

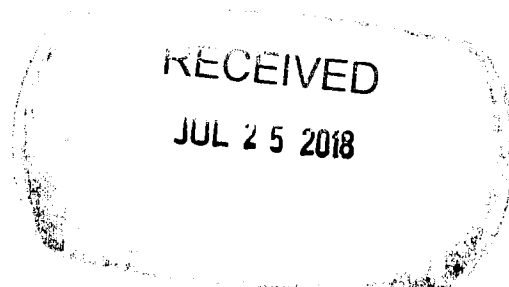


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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Year Ended September 30, 2017



CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
LIST OF CITY OFFICIALS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

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Aldersperson
Aldersperson
Aldersperson

Rossie Creel
Tony Smith
Anne Gendusa Smith
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Kevin L. Tillman, Sr.
Shirley Wiltshire

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

City Clerk and Tax Collector
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Fire Chief
Superintendent
City Attorney

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the
Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund, of the City of Poplarville, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The City of Poplarville, Mississippi's 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit 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

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

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.

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, and each major fund, of the City of Poplarville, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2017, 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 the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 through 11, budgetary comparison information on pages 57 through 64, and pension plan information on pages 65 through 67 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.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Poplarville, Mississippi's basic financial statements. The introductory section, schedule reconciling original ad valorem tax rolls to fund collections (Schedule 4), and schedule of surety bonds for City officials (Schedule 5) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Schedule 4 and Schedule 5 are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, Schedule 4 and Schedule 5 are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 6, 2018 on our consideration of the City of Poplarville, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City of Poplarville, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Topp McWhorter Harvey, PLLC
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
July 6, 2018

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Year Ended September 30, 2017

Introduction

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of the City of Poplarville, Mississippi's (the "City") activities and financial performance provides an introduction to the financial statements of City for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. The information contained in the Management's Discussion and Analysis has been prepared by management and should be considered in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto, which follow this section.

The components of the annual financial report include:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)
- Basic Financial Statements
- Required Supplementary Information (RSI)

The MD&A, a component of RSI, introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.

Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the City exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at September 30, 2017 by \$4,331,213.
- The total net position decreased by \$17,446. Of this amount, an increase of \$59,872 was associated with governmental activities and a decrease of \$77,318 was from business-type activities.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,818,526, an increase of \$435,186 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the governmental funds was \$1,705,444 which would cover approximately six months of expenditures.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The City's basic financial statements are comprised of the following elements:

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

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

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

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the City include general government, court, public safety, highways and streets, public works and culture and recreation. The business-type activities of the City are comprised of water operations.

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, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting not only to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements, but also to help control and manage money for particular purposes or to show it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money. All of the funds of the City can be divided into two categories:

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

The City maintains two individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund and the debt service fund, which are both considered to be major funds.

Proprietary Funds

The City maintains one type of proprietary fund for water operations. Proprietary funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Information for this fund is presented in the statement of net position; the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position; and the statement of cash flows.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to the full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Refer to Note 1 in the financial statements for more detailed information on the elements of the financial statements.

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Government-wide Financial Analysis

Table 1 below presents the City's condensed statement of net position as of September 30, 2017 and 2016, derived from the government-wide Statement of Net Position.

**TABLE 1
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
ASSETS						
Current and other assets	\$ 1,856,428	\$ 1,508,129	\$ 1,281,953	\$ 1,328,850	\$ 3,138,381	\$ 2,836,979
Capital assets, net	3,822,174	4,086,613	1,141,133	1,191,504	4,963,307	5,278,117
Total assets	5,678,602	5,594,742	2,423,086	2,520,354	8,101,688	8,115,096
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred outflows for pensions	180,883	459,994	37,128	115,287	218,011	575,281
LIABILITIES						
Other liabilities	37,902	188,814	145,116	205,869	183,018	394,683
Long-term liabilities	2,826,615	2,976,620	923,659	970,415	3,750,274	3,947,035
Total liabilities	2,864,517	3,165,434	1,068,775	1,176,284	3,933,292	4,341,718
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred inflows for pensions	45,794	-	9,400	-	55,194	-
NET POSITION						
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,756,430	3,989,331	832,175	849,805	4,588,605	4,839,136
Restricted	45,289	46,375	10,608	10,608	55,897	56,983
Assigned	36,996	39,178	-	-	36,996	39,178
Unrestricted	(889,541)	(1,185,582)	539,256	598,944	(350,285)	(586,638)
Total net position	\$ 2,949,174	\$ 2,889,302	\$ 1,382,039	\$ 1,459,357	\$ 4,331,213	\$ 4,348,659

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At September 30, 2017 and 2016, the City's assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$4,331,213 and \$4,348,659, respectively. By far, the largest portion of the City's net position reflects its investment in capital assets, less any related debt used to acquire or construct those assets. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to the citizens and businesses in the City; consequently, these net positions are not available for future spending. A portion of the net position is restricted to comply with debt covenants on water and sewer revenue bonds, funds set aside to cover future unemployment claims against the City, and drug seizure funds remitted to the City to be used to purchase law enforcement equipment. The remaining portion of net position is unrestricted, which can be used to finance government operations.

Total liabilities decreased by \$408,426 due largely to the change in the net pension liability accrual (see Note 8 for details related to the net pension liability). The decrease in net pension liability of \$247,820 is primarily the result of changes to the Plan's actuarial assumptions during this period.

Due to the recording of the net pension liability accrual, governmental activities reflect a deficit fund balance in unrestricted net position of \$889,541 at September 30, 2017. This is a \$296,041 decrease from prior year's deficit balance in unrestricted net position of \$1,185,582.

Business-type activities reflect an unrestricted net position of \$539,256 at September 30, 2017, a decrease of \$59,688 over prior year's restated unrestricted net position of \$598,944.

Table 2 on the next page presents the City's condensed statement of activities for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, as derived from the government-wide Statement of Activities.

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TABLE 2
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
REVENUES						
Program revenues:						
Fees, fines and charges for services	\$ 439,106	\$ 359,334	\$ 689,269	\$ 663,059	\$ 1,128,375	\$ 1,022,393
Operating grants and contributions	29,819	2,836	-	-	29,819	2,836
Capital grants and contributions	-	131,573	-	-	-	131,573
Total program revenues	468,925	493,743	689,269	663,059	1,158,194	1,156,802
General revenues:						
Property taxes	894,673	805,901	-	-	894,673	805,901
Sales taxes	816,582	759,529	-	-	816,582	759,529
Franchise taxes	136,849	138,066	-	-	136,849	138,066
Unrestricted grants and contributions	43,616	28,686	-	-	43,616	28,686
Gain/loss on sale of assets	(22,820)	3,251	-	(401)	(22,820)	2,850
Interest earnings	7,726	4,282	189	189	7,915	4,471
Other	44,651	43,580	-	-	44,651	43,580
Total general revenues	1,921,277	1,783,295	189	(212)	1,921,466	1,783,083
Total revenues	2,390,202	2,277,038	689,458	662,847	3,079,660	2,939,885
PROGRAM EXPENSES						
General government	612,812	389,405	-	-	612,812	389,405
Court	77,020	78,557	-	-	77,020	78,557
Public safety	1,036,614	1,281,239	-	-	1,036,614	1,281,239
Highways and streets	333,258	337,450	-	-	333,258	337,450
Public works	176,125	167,865	-	-	176,125	167,865
Culture and recreation	46,859	44,143	-	-	46,859	44,143
Miscellaneous	40,509	35,898	-	-	40,509	35,898
Interest and fiscal charges	2,196	3,214	-	-	2,196	3,214
Water	-	-	771,713	618,446	771,713	618,446
Total program expenses	2,325,393	2,337,771	771,713	618,446	3,097,106	2,956,217
Changes in net position before transfers	64,809	(60,733)	(82,255)	44,401	(17,446)	(16,332)
Transfers	(4,937)	-	4,937	-	-	-
Change in net position after transfers	59,872	(60,733)	(77,318)	44,401	(17,446)	(16,332)
Net position - beginning, as previously reported	2,889,302	2,917,919	1,459,357	1,361,508	4,348,659	4,279,427
Restatement of due to/from balances	-	32,116	-	53,448	-	85,564
Net position - beginning, as restated	2,889,302	2,950,035	1,459,357	1,414,956	4,348,659	4,364,991
Net Position - ending	\$ 2,949,174	\$ 2,889,302	\$ 1,382,039	\$ 1,459,357	\$ 4,331,213	\$ 4,348,659

Governmental Activities

Governmental activities increased the City's net position by \$59,872 due to an increase in general revenues in combination with decreased expenses.

Business-type Activities

Business-type activities decreased the City's net position by \$77,318.

Financial Analysis of the City's Funds

Governmental Funds

As of the close of the fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$1,818,526.

