City of Hampton, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2024 and 2023



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Financial and Compliance Report

City of Hampton, 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 Hampton, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated September 9, 2025. 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 findings contained in this section relate to the following officials who held office during 2024 and 2023:

Mayor: Rick Shirron

Recorder/Treasurer: Brandy Belin

District Court Clerk - City: Laura Beth Evans District Court Clerk - County: Scilar Ray

Police Chief: Tischa Johnson (appointed November 23, 2024)

Joseph Jones (appointed June 7, 2023, resigned November 22, 2024)

Bob Dunn (retired May 31, 2023)

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 District Court Clerk - County.

District Court Clerk - County

Bank reconciliations were not prepared for the District Court County and Small Claims/Civil accounts, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 16-10-209. A similar finding was issued in the prior report.

Ending balances in two accounts were not identified with receipts issued for cases not yet adjudicated, in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. § 16-10-209, as shown below:

- District Court County Account: \$57,036 and \$27,776 for 2024 and 2023, respectively.
- Small Claims/Civil Account: \$523 and \$458 for 2024 and 2023, respectively.

A similar finding was issued in the prior two reports.

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

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CITY OF HAMPTON, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds
Cash Balance, January 1, 2024	\$ 215,96	\$ 441,816
Receipts:		
State aid	62,41	1 121,095
Federal aid	10,37	7 252,988
Property taxes	64,49	8 24,509
Franchise fees	99,98	0
Sales taxes	521,95	1
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	129,30	9 2,330
Interest		367
Local permits and fees	4,45	4
Other	72,46	14,429
Total Receipts	965,44	415,718
Disbursements:		
General government	331,69	14
Law enforcement	387,32	6,508
Highways and streets	99	0 91,652
Public safety	4,71	5 33,064
Sanitation	16,44	.7
Recreation and culture	6,51	,
Water and sewer	22,66	300,365
Total Disbursements	770,35	436,954
Cash Balance, December 31, 2024	\$ 411,05	\$ 420,580

Schedule 2

CITY OF HAMPTON, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

	Street		Local Police and Fire Retirement				Department act 833)	Li	r Vehicle ability urance	urt Clerk omation	Dep Spec	Police partment cial Asset rfeiture	ampton emetery	merican ue Plan Act
Cash Balance, January 1, 2024	\$	258,198	\$	25,278	\$ 88,469	\$	1,834	\$ 5,439	\$	2,436	\$ 2,690	\$ 47,372		
Receipts:														
State aid		97,115			23,980									
Federal aid Property taxes		19,349			5,160									
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		,			-,		390	1,940						
Interest				358				9						
Other					 4,424									
Total Receipts		116,464		358	 33,564		390	 1,949						
Disbursements:														
Law enforcement								6,508						
Highways and streets		91,652												
Public safety					33,064									
Recreation and culture														
Water and sewer												 47,372		
Total Disbursements		91,652			 33,064			 6,508				 47,372		
Cash Balance, December 31, 2024	\$	283,010	\$	25,636	\$ 88,969	\$	2,224	\$ 880	\$	2,436	\$ 2,690	\$ 0		

CITY OF HAMPTON, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

	Ham	npton Ball Park	W	lampton astewater provement	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2024	\$	10,100			\$ 441,816
Receipts:					
State aid					121,095
Federal aid			\$	252,988	252,988
Property taxes					24,509
Fines, forfeitures, and costs					2,330
Interest					367
Other		10,000		5	 14,429
Total Receipts		10,000		252,993	415,718
Disbursements:					
Law enforcement					6,508
Highways and streets					91,652
Public safety					33,064
Recreation and culture		5,365			5,365
Water and sewer				252,993	300,365
Total Disbursements		5,365		252,993	436,954
Cash Balance, December 31, 2024	\$	14,735	\$	0	\$ 420,580

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

		Special Revenue Funds			
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$	318,190	\$	530,065	
Receipts:					
State aid		32,956		113,903	
Federal aid		3,409		58,658	
Property taxes		59,886		22,757	
Franchise fees					
Sales taxes		541,076			
Fines, forfeitures, and costs			2,205		
Interest		32			
Local permits and fees		2,029			
Other		11,871		19,570	
Total Receipts		861,088		217,422	
Disbursements:					
General government		420,678			
Law enforcement		370,277		4,813	
Highways and streets		83,855		86,717	
Public safety		5,983		15,076	
Recreation and culture		25,746		4,325	
Water and sewer		56,772		194,740	
Total Disbursements		963,311		305,671	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	215,967	\$	441,816	

Schedule 4

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

	Street		Police and Retirement	Department act 833)	L	or Vehicle iability surance	urt Clerk comation	Dep Spec	Police partment cial Asset orfeiture	ampton emetery	merican ue Plan Act
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$	225,434	\$ 24,958	\$ 76,796	\$	1,189	\$ 8,683	\$	2,436	\$ 2,690	\$ 183,454
Receipts:											
State aid Federal aid		99,625		14,278							
Property taxes		17,966		4,791							
Fines, forfeitures, and costs						645	1,560				
Interest			320				9				
Other		1,890	 	 7,680			 				
Total Receipts		119,481	320	26,749		645	1,569				
Disbursements:											
Law enforcement							4,813				
Highways and streets		86,717									
Public safety				15,076							
Recreation and culture											
Water and sewer											136,082
Total Disbursements		86,717		 15,076			4,813				 136,082
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	258,198	\$ 25,278	\$ 88,469	\$	1,834	\$ 5,439	\$	2,436	\$ 2,690	\$ 47,372

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

	Ham	npton Ball Park	Wa	ampton stewater rovement	Total		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$	4,425			\$	530,065	
Receipts:							
State aid						113,903	
Federal aid			\$	58,658		58,658	
Property taxes						22,757	
Fines, forfeitures, and costs						2,205	
Interest						329	
Other		10,000				19,570	
Total Receipts		10,000		58,658		217,422	
Disbursements:							
Law enforcement						4,813	
Highways and streets						86,717	
Public safety						15,076	
Recreation and culture		4,325				4,325	
Water and sewer				58,658		194,740	
Total Disbursements		4,325		58,658		305,671	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	10,100	\$	0	\$	441,816	

CITY OF HAMPTON, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023 (UNAUDITED)

- 1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts and certificates of deposit.
- 2. The General Fund column on the Financial Schedules includes the following bank accounts: General, Service Fee, and Sales Tax
- 3. Cash balances at year-end in the custodial funds are as follows:

	ember 31, 2024	Dec	ember 31, 2023
Police Bond and Fine	\$ 100	\$	100
District Court	66,918		39,643
Administration of Justice	100		100

These balances represent fines, forfeitures, and costs that have not been transferred to the appropriate entities.

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

	De	cember 31, 2024	De	cember 31, 2023
Land Buildings Improvements Equipment	\$	175,590 121,668 142,538 748,548	\$	175,590 121,668 142,538 685,757
Totals	\$	1,188,344	\$	1,125,553