized cost:</i>		
STAR Ohio	\$ 8,743,406	52.66
<i>Fair value:</i>		
FFCB	999,700	6.02
Negotiable CDs	5,061,015	30.48
Municipal bonds	807,269	4.86
U.S. Treasury note	990,120	5.96
U.S. Government money market	<u>2,550</u>	<u>0.02</u>
Total	<u>\$ 16,604,060</u>	<u>100.00</u>

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NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the preceding note to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net position - cash basis as of December 31, 2021:

<u>Cash and investments per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 391,147
Investments	<u>16,604,060</u>
Total	<u>\$ 16,995,207</u>
 <u>Cash and investments per statement of net position - cash basis</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 12,124,124
Business-type activities	<u>4,871,083</u>
Total	<u>\$ 16,995,207</u>

NOTE 5 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS

The City's debt obligations activity for the year ended December 31, 2021 was as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/20</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/21</u>	<u>Amounts</u> <u>Due in</u> <u>One Year</u>
<u>Governmental activities:</u>					
Various purpose bonds - 2015	\$ 1,195,000	\$ -	\$ (225,000)	\$ 970,000	\$ 235,000
Cemetery land acquisition bonds	54,900	-	(8,400)	46,500	8,700
G.O. capital facility bonds	21,855	-	(2,573)	19,282	2,805
OPWC loans - direct borrowing	<u>90,095</u>	<u>111,318</u>	<u>(93,807)</u>	<u>107,606</u>	<u>7,421</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,361,850</u>	<u>\$ 111,318</u>	<u>\$ (329,780)</u>	<u>\$ 1,143,388</u>	<u>\$ 253,926</u>
<u>Business-type activities:</u>					
OWDA loans - direct borrowing	<u>\$ 5,185,187</u>	<u>\$ 2,754,011</u>	<u>\$ (224,084)</u>	<u>\$ 7,715,114</u>	<u>\$ 233,503</u>

The various purpose bonds - 2015 were issued for the refunding of various bond anticipation notes issued in prior years to payoff general obligation notes consisting of Park Land Bonds, Town Hall Square Streetscape Bonds, Kintner Parkway Bonds, Sunbury Plaza I Bonds and Sunbury Plaza II Bonds. Payments are made annually with final maturity in 2028. The bonds bear interest rates ranging from 3%-4%. The bonds are retired from the bond retirement debt service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

The cemetery land acquisition bonds were issued on September 3, 2009 and mature on December 1, 2026. The bonds will be repaid from the cemetery special revenue fund (a nonmajor governmental fund). The bonds bear an interest rate of 3.5%.

The general obligation capital facility bonds mature on December 1, 2028 and will be repaid with special assessments from the bond retirement debt service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

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NOTE 5 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

The following is the future debt service requirements to retire the City's governmental activities bonds:

Year Ending December 31,	Various Purpose Bonds - 2015			Cemetery Land Acquisition Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 235,000	\$ 32,150	\$ 267,150	\$ 8,700	\$ 1,628	\$ 10,328
2023	235,000	25,100	260,100	9,000	1,323	10,323
2024	195,000	18,050	213,050	9,300	1,008	10,308
2025	95,000	12,200	107,200	9,600	682	10,282
2026	95,000	8,400	103,400	9,900	347	10,247
2027 - 2028	115,000	5,600	120,600	-	-	-
Totals	<u>\$ 970,000</u>	<u>\$ 101,500</u>	<u>\$ 1,071,500</u>	<u>\$ 46,500</u>	<u>\$ 4,988</u>	<u>\$ 51,488</u>

Year Ending December 31,	G.O. Capital Facility Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 2,805	\$ 867	\$ 3,672
2023	2,931	741	3,672
2024	3,021	610	3,631
2025	3,211	474	3,685
2026	3,368	329	3,697
2027 - 2029	3,946	197	4,143
Totals	<u>\$ 19,282</u>	<u>\$ 3,218</u>	<u>\$ 22,500</u>

The City has one Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loan outstanding for street improvements. This interest-free loan is payable in equal semi-annual installments over a period of 15 years. The OPWC loan is paid from the general fund. In the event of default, the OPWC may (1) charge an 8% default interest rate from the date of the default to the date of the payment and charge the City for all costs incurred by the OPWC in curing the default, (2) in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 164.05, direct the county treasurer of the county in which the City is located to pay the amount of the default from funds that would otherwise be appropriated to the City from such county's undivided local government fund pursuant to ORC 5747.51-5747.53, or (3) at its discretion, declare the entire principal amount of loan then remaining unpaid, together with all accrued interest and other charges, become immediately due and payable.

The following is the future debt service requirements to retire the City's governmental activities OPWC loan:

Year Ending December 31,	Direct Borrowing OPWC Loan		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 7,421	\$ -	\$ 7,421
2023	7,421	-	7,421
2024	7,421	-	7,421
2025	7,422	-	7,422
2026	7,421	-	7,421
2027 - 2031	37,106	-	37,106
2032 - 2036	33,394	-	33,394
Totals	<u>\$ 107,606</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 107,606</u>

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NOTE 5 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

The City has three Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loans for wastewater treatment plant improvements and upgrades and construction to the Little Walnut Creek Interceptor. The loans carry interest rates ranging from 0% - 4.16%. Sewer receipts have been pledged to repay these loans.

OWDA loans are direct borrowings that have terms negotiated directly between the City and the OWDA and are not offered for public sale. In the event of default, the OWDA may declare the full amount of the then unpaid original loan amount to be immediately due and payable and/or require the City to pay any fines, penalties, interest, or late charges associated with the default.

Two OWDA loans were not closed as of year-end and are not presented in the future debt service requirements table below. The principal balance of the open OWDA loans was \$5,185,187 at December 31, 2020.

The following is the future debt service requirements to retire the City’s business-type activities OWDA loans:

Year Ending	Direct Borrowing		
	OWDA Loans		
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 233,503	\$ 196,133	\$ 429,636
2023	243,318	186,696	430,014
2024	253,545	176,861	430,406
2025	264,202	166,615	430,817
2026	275,307	155,937	431,244
2027 - 2031	1,560,155	603,127	2,163,282
2032 - 2036	1,916,789	260,210	2,176,999
2032 - 2037	214,284	4,286	218,570
Totals	<u>\$ 4,961,103</u>	<u>\$ 1,749,865</u>	<u>\$ 6,710,968</u>

NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAX

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the City. Taxes collected from real property taxes (other than public utility) in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on the assessed value as of January 1 of that preceding year, the lien date. Assessed values are established by the County Auditor at 35 percent of appraised market value. All property is required to be revaluated every six years. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits later payment dates to be established.

Public utility real property taxes collected in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values determined as of December 31 of the second year preceding the tax collection year, the lien date. Public utility tangible personal property is assessed at varying percentages of true value; public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value. 2021 public utility property taxes became a lien December 31, 2020, are levied after October 1, 2021, and are collected in 2022 with real property taxes. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same dates as real property taxes described previously.

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NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAX - (Continued)

The County Treasurer collects property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts in the County, including the City of Sunbury. The County Auditor periodically remits to the City its portion of the taxes collected. Property taxes receivable represents real property taxes, public utility taxes, delinquent tangible personal property taxes, and other outstanding delinquencies which are measurable as of December 31, 2021 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. For 2021, the City’s basic financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting and therefore the City does not record a receivable for property taxes either on a modified accrual or full accrual basis of accounting.

The full tax rate for all City operations for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$2.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real and public utility property upon which 2021 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

<u>Real property</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Residential/agricultural/commercial/ industrial/mineral	\$ 202,371,290
Public utility personal property	<u>7,772,610</u>
Total assessed value	<u>\$ 210,143,900</u>

NOTE 7 - LOCAL INCOME TAX

The City levies and collects an income tax of one percent on all income earned within the City. In addition, the City residents employed in municipalities having an income tax less than one percent must pay the difference to the City. Additional increases in the income tax rate require voter approval. Employers within the City withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit at least quarterly and file an annual declaration. Income tax is collected by the Regional Income Tax Authority (RITA). In 2021, the income tax was receipted in the general fund.

NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

Net Pension Liability and Net OPEB Liability/Asset

Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions – between an employer and its employees – of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee – on a deferred-payment basis – as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension liability and the net OPEB liability/asset represent the City’s proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB liability/asset calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost-of-living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the City’s obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The City cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the City does receive the benefit of employees’ services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability/asset is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, the retirement systems to provide health care to eligible benefit recipients.

The net pension liability and net OPEB liability/asset are not reported on the face of the financial statements, but rather are disclosed in the notes because of the use of the cash basis framework.

The remainder of this note includes the pension disclosures. See Note 9 for the OPEB disclosures.

Plan Description - Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - City employees, other than full-time police officers, participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan and the combined plan is a combination cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit/defined contribution pension plan. Participating employers are divided into state, local, law enforcement and public safety divisions. While members in the state and local divisions may participate in all three plans, law enforcement and public safety divisions exist only within the traditional plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members in the traditional and combined plans were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional and combined plans as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS Annual Report referenced above for additional information, including requirements for reduced and unreduced benefits):

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Group A Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013	Group B 20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013	Group C Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013
State and Local	State and Local	State and Local
Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age and Service Requirements: Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age and Service Requirements: Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit
Traditional Plan Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	Traditional Plan Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	Traditional Plan Formula: 2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35
Combined Plan Formula: 1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 30	Combined Plan Formula: 1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 30	Combined Plan Formula: 1% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 1.25% for service years in excess of 35

Final Average Salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member’s career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member’s career.

Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount. The initial amount of a member’s pension benefit is vested upon receipt of the initial benefit payment for calculation of an annual cost-of-living adjustment.

When a traditional plan benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, current law provides for an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA). This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. Members retiring under the combined plan receive a cost-of-living adjustment on the defined benefit portion of their pension benefit. For those who retired prior to January 7, 2013, the cost of living adjustment is 3 percent. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, current law provides that the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3.00%.

Defined contribution plan benefits are established in the plan documents, which may be amended by the Board. Member-directed plan and combined plan members who have met the retirement eligibility requirements may apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the member’s contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member’s investment selections. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the combined plan consists of the member’s contributions plus or minus the investment gains or losses resulting from the member’s investment selections. Combined plan members wishing to receive benefits must meet the requirements for both the defined benefit and defined contribution plans. Member-directed participants must have attained the age of 55, have money on deposit in the defined contribution plan and have terminated public service to apply for retirement benefits. The amount available for defined contribution benefits in the member-directed plan consists of the members’ contributions, vested employer contributions and investment gains or losses resulting from the members’ investment selections. Employer contributions and associated investment earnings vest over a five-year period, at a rate of 20 percent each year. At retirement, members may select one of several distribution options for payment of the vested balance in their individual OPERS accounts. Options include the annuitization of the benefit (which includes joint and survivor options), partial lump-sum payments (subject to limitations), a rollover of the vested account balance to another financial institution, receipt of entire account balance, net of taxes withheld, or a combination of these options. When members choose to annuitize their defined contribution benefit, the annuitized portion of the benefit is reclassified to a defined benefit.

Beginning in 2022, the Combined Plan will be consolidated under the Traditional Pension Plan (defined benefit plan) and the Combined Plan option will no longer be available for new hires beginning in 2022.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

	State and Local
2021 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates	
Employer	14.0 %
Employee *	10.0 %
2021 Actual Contribution Rates	
Employer:	
Pension	14.0 %
Post-employment Health Care Benefits **	0.0 %
Total Employer	14.0 %
Employee	10.0 %

* This rate is determined by OPERS' Board and has no maximum rate established by ORC.

** This employer health care rate is for the traditional and combined plans. The employer contribution for the member-directed plan is 4.00%.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll.

The City's contractually required contribution for the OPERS was \$129,312 for 2021.

Plan Description - Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund (OP&F)

Plan Description - City full-time police officers participate in Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by OP&F. OP&F provides retirement and disability pension benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by the Ohio State Legislature and are codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code. OP&F issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information and detailed information about OP&F fiduciary net position. The report that may be obtained by visiting the OP&F website at www.op-f.org or by writing to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Upon attaining a qualifying age with sufficient years of service, a member of OP&F may retire and receive a lifetime monthly pension. OP&F offers four types of service retirement: normal, service commuted, age/service commuted and actuarially reduced. Each type has different eligibility guidelines and is calculated using the member's average annual salary. The following discussion of the pension formula relates to normal service retirement.

For members hired after July 1, 2013, the minimum retirement age is 52 for normal service retirement with at least 25 years of service credit. For members hired on or before July 1, 2013, the minimum retirement age is 48 for normal service retirement with at least 25 years of service credit.

The annual pension benefit for normal service retirement is equal to a percentage of the allowable average annual salary. The percentage equals 2.5 percent for each of the first 20 years of service credit, 2.00% for each of the next five years of service credit and 1.50% for each year of service credit in excess of 25 years. The maximum pension of 72.00% of the allowable average annual salary is paid after 33 years of service credit (see OP&F Annual Comprehensive Financial Report referenced above for additional information, including requirements for Deferred Retirement Option Plan provisions and reduced and unreduced benefits).

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Under normal service retirement, retired members who are at least 55 years old and have been receiving OP&F benefits for at least one year may be eligible for a cost-of-living allowance adjustment. The age 55 provision for receiving a COLA does not apply to those who are receiving a permanent and total disability benefit, surviving beneficiaries, and statutory survivors. Members participating in the DROP program have separate eligibility requirements related to COLA.

The COLA amount for members who have 15 or more years of service credit as of July 1, 2013, and members who are receiving a pension benefit that became effective before July 1, 2013, will be equal to 3.00% of the member's base pension benefit.

The COLA amount for members who have less than 15 years of service credit as of July 1, 2013, and members whose pension benefit became effective on or after July 1, 2013, will be equal to a percentage of the member's base pension benefit where the percentage is the lesser of 3.00% or the percentage increase in the consumer price index, if any, over the twelve-month period that ends on the thirtieth day of September of the immediately preceding year, rounded to the nearest one-tenth of one percent.

Members who retired prior to July 24, 1986, or their surviving beneficiaries under optional plans are entitled to cost-of-living allowance increases. The annual increase is paid on July 1st of each year. The annual COLA increase is \$360 under a Single Life Annuity Plan with proportional reductions for optional payment plans.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions as follows:

	Police
2021 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates	
Employer	19.50 %
Employee	12.25 %
2021 Actual Contribution Rates	
Employer:	
Pension	19.00 %
Post-employment Health Care Benefits	0.50 %
Total Employer	19.50 %
Employee	12.25 %

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The City's contractually required contribution to OP&F was \$167,218 for 2021.

Net Pension Liabilities

The net pension liability for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. OP&F's total pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2020, and was determined by rolling forward the total pension liability as of January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the City's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Following is information related to the proportionate share:

	OPERS	OP&F	Total
Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date	0.00589900%	0.02306110%	
Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date	<u>0.00614500%</u>	<u>0.02587670%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.00024600%</u>	<u>0.00281560%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 909,941	\$ 1,764,038	\$ 2,673,979

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial-reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation. The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 67. Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results, prepared as of December 31, 2020, are presented below.

Wage inflation	3.25%
Future salary increases, including inflation COLA or ad hoc COLA	3.25% to 10.75% including wage inflation Pre 1/7/2013 retirees: 3.00%, simple Post 1/7/2013 retirees: 0.50%, simple through 2021, then 2.15% simple
Investment rate of return	
Current measurement date	7.20%
Prior measurement date	7.20%
Actuarial cost method	Individual entry age

In October 2020, the OPERS Board adopted a change in COLA for Post-January 7, 2013 retirees, changing it from 1.40% simple through 2020 then 2.15% simple to 0.50% simple through 2021 then 2.15% simple.

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to all of the above described tables.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015.

During 2020, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio, and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Defined Benefit portfolio contains the investment assets for the Traditional Pension Plan, the defined benefit component of the Combined Plan and the annuitized accounts of the Member-Directed Plan. Within the Defined Benefit portfolio, contributions into the plans are all recorded at the same time, and benefit payments all occur on the first of the month. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Defined Benefit portfolio was 11.70% for 2020.