General Fund - Fund balance at September 30, 2017 totaled \$1,781,530, an increase of \$437,368 during the fiscal year in comparison to a \$132,042 increase in fiscal year 2016. This positive fluctuation in fund balance was attributable to both a moderate increase in total revenues and a decrease in governmental expenditures. Significant changes in revenues and expenses in comparison to fiscal year 2016 are as follows:

- Governmental funds revenues grew in total by a net amount of \$129,704, or 6% primarily due to a \$130,945 (16%) increase in property tax revenues. This increase in revenues closely follows an overall increase of 13% in the City's tax rolls prepared in June 2016 for taxes collected in fiscal year 2017.
- Sales tax revenues increased by \$57,053, or 8% in fiscal year 2017.
- Revenues other than property taxes and sales taxes decreased by a net amount of \$58,294, or 8%, with the largest component of this fluctuation attributable to a decrease in grant funding received in fiscal year 2017.
- In total, governmental expenditures decreased by \$211,387, or 10% from \$2,189,886 in 2016 to \$1,978,499 in 2017. This decrease was primarily attributable to a \$184,992 decrease in capital outlays that had included the \$125,000 purchase of land for the City Square Park in fiscal year 2016.

Debt Service Fund

The debt service fund had a fund balance of \$36,996 at September 30, 2017, which is a decrease of \$2,182 from prior year due primarily to less principal and interest payments on notes payable and capital leases.

Proprietary Fund

The City's proprietary fund, the water fund, reported net position of \$1,382,039, a decrease of \$77,318 during the fiscal year in comparison to a \$97,849 increase in the prior fiscal year, of which \$53,448 was due to a prior period adjustment recorded in fiscal year 2016.

Budget Variances in the General Fund

Budget amendments are summarized below and are primarily related to other services and charges for general and Administrative expenditures for office furniture and equipment, a decrease in outside services for the Police Department. All significant differences in the original budget and the final amended budget are summarized as follows:

- \$34,216 (17%) increase in general administration expenditures primarily attributable to increased professional fees required for software conversion purposes and fees related to the verification of general ledger account balances.
- (\$37,428) (-5%) decrease in police department due to the utilization of a new separate DARE department that occurred during fiscal year 2017.

The City ended the year with an overall positive variance between the budget and actual by \$347,816 due to responsible budget management, increased revenue, and no additional unforeseen expenses that were not budgeted.

Capital Asset and Long-Term Debt Activity

Capital Asset Activity

At September 30, 2017, the City reported \$3,822,174 in net capital assets for governmental activities and \$1,141,133 in capital assets for business-type activities. Major capital asset events during the year included the following:

- The City incurred expenditures of \$34,360 for construction-in-process related to the Public Works Facility building (Business-Type Activities).

Additional information on the City's capital assets can be found in Note 4 to the financial statements.

Long-Term Liabilities Activity

At the end of the current fiscal year, the City had \$65,593 in outstanding governmental debt and \$308,958 in outstanding proprietary debt. Refer to Note 5 to the financial statements for additional information on the City's long-term debt and other liabilities.

Pursuant to the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 68 - *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, the City of Poplarville recorded approximately \$3.3 million in pension liabilities for the defined benefit plans administered by the State of Mississippi's Public Employees' Retirement System for fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. The \$3.3 million is the City's proportionate share of the total net pension liability of the State of Mississippi's Public Employees' Retirement System. See Note 8 to the financial statements for further information.

Economic Conditions and Outlook

Assessed values of properties slightly increased in 2017, and, therefore, the City expects an increase in property tax revenue. In addition, sales tax collections are also expected to increase due to the new truck stop.

The City is actively pursuing grant funding and other funding sources which will be used to fund City projects as allowable by the grant agreements.

The City expects expenditures other than those funded by grants to remain consistent with the previous year.

Contact the City's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Poplarville for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the City Clerk, Jane C. O'Neal, at 200 Highway 26 East, Poplarville, Mississippi 39470.

FINANCIAL SECTION

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2017**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,507,355	\$ 1,009,672	\$ 2,517,027
Receivables, net	272,987	175,799	448,786
Prepaid expenses	30,797	2,124	32,921
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	45,289	94,358	139,647
Capital assets			
Land, improvements, and construction in progress	600,512	58,370	658,882
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	3,221,662	1,082,763	4,304,425
Total capital assets	<u>3,822,174</u>	<u>1,141,133</u>	<u>4,963,307</u>
Total assets	<u>5,678,602</u>	<u>2,423,086</u>	<u>8,101,688</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows of resources for pensions	<u>180,883</u>	<u>37,128</u>	<u>218,011</u>

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

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2017**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 7,321	\$ 4,093	\$ 11,414
Cash bonds payable	1,500	-	1,500
Accrued liabilities	29,081	8,298	37,379
Due to other governmental agencies	-	48,975	48,975
Payable from restricted assets:			
Customer deposits	-	83,750	83,750
Long-term liabilities:			
Due within one year			
Bonds, capital leases, and notes payable	32,322	33,638	65,960
Accrued interest	151	581	732
Compensated absences	38,139	12,173	50,312
Due in more than one year			
Bonds, capital leases, and notes payable	33,271	275,320	308,591
Net pension liability	2,722,732	601,947	3,324,679
Total liabilities	2,864,517	1,068,775	3,933,292
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows of resources for pensions	45,794	9,400	55,194
NET POSITION			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,756,430	832,175	4,588,605
Restricted for:			
Debt service	-	10,608	10,608
Other projects	45,289	-	45,289
Assigned	36,996	-	36,996
Unrestricted	(889,541)	539,256	(350,285)
Total net position	\$ 2,949,174	\$ 1,382,039	\$ 4,331,213

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

EXHIBIT B

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
General government	\$ 612,812	\$ 42,572	\$ 13,990	\$ -	\$ (556,250)		\$ (556,250)
Court	77,020	1,977	-	-	(75,043)		(75,043)
Public safety	1,036,614	213,122	113	-	(823,379)		(823,379)
Highways and streets	333,258	-	-	-	(333,258)		(333,258)
Public works	176,125	181,435	15,716	-	21,026		21,026
Culture and recreation	46,859	-	-	-	(46,859)		(46,859)
Miscellaneous	40,509	-	-	-	(40,509)		(40,509)
Interest on long-term debt	2,196	-	-	-	(2,196)		(2,196)
Total governmental activities	2,325,393	439,106	29,819	-	(1,856,468)		(1,856,468)
Business-Type Activities:							
Water	771,713	689,269	-	-	-	\$ (82,444)	(82,444)
Total	\$ 3,097,106	\$ 1,128,375	\$ 29,819	\$ -	(1,856,468)	(82,444)	(1,938,912)
GENERAL REVENUES:							
Taxes:							
Property taxes, levied for general purposes					894,673	-	894,673
Sales taxes					816,582	-	816,582
Franchise taxes					136,849	-	136,849
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					43,616	-	43,616
Unrestricted investment earnings					7,726	189	7,915
Miscellaneous					44,651	-	44,651
Loss on sale of assets					(22,820)	-	(22,820)
Transfers in (out)					(4,937)	4,937	-
Total general revenues and transfers					1,916,340	5,126	1,921,466
CHANGE IN NET POSITION					59,872	(77,318)	(17,446)
NET POSITION - BEGINNING					2,889,302	1,459,357	4,348,659
NET POSITION - ENDING					\$ 2,949,174	\$ 1,382,039	\$ 4,331,213

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,470,359	\$ 36,996	\$ 1,507,355
Receivables, net	272,987	-	272,987
Prepaid expenses	30,797	-	30,797
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	45,289	-	45,289
Total assets	\$ 1,819,432	\$ 36,996	\$ 1,856,428
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
<i>Liabilities:</i>			
Accounts payable	\$ 7,321	\$ -	\$ 7,321
Cash bonds payable	1,500	-	1,500
Accrued liabilities	29,081	-	29,081
Total liabilities	37,902	-	37,902
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable:			
Prepays	30,797	-	30,797
Restricted for:			
Unemployment compensation fund	13,636	-	13,636
Police forfeiture fund	27,196	-	27,196
Cemetery perpetual care	4,457	-	4,457
Assigned	-	36,996	36,996
Unassigned	1,705,444	-	1,705,444
Total fund balances	1,781,530	36,996	1,818,526
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,819,432	\$ 36,996	\$ 1,856,428

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

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2017**

Total *fund balances* for governmental funds (Exhibit C) \$ 1,818,526

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Capital assets are used in governmental activities but are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,931,344. 3,822,174

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.

Notes payable	(65,593)
Accrued interest	(151)
Compensated absences	(38,139)
Net pension liability	(2,722,732)

Deferred amounts for pension-related items are reported in the Statement of Net Position as deferred outflows or deferred inflows of resources but are not reported in the funds.

