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

Re: Annual Audit

Accompanying this letter is a copy of the financial report of the City of Ripley, Mississippi, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. A separate management letter was not written to the town in connection with this audit.

Sincerely, Marsah

Mayor

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COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Elected Officials

Chris Marsalis
Joey Bryant
Homer Richardson
Jackie McKenzie
Stephen Freeman
Jon Grisham

Mayor
Ward 1
Ward 2
Ward 3
Ward 4
Mayor, Pro-Tem, At Large

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen City of Ripley, Mississippi Ripley, MS 38663

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and business-type activities of the City of Ripley, 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 Ripley, Mississippi's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 from material misstatement.

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

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 and the business-type activities of the City of Ripley, 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 and budgetary comparison information on pages 41 and 42 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Auditing 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Ripley, Mississippi's basic financial statements. The supplementary information is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards , and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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, the supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 25, 2018, on our consideration of the City of Ripley, 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 Ripley, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Lindsey, Davis and Associates
Certified Public Accountants

Ripley, Mississippi June 25, 2018

CITY OF RIPLEY, MISSISSIPPI Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

As management of the City of Ripley, Mississippi, we offer readers of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the City exceeded its liabilities at the close of the 2017 fiscal year by \$19,832,660.
 Of this amount, \$1,221,547 may be used to meet the City of Ripley's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The City's total debt is \$4,680,425.

Overview of the Basic Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the basic financial statements.

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 enterprise.

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 result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from those functions that are mainly supported through charges to the consumer (*business-type activities*). The City's gas, water, and sewer utilities are business-type activities.

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 to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

In the fund financial statements, each of the City's major funds is presented in a separate column. The distinction between governmental type activities and proprietary type activities is maintained through the presentation of separate statements for these two types of funds. The major governmental fund presented is the City's General Fund. The City's Gas Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund are presented as major funds in the Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Proprietary Funds, and the Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Funds.

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 focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

Because the focus of governmental funds is more narrow than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Proprietary Funds include Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds. Enterprise Funds are used for those activities which are financed, primarily, by charges to users and customers.

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

Government-wide Financial Analysis

Condensed Data - Governmental and Business-type Activities

City of Ripley, Mississippi Net Position September 30, 2017

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	2017 Total	2016 Total
Current and Other Assets	\$ 1,146,961	\$ 5,015,931	\$ 6,162,892	\$ 6,184,783
Capital Assets, Net	9,032,177	14,259,361	23,291,538	22,087,032
Deferred Outlfows of Resources	391,648	175,958	567,606	881,128
Total Assets	10,570,786	19,451,250	30,022,036	29,152,943
Current and Other Liabilities	358,142	1,003,366	1,361,508	1,405,001
Long-term Liabilities	4,708,154	4,119,714	8,827,868	8,408,241
Total Liabilities	5,066,296	5,123,080	10,189,376	9,813,242
Invested in Capital Assets	7,212,177	11,398,936	18,611,113	17,875,145
Unrestricted	(1,707,687)	2,929,234	1,221,547	1,464,556
Total Net Position	\$ 5,504,490	\$ 14,328,170	\$ 19,832,660	\$ 19,339,701

Capital assets include the depreciated cost of the City's buildings, land, infrastructure (streets, drainage, lighting and signals), vehicles, equipment and furnishings. Capital assets, net of the outstanding debt incurred to acquire them, comprises 94% of the City's total net position. The remaining, unrestricted net assets may be used by the governing authority to provide future services.

<u>City of Ripley, Mississippi</u> <u>Changes in Net Position</u> For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Governmental Business-type Activities Activities		2017 Total	2016 Total
Revenues:				
Program Revenues:				
Charges for Services	\$ 566,533	\$ 7,114,856	\$ 7,681,389	\$ 6,841,063
Operating Grants and Contr.	52,897		52,897	60,891
Capital Grants and Contr.	743,680	648,883	1,392,563	1,032,705
General Revenues:				
Property Taxes	330,321		330,321	328,819
Sales Tax	1,381,591		1,381,591	1,360,106
Tourism Tax	305,150		305,150	292,103
Franchise Taxes	273,244		273,244	119,500
Road Tax	69,309		69,309	112,924
Other Taxes	6,375		6,375	5,615
Interest	7,266	12,940	20,206	27,911
Transfer	189,000	(189,000)		
Other	109,124		109,124	84,965
Total Revenues	4,034,490	7,587,679	11,622,169	10,266,602
Expenses:				
General Government	1,243,740		1,243,740	1,112,308
Public Safety	1,032,995		1,032,995	1,034,436
Public Works	1,126,067		1,126,067	1,039,439
Parks and Recreation	539,972		539,972	649,883
Water Service	·	1,244,316	1,244,316	1,310,681
Sewer Service		680,025	680,025	759,156
Gas Service		5,262,140	5,262,140	4,649,233
Total Expenses	3,942,774	7,186,481	11,129,255	10,555,136
Increase in Net Position	91,716	401,198	492,914	(288,534)
Net Position - Beginning of Year	5,412,774	13,926,972	19,339,746	19,628,280
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 5,504,490	\$ 14,328,170	\$ 19,832,660	\$ 19,339,746

Governmental Activities

The largest funding sources for the City's governmental activities, as a percent of total revenues, are sales tax (42%), capital grants and contributions (18%), and charges for services (14%).

The largest expense categories for the City's governmental activities are general government (32%) and public works (29%).

Table 1 presents the revenues of the City's governmental activities, and Table 2 presents the cost of each of the functions of the City's governmental activities. Table 3 presents the revenues of the City's business-type activities.

	2017	%	2016	%			
Charges for Services	\$ 566,533	14.7%	\$ 556,186	14.9%			
Grants and Contributions	796,577	20.7%	870,090	23.3%			
Property Taxes	330,321	8.6%	328,819	8.8%			
Road Tax	69,309	1.8%	112,924	3.0%			
Sales Tax	1,381,591	36.0%	1,360,106	36.3%			
Tourism Tax	305,150	7.9%	292,103	7.8%			
Franchise Taxes	273,244	7.1%	119,500	3.2%			
Other Taxes	6,375	0.2%	5,615	0.2%			
Interest	7,266	0.2%	11,803	0.3%			
Other	109,124	2.8%	84,965	2.2%			

<u>Expens</u>	<u>Table 2</u> es by Function - Governn	nental Activit	<u>ies</u>	
	2017	%	2016	%
General Government	\$ 1,243,740	31.5%	\$ 1,112,308	29.0%
Public Safety	1,032,995	26.2%	1,034,436	27.0%
Public Works	1,126,067	28.6%	1,039,439	27.1%
Parks and Recreation	539,972	13.7%	649,883	16.9%
	\$ 3,942,774	100.0%	\$ 3,836,066	100.0%

Revenue	<u>Table 3</u> es by Source - Business	s-type Activiti	<u>es</u>	
	2017	%	2016	%
Gas Charges for Services	\$ 5,210,454	67.0%	\$ 4,619,181	70.8%
Water Charges for Services	1,281,392	16.5%	1,132,863	17.4%
Sewer Charges for Services	623,010	8.0%	476,909	7.3%
Grants and Contributions	648,883	8.3%	223,506	3.4%
Interest	12,940	0.2%	16,108	0.2%
Other			55,924	0.9%
	\$ 7,776,679	100.0%	\$ 6,524,491	100.0%

Business-type Activities

Business-type activities increased the City's net position by \$401,198. Charges for services are the major revenue categories for the enterprise funds. Total business-type revenues, as a percentage of total revenue, are comprised of \$5,210,454 (73%) for gas, \$1,281,392 (18%) for water and \$623,010 (9%) for sewer.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, the City has recorded depreciation expense associated with all of its capital assets. The Statement encourages, but does not require, phase three governments to report infrastructure retroactively. Therefore, due to costs constraints, the management of the City decided not to retroactively report infrastructure. Beginning with the fiscal year ended September 30, 2004, the City has reported newly acquired or constructed general infrastructure assets in the Statement of Net Position.