The allocation of investment assets with the Defined Benefit portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined benefit pension plans. The long-term expected rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return were provided by the Board's investment consultant.

For each major asset class that is included in the Defined Benefit portfolio's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed income	25.00 %	1.32 %
Domestic equities	21.00	5.64
Real estate	10.00	5.39
Private equity	12.00	10.42
International equities	23.00	7.36
Other investments	9.00	4.75
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>5.43 %</u>

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability/asset was 7.20%, post-experience study results, for the Traditional Pension Plan, the Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan. The discount rate used to measure total pension liability prior to December 31, 2020 was 7.20%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the contractually required rates, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefits payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments for the Traditional Pension Plan, Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability/Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate -
The following table presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability/asset calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.20%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability/asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.20%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.20%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,735,717	\$ 909,941	\$ 223,309

Actuarial Assumptions - OP&F

OP&F's total pension liability as of December 31, 2020, is based on the results of an actuarial valuation date of January 1, 2020, and rolled-forward using generally accepted actuarial procedures. The total pension liability is determined by OP&F's actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual valuation. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment mortality, salary increases, disabilities, retirements and employment terminations. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Assumptions considered were: withdrawal rates, disability retirement, service retirement, DROP elections, mortality, percent married and forms of the payment, DROP interest rate, CPI-based COLA, investment returns, salary increases and payroll growth.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of January 1, 2021, are presented below.

Valuation date	1/1/20 with actuarial liabilities rolled forward to 12/31/20
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal (level percent of payroll)
Investment rate of return	8.00%
Projected salary increases	3.75% - 10.50%
Payroll increases	3.25% per annum, compounded annually, consisting of
	inflation rate of 2.75% plus productivity increase rate of 0.50%
Cost of living adjustments	2.20% per year simple

Mortality for non-disabled participants is based on the RP-2014 Total Employee and Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables rolled back to 2006, adjusted and projected with the Buck Modified 2016 Improvement Scale. Rates for surviving beneficiaries are adjusted by 120%.

Age	Police
67 or less	77%
68-77	105%
78 and up	115%

Mortality for disabled retirees is based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Tables rolled back to 2006, adjusted according to the rates in the following table, and projected with the Buck Modified 2016 Improvement Scale.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

<u>Age</u>	<u>Police</u>
59 or less	35%
60-69	60%
70-79	75%
80 and up	100%

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2016.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in the Statement of Investment Policy and Guidelines. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expected. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

Best estimates of the long-term expected geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in OP&F's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020 are summarized below:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return **</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents	- %	0.00 %
Domestic Equity	21.00	4.10
Non-US Equity	14.00	6.40
Private Markets	8.00	6.40
Core Fixed Income *	23.00	0.90
High Yield Fixed Income	7.00	3.00
Private Credit	5.00	4.50
U.S. Inflation		
Linked Bonds *	17.00	0.70
Midstream Energy Infrastructure	5.00	5.60
Real Assets	8.00	5.80
Gold	5.00	1.90
Private Real Estate	12.00	5.30
Total	<u>125.00 %</u>	

Note: assumptions are geometric.

* levered 2x

** numbers include inflation

OP&F's Board of Trustees has incorporated the risk parity concept into OP&F's asset liability valuation with the goal of reducing equity risk exposure, which reduces overall Total Portfolio risk without sacrificing return and creating a more risk-balanced portfolio based on the relationship between asset classes and economic environments. From the notional portfolio perspective above, the Total Portfolio may be levered up to 1.25 times due to the application of leverage in certain fixed income asset classes.

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NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Discount Rate - The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 8.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the longer-term assumed investment rate of return 8.00%. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, a long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 8.00%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (7.00%), or one percentage point higher (9.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 2,455,767	\$ 1,764,038	\$ 1,185,131

NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

Net OPEB Liability/Asset

See Note 8 for a description of the net OPEB liability/asset.

Plan Description - Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

Plan Description - The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: the traditional pension plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan; the member-directed plan, a defined contribution plan; and the combined plan, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and defined contribution plan.

OPERS maintains a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care trust, which funds multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage and deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement to qualifying benefit recipients of both the traditional pension and the combined plans. Currently, Medicare-eligible retirees are able to select medical and prescription drug plans from a range of options and may elect optional vision and dental plans. Retirees and eligible dependents enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B have the option to enroll in a Medicare supplemental plan with the assistance of the OPERS Medicare Connector. The OPERS Medicare Connector is a relationship with a vendor selected by OPERS to assist retirees, spouses and dependents with selecting a medical and pharmacy plan. Monthly allowances, based on years of service and the age at which the retiree first enrolled in OPERS coverage, are deposited into an HRA. For non-Medicare retirees and eligible dependents, OPERS sponsors medical and prescription coverage through a professionally managed self-insured plan. An allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium is offered to retirees and eligible dependents. The allowance is based on the retiree's years of service and age when they first enrolled in OPERS coverage.

Medicare-eligible retirees who choose to become re-employed or survivors who become employed in an OPERS-covered position are prohibited from participating in an HRA. For this group of retirees, OPERS sponsors secondary coverage through a professionally managed self-insured program. Retirees who enroll in this plan are provided with a monthly allowance to offset a portion of the monthly premium. Medicare-eligible spouses and dependents can also enroll in this plan as long as the retiree is enrolled.

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OPERS provides a monthly allowance for health care coverage for eligible retirees and their eligible dependents. The base allowance is determined by OPERS.

The health care trust is also used to fund health care for member-directed plan participants, in the form of a Retiree Medical Account (RMA). At retirement or separation, member directed plan participants may be eligible for reimbursement of qualified medical expenses from their vested RMA balance.

Effective January 1, 2022, OPERS will discontinue the group plans currently offered to non-Medicare retirees and re-employed retirees. Instead, eligible non-Medicare retirees will select an individual medical plan. OPERS will provide a subsidy or allowance via an HRA allowance to those retirees who meet health care eligibility requirements. Retirees will be able to seek reimbursement for plan premiums and other qualified medical expenses.

In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional pension and combined plans must have twenty or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with a minimum age of 60, or generally 30 years of qualifying service at any age. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. Current retirees eligible (or who become eligible prior to January 1, 2022) to participate in the OPERS health care program will continue to be eligible after January 1, 2022. Eligibility requirements will change for those retiring after January 1, 2022, with differing eligibility requirements for Medicare retirees and non-Medicare retirees. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement 75. See OPERS' Annual Comprehensive Financial Report referenced below for additional information.

The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require OPERS to provide health care to its eligible benefit recipients. Authority to establish and amend health care coverage is provided to the Board in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Disclosures for the health care plan are presented separately in the OPERS financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by visiting <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling (614) 222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority allowing public employers to fund postemployment health care through their contributions to OPERS. When funding is approved by OPERS' Board of Trustees, a portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside to fund OPERS health care plans. Beginning in 2018, OPERS no longer allocated a portion of its employer contributions to health care for the traditional plan and the combined plan.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the earnable salary of active members. In 2021, state and local employers contributed at a rate of 14.00% of earnable salary and public safety and law enforcement employers contributed at 18.10%. These are the maximum employer contribution rates permitted by the Ohio Revised Code. Active member contributions do not fund health care.

Each year, the OPERS Board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside to fund health care plans. For 2021, OPERS did not allocate any employer contribution to health care for members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan. The OPERS Board is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries to pay a portion of the health care provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The employer contribution as a percentage of covered payroll deposited into the RMA for participants in the Member-Directed Plan for 2021 was 4.00%.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. The City's contractually required contribution was \$0 for 2021.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

Plan Description - Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund (OP&F)

Plan Description - The City contributes to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F) sponsored healthcare program, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined post-employment health care plan administered by a third-party provider. This program is not guaranteed and is subject to change at any time upon action of the Board of Trustees. On January 1, 2019, OP&F implemented a new model for health care. Under this new model, OP&F provides eligible retirees with a fixed stipend earmarked to pay for health care and Medicare Part B reimbursements.