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Total net position of governmental activities (Exhibit A) \$ 2,949,174

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Property taxes	\$ 921,763	\$ 15,083	\$ 936,846
Sales and miscellaneous taxes	816,582	-	816,582
Franchise taxes	136,849	-	136,849
Fees and fines	138,200	-	138,200
Licenses and permits	42,572	-	42,572
Intergovernmental	106,746	-	106,746
Charges for services	181,435	-	181,435
Investment earnings	5,476	-	5,476
Miscellaneous	48,316	-	48,316
Total revenues	2,397,939	15,083	2,413,022
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	341,368	-	341,368
Court	68,049	-	68,049
Public safety	935,906	-	935,906
Highways and streets	309,846	-	309,846
Public works	176,125	-	176,125
Culture and recreation	39,124	-	39,124
Miscellaneous	42,047	-	42,047
Capital outlay	32,298	-	32,298
Debt service:			
Principal payments	31,540	-	31,540
Interest and other charges	2,196	-	2,196
Total expenditures	1,978,499	-	1,978,499
Excess of revenues over expenditures	419,440	15,083	434,523

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2017

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<i>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</i>			
Proceeds from sale of assets	\$ 5,600	\$ -	\$ 5,600
Transfers in	18,739	-	18,739
Transfers out	(6,411)	(17,265)	(23,676)
<i>Total other financing sources (uses)</i>	<u>17,928</u>	<u>(17,265)</u>	<u>663</u>
<i>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</i>	437,368	(2,182)	435,186
<i>FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING</i>	<u>1,344,162</u>	<u>39,178</u>	<u>1,383,340</u>
<i>FUND BALANCES - ENDING</i>	<u>\$ 1,781,530</u>	<u>\$ 36,996</u>	<u>\$ 1,818,526</u>

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

Net change in *fund balances* - total governmental funds (Exhibit D) \$ 435,186

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental Funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount by which capital outlays (which exceed the capitalization thresholds) of \$0- did not exceed depreciation of \$236,019 in the current period. (236,019)

Governmental funds report the entire net sales price (proceeds) from sale of an asset as revenue because it provides current financial resources. In contrast, the Statement of Activities reports only the gain on the sale of net assets. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the asset sold. (28,420)

Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount of debt repayments. 31,540

Pension 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. Also, governmental funds report current pension contribution expenses, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities as follows:

Recognition of pension expense for the current period	(270,027)
Recognition of contributions made during the year	133,415

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**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the Governmental Funds, expenditures are not recognized for transactions that are not normally paid with expendable available financial resources. However, in the Statement of Activities, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are available. In addition, interest on long-term debt is recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when due, rather than as it accrues. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by a combination of the following items:

Change in compensated absences	\$ (5,801)
Change in accrued interest payable	<u>(2)</u>
Change in <i>net position</i> of governmental activities (Exhibit B)	<u>\$ 59,872</u>

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Fund
September 30, 2017**

	<u>Water Fund</u>
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,009,672
Accounts receivable, net	175,799
Prepaid expenses	2,124
Total current assets	<u>1,187,595</u>
Non-Current Assets:	
Restricted assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	94,358
Capital Assets:	
Land	24,010
Buildings and improvements	2,475,145
Machinery and equipment	338,916
Equipment and vehicles under lease	110,069
Construction in process	34,360
Less: accumulated depreciation	(1,841,367)
Total capital assets	<u>1,141,133</u>
Total assets	<u>2,423,086</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES	
Deferred outflows of resources for pensions	<u>37,128</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	4,093
Accrued liabilities	8,298
Accrued interest payable	581
Due to other governmental agencies	48,975
Compensated absences	12,173
Bonds, capital leases, and notes payable	33,638
Payable from restricted assets:	
Customer deposits	83,750
Total current liabilities	<u>191,508</u>

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

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Fund
September 30, 2017**

	<u>Water Fund</u>
<i>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION (Cont.)</i>	
Non-Current Liabilities:	
Bonds, capital leases, and notes payable	\$ 275,320
Net pension liability	601,947
Total non-current liabilities	<u>877,267</u>
<i>Total liabilities</i>	<u>1,068,775</u>
<i>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES</i>	
Deferred inflows of resources for pensions	<u>9,400</u>
<i>NET POSITION</i>	
Net investment in capital assets, net of related debt	832,175
Restricted for debt service	10,608
Unrestricted	<u>539,256</u>
<i>Total net position</i>	<u><u>\$ 1,382,039</u></u>

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**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes In Fund Net Position
Proprietary Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	<u>Water Fund</u>
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for services	\$ 689,269
Total operating revenues	<u>689,269</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Personal services	416,409
Supplies	71,679
Materials	57,034
Utilities	33,900
Depreciation and amortization	84,731
Other operating expenses	96,660
Total operating expenses	<u>760,413</u>
OPERATING INCOME	<u>(71,144)</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest and investment revenue	189
Interest expense	(11,300)
Transfers in	6,411
Transfers out	(1,474)
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>(6,174)</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	<u>(77,318)</u>
NET POSITION - BEGINNING	<u>1,459,357</u>
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u><u>\$ 1,382,039</u></u>

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	<u>Water Fund</u>
<i>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</i>	
Receipts from customers	\$ 690,368
Payments to suppliers	(259,500)
Payments to employees	(389,823)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>41,045</u>
<i>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</i>	
Cash received from other funds:	
Operating transfers in	6,411
Cash paid to other funds:	
Operating transfers out	(1,474)
Net cash provided by noncapital financing	<u>4,937</u>
<i>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</i>	
Purchases and construction of capital assets	(34,360)
Principal paid on capital debt	(32,741)
Interest paid on capital debt	(11,361)
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	<u>(78,462)</u>
<i>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</i>	
Interest received	189
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>189</u>
<i>NET CASH INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</i>	(32,291)
<i>BALANCES - BEGINNING OF THE YEAR</i>	<u>1,136,321</u>
<i>BALANCES - END OF THE YEAR</i>	<u><u>\$ 1,104,030</u></u>
<i>RECONCILIATION TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION</i>	
Unrestricted:	
Cash and cash equivalents	<u><u>\$ 1,009,672</u></u>
Restricted:	
Cash and cash equivalents	<u><u>\$ 94,358</u></u>

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	<u>Water Fund</u>
<i>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</i>	
Operating (loss)	<u>\$ (71,144)</u>
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization expense	84,731
Bad debt expense	9,387
Decrease (increase) in assets:	
Accounts receivable	4,741
Prepaid expenses	478
Deferred outflows - pension	78,159
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	
Accounts payable	(705)
Accrued liabilities	(983)
Due to other governments	(9,784)
Compensated absences	(463)
Customer deposits	(3,245)
Pension liabilities and deferred inflows	<u>(50,127)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u><u>\$ 41,045</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Introduction

The City of Poplarville, Mississippi (City), incorporated in 1876 under the laws of the State of Mississippi and situated in Pearl River County, operates under the Mayor-Board form of government and provides the following services as authorized by its charter: Public Safety (Police, Fire, and Inspection), Street Maintenance, Garbage Collection, Water Services, Culture and Recreational, Public Improvements, Planning and Zoning, and General Administrative Services.

The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting principles and practices are discussed in subsequent sections of this Note. The remainder of the notes are organized to provide explanations, including required disclosures, of the City's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

B. Financial Reporting Entity

The City's basic financial statements include the accounts of all City operations. The criteria for including organizations as component units of the City consist of oversight responsibility, special financing relationships and scope of public services. Oversight responsibility is determined by the extent of financial interdependency, control over the selection of the governing authority and management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. Based on these criteria, the City has no component units. However, see Note 7 for information describing related organizations not included in the City's reporting entity.

C. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. *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 segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; (2) operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities including restricted investment income, and (3) capital grants and contributions, which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets and include fees to developers. Taxes and items not properly included as program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

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

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

Basis of Accounting

The City complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental entities, and as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The government-wide financial statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting generally, including the reclassification or elimination of internal activity (between or within funds). Proprietary fund financial statements also report using this same focus and basis of accounting although internal activity is not eliminated in these statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property tax revenues are recognized 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.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

Amounts reported as program revenue 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 program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Governmental fund financial statements report 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. The City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal 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.

Major revenue sources susceptible to accrual include: property taxes, franchise taxes, sales taxes, and intergovernmental revenues. In general, other revenues are recognized when cash is received by the City.

Operating income reported in proprietary fund financial statements includes revenues and expenses related to the primary, continuing operations of the fund. Principal operating revenues for proprietary funds are charges to customers for sales or services. Principal operating expenses are the costs of providing goods or services and include personnel costs, administrative expenses, and depreciation of capital assets. Other revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating in the financial statements.