The City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of September 30, 2017, amount to \$23,291,538, net of accumulated depreciation of \$14,633,524. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements other than buildings, machinery and equipment, infrastructure and construction in progress. For additional information concerning capital asset activity, see Detail Note IV - E.

Long-term debt. At year-end, the City had \$4,680,425 in bonds and notes outstanding. For additional information concerning long-term debt, see Detail Note IV - F.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets

The City considered current year operational expenses and estimated increases based on economic factors when establishing the fiscal year 2018 budget. The total budgeted appropriations for the City operations in the governmental activities is \$3,476,804.

Contact Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Ripley, Mississippi's finances for all those with an interest in the City's finances. Questions concerning any information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the City of Ripley, 500 South Main Street, Ripley, MS, 38663, telephone number (662) 837-0130.

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CITY OF RIPLEY, MISSISSIPPI Statement of Net Position September 30, 2017

	Primary Government		
	Governmental	Business-type	
	Activities	Activities	Total
<u>Assets</u>			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 156,184	\$ 2,532,154	\$ 2,688,338
Investments		372,363	372,363
Receivables:			
Accounts (Net)	86,032	559,024	645,056
Franchise Fees	1,309		1,309
Sales Tax	280,573		280,573
Taxes	71,261		71,261
Interest Receivable		996	996
Other Receivables	59,391		59,391
Internal Balances	•	595,801	595,801
Inventory of Supplies, at Cost		129,592	129,592
Inventory of Natural Gas, at Cost		354,122	354,122
Prepaid Expenses		21,613	21,613
Total Current Assets	654,750	4,565,665	5,220,415
Restricted Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	492,211	450,266	942,477
Total Restricted Assets	492,211	450,266	942,477
Capital Assets		,	
Land	546,060	145,065	691,125
Buildings	1,232,961	42,238	1,275,199
Improvements other than Buildings	1,513,605	.2,200	1,513,605
Utility Systems	1,010,000	21,572,522	21,572,522
Furniture, Vehicles and Equipment	2,997,415	1,339,679	4,337,094
Infrastructure	3,165,241	1,000,070	3,165,241
City Park	4,580,258		4,580,258
Construction in Progress	4,300,230	790,018	790,018
Accumulated Depreciation	(5,003,363)	(9,630,161)	(14,633,524)
Total Capital Assets	9,032,177	14,259,361	23,291,538
Total Capital Assets	3,002,177	14,233,301	20,231,000
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Pension Plan	391,648	175,958	567,606
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	391,648	175,958	567,606
Total Assets	10,570,786	19,451,250	30,022,036
Total Assets	10,370,700	13,431,230	00,022,000
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	161,870	89,413	251,283
Internal Balances	21,272	574,529	595,801
Current Portion of Long-term Debt	175,000	116,910	291,910
Current Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets	.,,,,,,	1.0,0.0	20.,0.0
Customer Meter Deposits		222,514	222,514
Total Current Liabilities	358,142	1,003,366	1,361,508
Long-term Liabilities, Net of Current Portion	030,142	1,000,000	1,001,000
Long-term Debt	1,645,000	2,743,515	4,388,515
Pension Liability	2,752,834	1,236,780	3,989,614
Deferred Inflows - Pension Plan	310,320	139,419	449,739
Total Long-term Liabilities	4,708,154	4,119,714	8,827,868
Total Liabilities	5,066,296	5,123,080	10,189,376
Net Position	3,000,230	0,120,000	10,103,070
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	7,212,177	11,398,936	18,611,113
Unrestricted	(1,707,687)	2,929,234	1,221,547
Total Net Position	\$ 5,504,490	\$ 14,328,170	\$ 19,832,660
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Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Program Revenues				
			Operating	Capital	
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	
Primary Government:					
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 1,243,740	\$ 28,089	\$ 2,690	\$ 743,680	
Public Safety	1,032,995	63,993	50,207		
Public Works	1,126,067	327,871			
Parks and Recreation	539,972	146,580			
Total Governmental Activities	3,942,774	566,533	52,897	743,680	
Business-type Activities:					
Water	1,244,316	1,281,392			
Sewer	680,025	623,010		648,883	
Gas	5,262,140	5,210,454			
Total Business-type Activities	7,186,481	7,114,856		648,883	
Total Primary Government	\$ 11,129,255	\$ 7,681,389	\$ 52,897	\$ 1,392,563	

Property Taxes
Sales Tax
Tourism Tax
Franchise Taxes
Road Tax
Other Taxes
Interest
Transfers
Other

Total General Revenues

Change in Net Position

Net Position - Beginning of Year

Net Position - End of Year

Net (Revenue) Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Net Position						
	Р	rimary	Governmen	nt		
Governmental Activities			siness-type Activities Total		Total	
(469,281) 918,795) 798,196) 393,392) 579,664)	\$ 		\$ 	(469,281) (918,795) (798,196) (393,392) (2,579,664)	
			37,076 591,868 (51,686) 577,258	_	37,076 591,868 (51,686) 577,258	
(2,	579,664)		577,258		(2,002,406)	
1,	330,321 ,381,591 305,150 273,244 69,309 6,375 7,266 189,000 109,124		12,940 (189,000)		330,321 1,381,591 305,150 273,244 69,309 6,375 20,206	
2	,671,380		(176,060)		2,495,320	
	91,716		401,198		492,914	
5	,412,774	1	3,926,972		19,339,746	
\$ 5	,504,490	\$ 1	4,328,170	\$	19,832,660	

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds September 30, 2017

	General	Total Governmental Funds
Assets Cook and Cook Fourierlands - Unreaddicted	¢ 150.104	¢ 150 104
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Unrestricted	\$ 156,184	\$ 156,184
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Restricted	492,211	492,211
Receivables (Net):	90,000	06.000
Accounts	86,032	86,032
Franchise Fees	1,309	1,309
Sales Tax	280,573	280,573
Taxes	71,261	71,261
Other	59,391	59,391
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,146,961</u>	\$ 1,146,961
<u>Liabilities and Fund Balances</u> Liabilities: Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	\$ 161,870	\$ 161,870
Due to Other Funds	21,272	21,272
Total Liabilities	183,142	183,142
Total Liabilities	100,142	100,112
Fund Balances:		
Unassigned	963,819	963,819
Total Fund Balances	963,819	963,819
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 1,146,961	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statem are different due to:	nent of net position	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not or resources and, therefore, are not reported in the gobalance sheet.		9,032,177
Pension liabilities, including related deferred outflows a payable in the current year and are, therefore, not r funds.		(2,671,506)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not current period and, therefore, are not reported in the Bonds Payable		(1,820,000)
Net position of governmental activities		\$ 5,504,490

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

		Total
		Governmental
	General	Funds
Revenues:		·
General Property Taxes		
Current Ad Valorem	\$ 297,971	\$ 297,971
Prior Year Ad Valorem	1,809	1,809
Penalties and Interest on		
Delinquent Taxes	2,075	2,075
In Lieu of Taxes/Franchise Tax	254,991	254,991
Intergovernmental Revenues		
State Shared Revenues:		
Homestead Exemption	30,541	30,541
Sales Tax	1,381,591	1,381,591
Tourism Tax	305,150	305,150
Fire Protection Refund	29,298	29,298
State Gasoline Tax	5,359	5,359
General Municipal Aid	2,690	2,690
Collection from County:		
Road Tax	69,309	69,309
Fire Protection Refund	20,000	20,000
Building Code Rebate	909	909
Fines and Forfeitures	40,544	40,544
Privilege Tax	37,433	37,433
Building Fees, Permits and Inspections	9,925	9,925
Park Revenue	146,580	146,580
Charges for Services:		
Sanitation	327,871	327,871
Grant Revenue	743,681	743,681
Lease Revenue	11,497	11,497
Transfer In	189,000	189,000
Miscellaneous	390,143	390,143
Interest	7,266_	7,266
Total Revenues	4,305,633	4,305,633

