City of Gravette, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2023 and 2022



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Financial and Compliance Report

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A priority of Arkansas Legislative Audit is to assist local government officials by promoting sound financial management and accountability of government resources. The Legislative Auditor reports on the fiscal affairs of local governments, as well as compliance with relevant state laws and observance of good business practices to provide accountability for tax dollars expended to support government operations.

We have performed certain limited procedures with respect to cash basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the City of Gravette, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated September 4, 2024. These procedures were not performed for the Water and Wastewater Fund. Management of the City is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

The commentary contained in this section relates to the following officials who held office during 2023 and 2022:

Mayor: Kurt Maddox

Clerk/Treasurer: David Henzie (Appointed June 23, 2022 – December 31, 2023)
Dani Madison (Appointed May 26, 2022 – Resigned June 22, 2022)
Mike Von Ree (Deceased April 22, 2022)

Police Chief: Chuck Skaggs

We evaluated the City's compliance with certain state laws concerning general and district court accounting, budgeting, purchasing, and investing and depositing of public funds.

During our evaluation, nothing came to our attention that would warrant disclosure in this report.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, local City government, state executive and oversight management, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

Kevin William White CPA, JD Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas September 4, 2024 LOM119623

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

	 General	Street	Other Funds in the Aggregate			
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,276,692	\$ 245,166	\$	2,012,910		
Accounts receivable	383,750	8,801		162,765		
Interfund receivables	 	 4,400		32,284		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,660,442	\$ 258,367	\$	2,207,959		
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 54,388					
Interfund payables	36,684					
Total Liabilities	91,072					
Fund Balances:						
Restricted	59,069	\$ 258,367	\$	2,188,323		
Assigned	•	ŕ		19,636		
Unassigned	1,510,301			,		
Total Fund Balances	1,569,370	258,367		2,207,959		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,660,442	\$ 258,367	\$	2,207,959		

Exhibit B

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

OR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

DEVENUE	Gene	eral	;	Street		her Funds in the ggregate
REVENUES State aid	\$ 1	107,556	\$	299,213	\$	659,123
Federal aid	Ф	2,500	Ф	299,213	Ф	059,123
Property taxes	-	321,245		64,234		
Franchise fees		249,914		04,234		
Sales taxes		008,287				895,331
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	2,0	85,643				5,974
Interest		15,902		3,654		30,371
Local permits and fees	,	167,432		3,034		30,371
Ambulance fees		77,748				
School resource officer		137,355				
Sale of cemetery plots	'	107,000				2,500
Donations						1,000,587
Other	2	253,749				3,804
		200,7 10	-			0,001
TOTAL REVENUES	3,4	427,331		367,101		2,597,690
EXPENDITURES						
Current:	,	250.004				04.054
General government		953,991				24,251
Law enforcement	1,0	050,997		057.747		7,753
Highways and streets		200 004		357,717		0.740
Public safety Recreation and culture		630,301				2,746
Total Current		473,574		357,717		794,800
i otal Current	3,	108,863		357,717		829,550
Debt Service:						
Bond principal						435,000
Bond interest and other charges						173,023
Dana morest and other oranges						170,020
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,1	108,863		357,717		1,437,573

Exhibit B

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

	General	Street	ther Funds in the Aggregate
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ 318,468	\$ 9,384	\$ 1,160,117
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out	 (232,427)		 232,427
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(232,427)		 232,427
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	86,041	9,384	1,392,544
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	 1,483,329	 248,983	 815,415
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,569,370	\$ 258,367	\$ 2,207,959

Exhibit C

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND STREET FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

			General		Street								
	Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)			Budget		Actual	Fa	ariance vorable avorable)	
REVENUES State aid	\$ 65,	110	\$	107,556	\$	42,437	\$	299,213	\$	299,213	\$	0	
Federal aid		000	φ	2,500	φ	1,500	Ψ	299,213	φ	299,213	φ	U	
Property taxes	309,5			321,245		11,669		56,869		64,234		7,365	
Franchise fees	259,6			249,914		(9,742)		33,333		0.,20.		.,000	
Sales taxes	1,896,7			2,008,287		111,488							
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	85,			85,643		518							
Interest	14,5			15,902		1,347		3,654		3,654		0	
Local permits and fees	157,3			167,432		10,065		•		•			
Ambulance fees	77,7			77,748		0							
School resource officer	137,3	355		137,355		0							
Other	280,5			253,749		(26,760)							
TOTAL REVENUES	3,284,8	309		3,427,331		142,522		359,736		367,101		7,365	
EXPENDITURES Current:													
General government	955,3			953,991		1,342							
Law enforcement	1,039,5	526		1,050,997		(11,471)							
Highways and streets								374,942		357,717		17,225	
Public safety	647,			630,301		16,857							
Recreation and culture	484,6	585		473,574		11,111							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,126,7	702		3,108,863		17,839		374,942		357,717		17,225	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	158,	107		318,468		160,361		(15,206)		9,384		24,590	
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers out				(232,427)		(232,427)							
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	158,	107		86,041		(72,066)		(15,206)		9,384		24,590	
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	220,2	221		1,483,329		1,263,108	_	102,732		248,983		146,251	
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 378,3	328	\$	1,569,370	\$	1,191,042	\$	87,526	\$	258,367	\$	170,841	

