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October 17, 2017

Office of the State Auditor P O Box 956 Jackson, MS 39205

Re: Annual Municipal Audit

Accompanying this letter is a copy of the annual audit of the City of Petal, Mississippi for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. In connection with this audit a separate management letter was writing to the City of Petal. Enclosed you will find a copy of this management letter along with the audit reports.

Sincerely,

Hal Marx Mayor

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September 27, 2017 Honorable Mayor, Members of the Board of Aldermen City of Petal, Mississippi

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Petal as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered City of Petal's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Petal's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Petal's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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. We consider the following deficiency in internal control to be significant deficiency:

1. The City does not have adequate control procedures for capital assets additions and deletions. In fiscal year 2016, the City disposed of central fueling station buildings and received in exchange cash and a piece of land. The land received in this exchange was not recorded by the City on their general ledger and capital assets inventory. This may cause misstatements in financial reporting. Management should develop procedures to ensure complete records of capital assets.

We noted other control issues that, although they are not material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, still merit management attention:

- 1. The City has not prepared financial statements in time to complete financial audit timely. This happened also for FY2014 and FY2015 audits. We recommend that management closely monitor year end procedures and preparation of financial statements to ensure timely completion of audit.
- 2. Analysis of amended budget disclosed material unfavorable variances between final budget and actual expenses and revenue. We recommend that management pays closer attention to budget preparation.
- 3. The City exceeded 15% debt limitation per Section 21-33-303 of Mississippi Code. We recommend that the management refrain from further borrowing until the City is in compliance with debt limitations.

This information is intended solely for the use of Board of Aldermen, Mayor and management of City of Petal and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Mayor, Members of the Board of Aldermen, and City Clerk City of Petal, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Petal, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Petal, as of September 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 6 through 14 and 55 through 56 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

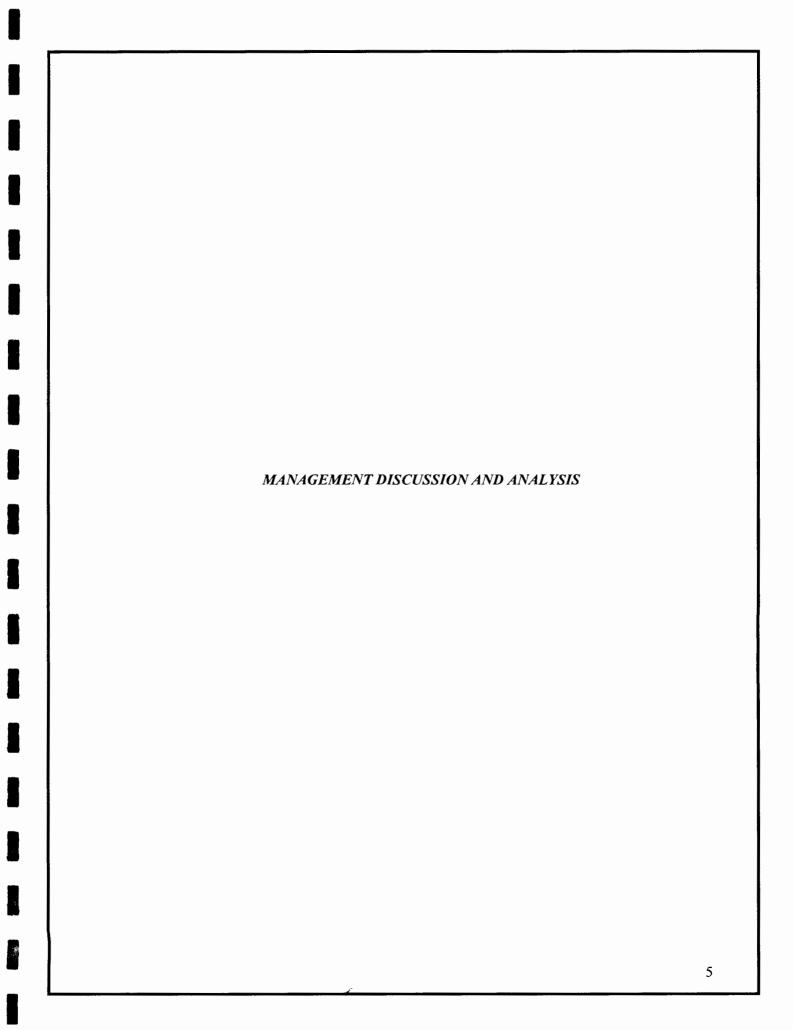
The Other Supplementary Information section which includes the Schedule of Surety Bonds for Municipal Officials is presented for the purposes of additional analysis as required by the Mississippi Department of State Auditor and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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September 27, 2017

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This Discussion and Analysis of The City of Petal's financial performance provides a narrative overview and analysis of the City's financial activities for the year ended September 30, 2016. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the City's financial performance as a whole. Readers are encouraged to review the basic financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the City's financial performance.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for 2016 were as follows:

The assets and deferred outflows of the City exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at September 30, 2016 by \$13,237,297 (net position), which represents an increase of \$323,448 from the prior year. This is due primarily from operations.

As of September 30, 2016, the City's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$4,359,201, which represents an increase of \$369,263.

During the fiscal year the City decreased its long-term debt by \$1,217,616 as a result of normal scheduled debt payments, refinancing of bonds and obtaining \$28,000 of equipment financed by capital leases.

The governmental activities expenses and transfers out exceeded revenue by approximately \$4,396,788 resulting in a net decrease in net position. This decrease includes \$4,885,000 of water and sewer revenue bonds being refinanced with general obligation bonds which effectively transferred the debt from the business activities to the governmental activities. As a result the City's business-type activities revenues and transfers in exceeded expenses by approximately \$4,720,236.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis serves as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements, which include government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information, supplementary information, and other information.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the City's finance, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on all the City's assets and liabilities, with the differences between the two reported as "net assets." Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating.

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The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the City's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements outline functions of the City that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the City include general government, court, public safety, public works, culture and recreation and debt service. The business-type activities of the City include water and sewer fund and solid waste fund.

The government-wide financial statements can be found in Exhibit A and B of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the City can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds – Most of the City's general activities are reported in its governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting and the flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The approach focuses on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at year end. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed view of the City's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the reader may gain a better understanding of the long-term impact of the City's near-term financing decisions. The governmental funds Balance Sheet is reconciled to the Statement of Net Assets, and the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances is reconciled to the Statement of Activities to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The city maintains nine individual governmental funds which are combined into a single, aggregated presentation.

The basic governmental fund financial statements are presented as Exhibits D and C in this report.

Component Unit.-The "Petal Public Improvement Corporation" is treated as a blended component unit and reported as a governmental fund.

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Proprietary funds – The City maintains two different types of proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are reported in the same way as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The City uses enterprises funds to account for its water and sewer fund and solid waste fund both of which are considered major funds. Internal service funds are an accounting device to accumulate and allocate costs internally among various City funds and functions. The City uses internal service fund to account for its vehicle fuel cost. This fund is included with the governmental activities in the government wide financial statement and as a separate column in the proprietary fund financial statement.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements are presented as Exhibits E, F and G in this report.

Fiduciary funds – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the City. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because resources of those funds are not available to support the City's own functions. These funds are reported using the accrual basis of accounting.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements are presented as Exhibit H of this report.

Notes to the financial statements

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

Required Supplementary Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents budgetary comparison schedules as required supplementary information. The City adopts an annual operating budget for all funds. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the General Fund and each additional major special revenue fund as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Other Information

Although not a required part of the basic financial statements, this report also presents certain other supplementary information requested by the Mississippi State Auditors Office.

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the City's financial position. Assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$13,237,297 as of September 30, 2016.

The City's financial position is a product of several financial transactions including the net result of activities, the acquisition and payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets and the depreciation of capital assets.

Table 1 Condensed Statement of Net Position

				Dollar Percentage
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Totals	ChangeChange
	2016 2015	2016 2015	2016 2015	
Current and other assets	\$ 9,086,560 \$ 8,455,787	\$ 2,307,280 \$ 1,983,181	\$ 11,393,840 \$ 10,438,968	\$ 954,872 9.15%
Capital assets	18,501,782 18,042,696	14,730,203 15,424,109	33,231,985 33,466,805	(234,820) -0.70%
Total assets	27,588,342 26,498,483	<u>17,037,483</u> <u>17,407,290</u>	44,625,825 43,905,773	720,052 <u>1.64%</u>
Deferred outflow of resources	1,489,741 1,535,906	128,066 131,612	1,617,807 1,667,518	<u>(49,711)</u> <u>-2.98%</u>
Long-term debt	17,438,275 13,430,891	210,000 5,435,000	17,648,275 18,865,891	(1,217,616) -6.45%
Net pension liability	9,032,047 7,806,428	970,952 850,067	10,002,999 8,656,495	1,346,504 15.55%
Other liabilities	609,767 614,077	522,243 497,405	1,132,010 1,111,482	20,528 <u>1.85%</u>
Total liabilities	27,080,089 21,851,396	1,703,195 6,782,472	28,783,284 28,633,868	149,416 0.52%
Deferred inflow of resources	4,219,098 4,007,309	3,953 18,265	4,223,051 4,025,574	197,477 4.91%
Net position:				
Net investment in capital assets:	1,380,566 4,939,080	14,520,203 9,989,109	15,900,769 14,928,189	972,580 6.52%
Restricted		129,150 129,020	129,150 129,020	130 0.10%
Unrestricted	(3,601,670) (2,763,396)	809,048 620,036	(2,792,622) (2,143,360)	(649,262) <u>30,29%</u>
Total net position	\$ (2,221,104) \$ 2,175,684	\$ 15,458,401 \$ 10,738,165	\$ 13,237,297 \$ 12,913,849	\$ 323,448 2.50%

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By far the largest portion of City's net position (120%) reflects its investment in capital assets less related outstanding debt. The City completed the Byrd Blvd extension from grants and other revenues which is reflected in the increase in capital assets in the governmental activities.

Changes in net position

Governmental activities decreased the City's net position by \$4,396,788 and the business activities increased the City's net position by \$4,720,236. The key elements of these changes are reported in the following statement. These decreases are primarily result refinancing revenue bonds with general obligation bonds.