OP&F contracted with a vendor who assists eligible retirees in choosing health care plans that are available where they live (both Medicare-eligible and pre-65 populations). A stipend funded by OP&F is available to these members through a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and can be used to reimburse retirees for qualified health care expenses.

A retiree is eligible for the OP&F health care stipend unless they have access to any other group coverage including employer and retirement coverage. The eligibility of spouses and dependent children could increase the stipend amount. If the spouse or dependents have access to any other group coverage including employer or retirement coverage, they are not eligible for stipend support from OP&F. Even if an OP&F member or their dependents are not eligible for a stipend, they can use the services of the third-party administrator to select and enroll in a plan. The stipend provided by OP&F meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75.

OP&F maintains funds for health care in two separate accounts: one account for health care benefits and one account for Medicare Part B reimbursements. A separate health care trust accrual account is maintained for health care benefits under IRS Code Section 115 trust. IRS Code Section 401(h) account is maintained for Medicare Part B reimbursements.

The Ohio Revised Code allows, but does not mandate, OP&F to provide OPEB benefits. Authority for the OP&F Board of Trustees to provide health care coverage to eligible participants and to establish and amend benefits is codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code.

OP&F issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information for the plan. The report may be obtained by visiting the OP&F website at www.op-f.org or by writing to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides for contribution requirements of the participating employers and of plan members to the OP&F defined benefit pension plan. Participating employers are required to contribute to the pension plan at rates expressed as percentages of the payroll of active pension plan members, currently 19.50% and 24.00% of covered payroll for police and fire employer units, respectively. The Ohio Revised Code states that the employer contribution may not exceed 19.50% of covered payroll for police employer units and 24.00% of covered payroll for fire employer units. Active members do not make contributions to the OPEB Plan.

The Board of Trustees is authorized to allocate a portion of the total employer contributions for retiree health care benefits. For 2021, the portion of employer contributions allocated to health care was 0.50% of covered payroll. The amount of employer contributions allocated to the health care plan each year is subject to the Trustees' primary responsibility to ensure that pension benefits are adequately funded.

The OP&F Board of Trustees is also authorized to establish requirements for contributions to the health care plan by retirees and their eligible dependents or their surviving beneficiaries. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected.

The City's contractually required contribution to OP&F was \$4,400 for 2021.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

Net OPEB Liabilities/Assets

The net OPEB liability/asset and total OPEB liability for OPERS were determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2020, by incorporating the expected value of health care cost accruals, the actual health care payment, and interest accruals during the year. OP&F's total OPEB liability was measured as of December 31, 2020, and was determined by rolling forward the total OPEB liability as of January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020. The City's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the City's share of contributions to the retirement plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

Following is information related to the proportionate share:

	OPERS	OP&F	Total
Proportion of the net OPEB liability prior measurement date	0.00549300%	0.02306110%	
Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset current measurement date	<u>0.00572300%</u>	<u>0.02587670%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.00023000%</u>	<u>0.00281560%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ 274,168	\$ 274,168
Proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	101,960	-	101,960

Actuarial Assumptions - OPERS

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of health care costs for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of coverage provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of costs between OPERS and plan members. The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019, rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2020.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

The actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions applied to all prior periods included in the measurement in accordance with the requirements of GASB 74:

Wage Inflation	3.25%
Projected Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 to 10.75% including wage inflation
Single Discount Rate:	
Current measurement date	6.00%
Prior Measurement date	3.16%
Investment Rate of Return	
Current measurement date	6.00%
Prior Measurement date	6.00%
Municipal Bond Rate	
Current measurement date	2.00%
Prior Measurement date	2.75%
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	
Current measurement date	8.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2035
Prior Measurement date	10.00%, initial 3.50%, ultimate in 2030
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Employees mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the RP-2014 Disabled mortality table for males and females, adjusted for mortality improvement back to the observation period base year of 2006. The base year for males and females was then established to be 2015 and 2010, respectively. Mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2015 mortality improvement scale to all of the above described tables.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on health care investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

During 2020, OPERS managed investments in three investment portfolios: the Defined Benefit portfolio, the Health Care portfolio and the Defined Contribution portfolio. The Health Care portfolio includes the assets for health care expenses for the Traditional Pension Plan, Combined Plan and Member-Directed Plan eligible members. Within the Health Care portfolio, if any contribution are made into the plans, the contributions are assumed to be received continuously throughout the year based on the actual payroll payable at the time contributions are made. Health care-related payments are assumed to occur mid-year. Accordingly, the money-weighted rate of return is considered to be the same for all plans within the portfolio. The annual money-weighted rate of return expressing investment performance, net of investment expenses and adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested, for the Health Care portfolio was 10.50% for 2020.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

The allocation of investment assets within the Health Care portfolio is approved by the Board of Trustees as outlined in the annual investment plan. Assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of continuing to offer a sustainable health care program for current and future retirees. OPERS' primary goal is to achieve and maintain a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the defined pension plans. Health care is a discretionary benefit. The long-term expected rate of return on health care investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

For each major asset class that is included in the Health Care's portfolio's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)
Fixed Income	34.00 %	1.07 %
Domestic Equities	25.00	5.64
Real Estate Investment Trust	7.00	6.48
International Equities	25.00	7.36
Other investments	9.00	4.02
Total	100.00 %	4.43 %

Discount Rate - A single discount rate of 6.00% was used to measure the total OPEB liability on the measurement date of December 31, 2020. Projected benefit payments are required to be discounted to their actuarial present value using a single discount rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments (to the extent that the health care fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and (2) a tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20- year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate are not met). This single discount rate was based on the actuarial assumed rate of return on the health care investment portfolio of 6.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rate. Based on these assumptions, the health care fiduciary net position and future contributions were sufficient to finance health care costs through the year 2120. As a result, the actuarial assumed long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through the year 2120, the duration of the projection period through which projected health care payments are fully funded.

Change in Benefit Terms - On January 15, 2020, the Board approved several changes to the health care plan offered to Medicare and non-Medicare retirees in efforts to decrease costs and increase the solvency of the health care Plan. These changes are effective January 1, 2022 and include changes to base allowances and eligibility for Medicare retirees, as well as replacing OPERS-sponsored medical plans for non-Medicare retirees with monthly allowances, similar to the program for Medicare retirees. These changes are not reflected in the current year financial statements, however, they are reflected in the December 31, 2020 measurement date health care valuation. These changes significantly decreased the total OPEB liability for the measurement date December 31, 2020.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB asset calculated using the single discount rate of 6.00%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (5.00%) or one-percentage-point higher (7.00%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
City's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 25,353	\$ 101,960	\$ 164,937

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rate - Changes in the health care cost trend rate may also have a significant impact on the net OPEB asset. The following table presents the net OPEB asset calculated using the assumed trend rates, and the expected net OPEB asset if it were calculated using a health care cost trend rate that is 1.00% lower or 1.00% higher than the current rate.

Retiree health care valuations use a health care cost-trend assumption that changes over several years built into the assumption. The near-term rates reflect increases in the current cost of health care; the trend starting in 2021 is 8.50%. If this trend continues for future years, the projection indicates that years from now virtually all expenditures will be for health care. A more reasonable alternative is that in the not-too-distant future, the health plan cost trend will decrease to a level at, or near, wage inflation. On this basis, the actuaries project premium rate increases will continue to exceed wage inflation for approximately the next decade, but by less each year, until leveling off at an ultimate rate, assumed to be 3.50% in the most recent valuation.

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Health Care Trend Rate Assumption</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
City's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 104,445	\$ 101,960	\$ 99,180

Actuarial Assumptions - OP&F

OP&F's total OPEB liability as of December 31, 2020, is based on the results of an actuarial valuation date of January 1, 2020, and rolled-forward using generally accepted actuarial procedures. The total OPEB liability is determined by OP&F's actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual valuation. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, salary increases, disabilities, retirements and employment terminations. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results, are presented below.