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

Governmental Funds

General Fund - The general fund is the primary operating fund of the City. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Debt Service Fund - The debt service fund accounts for the servicing of long-term general obligation debt and payment of related interest and agency fees.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

Proprietary Fund

Water Fund - The water fund accounts for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing water services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

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

E. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The City's cash and cash equivalents are primarily considered to be cash on hand and amounts held in demand deposits. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, short-term investments held in the proprietary fund with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the City, if any, are considered to be cash equivalents.

State statutes authorize the City to invest in (1) direct obligations of the United States government to the payment of which the full faith and credit of the United States government is pledged, (2) certificates of deposit when insured or secured by acceptable collateral, and (3) obligations of the State of Mississippi, or any county, municipality or school district of the State of Mississippi which have been approved by a reputable bond attorney and have been validated by decree of the chancery court. Investments are recorded at cost, which approximates fair value.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

Receivables and Payables

Generally, outstanding balances between funds, if any, are reported as "due to/from other funds" and include outstanding charges by one fund to another for services or goods and other miscellaneous receivables/payables between funds. Activities between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

Any advances between funds, if 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.

An allowance has been provided in the water enterprise fund and general fund for estimated uncollectible charges. The allowance is based on historical collection experience and other relevant circumstances.

Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond September 30, 2017, are recorded as prepaid items. In governmental funds, reported prepaid items are equally offset by nonspendable fund balance amounts, which indicate they do not constitute "available spendable resources" even though they are a component of net current assets. The net change in nonspendable fund balances is not presented because the combined statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reflects the changes in total fund balances rather than just the spendable and nonspendable fund balances.

Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws. Restricted assets in the enterprise fund represent utility customer deposits subject to refund and amounts restricted per bond covenants. When both restricted and nonrestricted assets are available for use, the policy is to use restricted assets first.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and current infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), net of depreciation, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. However, infrastructure assets acquired or constructed prior to October 1, 2003 are not reported in the basic financial statements, as allowed by GASB. The City generally capitalizes assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. No interest cost was capitalized during the current fiscal year.

Property, plant, and equipment of the City are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	20 - 50 years
Improvements	7 - 50 years
Utility system infrastructure	5 - 40 years
Machinery and equipment	5 - 25 years
Vehicles	5 - 20 years

Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and thus, will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then.

Deferred outflows related to pensions - This amount represents the City's proportionate share of the deferred outflows of resources reported by the pension plan in which the City participates. See Note 8 for additional details.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Deferred inflows related to pensions - This amount represents the City's proportionate share of the deferred inflows of resources reported by the pension plan in which the City participates. See Note 8 for additional details.

Pensions

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

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities and proprietary fund statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are capitalized and amortized over the terms of the respective bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are expensed when issued.

The governmental fund financial statements recognize the proceeds of debt and premiums as other financing sources of the current period. Issuance costs are reported as expenditures when incurred.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

Compensated Absences

The City's policy on vacation leave allows employees to accrue an unlimited amount of vacation time once that employee has had one year of continuous service for the City. There are no restrictions on when the employees are allowed to take their vacation time. However, only two weeks may be taken at a time. Retiring and terminated employees are paid for unused vacation up to 20 days. It is the City's policy that all unused sick leave is forfeited upon termination, retirement, or layoff. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since sick pay is not paid upon termination of employment. Employees can only accrue up to 40 hours of compensatory time per year; however, all compensatory time accrued may be rolled over to the next year. Retiring and terminated employees are paid for unused compensatory time up to 40 hours. All vacation and compensatory pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. In the fund financial statements, a liability for these amounts is reported in government-wide and proprietary fund financial statement only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements or use of vacation time.

The compensated absences liability was computed using the specific identification method whereby the actual number of vacation and compensatory hours is multiplied by the employee's hourly rate at September 30, 2017. The resulting liability is then increased to include social security and retirement contributions that the City is required to pay upon liquidation of the liability.

Fund Equity

In the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

Net Investment in capital assets - Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any notes or other borrowings attributable to those assets.

Restricted net position - Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by external groups, such as grantors or laws and regulations of other governments, or law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position - All other assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

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

Nonspendable - Includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual requirements.

Restricted - Includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Assigned - Includes fund balance amounts that are constrained by the City's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent can be stipulated by the Board of Alderpersons.

Unassigned - Includes the residual balance of the General Fund that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes.

Changes in Accounting Standards

The City implemented the following standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in the current fiscal year as required: GASB Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures and GASB Statement No. 82, Pension Issues – an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68 and No. 73. The provisions of these standards have been incorporated into the financial statements and notes.

As discussed previously in this note, restricted funds are used first as appropriate. Assigned funds are reduced to the extent that expenditure authority has been budgeted by the Board or the assignment has been changed by the mayor. Decreases to fund balance first reduces restricted fund balance; in the event that restricted fund balance becomes zero, then assigned and unassigned fund balances are used in that order.

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

A summary of cash and cash equivalents as of September 30, 2017, follows:

	Cash on Hand	Cash Deposits	Total
Governmental Activities			
General fund	\$ 600	\$ 1,515,048	\$ 1,515,648
Debt service fund	-	36,996	36,996
Total governmental activities	600	1,552,044	1,552,644
Business-type Activities			
Enterprise fund			
Water fund	550	1,103,480	1,104,030
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,150	\$ 2,655,524	\$ 2,656,674

The City maintained the following restricted assets as of September 30, 2017:

Governmental Activities

Cash and cash equivalents	
Restricted for public safety use	\$ 27,196
Restricted for unemployment claims	13,636
Restricted for cemetery perpetual care	4,457
Total restricted assets - governmental activities	45,289

Business-type Activities

Cash and cash equivalents	
Restricted for utility customer deposits	83,750
Restricted for bond covenant	10,608
Total restricted assets - business-type activities	94,358
Total restricted assets - government-wide	\$ 139,647

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits - Custodial credit risk is 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. 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 Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the City.

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Cont.)

At September 30, 2017, deposits (including restricted deposits) were as follows:

	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 2,722,014</u>	<u>\$ 2,656,674</u>

NOTE 3 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at September 30, 2017, consisted of the following:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Water Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Property taxes	\$ 6,824	\$ -	\$ 6,824
Sales taxes	167,533	-	167,533
Franchise taxes	45,566	-	45,566
Court fines	628,938	-	628,938
Accounts, gross	-	251,226	251,226
Other	8,771	-	8,771
Total receivables, gross	857,632	251,226	1,108,858
Less allowance for doubtful receivables	(584,645)	(75,427)	(660,072)
Total receivables, net	<u>\$ 272,987</u>	<u>\$ 175,799</u>	<u>\$ 448,786</u>

Property Taxes - The City levies a tax on real and personal property based on the assessed value of property as compiled by the Pearl River County tax assessor from information extracted from the County assessment tax rolls. The taxes on real property become due and payable on January 1st and attach an enforceable lien on the property as of February 1st and personal property taxes become delinquent on February 1st. Taxes on motor vehicles and mobile homes become a lien and are due in the month that coincides with the month of original purchase. Taxes on real and person property are levied by the Board at the first regular meeting in September. The City's tax assessment roll is then approved by the Board after a series of public hearings to receive citizens' objections. Pearl River County bills and collects real, personal property, auto ad valorem and mobile home taxes for the City. These taxes are remitted by the County monthly to the City. In addition, the County also remits to the City a prorata share of road and bridge taxes they collect.

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NOTE 3 - RECEIVABLES (Cont.)

In accordance with Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended for code section 27-39-321, the Board may levy taxes in any amount for general revenue purposes and general improvements. However, taxes collected for the current year are limited to an increase of not more than 10.00% over receipts for any one of the preceding three years. For purposes of the computation, taxes collected in the current year resulting from property added to the tax assessment roll are excluded from the computation.

The rates are expressed in terms of mills (i.e., ten mills equal one cent). The combined tax rate to finance general governmental services, including the payment of principal and interest on long-term debt and other purposes for the year ended September 30, 2017, was 54.5 mills or \$54.50 per \$1,000 of assess valuation. A summary of the assess valuations and tax levies of the City for the year ended September 30, 2017, have been provided below.

The assessed valuations of the City for the year ended September 30, 2017, were as follows:

Real property	\$ 10,904,488
Personal property	2,500,277
Public utilities	1,781,380
Automobiles and mobile homes	<u>1,505,371</u>
Total assessed valuations	<u>\$ 16,691,516</u>

The tax levies for the City for the years ended September 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015, were as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
General Fund	53.40	53.00	53.00
Debt Service Fund	<u>1.10</u>	<u>1.50</u>	<u>3.00</u>
Total levy	<u>54.50</u>	<u>54.50</u>	<u>56.00</u>

Sales Taxes - The State levies a 7.00% sales tax on retail sales and remits 18.50% of the amount collected (within the corporate boundaries of the City of Poplarville) back to the City monthly. Sales tax revenue reported in the general fund was \$816,582. Sales taxes receivable consists of taxes collected by the State for August and September 2017 not received by the City until October and November 2017.