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Table 2
Condensed Statement of Changes in Net Positon

Condensed Statement of Changes	Government	al Activities		Business-ty	ре А	ctivities		Tota	als			Dollar Change	Percentage Change
	2016	2015		2016		2015		2016		2015			
Program Revenues:													
Charges for Services	\$ 429,393	\$ 521,50	7 \$	3,957,267	\$	2,935,433	\$	4,386,660	\$	3,456,940	\$	929,720	26.89%
Grants and Donations	1,052,430	1,033,48	3	-		160,689		1,052,430		1,194,172		(141,742)	-11.87%
General Revenues:													
Property Taxes	4,517,421	4,139,23	5	-		-		4,517,421		4,139,235		378,186	9.14%
Sales Taxes	2,506,377	2,466,70	1	-		-		2,506,377		2,466,701		39,676	1.61%
Other Taxes and Other	646,131	839,80	6	898		758		647,029		840,564		(193,535)	-23.02%
Gain (loss) sale of Capital Assets	(20,184)	29,91	2 _	(104,444)	_	3,969		(124,628)		33,879	_	(158,507)	<u>-467.86%</u>
Total Revenues	9,131,568	9,030,64	2 _	3,853,721	_	3,100,849	_	12,985,289	_	12,131,491		853,798	<u>7.04%</u>
Program Expenses:													
General Government	804,622	770,51	9	-		-		804,622		770,519		34,103	4.43%
Court	280,881	288,39	7	-		-		280,881		288,397		(7,516)	-2.61%
Public Safety	3,703,881	3,549,37	9	-		-		3,703,881		3,549,379		154,502	4.35%
Public Works	1,341,062	1,292,26	1	-		-		1,341,062		1,292,261		48,801	3.78%
Culture & Recreation	899,808	1,093,58	5	-		-		899,808		1,093,585		(193,777)	-17.72%
Interest and Other Charges	569,486	168,92	4	-		-		569,486		168,924		400,562	237.13%
Pension expense	1,622,660	962,61	2	160,045		104,757		1,782,705		1,067,369		715,336	67.02%
Water and Sewer	-	-		2,496,080		2,753,355		2,496,080		2,753,355		(257,275)	-9.34%
Solid Waste			_	784,914	_	6,184		784,914		6,184	_	778,730	12592.66%
Total Expenses	9,222,400	8,125,67	<u> </u>	3,441,039	_	2,864,296		12,663,439		10,989,973	_	1,673, <u>466</u>	<u>15.23%</u>
Increase(decrease) in net assets													
before transfers and prior period	(90,832)	904,96	5	412,682		236,553		321,850		1,141,518		(819,668)	<u>-71.81%</u>
Net transfers	(4,305,956)	(6,323,22	9)	4,307,554		6,323,229		1,598		-		-	
Prior Period Adjustment	-	(6,300,52	3)		_	(686,084)	_	-		(6,986,607)			
Change in Net Position	\$ (4,396,788)	\$ (11,718,78	Z) s	4,720,236	\$.5,873,698	\$	323,448	\$	(5,845,089)	\$	6_168_537	

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY'S FUNDS

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

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

As the City completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$4,359,201, a increase of \$369,263. \$3,519,093, or 80%, of the fund balance is unassigned, which is available for spending at the City's discretion. The remaining fund balance is either nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted, committed or assigned.

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the City. The increase in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$635,577. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease in the amount of \$266,314 as result of completion of City's Street Paving Project.

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

Unrestricted net position of \$809,048 is comprised of \$610,556 for the water and sewer and \$198,492 for the solid waste fund. User fees and charges were sufficient to cover costs this year and refinancing \$4,885,000 in revenue bonds with general obligation bonds resulted in an increase in net position of \$4,693,825 for the water and sewer fund. An increase in net position of \$26,411 for the solid waste fund was due primarily to operations.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The City's budget is prepared according to Mississippi law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursement and encumbrances. One of the most significant budgeted funds is the General Fund.

During 2016, the City's general fund budget was amended. All recommendations for a change come from the department heads to the City Clerk for review before going to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for consideration. The City does not allow budget changes that modify line items within any department without Board approval. The General Fund is closely monitored for possible revenue shortfalls or over spending, since it supports so many departments. The General Fund original budgeted revenues were \$7,175,700; with the final budgeted amount being \$7,234,200; and with \$7,404,457 in actual revenue collections. The General Fund's original budgeted expenditures of \$7,160,374 were amended to \$7,233,888, with actual expenditures of \$6,993,481.

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CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

By the end of 2015, the City has over \$33,000,000 invested in a large range of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation, including police and fire equipment, water and sewer lines, roads and buildings.

													- 1	ncrease	Percentage	
		Government	tal A	ctivities	Business-type Activities			Totals					Decrease)	Change		
		2016		2015		2016		2015		2016		2015				
Land	\$	597,495	\$	597,495	\$	21,994	\$	21,994	\$	619,489	\$	619,489	\$	-	0%	
Buildings and improvements		4,105,385		4,268,052		241,141		481,822		4,346,526		4,749,874		(403, 348)	-8.49%	
Equipment		1,667,817		1,925,416		228,384		266,185		1,896,201		2,191,601		(295,400)	-13.48%	
Infrastructure		11,991,229		11,212,688		14,238,684	_	14,654,108		26,229,913	_	25,866,796	_	363,117	1.40%	
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Totals	<u>s</u> _	18.361.926	<u>s</u>	18.003.651	\$	14.730.203	5	15.424.109	5	33.092.129	5	33,427,760	5	(335,631)	-1.00%	

 $\label{eq:Additional information about the City's capital assets can be found in \ensuremath{\text{\textbf{N}}}\xspace on \ensuremath{\text{\textbf{o}}}\xspace to \ensuremath{\text{o}}\xspace to \ensuremath{\text{\textbf{o}}}\xspace to \ensuremath{\text$

Debt

At year-end, the City had \$17,648,275 in bonds, notes, and leases outstanding compared to \$18,865,891 last year - a decrease of \$1,217,616.

													Increase	Percentage
		Governmen	tal /	Activities	Business-type Activities				To	tals		(Decrease)	Change
		2016		2015		2016	2015		2016		2015			
General Obligation Bonds	\$	16,673,000	\$	12,413,000	\$	- \$	•	\$	16,673,000	\$	12,413,000	\$	4,260,000	34.32%
Limited & Special Obligation Bonds				-		210,000	5,435,000		210,000		5,435,000		(5,645,000)	-103.86%
Other Loans				-		-	-		-		-			NA
Capital Leases	_	765,275	_	1,017,891	_	<u> </u>		_	765,275	_	1,017,891	_	(252,616)	-24.82%
Totals	<u>"s</u>	17,438,275	\$_	13,430,891	<u>"\$</u>	210,000 '\$	5,435,000	\$	17,648,275	\$_	18,865,891	\$	(1,637,616)	-8.68%

The city refunded its 2006 and its 2007 Water and Sewer revenue bonds with GO debt. More detailed information about the City's long-term liabilities is is presented in Note 6 to the financial statements.

Not included above but reported as long-term debt in the financial statements is the accumulated employee leave time that would be paid as employees take leave or retire. Under GAAP reporting, this liability must be reported as a compensated absence at year-end, due to contract language to the effect that the employee has "earned" this compensation and thus is "owed" to them.

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ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The City's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal-year 2017 budget, tax rates, and fees that will be charged for the business-type activities. In an effort to maximize City efficiency and fiscal responsibility, the City Board did not increase tax rates for 2017.

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, creditors and investors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it received. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Mayor and City Clerk at 102 West 8th Avenue, Petal, MS 39465.

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CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF NET POSTION SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit A

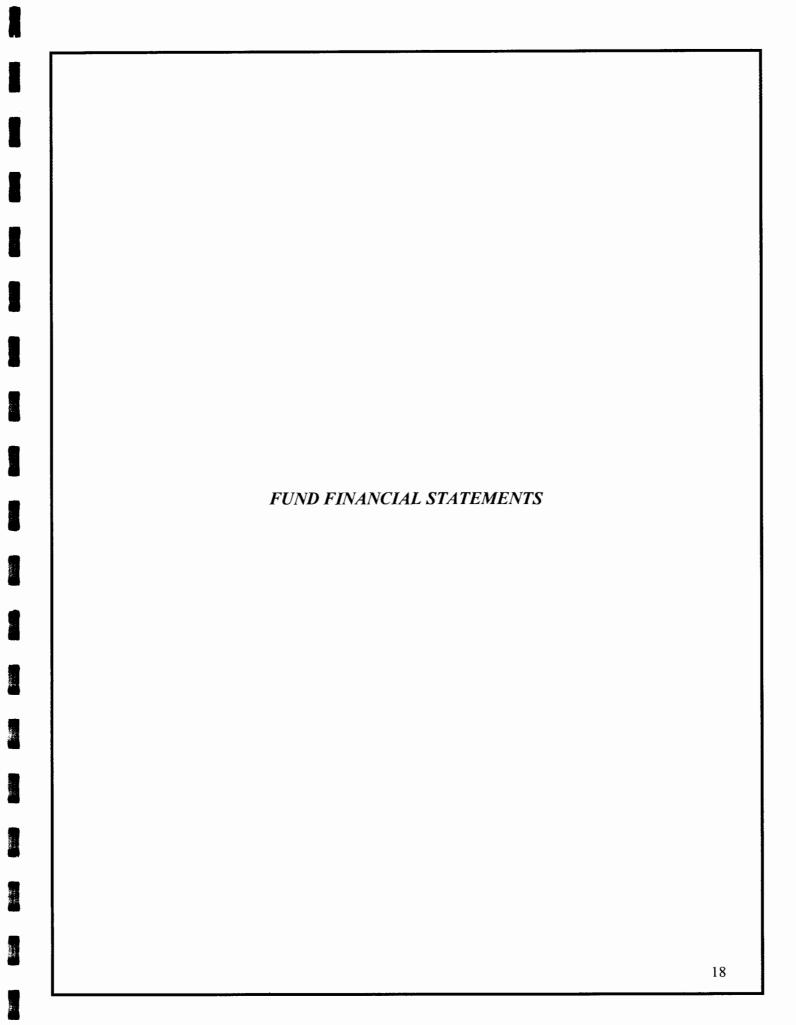
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,309,911	\$ 1,324,627	\$ 5,634,538
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles	4,659,777	75,070	4,734,847
Due from other funds	72,504	161,111	233,615
Unbilled revenue	-	319,207	319,207
Inventory, at cost	-	10,431	10,431
Prepaid items	44,368	-	44,368
Restricted Assets			
Cash Bond Reserves	-	129,150	129,150
Customer deposits	-	287,684	287,684
Land	597,495	21,993	619,488
Capital assets, net	17,765,015	14,708,210	32,473,225
Capitalized interest and bond costs (net)	139,272	-	139,272
Total Assets	27,588,342	17,037,483	44,625,825
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows related to pensions	1,172,682	128,066	1,300,748
Unamortized amount on debt refunding	317,059	-	317,059
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	1.489,741	128,066	1,617,807
LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS			
Accounts Payable	235,284	182,745	418,029
Due to other funds	174,675	64,839	239,514
Other payables	33,391	21,102	54,493
Customer deposits	-	247,510	247,510
Accrued interest	113,117	-	113,117
Compensated absences	53,300	6,047	59,347
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Net pension liability	9.032,047	970,952	10,002,999
Debt due within one year	1,150,279	210,000	1,360,279
Debt due in more than one year	16,287,996		16,287,996
Total Liabilities	27,080,089	1,703,195	28,783,284
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows related to pensions	22,628	3,953	26,581
Property taxes levied for subsequent year	4,196,470		4,196,470
Total Deferred Inflow of Resources	4,219,098	3,953	4,223,051
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	1,380,566	14,520,203	15,900,769
Restricted for debt covenants	-	129,150	129,150
Unrestricted	(3,601,670)	809,048	(2,792,622)
Total Net Position	\$ (2,221,104)	\$ 15,458,401	\$ 13,237,297