Valuation Date	January 1, 2020, with actuarial liabilities rolled forward to December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Investment Rate of Return	8.00%
Projected Salary Increases	3.75% to 10.50%
Payroll Growth	3.25%
Single discount rate:	
Current measurement date	2.96%
Prior measurement date	3.56%
Cost of Living Adjustments	2.20% simple per year

Mortality for non-disabled participants is based on the RP-2014 Total Employee and Healthy Annuitant Mortality Tables rolled back to 2006, adjusted according to the rates in the following table, and projected with the Conduent Modified 2016 Improvement Scale. Rates for surviving beneficiaries are adjusted by 120%.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Police</u>
67 or less	77%
68-77	105%
78 and up	115%

Mortality for disabled retirees is based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Tables rolled back to 2006, adjusted according to the rates in the following table, and projected with the Conduent Modified 2016 Improvement Scale.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Police</u>
59 or less	35%
60-69	60%
70-79	75%
80 and up	100%

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended December 31, 2016.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in the Statement of Investment Policy. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expected. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted averaged of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

Best estimates of the long-term expected geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in OP&F's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, are summarized below:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return **</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents	- %	0.00 %
Domestic Equity	21.00	4.10
Non-US Equity	14.00	4.80
Private Markets	8.00	6.40
Core Fixed Income *	23.00	0.90
High Yield Fixed Income	7.00	3.00
Private Credit	5.00	4.50
U.S. Inflation		
Linked Bonds *	17.00	0.70
Midstream Energy Infrastructure	5.00	5.60
Real Assets	8.00	5.80
Gold	5.00	1.90
Private Real Estate	12.00	5.30
Total	125.00 %	

Note: assumptions are geometric.

* levered 2.5x

** numbers include inflation

OP&F's Board of Trustees has incorporated the risk parity concept into OP&F's asset liability valuation with the goal of reducing equity risk exposure, which reduces overall Total Portfolio risk without sacrificing return, and creating a more risk-balanced portfolio based on their relationship between asset classes and economic environments. From the notional portfolio perspective above, the Total Portfolio may be levered up to 1.25 times due to the application of leverage in certain fixed income asset classes.

Discount Rate - For 2020, the total OPEB liability was calculated using the discount rate of 2.96%. For 2019, the total OPEB liability was calculated using the discount rate of 3.56%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contribution from employers and from members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the longer-term assumed investment rate of return of 8.00%. Based on those assumptions, OP&F's fiduciary net position was projected to not be able to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, a municipal bond rate of 2.12% at December 31, 2020 and 2.75% at December 31, 2019, was blended with the long-term rate of 8.00%, which resulted in a blended discount rate of 2.96% for 2020 and 3.56% for 2019. The municipal bond rate was determined using the Bond Buyers General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate. The OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected OPEB payments until 2034. The long-term expected rate of return on health care investments was applied to projected costs through 2034, and the municipal bond rate was applied to all health care costs after that date.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS - (Continued)

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - Net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 2.96%, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (1.96%), or one percentage point higher (3.96%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current	Discount Rate	1% Increase
City's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 341,872	\$	274,168	\$ 218,320

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rate - The total OPEB liability is based on a medical benefit that is a flat dollar amount; therefore, it is unaffected by a health care cost trend rate. An increase or decrease in the trend rate would have no effect on the total OPEB liability.

NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The City belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to Ohio governments ("Members"). The Plan is legally separate from its member governments.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages to its members sold through fourteen appointed independent agents in the State of Ohio.

Effective November 1, 2010 (through October 31, 2017), the corridor is for losses paid is between 60% and 70% of casualty premiums earned in the first \$250,000. Effective November 1, 2016, the OPRM elected to participate in a property loss corridor deductible. The property corridor includes losses paid between 70% and 75%. In 2018, the casualty loss corridor was eliminated and the property corridor was adjusted to losses paid between 65% and 70%. Effective November 1, 2019, the property loss corridor was adjusted to losses between 60% and 67.5% and remain unchanged effective November 1, 2021 and November 1, 2020. OPRM had 769 members as of December 31, 2021.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2021.

Assets	\$ 21,777,439
Liabilities	<u>(15,037,383)</u>
Members' Equity	<u>\$ 6,740,056</u>

You can read the complete audited financial statements for OPRM at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

There has been no reduction in coverage from the prior year and settled amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three years.

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NOTE 11 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Federal and State Grants

The City received federal and State grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies or their designees. Such audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to the grantor agency for disbursements disallowed under the terms of the grant. Based on prior experience, the City believes such disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

B. Litigation

The City is party to legal proceedings. The City management is of the opinion that the ultimate disposition of various claims and legal proceeds will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the City.

NOTE 12 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2021, consisted of the following, as reported in the fund financial statements:

Transfers from general fund to:

Nonmajor governmental funds	<u>\$ 270,365</u>
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Transfers are used to (1) move receipts from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to disburse them, (2) move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the debt service fund as debt service payments become due, and (3) use unrestricted receipts collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated in the statement of activities - cash basis.

NOTE 13 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The statement of cash receipts, cash disbursements and changes in fund cash balance - budget and actual (budgetary basis) presented for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The differences between the budgetary basis and the cash basis are outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a component of fund cash balance (cash basis), and some funds are included in the general fund (cash basis), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budgetary basis). At December 31, 2021, the general fund had \$109,319 in encumbrances outstanding. At December 31, 2021, funds included as part of the general fund (cash basis) had a total fund cash balance of \$286,488 and an additional \$16,073 in encumbrances outstanding.

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NOTE 14 - OTHER COMMITMENTS

The City utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year end may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the City's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Year-End <u>Encumbrances</u>
General fund	\$ 125,392
Other governmental	<u>57,010</u>
Total	<u>\$ 182,402</u>

NOTE 15 - FUND BALANCE

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources in the governmental funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

<u>Fund Balance</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Restricted:			
Debt service	\$ -	\$ 449,996	\$ 449,996
Capital projects		1	1
Street construction, maintenance & repair		678,884	678,884
American Rescue Plan		333,475	333,475
Cemetery		237,773	237,773
Other purposes		<u>146,142</u>	<u>146,142</u>
Total restricted	<u>-</u>	<u>1,846,271</u>	<u>1,846,271</u>
Committed:			
Parks and recreation	<u>38,554</u>	-	<u>38,554</u>
Total committed	<u>38,554</u>	-	<u>38,554</u>
Assigned:			
Subsequent year appropriations	5,152,824		5,152,824
Encumbrances	109,319		109,319
Other purposes	244,921		244,921
Total assigned	<u>5,507,064</u>		<u>5,507,064</u>
Unassigned	<u>4,732,235</u>		<u>4,732,235</u>
Total fund balances	<u>\$ 10,277,853</u>	<u>\$ 1,846,271</u>	<u>\$ 12,124,124</u>

CITY OF SUNBURY, OHIO

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

NOTE 16 - COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June 2021, while the national state of emergency continues. During 2021, the City received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the City. The impact on the City's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

The City's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined.

NOTE 17 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

- A. The City of Sunbury Community Park Joint Venture is a jointly governed organization between the Big Walnut Board of Education and the City of Sunbury. The joint venture agreement was entered into for the purpose of development of an elementary school and an adjacent community park. The legislative and advisory body is made up of one member appointed by the school, one member appointed by the City and an agreed upon third member. The City committed 21 acres of the development for the school and park and the school district has committed \$1.4 million to development of the park.
- B. The Berkshire Township, the City of Sunbury, Trenton Township, and the Village of Galena appoint one member to the Board of Trustees of the B.S.T. & G. Joint Fire District (District). The B.S.T. & G. Joint Fire District provides fire protection and rescue services within the District.

NOTE 18 - RELATED ORGANIZATION

The City of Sunbury appoints 4 members to the Northgate New Community Authority (NCA), which will be conducive to the public health, safety, convenience and welfare and is intended to result in the development of a new community, declaring the Authority to be organized and a body politic and corporate.

NOTE 19 - Subsequent Events

The City Council approved Ordinance No. 2023.15 approved on July 19, 2023 for the issuance and sale of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000 for purpose of paying the costs of renovating and improving various City facilities.