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General	Street	her Funds in the ggregate
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,344,564	\$ 260,894	\$ 734,001
Accounts receivable	215,155	6,819	64,775
Interfund receivables	 76,887	58,900	 31,814
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,636,606	\$ 326,613	\$ 830,590
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 62,563	\$ 743	\$ 15,175
Interfund payables	 90,714	76,887	
Total Liabilities	153,277	77,630	15,175
Fund Balances:			
Restricted	73,520	248,983	728,846
Assigned			86,569
Unassigned	1,409,809		
Total Fund Balances	1,483,329	248,983	815,415
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,636,606	\$ 326,613	\$ 830,590

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General	Stree	et		ner Funds in the ggregate
REVENUES State aid	\$ 117,505	\$ 3	06,236	\$	27,511
Federal aid	4,000		000,230	Φ	368,000
Property taxes	264,790		56,375		300,000
Franchise fees	241,376		30,373		
Sales taxes	1,746,629				754,440
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	68.036				7,209
Interest	4,617		1,071		5,752
Local permits and fees	182,185		.,		3,355
Ambulance fees	109,419				.,
School resource officer	128,275				
Sale of cemetery plots					4,555
Other	172,173	_	4,400		31,836
TOTAL REVENUES	3,039,005	3	68,082		1,202,658
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government	1,469,315				361,144
Law enforcement	365,772				766,175
Highways and streets		3	45,821		22,460
Public safety	591,976				29,930
Recreation and culture	473,035				19,999
Total Current	2,900,098	3	45,821		1,199,708
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges Financed purchase principal	82,076				270,000 184,660
			45.004		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,982,174	3	45,821		1,654,368
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	56,831		22,261		(451,710)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	1,426,498	2	26,722		1,267,125
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 1,483,329	\$ 2	48,983	\$	815,415

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND STREET FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

(UNAUDITED)

				General			Street								
		Budget	t Actual			Variance Favorable nfavorable)	Budget			Actual	Fav	riance vorable avorable)			
REVENUES	•	440.070		447.505	•		•				•	•			
State aid	\$	113,876	\$	117,505	\$	3,629	\$	306,236	\$	306,236	\$	0			
Federal aid		662,948		4,000		(658,948)		04.000		FC 07F		(4.057)			
Property taxes Franchise fees		275,853 238,852		264,790 241,376		(11,063) 2,524		61,232		56,375		(4,857)			
Sales taxes		1,726,299		•		20,330									
				1,746,629											
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		71,149		68,036		(3,113)		4.074		4.074		0			
Interest		4,618		4,617		(1)		1,071		1,071		0			
Local permits and fees Ambulance fees		185,828 109,418		182,185		(3,643)									
School resource officer		,		109,419		1									
		128,274		128,275		(2.562)		1 000		4 400		2 400			
Other		174,735		172,173		(2,562)		1,000		4,400		3,400			
TOTAL REVENUES		3,691,850		3,039,005		(652,845)		369,539		368,082		(1,457)			
EXPENDITURES															
Current:															
General government		1,472,973		1,469,315		3,658									
Law enforcement		1,029,727		365,772		663,955									
Highways and streets								325,680		345,821		(20,141)			
Public safety		577,577		591,976		(14,399)									
Recreation and culture		482,342		473,035		9,307									
Total Current		3,562,619		2,900,098		662,521		325,680		345,821		(20,141)			
Debt Service:															
Financed purchase principal		82,076		82,076											
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		3,644,695		2,982,174		662,521		325,680		345,821		(20,141)			
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		47,155		56,831		9,676		43,859		22,261		(21,598)			
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1		173,066		1,426,498		1,253,432		58,873		226,722		167,849			
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$	220,221	\$	1,483,329	\$	1,263,108	\$	102,732	\$	248,983	\$	146,251			