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit B

			Program I	Reven	ues						ense) Revenue es in Net Posit		
Functions/Programs	Expen	ises	Charges for Services	Gr	perating ants and tributions	Gra	Capital ints and tributions		overnmental Activities		siness-type Activities		Total
Governmental activities:													
General government		04,622	\$ -	\$	8,100	\$		\$	(796,522)			\$	(796,522)
Court		80,881	263,424		-		•		(17,457)				(17,457)
Public safety		03,881	-		91,648		-		(3,612,233)				(3,612,233)
Public works		41,062	83,420		300,079		652,603		(304,960)				(304,960)
Culture & recreation	8	99,808	82,549		-		-		(817,259)				(817,259)
Pension expense		22,660	-		-		-		(1,622,660)				(1,622,660)
Interest/other charges on long-term debt	5	69,486			<u> </u>			_	(569,486)			_	(569,486)
Total governmental activities	9,2	22,400	429,393		399,827		652,603	_	(7,740,577)			_	(7,740,577)
Bus iness-type activities													
Water & Sewer	2,4	96,080	3,146,013		-		-			\$	649,933		649,933
Solid Waste	7	84,914	811,254		-						26,340		26,340
Pension expense	1	60,045			-						(160,045)	_	(160,045)
Total business-type activities	3,4	41,039	3,957,267		-						516,228		516,228
Total	\$ 12,6	63,439	\$ 4,386,660	\$	399,827	<u>\$</u>	652,603	_	(7,740,577)		516,228	_	(7,224,349)
	General	revenues:											
	Рторе	rty taxes							4,517,421		-		4,517,421
	Sales	taxes							2,506,377		-		2,506,377
	Francl	nise taxes	and privilege li	enses	5				513,160		-		513,160
	Trans	fers							(4,305,956)		4,307,554		1,598
	Unres	tricted inv	estment earnin	gs					460		898		1,358
	Other								132,511		-		132,511
	Gain/l	oss on sa	le of assets					_	(20,184)		(104,444)	_	(124,628)
	Tot	al general	revenues					_	3,343,789	_	4,204,008	_	7,547,797
	C	hange in 1	net positon						(4,396,788)		4,720,236		323,448
	Net posi	tion - beg	inning					_	2,175,684	_	10,738,165	_	12,913,849
	Net posi	ition - end	ing					\$	(2,221,104)	\$	15,458,401	\$	13,237,297



CITY OF PETAL BALANCE SHEET-GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit C

	Ge	neral Fund	M	Road faintenance Fund	Go	Other vernmental Funds		Governmental Funds
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS					_			4.050.004
Cash and other deposits	\$	3,369,046	\$	331,882	\$	558,096	\$	4,259,024
Franchise fees receivable		136,539		-		-		136,539
Fines receivable, net of \$1,960,000		41,683		-		-		41,683
Due from other governments		238,619		-		-		238,619
Property taxes levied for subsequent year		3,650,000				546,470		4,196,470
Prepaid Insurance		44,368				-		44,368
Due from other funds		72,504		-		-		72,504
Other receivables		45,812	_	4		651		46,467
Total Assets	\$	7,598,570	\$	331,886	<u>\$</u>	1,105,217	<u>\$</u>	9,035,673
LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS								
Accounts payable	\$	187,871	\$	41,028	\$	6,209	\$	235,108
Other payables	•	306			-	530	-	836
Insurance payable		32,407		-		_		32,407
Due to other funds		167,210		-		2,758		169,968
		ALL STATE OF THE S				 		
Total Liabilities		387,794	_	41,028		9,497		438,319
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Revenues not available - court fines		41,683		-		-		41,683
Property taxes levied for subsequent year		3,650,000		-		546,470		4,196,470
		3,691,683				546,470		4,238,153
FUND BALANCES:								
Restricted for bond Assigned, reported in		-		-		482,238		482,238
Special revenue funds		_		290,858		66,460		357,318
Capital projects funds		_				552		552
Unassigned, reported in								
General fund		3,519,093	_			<u>-</u>		3,519,093
Total fund balances		3,519,093	_	290,858		549,250		4,359,201
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources								
and fund balances	\$	7,598,570	\$_	331,886	\$	1,105,217	\$	9,035,673

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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CITY OF PETAL RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit C-1

Total Fund Balance-Governmental Funds (Exhibit C)	\$	4,359,201
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation of \$10,556,787		18,361,926
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures, and, therefore, are deferred in the funds		41,683
Bond issuance costs are deferred in the Statement of Net Assets		
and amortized over the term of the bonds		139,272
Other long-term liabilities, including net pension liability, are not due and payable in the current periond and, therefore, are not reported in the funds		
Net Pension liability		(9,032,047)
Compensated absences		(53,300)
Accrued interest expense		(113,117)
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources are applicable to future periods and, therefore are not reported in the funds:		
Unamortized amount on debt refunding		317,059
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions		1,172,682
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions		(22,628)
Long-term debt, including bonds payable are not due and		
payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(17,438,275)
Net position from Internal Service Fund (Exhibit E)	_	46,440
Total Net Position-Governmental Activities (Exhibit A)	\$	(2,221,104)

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit D

	Ger	neral Fund	Road	Maintenance Fund	Gov	Other vernmental Funds	Total	Governmental Funds
REVENUES:	\$	3,823,097	\$		\$	604 324	\$	4 517 421
Property taxes Licenses and fees	Э	513,160	Ъ	-	Э	694,324	•	4,517,421 513,160
Intergovernmental revenue		2,545,874		939,046		73,887		3,558,807
Charges for services		430,393		939,040		73,867		430,393
Earnings on investments		253		46		161		460
Other		82,583		23,712		26,216		132,511
TOTAL REVENUE		7,395,360		962,804		794,588		9,152,752
EXPENDITURES		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						
General government		800,554		_		_		800,554
Court		297,036		_		_		297,036
Public safety		3,817,499		_		69,731		3,887,230
Public works		893,012		1,233,102		-		2,126,114
Culture & recreation		776,584		-		20,164		796,748
Debt service		,		-		,		, ,
Principal		327,231		-		578,385		905,616
Interest		44,661		-		428,822		473,483
Other				-		6,347		6,347
Total expenditures		6,956,577		1,233,102		1,103,449		9,293,128
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over expenditures		438,783		(270,298)		(308,861)		(140,376)
Other financing sources (uses):								
Transfers in		157,601		-		324,946		482,547
Transfers out		-		-		(4,790,101)		(4,790,101)
Proceeds from capital lease		-				28,000		28,000
Proceeds from refunding bonds		-				4,885,000		4,885,000
Debt issuance costs		-				(135,000)		(135,000)
Sale of capital assets		39,193		<u>-</u>		-		39,193
Total other financing sources (uses)		196,794				312,845		509,639
Net change in fund balance		635,577		(270,298)		3,984		369,263
Fund Balances - Beginning		2,883,516		561,156		545,266		3,989,938
Fund Balances - Ending	\$	3,519,093	\$	290,858	\$	549,250	\$	4,359,201

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit D-1

Amounts reported for governmental activities in	the statement of activities are different because:
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different occause.	
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit D)	\$ 369,263
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlats exceeded depreciation.	1 271 242
Capital Outlay Depreciation	1,271,342 (853,690)
In the statement of activities, only the gain/loss on sale of sale of assets is reported, while in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increases financial resources. Thus, the change in net assets differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the assets sold.	(59,377)
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds,	
but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the	
repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. This is the amount that debt proceeds exceeded debt payments in the current period.	
Debt proceeds	(4,913,000)
Debt payments	905,616
Governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities.	
This is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	
Amortization of debt issuance cost	(44,404)
Amortization of premium debt refunding	114,638
Debt issuance cost on refunding	20,361
Fine revenue recognized using the full accrual basis of accounting in the Statement of Activities	
do not provide current financial resources and are not reported as revenue in the funds.	(1,000)
Some averages reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current	
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
Compensated absences	(7,299)
Accrued interest	(88,058)
Some items reported in the statement of activities relating to the implementation of GASB 68 are not reported in the governmental funds.	
Recording of pension expense for the current period	(1,622,660)
Recording of contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	506,200
A mortization of deferred outflow of resources	-
Internal consists fund in used by the City to above the sector of account	
Internal service fund is used by the City to charge the costs of auto and	
equipment maintenance to individual funds. The net revenue (cost) of the internal service fund is reported with governmental activities.	5,280
service fund is reported with governmental activities.	 3,280

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ (4,396,788)