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NOTE 3 - RECEIVABLES (Cont.)

Pearl River County Utility Authority - The City transferred its entire sewer and wastewater system to the Pearl River County Utility Authority (Authority). Under the terms of the agreement with the Authority, the City shall provide for the billing and collection of sewer rates, fees, charges and other assessments based upon the sewer rates, charges and assessments established by the Authority, at no expense to the Authority.

In order to manage the billing and collection services for the Authority, the City records total receivables billed on behalf of the Authority as an asset with an offsetting payable due to the Authority in the Statement of Net Position. As of September 30, 2017, \$48,975, included in due to other governmental agencies in the Statement of Net Position, is due to the Authority and represents current year-end balance of the monthly settlement due to the Authority.

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NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2016, is as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2016	Additions	Disposals	Transfers	Balance September 30, 2017
Governmental Activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 628,932	\$ -	\$ (28,420)	\$ -	\$ 600,512
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>628,932</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(28,420)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600,512</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	3,825,579	-	-	-	3,825,579
Machinery and equipment	703,287	-	-	-	703,287
Vehicles	576,160	-	-	-	576,160
Vehicles under lease	47,980	-	-	-	47,980
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>5,153,006</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,153,006</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings and improvements	(900,426)	(149,625)	-	-	(1,050,051)
Machinery and equipment	(458,990)	(36,396)	-	-	(495,386)
Vehicles	(326,314)	(40,403)	-	732	(365,985)
Vehicles under lease	(9,595)	(9,595)	-	(732)	(19,922)
Total accumulated depreciated	<u>(1,695,325)</u>	<u>(236,019)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,931,344)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>3,457,681</u>	<u>(236,019)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,221,662</u>
Total government activities capital assets, net	<u><u>\$ 4,086,613</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (236,019)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (28,420)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3,822,174</u></u>

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NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Cont.)

	Balance October 1, 2016	Additions	Disposals	Transfers	Balance September 30, 2017
Business-type Activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 24,010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,010
Construction in process	-	34,360	-	-	34,360
Total capital assets not being depreciated	24,010	34,360	-	-	58,370
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	2,475,145	-	-	-	2,475,145
Machinery and equipment	216,881	-	-	8,105	224,986
Vehicles	121,303	-	-	(7,373)	113,930
Vehicles under lease	82,082	-	-	(732)	81,350
Equipment under lease	28,719	-	-	-	28,719
Total capital assets being depreciated	2,924,130	-	-	-	2,924,130
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings and improvements	(1,511,797)	(59,487)	-	-	(1,571,284)
Machinery and equipment	(145,199)	(8,506)	-	-	(153,705)
Vehicles	(87,402)	(4,500)	-	-	(91,902)
Vehicles under lease	(8,135)	(8,135)	-	-	(16,270)
Equipment under lease	(4,103)	(4,103)	-	-	(8,206)
Total accumulated depreciated	(1,756,636)	(84,731)	-	-	(1,841,367)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	1,167,494	(84,731)	-	-	1,082,763
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 1,191,504	\$ (50,371)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,141,133

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NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Cont.)

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities

General government	\$ 43,088
Parks and recreation	37,474
Public safety	101,763
Public works	<u>53,694</u>

Total governmental activities depreciation expense	<u>\$ 236,019</u>
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Business-Type Activities

Water	<u>\$ 84,731</u>
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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Changes in long-term liabilities during the year ended September 30, 2017, are as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2016	Additions	Principal Payments / Reductions	Balance September 30, 2017	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Notes payable	\$ 63,378	\$ -	\$ (15,579)	\$ 47,799	\$ 16,050
Capital lease payable	33,755	-	(15,961)	17,794	16,272
Compensated absences	32,338	11,188	(5,387)	38,139	-
Net pension liability	2,911,025	-	(188,293)	2,722,732	-
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 3,040,496</u>	<u>\$ 11,188</u>	<u>\$ (225,220)</u>	<u>\$ 2,826,464</u>	<u>\$ 32,322</u>
Business-type Activities:					
Notes payable	\$ 86,839	\$ -	\$ (8,641)	\$ 78,198	\$ 8,922
Bonds payable	156,506	-	(3,665)	152,841	3,828
Capital lease payable	98,354	-	(20,435)	77,919	20,888
Compensated absences	12,636	2,195	(2,658)	12,173	-
Net pension liability	661,474	-	(59,527)	601,947	-
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 1,015,809</u>	<u>\$ 2,195</u>	<u>\$ (94,926)</u>	<u>\$ 923,078</u>	<u>\$ 33,638</u>

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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont.)

(A) Notes payable - At September 30, 2017, the City's outstanding notes payable were as follows:

	<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Balance September 30, 2017</u>
Governmental Activities:					
State of Mississippi	5/5/2014	6/1/2024	3.00%	\$ 149,000	\$ 47,799
Total governmental activities				<u>149,000</u>	<u>47,799</u>
Business-Type Activities:					
State of Mississippi	10/27/2014	8/1/2025	3.00%	<u>96,183</u>	<u>78,198</u>
Total notes payable at year-end				<u>\$ 245,183</u>	<u>\$ 125,997</u>

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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont.)

Principal and interest maturities will be as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2018	\$ 16,050	\$ 1,215	\$ 8,922	\$ 2,223
2019	16,539	726	9,193	1,952
2020	15,210	224	9,473	1,672
2021	-	-	9,761	1,384
2022	-	-	10,058	1,087
Thereafter	-	-	30,791	1,408
Total payments	\$ 47,799	\$ 2,165	\$ 78,198	\$ 9,726

(B) **Bonds Payable** - At September 30, 2017, the City's outstanding revenue bonds payable were as follows:

	Date of Issue	Original Issue	Final Maturity Date	Rates	Balance September 30, 2017
Business-Type Activities:					
Revenue bond (acquired by USDA)	11/16/2006	\$ 185,185	2/16/2041	4.38%	<u>\$ 152,841</u>

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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont.)

The annual bonded debt service requirements to maturity for the revenue bonds are as follows:

<u>Year Ending September 30,</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>		<u>Total Requirements</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2018	\$ 3,828	\$ 6,611	\$ 10,439
2019	4,000	6,440	10,440
2020	4,178	6,262	10,440
2021	4,365	6,075	10,440
2022	4,560	5,880	10,440
2023-2027	26,039	26,161	52,200
2028-2032	32,392	19,808	52,200
2033-2037	40,296	11,904	52,200
2038-2041	33,183	2,613	35,796
Total payments	\$ 152,841	\$ 91,754	\$ 244,595

The City's Water and Sewer Revenue Bond dated November 16, 2006, requires the establishment of certain funds (accounts) and periodic transfers of money to these funds as follows:

- Water and Sewer System Bond Cushion Fund - Into which shall be deposited \$44 per month until the funds and investments shall equal \$5,304.
- Waterworks and Sewer System Depreciation Fund - Into which shall be deposited \$22 per month until the funds and investments shall equal \$2,652.
- Waterworks and Sewer System Contingent Fund - Into which shall be deposited \$22 per month until the funds and investments shall equal \$2,652.

These monies are not separate funds but are restricted accounts within the water fund.

At September 30, 2017, the balances in the restricted accounts required by the bond covenants were as follows:

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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont.)

	Required Balance	Balance September 30, 2017	(Under) Over Funded
Bond cushion fund	\$ 5,304	\$ 5,304	\$ -
Depreciation fund	2,652	2,652	-
Contingent fund	2,652	2,652	-
	<u>\$ 10,608</u>	<u>\$ 10,608</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

(C) Capital Leases Payable - The City has entered into various lease agreements as lessee for financing the acquisition of heavy equipment, vehicles, and certain small equipment needs. Those lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes (titles transfer at the end of the lease terms) and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception.

The capital lease obligations outstanding as of September 30, 2017, were as follows:

	Date Issued	Effective Interest Rate	Original Amount	Outstanding Present Value
Governmental Activities				
2015 Chevy Silverado	9/2/2015	1.86%	\$ 21,961	\$ 7,461
2015 Dodge Charger	9/3/2015	1.99%	26,019	10,333
Business-Type Activities				
2016 Chevy Silverado	2/5/2016	1.89%	28,719	13,764
Kubota Tractor and Boom Mower	2/2/2016	2.46%	81,350	64,155
Total capital leases at year end			<u>\$ 158,049</u>	<u>\$ 95,713</u>

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NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont.)