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

			CIAL R	JNDS		CAPITAL ROJECTS FUND		DEBT SERVICE FUND						
ACCETO	ural Fire ection (Act 833)	C	emetery				Emergency Vehicle		Stop Light		Capital provements	Sale	es and Use Tax	Totals
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Interfund receivables	\$ 66,019	\$	74,545 3,559	\$	42,855	\$	8,812	\$	1,000,025	\$	363,545 40,691 28,725	\$	457,109 122,074	\$ 2,012,910 162,765 32,284
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 66,019	\$	78,104	\$	42,855	\$	8,812	\$	1,000,025	\$	432,961	\$	579,183	\$ 2,207,959
FUND BALANCES Restricted Assigned	\$ 56,985 9,034	\$	78,104	\$	32,253 10,602	\$	8,812	\$	1,000,025	\$	432,961	\$	579,183	\$ 2,188,323 19,636
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 66,019	\$	78,104	\$	42,855	\$	8,812	\$	1,000,025	\$	432,961	\$	579,183	\$ 2,207,959

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE - REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

UNAUDITED)

DEBT SERVICE

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS									CAPITA	AL PRO	JECTS F	UNDS	FUND				
	Rural Fire Protection (833)		Cemet	tery	M	luseum		ergency /ehicle	Sto	op Light	Capii Improvei			and Use Bonds	Sale	s and Use Tax		Totals
REVENUES State aid	\$ 30.2	E0.									\$ 62	8,864					\$	659,123
Sales taxes	\$ 30,2	.59										3,833			\$	671,498	Ф	895,331
Fines, forfeitures, and costs							\$	5,974				0,000			*	0. 1, 100		5,974
Interest			\$	1,346	\$	536		83	\$	25		5,845	\$	171		22,365		30,371
Sale of cemetery plots			2	2,500														2,500
Donations				587					•	1,000,000								1,000,587
Other						3,804												3,804
TOTAL REVENUES	30,2	:59		4,433		4,340		6,057		1,000,025	85	8,542		171		693,863		2,597,690
EXPENDITURES																		
Current:																		
General government				30							2	4,221						24,251
Law enforcement								7,753										7,753
Public safety	2,7	46				0.000					70	0.700		0.400				2,746
Recreation and culture Total Current		46		30		2,936 2,936		7,753				2,738 6,959		9,126 9,126				794,800 829,550
Total Guitent	۷,۱	40		30		2,930		1,133			00	0,939		9,120				029,330
Debt Service:																		
Bond principal																435,000		435,000
Bond interest and other charges																173,023		173,023
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,7	46		30		2,936		7,753			80	6,959		9,126		608,023		1,437,573
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)																		
EXPENDITURES	27,5	13	4	4,403		1,404		(1,696)		1,000,025	5	1,583		(8,955)		85,840		1,160,117
	·																	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)																		
Transfers in						10,602					22	1,825						232,427
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	R) 27,5	13	4	4,403		12,006		(1,696)		1,000,025	27	3,408		(8,955)		85,840		1,392,544
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	38,5	06	73	3,701		30,849		10,508			15	9,553		8,955		493,343		815,415
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 66,0	19	\$ 78	8,104	\$	42,855	\$	8,812	\$	1,000,025	\$ 43	2,961	\$	0	\$	579,183	\$	2,207,959

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

DEBT SERVICE

		SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS					С	APITAL PRO	JECTS	FUNDS		FUND		
	ural Fire ection (Act 833)	<u>C</u>	emetery	Museum		Emergency Vehicle		Capital Improvements		Sales and Use Tax Bonds		Sales and Use Tax		 Totals
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Interfund receivables	\$ 53,506	\$	70,612 3,089	\$	31,024	\$	10,508	\$	114,634 16,194 28,725	\$	8,955	\$	444,762 48,581	\$ 734,001 64,775 31,814
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 53,506	\$	73,701	\$	31,024	\$	10,508	\$	159,553	\$	8,955	\$	493,343	\$ 830,590
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ 15,000			\$	175									\$ 15,175
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Total Fund Balances	 29,472 9,034 38,506	\$	73,701		30,849	\$	10,508	\$	82,018 77,535 159,553	\$	8,955 8,955	\$	493,343	728,846 86,569 815,415
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 53,506	\$	73,701	\$	31,024	\$	10,508	\$	159,553	\$	8,955	\$	493,343	\$ 830,590