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit E

EXHIBIT E	Buciness tyn	e Activities - Entern	orice funds	Internal Service
		Business-type Activities - Enterprise		Central
	Water and	Solid	Totale	
	Sewer Fund	Waste Fund	Totals	Fueling Station
ASSETS	C 1 227 751	6 96 976	s 1 224 627	£ 50.007
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,237,751	\$ 86,876	\$ 1,324,627	\$ 50,887
Customer receivables, net of allowance	47,210	6,839	54,049	-
Due from other funds	255,538	161,111 63,669	I61,111 319,207	-
Unbilled revenue	,	3,845	21,021	-
Other receivables	17,176 10,431	3,643	10,431	•
Inventory, at cost	10,431	-	10,431	-
Restricted Assets Cash Bond Reserves	129,150		129,150	
	287,684	-	287,684	-
Customer deposits Land	,	-	21,993	-
	21,993 14,658,812	49,398	14,708,210	584
Capital assets, net				
Total Assets	16,665,745	371,738	17,037,483	51,471
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES				
Deferred outflows related to pensions	128,066		128,066	
Total deferred outflow of resources	128,066		128,066	_
				-
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$ 64,265	\$ 118,480	\$ 182,745	\$ 176
Other payables	15,734	5,368	21,102	148
Due to other funds	64,839	-	64,839	4,707
Customer deposits	247,510	-	247,510	-
Compensated absences	6,047	-	6,047	-
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Net pension liability	970,952	-	970,952	-
Capital related debt due within one year	210,000		210,000	
Total Liabilities	1,579,347	123,848	1,703,195	5,031
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES				
Deferred inflows related to pensions	3,953	_	3,953	-
Total deferred inflow of resources	3,953	-	3,953	
Total deferred liftlow of resources				
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	14,470,805	49,398	14,520,203	584
Restricted for debt covenants	129,150	-	129,150	-
Unrestricted	610,556	198,492	809,048	45,856
Total Net Position	15,210,511	247,890	15,458,401	46,440
Total Not Losinoil	13,210,311	277,070	15,750,701	

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit F

EXHIUIT	Rusiness-tyne	Activities - Enter	n ri se funds	Internal Service
			prise rands	Central
	Water and	Solid	Tatala	
	Sewer Fund	Waste Fund	Totals	Fueling Station
Operating revenues:				
Sales	\$ 2,392,483	\$ 811,249	\$ 3,203,732	\$ 59,656
Other fees and charges	86,361	-	86,361	-
Other revenue	120,654	5	120,659	-
Sewer treatment charges	546,515		546,515	
	3,146,013	811,254	3,957,267	59,656
Operating expenses:				
Personnel services	406,388	-	406,388	-
Supplies and materials	210,625	-	210,625	49,916
Other services and charges	1,113,724	767,359	1,881,083	4,460
Capital outlay expenses	201,012	-	201,012	-
Pension expense	160,045	-	160,045	-
Depreciation and amortization	459,704	6,183	465,887	-
Bad debt expense	79,837	11,372	91,209	_
Total operating expenses	2,631,335	784,914	3,416,249	54,376
Operating income (loss)	514,678	26,340	541,018	5,280
Other sources (uses)				
Investment earnings	827	71	898	-
Transfer from other funds	4,750,000	-	4,750,000	
Transfer to other funds	(442,446)	-	(442,446)	-
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	(104,444)	-	(104,444)	-
Interest expense	(24,790)		(24,790)	
	4,179,147	71	4,179,218	
Change in net position	4,693,825	26,411	4,720,236	5,280
Total net position - beginning	10,516,686	221,479	10,738,165	41,160
Prior Period Adjustment				
Total net position - beginning as restated	10,516,686	221,479	10,738,165	41,160
Total net position - ending	<u>\$ 15,210,511</u>	\$ 247,890	\$ 15,458,401	\$ 46,440

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit G

Exhibit G	Water and Sewer Fund	Solid Waste Fund	Totals
Cash flow from operating activities:			
Cash received from customers (excluding deposit)	\$ 3,226,415	\$ 686,824	\$ 3,913,239
Cash paid to suppliers	(1,525,448)	(767,032)	(2,292,480)
Cash paid to employees	(459,899)		(459,899)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	1,241,068	(80,208)	1,160,860
Cash flow from noncapital financing activities:			
Transfer from other funds	4,750,000	-	4,750,000
Transfer to other funds	(442,446)	-	(442,446)
Principal paid on refunding bonds	(4,750,000)	-	(4,750,000)
Other refinancing costs	(52,244)		(52,244)
Net cash flows provided (used) by noncapital			
financing activities	(494,690)		(494,690)
Cash flow from capital financing activities:			
Principal paid on bonds	(475,000)	-	(475,000)
Interest paid	(146,903)		(146,903)
Net cash flows provided (used) by capital			
financing activities	(621,903)		(621,903)
Cash flow from investing activities:			
Proceeds from sale of assets	123,575	-	123,575
Interest received	827	71	898
Net cash flows provided (used) by investing activities	124,402	71	124,473
Net increase (decrease) in cash for the year	248,877	(80,137)	168,740
Cash and restricted cash - October 1, 2015	1,405,708	167,013	1,572,721
Cash and restricted cash - September 30, 2016	\$ 1,654,585	\$ 86,876	\$ 1,741,461

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Exhibit G (continued)

RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES

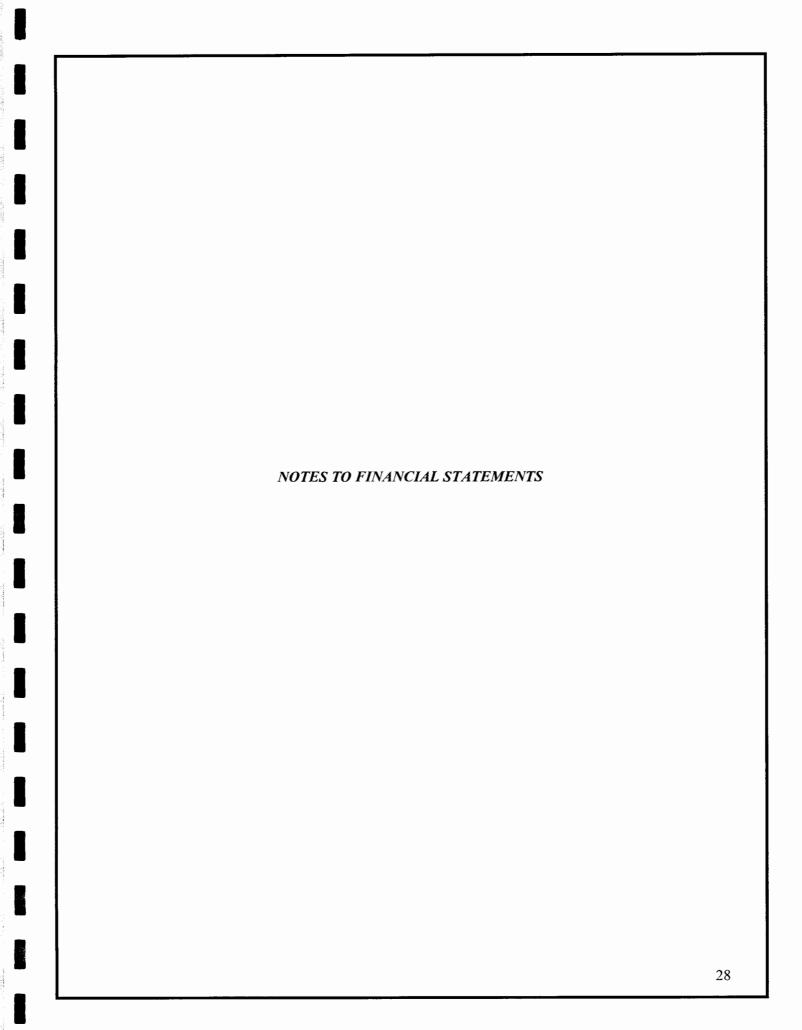
	Water and Sewer Fun			Totals
Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income	\$ 514,6	\$ 26,340	\$	541,018
to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Pension expense	160,0	45 -		160,045
Depreciation	459,7	6,183		465,887
Bad debt expense	79,8	337 11,372		91,209
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(43,6	(17,980)		(61,615)
(Increase) decrease in other assets	43,1	96 (224,603)		(181,407)
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities	67,6	34 -		67,634
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(40,3	91) 118,480		78,089
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 1,241,0	<u>\$ (80,208)</u>	<u>\$</u>	1,160,860
Other Required Disclosures:				
Interest paid	\$ 146,9	903 \$ -		

CITY OF PETAL STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FIDUCIARY FUND **SEPTEMBER 30, 2016**

Exhibit H

	Agency Funds
ASSETS Cash Due from other funds Other receivable	\$ 4 6,099
Total Assets	\$ 6,103
LIABILITIES Other liability Due to other funds	\$ 6,103
Total Liabilities	\$ 6,103

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NOTE 1- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The City of Petal, Mississippi (the City) was incorporated in 1974. The City operates under Mayor -Alderman Form of government and provides the following services:

- Public Safety
- Public Works
- Health and Welfare
- Culture and Recreation
- General Administration
- Judicial
- Water and Sewer Utility
- Solid Waste Collection

A. Reporting Entity

The City of Petal is a municipal corporation governed by an elected mayor and five-member council. The accompanying financial statements present the government and its blended component unit, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations.

Blended component unit.

The Petal Public Improvement Corporation is a tax exempt entity formed to finance the construction of a multi-purpose center to be leased to the City and to fund other city improvements. The Board of Directors of Petal Public Improvement Corporation is composed of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Petal. The Petal Public Improvement Corporation is reported as a governmental fund.

Excluded from the reporting entity.

The City's financial reporting entity does not include the following entities, which are not component units of the City: Petal Municipal School District, Pine Belt Regional Waste Authority, Petal Volunteer Fire Department, and Petal Police Auxiliary.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

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

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

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

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis Of Accounting, And Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources* measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources* measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectable within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – This is the City's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the City, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Road Maintenance Fund</u> – It accounts for paving and improvement of the City's streets and infrastructure. Funds from the County road and bridge tax and a GO bond issue are accounted for in this fund.

All other governmental funds not meeting the criteria established for major funds are presented in the other governmental column of the fund financial statements.

The City reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:

- Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted for specific expenditure purposes.
- <u>Capital Projects Funds</u> are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.
- <u>Debt Service Funds</u> are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS:

 Agency Funds are used to report resources held by the city in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Additionally the City reports the following major proprietary funds:

<u>Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund</u> – This fund accounts for the activities of the City's water and sewer operations.