The following is an analysis of property leased under capital leases as of September 30, 2017:

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>	<u>Net Book Value</u>
Governmental Activities			
Vehicles	<u>\$ 47,980</u>	<u>\$ (19,922)</u>	<u>\$ 28,058</u>
Business-type Activities			
Vehicles	<u>\$ 28,719</u>	<u>\$ (8,205)</u>	<u>20,514</u>
Equipment	<u>81,350</u>	<u>(16,270)</u>	<u>65,080</u>
Total Property Leased	<u>\$ 110,069</u>	<u>\$ (24,475)</u>	<u>\$ 85,594</u>

Amortization of leased vehicles and equipment under capital assets is included with depreciation expense.

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under capital leases and present value of net minimum payments at September 30, 2017:

<u>Year Ending September 30,</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>
2018	\$ 16,471	\$ 22,517
2019	1,526	16,768
2020	-	12,663
2021	-	12,663
2022	-	12,663
Thereafter	-	5,276
Total minimum lease payments	<u>17,997</u>	<u>82,550</u>
Less amount representing interest	<u>(203)</u>	<u>(4,631)</u>
Present value of minimum payments	<u>\$ 17,794</u>	<u>\$ 77,919</u>

(D) Legal Debt Margin - The City's legal debt limit for general obligation bonds is \$3,338,303, of which approximately \$3,272,000 is available to the City for further borrowing.

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NOTE 6 - RESTRICTED NET POSITIONS

Governmental Activities

Unemployment Compensation Fund - The City is required by Mississippi Code Section 71-5-359 to set aside funds in excess of 2.00% of the prior year's covered wages (i.e., the first \$14,000 of wages paid to an employee) to pay future unemployment compensation claims. As of September 30, 2017 the City had \$13,636 in its unemployment compensation fund.

Forfeiture Fund - Additionally, the City receives cash from court judgments where the defendant is ordered to forfeit cash seized in the arrest. The use of these funds by the City is restricted to enhancing public safety efforts. At September 30, 2017, the City had \$27,196 net of restricted accounts payable in its forfeiture fund.

Cemetery Perpetual Care - The City maintains a portion of the proceeds of the sale of cemetery lots for perpetual cemetery care and maintenance pursuant to the terms of cemetery lot purchases. As of September 30, 2017, the City had \$4,457 restricted for cemetery perpetual care.

Therefore, total restricted net position was \$45,289 at September 30, 2017.

Business-type Activities

The City's bond covenants, as more fully explained in Note 5, require certain restricted deposits to be maintained. Such restricted assets exceeding recorded liabilities against such restricted assets represent restrictions of the water fund's net position.

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NOTE 6 - RESTRICTED NET POSITIONS (Cont.)

The restricted portions were as follows:

Restricted Assets

Customer deposits	\$ 83,750
Revenue bond cushion fund account	5,304
Revenue bond depreciation fund account	2,652
Revenue bond contingent fund account	2,652
Total restricted accounts	<u>94,358</u>

Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets

Customer deposits	<u>83,750</u>
Restricted net position	<u>\$ 10,608</u>

NOTE 7 - JOINT VENTURES

Poplarville - Pearl River County Airport - The Poplarville - Pearl River County Airport (Airport) is a joint venture, authorized by Section 61-3-5, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972), between the City and Pearl River County. The joint venture was created to provide airport service to the area. The airport is governed by a five-member board of commissioners appointed as follows: Poplarville, two; Pearl River County, two; jointly, one. The City and Pearl River County jointly lease the land and own the buildings of the Poplarville - Pearl River County Airport. The City provides \$8,229 in support each year to the Airport. In addition, the City provides liability insurance and utilities, which totaled \$1,851 for the year ended September 30, 2017, and is included in miscellaneous expenses on the statement of activities. The County provides at least \$5,000 to the Airport each year. Any potential future financial benefit or burden to the City resulting from the Airport is not determinable at this time. The \$10,080 the City paid to the Airport during the year ended September 30, 2017 is included in miscellaneous expenses on the statement of activities. Complete financial statements on the Poplarville - Pearl River County Airport can be obtained from Highway 53 South, Poplarville, Mississippi 39470.

Poplarville Public Library - The Pearl River County Library System is a joint venture, authorized by Section 39-3-8, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972), among the Cities of Picayune and Poplarville, and Pearl River County. The library system was created to provide free library services to all the people of the County. The library system is governed by a board of trustees consisting of ten members. Poplarville appoints one member, Pearl River County appoints five, and Picayune appoints four. The City owns the Poplarville

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NOTE 7 - JOINT VENTURES (Cont.)

Public Library land and building which are recorded in the City's governmental capital assets as follows: Land, \$40,000; Building and improvements, \$250,530, with accumulated depreciation of \$152,376. The City also provided \$24,000 in support and \$7,731 for the liability insurance policy during the year ended September 30, 2017, which is all included in culture and recreation expenses on the statement of activities. The Pearl River County Library System's financial information is reported independently. Complete financial statements can be obtained from the Margaret Reed Crosby Memorial Library located at 900 Goodyear Boulevard, Picayune, Mississippi 39466.

NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PLANS

Plan Description and Provisions - 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 State of Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That information may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201-1005 or by calling 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 of 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

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NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PLANS (Cont.)

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 - At September 30, 2017, PERS members were required to contribute 9% of their annual covered salary, and the County is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate at September 30, 2017 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 years ended September 30, 2017, 2016, 2015, and 2014 were \$160,807, \$165,382, \$160,670, and \$165,848 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Pensions, Liabilities, Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources - At September 30, 2017, the City reported a total of \$3,324,679 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, 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 contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. The City's proportionate share used to calculate the September 30, 2017 was 0.017235%, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2017. This was an increase of 0.000819% from its proportionate share used to calculate the September 30, 2016 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2016.

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NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PLANS (Cont.)

For the year ended September 30, 2017, the City recognized pension expense of \$325,451. At September 30, 2017, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 33,591	\$ 17,060
Changes of assumptions	51,968	3,984
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	34,149
Changes in the proportion and differences between the City's contributions and proportionate share of contributions	93,182	-
City contributions subsequent to the measurement date	39,270	-
Total	\$ 218,011	\$ 55,193

\$39,270 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from City contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2018. 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,	Amount
2018	\$ 46,334
2019	46,334
2020	29,186
2021	1,694
	\$ 123,548

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NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PLANS (Cont.)

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability in the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	7.75% net of investment expense and inflation
Projected salary increases	3.25% - 18.50% including inflation
Inflation	3.00%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table Projected with Scale BB to 2022, with males rates set forward one year.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2016. The experience report is dated April 18, 2017.

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 as of June 30, 2017, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation %	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return %
U.S. Broad	27.00%	4.60%
International equities	18.00	4.50
Emerging markets equities	4.00	4.75
Global	12.00	4.75
Fixed income	18.00	0.75
Real estate	10.00	3.50
Private equities	8.00	5.10
Emerging debt	2.00	2.25
Cash	1.00	0.00
Total	100.00%	

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NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PLANS (Cont.)

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate (15.75%). 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 members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the 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%, 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%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75%) than the current rate:

	<u>Discount Rate</u>	<u>City's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability</u>	
1% decrease	6.75%	\$	4,360,538
Current discount rate	7.75%	\$	3,324,679
1% increase	8.75%	\$	2,464,690

Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial report.

Deferred Compensation Plan - The City, through PERS, offers its employees a voluntary deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all City employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

The assets of the plan are held in trust for the exclusive benefit of participants and their beneficiaries. The requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 457(g) prescribes that the City does not own the amounts deferred by employees, including the related income on those amounts. Additionally, the City does not have fiduciary accountability for the plan. Accordingly, the assets and the liability for compensation deferred by plan participants, including earnings on plan assets, are not included in the City's financial statements.

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NOTE 9 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Litigation - The City is party to various legal proceedings which normally occur in governmental operations. Although the outcome of these proceedings is not presently determinable, in the opinion of the City's legal counsel the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the City.

Grants and Awards - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies, principally federal and state governments. Any disallowed expenses, including amounts already collected, might constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The City does not believe any contingent liabilities are material.

Water Tank Maintenance Contract - The City entered into a ten year contract with Tank Pro, Inc. on March 5, 2013 for the annual inspection, maintenance, and repair of the City's water tank. The City paid Tank Pro, Inc. \$12,156 in the year ended September 30, 2017, which is included in the water expenses on the statement of activities. Annual payments are required by the City in the amount of \$12,156 for fiscal years 2017 through 2019; \$13,432 for fiscal years 2020 through 2022; and a final payment of \$14,842 in fiscal year 2023. The City has the option to cancel the agreement only if intent to cancel is received by Tank Pro, Inc. ninety days prior to the anniversary date.