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE -

REGULATORY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

DEBT SERVICE

	 SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS								CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS				FUND				
	ural Fire ection (Act 833)	Ce	emetery		Museum		ergency ehicle		American escue Plan Act		Capital rovements		es and Use ax Bonds	Sale	es and Use Tax	·	Totals
REVENUES State aid Federal aid Sales taxes Fines, forfeitures, and costs Interest Local permits and fees Sale of cemetery plots	\$ 27,511	\$	169 10 4,555	\$	38 3,345	\$	7,209 11	\$	368,000	\$	188,610 797	\$	785	\$	565,830 3,952	\$	27,511 368,000 754,440 7,209 5,752 3,355 4,555
Other	 				3,012		-				28,725				99		31,836
TOTAL REVENUES	 27,511		4,734		6,395		7,220		368,000		218,132		785		569,881		1,202,658
EXPENDITURES Current: General government Law enforcement Highways and streets Public safety Recreation and culture Total Current	 29,930		1,568		12,443 12,443		7,468		7,556 670,504		169,928 95,759 22,460 288,147		189,648				361,144 766,175 22,460 29,930 19,999 1,199,708
Debt Service: Bond principal Bond interest and other charges															270,000 184,660		270,000 184,660
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 29,930		1,568		12,443		7,468		670,504		288,147		189,648		454,660		1,654,368
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(2,419)		3,166		(6,048)		(248)		(302,504)		(70,015)		(188,863)		115,221		(451,710)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	 40,925		70,535		36,897		10,756		302,504		229,568		197,818		378,122		1,267,125
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 38,506	\$	73,701	\$	30,849	\$	10,508	\$	0	\$	159,553	\$	8,955	\$	493,343	\$	815,415

CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS NOTES TO SCHEDULES 1 THROUGH 4 DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

The following funds and descriptions represent all funds reported as other funds in the aggregate.

Fund Name	Fund Description
Rural Fire Protection (Act 833)	Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-284-403, 404 requires insurance premium tax funds to be distributed by the county to municipal fire departments for training, purchase and improvement of fire fighting equipment, initial capital construction or improvements of fire departments, insurance for buildings, and utilities costs.
Cemetery	Gravette Ordinance no. 12-08 (February 23, 2012) established a fund to account for donations, grants and other funds received for the operation of the City Cemetery.
Museum	Gravette Ordinance no. 08-05 (April 24, 2008) established a fund to account for donations, grants and other funds collected for the operation of the City Museum.
Emergency Vehicle	Ark. Code Ann. § 27-22-103 established fund for the fine for failure to insure motor vehicles to be used for the purchase and maintenance of rescue, emergency medical, and law enforcement vehicles, communication equipment, animals owned or used by law enforcement agencies, life-saving medical apparatus, and law enforcement apparatus.
Stop Light	Gravette Resolution no. 11-14-23-A (November 14, 2023) established a fund to account for donations, grants and other funds received for the installation of a stop light.
American Rescue Plan Act	Established to receive and disburse Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLRF), a part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, to support response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency.
Capital Improvements	Gravette Ordinance no. 03-08 (April 3, 2003) established to account for the collection of the .25% sales and use tax to be used to finance the operation and maintenance of capital improvements.
Sales and Use Tax Bonds	Gravette Ordinance nos. 17-01 (January 26, 2017) and 18-19 (September 27, 2018) authorized the issuance and sale of sales and use tax bonds for the purpose of street, park, and recreational facilities, sewer, and sidewalk improvements.
Sales and Use Tax	Gravette Ordinance no. 15-26 (April 3, 2015) established a fund to account for .75% sales tax collections to be used for principal and interest payments on bonded indebtedness.

1. A. Basis of Presentation – Regulatory

The financial statements are presented in accordance with the regulatory basis of presentation as prescribed or permitted by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-412. The law requires that the financial statements be presented on a fund basis with, as a minimum, the general fund and street fund presented separately with all other funds included in the financial statements presented in the aggregate. This law also stipulates that the financial statements consist of a balance sheet; a statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances; a comparison of the final adopted budget to the actual expenditures for the general and street funds; notes to financial statements; and a supplemental schedule of capital assets.

The regulatory basis of presentation is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP require that basic financial statements present government-wide and fund financial statements. Additionally, GAAP require the following major concepts: Management's Discussion and Analysis, separate financial statements for fiduciary fund types and other requirements for fiduciary fund types, specific procedures for the identification of major governmental funds, and applicable note disclosures. The regulatory basis of presentation does not require government-wide financial statements or the previously identified concepts.

A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with related liabilities and residual balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for purposes of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations.

The following types of funds are recognized in the accompanying regulatory basis financial statements.

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Street Fund - The Street Fund (Special Revenue Fund) is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Street Fund accounts for and reports the proceeds of state highway turnback and property taxes that are restricted or committed for maintaining and constructing highways and streets.