The City entered into a Task Order Proposal with CT Consultants, Inc. on September 9, 2022 for the purpose of expanding the City's Waste Water Treatment Plant. Total project budget is estimated to be \$15,520,000.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

City of Sunbury
Delaware County
9 East Granville Street
Sunbury, Ohio 43074

To the City Council:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Sunbury, Delaware County, (the City) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 10, 2023, wherein we noted the City uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles. We also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures which may impact subsequent periods of the City.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City'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 City'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 as item 2021-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2021-001 and 2021-002.

City's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the City's responses to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings. The City's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Purpose of this Report

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



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

August 10, 2023

**CITY OF SUNBURY
DELAWARE COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2021-001

Revenue Reporting – Material Weakness & Material Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10(D) provides in part that all revenue derived from a source other than the general property tax and which the law prescribes shall be used for a particular purpose, shall be paid into a special fund for such purpose.

Furthermore, **Ohio Rev. Code § 5709.43(A)** provides in part that a municipal corporation that grants a tax exemption under section 5709.40 of the Revised Code shall establish a municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund into which shall be deposited service payments in lieu of taxes distributed to the municipal corporation under section 5709.42 of the Revised Code.

The City inappropriately recorded \$37,919 of Payment in Lieu of Taxes revenue in the Bond Retirement Fund rather than the Sunbury Mills Plaza TIF Fund. The audit adjustment is reflected in the financial statements and in the accounting records correcting the misstatement.

The lack of controls over the posting of financial transactions decreases the reliability of financial data at year-end and can result in undetected errors and irregularities. The City should implement controls to help ensure all transactions are reviewed to help ensure posting to the proper funds.

Officials’ Response: The city will ensure correct postings to the financial statements going forward by thoroughly reviewing correct reporting processes at the time each financial transaction is booked. Each month, the current financial statements are reviewed in detail by the Director of Finance and approved by the Finance Committee. Any misstated transactions identified during the monthly review are corrected in the subsequent accounting period. When the proper treatment of an accounting transaction is not certain, the Director of Finance will reach out to the auditors for guidance.

FINDING NUMBER 2021-002

Annual Filing –Material Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 provides that each public office shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The Auditor of State may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the Auditor of State has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office.

Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(B), which further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38, requires the City to file annual financial reports which are prepared using generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The City prepared financial statements for fiscal year 2021 that, although formatted similar to financial statements prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, report on the cash basis of accounting rather than GAAP. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit certain assets, liabilities, deferred inflows/outflows of resources, fund equities/net position, and disclosures that, while presumed material, cannot be determined at this time.

**CITY OF SUNBURY
DELAWARE COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS (Continued)
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS (Continued)**

FINDING NUMBER 2021-002 (Continued)

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 the City may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report. Failure to report on a GAAP basis compromises the City's ability to evaluate and monitor the overall financial condition of the City. To help provide the users with more meaningful financial statements, the City should prepare its annual financial statements according to generally accepted accounting principles.

We recommend the City to file annual financial reports which are prepared using generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Officials' Response: The city is preparing to have the financial statements prepared according to GAAP.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of Sunbury
Delaware County
9 East Granville Street
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To the Village Council:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type and combined total as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and related notes of the Village of Sunbury, Delaware County, Ohio (the Village).

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Village's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Village prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Village does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village, as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type and combined total as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and related notes of the Village, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 2.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 15 to the financial statements, during 2020, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Village. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 10, 2023, on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 Village's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

August 10, 2023

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Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements
and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis)
All Governmental Fund Types
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Combined Total
Cash Receipts					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 434,152	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 434,152
Municipal Income Tax	3,310,966	-	-	-	3,310,966
Intergovernmental	286,888	1,219,771	-	-	1,506,659
Special Assessments	-	-	6,031	-	6,031
Payment In Lieu of Taxes	-	-	93,228	-	93,228
Charges for Services	124,911	69,683	-	-	194,594
Fines, Licenses and Permits	243,038	2,141	-	-	245,179
Earnings on Investments	138,527	18,384	-	-	156,911
Miscellaneous	93,456	29,299	-	-	122,755
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>4,631,938</u>	<u>1,339,278</u>	<u>99,259</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,070,475</u>
Cash Disbursements					
Current:					
Security of Persons and Property	923,468	376,885	-	-	1,300,353
Public Health Services	-	52,586	-	-	52,586
Leisure Time Activities	9,609	-	-	-	9,609
Community Environment	299,668	-	-	-	299,668
Basic Utility Services	50,332	-	-	-	50,332
Transportation	638,138	5,418	-	-	643,556
General Government	1,027,513	1,054	-	-	1,028,567
Capital Outlay	497,424	1,081,549	-	-	1,578,973
Debt Service:	-	-	-	-	-
Principal Retirement	96,861	16,859	222,452	-	336,172
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	2,206	46,725	-	48,931
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>3,543,013</u>	<u>1,536,557</u>	<u>269,177</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,348,747</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>1,088,925</u>	<u>(197,279)</u>	<u>(169,918)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>721,728</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)					
Transfers In	-	-	270,365	-	270,365
Transfers Out	(270,365)	-	-	-	(270,365)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>(270,365)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>270,365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	<u>818,560</u>	<u>(197,279)</u>	<u>100,447</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>721,728</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>9,937,376</u>	<u>1,191,411</u>	<u>244,901</u>	<u>72,879</u>	<u>11,446,567</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$ 10,755,936</u>	<u>\$ 994,132</u>	<u>\$ 345,348</u>	<u>\$ 72,879</u>	<u>\$ 12,168,295</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements
and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis)
All Proprietary Fund Types
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts	
Charges for Services	\$ 1,537,922
Miscellaneous	1,235
	<u>1,539,157</u>
<i>Total Operating Cash Receipts</i>	<i>1,539,157</i>
Operating Cash Disbursements	
Personal Services	229,706
Employee Fringe Benefits	109,399
Contractual Services	282,125
Supplies and Materials	136,133
Claims	71
	<u>757,434</u>
<i>Total Operating Cash Disbursements</i>	<i>757,434</i>
<i>Operating Income (Loss)</i>	<i>781,723</i>
Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)	
Capital Outlay	(256,113)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	(215,045)
Principal Retirement	(213,881)
	<u>(685,039)</u>
<i>Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<i>(685,039)</i>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	<i>96,684</i>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<i>4,244,831</i>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<i>\$ 4,341,515</i>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Village of Sunbury (the Village), Delaware County, is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. A publicly elected six-member Council directs the Village. The Village provides sewer utilities, street operations (including park and cemetery maintenance), and police services.

Joint Ventures, Jointly Governed Organizations, Public Entity Risk Pools and Related Organizations

The Village participates in jointly governed organizations, joint ventures, and a public entity risk pool and is associated with a related organization. Notes 7, 11, and 12 to the financial statements provide additional information for these entities. The Village's management believe these financial statements present all activities for which the Village is financially accountable.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The Village's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, and a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all proprietary fund types.

Fund Accounting

The Village uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Village are presented below:

General Fund The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Village for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Special Revenue Funds These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Street Construction Maintenance and Repair The street construction maintenance and repair fund accounts for and reports that portion of the State gasoline tax and motor vehicle license registration fees restricted for construction, maintenance, and repair of streets within the Village.

Debt Service Funds These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The Village had the following significant Debt Service Funds:

Bond Retirement Fund This fund receives transfers to make scheduled debt payments on the 2015 Bond Refunding.

Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Capital Project Funds These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Village had the following significant capital project funds:

Capital Projects Fund This fund accounts for various receipts associated with capital expenditures of the Village.

Enterprise Funds These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises, where management intends to recover the significant costs of providing certain goods or services through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Funds:

Sewer Fund The sewer fund accounts for the provision of sanitary sewer services to the residents and commercial users within the Village.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain custodial funds) be budgeted annually.

Appropriations Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

Estimated Resources Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must approve estimated resources.

Encumbrances The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2020 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Deposits and Investments

The Village's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Village values U.S. Treasury Notes at cost. Investment in STAR Ohio is measured at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

Capital Assets

The Village records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Village must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable The Village classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact. For regulatory purposes nonspendable fund balance includes unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the Village and the nonexpendable portion of the corpus in permanent funds.