<u>Solid Waste Disposal</u> – This fund accounts for the activities of the City's solid waste collection and disposal operations.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict the guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the *option* of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to the same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule the effect of inter-fund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu of taxes and other charges between the government's water and sewer function and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connections with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the City's Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund and of the City's Solid Waste Enterprise Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. The City also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

D. Account Classification

The account classifications used in the financial statements conform to the classifications prescribed in the *Financial Accounting Manual for Mississippi Municipalities* issued by the Office of the State Auditor.

E. Encumbrances

An encumbrance system is not maintained to account for commitments resulting from approved purchase orders, work orders or contracts.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

F. Cash And Cash Equivalents

The City deposits excess funds in the financial institutions selected by the board of alderman. State statues specify how these depositories are to be selected.

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with maturities of three months or less from the end of the fiscal year. Cash and cash equivalents are valued at cost.

G. Investments

The city is allowed, by statue, to invest excess funds in any bonds or other direct obligations of the United States of America or the state of Mississippi, or of any county or municipality of this state, when such county or municipal bonds have been properly approved; or in interest-bearing time certificates of deposit or interest-bearing accounts with any financial institution approved for the deposit of state funds; or in any type of investment permitted by sections 27-105-33(d) and 27-105-33(e), Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

For accounting purposes, demand deposits and short-term investments with maturities of three months or less from the end of the fiscal year are classified as cash and cash equivalents and are valued at cost.

H. Receivables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as with "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of inter-fund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of inter-fund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

All trade receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible. Trade accounts receivable in excess of 180 days comprise the trade accounts receivable allowance for uncollectible.

The valuation allowance for the General Fund Police Fines is based on the City's estimation of amounts that cannot be collected.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

I. Deferred Ouflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This represents a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and so is not recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditure/expense) until then. Currently the City has two items in this category, deferred outflows related to pensions and unamortized amount on debt refunding.

In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred inflow of resources. This represents an acquisition of net position that applies to future periods and so is not recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Currently the City has three items in this category, deferred inflows related to pensions, unamortized bond premiums and property taxes levied for the subsequent year.

J. Inventories And Prepaid Items

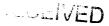
Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid expenses in both governmental and fund financial statements. Prepaid items, such as prepaid insurance, are not reported for governmental fund types since the costs of such items are accounted for as expenditures in the period of acquisition.

K. Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds from the Water and Sewer's enterprise fund revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because they are maintained in separate bank accounts and their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. The "revenue bond contingent" account is used to report resources set aside to subsidize potential deficiencies from the Water and Sewer's operation that could adversely affect debt service payments. The "revenue bond current debt service account" is used to segregate resources accumulated for debt service payments over the next twelve months. The "revenue bond cushion" account is used to report resources set aside to make up potential fund deficiencies in the revenue bond current debt service account. The "revenue bond depreciation" account is used to report resources set aside to fund asset renewals and replacements, as well as to make up potential fund deficiencies in the revenue bond current debt service account.

L. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, drainage systems, and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets, other than infrastructure assets, are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated life in excess of two years. The capitalization threshold for buildings and improvements other than buildings is \$50,000 and \$25,000, respectfully. The government reports infrastructure assets on a network and subsystem basis. Accordingly, the amounts



NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

spent for the construction or acquisition of infrastructure assets are capitalized and reported in the government-wide financial statements regardless of their amount.

In the case of the initial capitalization of general infrastructure assets (i.e., those reported by governmental activities) the City chose to include all such items regardless of the acquisition date or amount. The City was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of these assets through back-trending (i.e., estimating the current replacement cost of the infrastructure to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-level index to deflate the cost to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year). As the City constructs or acquires additional capital assets each period, including infrastructure assets, they are capitalized and reported at historical cost. The reported value excludes normal maintenance and repairs which are essentially amounts spent in relation to capital assets that do not increase the capacity or efficiency of the item or extend its useful life beyond the original estimate. In the case of donations, the government values these capital assets at the estimated fair value of the item at the date of its donation.

No interest is capitalized on self-constructed capital assets of business-type activities because not capitalizing interest does not have a material effect on the City's financial statements.

Property, plant, and equipment of the City is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives, with a full year's depreciation expense taken for all purchases and sales of capital assets during the year. Land is not depreciated.

Asset	Years
Buildings	40
Improvements other than buildings	20
Public domain infrastructure (roads)	20
System infrastructure	20
Fire trucks	15
Heavy equipment	10
Furniture and fixtures	7
Vehicles and equipment	5
Computer equipment	3

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

M. Compensated Absences

It is the City's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the City does not have a policy to pay any amounts when employees separate from service with the City. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. The City's full liability in the amount of \$59,347 for accumulated unpaid personal leave is reported as a liability in the City's Statement of Net Position. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

N. Long-Term Liabilities

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of the debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

O. Net Position and Fund Balances

In government-wide financial statements, the difference between the City's total assets and total liabilities represents net position. Net position displays three components: net investment in capital assets; restricted net position (distinguished between major categories of restrictions); and unrestricted net position. Unrestricted net position represent the net position available for future operations.

Governmental fund balances are classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned. Nonspendable fund balance cannot be spent because of its form. Restricted fund balance has limitations imposed by creditors, grantors, or contributors, or by enabling legislation or constitutional provisions. Committed fund balance has a limitation imposed by a formal action of the City Board. Assigned fund balance has a limitation imposed by the intent of the City Board to use for a specific purpose, but is neither restricted nor committed. Unassigned fund balance in the General Fund is the net resources in excess of what can be properly classified in one of the above four categories.

Proprietary fund net assets are classified the same as in the government-wide statements.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the City's policy to use the restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. When unrestricted resources are used, it is the policy of the City that committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts and then unassigned amounts. In both instances, when a proposed expenditure is made with specific balances identified as the source of the funding, that specific fund balance will be used.

P. Property Tax Revenues

Numerous statutes exist under which the Board of Aldermen may levy property taxes. The selection of authorities is made based on the objectives and responsibilities of the City. Restrictions associated with property tax levies vary with the statutory authority. The amount of increase in certain property taxes is limited by state law. Generally, this restriction provides that these tax levies shall produce no more than 110% of the amount which resulted from the assessments of the previous year.

The Board of Aldermen, each year at a meeting on or before September 15th, levies property taxes for the ensuing fiscal year which begins October 1. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien as of the date of levy. Taxes on motor vehicles and mobile homes become a lien and are due in the month that coincides with the month of original purchase.

U. S. generally accepted accounting practices require property taxes to be recognized at the levy date if measurable and available. All property taxes are recorded as a receivable in the period levied but are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Motor vehicle and motor home taxes do not meet the measurability and collectibility criteria for property tax recognition because the lien and due date cannot be established until the date of original purchase occurs.

Section 35-57-1 et seq., Mississippi Code 1972, requires that the City levy and collect all taxes for and on behalf of the municipal separate school district. Section 39-3-7, Mississippi Code 1972, authorized the City to levy and collect a tax not in excess of three mills for the support of any public library system located within the municipality. Ad valorem taxes collected and settled in accordance with the above-noted statutory authorities are not recognized as revenues and expenditures of the City.

The City of Petal entered into an inter-local agreement with Forrest County contracting for the County to bill and collect the City's taxes. The County retains a 5% collection fee on automobile and mobile homes ad valorem and a 0.5% fee for real and personal property ad valorem collections. Lien dates for personal and real property are in August. Delinquent tax payments, received throughout the year, are recognized as revenue in the year received. The millage rates levied were:

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont)

		<u>2016</u>
City of Petal		
General Fund		39.37
GO Bond Refunding		2.10
5.0 M GO Bond Debt Service		3.79
Library		0.949
	Total City Mills	46.209
Petal Municipal Separate School	District	
District Maintenance		55.00
School Building Program		4.56
School Limited Tax Note		<u>2.46</u>
	Total School District Mills	<u>62.02</u>

Q. Budgets And Budgetary Accounting

The annual budget is adopted by the Board of Aldermen and filed with the taxing authority. Amendments can be made on the approval of the Board of Aldermen. By Statute, the final budget and tax levy must be adopted on or before September 15 for the following fiscal year.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Mississippi laws require that municipalities budget governmental fund types on a modified-cash basis. Claims that have been incurred prior to the end of the year and that are paid within 30 days are recorded under the modified accrual basis. Prior year claims that are paid after 30 days revert to the cash basis. All revenue is accounted for under the cash basis. The required budgetary basis is therefore not considered a generally accepted accounting principal.

Proprietary funds are budgeted on a modified accrual basis. Modifications to the accrual basis include budgeting for capital expenditures, debt principal payments and for depreciation.

R. Use of Estimates

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

NOTE 2- CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and Cash Equivalents.

The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits.

In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

The carrying amount of the City's deposits with financial institutions was \$6,051,372, and the bank balance was \$6,431,166.

Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits. Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the city will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The city does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk. However, the Mississippi State Treasurer manages that risk on behalf of the City. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institutions trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the town.

NOTE 3- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND ALLOWANCE ACCOUNT

Receivables as of the year end for the City's individual major funds and non-major funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

				Other	Wat	er & Sewer	So	lid Waste		
		General	Go	vernmental	E	nterprise	_Eı	nterprise		Total
Receivables:										
Accounts	\$	136,539	\$	-	\$	667,276	\$	147,745	\$	951,560
Court Fine Receivable		2,001,683		-		-		-		2,001,683
Other Receivable		45,812		651		17,176		3,845		67,484
Property Tax Receivable		3,650,000		546,470		-		-		4,196,470
Intergovernmental		238,619		-				_		238,619
Gross Receivables		6,072,653		547,121		684,452		151,590		7,455,816
Less: allowance for uncollectables	_	(1,960,000)		-		(620,066)	_	(140,906)	_	(2,720,972)
Total net receivables	\$	4,112,653	\$	547,121	\$	64,386	\$_	10,684	\$	4,734,844

NOTE 3- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND ALLOWANCE ACCOUNT (cont)

In addition, deferred inflows of resources, which are related to the receivables, consisted of the following at September 30.

		(Other	Water &	Sewer	Solid	Waste	
	 General	Gove	ernmental	Enterp	rise	Ente	erprise	 Total
Property taxes levied for use								
in the subsequent year	\$ 3,650,000	\$	546,470	\$		\$		\$ 4,196,470

NOTE 4- INTER-FUND TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

Timing differences between the payments of expenses and collection of revenues for other funds and the subsequent reimbursements are reflected in the inter-fund accounts.