<u>Other Funds in the Aggregate</u> - Other Funds in the Aggregate consist of all funds included in the financial statements except for the General and Street Funds. The following types of funds are included in this column as follows:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Special Revenue Funds presented on Schedules 1 through 4 are reported with other funds in the aggregate.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlay, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Capital Projects Funds presented on Schedules 1 through 4 are reported with other funds in the aggregate.

<u>Debt Service Funds</u> - Debt Service Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The Debt Service Fund presented on Schedules 1 through 4 is reported with other funds in the aggregate.

1. (Continued)

B. Basis of Accounting - Regulatory

The financial statements are prepared on the regulatory basis of accounting as prescribed or permitted by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-412. This regulatory basis differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Revenues generally are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. 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 government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current period. However, most state aid received from the State Treasury is by state law revenue of the year in which it was received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred. Liabilities incurred by the government on or before the end of the current period that are paid within 60 days of the end of the current period, are considered to be expenditures of the current period. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. As a result of the use of this regulatory basis of accounting, capital assets and long-term debt are not recorded in these financial statements. Pension trust funds are reported in a separate column as a part of supplementary information in order to provide users a better understanding of the entity as a whole.

The regulatory basis of accounting is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP require the following major concepts: Accrual basis of accounting for government-wide financial statements, including depreciation expense, modified accrual basis of accounting for fund financial statements, separate identification of special and extraordinary items, inclusion of capital assets and debt in the financial statements, inclusion of the net pension liability in the financial statements, and applicable note disclosures. The regulatory basis of accounting does not require the previously identified concepts.

In 2022, the City implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 87, Leases. The significant/material effect on the Regulatory Basis of Accounting in the current period is that certain items included in debt service in the previous period are included in the expenditure/function code of the applicable opinion unit.

C. Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Balances

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of financial reporting, "cash and cash equivalents" includes all demand and money market accounts, certificates of deposit, and short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

Fund Balance Classifications

- Restricted fund balance amounts that are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources
 are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors,
 or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or
 enabling legislation.
- Assigned fund balance amounts that are constrained by the City Council's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed.
- 3. Unassigned fund balance amounts that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. This classification may also include negative amounts in other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

1. (Continued)

D. Property Taxes

A lien attaches to the real property in January and on personal property in June of each year. Property taxes are collectible beginning the first business day of March of the subsequent year but are not considered delinquent until after October 15. Property taxes reflected as revenues on the financial statements include the property tax relief distribution made by the State of Arkansas. The purpose of this distribution is to reimburse the municipality for property tax credits in accordance with Arkansas Code.

E. Budget Law

State law requires that these procedures be followed in establishing the budgetary data:

- a. Prior to December 1, the Mayor submits to the City Council a proposed operating budget for the calendar year commencing the following January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. The proposed budget is discussed at a City Council meeting prior to adoption.
- c. Prior to February 1, the budget is legally enacted by ordinance or resolution of the City Council.
- d. Appropriations lapse at the end of each year.
- e. Under certain conditions, the budget may be amended subsequent to the year-end.

The budgeted revenues and expenditures represent the formal operating budget adopted by the City Council, as amended by the Council during the year.

Basis of Accounting

The City prepared an annual budget on the regulatory basis for the General Fund, Street Fund, and the other operating funds.

F. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures

The Municipality's highest level of decision-making authority is its City Council. The establishment of amounts classified as committed fund balances and any subsequent modifications to such balances are the result of formal action taken by the City Council through passage of an ordinance. The City Council is authorized to assign amounts to a specific purpose, although a formal policy has not been established.

The Municipality does not have a policy addressing whether it considers restricted or unrestricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available. For classification of fund balance amounts, restricted resources are considered spent before unrestricted. The Municipality does not have a policy addressing which resources to use within the unrestricted fund balance when committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

There were no committed fund balances at year-end.

2. Details of Fund Balance Classifications

Fund balance classifications at December 31, 2023, are composed of the following:

	General		Street	Other Funds in			
Description		Fund	Fund	d the Aggregate			
Fund Balances:							
Restricted for:							
General government				\$	78,104		
Law enforcement	\$	5,389			8,812		
Highw ays and streets		18,146	\$ 258,367		1,000,025		
Public safety		10,258			56,985		
Recreation and culture		25,276			32,253		
Capital outlay					432,961		
Debt service					579,183		
Total Restricted		59,069	258,367		2,188,323		
Assigned to:							
Public safety					9,034		
Recreation and culture					10,602		
Total Assigned					19,636		
Unassigned		1,510,301					
Totals	\$	1,569,370	\$ 258,367	\$	2,207,959		

Fund balance classifications at December 31, 2022, are composed of the following:

Description	General		Street		Other Funds in		
Description		Fund	 Fund	the Aggregate			
Fund Balances:							
Restricted for:							
General government	\$	10,495		\$	73,701		
Law enforcement		5,389			10,508		
Highw ays and streets		18,146	\$ 248,983				
Public safety		16,002			29,472		
Recreation and culture		23,488			30,849		
Capital outlay					90,973		
Debt service					493,343		
Total Restricted		73,520	248,983		728,846		
Assigned to:							
Public safety					9,034		
Capital outlay					77,535		
Total Assigned					86,569		
Unassigned		1,409,809					
Totals	\$	1,483,329	\$ 248,983	\$	815,415		

3. Commitments

Total commitments consist of the following at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	De	cember 31, 2023	De	December 31, 2022			
Long-term liabilities Construction contract	\$	4,176,854 363,411	\$	4,607,836 1,132,601			
Total Commitments	\$	4,540,265	\$	5,740,437			

Long-term liabilities

Long-term liabilities at December 31, 2023 and 2022, are comprised of the following:

	December 31, 2022		
<u>Bonds</u>			
Sales and Use Tax Construction Bonds, dated March 7, 2017, in the amount of \$5,185,000, due in annual installments of \$125,000 to \$295,000 plus interest through September 1, 2043, interest rates of 2.375% to 4.00%. Proceeds were used for various construction projects. Sales Tax Bonds may be called early, if sufficient funds from Debt Service sales tax collections have accumulated. Payments are to be made from the Debt Service Fund.	\$ 3,515,000	\$	3,780,000
Sales and Use Tax Construction Bonds, dated November 13, 2018, in the amount of \$1,065,000, due in annual installments of \$15,000 to \$250,000 plus interest through September 1, 2043, interest rate of 4.375%. Proceeds were used for various construction projects. Sales Tax Bonds may be called early, if sufficient funds from Debt Service sales tax collections have			
accumulated. Payments are to be made from the Debt Service Fund.	 630,000		800,000
Total Bonds	 4,145,000		4,580,000
Compensated absences consisting of accrued vacation and sick leave adjusted to current salary cost	 31,854		27,836
Total Long-term liabilities	\$ 4,176,854	\$	4,607,836

Due to the City's regulatory basis of accounting, these liabilities are not recorded in the financial statements.

The City's outstanding bonds payable of \$4,145,000 and \$4,580,000 at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, contain a provision that in an event of default, the Trustee may, and upon written request of the owners of not less than 25% in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding shall, by proper suit compel the performance of the duties of the officials of the City and officials of the State to take any action or obtain any proper relief in law or equity available under the Constitution and laws of the State.

3. Commitments (Continued)

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences do vest or accumulate.

Long-Term Debt Issued and Outstanding

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Au	amount othorized d Issued	Debt Outstanding December 31, 2023			Maturities to mber 31, 2023	
Bonds 3/7/17 11/13/18	9/1/43 9/1/43	2.375-4% 4.375%	\$	5,185,000 1,065,000	\$	3,515,000 630,000	\$	1,670,000 435,000	
Total Lon	g-Term Debt		\$	6,250,000	\$	4,145,000	\$	2,105,000	
Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Amount Authorized and Issued			Debt Outstanding ember 31, 2022	Maturities to December 31, 2022		
Bonds 3/7/17 11/13/18	9/1/43 9/1/43	2.375-4% 4.375%	\$	5,185,000 1,065,000	\$	3,780,000 800,000	\$	1,405,000 265,000	
Total Lon	g-Term Debt		\$	6,250,000 \$		4,580,000	\$	1,670,000	
Changes in L	ong-Term Debt								
			Balance January 01, 2023		<u> </u>	Retired	Balance December 31, 2023		
Bonds payab	ıle	\$ 4,58	0,000	\$	0	\$ 435,000	\$	4,145,000	
Balance January 01, 2			Issued	<u> </u>	Retired	Dec	Balance ember 31, 2022		
Bonds payab	le	\$ 4,85	0,000	\$	0	\$ 270,000	\$	4,580,000	
<u>Direct Borrow</u> Financed pur	-	8	2,349		0	82,349	*	0	
Total Lon	g-Term Debt	\$ 4,93	2,349	\$	0	\$ 352,349	\$	4,580,000	

^{*} Difference in payoff of \$273 due to early retirement of debt

3. Commitments (Continued)

Debt Service Requirements to Maturity

The City is obligated for the following amounts at December 31, 2023:

Years Ending		Bonds									
December 31,		Principal		Interest	Total						
2024	\$	175,000	\$	154,737	\$	329,737					
2025	Ψ	180,000	Ψ	149,519	Ψ	329,519					
2026		185,000		143,706		328,706					
2027		190,000		137,012		327,012					
2028		200,000		130,144		330,144					
2029 through 2033		1,110,000		535,163		1,645,163					
2034 through 2038		1,350,000		297,069		1,647,069					
2039 through 2043		755,000		45,406		800,406					
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Totals	\$	4,145,000	\$	1,592,756	\$	5,737,756					

The City is obligated for the following amounts at December 31, 2022:

Years Ending	Bonds									
December 31,		Principal		Interest		Total				
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2023	\$	170,000	\$	169,850	\$	339,850				
2024		175,000		165,038		340,038				
2025		180,000		159,819		339,819				
2026		185,000		154,006		339,006				
2027		190,000		147,312		337,312				
2028 through 2032		1,070,000		626,550		1,696,550				
2033 through 2037		1,300,000		401,338		1,701,338				
2038 through 2042		1,260,000		128,688		1,388,688				
2043		50,000		2,187		52,187				
Totals	\$	4,580,000	\$	1,954,788	\$	6,534,788				

Construction Contract

The City was contractually obligated for the following construction contract at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

		Contr	act Balance	Contract Balance			
Project Name	Completion Date	Decen	nber 31, 2023	December 31, 2022			
			_				
Gravette Sidew alk Phase 2	June 2024	\$	363,411	\$	1,132,601		

4. Interfund Transfers

In 2023, the City transferred \$221,825 from General Fund to Other Funds in the Aggregate (Capital Improvements Fund) for future capital projects and \$10,602 from General Fund to Other Funds in the Aggregate (Museum Fund) for operating purposes.

5. Pledged Revenues

The City pledged future 0.75% sales and use taxes to repay \$6,250,000 in bonds that were issued in 2017 and 2018 to provide funding for improvements to streets, parks and recreation facilities, sewer, and sidewalks. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds as of December 31, 2023, are \$4,145,000 and \$1,592,756, respectively, and the total principal and interest remaining as of December 31, 2022, are \$4,580,000 and \$1,954,788, respectively, payable through September 1, 2043. For 2023, principal and interest paid were \$435,000 and \$169,850, respectively, and for 2022, principal and interest paid were \$270,000 and \$178,419, respectively.

The Debt Service Fund received sales taxes of \$671,498 in 2023 and \$565,830 in 2022. Any sales taxes collected in excess of debt service payments on these bonds is permitted to be used to call bonds early.

6. Local Police and Fire Retirement System (LOPFI) (A Defined Benefit Pension Plan)

Plan Description

The City contributes to the Local Police and Fire Retirement System (LOPFI), an agent multiple employer retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for cities and towns in Arkansas. The plan 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 can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LOPFI. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System, 620 W. 3rd, Suite 200, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, by calling 1-866-859-1745, or on their website www.lopfi-prb.com.

On July 31, 2019, administration of the City of Gravette Firemen's Pension and Relief Fund was transferred to LOPFI. The benefit structure of these plans was not changed.

Funding Policy

The employee contribution rate depends on the type of service being rendered and whether or not the service is also covered by Social Security. The different employee contribution rates required by state law are:

- A. Paid service not covered by Social Security: 8.5% of gross pay
- B. Paid service also covered by Social Security: 2.5% of gross pay
- C. Volunteer fire service: no employee contribution

The City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by State law. The contribution requirements of the City are established and may be amended by the LOPFI Board of Trustees. The plan is also funded with state insurance tax. The City's contribution to the plan was \$120,851 and \$111,896 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, and the amount of insurance tax paid by the state to the plan for the benefit of the City was \$99,516 and \$97,560 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

Net Pension Liability

The requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 68, under the regulatory basis of accounting, are limited to disclosure of the City's share of the collective net pension liability. The City's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, (actuarial valuation date and measurement date) was \$1,999,057 and \$2,294,530, respectively.

7. Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description

The City contributes to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers municipal employees whose municipalities have elected coverage under this System. APERS, administered by a Board of Trustees, 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 can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for APERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, 124 W. Capitol, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, by calling 1-800-682-7377, or on their website www.apers.org.

Funding Policy

APERS has contributory and non-contributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 5% of their salary. Beginning July 1, 2022, the contribution rates shall be increased in increments of .25% per fiscal year, not to exceed 7%. The contributory rate was increased to 5.5% as of July 1, 2023. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate established by the Board of Trustees of the system, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The City's contribution to the plan was \$98,452 for the year ended June 30, 2023, and \$109,987 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Net Pension Liability

The requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 68, under the regulatory basis of accounting, are limited to disclosure of the City's share of the collective net pension liability. The City's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability was \$844,950 at June 30, 2023, and \$926,101 at June 30, 2022.

