City of Leslie, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2021 and 2020



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City of Leslie, 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 Leslie, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated September 8, 2022. These procedures were not performed for the Water 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 2021 and 2020:

Mayor: Talitha Hardin

Recorder/Treasurer: Benny Davis

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 Mayor.

Mayor

An annual audit or agreed-upon procedures and compilation report was not obtained for the Water Department and submitted to Arkansas Legislative Audit, in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. § 14-234-119. A similar finding was issued in the previous two reports dating back to 2015.

The minutes of the governing body did not document the review of the findings and recommendations and the action taken by the governing body for the prior report, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-418. A similar finding was issued in the previous 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.

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CITY OF LESLIE, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED)

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds				
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$ 145,122	\$	336,346			
Receipts:						
State aid	6,983		35,026			
Federal aid			181,500			
Property taxes	4,686		4,465			
Franchise fees	14,727					
Sales taxes	71,478		71,103			
Interest			221			
Local permits and fees	4,106					
Other	251_		2,490			
Total Receipts	102,231		294,805			
Disbursements:						
General government	68,810					
Law enforcement	9,300					
Highways and streets			157,977			
Public safety			25,130			
Sanitation			47,277			
Total Disbursements	78,110		230,384			
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 169,243	\$	400,767			

Schedule 2

CITY OF LESLIE, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED)

	 Street	Fire D	epartment	anitation partment	Side	ewalk Grant	ican Rescue Plan Act	 Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$ 178,379	\$	35,738	\$ 122,229	_			\$ 336,346
Receipts:								
State aid	35,026							35,026
Federal aid					\$	138,510	\$ 42,990	181,500
Property taxes	4,465							4,465
Sales taxes			23,826	47,277				71,103
Interest	14			207				221
Other	1,190		1,300					2,490
Total Receipts	40,695		25,126	47,484		138,510	42,990	294,805
Disbursements:								
Highways and streets	19,467					138,510		157,977
Public safety			25,130					25,130
Sanitation				47,277				47,277
Total Disbursements	19,467		25,130	47,277		138,510		230,384
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 199,607	\$	35,734	\$ 122,436	\$	0	\$ 42,990	\$ 400,767

CITY OF LESLIE, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (UNAUDITED)

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds				
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$ 124,182	\$	302,822			
Receipts:						
State aid	6,543		41,387			
Federal aid	12,989		6,300			
Property taxes	4,544	4,31				
Franchise fees	14,785					
Sales taxes	62,053		62,795			
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	250					
Interest			225			
Local permits and fees	2,219					
Other	1,185		500			
Total Receipts	104,568		115,522			
Disbursements:						
General government	74,328					
Law enforcement	9,300					
Highways and streets			16,917			
Public safety			22,970			
Sanitation			42,111			
Total Disbursements	83,628		81,998			
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$ 145,122	\$	336,346			

CITY OF LESLIE, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (UNAUDITED)

		Street	Fire D	Department	anitation epartment	Side	walk Grant	Total	
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$	151,365	\$	29,429	\$ 122,028			\$	302,822
Receipts:									
State aid		33,292		8,095					41,387
Federal aid						\$	6,300		6,300
Property taxes		4,315							4,315
Sales taxes				20,684	42,111				62,795
Interest		24			201				225
Other				500	 				500
Total Receipts		37,631		29,279	 42,312		6,300		115,522
Disbursements:									
Highways and streets		10,617					6,300		16,917
Public safety				22,970					22,970
Sanitation					 42,111				42,111
Total Disbursements		10,617		22,970	42,111		6,300		81,998
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	178,379	\$	35,738	\$ 122,229	\$	0	\$	336,346

CITY OF LESLIE, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020 (UNAUDITED)

- 1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts and certificates of deposit.
- 2. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

	Dec	cember 31, 2021	Dec	December 31, 2020		
Land Buildings Equipment	\$	106,347 463,357 403,708	\$	106,347 463,357 399,719		
Totals	\$	973,412	\$	969,423		

3. The City received federal funding in the following amounts related to COVID-19 relief:

	Dec	ember 31, 2021	Dec	December 31, 2020		
Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	42,990	\$	12,989		
	\$	42,990	\$	12,989		