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Continued Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

		Total Governmental
	General	Funds
Expenditures:	- Collogue	
Current:		
General Government	280,364	280,364
Public Safety	945,229	945,229
Public Works	937,548	937,548
Parks and Recreation	385,368	385,368
Capital Outlay	482,718	482,718
Capital Projects	51,583	51,583
Grant Expense	703,577	703,577
Principal Payments	440,975	440,975
Interest Expense	57,081	57,081
Total Expenditures	4,284,443	4,284,443
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues	21,190	21,190
Over (Under) Expenditures		
Net Change in Fund Balances	21,190	21,190
Fund Balances, October 1	942,629	
Fund Balances, September 30	\$ 963,819	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the stateme different due to:	nt of activities are	
The acquisition of capital assets is reported in the govern expenditures. However, for governmental activities the capital assets in the statement of net position and allouseful lives as annual depreciation expense in the statement amount by which capital asset purchases exceed the current period.	nose costs are shown as ocated over their estimated atement of activities. This is	70,139
Capital lease transactions is recorded as revenue in the however, in the statement of activities, it decreases n		(272,695)
The excess of pension expense recognized in accordance of amounts requiring the use of current financial reso expenditures in the governmental funds.		(167,893)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) pro resources to government funds, while the repayment debt consumes the current financial resources of gov transaction, however, has any effect on net position. report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discoudebt is first issued, whereas these amounts are defer statement of activities. This amount is the net effect treatment of long-term debt and related items.	440,975	
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$ 91,716

Statement of Net Position

Proprietary Funds

September 30, 2017

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
<u>Assets</u>				
Current Assets:				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 533,692	\$ 85,189	\$ 1,913,273	\$ 2,532,154
Investments	11,740		360,623	372,363
Receivables:				
Accounts	208,463	117,468	233,093	559,024
Interest Receivable	220		776	996
Due from Other Funds	518,631		77,170	595,801
Prepaid Expense	13,807	3,410	4,396	21,613
Inventory of Supplies, at Cost	33,797	14,484	81,311	129,592
Inventory of Natural Gas, at Cost			354,122	354,122
Total Current Assets	1,320,350	220,551	3,024,764	4,565,665
Non-current Assets:				
Restricted Assets:	04.500	00.500	05 174	400 000
Cash	34,522	69,536	35,174	139,232
Investments	101,884	13,000	196,150	311,034
Total Restricted Assets	136,406	82,536	231,324	450,266
Capital Assets:				
Land	95,896	39,169	10,000	145,065
Buildings and Improvements	14,994	6,125	21,119	42,238
Physical System	10,854,437	6,021,066	4,697,019	21,572,522
Furniture, Vehicles & Equipment	439,714	187,301	712,664	1,339,679
Construction in Progress		790,018		790,018
Accumulated Depreciation	(4,876,795)	(2,405,516)	(2,347,850)	(9,630,161)
Total Capital Assets Net of Accumulated				
Depreciation	6,528,246	4,638,163	3,092,952	14,259,361
Total Non-current Assets	6,664,652	4,720,699	3,324,276	14,709,627
Deferred Outflows of Resources				
Pension Plan	43,348	31,431	101,179	175,958
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Total Assets	\$ 8,028,350	\$ 4,972,681	\$ 6,450,219	\$ 19,451,250

Statement of Net Position - Continued

<u>Proprietary Funds</u> September 30, 2017

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	\$ 27,104	\$ 25,532	\$ 36,777	\$ 89,413
Due to Other Funds		574,529		574,529
Current Portion of Revenue Bond	68,593	20,267	28,050	116,910
Total Current Liabilities	95,697	620,328	64,827	780,852
Current Liabilities Payable from				
Restricted Assets:				
Meter Deposits	67,389		155,125	222,514
Total Current Liabilities Payable from				
Restricted Assets	67,389		155,125	222,514
Non-current Liabilities:				
Revenue Bonds (Net Current Portion)	795,753	1,558,362	389,400	2,743,515
Pension Liability	304,685	220,921	711,174	1,236,780
Deferred Inflow - Pension Plan	34,346	•	80,169	139,419
Total Non-current Liabilities	1,134,784		1,180,743	4,119,714
Total Non-Current Liabilities	1,104,704	1,004,107	1,100,740	
Total Liabilities	1,297,870	2,424,515	1,400,695	5,123,080
Net Position				
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	5,663,900	3,059,534	2,675,502	11,398,936
Unrestricted	1,066,580		2,374,022	2,929,234
Total Net Position	\$ 6,730,480		\$ 5,049,524	\$ 14,328,170

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Proprietary Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
Operating Revenues:				
Water Sales	\$ 1,240,04	41 \$	\$	\$ 1,240,041
Sewer Services		621,062		621,062
Gas Sales			5,165,597	5,165,597
Cut-On/Cut-Off Charges	10,77	70	6,738	17,508
Connection Fees	8,63	33 1,822	13,526	23,981
Meter Fees	21,58	33	20,873	42,456
Refunds and Miscellaneous	36	65 126	3,720	4,211
Total Operating Revenues	1,281,39	623,010	5,210,454	7,114,856
Operating Expenses:				
Operating Salaries	254,58	184,476	516,312	955,376
Social Security and Retirement Benefits	50,27	72 29,782	108,721	188,775
Gas Purchases			3,465,490	3,465,490
Gas Transportation Fees			483,561	483,561
Depreciation Expense	314,7	76 155,279	164,967	635,022
Materials and Supplies	100,90	05 46,171	137,474	284,550
Utilities Purchased	152,8	72,885	10,551	236,289
Repairs and Maintenance	113,67	72 70,919	21,274	205,865
Travel and Miscellaneous	31,78	7,780	91,948	131,516
Dues and Publications	12,04	40 248	3,098	15,386
Gas and Oil	12,60	04 9,278	26,747	48,629
Telephone and Postage	10,7	54 7,170	39,679	57,603
Insurance	60,39	93 41,696	90,914	193,003
Professional Services	14,58	85 12,791	37,190	64,566
Bad Debt	66,9	42 16,375	25,492	108,809
Sales Tax	22,2	47	26,852	49,099
Total Operating Expenses	1,218,4	19 654,850	5,250,270	7,123,539
Operating Income	62,9	73 (31,840)	(39,816)	(8,683)

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Continued

Proprietary Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Enterprise i unus					
	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total		
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):						
Interest Revenue	2,095	128	10,717	12,940		
Interest Expense and Fiscal Charges	(25,897)	(25,175)	(11,870)	(62,942)		
Grant Revenue		648,883	•	648,883		
Total Nonoperating Revenues	/					
(Expenses)	(23,802)	623,836	(1,153)	598,881		
Income Before Operating Transfers and Contributions	39,171	591,996	(40,969)	590,198		
Transfers In (Out)			(189,000)	(189,000)		
Change in Net Position	39,171	591,996	(229,969)	401,198		
Total Net Position, October 1	6,691,309	1,956,170	5,279,493	13,926,972		
Total Net Position, September 30	\$ 6,730,480	\$ 2,548,166	\$ 5,049,524	\$ 14,328,170		