8. Capital Assets

The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

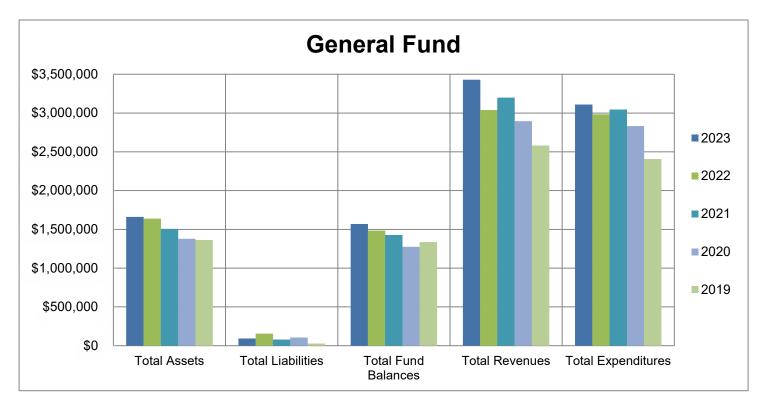
	De	cember 31, 2023	 December 31, 2022			
Land Buildings and Improvements	\$	795,197 3,725,849	\$ 795,197 3,671,349			
Equipment		3,491,733	 3,455,365			
Totals	\$	8,012,779	\$ 7,921,911			

9. Corona Virus (COVID-19)

On March 11, 2020, the Governor of Arkansas issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring an emergency and ordered Arkansas Department of Health to take action to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The City was awarded \$728,448 in federal aid from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and as of the report date, \$728,448 of this amount has been received. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on financial statements for future reporting periods remains uncertain.

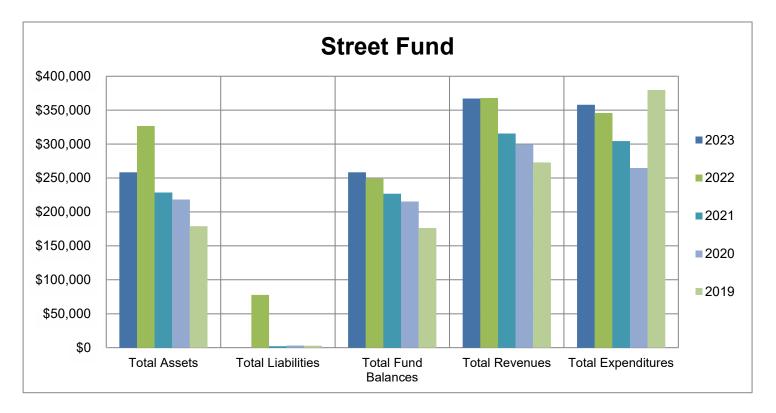
CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - GENERAL FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

General	 2023	 2022	 2021	2020		2019	
Total Assets	\$ 1,660,442	\$ 1,636,606	\$ 1,504,923	\$	1,377,433	\$	1,362,562
Total Liabilities	91,072	153,277	78,425		103,805		27,632
Total Fund Balances	1,569,370	1,483,329	1,426,498		1,273,628		1,334,930
Total Revenues	3,427,331	3,039,005	3,197,971		2,894,088		2,579,810
Total Expenditures	3,108,863	2,982,174	3,045,101		2,829,879		2,406,166
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	(232,427)				(125,511)		



CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - STREET FUND - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

Street	 2023	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019
Total Assets	\$ 258,367	\$ 326,613	\$ 228,728	\$ 218,222	\$ 178,916
Total Liabilities		77,630	2,006	2,867	2,720
Total Fund Balances	258,367	248,983	226,722	215,355	176,196
Total Revenues	367,101	368,082	315,664	299,123	272,967
Total Expenditures	357,717	345,821	304,297	264,729	379,716
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses				4,765	



CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - OTHER FUNDS IN THE AGGREGATE - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

Other Funds in the Aggregate	2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
Total Assets	\$	2,207,959	\$	830,590	\$	1,269,519	\$	1,124,737	\$	1,406,339
Total Liabilities				15,175		2,394		3,215		14,816
Total Fund Balances		2,207,959		815,415		1,267,125		1,121,522		1,391,523
Total Revenues		2,597,690		1,202,658		1,077,393		827,256		945,415
Total Expenditures		1,437,573		1,654,368		922,719		1,242,580		1,552,844
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses		232,427				(9,071)		145,323		(125,214)

