City of Little Flock, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020



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Financial and Compliance Report

City of Little Flock, 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 Little Flock, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated December 12, 2023. 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 2022, 2021, and 2020:

Mayor: Tracy Englebrecht (January 1, 2020 - May 31, 2021)

Maureen Brandolini (June 1, 2021 – July 19, 2021) Jeff Van Sickler (July 19, 2021 – December 31, 2022)

Recorder/Treasurer: Linda Usrey (January 1, 2020 - January 17, 2021)

Maureen Brandolini (January 18, 2021 – February 25, 2022) Richard Crow (April 18, 2022 – December 31, 2022)

District Court Clerk: Katelyn Yousey

Police Chief: Jesse Martinez (January 1, 2020 - October 15, 2020)

Christopher Craig (October 15, 2020 – October 25, 2021) Shawn Hollis (October 26, 2021 - December 31, 2022)

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 offices of Recorder/Treasurer and Police Chief.

Recorder/Treasurer and Police Chief

During our review of payroll, we noted calculation errors for payroll amounts for several Police Department employees. Specifically, we identified underpayments for hours worked and overpayments for overtime hours paid, in violation of the City's policy for uniformed employees. We recommend the City investigate these errors and determine which employees were over/under paid.

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 LITTLE FLOCK, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 2,302,84	<u>\$</u> 859,135
Receipts:		
State aid	88,63	5 291,269
Federal aid	18,44	1 289,601
Property taxes	240,71	5 46,448
Franchise fees	137,49	7
Sales taxes	973,44	3 126,149
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	149,68	17,994
Interest	2,41	9 379
Local permits and fees	38,54	5 9,440
Fire dues	53,75	5
Other	56,69	1 2
Transfers in		73,000
Total Receipts	1,759,83	854,282
Disbursements:		
General government	305,60	3 23,481
Law enforcement	599,79	4 296,770
Highways and streets		303,202
Public safety	301,61	53,372
Recreation and culture	5,47	5
Transfers out	73,00	<u> </u>
Total Disbursements	1,285,49	676,825
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 2,777,18	3 \$ 1,036,592

Schedule 2

CITY OF LITTLE FLOCK, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	 Street	and	Fire Juipment Training Act 833)	Em Med Enfo	escue/ ergency/ lical/ Law orcement ehicles	<u>Im</u>	pact Fee	 Grants	 lail Fee	Court tomation Fee	merican scue Plan Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 634,176	\$	53,372	\$	335	\$	46,500	\$ 11,454	\$ 52,671	\$ 33,812	\$ 26,815	\$ 859,135
Receipts:												
State aid	263,758		27,511									291,269
Federal aid	,		,-					1,000			288,601	289,601
Property taxes	46,448							,			,	46,448
Sales taxes	126,149											126,149
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	•				1,120				5,904	10,970		17,994
Interest					3		127	27	124	98		379
Local permits and fees							9,440					9,440
Other									2			2
Transfers in	73,000											73,000
Total Receipts	509,355		27,511		1,123		9,567	1,027	6,030	11,068	288,601	854,282
Disbursements:												
General government											23,481	23,481
Law enforcement									5,790	2,400	288,580	296,770
Highways and streets	299,847										3,355	303,202
Public safety			53,372									53,372
Total Disbursements	299,847		53,372						5,790	2,400	315,416	 676,825
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 843,684	\$	27,511	\$	1,458	\$	56,067	\$ 12,481	\$ 52,911	\$ 42,480	\$ 0	\$ 1,036,592

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

		Special Revenue Funds			
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$	1,923,417	\$	515,430	
Receipts:					
State aid		43,410		247,760	
Federal aid				289,605	
Property taxes		218,406		42,352	
Franchise fees		108,297			
Sales taxes		934,982		133,364	
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		132,596		18,867	
Interest		1,018		68	
Local permits and fees		50,923		14,161	
Fire dues		58,936			
Grant income				6,595	
Other		67,203		63	
Total Receipts		1,615,771		752,835	
Disbursements:					
General government		237,531			
Law enforcement		632,045		272,213	
Highways and streets				127,964	
Public safety		341,237			
Recreation and culture		7,406			
Debt service		18,123		8,953	
Total Disbursements		1,236,342		409,130	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$	2,302,846	\$	859,135	