Transfers are used to 1) move revenues from the fund with collection authorization to the debt service fund as debt service principal and interest payments become due, 2) move restrictive amounts from borrowings to the debt service fund to establish mandatory reserve accounts, 3) move unrestricted general fund revenues to finance various programs that the government must account for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations, including amounts provided as subsidies or matching funds for various grant programs, 4) move proceeds from general obligation bond issue to payoff revenue bonds.

Transfers In/Out:		м,
Transfers In	Transfers Out:	Amount
General fund	Water and Sewer Fund Nonmajor Governmental Funds	117,500 40,101 \$ 157,601
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Water and Sewer Fund	\$ 324,946
Water and Sewer Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	\$ 4,750,000

NOTE 5- CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for governmental activities:

	Balance				Balance
Governmental Activities	10/1/2015	Adjustments	Additions	Deletions	9/30/2016
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
	\$ 597,495		-	-	597,495
Construction in Progress					
Total assets not being depreciated	597,495			-	597,495
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings	3,319,192	-	-	-	3,319,192
Improvements other than buildings	2,675,245	-	-	-	2,675,245
Equipment:	-				-
Office & Other Equipment	307,940	-	•	-	307,940
Motor vehicles	2,100,349		22,500	248,916	1,873,933
Operating Equipment	1,664,594	-	-	98,604	1,565,990
Infrastructure	17,330,076	-	1,248,842		18,578,918
Total assets being depreciated	27,397,396	-	1,271,342	347,520	28,321,218
Totals at historical cost	27,994,891	-	1,271,342	347,520	28,918,713
Less accumulated depreciation					
Buildings	(797,097)	-	(63,792)		(860,889)
Improvements other than buildings	(929,288)	-	(98,875)	-	(1,028,163)
Equipment:					
Office & Other Equipment	(144,464)	-	(16,725)	-	(161,189)
Motor vehicles	(1,308,951)	-	(91,165)	(209,486)	(1,190,630)
Operating Equipment	(694,052)	-	(112,832)	(78,657)	(728,227)
Infrastructure	(6,117,388)	•	(470,301)		(6,587,689)
Total accumulated depreciation	(9,991,240)	-	(853,690)	(288,143)	(10,556,787)
	18,003,651	-	417,652	59,377	18,361,926
Central Fueling Station:					
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Vehicles	13,063	-	-	-	13,063
Operating Equipment	9,000		-		9,000
Less accumulated depreciation					
Vehicles	(13,063)	-	-	-	(13,063)
Operating Equipment	(8,415)	-	-		(8,415)
Central Fueling Station capital assets, net	585	-	-		585
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 18,004,236	<u>s - </u>	\$ 417,652	\$ 59,377	\$ 18,362,511

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	D	epreciation
General government	\$	6,932
Public Safety		166,758
Public Works, which includes the depreciation of general infrastructure assets		515,908
Culture and Recreation		164,092
Total governmental activities depreciation expense	\$	853,690

NOTE 5- CAPITAL ASSETS (cont)

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for business-type activities:

		Balance				Balance
Business-type Activities		10/1/2015	Adjustments	Additions	Deletions	9/30/2016
Capital assets not being depreciated:	_					
Land and easements	\$	21,994		-	-	21,994
Construction in Progress		-				
Total assets not being depreciated		21,994	-	-	-	21,994
Capital assets being depreciated:	_					
Buildings		677,486		-	360,980	316,506
Improvements other than buildings		1,901		-	-	1,901
Office Furniture/Equipment		4,000		-	-	4,000
Water/Sewer systems		27,026,135	-	-	-	27,026,135
Vehicles		211,864		-	-	211,864
Operating Equipment		587,604	-	-		587,604
Total assets being depreciated	_	28,508,990	-	-	360,980	28,148,010
Totals at historical cost	_	28,530,984	-	-	360,980	28,170,004
Less accumulated depreciation	_					
Buildings		(195,664)	-	(12,662)	(132,961)	(75,365)
Improvements other than buildings		(1,901)	-	-		(1,901)
Office Furniture/Equipment		(3,600)	-	-	-	(3,600)
Water/Sewer systems		(12,378,032)	-	(415,113)		(12,793,145)
Vehicles		(160,385)	-	(12,763)	-	(173,148)
Operating Equipment		(422,874)	-	(19,166)	-	(442,040)
Total accumulated depreciation	-	(13,162,456)	-	(459,704)	(132,961)	(13,489,199)
Water and Sewer capital assets, net	_	15,368,528	-	(459,704)	228,019	14,680,805
Solid Waste:	_					
Capital assets being depreciated:						
Infrastructure		8,896	-	-	-	8,896
Operating Equipment		122,869	-	-	-	122,869
Vehicles		54,221				54,221
Total assets being depreciated		185,986		-	-	185,986
Less accumulated depreciation	_					
Infrastructure		(2,891)	-	(311)		(3,202)
Operating Equipment		(108,948)	-	(449)	-	(109,397)
Vehicles		(18,566)		(5,423)		(23,989)
Total accumulated depreciation	_	(130,405)		(6,183)	-	(136,588)
Solid Waste capital assets, net	_	55,581		(6,183)		49,398
Total Business-type activities	•	\$ 15,424,109	\$ -	\$ (465,887)	\$ 228,019	\$ 14,730,203

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NOTE 6- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and other obligations for governmental activities:

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS		Balance 10/1/2015		<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>		Balance 9/30/2016		Amount Due Within One <u>Year</u>
\$5.0M G.O. Bonds, series 2006 refunded and defeased amount	\$	235,000	\$	-	\$	(235,000)	\$	-	\$	-
6.510M GO Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 Refunding Series 2006 & 2007 W&S Bonds 2.5% - 4.0%, matures 7/1/2032	\$	6,510,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,510,000	\$	-
4.885M GO Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 Refunding Series 2006 & 2007 W&S Bonds 2.0% - 4.0%, matures 7/1/2027	\$	-	\$	4,885,000	\$	(25,000)	\$	4,860,000	\$	340,000
3.1M GO Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 2.0% - 3.0%, matures 2026	\$	3,065,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,065,000	\$	265,000
1.0M GO Bonds, Series 2014 2.25%, matures 2024	\$	913,000	\$	-	\$	(90,000)	\$	823,000	\$	93,000
G.O. Refunding Bonds Series 2012 2.00%-2.375%, matures 2024	<u>\$</u> \$	1,690,000 12,413,000	<u>\$</u> \$	4,885,000	<u>\$</u> \$	(275,000) (625,000)		1,415,000 16,673,000	\$	165,000 863,000
CAPITAL LEASES	Ψ	12,410,000	Ψ_	4,000,000	Ψ_	(020,000)	Ψ	10,070,000	Ψ_	000,000
Dispatch Console Lease 2.14%, matures 3/2018, annual payments	\$	78,900	\$	-	\$	(25,740)	\$	53,160	\$	26,296
Radio Lease 2.34%, matures	\$	-	\$	28,000	\$	(5,341)	\$	22,659	\$	5,468
Fire Truck Lease 3.21%, matures 9/17	\$	96,791	\$	-	\$	(47,970)	\$	48,821		48,821
Police Car Lease 1.33%, matures 3/2017	\$	118,038	\$	-	\$	(58,472)	\$	59,566		59,566
Musco Sports Lighting 5.45%, matures 9/12/2021	\$	231,268	\$	-	\$	(33,505)	\$	197,763		35,377
Fire Truck Lease 2.11%, matures 8/12/2020	\$	198,500	\$	-	\$	(38,044)	\$	160,456		38,855
Street Equipment Lease	¢	204.204	•		¢	(74 E 4 4 \	ø	222 052	e	70.000
1.89%, matures 3/15/2019	\$\$	294,394 1,017,891	<u>\$</u> \$	28,000	<u>\$</u> \$	(71,544) (280,616)		222,850 765,275	<u>\$</u> \$	72,896 287,279
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSE DEBT	\$	13,430,891	\$	4,913,000	\$	(905,616)	_	17,438,275	\$	1,150,279
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NOTE 6- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (cont)

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and other obligations for proprietary activities:

REVENUE SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS	<u>:</u>	Balance 10/1/2015		<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>		Balance 9/30/2016
\$8.5M Water & Sew er, Series 2006 7.0%-4.0% interest, matures 2031	\$	2,235,000	\$	-	\$	(2,235,000)	\$	-
\$6.5 M Water & Sew er, Series 2007 5.0%-4.0% interest, matures 2032	\$ \$	3,200,000 5,435,000	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$</u>	(2,990,000) (5,225,000)	<u>\$</u>	210,000 210,000
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITY DEBT	\$	5,435,000	\$		\$	(5,225,000)	\$	210,000

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NOTE 6- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (cont)

Governmental Activities Long-Term Debt

General Obligation Bonds

The City issued G O Bonds, Series 2014 in amount of \$1,000,000 with interest rate of 2.25% to provide funds for the pavement and improvement of streets. General Obligation Bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the City. There are specific property tax allocations levied for retirement of these bonds.

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

\$1.0M G.O. Bonds, Series 2014

	Principle	Interest
2017	93,000	18,518
2018	95,000	16,425
2019	98,000	14,288
2020	101,000	12,083
2021	104,000	9,810
5 year	332,000	15,098
5 year	-	-
5 year	_	-
	823,000	86,220

General Obligation Refunding Bonds

On September 11, 2012, the City issued GO refunding bonds, Series 2012 in amount of \$2,155,000 with interest rate of 2% -2.375% to advance refund \$410,000 of outstanding general obligation bonds series 2001 with interest rates of 5.2% to 5.50% and \$1,545,000 of the total \$1,775,000 outstanding general obligation bonds series 2004 with interest rates of 4.0% to 5.0%.

On February 24, 2015, the City issued GO refunding bonds, Series 2015 in amount of \$3,100,000 with interest rate of 2%-3% to advance refund GO Series 2006. As a result all except \$235,000 of the Series 6, GO Bonds are considered defeased. Debt service requirements for the old debt totals \$4,245,880; debt service for the new debt will be \$3,907,350, resulting in a cash flow savings of \$338,530 and a net present value savings of \$258,030.