Restricted Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Committed Council can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Village must adhere to these commitments unless the Council amends the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

Unassigned Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

The Village applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 16.

Note 3 – Restatement of Fund Balance

For 2020, the Parks and Recreation Fund was reclassified to the General Fund per Governmental Accounting Standard Board’s (GASB) Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. GASB Statement No. 54, para. 31 indicates if a fund isn’t substantially funded through restricted or committed revenue sources then the government should discontinue reporting the activity in a special revenue fund. The Parks and Recreation Fund is solely funded through transfers from the General Fund; therefore, the activity and balance of the Parks and Recreation Fund should be included in the General Fund:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Combined Fund Balance
Fund cash balance as previously reported	\$9,934,929	\$1,193,858	\$11,128,787
Changes due to GASB 54	2,447	(2,447)	-
Restated fund cash balance, at January 1, 2020	\$9,937,376	\$1,191,411	\$11,128,787

Note 4 – Compliance

The Village did not appropriate funds at the legal level of control which is the fund, function, and object level as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.38(C).

Note 5 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2020 follows:

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$5,319,850	\$4,631,938	(\$687,912)
Special Revenue	1,370,747	1,339,278	(31,469)
Debt Service	270,365	369,624	99,259
Enterprise	1,500,000	1,539,157	39,157
Total	\$8,460,962	\$7,879,997	(\$580,965)

Village of Sunbury, Ohio
Delaware County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$5,514,473	\$4,136,078	\$1,378,395
Special Revenue	1,806,554	1,536,557	269,997
Debt Service	270,363	269,177	1,186
Enterprise	2,092,560	1,455,861	636,699
Total	\$9,683,950	\$7,397,673	\$2,286,277

Note 6 – Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Village is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Village’s deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	2020
<i>Cash Management Pool:</i>	
Demand deposits	\$915,420
Certificates of deposit	7,857,406
Total deposits	8,772,826
STAR Ohio	7,736,984
Total investments	7,736,984
Total carrying amount of deposits and investments held in the Pool (ties to FS)	16,509,810

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Investments

Investments in STAR Ohio and mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

Note 7 – Taxes

Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Council adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include these credits and/or deduction amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31.

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If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20. Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Village.

The County is responsible for assessing property and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

Income Taxes

The Village levies a municipal income tax of (1.0) percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Village either monthly or quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually.

Note 8 – Risk Management

The Village belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to Ohio governments ("Members"). The Plan is legally separate from its member governments.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages to its members sold through fourteen appointed independent agents in the State of Ohio.

OPRM coverage programs are developed specific to each member's risk management needs and the related premiums for coverage are determined through the application of uniform underwriting criteria addressing the member's exposure to loss. Effective November 1, 2017, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. The OPRM is also participated in a property primary excess of loss treaty. This treaty reimbursed the OPRM 30% for losses between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. The reimbursement is based on the amount of loss between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. Effective November 1, 2018, the OPRM the property retention remained unchanged, however, the Plan assumed 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. Effective November 1, 2019, the OPRM's property retention increased from 30% to 33%, while the casualty treaty remains unchanged and still assumes 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Effective November 1, 2020, the OPRM's property retention increased from 33% to 55%, while the casualty treaty remains unchanged and still assumes 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. OPRM had 771 members as of December 31, 2020.

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The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2020.

Assets	\$18,826,974
Liabilities	<u>(13,530,267)</u>
Members' Equity	\$ 5,296,707

You can read the complete audited financial statements for OPRM at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

Note 9 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Village employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement health care and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Village contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

Ohio Police and Fire Retirement System

The Village's full-time Police Officers belong to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). OP&F is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement health care and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OP&F participants contributed 12.5 percent of their wages. The Village contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 19.5 percent of full-time police members' wages. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

Note 10 – Postemployment Benefits

Both OPERS and OP&F offer cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2020. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Member Directed Plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2020. OP&F contributes 0.5 percent to fund these benefits.

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Note 11 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Cemetery Land Acquisition Bonds	\$ 54,900	3.50%
General Obligation Capital facility Bonds	21,855	4.50%
OWDA #4068	5,185,187	4.00%
OPWC Street Pavement Projects	90,095	0.00%
Various Purpose Bonds, Series 2015	1,195,000	3.00%
Total	\$ 6,547,037	

The Capital Facility Bonds mature December 1, 2028 and will be repaid with special assessments taxes. Annual debt service requirements range from \$3,672 to \$4,143. Bond covenants required the Village to establish a debt service fund and the debt service payments were made from the Bond Retirement Fund.

The Cemetery Land Acquisition Bonds mature December 1, 2026 and will be repaid with income from receipts lawfully available for such payment. Annual debt service payments range from \$10,240 to \$16,362. Payments are made from the Cemetery Fund.

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan relates to the wastewater treatment plant improvements. The loan matures January 1, 2037 and will be repaid in semiannual installments. The loan is secured by sewer receipts and payments are made from the Sewer Fund.

The OPWC loans relate to street improvements from 2015 through 2020. The loans are zero percent interest and mature in 2032.

The Various Purpose Bonds, Series 2015 is in relation to the refunding of various bond anticipation notes issued in prior years to payoff general obligation notes consisting of Park Land Bonds, Town Hall Square Streetscape Bonds, Kintner Parkway Bonds, Sunbury Plaza I Bonds and Sunbury Plaza II Bonds. Payments are made annually with the last maturity occurring in 2028. Bond payments are made from the Bond Retirement Fund.

Amortization

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	Cemetery Bonds	G.O. Capital Facilities Bonds	OWDA	OPWC	2015 Various Purpose Bonds
2021	\$ 10,322	\$ 3,667	\$ 429,274	\$ 6,006	\$ 263,900
2022	10,328	3,672	429,636	6,006	267,150
2023	10,323	3,645	430,014	6,006	260,100
2024	10,308	3,631	430,407	6,006	213,050
2025	10,283	3,685	430,817	6,007	107,200
2026-2030	10,247	7,840	2,160,862	30,032	224,000
2031-2035	-	-	2,174,024	30,032	-
2036-2037	-	-	655,207	-	-
Total	\$ 61,811	\$ 26,140	\$ 7,140,241	\$ 90,095	\$ 1,335,400

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Note 12 – Joint Ventures

The Village of Sunbury Community Park Joint Venture is a jointly governed organization between the Big Walnut Board of Education and the Village of Sunbury. The joint venture agreement was entered into for the purpose of development of an elementary school and an adjacent community park. The legislative and advisory body is made up of one member appointed by the school, one member appointed by the Village and an agreed upon third member. The Village committed 21 acres of the development for the school and park and the district has committed \$1.4 million to development of the park.

Note 13 – Jointly Governed Organizations

Berkshire Township, the Village of Sunbury, Trenton Township, and the Village of Galena appoint one member to the Board of Trustees of the B.S.T. & G. Joint Fire District. The B.S.T. & G. Joint Fire District provides fire protection and rescue services within the District.

Note 14 – Related Organizations

The Village of Sunbury appoints 4 members to the Northgate New Community Authority (NCA), which will be conducive to the public health, safety, convenience, and welfare and is intended to result in the development of a new community, declaring the Authority to be organized and a body politic and corporate.

Note 15 – Contingent Liabilities

The Village participates in several state assisted grants that are subject to financial and compliance audits by grantor agencies or their representatives. These audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the grant. The Village believes that disallowed claims, if any, would not have a material adverse effect on the Village's financial condition.

Note 16 – COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During 2022, the Village received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Village. The impact on the Village's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

The Village's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined.

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Note 17 – Fund Balances

Included in fund balance are amounts the Village cannot spend, including the balance of unclaimed monies which cannot be spent for five years and the unexpendable corpus of the permanent funds. Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At year end the balances of these amounts were as follows:

Fund Balances	General	Special Revenue	Total
Outstanding Encumbrances	\$ 298,791	\$ 57,010	\$ 355,801
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$ 298,791</i>	<i>\$ 57,010</i>	<i>\$ 355,801</i>

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. These restricted, committed and assigned amounts in the special revenue, would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

Note 18 – Subsequent Events

The Village was elevated to City-status in November 2021 due to the results of the 2020 Ohio Census. The Sunbury Charter was passed on November 5, 2019 in anticipation of the status change.