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Statement of Cash Flows

Proprietary Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds

		Enterprie	e i uiius	
	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 1,279,201	\$ 603,171	\$ 5,264,797	\$ 7,147,169
Cash Payments to Suppliers	(585,496)	(339,197)	(4,680,920)	(5,605,613)
Cash Payments to Employees	(254,588)	(184,476)	(516,312)	(955,376)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Opera	ting			
Activities	439,117	79,498	67,565	586,180
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activity	ties:			
Operating Net Transfers In (Out)			(189,000)	(189,000)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Nonca	pital			
Financing Activities			(189,000)	(189,000)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financia Activities:	ng			
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	(32,898)	(1,663,215)	(73,275)	(1,769,388)
Contributions in Aid of Construction - Grant In	• • •	648,883	(10,210)	648,883
Contributions in Aid of Construction - Loan Pr		1,029,839		1,029,839
Repayment of Long-term Debt	(73,297)	(20,929)	(26,796)	(121,022)
Interest Payment of Long-term Debt	(25,897)	(25,175)	(11,870)	(62,942)
Net Cash Provided by(Used for) Capital			(11,010)	(0=,0 :=)
Related Financing Activities	(132,092)	(30,597)	(111,941)	(274,630)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Proceeds from Interest Earnings	2,047	128	10,576	12,751
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	2,047	128	10,576	12,751
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Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash				
Equivalents	309,072	49,029	(222,800)	135,301
Cash and Cash Equivalents, October 1	372,766	118,696	2,728,020	3,219,482
Cash and Cash Equivalents, September 30	\$ 681,838	\$ 167,725	\$ 2,505,220	\$ 3,354,783

Statement of Cash Flows - Continued

Proprietary Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds

						·		
		Water		Sewer		Gas		Total
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Pro	vide	d						
by (Used for) Operating Activities:								
Operating Income	_\$_	62,973	_\$_	(31,840)	_\$_	(39,816)	_\$_	(8,683)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income								
to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:								
Depreciation		314,776		155,279		164,967		635,022
Pension Expense Adjustment		18,574		13,466		44,149		76,189
(Increase) Decrease in Receivables		64,751		(3,464)		7,918		69,205
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Expense		877		(136)		(262)		479
(Increase) Decrease in Inventory of								
Supplies		(14,567)		(6,243)		(36,702)		(57,512)
(Increase) Decrease in Inventory of								
Natural Gas						(62,391)		(62,391)
Increase (Decrease) in Payables						, , ,		
and Accrued Liabilities		(8,267)		(47,564)		(10,298)		(66,129)
Total Adjustments		376,144		111,338		107,381		594,863
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating						·		
Activities	\$	439,117	\$	79,498	\$	67,565	\$	586,180
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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Ripley, Mississippi (the "City") was incorporated in 1837, under the provisions of the Mississippi State Legislature. The City operates under a Mayor-Board of Aldermen form of government and provides the following services as authorized by its charter: public safety (police and fire), public works, public welfare, parks and recreation, gas, water and sewer utilities, and general administrative services.

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (the "Report") of the City includes all funds. The financial statements of the City have been prepared to conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting and reporting policies and practices used by the City are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The City is governed by an elected mayor and five-member board of aldermen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the City (the primary government) and its component units.

Component units are organizations for which the City is financially accountable and all other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Financial accountability exists if the City appoints a voting majority of an organization's governing board and is either able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the City. The City may be financially accountable for governmental organizations with a separately elected governing board, a governing board appointed by another government, or a jointly appointed board that is fiscally dependent on the City. The financial statements of the component units may be discretely presented in a separate column from the primary government or blended with the financial statements of the primary government.

Based upon the application of the above criteria, there were no component units for the City.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 34-Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments . GASB Statement No. 34 established new requirements and a new reporting model for the annual financial reports of state and local governments. GASB Statement No. 34 was developed to make annual reports easier to understand and more useful to people who use governmental financial information to make decisions. GASB Statement No. 34 includes:

Management's discussion and analysis (MD&A)-MD&A introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities in a narrative format. An analysis of the City's overall financial position and results of operations is included to assist users in assessing whether the financial position has improved or deteriorated as a result of the year's activities.

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

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 non-fiduciary activities of the City. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities* are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues and are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely extensively on fees and charges for support. In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, both the governmental and business-type activities columns are presented on a consolidated basis by column and are reflected on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which incorporates long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or activity are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. *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 and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

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

Budgetary comparison statements-These statements are presented to demonstrate whether resources were obtained and used in accordance with the City's legally adopted budgets. The City revises the original budgets over the course of the year for various reasons. Under the new reporting model, budgetary information continues to be provided, and includes comparisons of the City's final budgets and actual results.

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

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measure-ment focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible 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. Grant Revenues availability period is generally considered to be one year. 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 the liability has matured and payment is due.

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation - Cont.

Ad valorem, franchise and sales tax revenues in the General Fund are recognized under the susceptible to accrual concept. Licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, contributions and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash as the resulting receivable is immaterial. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available. In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of these revenues. In one, monies must be expended for the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the City; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

Business-type activities and all proprietary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets. Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the City's gas, water and sewer funds are charges to customers for sales and services.

The following major funds are used by the City:

1. Governmental Funds:

The following is a description of the Governmental Funds of the City:

a. General Fund accounts for several of the City's primary services (Public Safety, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, etc.) and is the primary operating unit of the City.

2. Proprietary Funds:

The following is a description of the major Proprietary Funds of the City:

- a. The Water and Sewer Funds are for the operation of the City's water and sewer utility. Activities of the funds include administration, operation and maintenance of the water and sewer system and billing and collection activities. The Funds also accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt principal and interest for revenue bonds and other debt obligations when due throughout the year. All costs are financed through charges made to utility customers with rates reviewed regularly and adjusted if necessary to ensure integrity of the Funds.
- b. Gas Fund accounts for the operation of the City's gas utility. Activities of the fund include administration, operation and maintenance of the gas system and billing and collection activities. All costs are financed through charges made to utility customers with rates reviewed regularly and adjusted if necessary to ensure integrity of the Fund.

- I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies Continued
- C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation Cont.
- 3. Non-current Governmental Assets/Liabilities:

GASB Statement No. 34 eliminates the presentation of Account Groups, but provides for these records to be maintained and incorporates the information into the Governmental Activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position.

D. <u>Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balances</u>

1. Deposits and Investments:

The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, savings accounts and certificates of deposit with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State statutes authorize the City to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, State of Mississippi, Mississippi counties, or the general obligations of Mississippi municipalities.

Investments are stated at fair value except for money market investments which include short-term, highly liquid debt instruments which are reported at cost or amortized cost.

2. Receivables and Payables:

All outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles.

Amounts receivable from federal, state, county, and local governments are classified as "due from other governmental entities." No individually significant amounts were due from any single entity as of September 30, 2017.

3. Inventories and Prepaid Items:

Inventories are valued at lower of cost or market. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption and stored natural gas purchased to hedge against price increases. The costs of Governmental Fund type inventories are recorded as expenditures when consumed.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

4. Capital Assets:

Property, plant and equipment purchased or acquired is carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed fixed assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time received. Public domain (infrastructure) fixed assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems are recorded at cost. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$1,500 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year.

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balances - Continued

4. Capital Assets: - Continued

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 assets constructed. Net revenue bond interest cost incurred during construction periods is capitalized when material.

Property, plant and equipment of the primary government is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Computer Equipment and Peripherals	3
Vehicles and Equipment	5
Heavy Equipment	10
Furniture and Fixtures	7
Improvements other than Buildings	20
Buildings	40
Infrastructure:	
Roads	20
Concrete Bridges	50
Timber Bridges	30

5. Long-term Obligations:

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position.

6. Compensated Absences:

Vacation rights and annual leave for all employees are specified in Section 25-3-93 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as supplemented. The City makes specific reference to this statute for identification of vacation and annual leave time; however, generally vacation leave is as follows:

Employment	Vacation
Service	Time
After 1 Year to 5 Years	1 Week
After 5 Years to 10 Years	2 Weeks
After 10 Years	3 Weeks

- I. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued**
- D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balances - Continued
- 6. **Compensated Absences: - Continued**

The City considers vacation time to be a benefit, which must be taken or it is lost. Vacation time does not accumulate from year to year. However, should an employee leave employment with the City before vacation time is taken, he shall be paid for time not taken.

The City's employees accumulate one day of sick leave per month for each month of continuous employment with the City. Employees may carry over a maximum of sixty (60) days of sick leave. All unused major medical leave shall be counted as creditable service for the purpose of the retirement system.