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

\$2.155N	IG.O. Refunding Bo	nds, Series 2012	3.1 (30 Refunding Serie	s 2015
	Principle	Interest		Principle	Interest
2017	165,000	29,919	2017	265,000	86,550
2018	170,000	26,619	2018	275,000	45,250
2019	170,000	23,219	2019	280,000	75,750
2020	175,000	19,819	2020	290,000	67,350
2021	180,000	16,319	2021	300,000	58,650
5 year	555,000	25,669	5 year	1,655,000	152,250
5 year	-	-	5 year	-	-
5 year	-	-	5 year		<u>-</u>
	1,415,000	141,563		3,065,000	485,800

NOTE 6- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (cont)

General Obligation Water and Sewer Refunding Bonds

On April 9, 2015, the City issued GO Water and Sewer refunding bonds, Series 2015 in amount of \$6,510,000 with interest rate of 2.5% -4.00% to partially advance refund \$4,707,335 of outstanding water and sewer revenue bonds series 2006 with interest rates of 4.0% to 7.00% and to partially advance refund \$2,230,503 of outstanding water and sewer revenue bonds series 2007 with interest rates of 4.0% to 5.0%. Debt service requirements for the old debt totals \$17,190,690; debt service requirements for the new debt will be \$16,567,562, resulting in a cash flow savings of \$623,128 and a net present value savings of \$347,028. The remainder of the 2006 series and 2007 series water and sewer bonds were refunded February 9, 2016, the City issued GO Water and Sewer refunding bonds, Series 2016 in amount of \$4,885,000 with interest rate of 2% - 3%. Debt service requirements for the old debt totals \$6,730,810; debt service requirements for the new debt will be \$5,706,721, resulting in a cash flow savings of \$1,024,089 and a net present value savings of \$278,713.

The following is a schedule by years of the total bond payments due on these refunding bonds combined:

GO WATER & SEWER REFUNDING BONDS

GO WATER & SEWER REFUNDING BONDS							
		Principle		Interest			
2017		550,000		481,214			
2018		560,000		366,375			
2019		580,000		355,175			
2020		595,000		343,575			
2021		620,000		331,675			
2022-2026		3,115,000		1,188,800			
2027-2031		4,090,000		815,400			
2032-		1,470,000		76,800			
	\$	11,580,000	\$	3,959,014			

NOTE 6- LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (cont)

Capital Leases

The City currently has seven outstanding capital lease obligations. These include separate leases for street equipment, fire truck, police vehicles, police dispatch equipment, lighting for its sport complex, fire truck and radios. These leases vary in length and interest rates.

The following is a schedule by years of the total lease payments due on these leases combined:

Capit	al Leas	es
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	Principle	Interest
2017	287,281	22,348
2018	183,771	15,489
2019	161,377	10,438
2020	88,902	5,805
2021	43,944	2,457
2022	-	-
_\$	765,275 \$	56,537

Business Type Activities Long-Term Debt

The water and sewer revenue bonds series 2006 and series 2007 were partially refunded with general obligation bonds in April 2015. The balance of these revenue bonds was refunded with general obligation bonds in April 2016. These refunding issues remove the liability from the water and sewer fund to the governmental activities. The City plans to meet these general obligations with operating transfers from the water and sewer revenue.

Compensated Absences Payable

As more fully explained in Note 1(P), compensated absences payable is adjusted on an annual basis. Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee's salaries were paid.

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NOTE 7-LIMITATIONS ON INDEBTEDNESS

Presented below is Section 21-33-303 Mississippi Code:

No municipality shall hereafter issue bonds secured by a pledge of its full faith and credit for the purposes authorized by law in an amount which, when added to the then outstanding bonded indebtedness of such municipality, shall exceed either (a) fifteen percent (15%) of the assessed value of the taxable property within such municipality, according to the last completed assessment for taxation, or (b) ten percent (10%) of the assessment upon which taxes were levied for its fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, whichever is greater. In computing such indebtedness, there may be deducted all bonds or other evidences of indebtedness, heretofore or hereafter issued, for school, water, sewerage systems, gas, and light and power purposes and for the construction of special improvements primarily chargeable to the property benefited, or for the purpose of paying the municipality's proportion of any betterment program, a portion of which is primarily chargeable to the property benefited. However, in no case shall any municipality contract any indebtedness which, when added to all of the outstanding general obligation indebtedness, both bonded and floating shall exceed either (a) twenty percent (20%) of the assessed value of all taxable property within such municipality according to the last completed assessment for taxation or (b) fifteen percent (15%) of the assessment upon which taxes are levied for its fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, whichever is greater. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to contract obligations in any form heretofore or hereafter incurred by any municipality which are subject to annual appropriations therefore, or to bonds heretofore issued by any municipality for school purposes, or to contract obligations in any form heretofore or hereafter incurred by any municipality which are payable exclusively form the revenues of any municipally-owned utility, or to bonds issued by any municipality under the provisions of Section 57-1-1 through 57-1-51 or to any special assessment improvement bonds issued by any municipality under the provisions of Sections 21-41-1 through 21-41-53, or to any indebtedness incurred under Section 55-23-8.

The following is a schedule of limitations on the indebtedness of the City at September 30, 2016

Authorized Debt Limit	15 Percent 20 Percent				
Assessed valuation at fiscal year ended September 30, 2016 (\$101,482,644)	\$ 15,222,397	\$ 20,296,529			
Present debt subject to 15% limitation	(16,673,000)	-			
Present debt subject to 20% limitation including debt subject to 15% limitation		(17,438,275)			
Margin for further debt under respective limits	\$ (1,450,603)	\$ 2,858,254			

NOTE 8-DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description. The City contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Miss. Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201 or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Benefits provided. Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees for the public school districts. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring. Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. Benefits vest upon completion of eight years of membership service (four years of membership service for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2007). PERS also provides certain death and disability benefits. A Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.0 percent of the annual retirement allowance for each full fiscal year of retirement up to the year in which the retired member reaches age 60 (55 for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), with 3.0 percent compounded for each fiscal year thereafter. Plan provisions are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Contributions. PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary, and the City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of September 30, 2016 was 15.75% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members and employers are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The City's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014 were \$556,125, \$551,390 and \$572,426, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

NOTE 8-DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (cont)

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

At September 30, 2016, the City reported a liability of \$10,002,999 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the City's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, the City's proportion was 0.056 percent.

For the year ended September 30, 2016, the City recognized pension expense of \$1,782,705. At September 30, 2016 the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources			red Inflows esources
Differences between expected and acutal experience	\$	198,835	\$	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		542,123		_
Changes of assumptions		336,056		26,581
Differences between ER contributions and proprotionate share of ER contributions		84,703		-
City contributions subsequent to the measurement date		139,031		_
			_	
Total	\$	1,300,748	\$	26,581

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended September 30:

2017 \$ 551,602 2018 480,334 2109 268,183 2020 135,531 \$ 1,435,650

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NOTE 8-DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (cont)

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 3.0 percent

Salary increases 3.75 – 19.00 percent, including inflation

Investment rate of return 7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected with Scale BB to 2016, set forward one year for males.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014. The experience report is dated May 4, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

	<u>Target</u>		Long-Term Expected Real	
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>		Rate of Return	
U.S. Broad	34	%	5.20	%
International Equity	19		5.00	
Emerging Markets Equity	8		5.45	
Fixed Income	20		0.25	
Real Assets	10		4.00	
Private Equity	8		6.15	
Cash	1		(0.50)	
Total	100	%		

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Employer contributions will be made at the current contribution rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75

percent) than the current rate:

NOTE 8-DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (cont)

		Current	
	1% Decrease	Discount	1% Increase
	(6.75%)	Rate (7.75%)	 (8.75%)
City's proportionate share of			
the net pension liability	\$ 12,826,087	\$ 10,002,999	\$ 7,60,750

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial report.

NOTE 9-CONTINGENCIES

Federal Grants

The city has received federal grants for specific purposes that are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Entitlements to these revenues are generally conditioned upon compliance with the terms and conditions of grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, including the expenditure of resources for allowable purposes. Any disallowance resulting from a grantor audit may become a liability of the city. No provision for any liability that may result has been recognized the city's financial statements.

NOTE 10-RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Except as described below, the City carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Participation in Public Entity Risk Pool:

The City participates in the Mississippi Municipal Liability Plan (MMLD), an insurance-purchasing pool. The City, along with other municipalities as a group, purchased insurance to insure against losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceeded the City's insurance coverage since it joined the pool.

The City is a member of the Mississippi Municipal Workers Compensation Group (MMWCG). The group is a risk-sharing pool; such a pool is frequently referred to as a self-insurance pool. MMWCG covers risks of loss arising from injuries to the City's employees. The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission requires that an indemnity agreement be executed by each member in a workers' compensation self-insurance pool for the purpose of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the employers comprising the group to meet the workers' compensation obligations of each member. Each member of the MMWCG contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$250,000.

NOTE 10-RISK MANAGEMENT (cont)

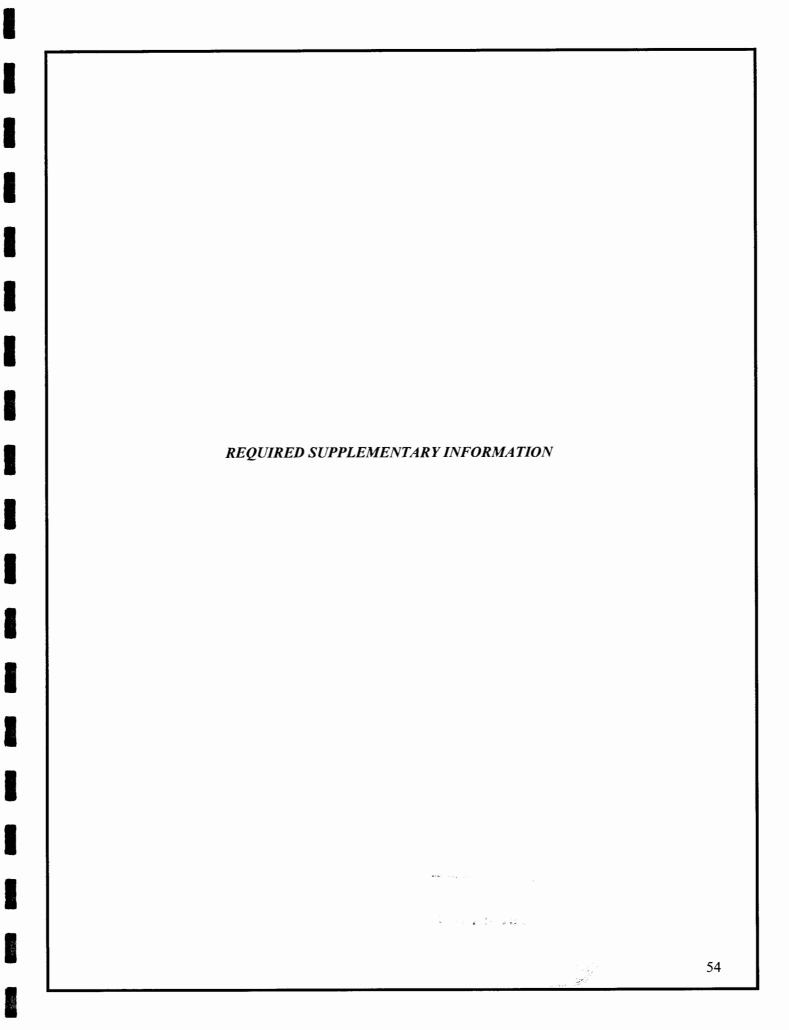
For a claim exceeding \$250,000, MMWCG has insurance, which will pay the excess up to the statutory limit. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the pool members would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The City has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the pool.