Schedule 4

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

	Street	and	Fire quipment d Training Act 833)	Eme Med Enfo	escue/ ergency/ ical/ Law orcement ehicles	<u>Im</u>	pact Fee	(Grants	J	lail Fee	Court tomation Fee	American escue Plan Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$ 363,846	\$	28,127	\$	7,682	\$	32,318	\$	3,855	\$	52,961	\$ 26,641		\$ 515,430
Receipts:														
State aid	222,515		25,245											247,760
Federal aid									1,000				\$ 288,605	289,605
Property taxes	42,352													42,352
Sales taxes	133,364													133,364
Fines, forfeitures, and costs					1,605						6,307	10,955		18,867
Interest					1		21		4		26	16		68
Local permits and fees							14,161							14,161
Grant income									6,595					6,595
Other	 63													63
Total Receipts	 398,294		25,245		1,606		14,182		7,599		6,333	 10,971	288,605	752,835
Disbursements:														
Law enforcement											6,623	3,800	261,790	272,213
Highways and streets	127,964													127,964
Debt service	 				8,953								 	 8,953
Total Disbursements	127,964				8,953						6,623	3,800	261,790	409,130
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 634,176	\$	53,372	\$	335	\$	46,500	\$	11,454	\$	52,671	\$ 33,812	\$ 26,815	\$ 859,135

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

		Special Revenue Funds	
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$	1,724,158	\$ 404,081
Receipts:			
State aid		55,885	200,658
Federal aid		126,732	51,928
Property taxes		200,011	38,784
Franchise fees		99,709	
Sales taxes		761,980	83,029
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		158,832	19,984
Interest		12,494	215
Local permits and fees		46,111	12,273
Fire dues		57,640	
Other		13,854	 2,737
Total Receipts		1,533,248	409,608
Disbursements:			
General government		218,446	
Law enforcement		749,914	6,511
Highways and streets			282,587
Public safety		361,449	
Recreation and culture		4,180	
Debt service			 9,161
Total Disbursements		1,333,989	298,259
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	1,923,417	\$ 515,430

Schedule 6

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

		Equipment	Em Med	lescue/ ergency/ dical/ Law						
	 Street	d Training Act 833)		orcement ehicles	Im	pact Fee	Grants	Jail Fee	Court nation Fee	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$ 275,812	\$ 22,612	\$	15,076	\$	19,998	\$ 2,848	\$ 49,768	\$ 17,967	\$ 404,081
Receipts:										
State aid	195,143	5,515								200,658
Federal aid	50,928						1,000			51,928
Property taxes	38,784									38,784
Sales taxes	83,029									83,029
Fines, forfeitures, and costs				1,752				7,800	10,432	19,984
Interest				15		47	7	104	42	215
Local permits and fees						12,273				12,273
Other	2,737									 2,737
Total Receipts	 370,621	5,515		1,767		12,320	1,007	7,904	10,474	409,608
Disbursements:										
Law enforcement								4,711	1,800	6,511
Highways and streets	282,587									282,587
Debt service				9,161						9,161
Total Disbursements	 282,587			9,161				4,711	1,800	298,259
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$ 363,846	\$ 28,127	\$	7,682	\$	32,318	\$ 3,855	\$ 52,961	\$ 26,641	\$ 515,430

CITY OF LITTLE FLOCK, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022, 2021, AND 2020 (UNAUDITED)

- 1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand and savings accounts and certificates of deposit.
- 2. The General Fund column on the Financial Schedules includes the following bank accounts: General Fund, Undercover Operations, and Police Community Outreach
- 3. Cash balances at year-end in the custodial funds are as follows:

	Dec	ember 31, 2022	Dec	ember 31, 2021	December 31, 2020		
District Court Administration of Justice	\$	22,261 73	\$	31,756 73	\$	23,156 73	

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:

	 December 31, 2022				December 31, 2020		
Land	\$ 184,090	\$	184,090	\$	184,090		
Buildings	394,215		394,215		394,215		
Equipment	 2,076,189		1,962,365		1,719,950		
Totals	\$ 2,654,494	\$	2,540,670	\$	2,298,255		

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

	2020
Financed purchases	\$ 24,897

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

	Dec	cember 31, 2022	Dec	cember 31, 2021	December 31, 2020		
Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	288,601	\$	288,605	\$	102,283	
	\$	288,601	\$	288,605	\$	102,283	

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