Accumulated vacation and sick leave is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

E. **Net Position and Fund Balances**

In the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the City's total assets and total liabilities represents net position. Net position displays three components - invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted; and unrestricted. Unrestricted net position represents the net position available for future operations.

Governmental fund balances are classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. Nonspendable fund balance cannot be spent because of its form. Restricted fund balance has limitations imposed by creditors, grantors, or contributors or by enabling legislation or constitutional provisions. Committed fund balance is a limitation imposed by the City Board of Aldermen through approval of resolutions. Committed fund balance can be assigned for other uses only by similar action of the City Board. Assigned fund balances is a limitation imposed by a designee of the City Board. Unassigned fund balance in the General Fund is the net resources in excess of what can be properly classified in one of the above four categories.

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

When restricted and unrestricted resources are available, restricted resources will only be used when the imposed restrictions have been met. Therefore, spending will primarily occur from unrestricted resources.

Details of the Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-wide Statement of **Activities**

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances-total governmental funds and changes in net assets of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities.

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II. Details of the Reconciliation...... Continued

One element of that reconciliation explains that "the acquisition of capital assets are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are shown as capital assets in the statement of net position and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the statement of activities. This is the amount by which depreciation expense and disposal of capital assets exceeded capital asset purchases in the current period." The details of this \$70,139 are as follows:

Capital Outlay	\$ 534,301
Depreciation Expense	 (464, 162)
	\$ 70,139

III. Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

In accordance with the Code of Mississippi, the City annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following the required public notice and hearing for all funds and appropriates the amount deemed necessary for each of the different City activities. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures and time limitations. Encumbrances are not recognized on the cash basis budget and appropriations lapse at year-end.

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

A. Deposits and Investments

Deposits - Cash on hand and in banks at September 30, 2017 was \$3,649,763. The entire bank balances were covered by a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer which is governed by Section 27-105-5 Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

Investments - The City is allowed to invest in (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities; (2) direct obligations of the State of Mississippi or its agencies; (3) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the State of Mississippi or the United States; (4) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities and other political subdivisions of any state having been rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm and having received a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent; (5) certificates of deposits issued by state and national banks domiciled in Mississippi that are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor; or secured by obligations that have a market value of not less than the principal amount of the certificates; and (6) fully collateralized direct repurchase agreements having a defined termination date, secured by obligations described by subdivision (1) of this subsection, pledged with third parties selected or approved by the City, and placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve, or a bank domiciled in the State of Mississippi. The market value of investments, all of which are Certificates of Deposit, is not materially different from the carrying value.

B. Property Taxes

The City levies a tax on real and personal property based on the assessed value of property as compiled by the Tippah County Tax Assessor. Taxes on real and personal property are levied by

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

B. <u>Property Taxes - Continued</u>

the City Board of Aldermen at the first regular meeting in September. Through an inter-local agreement, all of the property taxes of the City are collected by the Tippah County Tax Collector and remitted as tax settlements (less an appropriate collection fee) to the City on a monthly basis.

In accordance with the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, the City Board of Aldermen may levy taxes in any amount for general revenue purposes and general improvements. However, taxes collected for any one year may not exceed one hundred and ten percent (110%) of the taxes collected for the prior assessment year. 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. In addition, the City Board of Alderman may levy additional taxes for specific purposes, such as culture and recreation, as authorized by law.

The tax levies for the calendar years 2016, 2015 and 2014 (taxes collected in the fiscal years ending 9/30/17, 9/30/16 and 9/30/15) are as follows:

	9/30/17	9/30/16	9/30/15
	Millage	Millage	Millage
City Funds			
General Fund	7.50	7.50	7.50
Public Safety	0.25	0.25	0.25
Parks and Recreation	2.00	2.00	2.00
Total Levy	9.75	9.75	9.75

C. Receivables

Receivables at September 30, 2017 for the government's individual major funds consist of the following:

	General	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
Receivables:					
Trade Accounts (Net)	\$ 86,032	\$ 208,463	\$ 117,468	\$ 233,093	\$ 645,056
Franchise Fees	1,309				1,309
Sales Tax	280,573				280,573
Taxes	71,261				71,261
Interest Receivable		220		776	996
Other Receivables	59,391				59,391
Total Receivables	\$ 498,566	\$ 208,683	\$ 117,468	\$ 233,869	\$ 1,058,586

D. Restricted Assets

A summary of restricted assets follows:

Hestricted Cash		
	Amount	Restriction
General Fund	\$ 293,602	GO Bond Fund

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

D. Restricted Assets - Continued

Restricted Cash - Continued		
General Fund	Amount 91,342	Restriction GO Bonds Building Fund
General Fund	52,042	Drug Enforcement Fund
General Fund	52,136	Bond Fee Account
General Fund	1,608	Mainstreet Maintenace
General Fund	1,480	CDBG Account
Gas Fund	322	AMR GO Bond Fund
Gas Fund	29,430	Refund of Customer Deposits
Gas Fund	5,423	UCAC Fund
Water Fund	653	AMR GO Bond Fund
Water Fund	11,968	Refund of Customer Deposits
Water Fund	21,901	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Interest
Sewer Fund	1,071	USDA Interim Financing
Sewer Fund	32,711	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Cushion
Sewer Fund	17,859	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Contingency
Sewer Fund	17,895	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Depreciation
Total Restricted Cash	631,443	
Restricted Investments		
Water Fund	8,905	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Contingency
Water Fund	8,905	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Depreciation
Water Fund	17,811	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Cushion
Water Fund	10,800	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Murry Spur
Water Fund	55,463	Refund of Customer Deposits
Sewer Fund	2,500	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Contingency
Sewer Fund	2,500	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Depreciation

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

D. Restricted Assets - Continued

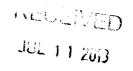
Restricted Investments - Continued

Sewer Fund	8,000	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Cushion
Gas Fund	10,000	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Depreciation
Gas Fund	10,000	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Contingency
Gas Fund	50,000	Requirement of Bonded Debt Retirements - Cushion
Gas Fund	126,150	Refund of Customer Deposits
Total Restricted Investments	311,034	
Total Restricted Assets	\$ 942,477	

E. <u>Capital Assets</u>

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2017 was as follows:

	Balance at Beginning of Year		A	additions	Retirements		Balance at End of Year	
Governmental Activities:								
Capital Assets, not being								
Depreciated:								
Land	\$	546,060	\$		\$		\$	546,060
Construction in Progress		28,031				(28,031)		
Total Capital Assets, not being								
Depreciated		574,091				(28,031)		546,060
Capital Assets, being Depreciate Buildings	d:	1,232,961						1,232,961
Improvements other than		1,202,001						1,202,001
Buildings		1,509,105		4,500				1,513,605
Furniture, Vehicles and								
Equipment		2,822,372		175,044				2,997,416
Infrastructure		2,802,880		362,360				3,165,240
City Park		4,559,830		20,428				4,580,258
Total Capital Assets being								
Depreciated	1	12,927,148		562,332			•	13,489,480



IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

E. <u>Capital Assets - Continued</u>

	Balance at Beginning of Year	Additions	Retirements	Balance at End of Year	
Governmental Activities:					
Less Accumulated Depreciation					
For:					
Buildings	631,084	25,843		656,927	
Improvements other than					
Buildings	794,373	53,336		847,709	
Furniture, Vehicles and					
Equipment	1,891,290	114,251		2,005,541	
Infrastructure	826,451	146,749		973,200	
City Park	396,004	123,982		519,986	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	4,539,202	464,161		5,003,363	
Total Capital Assets, being					
Depreciated, Net	8,387,946	98,171		8,486,117	
Governmental Activities Capital			. (00.00.1)		
Assets, Net	\$ 8,962,037	\$ 98,171	\$ (28,031)	\$ 9,032,177	
	Balance at			Balance at End	
	Beginning				
	of Year	Additions	Retirements	of Year	
Water Activities:					
Capital Assets, not being					
Depreciated:			•		
Land	\$ 95,896	\$	\$	\$ 95,896	
Total Capital Assets, not being				05.000	
Depreciated	95,896			95,896	
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Capital Assets, being Depreciate				14.004	
Buildings	14,994	00.000		14,994	
Physical System	10,832,155	22,282		10,854,437	
Furniture, Vehicles and	400.000	10.010		400 74 4	
Equipment Total Capital Assets being	429,098	10,616		439,714	
Depreciated	11 276 247	മാ വേര		11 200 145	
Depreciateu	11,276,247	32,898		11,309,145	