NOTE 11-MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPAL COMPLIANCE QUESTIONAIRE

The Mississippi Compliance Questionnaire was completed and entered into the minutes as prescribed by law. A review of the questionnaire revealed that all items were answered yes or not applicable.

NOTE 12 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Events that occur after the Statement of Net Position date but before the financial statements are available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the Statement of Net Position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions which existed after the Statement of Net Position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management of City of Petal evaluated the activity of the City through September 27, 2017 (date financial statements were available) and determined the no subsequent events require disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.



Schedule 1A

CITY OF PETAL BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

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								Positive (Neg	
	Budgeted Amounts				Actual		Original		Final	
		Original		Final	(Budg	getary Basis)	t	o Final	t	o Actual
REVENUES										
Property taxes	\$	3,520,000	\$	3,520,000	\$	3,813,209	\$	_	\$	293,209
License and permits		611,500		611,500		601,161		-		(10,339)
Intergovernmental revenues		2,495,500		2,495,500		2,527,302		-		31,802
Charges for services		103,000		103,000		80,599		-		(22,401)
Fines and forfeitures		285,500		285,500		264,424		-		(21,076)
Other	_	160,200	_	218,700		117,762	_	58,500	_	(100,938)
TOTAL REVENUES	_	7,175,700		7,234,200		7,404,457		58,500	_	170,257
EXPENDITURES										
General Government		765,424		810,424		793,221		(45,000)		17,203
Judicial Department		337,932		337,932		297,036		_		40,896
Police Department		2,062,763		2,080,777		2,112,044		(18,014)		(31,267)
Fire Department		1,720,410		1,734,410		1,674,429		(14,000)		59,981
Building Inspection		240,005		210,005		198,603		30,000		11,402
Street Department		1,177,719		1,201,219		1,087,931		(23,500)		113,288
Recreation		624,796		627,796		619,552		(3,000)		8,244
Senior/Cultural Center		98,115		98,115		88,125		-		9,990
Civic Center		133,210		133,210		122,540		-		10,670
Debt service:		,		,		,				·
Principal		_		_		-		_		-
Interest	_									_
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	7,160,374		7,233,888		6,993,481		(73,514)		240,407
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EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		15,326		312		410,976		(15,014)		410,664
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		_		-		_		-		-
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NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$	15,326	\$	312		410,976	\$	<u>(15,014</u>)	<u>\$</u>	410,664
Adjustments to GAAP Basis										
Revenue Accruais						187,697				
Expense Accruals						36,904				
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - GAAP BASIS						635,577				
FUND BALANCE-BEGINNING						2,883,516				
FUND BALANCE-ENDING					\$	3,519,093				

Schedule 1B

CITY OF PETAL BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

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REVENUES									
Intergovernmental revenues Other	\$	1,100,374	\$	1,100,374	\$ 939,046 23,758	\$	<i>-</i>	\$	(161,328) 23,758
TOTAL REVENUES		1,100,374	_	1,100,374	962,804				(137,570)
EXPENDITURES									
Public Works		1,100,374		1,100,374	1,233,102		<u>.</u>		(132,728)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	1,100,374		1,100,374	1,233,102			_	(132,728)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		-		-	(270,298)				(270,298)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						_		_	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>		\$ (270,298)	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	(270,298)
Adjustments to GAAP Basis Revenue Accruals Expense Accruals									
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - GAAP BASIS					(270,298)				
FUND BALANCE-BEGINNING					561,156				
FUND BALANCE-ENDING					\$ 290,858				

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CITY OF PETAL

Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability PERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	_	2015	2016
City's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	8,656,496	10,002,998
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)		0.056%	0.056%
City's covered - employee payroll		3,500,889	3,530,952
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability			
(asset) as a percentage of its covered - employee			
payroll		247.266%	283.295%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total			
pension liability		61.704%	57.468%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of 6/30 of the year prior to the fiscal year presented.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE 9/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the City has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

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Schedule of the City's Contributions PERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

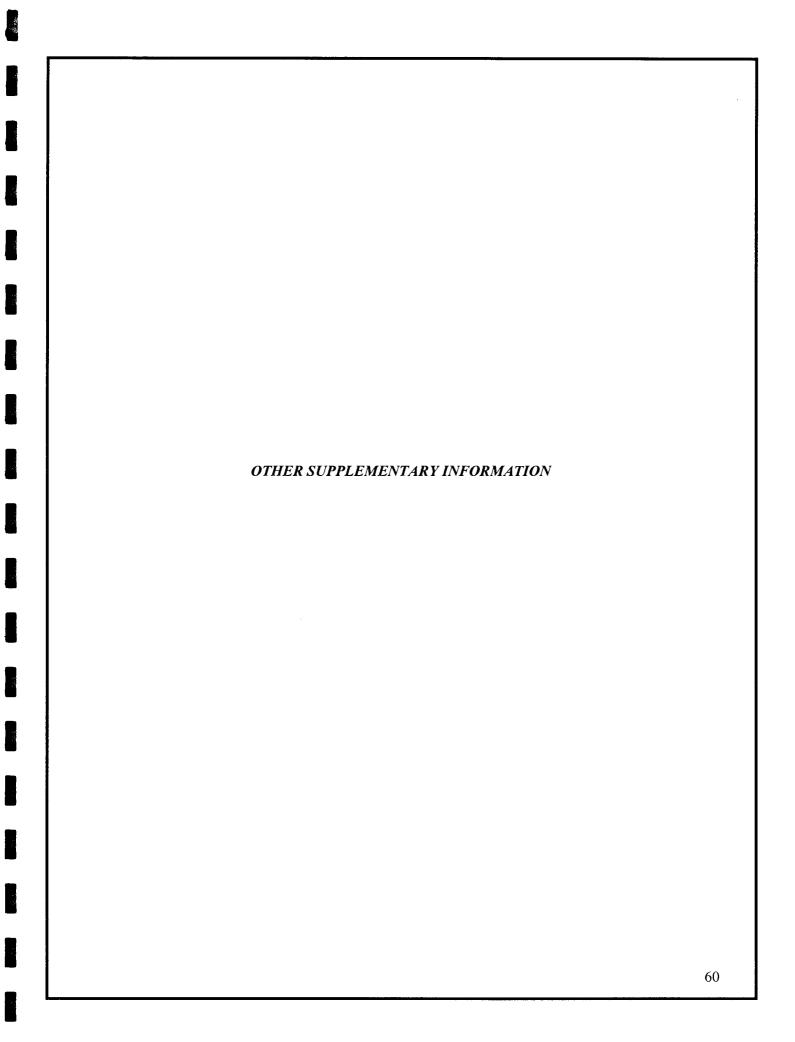
	2015	2016
Contractually required contribution	\$ 551,390	\$ 556,125
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	551,390	556,125
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -
City's covered - employee payroll	3,500,889	3,530,952
Contributions as a percentage of covered- employee payroll	15.75%	15.75%

The schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE 9/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available

CITY OF PETAL NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

- 1) Basis of Presentation. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule presents the original legally adopted budget, the final legally adopted budget, the actual data on the budget basis and variances between the final budget and the actual data.
- 2) The budget is adopted by the Board of Alderman. Amendments can be made of the approval of the Board. A budgetary comparison is presented for the major governmental funds consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America
- 3) Section 21-35-15, Mississippi Code (Ann. 1972) explains that expenditures shall be kept within the budget "except for capital outlay."



CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI SCHEDULE OF SURETY BONDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Presented below is Section 21-17-5 of Mississippi Code

Unless otherwise provided by law, before entering upon the duties of their respective offices, the alderman or councilmen of every municipality of this state shall give bond, with sufficient surety, to be payable, conditioned and approved as provided by law, in a penalty equal to five percent (5%) of the sum of all municipal taxes shown by the assessment tolls and the levies to have been collectible in the municipality for the year immediately preceding the commencement of the term of office of said alderman or councilman; however, such bond shall not exceed the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	Company	<u>Bond</u>
Harold G. Marx, Jr	Mayor	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
David J. Clayton	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
James C. Bullock	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
Anthony T. Ducker	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
Steven Stringer	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
Clint L. Moore	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
William H. King IV	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
Bradely S. Amacker	Alderman	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$100,000
Melissa Martin	City Clerk	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$50,000
Leonard Fuller	Police Chief	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$50,000
Lynn Campfield	Deputy Clerk	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$50,000
Wendy Lampton	Deputy Clerk	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$50,000
Michell Strebeck	Court Clerk	Scott Municipal Insurance	\$50,000
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH MISSISSIPPI STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

September 27, 2017

Honorable Mayor, Board of Aldermen, City Clerk City of Petal, Mississippi

We have audited the basic financial statements of the City of Petal as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated September 27, 2017. We have conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The result of those procedures and our audit of the basic financial statements disclosed following noncompliance with state laws and regulations:

- 1. Analysis of amended budget disclosed material unfavorable variances between final budget and actual expenses and revenue. We recommend that management pays closer attention to budget preparation.
- 2. The City exceeded 15% debt limitation per Section 21-33-303 of Mississippi Code. We recommend that the management refrain from further borrowing until the City is in compliance with debt limitations.

This report is intended for the information of the City's management and the Office of the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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