Garbage Collection Contract - The City contracted with Waste Management of Mississippi, Inc. on April 15, 2014. The term of the contract runs from June 1, 2014 through May 30, 2017, with no option to renew at the end of the term. However, a new contract was initiated June 1, 2017 and will continue through May 31, 2020. Waste Management collects and disposes of garbage from residential and light commercial businesses at a monthly cost of \$13.82 per location effective June 1, 2017 which was an increase of \$0.93 over the prior year. Pursuant to the contract, the cost per location is adjusted annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. For the year ended September 30, 2017, the City paid Waste Management \$162,523 for garbage collection which is included in public works expenses on the statement of activities.

NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is covered for significant losses through commercial insurance carriers except for the following, which are covered through self-insurance risk pools.

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NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT (Cont.)

Self-Insurance - Workers Compensation Fund - The City is a member in the Mississippi Municipal Workers' Compensation Group, Inc. This non-profit corporation is a self-insurance worker's compensation fund organized under the non-profit laws of the State of Mississippi. The group is self-insured under statutory workers compensation protection up to \$1,000,000. Members are jointly and severally liable for the obligations of the group. The possibility of additional liability exists, but that amount, if any, cannot be determined.

Self-Insurance - Liability Fund - The City is a member in the Mississippi Municipal Liability Plan. The plan is a private non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi. The plan provides liability and tort claims insurance for its members up to \$500,000 per occurrence, respectively. The plan is totally self-insured with claims and expenses paid out of the premiums and the members are jointly and severally liable for any claims and expenditures beyond the premium base. The possibility of additional liability exists, but that amount, if any, cannot be determined.

NOTE 11 - 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 that existed after the Statement of Net Position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management evaluated the activity of the City through July 6, 2018, (the date the financial statements were available to be issued), and determined that the following subsequent event has occurred which requires disclosure in the notes to the financial statements:

A capital (CAP) loan agreement was executed with the Mississippi Development Authority in the principal amount not to exceed \$439,061 for the purpose of completing capital improvements in regard to the construction of a New Public Works Facility.

Proposed drainage and paving projects are currently being considered by the City and have been taken under advisement by the Board of Alderpersons. The Board is considering bond financing in the amount of \$1,123,744 to fund these projects. It is anticipated that debt service on the bonds will be funded through gas severance tax revenue.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**Budgetary Comparison Schedule (Non-GAAP Basis)
General Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	Original Budget	Final Budget
REVENUES		
Taxes		
Property	\$ 701,590	\$ 701,590
Sales	740,000	740,000
Licenses, permits, and franchise fees	174,639	174,639
Intergovernmental	62,061	62,061
Interest	3,000	3,000
Fines and forfeitures	50,000	50,000
Utility services: sanitation	180,000	180,000
Miscellaneous	80,345	80,345
Sale of assets	83,607	83,607
Total revenues	2,075,242	2,075,242
EXPENDITURES		
Current:		
Mayor & Board		
Personnel services	71,885	71,541
Supplies	500	450
Other services and charges	7,208	10,360
Total mayor & board	79,593	82,351
General Administration		
Personnel services	56,820	50,183
Supplies	7,750	8,797
Other services and charges	106,517	160,353
Capital outlay	15,000	15,970
Payments to other organizations	15,650	650
Total general government	201,737	235,953
Court		
Personnel services	67,055	66,707
Supplies	1,210	731
Other services and charges	5,035	4,264
Capital outlay	350	380
Total court	73,650	72,082
Police Department		
Personnel	569,204	568,606
Supplies	48,050	39,417
Other services and charges	69,725	41,528
Capital outlays	28,000	28,000
Lease & loans	8,941	8,941
Total police department	723,920	686,492

<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 872,218	\$ 170,628
781,487	41,487
180,750	6,111
63,064	1,003
5,246	2,246
65,670	15,670
176,570	(3,430)
121,999	41,654
5,350	(78,257)
<u>2,272,354</u>	<u>197,112</u>
71,535	6
295	155
<u>7,775</u>	<u>2,585</u>
<u>79,605</u>	<u>2,746</u>
48,409	1,774
7,649	1,148
161,149	(796)
15,970	-
600	50
<u>233,777</u>	<u>2,176</u>
65,849	858
371	360
2,505	1,759
380	-
<u>69,105</u>	<u>2,977</u>
534,869	33,737
27,083	12,334
42,238	(710)
-	28,000
8,940	1
<u>613,130</u>	<u>73,362</u>

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**Budgetary Comparison Schedule (Non-GAAP Basis)
General Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	Original Budget	Final Budget
EXPENDITURES (Cont.)		
DARE		
Personnel	\$ 59,367	\$ 63,416
Supplies	5,560	3,255
Other services and charges	1,040	1,371
Total DARE	<u>65,967</u>	<u>68,042</u>
Animal Control		
Other services and charges	-	132
Total animal control	<u>-</u>	<u>132</u>
Fire Department		
Personnel	236,744	231,020
Supplies	15,950	15,750
Other services and charges	42,500	41,298
Capital outlays	5,200	5,399
Total fire department	<u>300,394</u>	<u>293,467</u>
Highways and Streets		
Personnel	197,244	192,771
Supplies	52,000	51,554
Other services and charges	94,300	104,396
Capital outlays	3,200	3,000
Lease & loans	-	7,631
Total highways and streets	<u>346,744</u>	<u>359,352</u>
Building and Code Enforcement		
Personnel	18,017	17,124
Other services and charges	3,000	3,000
Total building and code enforcement	<u>21,017</u>	<u>20,124</u>
Public Works		
Other services and charges	<u>180,000</u>	<u>180,000</u>
Culture and Recreation		
Supplies	4,700	2,716
Other services and charges	26,200	15,649
Capital outlays	-	7,735
Payments to other organizations	24,000	24,000
Total culture and recreation	<u>54,900</u>	<u>50,100</u>
Miscellaneous		
Cemetery		
Supplies	160	160
Other services and charges	21,400	18,688
Total cemetery	<u>21,560</u>	<u>18,848</u>

<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 63,278	\$ 138
3,158	97
1,467	(96)
<u>67,903</u>	<u>139</u>
132	-
<u>132</u>	<u>-</u>
215,708	15,312
9,175	6,575
42,812	(1,514)
5,399	-
<u>273,094</u>	<u>20,373</u>
183,634	9,137
31,526	20,028
94,486	9,910
2,683	317
7,531	100
<u>319,860</u>	<u>39,492</u>
12,000	5,124
861	2,139
<u>12,861</u>	<u>7,263</u>
176,125	3,875
2,534	182
12,455	3,194
7,735	-
24,000	-
<u>46,724</u>	<u>3,376</u>
16	144
18,397	291
<u>18,413</u>	<u>435</u>

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**Budgetary Comparison Schedule (Non-GAAP Basis)
General Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

	Original Budget	Final Budget
EXPENDITURES (Cont.)		
Airport		
Other services and charges	\$ 3,070	\$ 3,070
Payments to other organizations	5,690	8,229
Total airport	8,760	11,299
Total miscellaneous	30,320	30,147
Debt service	17,799	17,799
Restricted forfeiture	5,000	5,000
Total expenditures	2,101,041	2,101,041
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(25,799)	(25,799)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		
Rent/lease proceeds	3,000	3,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	3,000	3,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(22,799)	(22,799)
Fund balances - beginning (Budgetary Basis)	735,954	1,160,989
Fund balances - ending (Budgetary Basis)	\$ 713,155	\$ 1,138,190
RECONCILIATION TO GAAP BASIS:		
Cumulative difference between GAAP basis fund balance and budget basis fund balance at beginning of the year		
Fund balances - ending (GAAP Basis)		

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<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 1,851	\$ 1,219
8,229	-
<u>10,080</u>	<u>1,219</u>
<u>28,493</u>	<u>1,654</u>
 17,265	 534
 <u>2,751</u>	 <u>2,249</u>
 <u>1,940,825</u>	 <u>150,704</u>
 331,529	 347,816
 <u>2,940</u>	 <u>(60)</u>
<u>2,940</u>	<u>(60)</u>
 334,469	 <u>\$ 347,756</u>
 <u>1,160,989</u>	
 <u>1,495,458</u>	
 <u>286,072</u>	
 <u>\$ 1,781,530</u>	

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

NOTES TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (NON-GAAP BASIS) GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY DATA

The procedures used by the City in establishing the budgetary data are as follows:

1. The City Clerk's office prepares estimates of available revenue.
2. Department directors submit proposed expenditure budgets to the City Clerk by June 1st each year.
3. The Mayor and the department directors review expenditure budgets and necessary revisions are made.
4. Budgeted revenues and expenditures are balanced, and a summary budget is prepared and presented to the Mayor.
5. The City Clerk submits the proposed budget to the Board by August 1st.
6. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
7. The final budget is approved by September 15th and must be published in a local newspaper on or before September 30th.
8. The budget is formally amended at the first meeting in July each year, if necessary. However, budget revisions are made throughout the year (prior to July) as reallocations of funds are necessary, a budget deficit is indicated, or circumstances change which dictate the need for a budget amendment.
9. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for all governmental and proprietary fund types. Budgets for the Governmental Funds are adopted in accordance with provisions of the State Auditor's Office and not on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. For budgetary purposes, certain revenues from property taxes, interest on investments, and certain other sources are recognized when received in cash and unexpended appropriations lapse thirty days after the end of the fiscal year.

The legal level of control for all budgets adopted is at the fund level with the exception of the General Fund, which is appropriated at the department level. Administrative control for all budgets is maintained through the establishment of more detailed line-item budgets.

The City Clerk's office exercises budgetary monitoring throughout the fiscal year. An adopted budget may not exceed its appropriated level without Board approval. Budgetary controls are implemented through the City Clerk's office through the use of budget to actual reports. Any purchase requisition that will cause a line item to exceed its budget will be disallowed by the City Clerk. The department head will then be required to make an inter-department budget transfer or request a budget amendment.

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NOTE TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (NON-GAAP BASIS)

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NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY DATA (Cont.)

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule presents comparisons of legally adopted budgets with actual data on the budgetary basis. Since accounting principles applied for purposes of developing data on the budgetary basis differ from those used to present financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, a reconciliation of timing differences in the net change in fund balance for the year ended September 30, 2017 is presented at the end of the Budgetary Comparison Schedule.

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SCHEDULE 2

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**SCHEDULE OF CITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLAN
LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS***

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
City's proportion of the net pension liability	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 3,324,679	\$ 3,572,499	\$ 3,091,606	\$ 2,427,634
City's covered employee payroll	\$ 1,105,638	\$ 1,050,190	\$ 1,020,533	\$ 1,076,724
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	300.70%	340.18%	302.94%	228.41%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	61.49%	57.47%	61.70%	67.21%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of June 30 of the fiscal year presented.
This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB Statement No. 68 was implemented for the fiscal year end September 30, 2014, and, until a full 10 year trend is compiled, the City has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

See Independent Auditors' Report.

SCHEDULE 3

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**SCHEDULE OF CITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLAN
LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS***

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 169,588	\$ 165,382	\$ 160,670	\$ 165,848
Contributions in relation to contractually required contribution	<u>(169,588)</u>	<u>(165,382)</u>	<u>(160,670)</u>	<u>(165,848)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
City's covered employee payroll	\$ 1,076,749	\$ 1,050,044	\$ 1,020,127	\$ 1,053,003
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

* This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB Statement No. 68 was implemented for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, 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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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY PENSION INFORMATION SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - CHANGES IN ASSUMPTIONS

2015

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.

The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.

Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

Assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.

The price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.50% to 3.00% and 8.00% to 7.75%, respectively.

2016

The assumed rate of interest credited to employee contributions was changed from 3.50% to 2.00%.

2017

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected with Scale BB to 2022. Small adjustments were also made to the Mortality Table for disabled lives. The wage inflation assumption was reduced from 3.75% to 3.25%. Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. The percentage of active member disabilities assumed to be in the line of duty was increased from 6% to 7%.

Changes in Benefit Provisions

2016

Effective July 1, 2016, the interest rate on employee contributions shall be calculated based on the money market rate as published by the Wall Street Journal on December 31 of each preceding year with a minimum rate of one percent and a maximum rate of five percent.

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SCHEDULE 4

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**SCHEDULE RECONCILING ORIGINAL AD VALOREM TAX ROLLS TO FUND COLLECTIONS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

<u>ADJUSTED ASSESSED VALUATION</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUE</u>	<u>TAX</u>
Realty	\$ 10,904,488	\$ 594,295
Personal - other than auto	2,500,277	136,265
Public utilities	1,781,380	97,085
Personal - auto and mobile home	1,505,371	82,043
Total City of Poplarville at 55.4 mills	16,691,516	909,688
Less: Homestead exemption allowed	1,384,836	75,474
Total City of Poplarville	<u>\$ 15,306,680</u>	<u>834,214</u>
Add: Actual homestead reimbursement		42,404
County road taxes		42,181
Prior year collections		3
Penalties and interest on delinquent taxes		6,729
In-lieu of taxes		6,127
Deduct: Unpaid realty, personal and utility taxes		(3,006)
Adjustment to tax roll - real and personal		<u>(888)</u>
Total to be accounted for		<u>\$ 927,764</u>

<u>COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>TAXES</u>	<u>HOMESTEAD REIMBURSEMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Collections allocated to fund			
General fund	882,747	\$ 42,404	\$ 925,151
Debt service	15,083	-	15,083
	<u>\$ 897,830</u>	<u>\$ 42,404</u>	<u>940,234</u>
		Unaccounted for	<u>(12,470.00)</u>
			<u>\$ 927,764</u>

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SCHEDULE 5

CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**SCHEDULE OF SURETY BONDS FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS
September 30, 2017**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Surety Company</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jane O'Neal	City Clerk	Western	\$ 50,000
Butch Raby	Chief of Police	Western	\$ 50,000
James Steinkamp	Police Officer Bond	Old Republic	\$ 50,000
Christopher Netto	Police Officer Bond	Old Republic	\$ 50,000
Linda Dupont	Deputy Clerks	Old Republic	\$ 50,000
Ardelia Hackbarth	Deputy Clerks	Old Republic	\$ 50,000
Amy Lambert	Deputy Clerks and Court Clerks Bond	Old Republic	\$ 50,000
N/A	Blanket Bond for Alderpersons and Mayor	Travelers	\$ 50,000

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

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the
Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund, of the City of Poplarville, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Poplarville, Mississippi's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 6, 2018.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

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To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the
Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Poplarville, Mississippi's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the *Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with State of Mississippi Laws and Regulations* as Finding 1.

City of Poplarville's Response to Findings

City of Poplarville's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. City of Poplarville's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

Hattiesburg, Mississippi
July 6, 2018

Tops McWhorter Harvey, P.C.C.

REPORT ON STATE COMPLIANCE

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE
WITH MISSISSIPPI STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the
Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

We have audited the basic financial statements of the City of Poplarville, Mississippi as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and have issued our report dated July 6, 2018. We have conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the 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 results of those procedures and our audit of the general purpose financial statements disclosed the following material instances of noncompliance with state laws and regulations. Our finding and recommendation and your response is as follows:

Municipal Clerk:

1. Finding: The City did not maintain an accurate inventory of assets in accordance with guidelines established by the Office of the State Auditor.

The City's inventory records were not maintained on a timely basis, and we determined that annual inventory procedures were not conducted in accordance with the municipal inventory guidelines established by the Office of the State Auditor.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the
Board of Alderpersons
Poplarville, Mississippi

Recommendation:

The City should update existing inventory records by having each department update listings of assets, and any discrepancies should be resolved on a timely basis. Annual inventory procedures should be implemented in order to ascertain that the records accurately reflect assets in the custody of the respective departments.

Municipal Clerk's Response:

The City will update existing asset inventory records and maintain an accurate inventory of assets in accordance with the guidelines of the Office of the State Auditor. The delay was due to the lack of personnel needed to perform such duties, and the delay in the conversion of existing inventory control data.

The Office of the State Auditor or a public accounting firm will review, on a subsequent year's audit engagement, the finding in this report to ensure corrective action has been taken.

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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CITY OF POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017**

SECTION 1: SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements:

- | | | |
|----|--|------------|
| 1. | Type of auditor's report issued on the financial statements: | |
| | Governmental activities | Unmodified |
| | Business activities | Unmodified |
| | General Fund | Unmodified |
| | Debt Service Fund | Unmodified |
| | Water Fund | Unmodified |
| 2. | Internal control over financial reporting: | |
| | A. Material weakness identified? | No |
| | B. Significant deficiency identified? | No |
| 3. | Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted? | Yes |

SECTION 2: FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters were reported.

AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN



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**AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
Year Ended September 30, 2017**

FINDINGS - Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with State of Mississippi Laws and Regulations

Finding 1 Inventory of Assets Incomplete and Not Conducted on an Annual Basis

Recommendation:

The City should follow the instructions provided by the Office of State Auditor pertaining to the maintaining of an inventory of assets, including an annual physical inventory to be conducted by the departments of the City under the supervision of the municipal clerk.

Action Taken:

The City's municipal clerk agrees with this finding, and will implement appropriate inventory procedures including the conduct of an annual physical inventory by the various departments of the City.

Name of Responsible Person: Jane C. O'Neal, Municipal Clerk

Expected Date of Completion: September 30, 2018