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

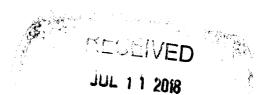
E. <u>Capital Assets - Continued</u>

	Balance at Beginning of Year	Additions	Retirements	Balance at End of Year
Water Activities:				
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:				
Buildings	10,973	406		11,379
Physical System	4,180,620	281,991		4,462,611
Furniture, Vehicles and				
Equipment	370,426	32,379		402,805
Total Accumulated Depreciation	4,562,019	314,776		4,876,795
Total Capital Assets, being				
Depreciated, Net	6,714,228	(281,878)		6,432,350
Water Activities Capital				
Assets, Net	\$ 6,810,124	\$ (281,878)	\$	\$ 6,528,246
				5.
	Unionan at			
	Balance at			Balance at
	Beginning	Additions	Retirements	End
Sowar Activities		Additions	Retirements	
Sewer Activities:	Beginning	Additions	Retirements	End
Capital Assets, not being	Beginning	Additions	Retirements	End
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated:	Beginning of Year			End of Year
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169	\$	Retirements	End of Year \$ 39,169
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress	Beginning of Year	\$		End of Year
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169 267,404	\$ 522,614		End of Year \$ 39,169 790,018
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169	\$ 522,614		End of Year \$ 39,169
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169 267,404 306,573	\$ 522,614		End of Year \$ 39,169 790,018
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169 267,404 306,573	\$ 522,614 522,614		End of Year \$ 39,169 790,018
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated Capital Assets, being Depreciated Buildings	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169 267,404 306,573	\$ 522,614 522,614		End of Year \$ 39,169 790,018 829,187
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated Capital Assets, being Depreciated	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169 267,404 306,573 d: 6,125	\$ 522,614 522,614		End of Year \$ 39,169 790,018 829,187
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated Capital Assets, being Depreciate Buildings Physical System	Beginning of Year \$ 39,169 267,404 306,573 d: 6,125	\$ 522,614 522,614 1,133,457		End of Year \$ 39,169 790,018 829,187
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated: Land Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated Capital Assets, being Depreciate Buildings Physical System Furniture, Vehicles and	\$ 39,169 267,404 306,573 d: 6,125 4,887,610	\$ 522,614 522,614 1,133,457		### ### ##############################

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

E. <u>Capital Assets - Continued</u>

	Balance at Beginning of Year	Additions	Retirements		alance at End of Year
Sewer Activities:					
Less Accumulated Depreciation					
For:					
Buildings	4,490	174			4,664
Physical System	2,088,555	140,082			2,228,637
Furniture, Vehicles and	157 100	15 000			170 015
Equipment Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>157,192</u> 2,250,237	15,023 155,279			172,215 2,405,516
Total Accumulated Depreciation	2,230,231	133,219			2,403,310
Total Capital Assets, being					
Depreciated, Net	2,823,654	985,322			3,808,976
-					
Sewer Activities Capital					
Assets, Net	\$ 3,130,227	\$ 1,507,936	\$	\$	4,638,163
	Balance at			В	alance at
	Beginning	A 1 11.2	.		End
One Antibutton	of Year	Additions	Retirements		of Year
Gas Activities:					
Capital Assets, not being					
Depreciated: Land	\$	\$ 10,000	\$	\$	10,000
Total Capital Assets, not being	Ψ	Φ 10,000	Ψ	Ψ	10,000
Depreciated		10,000)		10,000
Doprodiated		. 0,000			10,000
Capital Assets, being Depreciate	d:				
Buildings	21,119				21,119
Physical System	4,663,171	33,848	1		4,697,019
Furniture, Vehicles and					
Equipment	683,237	29,427			712,664
Total Capital Assets being	5,367,527	63,275			5,430,802
Depreciated					



IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

E. Capital Assets - Continued

E. Gapital Assets Communication	Balance at Beginning of Year	Additions	Retirements	Balance at End of Year
Gas Activities:				
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
For:				
Buildings	15,458	580		16,038
Physical System	1,656,204	122,979		1,779,183
Furniture, Vehicles and				
Equipment	511,221	41,408		552,629
Total Accumulated Depreciation	2,182,883	164,967		2,347,850
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated, Net	3,184,644	(101,692)		3,082,952
Gas Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 3,184,644	\$ (91,692)	\$	\$ 3,092,952

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

Governmental	Activities:
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General Government Public Safety Public Works Parks and Recreation	\$ 37,620 83,420 188,519 154,603
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ 464,162
Business-type Activities: Water Sewer Gas	\$ 314,776 155,279 164,967
Total Depreciation Expense - Business-type Activities	\$ 635,022

The City uses the straight-line depreciation method for property, plant and equipment based on the following estimated useful lives by major class of depreciable fixed assets:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	40
Improvements other than Buildings	20
Furniture, Vehicles and Equipment	3 - 10
Utility Systems	20 - 40
Infrastructure	20 - 50

September 30, 2017

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

F. Long-term Debt

Debt of the Governmental Funds

The general obligation (GO) bond and note payable of the Governmental Funds are payable from operations of the General Fund. Debt balance and transactions for the year ended September 30, 2017, are as follows:

		Balance,					Balance		Due
	(October 1,		Re	etirements	Se	ptember 30,		Within
		2016	Additions	a	ind Other		2017	0	ne Year
Notes Payable	\$	270,975	\$	\$	(270,975)	\$		\$	
GO Bond		1,990,000			(170,000)	_	1,820,000		175,000
	\$	2,260,975	\$	\$	(440,975)	\$	1,820,000	\$	175,000

The principal and interest requirements of the general obligation bond and note payable at September 30, 2017 are as follows:

	Fiscal Year		Principal	1	Interest		Total
•	2018	\$	\$ 175,000		48,694	\$	223,694
	2019		180,000		44,756		224,756
	2020		190,000		40,481		230,481
	2021		195,000		35,731		230,731
	2022	200,000			30,856		230,856
	2023-2027		880,000		65,988		945,988
		\$	1,820,000	\$	266,506	_\$	2,086,506
		_					

Debt of the Enterprise Funds

The revenue bonds of the Enterprise Funds are payable from operations of the Water Fund. Debt balance and transactions for the year ended September 30, 2017 are as follows:

	alance, ctober 1,		Re	tirements	_	Balance tember 30,	\	Due Vithin
	2016	Additions	ar	nd Other		2017	0	ne Year
Revenue Bond	\$ 22,843	\$	\$	(8,586)	\$	14,257	\$	9,104
Revenue Bond	13,476			(10,937)		2,539		2,539
GO Bond	 901,150			(53,600)		847,550		56,950
-	\$ 937,469	\$	\$	(73,123)	\$	864,346	\$	68,593

IV. Detailed Notes on Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements - Continued

F. <u>Long-term Debt - Continued</u>

Debt of the Enterprise Funds - Continued

The revenue bonds of the Enterprise Funds are payable from operations of the Sewer Fund. Debt balance and transactions for the year ended September 30, 2017 are as follows:

	Balance, ctober 1, 2016	Additions	 irements d Other	Se	Balance ptember 30, 2017	Due Within ne Year
Revenue Bond \$	139,227	\$	\$ (8,402)	\$	130,825	\$ 7,445
Revenue Bond	198,388		(6,136)		192,252	6,505
Revenue Bond	231,978		(6,265)		225,713	6,317
Interim Financing		411,936			411,936	
Interim Financing		617,903	 		617,903	
<u>\$</u>	569,593	\$ 1,029,839	\$ (20,803)	\$	1,578,629	\$ 20,267

The revenue bonds of the Enterprise Funds are payable from operations of the Gas Fund. Debt balance and transactions for the year ended September 30, 2017 are as follows:

	Е	Balance,					Balance		Due
	0	ctober 1,		Re	tirements	Sep	tember 30,		Within
		2016	Additions	a	nd Other		2017	C	ne Year
GO Bond	\$	443,850	\$	\$	(26,400)	\$	417,450	\$	28,050

The principal and interest requirements of the above revenue bonds and notes payable at September 30, 2017 are as follows:

Fiscal Year	-	Principal		Interest		Total
2018	\$	116,911	\$	60,702	\$	177,613
2019		116,387		57,194		173,581
2020		112,248		54,063		166,311
2021		118,309		50,863		169,172
2022		124,422		47,376		171,798
2023-2027		690,761		178,104		868,865
2028-2032		401,430		65,429		466,859
2033-2037		120,018		21,945		141,963
2038-2042		30,099		1,983		32,082
	\$	1,830,585	\$	\$ 537,659		2,368,244

V. Other Information

A. Pension Plan

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description

The City contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law 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 Employee Retirement System, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201-1005 or by calling (601)359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Benefits Provided

Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi. 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.

For the cost-sharing plan 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 2.00% 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 2.50% for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. A member may elect a reduced retirement allowance payable for life with the provision that, after death, a beneficiary receive benefits for life or for a specified number of years. 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. In the event of death prior to retirement of any member whose spouse and/or children are not entitled to a retirement allowance, the deceased member's accumulated contributions and interest are paid to the designated beneficiary.

Funding Policy

PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. As of July 2013 the current rate is 15.75% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The City's contributions to PERS for 2017 were \$243,407 which was equal to the required contributions. The City's contributions to PERS for 2016 and 2015 were \$248,877 and \$243,521, respectively.

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V. Other Information - Continued

A. Pension Plan - Continued

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

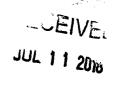
At September 30, 2017, the City reported a liability of \$3,989,614 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the ratio of the City's actual contribution to the total actual contributions of all participating employers to PERS as of and for the PERS fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. At June 30, 2017, the City's proportion was .024 percent.

For the year ended September 30, 2017, the City recognized pension expense of \$489,042. At September 30, 2017 the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Οι	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred nflows of esources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	57,318	\$	(29,111)
Changes in assumptions		88,674		(6,798)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		362,606		(413,830)
Changes in proportion and differences between System contributions and proportionate share of contributions		(1,303)		
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date		60,311		
Total	\$	567,606		(449,739)

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the City's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of net pension liability in the following fiscal year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pensions expense as follows:

Years ended June 30,	
2018	120,922
2019	69,394
2020	62,813
2021	3,717
2022	(77,065)
Thereafter	
	\$ 179,781



Notes to Basic Financial Statements - Continued September 30, 2017

V. Other Information - Continued

A. Pension Plan - Continued

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

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:

Inflation 3.00%

Salary increases 3.75% - 19.00% average, including inflation 7.75%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

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

The actuarial assumptions used at June 30, 2017 were based on the results of 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 long-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, 2015, are summarized in the following table:

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

Notes to Basic Financial Statements - Continued September 30, 2017

V. Other Information - Continued

A. Pension Plan - Continued

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

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 and that the employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan 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.

The following table presents the System's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75%, as well as what the System's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(6.75%)	(7.75%)	(8.75%)
System's proportionate share of the			
net pension liability	\$ 5,232,646	\$ 3,989,615	\$ 2,957,628

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial report which can be obtained at www.pers.ms.gov.

Payables to the Pension Plan

Amounts included in accounts payable and accrued expenses related to PERS contributions payable at September 30, 2017 are not material to the financial statements.

B. <u>Interfund Transactions</u>

A summary of interfund receivables and payables at September 30, 2017 is as follows:

Fund	-	nterfund ceivables	Interfund Payables	
General	-		\$	21,272
Water		518,631		
Sewer				574,529
Gas		77,170		
	\$	595,801	\$	595,801

V. Other Information - Continued

C. Commitments and Contingencies

Grant Audits

The City receives federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. City management believes such disallowances, if any, would be insignificant.

Litigation

As of September 30, 2017, there was no pending litigation in which the City was involved.

D. Risk Management

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Risk management activities are accounted for in the General Fund. Claims expenditures and liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. These losses include an estimate for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNR). There have been no significant changes in insurance coverage, or settlements exceeding insurance coverage, during the past three years.

VI. Net Position/Fund Balances

Net position reported on the government-wide statement of net position at September 30, 2017, include the following:

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation Less: Related long-term debt outstanding Total Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	\$ 9,032,177 (1,820,000) 7,212,177	\$ 14,259,361 (2,860,425) 11,398,936	
Unrestricted Total Net Position	(1,707,687) \$ 5,504,490	2,929,234 \$ 14,328,170	

Required Supplementary Information

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-

Budget and Actual - Budget Basis - General Fund

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

						Variance avorable
		Budget		Actual	-	ravorable nfavorable)
Revenues:		Daaget		7,0144.		iiavorabio,
General Property Taxes						
Current Ad Valorem	\$	316,000	\$	313,139	\$	(2,861)
In Lieu of Taxes/Franchise Tax		73,000		69,506		(3,494)
Intergovernmental Revenues		-				, ,
State Shared Revenues:						
Sales Tax		1,380,100		1,378,670		(1,430)
Tourism Tax		301,100		301,073		(27)
Fire Protection Refund		33,700		29,298		(4,402)
State Gasoline Tax		5,360		5,359		(1)
General Municipal Aid		2,700		2,690		(10)
Railcar Tax		255				(255)
Collection from County:						
Road Tax		69,900		71,739		1,839
Fire Protection Refund		20,000		20,000		
Building Code Rebate		910		909		(1)
Fines and Forfeitures		65,750		63,973		(1,777)
Privilege Tax		20,800		19,180		(1,620)
Gross Receipts Tax		136,700		81,506		(55,194)
Building Fees, Permits and Inspections		10,700		9,925		(775)
Park Revenue		145,000		146,330		1,330
Charges for Services:						
Sanitation		320,100		323,150		3,050
Grant Revenue		50,000		1,500		(48,500)
Miscellaneous		132,945		144,353		11,408
Interest		13,700	_	954		(12,746)
Total Revenues	_\$	3,098,720	_\$_	2,983,254	\$	(115,466)

Required Supplementary Information

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-

Budget and Actual - Budget Basis - General Fund - Continued

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

			Variance Favorable
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General Government	\$ 787,222	\$ 708,462	\$ 78,760
Public Safety	1,049,047	1,031,475	17,572
Public Works	1,306,501	1,305,873	628
Parks and Recreation	735,431	732,977	2,454
Total Expenditures	3,878,201	3,778,787	99,414
•			
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues			
Over (Under) Expenditures	(779,481)	(795,533)	(16,052)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfer In	779,481	629,378	(150,103)
Total Other Financing Sources	779,481	629,378	(150,103)
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$	(166,155)	\$ (166,155)
•			
Fund Balances, October 1		941,059	
Fund Balances, September 30		\$ 774,904	

CITY OF RIPLEY, MISSISSIPPI Notes to Required Supplementary Information September 30, 2017

Budgetary Data

The City Board of Aldermen formally adopts an annual operating budget for the General Fund at the "category level." State statutes prohibit the governing authority from expending amounts in excess of the adopted or amended budget. The City Board of Aldermen may amend the budget during the fiscal year, by resolution, to reallocate resources.

