City of Flippin, Arkansas

# **Financial and Compliance Report**

December 31, 2023



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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# LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

Financial and Compliance Report

City of Flippin, Arkansas Officials and Council Members Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

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 Flippin, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated December 30, 2024. These procedures were not performed for the Water and Sewer Department. Management of the City is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

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

Mayor: Heith Hogan Recorder: Elizabeth Johnson Deputy City Clerk: Suzie Inskeep (hired February 17, 2023) Sandra Balogh (resigned January 1, 2023) District Court Clerk: Dustin Sanders (hired December 18, 2023) Suzie Inskeep (February 17, 2023 – December 18, 2023) Sandra Balogh (resigned January 1, 2023) Police Chief: John Spence

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.

Noncompliance with state law and accepted accounting practices was noted in the office of Deputy City Clerk.

#### **Deputy City Clerk**

Cash receipts and disbursements journals were not properly classified, posted, and reconciled with bank deposits and withdrawals, in non-compliance with Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-59-108, 110, 111. A similar finding was noted in the prior three reports dating back to 2018.

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.

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Little Rock, Arkansas December 30, 2024 LOM205723

## CITY OF FLIPPIN, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

		General Fund	Special Revenue Funds		Pension Trust Fund (Firemen's Pension)	
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$	1,149,729	\$	486,685	\$	212,939
Receipts:						
State aid		35,934		113,459		
Federal aid		4,000				
Property taxes		34,929		24,820		
Franchise fees		79,488				
Sales taxes		1,080,703				
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		29,096				
Interest		931		157		4,144
Local permits and fees		10,346				
Gain on sale of investments						5,119
Donations		13,467				
Loan proceeds		267,250				
Other		48,333		2,396		2,443
Transfers in				105,756		
Unclassified		395,395		45,102		
Total Receipts		1,999,872		291,690		11,706
Disbursements:						
General government		603,872				
Law enforcement		486,052				
Highways and streets				87,538		
Public safety		411,655				20,084
Sanitation		8,089				
Recreation and culture		507,825				
Contributions to State Local Police and Fire Retirement System						204,561
Wastewater		162				
Debt service		82,840				
Transfers out		105,756				
Unclassified		142,484		96,457		
Total Disbursements		2,348,735		183,995		224,645
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	800,866	\$	594,380	\$	0

Schedule 1

## CITY OF FLIPPIN, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

	 Street	Fire	I Police and Retirement LOPFI)	rict Court	 Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$ 379,202	\$	97,958	\$ 9,525	\$ 486,685
Receipts:					
State aid	113,459				113,459
Property taxes	24,820				24,820
Interest			157		157
Other	2,396				2,396
Transfers in	28,200		77,556		105,756
Unclassified			42,754	2,348	45,102
Total Receipts	168,875		120,467	2,348	 291,690
Disbursements:					
Highways and streets	87,538				87,538
Unclassified	2,872		90,418	3,167	96,457
Total Disbursements	 90,410		90,418	 3,167	 183,995
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 457,667	\$	128,007	\$ 8,706	\$ 594,380

Schedule 2

### CITY OF FLIPPIN, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

- 1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand and savings accounts and certificates of deposit.
- The General Fund column on the Financial Schedules includes the following bank accounts: General, Police Registration, Police Depreciation, Police Department, City Jail Fee, Fire Equipment & Training - Act 833 Fire Department, Fire Truck, Fire Department Building and Emergency, Parks Department, and Parks Construction.
- 3. The cash balance at year-end in the custodial fund is as follows:

December 31, 2023		
\$	3,214	

This balance represents fines, forfeitures, and costs that have not been transferred to the appropriate entities.

4. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

District Court

	December 31, 2023		
Land Building & Improvements Equipment & Vehicles	\$	336,180 1,882,500 1,851,391	
Total	\$	4,070,071	

5. The outstanding balance at year-end for long-term liabilities is as follows:

	Dec	ember 31, 2023
Financed purchases	\$	716,299