The City Council approved Ordinance No. 2023.15 approved on July 19, 2023 for the issuance and sale of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000 for purpose of paying the costs of renovating and improving various City facilities.

The City entered into a Task Order Proposal with CT Consultants, Inc. on September 9, 2022 for the purpose of expanding the City's Waste Water Treatment Plant. Total project budget is estimated to be \$15,520,000.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Village of Sunbury
Delaware County
9 East Granville Street
Sunbury, Ohio 43074

To the Village Council:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' Government Auditing Standards, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type combined total as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and related notes of the Village of Sunbury, Delaware County, (the Village) and have issued our report thereon dated August 10, 2023, wherein we noted the Village followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(C) permit. We also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures which may impact subsequent periods of the Village.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Village's financial statements. 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 internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider material weaknesses. We consider findings 2020-001 through 2020-003 to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Village's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the financial statements. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2020-002 and 2020-003.

Village's Response to Findings

The Village's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not subject the Village's responses to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

August 10, 2023

VILLAGE OF SUNBURY
DELAWARE COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2020-001

Financial Statement Presentation – Material Weakness

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, *Terms of Engagement*, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

The Village should have procedures and controls in place to prevent and detect errors in financial reporting. Fund balances should be properly classified based on Governmental Accounting Standards Statement No. 54 – Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, as codified in GASB Cod. 1300 & 1800.

Due to the lack of internal controls in place to ensure receipts, expenditures, and fund balances are properly classified on the financial statements, the following adjustments were posted to the financial statements and applicable footnote disclosures for the year ended December 31, 2020:

- General Fund Homestead and Rollback Intergovernmental receipts in the amount of \$45,427 were misclassified as Property and Other Local Taxes.
- Enterprise Fund Sewer revenue for Sewer taps in the amount of \$239,745 and Miscellaneous Reimbursements in the amount of \$1,235 were receipted into the accounting system during the year but were not accounted for within the 2020 financial statements prepared by the Village.
- General Fund Zoning Fee revenue and related Community Environment expense in the amounts of \$124,860 and \$179,179, respectively, were misclassified as Agency Fund activity. Under GASB 54 this activity would be included in the General Fund.
- Park and Recreation Fund activity was misclassified as Special Revenue Activity for financial statement presentation purposes though the fund is 100% supported by transfers from the General Fund. Under GASB 54 this activity would be included in the General Fund.
- Debt Service Payments in Lieu of Taxes in the amount of \$43,467 was mis-posted as Special Assessment Revenue.
- The 2020 footnote disclosure included incorrect information and omitted required disclosures.

Lack or failure of controls in place over the posting of financial transactions and reporting can result in errors that may go undetected and decreases the reliability of financial data throughout the year. The Village has recorded these adjustments to the financial statements and accounting records, where applicable. In addition, the reclassifications have been recorded to the financial statements. By not ensuring proper financial statement presentation, the Village cannot report accurate financial activity to its constituents.

The Village should implement additional procedures to provide assurance over the completeness and accuracy of information recorded in their accounting records and reported within the financial statements and footnote disclosures. Such procedures may include additional reviews of the financial statements including the notes to the financial statements by a member of management and an analytical comparison of the current year annual report to the prior year annual report for obvious errors or omissions.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS (CONTINUED)
DECEMBER 31, 2020

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED
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FINDING NUMBER 2020-001 (Continued)

Financial Statement Presentation – Material Weakness (Continued)

Officials' Response: The city will ensure correct postings to the financial statements going forward by thoroughly reviewing correct reporting processes at the time each financial transaction is booked. Each month, the current financial statements are reviewed in detail by the Director of Finance and approved by the Finance Committee. Any misstated transactions identified during the monthly review are corrected in the subsequent accounting period. When the proper treatment of an accounting transaction is not certain, the Director of Finance will reach out to the auditors for guidance.

FINDING NUMBER 2020-002

Revenue Reporting – Material Weakness & Material Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10(D) provides in part that all revenue derived from a source other than the general property tax and which the law prescribes shall be used for a particular purpose, shall be paid into a special fund for such purpose.

Furthermore, **Ohio Rev. Code § 5709.43(A)** provides in part that a municipal corporation that grants a tax exemption under section 5709.40 of the Revised Code shall establish a municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund into which shall be deposited service payments in lieu of taxes distributed to the municipal corporation under section 5709.42 of the Revised Code.

The Village inappropriately recorded \$49,761 of Payment in Lieu of Taxes revenue in the Bond Retirement Fund instead of appropriately recording in the Sunbury Mills Plaza TIF Fund. Furthermore, the Village inappropriately recorded \$1,489 of Special Assessment revenue in the Sunbury Mills Plaza TIF Fund instead of appropriately recording in the Bond Retirement Fund. The audit adjustments are reflected in the financial statements and in the accounting records correcting the misstatements.

The lack of controls over the posting of financial transactions decreases the reliability of financial data at year-end and can result in undetected errors and irregularities. The Village should implement controls to help ensure all transactions are reviewed to help ensure posting to the proper funds.

Officials' Response: The city will ensure correct postings to the financial statements going forward by thoroughly reviewing correct reporting processes at the time each financial transaction is booked. Each month, the current financial statements are reviewed in detail by the Director of Finance and approved by the Finance Committee. Any misstated transactions identified during the monthly review are corrected in the subsequent accounting period. When the proper treatment of an accounting transaction is not certain, the Director of Finance will reach out to the auditors for guidance.

FINDING NUMBER 2020-003

COVID Funds Transfers - Material Weakness & Material Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.14 states no transfer shall be made from one fund of a subdivision to any other fund, by order of the court or otherwise, with some exceptions outlined in the statute.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS (CONTINUED)
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FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED
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FINDING NUMBER 2020-003 (Continued)

COVID Funds Transfers (Continued)

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.14(D) states the unexpended balance in any special fund, other than an improvement fund, existing in accordance with division **(D)**, **(F)**, or **(G)** of section **5705.09** or section **5705.12** of the Revised Code, may be transferred to the general fund or to the sinking fund or bond retirement fund after the termination of the activity, service, or other undertaking for which such special fund existed, but only after the payment of all obligations incurred and payable from such special fund.

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.15 states that in addition to the transfers authorized in section **5705.14** of the Revised Code, the taxing authority of any political subdivision may, in the manner provided in this section and section **5705.16** of the Revised Code, transfer from one fund to another any public funds under its supervision.

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.16 states a resolution of the taxing authority of any political subdivision shall be passed by a majority of all the members thereof, declaring the necessity for the transfer of funds authorized by section **5705.15** of the Revised Code, and such taxing authority shall submit to the tax commissioner a petition that includes the name and amount of the fund, the fund to which it is desired to be transferred, a copy of such resolution with a full statement of the proceedings pertaining to its passage, and the reason or necessity for the transfer.

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, the Village Council approved transfers totaling \$376,885 from the COVID 19 Fund to the General Fund (via Ordinance 2020.01). However, the transfer was not permissible under Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.14 and no proper request for approval was sent to the tax commissioner under Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.15-.16. As such, the transfer was not permissible under the Ohio Revised Code.

Failure to comply with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.14, 5705.15, & 5705.16 can result in restricted money being spent for unallowable purposes.

Audit adjustments have been made to the financial statement presentation to properly reflect the illegal transfer as a reimbursement of Security of Persons and Property Expenses in the General Fund by the Covid 19 Fund.

The Village should establish and implement procedures to verify that all interfund transfers are in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code. Failure to do so could result in findings for adjustment and noncompliance citations being issued in future audits.

Officials' Response: All transfers of funds will be processed in accordance with ORC section 5705. The Director of Finance is responsible for the correct application of this statute and will review all interfund transactions in detail to ensure proper compliance going forward.

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2019-001	Material Weakness – Financial Reporting This comment was first issued in 2007.	Not Corrected	Reissued as Finding 2020-001
2019-002	Significant Deficiency – Utility Adjustment	Fully Corrected	

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**CITY OF SUNBURY
DELAWARE COUNTY**

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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