The budgets for the General Fund 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. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations and any existing fund balance at the various fund or fund type levels. Budget amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the City Board of Aldermen. Budget amendments are made throughout the year as reallocations of funds are necessary or as circumstances dictate.

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 budgetary and GAAP fund balances for the year ended September 30, 2017, is as follows:

Fund Balance - Budgetary Basis	\$ 774,904
Adjustment: Change in Revenue Accruals	188.915
Change in Floveride Accordate	100,010
Fund Balance - GAAP Basis	\$ 963,819

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen City of Ripley, Mississippi Ripley, MS 38663

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and the business activities of the City of Ripley, Mississippi as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, which collectively comprise the City of Ripley, Mississippi's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 25, 2018. 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 *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

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 financial statements disclosed no material instances on noncompliance with state laws and regulations.

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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Schedule of Reconciliation of Original Ad-Valorem

Tax Rolls to Fund Collections

Year Ended September 30, 2017

	A	ssessed Value	N	Millage	
Assessed Valuation and Millage					
Realty Personal Auto		3,548,964 6,097,188 5,199,353 4,845,505	9.7	75 Mills 75 Mills 75 Mills	\$ 229,602 59,448 50,694 339,744
Less: Homestead Exemption Allowed Exempted Industries Total Collection Adjustments					 (32,646) (2,497) 304,601
Add: Actual Homestead Reimbursement Mobile Home Tax Other Privilege Tax					 30,541 580 2,333
Total to be Accounted For		Toyer		mestead bursement	\$ 338,055 Total
Collection Credits Allocated to Funds:		Taxes	Heim	bursement	Total
General Fund Balance Represented by: Unpaid Property Taxes	\$	300,013	\$	30,541	\$ 7,501
Total Accounted For					\$ 338,055

The distribution of taxes to funds was found to be in accordance with prescribed tax levies, and uncollected taxes were determined to be properly handled.

Ad valorem tax assessments were found to be within the limitations of Sections 27-39-320 through 27-39-323, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), as follows:

Actual Collections:		Actual Collections:	
Base Year 2016	\$ 324,171	Taxes collected 2017	\$ 300,013
10% Increase	32,417	Homestead Exemption Reimb.	30,541
Exemption	11,292	Under (Over) Limitation	 37,326
Total	\$ 367,880	Total	\$ 367,880



Supplementary Information

Schedule of Investments - All Funds

September 30, 2017

The following is a schedule of investments at September 30, 2017:

Certificates of Deposit

	Baland	e Matu	rity Interest
Fund Account Name	9/30/1	7 Dat	e Rate
Water Meter Fund Account	\$ 10	,000 02/26	/18 0.40%
Gas Meter Account	25	,650 02/28	/18 0.40%
Water & Sewer Meter	15,	,463 01/03	/18 0.40%
Gas Meter Account	10,	,000 12/29	/17 0.50%
Gas Depreciation Account	8.	,000 07/19	/18 0.50%
Gas Contingent Account	8,	,000 07/19	/18 0.50%
Gas Cushion Account	37	,000 07/19	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Contingent Account	4	,500 07/19	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Depreciation Account	4	,500 07/19	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Cushion Account	9	,000 07/19	/18 0.50%
Gas Meter Account	10	,000 07/19	/18 0.50%
Water Meter Fund Account	10	,000 07/19	/18 0.50%
Gas Meter Account	10	,000 12/12	/17 0.50%
Water & Sewer Cushion Account	3	,000 05/19	/18 0.40%
Water & Sewer Depreciation Account	1,	,500 11/19	/17 0.40%
Water & Sewer Contingent Account	1,	,500 11/19	/17 0.40%
Gas Operations	120	,410 01/17	7/18 0.40%
Gas Operations	123	,984 02/15	/18 0.50%
Gas Meter	40	,000 02/15	/18 0.50%
Water Meter Fund Account	20	,000 02/15	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Cushion	8	,000 02/15	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Depreciation	2	,500 02/15	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Contingent	2	,500 02/15	/18 0.50%
Gas Operations	116	,229 12/06	/17 0.35%
Gas Contingent Account	2	,000 12/23	/17 0.35%
Gas Cushion Account	13	,000 12/23	/17 0.35%
Gas Depreciation Account	2	,000 12/23	/17 0.35%
Murry Spur Water System	10	,800 08/23	/18 0.50%
Water & Sewer Depreciation Account	2	,905 11/14	/17 0.50%
Water & Sewer Contingent Account	2	,905 11/14	/17 0.50%
Water & Sewer Cushion Account	5	,811 11/14	/17 0.50%
Gas Meter	30	,500 02/08	0.40%
Antioch Reserve	11	,740 08/25	/18 0.50%
Total	\$ 683	,397	

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Schedule of Surety Bonds for Municipal Officials

and Other Municipal Employees

September 30, 2017

Elected and appointed officials of the City of Ripley are covered under various surety bonds, as described below:

	Bonded Amount	Policy Expiration Date
Mayor		
Chris Marsalis	\$ 50,000	6-30-2021
Aldermen		
Joey Bryant	50,000	7-03-2018
Homer Richardson	50,000	7-03-2018
Jon Grisham	50,000	7-03-2018
Stephen Freeman	50,000	7-03-2018
Jackie McKenzie	50,000	7-03-2018
City Clerk and Tax Collector		
Lisa Mauney	50,000	1-29-2018
Court Clerk		
Kathi Watson	50,000	7-07-2018
Police Chief		
Scott White	50,000	7-07-2018

CITY OF RIPLEY, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Year Ended September 30, 2017

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Catalog of Fed. Domestic Assistance Number	Pass-through Grantor's Number	Federal Expenditures	
<u>Department of Transportation - FAA</u> Airport Improvement Program	20.106	AIP#3-28-0066-010-2016	\$ 666,547	
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed-through Mississippi Development Authority				
Community Development Block Grants/ Entitlement Grants	14.218	1132-15-318-PF-01	302,225	
Appalachian Regional Commission Passed-through Mississippi Development Author	rity			
Appalachian Area Development	23.002	MS-18208	212,377	
U.S. Department of Transportation Passed-through Mississippi Development Author	ority			
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	STP-5651-00(001)LPA	38,603	
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 1,219,752	

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CITY OF RIPLEY, MISSISSIPPI Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

A. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal award activity of the City of Ripley, Mississippi under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City of Ripley, Mississippi, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the City of Ripley, Mississippi.

B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

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

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen City of Ripley, Mississippi Ripley, MS 38663

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the business-type activities of the City of Ripley, 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 Ripley's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 25, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of Ripley'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 Ripley's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Ripley's internal control.

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

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

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Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Lindsey, Davis and Associates
Certified Public Accountants

Ripley, Mississippi June 25, 2018

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

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen City of Ripley, Mississippi Ripley, MS 38663

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the City of Ripley, Mississippi's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City of Ripley, Mississippi's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2017. The City of Ripley, Mississippi's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

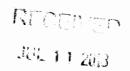
Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the City of Ripley, Mississippi's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City of Ripley, Mississisppi's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City of Ripley, Mississippi's compliance.



Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the City of Ripley, Mississippi complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2017.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the City of Ripley, Mississippi is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City of Ripley, Mississippi's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Ripley, Mississippi's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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

Lindsey, Davis and Associates
Certified Public Accountants

Ripley, Mississippi June 25, 2018

CITY OF RIPLEY, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended September 30, 2017

SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements:

Type of auditor's report issued:

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified?

No

Significant deficiencies identified?

None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

No

Federal Awards:

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness(es) identified?

No

Significant deficiencies identified?

None reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance

for major programs:

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required

to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a)

No

Major Programs:

CFDA Number(s)

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

20.106

Airport Improvement Program

Dollar threshold used to distinguish

between Type A and Type B programs:

\$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

No

SCHEDULE B - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters were reported

SCHEDULE C - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported