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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Members of City Council and Mayor William G. "Billy" Hewes, III Gulfport, Mississippi

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Gulfport, Mississippi, (the "City") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 18, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a significant deficiency: 2016-001. RECEIVED
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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

City of Gulfport's Response to Findings

The City's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying corrective action plan. We did not audit the City's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Members of City Council and Mayor William G. "Billy" Hewes, III Gulfport, Mississippi

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi (the "City") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 18, 2017. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Governmental Auditing Standards.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of those procedures and our audit of the City's basic financial statements did not disclose any instances of noncompliance with state laws and regulations.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the city council and management, entities with accreditation overview, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

The Members of City Council and Mayor William G. "Billy" Hewes, III Gulfport, Mississippi

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited City of Gulfport, Mississippi's (the "City") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have direct and material effect on each of City's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2016. The City's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statues, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the City's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance.

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Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2016.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the City, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements.

We issued our report thereon dated April 18, 2017, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements.

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/	CFDA	Grant Pass-Through Entity ID	Federal
Program Title	Number	Number	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Direct Programs:			
CDBG-Entitlement Grants*	14.218	BC-14-MC-28-0002	\$ 271,570
CDBG-Entitlement Grants*	14.218	BC-15-MC-28-0002	252,834
Sub-total			524,404
Home Investment Partnership Program*	14.239	MC-10-DC-28-200	750
Home Investment Partnership Program*	14.239	MC-12-DC-28-200	69,035
Home Investment Partnership Program*	14.239	MC-13-DC-28-200	303,325
Home Investment Partnership Program*	14.239	MC-14-DC-28-200	221,633
Home Investment Partnership Program*	14.239	MC-15-DC-28-200	147,456
Sub-total Sub-total			742,199
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			1,266,603
U.S. Department of Justice Violence Against Women Office			
Passed through Violence Against Women Office			
ARRA-Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	14-SL-2141	15,548
ARRA-Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	14-SP-2141	29,880
ARRA-Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588	15-SP-2141	7,019
Sub-total			52,447
Direct Program:			
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738	2015-DJ-BX-0106	68,228
Sub-total Sub-total			68,228
Passed through Bureau of Justice Assistance	1440		11.207
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program	16.607	N/A	11,296
State and Local Equitable Sharing*	16.922	N/A	853,405
Sub-total			864,701
Total U.S. Department of Justice			985,376
U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration			
Passed through Mississippi Department of Transportation			
Highway Planning & Construction*	20.205	STP-9178-00(001)	411,642
Highway Planning & Construction*	20.205	STP-9178-00(001)	1,414,368
Highway Planning & Construction*	20.205	STPD-9370-00(004)	104,207
Highway Planning & Construction*	20.205	STP-9098-00(002)	960,241
Highway Planning & Construction*	20.205	STP-0200-00(018)	578,010
Sub-total		, -,	3,468,468

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Continued) For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	CFDA Number	Grant Pass-Through Entity ID Number	Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Transportation (continued) National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Passed through Mississippi Department of Highway Safety State and Community Highway Safety Grant Alcohol Open Container Requirements	20.616 20.616	16-PT-2141 16-ST-2141	34,644 96,190
Sub-total Total U.S. Department of Transportation			130,834 3,599,302
Office of National Drug Control Policy Passed through Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program Total Office of National Drug Control Policy	95.001 95.001	HIDTA G-15-GC-0003A HIDTA G-16-0003A	10,349 14,031 24,380
U.S. Department of Homeland Security Direct Program: Assistance to Firefighters Grant Passed through Mississippi Department of Homeland Security	97.044	EMW-2014-FO-03515	19,746
Homeland Security Grant Program Homeland Security Grant Program Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security	97.067 97.067	14HS202T 14HS202	6,928 39,850 66,524
Total For All Federal Awards			\$ 5,942,185

^{*}denotes major program

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Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTES TO SCHEDULE

Note 1 – General

The accompanying schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) presents the activity of all federal award programs of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi (the "City). All federal awards received directly from federal agencies as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies to the City are included in the accompanying SEFA.

Note 2 – Basis of Accounting

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and is presented on the modified-accrual basis of accounting. Differences between the granting-agency basis of accounting and the basis of accounting used by the City in preparing its financial fund statements may occur.

Note 3 – Sub-recipients

The City of Gulfport, Mississippi provided federal awards to sub-recipients as follows:

Program	Federal	Amount
Title	CFDA Number	Provided
Community Development Block Grant	14.218	\$ 82,737
Total to Sub-recipients		\$ 82,737

Note 3 – Federal Loans

The City of Gulfport, Mississippi has the following federal loans outstanding as of September 30, 2016:

Program Title Environmental Protection Agency Passed-though the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality	CFDA Number	Current Year Expenditures	Unpaid Loan Balance	Original Loan Amount
SRF-C2807430500	66.458	-	1,462,829	3,229,424
SRF-C2807430600	66.458	-	4,766,389	8,093,778
SRF-C2807430702	66.458	-	1,031,714	2,214,059
SRF-C2807430800	66.458	-	9,096,996	15,025,311
SRF-C2807430900	66.458		3,624,388	5,715,121
Total federal loans		\$ -	\$ 19,982,316	\$ 34,277,693

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs September 30, 2016

SECTION 1 – SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

1.	Type of auditors' report issued o Governmental activities Business-type activities General and other major fu Aggregate remaining fund	nnds	Unmodified Unmodified Unmodified Unmodified
2.	Internal control over financial re a. Material weaknesses identi b. Significant deficiencies ide be material weaknesses?		No Yes
3.	Noncompliance material to the f	inancial statements noted?	No
Federal Av	vards:		
4.	Type of auditor's report issued o	n compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
5.	Internal control over major prog a. Material weaknesses identi b. Significant deficiencies ide be material weaknesses?		No None Reported
6.	Any audit findings disclosed that accordance with the Uniform G	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	None
7.	Identification of major programs	::	
	<u>CFDA Number(s)</u> 14.218 14.239	Name of Federal Program or Cluster U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CDBG-Entitlement Grants Home Investment Partnership Program	nt
	16.922	U.S. Department of Justice State and Local Equitble Sharing	
	20.205	U. S. Department of Transportation Highway Planning & Construction	
8.	Dollar threshold used to distingutype B programs:	ish between type A and	\$ 750,000
9.	Auditee qualified as low-risk aud	ditee?	No
10.	awards which would require the	and questioned costs relative to federal auditee to prepare a summary schedule of	v

Yes

prior audit findings as discussed in Section 315(b) of OMB Circular A-133?

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued) September 30, 2016

SECTION 2 - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

Finding Number

2016-001

Opinion Unit

Governmental Activities

Finding Type

Significant Deficiency in Internal Control

Finding

Inadequate controls over purchase orders and accounts payable.

Criteria

Purchase orders, receiving reports and invoice should be matched and cancelled prior to payment. Checks should be issued for the approved purchase order

amount.

Condition

During our audit, we noted that vendor invoices were being paid in excess of the amounts approved on the original purchase order with no further clarification.

Effect

Ineffective review and approval of accounts payable adjustments to original purchase orders could result in overpayment and/or duplicate payment to vendors without proper

authorization.

Recommendation

We recommend that purchasing and accounts payable establish and implement new procedures and policies in order to maintain documentation to substantiate any increases in originally approved purchase order amounts.

SECTION 3 – FEDERAL AWARD FINDNGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no federal award findings noted during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016.



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Summary of Prior Year Audit Findings

As requested by the Uniform Guidance, the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, has prepared the following summary schedule of prior audit findings.

Section 2 – Federal Award Findings

2015-005	The City has worked very hard to correct and maintain an accurate fixed asset management system. Previous years errors to the system have been corrected and City personnel continue to capture new asset additions and deletions to maintain an accurate system.
2015-006	This finding has been corrected.
2015-007	This finding has been corrected. City management has worked with MDOT to establish good internal control procedures to ensure accurate reporting and documentation of MDOT expenditures.
2015-008	This finding has been corrected.



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Corrective Action Plan

The City of Gulfport, Mississippi respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for the year ended September 30, 2016.

Accounting Firm: Wright Ward Hatten and Guel

Audit Period:

Year ended September 30, 2016

Finding 2016-001

We agree with this finding. There are many times that a job is completed for more money as well as less money as the original estimate provided. The end user is responsible for signing the invoice and stating the reason for the increase. We will continue to monitor the invoices to PO's and ask for detailed explanations as to cause for increases.

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2016



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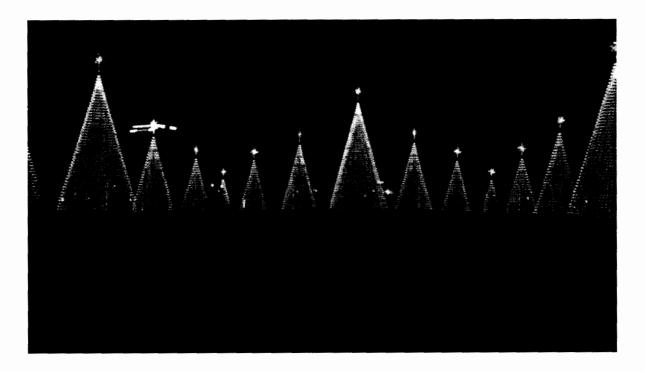
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INTRODUCTORY SECTION

The Introductory Section is intended to familiarize the reader with the organizational structure of the city of Gulfport, Mississippi, the nature and scope of the services it provides and the specifics of the its legal operation environment.



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April 18, 2017

Honorable Mayor and City Council City of Gulfport Gulfport, MS 39501

The Department of Comptroller is pleased to submit the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. These accompanying financial statements are prepared and presented in conformity with GASB Statement #34 -Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments. The format, which includes Government-wide and Major Fund presentations, provides citizens, investors and creditors, grantor agencies, and other interested parties with reliable financial information about the City. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the City. We believe the report is accurate in all material respects and is designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the City for fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the City's financial activities have been included.

The Annual Financial Report consists of three parts. (I) The Introductory Section includes this transmittal letter, the City's organizational chart, a list of principal City officials, and the geographic location of the City. (II) The Financial Section includes: Management's Discussion and Analysis, the basic financial statements (government-wide and fund statements), notes to the financial statements, other required supplementary information (RSI), and the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, as well as the independent auditors' report on the financial statement schedules. (III) The Statistical Section includes several tables of unaudited data describing the financial history of the City as well as other miscellaneous statistics, generally presented on a multi-year basis.

The City is a member of the Harrison County Utility Authority, a joint venture with other local cities to provide adequate wastewater treatment and solid waste disposal services. The city is also involved in a joint venture with the Memorial Hospital at Gulfport, an acute health care center and the Gulfport

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Redevelopment Commission (GRC). A synopsis of the joint ventures' financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016, is included in the notes section of this report.

The Reporting Entity and Services Provided

Incorporated on July 28, 1898, Gulfport is located in South Mississippi in Harrison County. Gulfport is a code-charter municipality operating under a Mayor\Council form of government. The Mayor is full-time and the Council-members are part-time and elected by wards. The Mayor and Council serve concurrent four-year terms. On July 1,1997 the City added two additional members to the council as a result of a 1994 annexation bringing the total to seven.

In December 1993 the City annexed 33 square miles north of Gulfport becoming the second largest city in Mississippi with a land area of 56 square miles and a population around 68,000. A full range of services are provided including: police and fire protection, water and sewer services, construction and maintenance of streets and infrastructure, planning and zoning, recreational and cultural services, and general administrative services.

Current Economic Conditions

Even though it has been ten years since Katrina, the City is still working towards recovering resources expended on not only Hurricanes Katrina, but also Gustav and Isaac. The national, state, and local economies are slowly recovering from one of the worst recessions recorded in many decades along with the impact felt by the worst man-made disaster recorded in history with the British Petroleum oil spill. Employment is one critical component of the economic development of an area. Per the Mississippi Employment Security Commission, the unemployment rate for Gulfport for 2016 is 6.1%, a decrease of 1.2% from 2015. See Schedule 14 for a ten year historical review. Even with this decrease, the City will continue to be faced with the challenge to meet the needs of its citizens for some time.

The overall financial condition of the City can be best described as "Steady Growth." The cost of insurance and insurability issues continue to create challenges for homeowners, local businesses, and investors. Unemployment continues to remain high, but consumer confidence is slowly improving as indicated by increased sales tax revenue starting in 2012 and continuing through current times.

Future Economic Outlook

- → A state of the art Aquarium is planned for construction to begin in Spring 2017 and completed by Spring 2019. The aquarium will not only attract visitors and spur economic development and jobs, city leaders believe, but also create educational awareness of the Coast's diverse marine life and enhance marine research. A hotel along with a walking bridge across US 90 is also planned to be completed to enhance the Aquarium experience.
- → A casino and restaurant are also planned along the harbor area which is expected to transform Gulfport and the entire Mississippi Coast.
- ➡ Island View The Island View Casino has completed the renovation of the hotel tower south of Highway 90. In addition, Island View has announced a new casino to be built on the same side as the new tower south.

- → Downtown Revitalization -Many new restaurants now operate within the downtown district and many more are slated to come. Gulfport is slowly becoming the headquarters for many corporations and nightlife has never been stronger. The walkable social district which includes Fishbone Alley has enhanced the attraction to downtown dining and visiting.
- ↓ City-wide Revitalization-Additional new restaurants are opened or are in near completion throughout the city. Corks and Cleaver, Zaxby's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Ajax, Backyard Burger, Shaggy's as well as others have all recently opened for business.

Financial Information

Accounting System

The Department of Comptroller is responsible for providing the financial services for the City including financial accounting and reporting, payroll and accounts payable disbursement functions, cash and investment management, debt management, budgeting, and purchasing.

The Department of Comptroller is also responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the City are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data is compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits require estimates and judgments by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. We believe that the City's current internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

Budgetary Controls

The City maintains specific budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the Mayor and City Council. Activities of the general fund, special revenue funds, debt service fund, capital projects funds, and proprietary funds are included in the annual appropriated budget. The legal level of budgetary control (that is, the level at which expenditures cannot legally exceed the appropriated amount) is established by major expenditure classification and require approval by the governing body; however, equal transfers between line items within a classification may be approved by the Department Director. For management purposes, the City manages its capital projects program by establishing project length budgets. Under this method, initial project budgets are established and remaining project funds from the previous year are automatically rolled over at year end to establish revised project budgets. The benefits of this method allows the City to only address project budgets on the initial set-up and any amendments that may be necessary throughout the life of the project.

The City maintains an encumbrance accounting system as one budgetary control technique. Encumbrances reserve appropriations, which have been obligated through purchase orders or contractual documents. Encumbered amounts lapse at year end; however, they are generally re-appropriated as part of the following year's budget.

Enterprise Funds

Gulfport's enterprise operations consist of the Water and Sewer Fund and the Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park Fund. The Water and Sewer Fund accounts for traditional water and sewer revenues and expenditures to construct and maintain the water and sewer system. The Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park Fund was created to account for operations, maintenance, and leasing of boat slips and other facilities within Jones Park. Financial statements related to both of these enterprise funds are contained in this report.

Independent Auditors

The City of Gulfport is required by Section 21-35-31 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 to have an annual audit by independent certified public accountants. In compliance with these requirements, the City selected the firm of Wright, Ward, Hatten & Guel PLLC to perform the audit for fiscal year ended September 30, 2016. The auditors' report on the general purpose financial statements and combining and individual fund statements and schedules is included in the financial section of this report. The auditors rendered an unqualified opinion.

The City of Gulfport is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the Single Audit Act of 1984 and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget's Circular A-128, Audits of States and Local Governments. Information related to the single audit, including internal control and compliance reports and an opinion on federal financial assistance is included in a separately issued single audit report.

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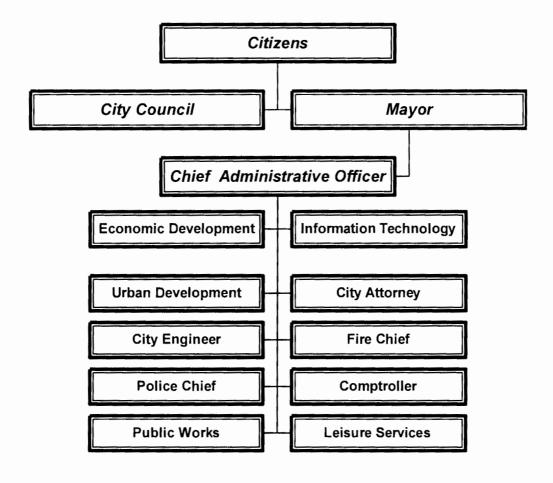
The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of the entire staff of the Department of Finance. I also wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation of the other City departments in providing information for this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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Linda Elias Comptroller

CITY OF GULFPORT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Appointed Officials

Chief Administrative Officer	John Kelly
Police Chief	Leonard Papania
Leisure Services Director	David D'Aquilla
Urban Dev Director	Greg Pietrangelo
City Clerk	Linda Elias
Economic Development Director	David Parker

General Counsel	Hugh Keating
City Attorney	Jeff Bruni
Fire Chief	Michael Beyerstedt
City Engineer	Kris Riemann
Public Works Director	Wayne Miller

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Listing of City Officials as of September 30, 2016

Elected Officials



Billy Hewes

Mayor



Kenneth L. Casey Sr. Councilman, Ward 1



Ricky Dombrowski Councilman, Ward 2



Ella Holmes-Hines
Councilwoman, Ward 3



F.B. "Rusty" Walker, IV

Councilman, Ward 4



Councilman, Ward 5



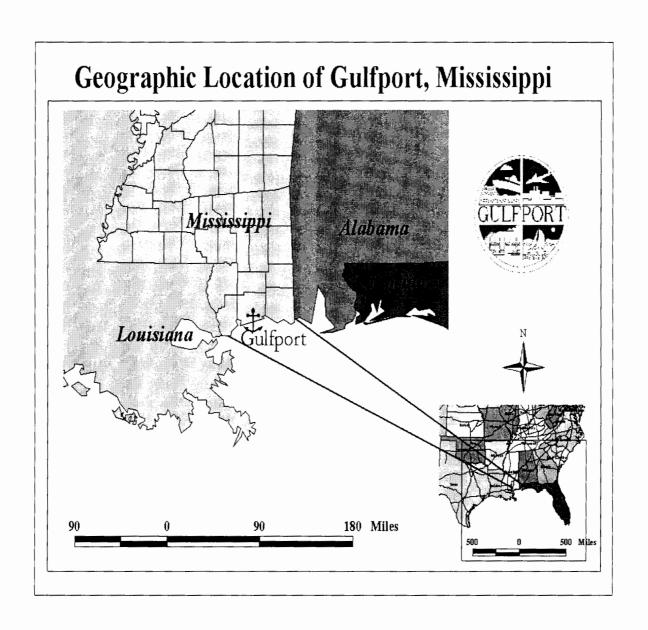
Robert "R.Lee" Flowers

Councilman, Ward 6



Cara Pucheu

Councilwoman, Ward 7





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FINANCIAL SECTION

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The Financial section contains the Independent Auditors Report, Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Basic Financial Statements (which include the Government-Wide and Fund Level Financial Statements, Notes to the Financial tements, Required Supplementary Information and the combining and vidual fund financial statements and schedules.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

April 18, 2017

MICHAEL E. GUEL, CPA, CVA, PFS, CFF

SANDE W. HENTGES, CPA, CFE

CHRIS TAYLOR, CEA

CHARLENG KERKOW, CPA

To Members of the City Council and Mayor William G. "Billy" Hewes, III Gulfport, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the City's primary government as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Required Supplementary Information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The Introductory Section, Combining and Individual Fund Statements and Schedules, Other Supplementary Information, and Statistical Section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Supplemental Information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Supplemental Information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The Introductory and Statistical Sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a separate report dated April 18, 2017, on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS





City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Management Discussion and Analysis

Introduction

This section is a required component of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and should be read in conjunction with the City's transmittal letter at the front of this report and the City's financial statements which immediately follow this section. As management of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, we offer this narrative and analysis of the financial activities for fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. This discussion and analysis is designed to: 1) present the significant financial issues in a way that will assist the reader in understanding the overall financial condition of the City; 2) provide an overview of the City's financial activity; 3) identify changes in the City's financial position; 4) identify any material deviations from the City's financial plan (i.e. budget to actual); and 5) communicate currently known facts, decisions, or conditions that are expected to have a significant "future" effect on the financial position or results of operations.

Financial Highlights

- ✓ The City's General Fund, the main operating fund, operated in the "black" with revenues exceeding operating expenditures and other sources by over \$461 thousand.
- ✓ The City's General Fund's fund balance, which represents the difference between assets minus liabilities, increased during the year from \$7.9 million in 2015 to \$8.2 million in 2016.
- ✓ The City's total capital assets increased by \$8.1 million or 1.4%; going from \$561.5 million in 2015 to \$569.6 million in 2016. Capital assets consist of land, buildings, infrastructure, machinery & equipment, and vehicles.
- ✓ The City's long-term debt outstanding decreased by \$8 million, going from \$131.1 million in 2015 to \$123.1 million in 2016.

Brief Description of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements which are presented in a hierarchal structure. The highest level of reporting and most summarized statements are the Statement of Net Position (i.e. balance sheet) and Statement of Activities (i.e. income statement) contained on pages 28-29 and 30, respectively. These two statements provide financial information on the government as a whole similar to how private sector companies report their finances. These two statements are the only place within this report where a reader can review the operations and worth of the City of Gulfport as a whole. All of the City's annual revenues and expenses are reported in the Statement of Activities while the City's assets and liabilities are reported in the Statement of Net Position. These two statements answer the question "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?"

The second tier of financial reporting is the "Major" Fund Financial Statements. The fund financial statements begin on page 31 and provide detailed information about the City's most significant funds. Funds are accounting entities used to track specific funding sources and uses for particular programs. Individual funds are either established by law or set up for management purposes. Three separate statements are issued: one for activities that are of a governmental nature, a separate set of statements are contained for activities that are of a business like nature, and a separate set of statements are contained for activities that are of a fiduciary nature.

Governmental Funds – Most of the City's basic services are reported in the governmental funds. Examples include activities relating to governmental funds are public safety, public works (non water and sewer), culture and recreation, urban development, capital projects, debt service and general administration. The financial statements of Governmental Funds are reported on the modified accrual basis – which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. Governmental statements provide a more detailed short-term view. The amounts contained on these statements are adjusted for full accrual and rolled over to the government wide statements. Governmental Fund Financial Statements are contained on pages 32-35.

<u>Proprietary Funds</u> – Contain funds existing from fees charged to customers for services provided by the City. Activities relating to the City's Water and Sewer Operations and Joseph T. Jones yacht basin are reported in this section. The financial presentation of these activities is reported on pages 38 – 42 of this report. These financial statements are reported on the full accrual basis – revenues are recognized when earned and measurable. Because both the proprietary fund statements and the government wide statements are reported on the full accrual method of accounting, the total column of the proprietary funds statements are the same contained on the government wide business type activities column of the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities.

<u>Fiduciary funds</u>. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the City. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because resources of those funds are not available to support the City's own programs. The accrual basis of accounting is used for fiduciary funds. The city is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purpose. The City's fiduciary activities are presented in separate statements in this report beginning on page 44.

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Financial Analysis of the City as a Whole

Government-wide Statement of Net Position

	Governmental-type Activities		Business-type Actvities		Total	
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
Assets						
Current assets	\$ 66,976,327	\$ 60,957,137	\$ 16,753,358	\$ 23,476,273	\$ 83,729,685	\$ 84,433,410
Capital assets, net	312,325,100	312,274,670	257,231,524	249,213,013	569,556,624	561,487,683
Total Assets	379,301,427	373,231,807	273,984,882	272,689,286	653,286,309	645,921,093
Deferred Outflows						
of Resources	12,444,803	8,294,217	1,974,386	2,017,392	14,419,189	10,311,609
Libilities						
Current liabilities	8,818,389	9,020,590	25,683,153	23,027,892	34,501,542	32,048,482
Noncurrent liabilities	122,820,668	117,727,185	64,956,778	71,246,610	187,777,446	188,973,795
Total liabilities	131,639,057	126,747,775	90,639,931	94,274,502	222,278,988	221,022,277
Deferred Inflows						
of Resources	24,649,837	25,477,424	79,294	140,537	24,729,131	25,617,961
Net Position Net Investment						
in Capital	284,125,550	269,973,076	187,635,987	164,552,076	471,761,537	434,525,152
Restricted	12,978,620	14,019,819	8,486	15,731,978	12,987,106	29,751,797
Unrestricted	(61,646,834)	(54,692,070)	(2,404,430)	7,585	(64,051,264)	(54,684,485)
Total Net Position	\$ 235,457,336	\$ 229,300,825	\$ 185,240,043	\$ 180,291,639	\$ 420,697,379	\$ 409,592,464

Note: The column entitled business type activities includes the City's Water and Sewer and the Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park, and a blended component unit presentation of the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission, an agent of the City.

Analysis of Government Wide Statement of Net Position

Total Primary Government

From an "overall balance sheet perspective", the net position of the City of Gulfport as compared to the previous year increased significantly from \$409.6 million in 2015 to \$420.7 million in 2016, while total assets increased \$7.4 million from \$645.9 million in 2015 to \$653.3 million in 2016. Much of this increase is a result of increase in capital assets. Total liabilities increased by \$1.3 million, from \$221.0 million to \$222.3 million. This increase in liabilities is mostly due to the net pension liability. Net position serves as a useful indicator of a government's financial position over time. By far, the majority of the City's net assets are related to investment in capital assets, i.e. roads, bridges, parks, water, sewer, machinery, etc., net of related debt is \$471.8 million which represents approximately over 112% of the City's total net position.

Current assets decreased by \$703 thousand during the year from \$84.4 million in 2015 to \$83.7 million in 2016.

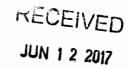
The below two sections are a breakdown of the Total Primary Government into the two sections entitled Governmental Activities and Business Type Activities.

Governmental Activities

Total assets for Governmental type activities increased by \$6.1 million, from \$373.2 million in 2015 to \$379.3 million in 2016; while Current assets (cash, short term receivables, etc.) increased by \$6.0 million; from \$61.0 million to \$67.0 million. The majority of this increase is a result of an increase in restricted cash. Total governmental activities liabilities increased \$4.9 million from \$126.7 million in 2015 to \$131.6 million in 2016.

Business Type Activities

The City's business type activities consist of the Water and Sewer, the Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park Funds, and the assets of the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission. Total assets increased by \$1.3 million; from \$272.7 million in 2015 to \$274.0 million in 2016, with current assets decreasing by \$6.7 million, and capital assets increasing by \$8.0 million.



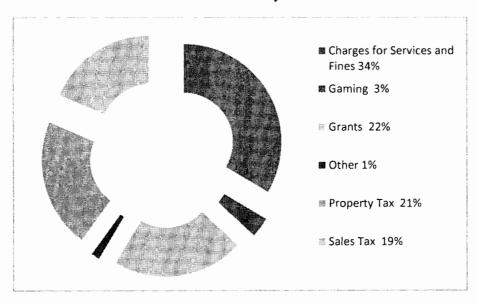
Government Wide Statement of Activities

	Governmental-type Activties		Business-ty	Business-type Actvities		Total	
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Program Revenues							
Charges for services	4,948,924	5,146,023	32,534,135	32,972,895	37,483,059	38,118,918	
Operation grants					-	-	
and contributions	2,499,445	3,221,880	-	-	2,499,445	3,221,880	
Capital grants					-	-	
and contributions	19,749,006	10,118,309	-	950,480	19,749,006	11,068,789	
General Revenues					-	-	
Property Taxes	23,887,484	23,522,538	•	-	23,887,484	23,522,538	
Sales Taxes	20,751,725	20,523,996	-	-	20,751,725	20,523,996	
Franchise	3,617,560	4,246,279	-	-	3,617,560	4,246,279	
Gaming	3,793,035	3,656,859	-	-	3,793,035	3,656,859	
Other	(899,796)	6,066,479	892,530	396,659	(7,266)	6,463,138	
Transfers	(4,542,001)		4,542,001				
Total Revenues	73,805,382	76,502,363	37,968,666	34,320,034	111,774,048	110,822,397	
Program Expenses							
General government	9,457,333	9,984,277	-	-	9,457,333	9,984,277	
Public safety	32,749,940	35,195,058	-	-	32,749,940	35,195,058	
Public works	13,449,819	13,400,408	-	-	13,449,819	13,400,408	
Economic development	5,151,915	3,777,350	890,413	1,072,180	6,042,328	4,849,530	
Culture and recreation	6,337,334	8,178,271			6,337,334	8,178,271	
Interest	1,213,855	1,262,659			1,213,855	1,262,659	
Water and Sewer	-	-	30,727,118	31,522,039	30,727,118	31,522,039	
Joseph T. Jones			1,488,774	1,580,391	1,488,774	1,580,391	
Total Expenses	68,360,196	71,798,023	33,106,305	34,174,610	101,466,501	105,972,633	
Change in Net Position	5,445,186	4,704,340	4,862,361	145,424	10,307,547	4,849,764	
Net Position-beginning	229,300,825	303,868,534	180,291,639	180,969,791	409,592,464	484,838,325	
Prior period adjustment	711,325	(79,272,049)	86,043	(823,576)	797,368	(80,095,625)	
Net Position-beginning,							
restated	230,012,150	224,596,485	180,377,682	180,146,215	410,389,832	404,742,700	
Net Position-ending	\$ 235,457,336	\$ 229,300,825	\$ 185,240,043	\$ 180,291,639	\$ 420,697,379	\$ 409,592,464	

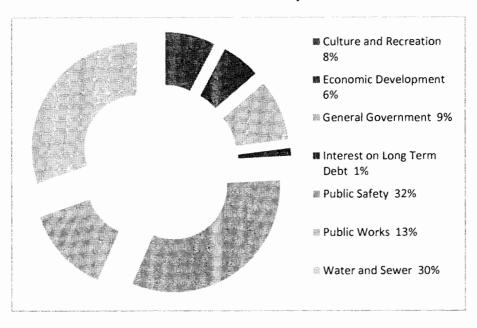
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Analysis of Government Wide Statement of Activities

Where Does The Money Come From?



Where Does the Money Go?



Revenues

The City's revenues exceeded expenses by \$10.3 million for the 2016 year. With the near completion of hurricane recovery, federal grants are returning to pre-hurricane levels.

Property Tax – Property tax accounts for \$23.9 million or 21% of the City's total revenues and is considered the most stable revenue source for the City. The City's property tax revenue is expected to recognize growth in the near future as a result of commercial property investments.

Sales Tax - Another significant source of revenue for the City is sales tax accounting for \$20.8 million or 19% of the City's total revenues. The City is beginning to recognize slow to moderate growth in Sales Taxes from the previous year.

Grants – The City received a total of \$14.3 million in grants for the 2015 year as compared to \$22.2 million in 2016. The majority of these grants were related to the City's recovery from Hurricane Katrina and the largest granting agency was the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Expenses

The City's total government wide expenses were \$105.9 million in 2015 as compared to \$101.5 million in 2016; representing a decrease of \$3.7 million or 3.5%. This decrease is mainly attributed to public safety and cultural and recreation decreases.

The table below represents the cost of each of the City's major governmental functional areas – Public Works, Public Safety, Culture and Recreation, General Government, and Economic Development. The costs are separated into total cost and net cost. The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the City's taxpayers after taking into account the program revenues generated by each of the major functional areas.

Governmental Activities - Costs

	Total Cost of Service		Net Cost of Service	
Governmental Activities:				
General Government	\$	9,457,333	\$ 8,085,616	
Public Safety		32,749,940	27,965,001	
Public Works		13,449,819	8,672,736	
Economic Development		5,151,915	(9,746,152)	
Culture and Recreation		6,337,334	4,971,765	
Interest on long term debt		1,213,855	1,213,855	
Total Governmental activities	\$	68,360,196	\$ 41,162,821	

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Fund Financial Analysis

The City maintains fund accounting to comply with budgetary and legal compliance and for specific management control. The following is a brief discussion of financial highlights from the major fund financial statements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the governmental fund financial statements is to provide information on current financial resources of the City. Funds included in this category are as follows: General Fund, Capital Project Funds (i.e. Public Improvements 1996, 1998, 2001, and 2003), Special Revenue Funds (i.e. Forfeits and Seizures, Community Development, Police and Fire Retirement, and Police Traffic Safety), Disaster Relief and Debt Service Fund.

The General Fund is the primary "governmental operating fund" of the City. Activities that are traditional in nature to governmental entities are reported in this fund: i.e. public safety, public works (operations & maintenance), culture and recreation, economic development, and general government. The General Fund accounts for nearly 70.1% of the City's total revenues and 55.4% of the City's total expenditures. Overall, the General Fund's financial condition improved as compared to the previous year.

General Fund – Financial Summary

	2016	2015
Total Revenues	\$ 55,063,106	\$ 57,163,591
Total Expenditures	54,601,436	58,659,219
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses	461,670	(1,495,628)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(130,208)	6,770,322
Fund Balance - Beginning Year	7,914,867	3,627,812
Prior Period Adjustment	0	(987,639)
Fund Balance - Ending Year	\$ 8,246,329	\$ 7,914,867

[✓] The General Fund operated in the "black" by \$461,670 for the 2016 year with revenues of \$55.1 million and expenditures of \$54.6 million. New initiatives continue to take place in upcoming annual budgets to balance ongoing expenditures to recurring revenues.

[✓] General Fund assets increased by \$529,977; from \$32.6 million in 2015 to \$33.2 million in 2016.

- ✓ The General Fund's unassigned fund balance increased from \$7.9 million to \$8.2 million. Unrestricted fund balance is extremely important in that it represents that portion of the City's assets (mainly cash and receivables) that are not designated for expenditures. The purpose of these funds are to 1) stabilize tax rates in an economic downturn, 2) provide the city with resources in the event of a natural disaster, and 3) provide the city with resources for other unforeseen events and or circumstances. The City's unreserved portion of fund balance as a percentage of general fund expenditures was 6.4% for year ending 2015 and 14.8% for year ending 2016. Based upon industry standards, it is recommended that governmental entities maintain approximately 15% in fund reserves and the city nearly meets that expectation.
- ✓ Total General Fund revenues decreased by 3.6% in 2016; from \$57.2 million in 2015 to \$55.1 million in 2016.
- ✓ Total General Fund expenditures decreased by 6.9% in 2016; from \$58.7 million in 2016 to \$54.6 million in 2016.

Community Development Program Fund - Financial Summary

	2016	2015
Total Revenues	\$ 1,179,635	\$ 2,190,480
Total Expenditures	1,731,293	2,178,596
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses	(551,658)	11,884
Fund Balance - Beginning Year	(154,134)	221,348
Prior Period and GAAP Adjustments	-	(387,366)
Fund Balance - Ending Year	\$(705,792)	\$ (154,134)

- ✓ The Community Development Program Fund operated in the "red" by \$551,658 for the 2016 year with revenues of \$1.2 million and expenditures of \$1.7 million.
- ✓ Community Development Program Fund assets decreased by \$83,553; from \$783,922 in 2015 to \$700,369 in 2016.

Capital Projects Fund - Financial Summary

	2016	2015
Total Revenues	\$ 17,948,081	\$ 5,604,323
Total Expenditures	9,228,205	9,307,489
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses	8,719,876	(3,703,166)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,284,828)	15,418,442
Fund Balance - Beginning Year	15,213,116	6,901,144
Prior Period Adjustment		(3,403,304)
Fund Balance - Ending Year	\$ 22,648,164	\$ 15,213,116

- ✓ The Capital Projects Fund operated in the "black" by \$8.7 million for the 2016 year with revenues of \$17.9 million and expenditures of \$9.2 million.
- ✓ Capital Projects Fund assets increased by \$7.2 million; from \$16.6 million in 2015 to \$23.8 million in 2016.

Debt Service Fund - Financial Summary

	2016	2015
Total Revenues	\$ 4,517,164	\$ 4,452,891
Total Expenditures	5,400,151	3,939,253
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses	(882,987)	513,638
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	5,666	-
Fund Balance - Beginning Year	751,472	4,720,408
Prior Period Adjustments	-	(4,482,574)
Fund Balance - Ending Year	\$ (125,849)	\$ 751,472
Fund Balance – Beginning Year Prior Period Adjustments	751,472	(4,482,574)

- ✓ The Debt Service Fund operated in the "red" by \$882,987 for the 2016 year with revenues of \$4.5 million and expenditures of \$5.4 million.
- ✓ Debt Service Fund assets decreased by \$.1 million; from \$1.8 million in 2015 to \$1.7 million in 2016.

Business-Type Activities

Water and Sewer Fund

The purpose of the City's Water and Sewer Fund is to account for activities of its water and sewer operations. The financial reporting of this fund is contained on the government wide financial statements under the column entitled "business-type activities. Below is a condensed operating statement of the City's Water and Sewer Fund.

Condensed Statement of Revenues and Expenses Water and Sewer Fund Fiscal years Ending September 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
Operating Revenues	\$ 32,210,463	\$ 32,224,892
Operating Expenses	28,266,055	28,451,890
Operating income	3,944,408	3,773,002
Non Operating Items:		
Interest Expense	(2,333,045)	(2,701,173)
Other	355,035	235,858
Change in Net Position	\$ 1,966,398	\$ 1,307,687

- ✓ The City's water and sewer fund's operating income was \$3.8 million in 2015 as compared to \$3.9 million in 2016. Important to remember is that income from operations does not include interest expense as this is reported in the non-operating items nor does this amount include repayment of principal on borrowed funds. Revenues decreased by \$14,429 while expenses decreased by \$185,835 during 2016.
- ✓ The amount identified above as "Other" includes capital contributions from FEMA for replacement of the City's sanitary sewer and water systems along the coastline and contributions from developers who turned over assets to the City for perpetual maintenance. This amount is expected to begin a downward trend as the City's rebuilding efforts from Hurricane Katrina damages come to an end.
- ✓ The City issued bonds for the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$32.5 million in FYE 2015 with \$14 million allocated to pay for Water and Sewer related upgrades and \$18.5 million refunding bond. No new bonds were issued in FYE 2016.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The City's General Fund Budget has been prepared in accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi. The City maintains specific budgetary controls to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual budget approved by the Mayor and Council. The legal level of budgetary control (that is, the level at which expenditures cannot legally exceed the appropriated amount) is established by department and major expenditure classification (i.e. personnel services, supplies, other services, and capital outlay) and require approval by the governing body.

Summary of Budget to Actual Amounts

General Fund Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2016

	Original Budget	_	
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 18,350,000	\$ 18,686,956	\$ 18,686,956
Sales tax	20,639,350	20,699,362	20,699,362
Intergovernmental	2,300,000	2,043,970	2,043,970
Fines and forfeits	1,400,000	1,214,759	1,214,759
Gaming	3,350,000	3,712,765	3,712,765
Franchise, licenses & permits	5,277,000	4,773,967	4,773,967
Charges for services	2,584,796	2,137,271	2,137,271
Grants	1,597,310	1,300,133	1,300,133
Other	221,000	66,819	66,819
Total Revenues	\$ 55,719,456	\$ 54,636,002	\$ 54,636,002
Expenditures:			
General government	8,427,072	10,656,390	10,656,390
Police	18,083,813	17,723,717	17,723,717
Fire	12,167,016	12,158,107	12,158,107
Public works	8,495,947	8,411,097	8,411,097
Economic development	2,159,339	2,015,629	2,015,629
Culture and recreation	6,332,131	5,953,281	5,953,281
Total Expenditures	55,665,318	56,918,218	55,918,218
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues			
over expenditures	\$ 54,138	\$ (2,282,221)	\$ (2,282,221)

The City amended its General Fund's Revenue and Expenditure budget many times over the year. At year end, the budget was adjusted to actual and approved by Council. Below is a brief description of major budget amendments.

[✓] The revenue budget (original versus revised) was amended down by \$1.1 million or less than 1%; the original budget of \$55.7 million as compared to the revised budget of \$54.6 million.

- ✓ The Expenditure Budget was increased by \$1.2 million or 2%.
- ✓ Overall, the City's General Fund actual revenues for 2016 (budget basis) of \$54.6million, \$1.1 million change from the original budget detail are described below.
- ✓ Property tax revenues are \$0.3 million below original budget.
- ✓ Gaming revenues are \$0.4 million below original budget.
- ✓ Court fines and forfeitures are \$0.4 million below original budget.
- ✓ Grant and intergovernmental revenues are \$0.5 million below original budget.
- ✓ Charges for services are \$0.4 below original budget

The City's General Fund actual expenditures exceeded its original budgeted expenditures by a \$1.2 million, a 2% change. While some departments exceeded their original budgets, others decreased expenditures from the original budget resulting in the less than 2% overall budget change from original to final budget.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

Schedule of Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental-	Governmental-type Activities Business-type Activities		Business-type Actvities		al
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
Land and						
Construction in progress	42,152,135	46,403,628	36,303,922	27,952,229	78,456,057	74,355,857
Buildings	61,179,414	62,737,466	5,992,323	6,405,811	67,171,737	69,143,277
Improvements and					-	-
Infrastructure	199,396,239	194,529,508	212,044,170	213,250,797	411,440,409	407,780,305
Machinery & Equipment	3,230,249	2,599,996	2,254,539	925,593	5,484,788	3,525,589
Capital leases	1,810,495	1,963,875	278,308	340,494	2,088,803	2,304,369
Vehicles	4,556,568	4,040,197	358,262	338,089	4,914,830	4,378,286
Totals	312,325,100	312,274,670	257,231,524	249,213,013	569,556,624	561,487,683

The above table represents the values (net of depreciation) of the City's various classes of assets. The ending 2016 asset values were estimated at \$569.6 million and included a wide range of assets: land, buildings, parks, roads, bridges, drainage systems, machinery, vehicles, and water and sewer systems. Asset values increased by \$8.1 million or 1.4% (after depreciation) as compared to the prior year. See Note 7 in the financial section of this report for more detail information on capital assets.

Depreciation

Depreciation expense for the 2016 year totaled \$7.4 million and was allocated to the following classes of assets:

Allocation of Depreciation by Major Asset Class

Buildings	\$ 1,558,052
Impovements other than Buildings	1,090,895
Machinery and Equipment	784,339
Vehicles	551,081
Infrastructure (roads, bridges, drainage, water & sewer system, etc.)	3,427,880
Total Depreciation	\$ 7,412,247

Depreciation is both an extremely useful tool and is often underutilized in the financial planning process. In order to adequately maintain the City's assets, the amounts contained in the above depreciation allocation table should become a recurring expense item in future City budgets.

Significant increases in capital acquisitions and improvements include:

✓ Construction in progress - \$10.1 million

Debt Administration

Schedule of Long Term Debt

	Government	al Activities	Business-type Activities		vities Business-type Activities Total		tal
	<u>2016</u>	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Bonds payable	36,212,689	40,093,607	80,873,219	53,544,410	117,085,908	93,638,017	
Notes payable	1	-		32,516,050	-	32,516,050	
Capital leases payable	3,319,482	2,467,872	360,664	252,861	3,680,146	2,720,733	
Compensated absences	2,273,694	2,150,544	57,907	50,518	2,331,601	2,201,062	
Net pension liability	83,028,232	73,024,884	3,000,900	2,272,785	86,029,132	75,297,669	
Claims and judgements	27,000	29,000	-		27,000	29,000	
Liability for self insurance	2,855,387	3,977,361			2,855,387	3,977,361	
Total	127,716,484	121,743,268	84,292,690	88,636,624	212,009,174	210,379,892	

Note: The above amounts do not include debt relating to Memorial Hospital or Harrison County Utility Authority which are joint ventures of the City.

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Current Known Facts Effecting Future Financial Issues

1. Unfunded Hurricane Katrina Projects

It has been determined that many Hurricane Katrina related recovery projects which were originally thought to be wholly funded by FEMA may not meet FEMA's eligibility requirements. The total amount unfunded projects is unknown to date. Any shortfall recognized within the Disaster Recovery Fund is ultimately to be funded by the General Fund. The funding source for the potential unfunded projects has not been identified.

2. Asset / Infrastructure deterioration

- ✓ The City's book value of its capital assets exceeds \$569.6 million with infrastructure comprising 80% of this amount. Capital assets include the following: Land, Buildings, Machinery, Equipment, Vehicles, and infrastructure, (i.e. roads, drainage systems, and water & sewer systems), etc. Relating to this, the City's annual depreciation expense exceeds \$7.4 million for governmental activities and \$6.2 million for business-type activities. This amount is significant as the City currently has no policy or financial plan in place regarding a perpetual asset lifecycle replacement program. Depreciation is an important but often underutilized tool in the financial planning process and should become a recurring budgeted expense item in future budgets to ensure that assets are replaced as their useful lives become expired. Unaddressed, this only places a larger burden on future generations.
- ✓ Perhaps the single most important challenge facing this City will be addressing "serious" water and sewer infrastructure needs. The City Engineer previously identified approximately \$117 million in needed water improvements and \$49.2 in needed sewer improvements. These improvements began to satisfy EPA standards set forth for which the City must adhere to. The City Engineer has developed a 12 year Water and Sewer Capital Master Plan that details the methods of funding the Water and Sewer improvement and to meet the EPA standards. The City issued bonds in the amount of \$30 million in FYE 2015. \$14 million of the bond issue was allocated for Water and Sewer infrastructure upgrades and improvements. In addition, water and sewer rate increases recommended in the 12 year Water and Sewer Capital Master Plan were approved in 2015 and have been implemented beginning in FYE 2016.

3. General Fund - Low Cash Reserves "Rainy Day Fund"

The General Fund's "rainy day" cash decreased from \$4.9 million in 2015 to \$2.2 million in 2016. This is a relatively low amount as compared to industry standards. The Government Finance Officers' Association recommends that a Governmental entity maintain at least 15% of its General Fund operating budget as cash reserves. For a City the size of Gulfport in terms of General Fund Budget, Gulfport's cash reserves should be about \$8.5 million. Cash reserves are used to: 1) cover unforeseen emergencies such as hurricanes, tropical storms, and other natural disasters, 2) bridge short term funding gaps in the way of economic downturns, 3) and cover any other unforeseen circumstances the City may encounter throughout its normal course of providing services to its citizens. Without a doubt, re-establishing Gulfport's rainy day fund to pre-Hurricane Katrina levels should be a top priority when formulating future annual budgets.

Contacting the City's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Finance Office at 228-868-5705. The City's web site is www.Gulfport-ms.gov

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Government-Wide Financial Statements

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Statement of Net Position September 30, 2016

	G	overnmental Activities	Ві	Business-Type Activities		Total
Assets					,	
Current Assets						
Cash	\$	6,038,473	\$	520,111	\$	6,558,584
Receivables, net		29,366,896		3,347,030		32,713,926
Court fines receivable, net		3,336,724		-		3,336,724
Inventory		-		10,236		10,236
Due from other governments		2,846,143		-		2,846,143
Internal balances		738,246		(738.246)		-
Prepaid insurance		900,433		-		900,433
Land deposits		-		13,743		13,743
Restricted assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents		23,749,412		12,649,873		36,399,285
Investment		-		950,611		950,611
Total current assets		66,976,327		16,753,358		83,729,685
Noncurrent Assets Capital assets:						
Land and construction in progress Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		42,152,135		36,303,922		78,456,057
Buildings		61,179,414		5,992,323		67,171,737
Improvements and infrastructure		199,396,239		212,044,170		411,440,409
Machinery and equipment		3,230,249		2,254,539		5,484,788
Vehicles		4.556,568		358,262		4,914,830
Equipment under capital leases		1,810,495		278,308		2,088,803
Total other capital assets, net of						
accumulated depreciation		270,172,965		220,927,602		491,100,567
Total noncurrent assets		312,325,100		257,231,524		569,556,624
Total assets		379,301,427		273,984,882		653,286,309
Deferred Outflows of Resources						
Deferred amounts on refunding		233,466		1,499,595		1,733,061
Deferred amounts on pensions		12,211,337		474,791		12,686,128
Total deferred outflows of resources		12,444,803		1,974,386		14,419,189

Total Assets and Deferred Outflows			
of Resources	\$ 391,746,230	\$ 275,959,268	\$ 667,705,498

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Statement of Net Position September 30, 2016

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable	2,712,237	3,331,156	6,043,393
Accrued interest	449,693	553,766	1,003,459
Sales tax payable	-	11,262	11,262
Accrued wages payable	691,740	25,240	716,980
Retainage payable	68,903	130,383	199,286
Unearned revenue	-	26,341	26,341
Bonds payable	3,252,318	5,091,022	8,343,340
Notes payable	-	14,074,310	14,074,310
Leases payable	526,336	138,810	665,146
Compensated absences	1,117,162	31,770	1,148,932
Payable from restricted assets:		2.2(0.002	2 2 (2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
Customer deposits	-	2,269,093	2,269,093
Total current liabilities	8,818,389	25,683,153	34,501,542
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Liability for self-insurance claims	2,855,387	-	2,855,387
Bonds payable	32,960,371	43,450,966	76,411,337
Notes payable	-	18,256,921	18,256,921
Leases payable	2,793,146	221,854	3,015,000
Net pension liability	83,028,232	3,000,900	86,029,132
Compensated absences	1,156,532	26,137	1,182,669
Death benefit claims	27,000	-	27,000
Total noncurrent liabilities	122,820,668	64,956,778	187,777,446
Total liabilities	131,639,057	90,639,931	222,278,988
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Deferred property tax revenue	24,422,540	-	24,422,540
Deferred amounts on refunding	-	69,823	69,823
Deferred amounts on pensions	227,297	9,471	236,768
Total deferred inflows of resources	24,649,837	79,294	24,729,131
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	284,125,550	187,635,987	471,761,537
Restricted - Nonspendable	900,433	8,486	908,919
Restricted for:			
Public safety	1,033,210	-	1,033,210
Culture and recreation	160,591	-	160,591
Capital projects	10,884,386	-	10,884,386
Unrestricted	(61,646,834)	(2,404,430)	(64,051,264)
Total net position	\$ 235,457,336	\$ 185,240,043	\$ 420,697,379
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows			
of Resources and Net Position	\$ 391,746,230	\$ 275,959,268	\$ 667,705,498
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Statement of Activities For Year Ended September 30, 2016

			Program Revenue	s		(Expenses) Revenue Changes in Net Asse	
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total
Governmental activities: General government Public safety Public works Economic development Culture and recreation Interest Total governmental activities	\$ 9,457,333 32,749,940 13,449,819 5,151,915 6,337,334 1,213,855 68,360,196	\$ 1,326,909 1,651,228 - 1,279,488 691,299 - 4,948,924	\$ - 1,380,866 - 1,118,579 - - 2,499,445	\$ 44,808 1,752,845 4,777,083 12,500,000 674,270 19,749,006	\$ (8,085,616) (27,965,001) (8,672,736) 9,746,152 (4,971,765) (1,213,855) (41,162,821)		\$ (8,085,616) (27,965,001) (8,672,736) 9,746,152 (4,971,765) (1,213,855) (41,162,821)
Business-type activities: Water and Sewer Joseph T. Jones Park Gulfport Redevelopment Commission Total business - type activities Total	30,727,118 1,488,774 890,413 33,106,305 \$ 101,466,501	31,673,688 716,627 143,820 32,534,135 \$ 37,483,059	\$ 2,499,445	\$ 19,749,006		\$ 946,570 (772,147) (746,593) (572,170)	946,570 (772,147) (746,593) (41,734,991)
	Property taxes, leading fees Gaming fees Grants and contrement for the fees Other Loss on sale and Capital transfers Operating transf	evied for general purely evied for special purely evied for special purely evied for special purely evients disposal of assets ers evenues, special iter	rposes ed to specific progr	rams	18,711,363 5,176,121 20,751,725 3,617,560 3,793,035 1,506,240 63,933 180,985 (2,650,954) (1,915,564) (2,626,437) 46,608,007 5,445,186	13,603 878,927 - 1,915,564 2,626,437 5,434,531 4,862,361	18,711,363 5,176,121 20,751,725 3,617,560 3,793,035 1,506,240 77,536 1,059,912 (2,650,954)
	Prior period ad	eginning of year, re			229,300,825 711,325 230,012,150 \$ 235,457,336	180,291,639 86,043 180,377,682 \$ 185,240,043	409,592,464 797,368 410,389,832 \$ 420,697,379

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

<u>General Fund</u> (major fund) – This fund is used to account for all governmental sources and uses of financial resources applicable to the general operations of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, which are not legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> (major fund) – This fund is used to account for tax revenues and certain government grants specifically restricted for the construction of major capital facilities and public improvement projects not otherwise funded by general obligation bonds

Non-major Governmental Funds are presented by fund type in the supplemental section.

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Governmental Funds

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet September 30, 2016

	Major	Fur	ıds	N	on-major		Total
	General		Capital	Go	vernmental	Go	overnmental
	 Fund	<u>Pr</u>	ojects Fund		Funds		Funds
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,207,494	\$	80,268	\$	872,297	\$	3,160,059
Receivables:							24.626.256
Property tax	19,122,978		-		5,513,378		24,636,356
Sales taxes	3,378,695		-		-		3,378,695
Franchise taxes	995,291		-		-		995,291
Gaming fees	356,554		015 001		1 (00 240		356,554
Intergovernmental receivable	241,682		915,221		1,689,240		2,846,143
Court fines & fees	3,336,724		261.261		720 412		3,336,724
Due from other funds	3,359,002		261,361		738,412		4,358,775
Restricted assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	 160,591		22,502,216		1,086,605		23,749,412
Total assets	\$ 33,159,011	\$	23,759,066	\$	9,899,932	\$	66,818,009
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of							
Resources, and Fund Balances							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 1,522,133	\$	801,908	\$	357,622	\$	2,681,663
Retainage payable	-		68,903		-		68,903
Accrued wages payable	687,328		-		4,412		691,740
Due to other funds	410,296		240,091		2,856,634		3,507,021
Total liabilities	2,619,757		1,110,902		3,218,668		6,949,327
Deferred inflows of resources:							
Deferred property tax revenue	18,956,201		-		5,466,339		24,422,540
Deferred court fine revenue	3,336,724		-		-		3,336,724
Total deferred inflows of resources	 22,292,925		-		5,466,339		27,759,264
Fund balances:							
Restriced for:							
Public safety	-		-		1,033,210		1,033,210
Culture and recreation	160,591		-		-		160,591
Capital projects	-		21,391,314		1,013,356		22,404,670
Debt service	_		-		-		-
Committed for:							
Capital projects	-		1,256,850		-		1,256,850
Unassigned	8,085,738				(831,641)		7,254,097
Total fund balances	 8,246,329		22,648,164		1,214,925		32,109,418
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 33,159,011	\$	23,759,066	\$	9,899,932	\$	66,818,009

Governmental Funds

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Non-major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 18,711,363	\$ -	\$ 5,176,121	\$ 23,887,484
Sales tax	20,751,725	-	-	20,751,725
Franchise taxes	3,617,560	-	-	3,617,560
Gaming fees	3,793,035	-	-	3,793,035
Licenses and permits	1,011,280	-	-	1,011,280
Intergovernmental	3,550,357	17,874,403	3,085,073	24,509,833
Charges for services	2,146,206	-	-	2,146,206
Fines and fees	1,159,849	-	-	1,159,849
Interest income	5,392	56,178	2,363	63,933
Lease revenue	152,110	-	-	152,110
Miscellaneous	164,229	17,500	<u>-</u>	181,729
Total revenues	55,063,106	17,948,081	8,263,557	81,274,744
Expenditures				
General government	8,014,244	-	-	8,014,244
Public safety	28,257,793	-	903,962	29,161,755
Public works	8,219,646	-	-	8,219,646
Economic development	2,028,679	-	1,082,977	3,111,656
Culture and recreation	5,513,336	-	613,623	6,126,959
Capital outlay	2,567,738	9,228,205	1,552,472	13,348,415
Debt service:				
Principal	-	-	4,034,538	4,034,538
Interest	-	-	1,357,116	1,357,116
Other debt service costs			8,497	8,497
Total expenditures	54,601,436	9,228,205	9,553,185	73,382,826
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	461,670	8,719,876	(1,289,628)	7,891,918
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers in	-	-	569,812	569,812
Transfers out	(208,327)	(2,448,776)	(539,146)	(3,196,249)
Lease proceeds	-	1,163,948	-	1,163,948
Sale of capital assets	78,119		219	78,338
Total other financing sources (uses)	(130,208)	(1,284,828)	30,885	(1,384,151)
Net change in fund balances	331,462	7,435,048	(1,258,743)	6,507,767
Fund balances-beginning	7,914,867	15,213,116	2,473,668	25,601,651
Fund balances-ending	\$ 8,246,329	\$ 22,648,164	\$ 1,214,925	\$ 32,109,418

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Governmental Funds

Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Net Change in Fund Balances - total governmental funds		6,507,767
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation expense in the current period.		
Capital outlay Depreciation	13,348,415 (7,412,247)	5,936,168
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets are recorded as other sources of income in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances, however, these proceeds are offset by disposal of assets to show gains or losses from the sale of capital assets in the Statement of Activities.		(2,729,292)
Capital assets transferred to other governmental units are not recorded in Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, however, these transfers		
are reflected in the Statement of Activities The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.		(3,156,446)
Debt retirement Debt issuance Death claims paid Bond premiums amortization Deferred amounts on bond refunding amortization	4,034,538 (1,163,948) 2,000 158,718 (26,419)	3,004,889
Fine revenue recognized on the modified accrual basis in the funds during the current year is reduced because prior year recognition would have been required on the Statement of Activities under the full accrual basis of accounting.		(276,407)
Pension expense and other related activity do not require the use of current financial resources, and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		
Pension expense Contributions after the measurement date		(5,776,280) 1,158,037
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources, and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	_	
Accrued interest payable Compensated absences		19,459 (123,150)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the cost of certain activities, such as insurance costs and risk management, to individual funds.		880,441
Change in net position of governmental activities		5,445,186



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Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

<u>Water and Sewer Fund</u> (major fund) – This fund is used to account for the activities of the Water and Sewer operations of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi.

<u>Joseph T. Jones Park Fund</u> (non-major fund) – This fund is used to account for operations, maintenance, and leasing of boat slips and other facilities within the Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park.

<u>Gulfport Redevelopment Commission Fund</u> (non-major blended component unit) – The commission's sole purpose is to finance, develop and manage City owned property. Its assets were received from the City and consist of the south parcel of the VA property given to the City by the Department of Veteran Affairs in 2009.

<u>Internal Service Funds</u> are presented in the supplemental section.

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Proprietary Funds Statement of Net Position September 30, 2016

	Business-type Activities						Governmental			
				Non-major Funds						Activities
				seph T.		Gulfport		tal		Internal
		Vater and		ies Park		evelopment		ess-type		Service
	S	wer Fund		Fund	Co	mmission	Acti	vities		Funds
Assets										
Current assets:										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	296,273	\$	157,883	\$	65,955	-	520,111	\$	2,878,414
Accounts receivable, net		3,247,727		24,136		75,167	3,	347,030		-
Inventory		-		10,236		-		10,236		-
Due from other funds		240,091		-		-		240,091		135,000
Land deposits		-		-		13,743		13,743		-
Restricted assets:										
Cash and cash equivalents		12,648,124		1,749		-	-	649,873		-
Investment		950,611		-		-		950,611		-
Prepaid insurance				-				-		900,433
Total current assets		17,382,826		194,004		154,865	17,	731,695		3,913,847
Noncurrent assets:										
Capital assets:										
Land		671,312		539,180	2	28,460,834	29,	671,326		-
Construction in progress		4,070,849		-		2,561,747	6,	632,596		-
Buildings			2	2,490,651		5,105,150	7,	595,801		-
Improvements and infrastructure	:	259,409,314	23	3,646,553		-	283,	055,867		-
Machinery and equipment		2,338,756	1	,661,496		-	4,	000,252		-
Vehicles		2,910,797		64,935		-	2,	975,732		-
Equipment under capital leases		494,418		-		-		494,418		-
Less: accumulated depreciation		(71,644,022)	(4	1,426,230)	((1,124,216)	(77,	194,468)		-
Total noncurrent assets		198,251,424	23	3,976,585	3	35,003,515	257,	231,524		
Total assets		215,634,250	24	1,170,589	3	35,158,380	274,	963,219		3,913,847
Deferred Outflows of Resources										
Deferred amounts on refunding		1,499,595		-		_	1.	499,595		-
Deferred amounts on pensions		394,077		80,714		-		474,791		-
Total deferred outflows									_	
of resources		1,893,672		80,714		-	1,	974,386		-
Total Assets and Deferred										
Outflows of Resources	\$ 2	217,527,922	\$ 24	1,251,303	\$ 3	35,158,380	\$ 276,	937,605	\$	3,913,847

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI
Proprietary Funds
Statement of Net Position (Continued)
September 30, 2016

	Busi	ness-type Activi		Governmental	
		Non-maj	or Funds		Activities
		Joseph T.	Gulfport	Total	Internal
	Water and	Jones Park	Redevelopment	Business-type	Service
	Sewer Fund	Fund	Commission	Activities	Funds
Liabilities					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	2.249,945	45,909	1,035,302	3,331,156	30,574
Accrued interest	550,421	-	3,345	553,766	-
Sales tax payable	11,074	188	-	11,262	-
Accrued wages payable	19,822	5,418	-	25,240	-
Retainage payable	130,383	-	-	130,383	-
Due to other funds	724,477	253,860	-	978,337	248,508
Liability for self-insurance claims	-	-	-	-	2,855,387
Unearned revenue	-	26,341	-	26,341	
Bonds payable	5,091,022	-	-	5,091,022	-
Notes payable	1,725,396	-	12,348,914	14,074,310	-
Leases payable	138,810	-	-	138,810	-
Compensated absences	26,815	4,955	-	31,770	
Customer deposits	2,264,543	4,550	-	2,269,093	-
Total current liabilities	12,932,708	341,221	13,387,561	26,661,490	3,134,469
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Bonds payable	43,450,966	-	-	43,450,966	-
Notes payable	18,256,921	-	-	18,256,921	-
Leases payable	221,854	-	-	221,854	-
Net pension liability	2,490,747	510,153	-	3,000,900	-
Compensated absences	21,377	4,760	-	26,137	-
Total noncurrent liabilities	64,441,865	514,913	-	64,956,778	_
Total liabilities	77,374,573	856,134	13,387,561	91,618,268	3,134,469
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Deferred amounts on refunding	69,823	-	-	69,823	
Deferred amounts on pensions	7,861	1,610	-	9,471	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	77.684	1,610		79,294	-
Net Position					
Net investment in capital assets	141,004.801	23,976,585	22,654,601	187,635,987	-
Nonspendable					
Inventory	-	8,486	-	8,486	-
Unrestricted	(929,136)	(591,512)	(883,782)	(2,404,430)	779,378
Total net position	140,075,665	23,393,559	21,770,819	185,240,043	779,378
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows					
of Resources and Net Position	\$ 217,527,922	\$ 24,251,303	\$ 35,158,380	\$ 276,937,605	\$ 3,913,847

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Proprietary Funds

Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Change in Net Position For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Business-type Activities				Governmental	
		Non-ma	jor Funds		Activities	
		Joseph T.	Gulfport	Total	Internal	
	Water and	Jones Park	Redevelopment	Business-type	Service	
	Sewer Fund	Fund	Commission	Activities	Funds	
Operating Revenues						
Charges for services	\$ 31,673,688	\$ 716,627	\$ 143,820	\$ 32,534,135	\$ -	
Employee contributions		-	-	-	1,147,614	
Retiree contributions	-	-	-	-	250,919	
Employer contributions		-	-	-	7,370,586	
Insurance claim reimbursements		-	-	-	1,163,829	
Miscellaneous	536,775	342,152	-	878,927	10,236	
Total operating revenues	32,210,463	1,058,779	143,820	33,413,062	9,943,184	
Operating Expenses					_	
Personnel services	1,564,876	256,211		1,821,087	_	
Contractual services	17,538,747	269,844	353,326	18,161,917	_	
Materials and supplies	2,662,243	343,965	555,520	3,006,208	_	
Administrative expenses	1,175,796	50,000	2,770	1,228,566	593,751	
Premium payments	1,1,0,,,,0	-	2,770	1,220,000	2,337,737	
Claims and estimate changes	-	-			6,132,915	
Depreciation expense	5,324,393	568,754	361,849	6,254,996	-	
Total operating expenses	28,266,055	1,488,774	717,945	30,472,774	9,064,403	
Operating income (loss)	3,944,408	(429,995)	(574,125)	2,940,288	878,781	
Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)			-			
Interest income	13,573	30		13,603	1,660	
Interest expense	(2,333,045)	50	(172,468)	(2,505,513)	1,000	
Transfers in	(2,333,043)	1,240,881	1,385,556	2,626,437	_	
Other debt service costs	(128,018)	1,240,001	1,565,550	(128,018)	_	
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	(2,447,490)	1,240,911	1,213,088	6,509	1,660	
Income (loss) before contributions	1,496,918	810,916	638,963	2,946,797	880,441	
Capital contributions	469,480	805,378	640,706	1,915,564		
Change in net position	1,966,398	1,616,294	1,279,669	4,862,361	880,441	
Total net positionbeginning	138,109,267	21,777,265	20,405,107	180,291,639	(101,063)	
Prior period adjustment	-	-	86,043	86,043		
Total net positionbeginning, as restated	138,109,267	21,777,265	20,491,150	180,377,682	(101,063)	
Total net positionending	\$ 140,075,665	\$ 23,393,559	\$ 21,770,819	\$ 185,240,043	\$ 779,378	

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI
Proprietary Funds
Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Business-type Activities					Governmental	
			Non-ma	jor Fı	ınds		Activities
		Jo	seph T.		ulfport	Total	Internal
	Water and	Jo	nes Park	Rede	velopment	Business-type	Service
	Sewer Fund		Fund		mmission	Activities	Fund
Cash flows from operating activities:							
Receipts from customers	\$ 32,713,334	\$	690,592	\$	266,923	\$ 33,670,849	\$ -
Cash received from other operating receipts	536,775		342,152		-	878,927	10,236
Cash received from employees and others	, ·		_		-		1,398,533
Cash received from insurance claims	-		-		-	-	1,163,829
Cash received from employer contributions	_		_		_		7,370,586
Payments to employees	(565,730)		(264,977)		_	(830,707)	
Payments to suppliers	(2,662,243)		(345,715)		_	(3,007,958)	_
Payments for contractual services	(17,647,718)		(254,875)		432,846	(17,469,747)	(10,099,612)
Payments for other goods and services	(1,175,796)		(50,000)			(1,225,796)	
Net cash provided by (used)	(1,175,770)		(30,000)			(1,223,176)	
in operating activities	11,198,622		117,177		699,769	12,015,568	(156,428)
in operating activities	11,170,022		117,177		0,,,,,,	.2,013,300	(150,120)
Cash flows from non-capital							
financing activities:							
Loans from (to) other funds	88,545		36,435		-	124,980	544,714
Net cash provided by non-capital	00,5 15		50,155				
financing activities	88,545		36,435		-	124,980	544,714
intailing activities	00,5 15		50,155				
Cash flows from capital and related							
financing activities:							
Acquisition of capital assets	(7,707,443)		_	(1,704,532)	(9,411,975)	-
Loss on disposal of capital asset	57,603			,	.,,,,	57,603	_
Proceeds from debt	57,005		_		2,357,078	2,357,078	_
Principal payments on debt	(6,315,484)		_		(846,410)	(7,161,894)	
	(3,009,068)		-		(539,146)	(3,548,214)	_
Interest paid on debt	(3,009,008)				(339,140)	(3,346,214)	
Net cash provided by (used) in capital	(16.074.202)				(722.010)	(17 707 402)	
financing activities	(16,974,392)		<u>-</u>	-	(733,010)	(17,707,402)	<u>-</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:							
Interest received	13,573		30		_	13,603	1,660
Net cash provided by investing activities	13,573	_	30			13,603	1,660
Net cash provided by investing activities	13,373					13,003	1,000
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(5,673,652)		153,642		(33,241)	(5,553,251)	389,946
Cash and cash equivalents - October 1	18,618,049		5,990		99,196	18,723,235	2,488,468
Cash and cash equivalents - September 30	\$ 12,944,397	\$	159,632		65,955	\$ 13,169,984	\$ 2,878,414
cash and cash equivalents supposed to	<u> </u>	_					
Classified as:							
Current assets	\$ 296,273	\$	157,883	\$	65,955	\$ 520,111	\$ 2,878,414
Restricted assets	12,648,124	•	1,749	-	-	12,649,873	-,,
Restricted assers	\$ 12,944,397	\$	159,632	\$	65,955	\$ 13,169,984	\$ 2,878,414
			7 7	-	,		
Non-cash investing and financing							
activities							
Transfer of land from governmental	\$ 469,480	\$	591,698	\$	640,706	\$ 1,701,884	\$ -
Transfer of infrastructure from governmental					-	-	_
Total non-cash investing and financing	\$ 469,480	<u> </u>	591,698	\$	640,706	\$ 1,701,884	\$ -
i otal non-casti investing and financing	407,400	3	571,070	<u> </u>	010,700	3 1,701,004	<u></u>

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Proprietary Funds Statement of Cash Flows (Continued) For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Business-type Activities				Governmental	
			jor Funds		Activities	
	Water and Sewer Fund	Joseph T. Jones Park Fund	Gulfport Redevelopment Commission	Total Business-type Activities	Internal Service Funds	
Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided (used)	\$ 3,944,408	\$ (429,995)	\$ (574,125)	\$ 2,940,288	\$ 878,781	
by operating activities:	5,324,393	568,754	361,849	6,254,996	-	
Depreciation						
(Increase) decrease in assets:						
Accounts receivable	984,033	(23,793)	123,103	1,083,343	-	
Other receivables	-	-		-	-	
Inventory	-	(1,750)		(1,750)	-	
Prepaid expenses	-	-	4,769	4,769	59,543	
Land deposits	-	_	(8,743)			
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:						
Accounts payable	(128,793)	14,969	792,916	679,092	27,222	
Sales tax payable	(68,771)	(2,642)	_	(71,413)	-	
Wages payable	19,822	-	-	19,822	_	
Net pension liability	118,831	2,166	-	120,997	-	
Liability for self-insurance claims	873,025	(11,031)	-	861,994	(1,121,974)	
Leases payable	· -	-	-	-		
Customer deposits	124,384	400	-	124,784	-	
Compensated absences pay able	7,290	99		7,389	-	
Net cash provided (used)						
by operating activities	\$11,198,622	\$ 117,177	\$ 699,769	\$12,024,311	\$ (156,428)	

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Proprietary Funds

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements

Fiduciary Funds are used to report resources held by the City in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Combining schedules presented in the supplemental section.

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CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Fiduciary Funds Statement of Assets and Liabilities September 30, 2016

	N	Total
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	334,030
Assets held for disposal		54,350
Total assets	\$	388,380
Liabilities		
Assets held in trust		388,380
Total liabilities	\$	388,380

Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. General Statement

The City of Gulfport, Mississippi, (the "City") was incorporated on July 28, 1898, under the laws of the State of Mississippi. The City operates under a Mayor-Council form of government. The following services are provided by the City: Public Safety (Police, Fire and Protection/Inspection), Street Maintenance, Garbage Collection, Water and Sewer, Social and Recreational, Public Improvements, Planning and Zoning, and General Administrative Services.

The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting principles and practices are discussed in subsequent sections of this Note. The remainders of the notes are organized to provide explanations, including required disclosures, of the City's financial activities.

B. Financial Reporting Entity

The City is a charter city in which citizens elect the mayor at large and seven council members by wards. The accompanying financial statements present the City's primary government and component units over which the City exercises significant influence. Significant influence or accountability is based primarily on operational or financial relationships with the City (as distinct from legal relationships).

Component Unit Disclosure

The criteria for including component unit information with the primary government consist of identification of legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the City are financially accountable. This criterion also includes identification of organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are in substance, part of the government's operations and so data from these units are combined with the data of the primary government. Discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the government. The City presents its component unit using the blended method.

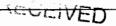
The Gulfport Redevelopment Commission is an Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Gulfport, formed and existing under the "Urban Renewal Laws" of the State of Mississippi, Title 43, Chapter 35, Article I, Mississippi Code of 1972, and its five-member board of commissioners is appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council of the City of Gulfport. Its sole purpose is to promote and facilitate the urban renewal and development of certain parcels of real property, improvements or other assets or projects as they may be designated from time to time by the City. The Gulfport Redevelopment Commission provides services solely to the City and is reported as an enterprise fund using the blended method.

Related Organizations

The Gulfport Municipal Separate School District has been excluded from the reporting entity, because it is an "other stand-alone government". The school district is a related organization of, but not a component unit of the City of Gulfport. The governing authorities of the City do select a majority of the school district's board, but do not have ongoing financial accountability for the school district.

Joint Ventures and Jointly Governed Organizations

Management of the City has identified two joint ventures with the City (Harrison County Utility Authority and Memorial Hospital at Gulfport) and two jointly governed organizations with the City (Harrison County Library System and Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority).



Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A joint venture is a legal entity or other organization that results from contractual arrangement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate and specific activity subject to joint control, in which the participants retain an ongoing financial interest or an ongoing financial responsibility. Generally, the purpose of a joint venture is to pool resources and share the costs, risks and rewards of providing goods or services to the venture participants directly, or for the benefit of the general public or specific service recipients.

A jointly governed organization is similar in nature to a joint venture in that they provide goods and services to the citizenry of two or more governments. However, they do not meet the definition of a joint venture because there is no ongoing significant financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments.

See Note 14 for more information regarding related organizations not included in the City's reporting entity.

C. Basis of Presentation

Governmental-wide Financial Statements

The City presents two basic government-wide financial statements: the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities; however, Interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation. These statements distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the City. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities. which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment.

Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the City's funds, including its fiduciary funds and blended component units Separate statements for each fund category—governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary—are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as non-major funds.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The measurement focus of governmental funds is on the sources, uses and balance of current financial resources. The City has presented the following major governmental funds:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

General Fund

General Fund is the main operating fund of the City. This fund is used to account for all financial resources not accounted for in other funds.

All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not restricted by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures, fixed charges and capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds are paid from the General Fund.

Capital Projects Fund

This is a capital project fund (deemed to be a major fund by the requirements set forth in GASB 34 issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards) that is used to account for all capital projects that are not associated with a specific debt issuance.

Proprietary Funds - Business-type activities

Proprietary Funds are accounted for using the economic resources measurement focus; and the accrual basis of accounting. The accounting objectives are determinations of net income, financial position, and cash flow. All assets and liabilities are included on the Statement of Net Position. The City has presented the following major proprietary fund:

Water and Sewer Fund -

Water and Sewer Fund is used to account for the provision of water and sewer services to the residents of the City. Activities of the fund include administration, operations and maintenance of the water and sewer system and billing and collection activities. The fund also accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt principal and interest for water and sewer debt. All costs are financed through charges to utility customers with rates reviewed regularly and adjusted if necessary to ensure integrity of the funds.

Proprietary Funds - Governmental-type activities

The City reports the Internal Service Funds which are used to account for the self-funded property and casualty self-insurance, workman's compensation, and self-funded health and disability insurance provided to departments of the city.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations.

Operating expenses for the proprietary funds include the cost of personal and contractual services, supplies, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Fiduciary Funds -

The City reports the Fiduciary Funds which are agency funds that account for resources held by the City in a custodial capacity for other governments, private organizations, or individuals. In addition these funds report for the assets seized by a multi-jurisdictional narcotics task force which are held for final disposition before distribution to participating agencies.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured; basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide statements and fund financial statements for proprietary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic resources measurement focus means all assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) are included on the statement of net position and the operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned, including unbilled water and sewer services which are accrued. Expenses are recognized at the time the liability is incurred.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual; i.e., when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The City considers property taxes as available if they are collected but unsettled at year-end. A two-month availability period is used for recognition of most other Governmental Fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

The revenues susceptible to accrual are franchise taxes, sales taxes and gaming revenues collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the City. Licenses and permits, certain charges for services, fines and forfeits and miscellaneous other revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are generally not measurable or available until actually received.

The financial transactions of the City are recorded in the individual funds. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth the minimum criteria for the determination of major funds. The non-major funds are combined in one column in the fund financial statements and detailing in the combining section.

The proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the proprietary fund's principal operations. The principal operating revenues of the Water and Sewer fund and the Joseph T. Jones Park fund are charges to customers for sales and services. The City insurance funds bill the other funds to cover insurance premiums and claims. Operating expenses for the enterprise and internal service funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets.

All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

E. <u>Cash and Investments</u>

The City's cash and cash equivalents are primarily considered to be cash on hand, amounts in demand deposits and certain money market mutual funds. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, short-term investments held in proprietary funds with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the City, if any, are considered cash equivalents.



Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The City maintains and controls a major cash pool in which the majority of the City's funds share. Each fund's portion of the pool is on their respective balance sheet as cash and cash equivalents, some of which are restricted assets.

Cash with fiscal agents, along with various investments, are components of an investment account maintained by a fiscal agent. Cash with fiscal agents is that minor portion of the account which is not invested or any particular moment in time. This amount represents the residual cash that the fiscal agent does not have tied up in investment at September 30.

State statutes authorize the City to invest in (1) direct obligations of the United States government to the payment of which the full faith and credit of the United States government is pledged, (2) certificates of deposit when insured or secured by acceptable collateral and (3) obligations of the State of Mississippi; or any county, municipality or school district of the State of Mississippi which have been approved by a reputable bond attorney or have been validated by the decree of the chancery court.

Investments are recorded at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31 with all investment income, including changes in the fair value of investments, reported as revenue in the financial statements. Income from short-term interest bearing securities is recognized as earned.

Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Short-term investments are reported at fair value when published prices are available, or at cost plus accrued interest, which approximates fair value.

F. Receivables

All trade receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts. An allowance in the amount of \$6,709,233 at September 30, 2016, has been provided in the Water and Sewer fund for estimated uncollectible utility charges. The allowance is based on trade receivables in excess of 90 days outstanding.

G. Inter-fund Receivables and Payables

Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the governmental-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

H. Transactions between Funds

Legally authorized transfers are treated as inter-fund transfers and are included in the results of operations of both Governmental and Proprietary Funds.

I. Prepaid Items

Prepaid balances are for payments made by the City in the current year to provide services occurring in the subsequent fiscal year; and the reserve for prepaid items has been recorded to signify that a portion of fund balance is not available for other subsequent expenditures.

J. Restricted Assets

Each customer deposits funds with the City when a water and sewer account is opened. These funds are restricted due to the deposits and are held by the City until the customer account is closed, at which time the amounts are refundable to the customer. Also certain debt issues require contingency deposits be maintained separately for future debt payments.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

K. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements and in the fund financial statements for proprietary funds. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date donated. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as expenses. Renewals and betterments are capitalized. Interest has not been capitalized during the construction period on property, plant, and equipment.

Assets capitalized have an original cost of \$5,000 or more and over three years of useful life. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The following estimated useful lives for proprietary fund assets are used to compute depreciation:

Buildings	40 years
Water and Sewer system	50 years
Infrastructure	60 years
Improvements	10-25 years
Machinery and equipment	5-10 years
Vehicles	5 years

L. Capitalized Interest

Interest costs are capitalized as part of the historical cost of acquiring certain assets. To qualify for interest capitalization, assets must require a period of time before they are ready for their intended purpose. Interest earned on proceeds of the City's tax-exempt borrowing arrangements restricted to the acquisition of qualifying assets is offset against interest costs in determining the amount to be capitalized.

Total interest cost incurred for the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission for the year ended September 30, 2016 was \$539,146. Interest capitalized was \$211,673 using the average cumulative expenditures method of calculation. In addition, see Note 17 or additional information on a prior period adjusting journal entry to capitalize interest of \$86,043 for the year ended September 30, 2015.

M. Deferred Outflows/In flows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial element, deferred outflows of resources, represents consumption of net position that applies to a future period or periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. As of September 30, 2016, the City had deferred outflows of resources associated with bond refunding in the amount of \$1,733,061 and deferred amounts on pensions in the amount of \$12.686,128 which are reflected in the Statement of Net Position.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period or periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. As of September 30, 2016 the City had deferred inflows of resources for property taxes in the amount of \$24,422,540; deferred amounts associated with bond refunding in the amount of \$69,823, and deferred amounts on pensions in the amount of \$236,768 which are reflected in the Statement of Net Position.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

N. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between deferred inflows and outflows assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds.

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed its use either through enabling legislations adopted by the City or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

O. Nature and Purpose of Designations of Fund Balance

The fund balance designations for donor-imposed restrictions, debt service, and encumbrances are discussed in Note 10. The fund equity designation for subsequent year's expenditures primarily represents amount of cash used in the next year's budget to offset amounts in which expenditures are budgeted in excess of budgeted revenues.

P. Compensated Absences

City policy allows employees hired prior to January 8, 2013, to accumulate all unused vacation, compensatory (comp time) and sick leave. Those hired after January 8, 2013, may not carry annual leave over from year to year without approval. Retiring and terminating employees covered under the Disability and Relief-Municipal Retirement System are paid for all unused vacation, sick leave, and unused comp time. All other employees are paid for up to 30 days of unused vacation and all unused comp time upon retirement or termination, while excess vacation and all accumulated sick leave remaining are counted as creditable service toward retirement.

Generally, vacation, sick leave and compensatory absences vest and are recorded as the obligation is incurred. In the proprietary funds and the government-wide statements, the current portion is the amount estimated to be used in the following year.

The compensated absences liability was computed using the specific identification method whereby the applicable number of vacation and sick hours and all compensatory hours are multiplied by the employee's hourly rate at September 30, 2016. The resulting liability is then increased to include social security and retirement contributions that the City is required to pay upon liquidation of the liability.

Q. Post-Employment Health Care Benefits

The City does not have costs associated with post-employment benefits for retired employees. The City does allow employees to continue in the group plan after retirement; however, the retired employees pay all premiums.

R. Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

S. Effects of New Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. Statement No. 72 requires the City to use valuation techniques which are appropriate under the circumstances and are consistent with the market approach, the cost approach or the income approach. Statement No. 72 establishes a hierarchy of inputs used to measure fair value consisting of three levels. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs. Statement No. 72 also contains note disclosure requirements regarding the hierarchy of valuation inputs and valuation techniques that was used for the fair value measurements. Implementation of this statement did not have a significant impact on the City for the year ended September 30, 2016.

In June 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68 and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68. This statement establishes requirements for defined benefit pensions that are not within the scope of Statement No. 68, as well as for the assets accumulated for purposes of providing those pensions. In addition, it establishes requirements for defined contribution pensions that are not within the scope of Statement No. 68. It also amends certain provisions of Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, and Statement No. 68 for pension plans and pensions that are within their respective scopes. The provisions in this statement are effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, except those provisions that address employers and governmental nonemployee contributing entities for pensions that are not within the scope of Statement No. 68, which are effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. Partial implementation of this statement did not have a significant impact on the City for the year ended September 30, 2016.

In December 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 79, Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants. GASB Statement No. 79 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for qualifying external investment pools that elect to measure all their investments at amortized cost. The new standard is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2015, except for certain provisions that will be effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015. Implementation of this statement did not have a significant impact on the City for the year ended September 30, 2016.

In addition, the City is currently analyzing its accounting practices to determine the potential impact of the following pronouncements:

In June 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans and Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. Statement No. 74 revises and establishes new accounting and financial reporting requirements for postemployment benefit plans other than pensions (OPEB). Statement No. 75 revises and establishes new accounting and financial reporting requirements for governments that provide their employees with OPEB and requires additional OPEB disclosures. Statement No. 74 is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2016 and is effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. Statement No. 75 is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2017 and is effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

In June 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 76, The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments. This Statement supersedes Statement No. 55, The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments. The requirements of this statement improve financial reporting by allowing governments to apply financial reporting guidance with less variation, which will improve the usefulness of financial statement information for making decisions and assessing accountability and enhance the comparability of financial statement information among governments. This Statement is effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2016. Application of this statement is effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

In August 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*. Statement No. 77 establishes financial reporting standards for tax abatement agreements entered into by state and local governments. The new standard is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2015. Application of this statement is effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

In December 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 78, Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans. GASB Statement No. 78 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for defined benefit pensions provided by state or local governments through a cost-sharing plan that meets the criteria of Statement No. 68 and is not a state or local governmental pension plan. The new standard is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2015. Application of this statement is effective for the City's fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Data

The procedures used by the City in establishing the budgetary data recorded in the general purpose financial statements are as follows:

- 1. The Finance Division of the Department of Administration prepares estimates of available revenue.
- 2. Department directors submit proposed expenditure budgets to the Finance Division by June 1 each year.
- 3. The Finance Division reviews expenditure budgets and necessary revisions are made.
- 4. Budgeted revenues and expenditures are balanced, and a summary budget is prepared and presented to the Mayor.
- 5. The Mayor submits the proposed budget to the City Council by August 1.
- 6. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 7. The final budget is approved by September 15 and must be published in a local newspaper on or before September 30.
- 8. The budget is formally amended in July each year, if necessary. However, budget revisions are made throughout the year (prior to July), as reallocations of funds are necessary, a budget deficit is indicated, or circumstances change which dictate the need for a budget amendment.
- 9. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for all governmental and proprietary fund types.

The legal level of control for all budgets adopted is at the fund level with the exception of the General Fund, which is appropriated at the department level. Administrative control for all budgets is maintained through the establishment of more detailed line-item budgets.

The Finance Division of the Department of Administration exercises budgetary monitoring throughout the fiscal year. An adopted budget may not exceed its appropriated level without City Council approval. However, department heads may make transfers of appropriations within a department. Budgetary controls are incorporated into the City's purchasing system. Purchase requisitions entered into the computer system that will cause a line item to exceed its budget will automatically be disallowed. The department head will then be required to make an inter-department budget transfer or request a budget amendment.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- 10. Encumbrance accounting, under which executed but unperformed purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds and Capital Projects Funds. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as reservations of fund balances and are re-appropriated in the next year's budget.
- 11. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year-end in all funds.

NOTE 3: PROPERTY TAX, GAMING, SALES TAX AND LEASE REVENUES

(A) Property Tax

Harrison County bills and collects the real, personal, and auto ad valorem taxes for the City. Taxes on real and personal property are levied by the City Council at the first regular meeting in September for the ensuing fiscal year, which begins on October 1. Restrictions associated with property tax levies vary with the statutory authority. State law limits the amount of increase in certain property taxes. Generally, this restriction provides that these tax levies shall produce no more than 110% of the amount that resulted from the assessments of the previous year plus new construction.

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 and personal property taxes become a lien on March 1 of the current calendar year. Taxes on both real and personal property, however, are due on or before February 1 of the next succeeding year. Taxes on motor vehicles and mobile homes become a lien and are due in the month that coincides with the month of original purchase. All taxes are remitted monthly to the City. In addition, Harrison County also remits to the City a pro-rata share of road and bridge taxes collected by the County. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require property taxes to be recognized at the levy date if measurable and available. All property taxes are recognized as revenue when received. Real property taxes are recognized as revenue when received because most delinquent real property taxes are collected by selling real property for taxes, together with all fees, penalties and damages accruing until date of sale, before the close of the fiscal year.

The remaining amount of real property not sold for taxes at the tax sale is considered immaterial; therefore, no end of year delinquent taxes receivable is recorded. The amount of delinquent personal property taxes unpaid at year-end is also considered immaterial.

The rates are expressed in terms of mills (i.e. ten mills equal one cent). The combined tax rate to finance general governmental services, including the payment of principal and interest on long-term debt and other purposes for the year ended September 30, 2016 was 34.00 mills or \$34.00 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

State law requires the municipality to exercise its taxing authority for the benefit of other governing authorities, which are not a part of the reporting entity. As provided, the municipality must levy specified ad valorem taxes as directed by the other governing authority and turn all proceeds over to it. Accordingly, taxes for the Gulfport School District are also billed and collected by the County and remitted to the City for disbursement to the School District.

Ad valorem taxes collected and settled in accordance with this legal requirement are not recognized as revenues and expenditures of the municipality. The tax levies noted below with respect to the school funds were made in accordance with this legal requirement.

(B) Gaming Tax Revenues

In the early part of 1992, the citizens of Harrison County voted to allow dockside casino gaming as defined by the Mississippi Gaming Control Act of 1990. In May of 1993, the first casino opened in Gulfport. As of September 30, 2016 one casino was operating within the City. Gaming activities are taxed in a variety of ways.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 3: PROPERTY TAX, GAMING, SALES TAX AND LEASE REVENUES (Continued)

The State of Mississippi levies a sliding scale tax on gross gaming revenue, of which Harrison County and the City receive .4 to .8 percent. This tax is divided: 63% to the County and 37% to the City. The allocation is based upon the population demographics of the last official census. In addition to the State tax, the City, through local ordinance in accordance with State law, levies an additional 3.2% tax on gross gaming revenues. This tax is distributed as follows: 60% to the City (20% of which is designated for public safety); 20% to the Gulfport Public Schools; 10% to Harrison County for public safety; and 10% to Harrison County schools. In addition to the taxes on gross gaming revenue, the State, City and County annually receive licensing fees and permits from each casino for each gaming device. Total gaming revenue of \$3,793,035 was reported in the General Fund which consists of \$3,590,235 in gaming revenues and \$202,800 of gaming license fees for the year ended September 30, 2016.

(C) Sales Tax Revenues

The State levies a 7% sales tax on retail sales and remits 18.5% of the amount collected (within the corporate boundaries of the City of Gulfport) back to the City monthly. Sales tax revenue reported in the General Fund as of September 30, 2016, was \$20,751,725.

(D) Lease Revenue (Operating Leases)

The Commission leases property and certain facilities to various tenants within its development sites. The majority of these leases are non-cancelable operating leases. Property leased by the Commission recorded in capital assets is as follows at September 30, 2016:

		Accumulated	
	Cost	Depreciation	Net Value
Land	\$ 18,759,786	-	18,759,786
Buildings and Improvements	5,105,150	1,124,216	3,980,934
	\$ 23,864,936	1,124,216	22,740,720

Future minimum rentals for the more significant non-cancelable leases, not including contingent rentals, are as follows at September 30, 2016:

Year Ended		
September 30,	Amount	
2017	\$ 985,000	5
2018	985,500	\mathbf{c}
2019	2,176,000	\mathbf{c}
2020	3,026,500	0
2021	3,027,000	0
Thereafter	163,490,000	C
	\$ 173,690,000	0
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The minimum future rentals for these leases were determined using the rates in effect at September 30, 2016, and also do not consider renewal options which may be available for certain lease contracts. Income under this portion of the leases is not included in future minimum rental amounts. Rental income for fiscal year 2016 received through all leases was \$143,820.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 4: CASH AND OTHER DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

(A) Cash and Other Deposits

The City maintains a cash and investment pool for use by all funds except the Proprietary funds – governmental-type activities and Fiduciary Funds which either maintain a separate account or have investments held separately by a trustee.

At September 30, 2016, the carrying amount of the City's deposits was \$43,291,899 and the bank balance was \$45,129,913. The difference represents outstanding checks and other reconciling items.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the City will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The City does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

The Mississippi State Treasurer manages that risk on behalf of the City. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institutions trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the City. The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions are now held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of a failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace public deposits not covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation. As of September 30, 2016, none of the City's bank balance of \$42,475,803 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

A summary of Cash and Cash Equivalents at September 30, 2016 is as follows:

	Invested in Sweep Account		Non-p		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Governmental funds:					
Major funds:					
General	\$ 2,202,256	\$ -	\$ 5,238	\$ 160,591	\$ 2,368,085
Capital Projects	80,268	22,502,216	-	-	22,582,484
Non-major funds	872,147	1,086,605	150		1,958,902
Total governmental funds	3,154,671	23,588,821	5,388	160,591	26,909,471
Proprietary funds:					
Business-type activities:					
Water and Sewer	166,691	10,388,130	129,582	2,259,994	12,944,397
Joseph T. Jones Park	157,883	-	-	1,749	159,632
Gulfport Redevelopment Comm.			65,955		65,955
Total business-type	324,574	10,388,130	195,537	2,261,743	13,169,984
Governmental-type activities:					
Claims Contingency	2,878,414		<u> </u>	-	2,878,414
Total proprietary funds	3,202,988	10,388,130	195,537	2,261,743	16,048,398
Fiduciary funds	-	334,030	-	-	334,030
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,357,659	\$ 34,310,981	\$ 200,925	\$ 2,422,334	\$ 43,291,899

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 4: CASH AND OTHER DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

(B) Investments

At September 30, 2016, the City's surplus funds that were not invested in overnight sweep repurchase agreements (considered short term and reported above as cash) were invested in Hancock Horizon Government Money Market Mutual Funds. A summary of the City's investments at September 30, 2016, is as follows:

	Rate of Interest	 Amount
Business-type activities:		
Hancock Horizon Government		
Money Market Mutual	N/A	\$ 950,611

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments - The custodial credit for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failures of the counterparty (e.g. broker-dealer) to a transaction, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The City's investment policy limits its exposure to custodial credit risk by requiring that all security transactions entered into by the City be conducted on a delivery-versus-payment basis.

Securities are to be held by a third party custodian. The investment in the Hancock Horizon Government Money Market Mutual fund is uninsured and unregistered and is not backed by the full faith and credit of the federal government, however are made up exclusively of short-term U. S. Government Securities.

Credit Risk – Investments - Generally, credit risk is the risk that issuers of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs). A disclosure of investments by amount and issuer for any issuer that represents five percent or more of total investments is required. This requirement does not apply to investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government, investments in mutual funds and external investment pools, and other pooled investments.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 5: RECEIVABLES

The Statement of Net Position includes the following receivables at September 30, 2016:

Taxes receivable:	
Property taxes	\$ 24,636,356
Sales taxes	3,378,695
Franchise taxes	995,291
Gaming fees	356,554
Total taxes receivable	\$ 29,366,896
Customer accounts receivable:	
Customer charges for services (billed)	\$ 8,379,430
Customer accounts, earned but unbilled	1,676,833
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	(6,709,233)
Total customer accounts receivable, net	\$ 3,347,030
Court fines receivable	\$ 10,461,344
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	(7,124,620)
Total court fines receivable, net	\$ 3,336,724
Due from other governments:	
Federal	\$ 2,594,188
State	251,955
Total due from other governments	\$ 2,846,143
	\$ 38,896,793

The governmental funds reported deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Funds also report unearned revenue in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, deferred inflows of resources were reported in the governmental funds in the amount of \$24,422,540 for property tax assessments not yet due and \$3,336,724 for court fines receivable, respectively. At the end of the current fiscal year, unearned revenue in the amount of \$26,341 was reported in the business-type activities.

NOTE 6: INTER-FUND TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

Government-wide Financial Statements

A. Internal Balances

At September 30, 2016, the City had the following internal balances:

Receivable	Payable	 Amount
Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	\$ 738,246

These amounts are shown as a netted amount of short-term loans between governmental and business-type activities. These loans are temporary in nature, bear no interest, and are considered "available spendable resources."

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 6: INTER-FUND TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (Continued)

B. Capital transfers

At September 30, 2016, the City had the following capital transfers:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	 Amount
Business-type Activities	Governmental Activities	\$ 1,915,564

These amounts show capital asset transfers between governmental and business-type activities. These amounts are shown on the proprietary fund financial statements as capital contributions.

Fund Financial Statements

The following is a summary of inter-fund balances at September 30, 2016:

A. Due From/To Other Funds:

Receivable Fund	Pay able Fund	 Amount
General	Non-major funds	\$ 2,856,634
	Joseph T. Jones Park fund	253,860
	Internal service funds	248,508
Capital projects fund	General fund	261,361
Non-major governmental funds	General	13,935
	Water and sewer fund	724,477
Internal service funds	General	135,000
Water and sewer fund	Capital projects fund	 240,091
		\$ 4,733,866

Various Funds have made short-term advances to other funds. These advances, shown as "Due from Other Funds", are temporary in nature, bear no interest, and are considered "available spendable resources".

B. Transfers In/Out:

In addition to the above inter-fund loans, the following transfers were made between funds during the year ended September 30, 2016:

Transfers In	Transfers Out		Amount
Non-major governmental funds	General		208,327
	Capital projects fund		361,485
Joseph T. Jones Park fund	Capital projects fund		1,240,881
Gulfport Redevelopment Commission	Capital projects fund		846,410
	Non-major governmental funds		539,146
Total operating transfers		\$	3,196,249

The City transfers funds from the Capital Projects fund to pay for grant matching requirements and other costs incurred that are originally paid for out of the General fund and other funds. The City also transferred amounts to the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission for line of credit principal and interest payments.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 7: CAPITAL ASSETS

A. Capital Asset Activity

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2016, was as follows:

	Balance October 1	Additions	Deletions	Adjustments	Balance September 30
Governmental Activities					
Non-depreciable capital assets:					
Land	\$ 28,244,064	\$ 9,719	\$ -	\$ (1,440,061)	\$ 26,813,722
Construction in progress	18,159,564	10,074,833	(16,313)	(12,879,671)	15,338,413
Total non-depreciable capital assets	46,403,628	10,084,552	(16,313)	(14,319,732)	42,152,135
Depreciable capital assets:					
Buildings	76,903,880	-	-	-	76,903,880
Improvements other than buildings	29,329,332	-	-	130,228	29,459,560
Infrastructure	270,331,744	550,600	(1,356,394)	10,060,942	279,586,892
Machinery & equipment	9,553,661	1,763,154	(1,890,439)	972,116	10,398,492
Vehicles	15,942,464	937,101	(500,181)	-	16,379,384
Equipment under capital leases	2,155,336	13,008			2,168,344
Total depreciable capital assets	404,216,417	3,263,863	(3,747,014)	11,163,286	414,896,552
Less accumulated depreciated for:					
Buildings	14,166,414	1,558,052	-	-	15,724,466
Improvements other than buildings	10,387,977	1,090,895	-	-	11,478,872
Infrastructure	94,743,591	3,427,880	(130)	-	98,171,341
Machinery & equipment	6,953,665	617,951	(403,373)	-	7,168,243
Vehicles	11,902,267	551,081	(630,532)	-	11,822,816
Equipment under capital leases	191,461	166,388	_		357,849
Total accumulated depreciation	138,345,375	7,412,247	(1,034,035)	-	144,723,587
Depreciable capital assets, net	265,871,042	(4,148,384)	(2,712,979)	11,163,286	270,172,965
Governmental activities capital assets,					
net	\$ 312,274,670	\$ 5,936,168	\$ (2,729,292)	\$ (3,156,446)	\$ 312,325,100

The depreciation expense was charged as a direct expense to programs of the primary government as follows:

General government	924,019
Public safety	1,020,922
Public works	3,733,055
Culture and recreation	1,722,116
Economic Development	12,135
Total governmental activities depreciation expense	\$ 7,412,247

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 7: CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

	Balance	A -1-1141	Deletions	A discontant and a	Balance
Pusings tung Activities	October 1	Additions	Deletions	Adjustments	September 30
Business-type Activities					
Non-depreciable capital assets:	\$ 27.143.384	\$ 826.057	\$ -	\$ 1.701.885	\$ 29.671.326
Land	¥ 27,110,001	0=0,00	5 -	-,,	
Construction in progress	808,845	7,352,553		(1,528,802)	6,632,596
Total non-depreciable capital assets	27,952,229	8,178,610		173,083	36,303,922
		-	-	-	
Depreciable capital assets:		-	-	-	
Buildings	7,595,801	-	-	-	7,595,801
Improvements and infrastructure	278,703,770	1,368,734	-	2,983,363	283,055,867
Machinery & equipment	2,573,521	1.493,506	(50,651)	(16,124)	4,000,252
Vehicles	2,890,349	79,829	(10,570)	16,124	2,975,732
Equipment under capital leases	494,418	-	-	-	494,418
Total depreciable capital assets	292,257,859	2,942,069	(61,221)	2,983,363	298,122,070
			-	-	
Less accumulated depreciated for:		-		-	
Buildings	1,189,990	413,488	-	-	1,603,478
Improvements and infrastructure	65,452,973	5,558,724	_	-	71,011,697
Machinery & equipment	1,647,928	145,875	(48,090)	_	1,745,713
Vehicles	2,552,260	74,723	(9,513)	-	2,617,470
Equipment under capital leases	153,924	62,186	•		216,110
Total accumulated depreciation	70,997,075	6.254,996	(57,603)		77,194,468
Depreciable capital assets, net	221,260,784	(3.312,927)	(3,618)	2,983,363	220,927,602
Business-type activities capital	221,200,704	(5.512,721)	(3,010)	2,703,503	220,727,002
assets, net	\$ 249,213,013	\$ 4.865,683	\$ (3,618)	\$ 3,156,446	\$ 257,231,524

The depreciation expense was charged as a direct expense to programs of the primary government as follows:

Water and sewer	\$ 5,324,393
Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park	568,754
Gulfport Redevelopment Commission	361,849
Total business-type activities depreciation expense	\$ 6,254,996

B. Net Investment in Capital Assets/Net Position

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	
Land	\$ 26,813,722	\$ 29,671,326	
Construction in progress	15,338,413	6,632,596	
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	270,172,965	220,927,602	
Add: deferred outflow of resourses on refunding	233,466	1,499,595	
Less: retainage payable	(68,903)	(130,383)	
Less: related long-term debt outstanding - spent	(28,364,113)	(70,894,926)	
Less: deferred inflow of resources on refunding		(69,823)	
	\$ 284,125,550	\$ 187,635,987	

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 8: LEASES

(A) Capital Leases

In prior fiscal years, the City has obtained lease financing for the purchase of computer equipment and other machinery and equipment. In April 2016, the City obtained lease financing for the purchase of five fire trucks with accessories. Title to the assets is held in the name of the City and the banks as lien holder. The City insures the assets and accounts for the leasing arrangements. The following is a schedule of the City's capital leases as of September 30, 2016:

		Pres	ent Value of
		Remaining	
	Stated	Pay	ments as of
	Interest	Sep	tember 30,
	Rate		2016
Governmental activities:			
Computer equipment	1.81%	\$	424,445
Fire trucks	3.00%		1,749,544
Equipment	1.58%		1,145,493
Total governmental activities			3,319,482
Business-type activities:			
Excavator	1.85%		61,613
Backhoe	2.24%		34,340
Dump Truck	3.03%		28,427
Equipment	1.58%		236,284
Total business-type activities:			360,664
Total capital lease obligations		\$	3,680,146

Equipment and related accumulated amortization under capital lease are as follows:

Governmental activities:		
Computer equipment	\$	245,219
Fire trucks		1,910,117
Equipment		13,008
Less: accumulated amortization	-	(357,849)
Net value	\$	1,810,495
Business-type activities:		
Excavator	\$	180,375
Backhoe		86,585
Pumps		108,927
Dump Truck		118,531
Less: accumulated amortization		(216,110)
Net value	\$	278,308

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 8: LEASES (Continued)

As of September 30, 2016, capital lease annual amortizations are as follows:

Year Ended September 30,	Governmental activities		iness-type ctivities
2017	•	600.000	4.40.0#0
2017	\$	600,809	\$ 140,959
2018		600,809	82,380
2019		448,930	49,980
2020		405,417	49,980
2021		385,205	45,815
2022-2026		815,575	-
2027-2029		489,346	-
Less: interest		(426,609)	(8,450)
Present value of			
remaining payments	\$	3,319,482	\$ 360,664

Amortization of leased equipment under capital assets is included with depreciation expense.

(B) Operating Leases

The City is committed under various non-cancelable operating leases, primarily for machinery and equipment (principally in the General Fund). Future minimum operating lease commitments are as follows:

Year ending	
September 30,	
2017	\$ 89,199
2018	1,136
	\$ 90,335

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT

The following schedule reflects the debt transactions for governmental activities for the year ended September 30, 2016:

Governmental Activities	Payable at October 1	Additions	Principal Reductions	Payable at September 30	Principal Due in One Year
General obligation bonds	\$ 30,757,200	\$ -	\$ 2,752,200	\$ 28,005,000	\$ 2,098,600
Limited obligation bond	455,000	-	15,000	440,000	15,000
Special obligation bonds	7,305,000	-	955,000	6,350,000	980,000
Capital leases payable	2,467,872	1,163,948	312,338	3,319,482	526,336
Compensated absences payable	2,150,544	123,150	-	2,273,694	1,117,162
Claims and judgments	29,000		2,000	27,000	
	43,164,616	1,287,098	4,036,538	40,415,176	4,737,098
Plus bond premium	1,576,407		158,718	1,417,689	158,718
Total governmental activities	\$ 44,741,023	\$ 1,287,098	\$ 4,195,256	\$ 41,832,865	\$ 4,895,816

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

The following schedule reflects the debt transactions for business-type activities for the year ended September 30, 2016:

Business-type Activities	Payable at October 1	Additions	Principal Reductions	Payable at September 30	Principal Due in One Year
General obligation bonds payable	\$ 40,252,800	\$ -	\$ 4,727,800	\$ 35,525,000	\$ 4,816,400
Special obligation bonds payable	10,700,000	-	-	10,700,000	-
Notes payable	32,516,051	2,357,078	2,541,898	32,331,231	14,074,310
Capital leases pay able	252,861	240,091	132,288	360,664	138,810
Compensated absences	50,518	7,389	-	57,907	31,770
	83,772,230	2,604,558	7,401,986	78,974,802	19,061,290
Plus bond premium	2,591,610		274,622	2,316,988	274,622
Total business type activities	\$ 86,363,840	\$ 2,604,558	\$ 7,676,608	\$ 81,291,790	\$ 19,335,912

(1) General Obligation Bonds

The City issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds have been issued for both governmental and business-type activities. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the City.

In December 2014, the City issued \$30,000,000 of general obligation bonds with interest rates varying between 1.5-3.4% to fund various capital projects throughout the City. \$16,000,000 of this general obligation bond project was used for governmental related projects and \$14,000,000 was used to fund water and sewer related projects.

General obligation bonds generally are issued as serial bonds with certain amounts of principal maturing each year. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

	Original	Issue	Interest	Outstanding	Due in
Purpose	Amount	Date	Rate	Amount	one year
Governmental Activities:					
GO Refunding - Public Improvement	15,025,000	9/10/2014	2.0-5.0%	12,694,000	1,399,600
GO Public Improvement	16,000,000	12/18/2014	1.5-3.4%	15,311,000	699,000
Total governmental activities	\$ 31,025,000			\$ 28,005,000	\$ 2,098,600
Business-type Activities: GO Refunding	\$ 2,850,000	9/10/2014	2.0-5.0%	\$ 2,406,000	\$ 265,400
GO Refunding	3,810,000	12/2/2004	3-3.85%	475,000	475,000
GO Revenue	9,500,000	6/1/2009	3.34%	3,185,000	1,030,000
GO Revenue	14,000,000	12/18/2014	1.5-3.4%	13,389,000	601,000
GO Refunding	18,465,000	6/30/2015	2.0-5.0%	16,070,000	2,445,000
Total business-type activities	\$ 48,625,000			\$ 35,525,000	\$ 4,816,400

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds are as follows:

Year Ended	Governmental Activities		Business-ty			
September 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Total	
2017	\$ 2.098,600	\$ 988.984	\$ 4,816,400	\$ 1,372,400	\$ 9,276,384	
2017	2,191,500	904,260	4,538,500	1,181,405	8,815,665	
2019	1,894,600	829,075	4,665,400	992,386	8,381,461	
2020	1,945,000	758,966	3,815,000	795,447	7,314,413	
2021	2,038,700	678,542	3,991,300	620,221	7,328,763	
2022-2026	9,574,000	2,145,238	6,461,000	1,815,487	19,995,725	
2027-2031	5,592,600	825,098	4,907,400	731,907	12,057,005	
2032-2035	2,670,000	161,186	2,330,000	142,939	5,304,125	
	\$ 28,005,000	\$ 7,291,349	\$ 35,525,000	\$ 7,652,192	\$ 78,473,541	

Prior year defeasance of debt

The City has at various times entered into advance refunding transactions related to certain issues of its bonded debt. A portion of the proceeds of the refunding bond issues were placed in trust and used to purchase securities to meet all debt service requirements of the refunded debt. The liability for the refunded bonds and the related securities and escrow accounts were not included in the accompanying financial statements as the City defeased its obligations for payment of the refunded debt upon completion of the refunding transactions.

At September 30, 2016, refunded bond issues and the related principal payable from escrow is as follows:

Bond Issue	Principal Balance		
2000 MDB Promissory Note	\$	2,590,000	
2001 MDB Promissory Note		1,085,000	
1998 Refunded Bonds		1,760,000	
2003 Refunded Bonds		2,795,000	
2005 Refunded Water and Sewer Bonds		3,160,000	
2007 Refunded Bonds		7,485,000	
Total	\$	18,875,000	

(2) Limited Obligation Bond

The City issued tax increment financing bonds to encourage economic development of certain areas of the City. The original amount of tax increment financing bonds issued in the prior year was \$455,000. This bond has an interest rate of 4.0% with principal maturing September 2034.

The principal and interest on tax increment financing bonds are paid from the increase in sales tax revenue that is generated from the developed area. These bonds are generally issued as 10 or 20 year serial bonds with varying amounts of principal maturing each year. Tax increment financing bonds outstanding as of September 30, 2016 are as follows:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

	Original	Issue	Issue Interest		Due in	
	Amount	Date	Rate	Amount	one year	
TIF Bond	\$ 480,000	9/23/2014	4.00%	\$ 440,000	\$ 15,000	

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for tax increment financing bonds are as follows:

Year ended			
September 30,	 Principal	Interest	Total
2017	\$ 15,000	\$ 17,600	\$ 32,600
2018	20,000	17,000	37,000
2019	20,000	16,200	36,200
2020	20,000	15,400	35,400
2021	20,000	14,600	34,600
2022-2026	115,000	60,400	175,400
2027-2031	135,000	35,800	170,800
2032-2034	95,000	7,800	 102,800
	\$ 440,000	\$ 184,800	\$ 624,800

(3) Special Obligation Bonds

The City issued special obligation bonds to provide funding for various capital improvement projects. The notes are also direct obligations of the City and pledge the full faith and credit of the City. Special obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

	Original	Issue	Outstanding	I	Due in
Governmental Activities:	Amount	Date	Amount one		ne year
SO Refunding - Public Improvement Paving	\$ 10,000,000	7/19/2012	\$ 6,350,000	\$	980,000
Business-type Activities:					
SO Refunding	\$ 47,565,000	4/7/2005	\$ 10,700,000	\$	-

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for special obligation bonds are as follows:

Year ended	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities							
September 30,	1	Principal	I	nterest	Prin	cipal		nterest		Total
2017	\$	980,000	\$	190,500	\$	_	\$	561,750	\$	1,732,250
2018		1,010,000		161,100		-		561,750		1,732,850
2019		1,040,000		130,800		-		561,750		1,732,550
2020		1,075,000		99,600		-		561,750		1,736,350
2021		1,105,000		67,350		-		561,750		1,734,100
2022-2024		1,140,000		34,200	10,7	700,000		1,142,663	_	13,016,863
	\$	6,350,000	\$	683,550	\$ 10,7	700,000	\$	3,951,413	\$ 2	21,684,963

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

(4) Notes Payable

State Revolving Loans

The City is currently participating in the State Revolving Loan Program to provide funds for water and sewer system upgrades and improvements. These loans are granted with a 20 year maturity with equal amounts of principal maturing each year. The interest rates on these loans are 1.75%.

Gulfport Redevelopment Commission - Line of Credit

On December 17, 2015, Gulfport Redevelopment Commission (GRC) entered into a line of credit arrangement with BancorpSouth Bank, which carries a maximum possible balance of \$14,000,000. This loan has an interest rate of 3.25%. As September 30, 2016, GRC has drawn down \$12,348,914 of the loan balance. Amounts drawn down from this line of credit were used to pay off two outstanding loans of \$200,000 each taken out on November 6, 2015 and December 1, 2015, respectively. Collateral used to secure the loan is the assignment of ground lease agreements and is guaranteed by the City of Gulfport.

Annual debt service requirements for the notes are as follows:

Year ended September 30		Principal		Interest		Total		
2017	\$	14,074,310	\$	335,896	\$	14,410,206		
2018		1,755,834		305,457		2,061,291		
2019		1,786,811		274,482		2,061,293		
2020		1,818,331		242,961		2,061,292		
2021		1,850,406		210,885		2,061,291		
2022-2026		9,150,098		562,238		9,712,336		
2027-2031		1,895,441		21,244		1,916,685		
	\$	32,331,231	\$	1,953,163	\$	34,284,394		

(5) Compensated Absences

The City's policies relative to compensated absences, method of computing accrued liabilities and reporting are discussed at Note 1. The General Fund and the Water & Sewer Fund has been primarily used in prior years to liquidate the liability for compensated absences.

(6) Claims and Judgments

The City has a commitment to pay life insurance benefits of \$1,000 upon the death of each retiree included in the Firemen's and Policemen's Disability and Relief Plan. The City elected to cancel its insurance policy covering such claims and self-insure these benefits. As a result, a total of \$85,000 was recorded for the 85 remaining retirees receiving benefits effective October 1, 1992. As of September 30, 2016, a total of 29 retirees and employees remain covered under the system. Accordingly, a liability in the amount of \$27,000 has been included in the General Long-Term Debt at September 30, 2016. None of the liability for these benefits is estimated to be paid within one year.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

(7) Legal Debt Margin

Legal Debt Margin - The amount of general obligation bonded debt that can be incurred by the City is limited by state statute. Total outstanding general obligation bonded debt during a year can be no greater than 15% of assessed value of the taxable property within the City, according to the then last completed assessment for taxation. However, the limitation is increased to 20% whenever a city issues bonds to repair or replace washed out or collapsed bridges on the public roads of the city. As of September 30, 2016, the amount of outstanding general obligation bonded debt was equal to 3.87% of the latest property assessments.

Mississippi law limits the amount of general obligation debt a municipality may issue to 15% of total assessed valuation. Gulfport's total assessed valuation is \$723,422,711; therefore, the 15% limitation equals: \$108,513,407; less GO Bonds outstanding of \$28,005,000, leaving a margin for further debt issuance of \$80,508,407.

(8) No-Commitment Debt

In November 2015, the City authorized the Hospital Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2015A, in the amount of \$8,560,000, with interest rate of 1.5 percent. This issue refunded the Hospital Revenue and Refunding and Improvement Bonds Series 1994A, in the amount of \$8,500,000, with an interest rate of 5.8 to 6.2 percent.

In June 2016, the City authorized the Hospital Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2016, in the amount of \$49,270,000, with interest rate of 5 percent maturing in 2031. The series 2016 Bonds were issued with a premium of approximately \$9,311,309. This issue refunded the Hospital Revenue Bond, Series 2001, in the amount of \$60,000,000, with an interest rate of 5.5 to 5.8 percent.

As of September 30, 2016, the aggregate outstanding balance for the Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds plus unamortized premium was \$70,497,128. These bonds do not constitute a liability of the City, are not a charge against its general credit or taxing powers and, accordingly, are not included in the City's General Long-Term Debt. However, as more fully discussed at Note 7, Memorial Hospital at Gulfport is a joint venture of the City and Harrison County.

NOTE 10: FUND BALANCE DESIGNATIONS

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the City classifies governmental fund balance as follows:

Non-spendable – amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because legal or contractual constraints. The City has no non-spendable fund balances as of September 30, 2016.

Restricted – amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government, through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority and does not lapse at year-end. The City has a committed fund balance of \$1,256,850 as of September 30, 2016.

Assigned – amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund balance may be assigned by the City Council or by an official or body to which the City Council delegates authority. The City has no assigned fund balances as of September 30, 2016.

Unassigned – amounts which include positive fund balances of the General Fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 10: FUND BALANCE DESIGNATIONS (Continued)

City Council establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by passage of an ordinance or resolution. This is typically done through adoption and amendment of the budget. A fund balance commitment is further indicated in the budget document as a designation or commitment of the fund (such as special incentives). Assigned fund balance is established by City Council through adoption or amendment of the budget as intended for specific purpose (such as the purchase of fixed assets, construction, debt service, or for other purposes).

The City uses restricted/committed amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents or contracts that prohibit doing this, such as a grant agreement requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the City would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

NOTE 11: UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND

In accordance with Mississippi Code Section 71-5-359(f), the City has obtained a surety bond and posted this bond with the Mississippi Employment Security Commission in lieu of maintaining a cash reserve.

NOTE 12: RISK MANAGEMENT

(A) Description

The City's risk management activities are recorded in the Claims Contingency Fund and the Group Life and Health Fund. The purpose of these funds is to administer general liability, police professional liability, automobile and property liability, workers' compensation, employee life, and employee health insurance programs of the City on a cost-reimbursement basis. These funds account for the risk financing activities of the City but do not constitute a transfer of risk from the City.

In compliance with the Tort Claims Act, Chapter 46 of Title 11 and as amended by the 1993 Legislature, Section 11-46-17(3) requires all municipalities from and after October 1, 1993, to obtain such policies of insurance, establish self-insurance reserves, or provide a combination of insurance and reserves necessary to cover all risks of claims and suits for which a municipality may be liable under the Tort Claims Act. In order to assure compliance with the Tort Claims Act, House Bill 417 established the Mississippi Tort Claims Board. Municipalities are required to submit plans of insurance, self-insurance and or reserves to the Tort Claims Board for approval.

The City is in compliance with the above by providing a combination of insurance and reserves for its tort liabilities, as well as for all of its other risk management activities. A description of these programs is included below.

Significant losses are covered by commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage and settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years. The following summary reflects the City's insurance coverage and self-insured risk retention (SIR):

Workers' Compensation	
Per occurrence deductible (SIR)	\$ 750,000
Per occurrence deductible (Public Safety)	\$ 1,000,000
Annual aggregate risk of loss through deductibles	\$ 2,920,608
Specific excess coverage in force	Statutory
Employee Health Insurance	
Per occurrence deductible (SIR)	\$ 150,000
Annual aggregate risk of loss through deductibles	No Limit

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 12: RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

General and Other Liability Coverage		
Per occurrence deductible (SIR)	\$	100,000
Annual aggregate risk of loss through deductibles	\$	700,000
MS statutory cap	\$	500,000
Specific excess coverage in force		
General liability, Employee benefit plan liability	\$ 1 million / occurrence; \$3 mill	ion aggregate
Professional liability	\$ 2 million / occurrence; \$4 mill	ion aggregate
Automobile, Garagekeepers liability	\$1 millio	on / \$250,000
CyberFirst liability	\$1 mill	ion aggregate
Property Coverage		
Named windstorm	5%	6 per location
All other wind	\$	50,000
All other perils	\$ 50,000) / occurrence
Wind on water towers		No coverage
Specific excess coverage in force		
Buildings	\$	89,018,352
Contents	\$	5,041,775
Signs	\$	768,400

(B) Claims Liability

The City records an estimated liability for employee health care, workers' compensation, torts, and other claims against the City. Claims liabilities are based on estimates of the ultimate cost of reported claims (including future claim adjustment expenses) and an estimate for claims incurred but not reported based on historical experience.

(C) Unpaid Claims Liabilities

The funds establish a liability for both reported and unreported events, which includes estimates of both future payments of losses and related claim adjustment expenses. The following represent the changes in approximate aggregate liabilities for the City from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016:

	Claims	Group Health
	Contingency	and Life
Liability balance, September 30, 2015	\$ 2,540,000	\$ 70,557
Claims and changes in estimates	1,381,174	8,577,843
Claims payments	(1,181,066)	(7,411,144)
Liability balance, September 30, 2016	2,740,108	1,237,256
Claims and changes in estimates	2,173,618	4,462,369
Claims payments	(2,373,726)	(5,384,238)
Liability balance, September 30, 2016	\$ 2,540,000	\$ 315,387
Assets available to pay claims		
at September 30, 2016	\$ 3,012,070	\$ -

The City's third-party claims administrator develops the City's reserves, including estimates for claims incurred but not reported. Administrative officials have reviewed the reserve estimates and consider them fairly stated. Additionally, the liability has been actuarially evaluated and found to be reasonable.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 13: OTHER COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

(A) Federal Grants

In the normal course of operations, the City receives grant funds from various Federal agencies. The grant programs are subject to audit by agents of the granting authority, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting of funds.

Management has determined that any liability for reimbursement, which may arise as the result of these audits, is not believed to be material to the financial statements.

(B) Litigation

The City is party to various legal proceedings, which normally occur in governmental operations. These legal proceedings are not likely to have a material adverse impact on the affected funds of the City. In addition, the City currently has approximately \$2,878,414 accrued in the Claims Contingency Fund for pending or threatened litigation for which unfavorable outcome is considered probable. See Note 12 for treatment of claims incurred but not reported and other tort liability information.

(C) Contract Commitments

Construction Contracts - The following significant contracts were outstanding at September 30, 2016:

	Contract Amount	Expended to Date	Remaining Commitment
Downtown Street Scape Enhance	\$ 7,696,414	\$ 7,679,913	\$ 16,501
Creosote Rd / Three Rivers Rd / US 49 / Airport Rd	4,186,329	4,098,051	88,278
28th Street Widening (TEA21)	4,060,407	1,811,399	2,249,008
Poplar Circle Chamberlain Ave Sewer Improvements	2,288,722	526,842	1,761,880
Sportsplex Field Expansion	2,144,394	18,626	2,125,768
Retreat Village / Oakleigh Manor Water Improvements	2,116,282	1,127,079	989,203
Dedeaux Rd Widening Phase 2 3 Rivers Rd to Hwy 605	1,813,873	1,797,354	16,519
Pump Station Sewer Rehabilitation	1,290,441	255,875	1,034,566
West 28th St. Phase 2 Water Main	1,130,966	136,386	994,580
West 28th St. Phase 1 Water Main	1,059,606	621,674	437,932
Pass Rd Traffic Signal Improvements	556,915	535,188	21,727
Hwy 49 Utilities Relocate MDOT Right of Way	555,133	242,321	312,812
Landon Road Widening US 49 to 34th Ave	168,493	146,714	21,779
Various Culture and Recreation Improvements	177,488	109,784	67,704
Various Road Improvement Projects	556,435	76,740	479,695
Various Sewer and Drainage Improvement Projects	2,223,180	325,193	1,897,987
	\$ 32,025,078	\$ 19,509,139	\$ 12,515,939

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 14: JOINT VENTURES AND JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

I. <u>JOINT VENTURES</u>

(A) Memorial Hospital at Gulfport (MHG)

MHG is an acute care, not-for-profit community hospital jointly owned by the City and the Gulfport-West Harrison County Hospital District. The Board of Trustees of MHG pursuant to section 41-13-15 et seq. Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended operates it. MHG is classified as a joint venture between the City and the Gulfport-West Harrison County Hospital District. The following is a synopsis of MHG's financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, a copy of which is on file at the administrative offices of Memorial Hospital located at 4500 13th Street, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, or may be acquired by calling (228) 865-3078.

Memorial Hospital at Gulfport Statement of Net Position

Assets	
Current assets	\$ 148,710,299
Noncurrent cash and investments	61,862,464
Capital assets, net	201,786,016
Other assets	 4,642,423
Total assets	 417,001,202
Deferred outflow of resources	 1,945,668
Liabilities	
Current liabilities	\$ 47,124,039
Long-term liabilities	 108,540,573
Total liabilities	 155,664,612
Net position	
Net investment in capital assets	129,270,033
Restricted	17,527,373
Unrestricted	 116,484,852
Total net position	\$ 263,282,258

The City has no transactions with MHG that are included in the City's financial statements. All general obligation bonds issued on behalf of Memorial Hospital were paid off during prior fiscal years. See Note 9 (8) for additional information pertaining to conduit debt issued for Memorial Hospital at Gulfport.

(B) Harrison County Wastewater and Solid Waste Management District

The City is a member of the Harrison County Wastewater and Solid Waste Management District (District), which was established by an act of the Mississippi Legislature to provide for adequate wastewater treatment and solid waste disposal services to the citizens of Harrison County, Mississippi. The governing board is comprised of one member from each of the cities and county who are members of the District. Through a fifty-year contract, the City is obligated to pay monthly, its pro-rata share of all operating, administrative, and capital costs of the District. Additionally, the City is jointly and severally liable for all of the liabilities of the District. The District is classified as a joint venture between the City and the other members.

The following is a synopsis of the District's financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, a complete copy of which is on file at the administrative offices of the District which are located at 14108 Airport Road, Gulfport, Mississippi 39503, or may be obtained by calling (228) 868-8752.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 14: JOINT VENTURES AND JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS (Continued)

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS		
Current assets	\$	12,048,823
Restricted assets		21,590,333
Capital assets, net		275,358,374
Deferred outflows	_	25,870,209
Total assets and deferred outflows		334,867,739
LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS		
Current liabilities		8,939,133
Current liabilities from restricted assets		12,924,918
Long-term liabilities		123,574,105
Deferred inflows		4,747
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	_	145,442,903
NET POSITION		
Invested in capital assets, net		
of related debt		171,113,610
Restricted		17,198,463
Unrestricted		1,112,763
Total net assets	_	189,424,836
Total liabilities, deferred outflows and net assets	_\$_	334,867,739

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Operating revenue	\$ 20,244,159
Operating expenses	(20,194,266)
Depreciation and amortization	(12,703,491)
Nonoperating revenues, net	14,766,090
Change in net position	\$ 2,112,492

The following financial information concerning transactions with the District has been included in the City's financial statements under the following captions:

Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Contractual services (solid waste and wastewater treatment charges)

\$6,431,876

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 14: JOINT VENTURES AND JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS (Continued)

II. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

(A) Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority

The Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority was chartered on August 25, 1977, and assumed control of the Airport on October 1, 1977. The authority is comprised of one appointee each from the local governmental units of the City of Gulfport, the City of Biloxi, and Harrison County. These governmental units have agreed to subsidize the Airport annually, if necessary. During the past fiscal year, the City did not provide any funding to the Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport.

(B) Harrison County Library System

On May 18, 1976, the City entered into an agreement with the Board of Trustees of the Biloxi Public Library, the City of Gulfport, the Board of Supervisors of Harrison County, the Board of Trustees of the Gulfport-Harrison County Library, the City of Pass Christian, and the Board of Trustees of the Pass Christian Public Library to mutually cooperate in securing a more economical public library system through combined resources, interests, materials and facilities to be known as the Harrison County Library System. There are no specific monetary terms in the agreement and the City has no equity interest in the organization. However, a budget is approved every year by the County Library Board, which stipulates the amount of funds needed from the participating municipalities and various other funding sources. The City contributed \$350,000 for the year ended September 30, 2016. This agreement is cancelable upon 60 days written notice prior to the end of the fiscal year and therefore, the City does not have an ongoing financial responsibility.

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS

I. Defined Benefit Pension Plans

The City participates in two retirement systems administered by the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS). Both systems are defined benefit plans and include a multi-employer; cost-sharing pension plan and an agent multi-employer pension plan as described below:

General Information about the Pension Plans

(A) Public Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Miss. Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201 or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Benefits provided. Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees of the public Cities. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved, membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. Benefits vest upon completion of eight years of membership service (four years of membership service for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2007).

PERS also provides certain death and disability benefits. A Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.0 percent of the annual retirement allowance for each full fiscal year of retirement up to the year in which the retired member reaches age 60 (55 for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), with 3.0 percent compounded for each fiscal year thereafter. Plan provisions are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Contributions. PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary, and the City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of September 30, 2016, was 15.75% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members and employers are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

(B) Municipal Retirement Systems

Plan Description. The City contributes to the Municipal Retirement Systems' Fire and Police Disability and Relief Funds (MRS), an agent multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi. MRS provides retirement and disability benefits and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. At June 30, 2016, the date of the most recent actuarial verification available, the MRS are composed of 19 separate municipal retirement and fire and police disability and relief systems. Benefit provisions are established by Section 21-29, Articles 1,3,5,7, Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), and annual local and private legislation and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Benefits provided. Membership in the Fire and Police Disability and Relief Systems was granted to all City uniformed police officers and fire fighters who were not already members of PERS and who were hired prior to July 1, 1976. Employees hired after July 1, 1976 automatically become members of PERS. MRS was fully closed to new members July 1, 1976. Members who terminate employment from all covered employers and are not eligible to receive monthly retirement benefits may request a refund of employee contributions. As of September 30, 2016, the plan has 92 inactive members or their beneficiaries are currently receiving benefits, no inactive members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits and no active members.

Participating employees who retire regardless of age with at least 20 years of credited service are entitled to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 50 percent of their average monthly compensation and an additional 1.7 percent for each year of credited service over 20 years not to exceed 66-2/3 percent of average monthly compensation.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

Contributions. Plan contributions are based on the value of taxable property adjusted to reflect all property-related contributions, and the millage rates applied to the assessed property. A new funding policy was implemented in February 2011 which extends contributions past 2020. The certified millage rate from the June 30, 2016 valuation is 1.29 mills, therefore, the millage rate effective October 1, 2016, is 1.29 mills.

Net Pension Liability and Pension Expense

At September 30, 2016, the City reported a liability of \$72,021,588 in the governmental activities and \$3,000,900 in the business-type activities for a total of \$75,022,488 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. A net pension liability in the amount of \$11,006,644 was reported in the governmental activities for its share of the MRS net pension liability.

The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the PERS net pension liability was based on a projection of the City's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, the City's proportion was .42 percent, unchanged from 2015.

For the year ended September 30, 2016, the City recognized PERS pension expense for governmental activities of \$8,800,540 and \$366,689 for business-type activities. An additional pension expense of \$1,127,048 was reported for the MRS pension in the governmental activities.

Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability

The change in Net Pension Liability, for PERS, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016 is as follows:

Mississippi Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Plan Total Pension Fiduciary Net Pension Liability Net Position Liability Service cost 3.085,089 3.085,089 Interest on the total pension liability 12,734,950 12,734,950 Difference between expected and actual experience 1,736,675 1,736,675 Changes in assumptions (279,745)(279,745)Employer's contribution 4,289,296 (4,289,296)Employee's contribution 2,404,811 (2,404,811)Pension plan net investment income 549,780 (549,780)Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions (10.418.667)(10,418,667)Administrative expense (63,697)63,697 Other (1,991)1,991 (3,240,468)10,098,770 Net Change 6,858,302 Net Pension Liability Beginning 169,531,253 104,607,535 64,923,718 Net Pension Liability Ending 176,389,555 101,367,067

A schedule of Net Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, in addition to the information above, includes multi-year trend information (beginning with FY 2015) and is presented in the Required Supplementary Information Section on pages 89-90.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

The change in Net Pension Liability, for MRS, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016 is as follows:

Mississippi Municipal Retirement Systems' Fire and Police Disability and Relief Funds (MRS)

				Plan		
	To	otal Pension		Fiduciary	Net Pension	
		Liability	N	et Position		Liability
Interest expense	\$	1,518,469	\$	-	\$	1,518,469
Difference between expected						
and actual experience		139,083				139,083
Employer's contribution		-		899,471		(899,471)
Pension plan net investment income		-		113,727		(113,727)
Benefit payments, including refunds		-				-
of employee contributions		(1,980,266)		(1,980,266)		-
Administrative expense		-		(17,989)		17,989
Other				29,650	_	(29,650)
Net Change		(322,714)		(955,407)		632,693
Net Pension Liability Beginning		20,583,280		10,209,329		10,373,951
Net Pension Liability Ending	\$	20,260,566	\$	9,253,922	\$	11,006,644

A schedule of Net Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, in addition to the information above, includes multi-year trend information (beginning with FY 2015) and is presented in the Required Supplementary Information Section on pages 91-92.

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At September 30, 2016, the City reported deferred outflows of resources of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources							
		PE	RS			MRS		
	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Governmental Activities			Total
Differences between expected and								
actual experience	\$	2,008,869	\$	83,703	\$	-	\$	2,092,572
Changes of assumptions		3,395,254		141,471		-		3,536,725
Net difference between projected								
and actual earnings on pension plan								
investments		4,879,110		203,296		816,388		5,898,794
City's contributions subsequent to								
the measurement date		1,111,716		46,321				1,158,037
Total	\$	11.394,949	\$	474,791	\$	816,388	\$	12,686,128

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

At September 30, 2016, the City reported deferred inflows of resources of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Inflows of Resources					
		PE	RS			
		Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan						
investments Differences between City contributions and proportionate	\$	191,385	\$	7,974	\$	199,359
share on contributions		35,912		1,497		37,409
Total	\$	227,297	\$	9,471	\$	236,768

Within the deferred outflows and inflows, a net amount of \$1,158,037 of deferred outflows of resources is related to pensions resulting from the City's contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2016. Of this amount, \$1,111,716 was contributed for governmental activities and \$46,321 for business-type activities.

Under the PERS retirement plan deferred liabilities and assets, with the exception of differences between projected and actual investment earnings, are amortized over the average of expected remaining service lives. Differences between projected and actual investment earnings are amortized over 5 years.

Under the MRS pension plan, unfunded liabilities are amortized over a closed 30 year period from with 19 years remaining as of June 30, 2016, as a level percent of the municipality's assessed valuation.

The remaining net amount of \$11,291,324 reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended September 30	_	PERS	_	MRS	 Total
2017	\$	3,626,214		\$ 229,802	\$ 3,856,016
2018		2,735,020		229,802	2,964,822
2019		2,631,621		229,802	2,861,423
2020		1,482,081		126,982	1,609,063
	\$	10,474,936		\$ 816,388	\$ 11,291,324

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liabilities in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation were determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	PERS	MRS
Inflation	3.0 percent	3.5 percent
Salary increases	3.75 - 19.0 percent, including inflation	4.50 - 6.0 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent (net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation	8.0 percent (net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Assessed property value rate of increase	N/A	2.0 percent compounded annually, used in determining the millage rate under the funding policy

The table for post-retirement mortality rates used in evaluating allowances to be paid was the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected with Scale BB to 2016 with male rates set forward one year. The RP-Disabled Retiree Table set forward five years for males and four years for females, was used for the period after disability retirement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the four year period ending June 30, 2014. The experience report is dated May 4, 2015.

For the PERS pension plan, the long-term expected rate of return on the investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of the plans' investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
US Broad	34%	5.20%
International Equity	19%	5.00%
Emerging Markets Equity	8%	5.45%
Fixed Income	20%	0.25%
Real Assets	10%	4.00%
Private Equity	8%	6.15%
Cash	1%	-0.50%
Total	100%	

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

For the MRS pension plan, the actuarial value of assets recognizes a portion of the difference between the market value of assets and the expected actuarial value of assets, based on the assumed valuation rate of return. The amount recognized each year is 20% of the difference between market value and expected actuarial value. Actuarial value of assets was set equal to the market value on September 30, 2006, and smoothing commenced in 2007. Actuarial assets were allocated to individual cities in the same proportion that their market value of assets was to the total market value of assets for all cities.

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for PERS and MRS was 7.75 percent, which was based on the future long-term expected rate of return of 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions for PERS will be made at rates set in the Board's Funding Policy. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine each plan's total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following table presents the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or one percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decre (6.75%		Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	Discount	
City's proportionate share PERS	\$	96,195,649	\$ 75,022,488	\$	57,455,626
City's proportionate share MRS	\$	12,763,584	\$ 11,006,644	\$	9,496,103

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plans' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial reports for PERS and MRS plans which can be obtained at www.pers.ms.gov.

Three-year Trend Information

The following table provides the employer contribution to PERS and MRS for the last three fiscal years:

	 Employer Contributions				
Year ended September 30	PERS		MRS		
2016	\$ 4,232,508	\$	899,471		
2015	4,298,859		975,093		
2014	4,064,174		1,023,128		

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 15: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

II. Deferred Compensation Plan

The Mississippi Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) offers the City's employees voluntary participation in a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The Plan, available to all City employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

Effective January 1, 1997, the Plan was amended by the State in accordance with the provisions of IRC Section 457(g). On that date, assets of the Plan were place in trust by the State for the exclusive benefit of participants and their beneficiaries. The requirements of that IRC Section prescribe that the assets are no longer subject to the claims of the City's general creditors. Accordingly, the assets and the liabilities for the compensation deferred by plan participants were removed from the City's financial statements during the year ended September 30, 1997. As of September 30, 2016 and 2015, assets held by PERS for participants employed by the City of Gulfport, Mississippi approximated 5,498,548 and \$5,350,020 respectively.

NOTE 16: OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description

The City of Gulfport Insurance Committee administers the City's self-insured medical and dental plan. City retirees may obtain health and dental insurance by participating in a group with active employees. The retirees now pay 100% of their health insurance premiums, therefore the City no longer has a post-employment healthcare benefit reportable under GASB 45 as a single employer defined benefit health care plan.

NOTE 17: PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

The following schedule details the adjustments that were made to beginning fund balances and net position:

	Sta	tement of				
	R	evenues,			Sta	atement of
	Exp	enditures	A	ctivities -	A	ctivities -
	and	Changes in	Bus	iness-type	Go	vernmental
Description of adjustment	Fur	nd Balance	Α	ctivities	Α	ctivities
To correct prior year MRS deferrals		-		-		711,325
To record prior year capitalized interest		86,043		86,043		
	\$	86,043	\$	86,043	\$	711,325

NOTE 18: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Events that occur after the statement of net position date but before the financial statements were available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the statement of net position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the statement of net position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes.

Management of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi evaluated the activity of the City through April 18, 2017, (the date the financial statements were available to be issued), and determined that there the following subsequent events require disclosure in the notes to the financial statements:

On January 3, 2017 the city signed an agreement for consultation services during the design, construction and pre-opening phase of the aquarium for a period of 32 months at annual fee of \$378,000 per year, commencing February I 2017. The fee shall increase 3% per year effective from and after May 1, 2018.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NOTE 18: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (Continued)

On March 7, 2017 passed a resolution awarding the sale of Memorial Behavioral Health Services assets to Universal Health Services (UHS); authorizing the Board of Trustees of Memorial and Memorial on behalf of the City to negotiate with UHS on the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement. Memorial Behavioral Health Services is part of Memorial Hospital at Gulfport, a joint venture of the City.

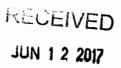
On March 7, 2017 approved the program total budget for the aquarium in the amount of \$93,000,000 and approved the contract for the site development of the aquarium at a cost of \$1,134,000.

On March 21, 2017 approved the refinance and guaranty of the \$14,000,000 debt incurred by Gulfport Redevelopment Commission, a component unit of the City. This debt was incurred in conjunction with the acquisition of the site and development of the aquarium. The interest rate on the refinance will not exceed a rate 2.71%.



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Required Supplemental Information



Required Supplemental Information Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget to Actual – Budgetary Basis General Fund

For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	General Fund			
			Actual	
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Budget Basis	Variance with final budget
REVENUES				
Taxes:				
Property	\$ 18,350,000	\$ 18,686,956	\$ 18,686,956	\$ -
Sales	20,639,350	20,699,362	20,699,362	-
Gaming fees	3,350,000	3,712,765	3,712,765	-
Licenses, permits and franchise fees	5,277,000	4,773,967	4,773,967	-
Intergovernmental	3,897,310	3,344,103	3,344,103	-
Charges for services/Rents/Leases	2,584,796	2,137,271	2,137,271	-
Fines and fees	1,400,000	1,214,759	1,214,759	-
Interest income	5,000	4,069	4,069	_
M iscellaneous/Other	170,000			
Total revenues	55,673,456	54,573,252	54,573,252	
EXPENDITURES				
General government				
Personnel services	5,015,016	4,838,657	4,838,657	-
Supplies	161,224	84,329	84,329	_
Other services & charges	3,003,562	5,416,509	5,416,509	_
Capital outlay	247,270	316,895	316,895	_
Total general government	8,427,072	10,656,390	10,656,390	_
Public safety				
Personnel services	25,611,113	25,369,214	25,369,214	_
Supplies	1,719,978	1,608,055	1,608,055	-
Other services & charges	2,795,693	2,630,543	2,630,543	-
Capital outlay	124,045	274,012	274,012	-
Total public safety	30,250,829	29,881,824	29,881,824	-
Public works				
Personnel services	2,007,210	2,027,406	2,027,406	-
Supplies	1,306,950	1,172,557	1,172,557	-
Other services & charges	5,168,787	5,154,314	5,154,314	-
Capital outlay	13,000	56,820	56,820	_
Total public works	8,495,947	8,411,097	8,411,097	-
Economic development				
Personnel services	1,791,659	1,759,463	1,759,463	-
Supplies	44,410	28,215	28,215	-
Other services & charges	323,270	227,951	227,951	_
Total economic development	2,159,339	2,015,629	2,015,629	
Culture and recreation	2,101,001			
Personnel services	3,430,816	3,178,385	3,178,385	-
Supplies	811,280	793,765	793,765	
Other services & charges	2,090,035	1,974,483	1,974,483	_
Capital outlay	2,070,020	6,648	6,648	_
Total culture and recreation	6,332,131	5,953,281	5,953,281	-
Total Expenditures	55,665,318	56,918,221	56,918,221	

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The accompanying notes to the Required Supplemental Information are an integral part of this statement.

Required Supplemental Information
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balance – Budget to Actual – Budgetary Basis
General Fund - Continued
For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	General Fund				
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Budget Basis	Variance with final budget	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	8,138	(2,344,969)	(2,344,969)	-	
,					
Sale of capital assets	46,000	62,750	62,750	-	
Total other financing sources (uses)	46,000	62,750	62,750		
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	\$ 54,138	\$ (2,282,219)	\$ (2,282,219)	\$ -	
Fund balance - October 1 - GAAP basis			7,914,867		
Receivable/revenue adjustments Pay able/expenditure adjustments			505,223 2,108,458		
Fund balance - September 30 - GAAP basis			\$ 8,246,329		

The accompanying notes to the Required Supplemental Information are an integral part of this statement.

Note to Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Schedule For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Budgetary Presentation

State statues authorize the State Auditor to regulate the municipal budget process. Expenditures must be defined to the minimum level prescribed by the State Auditor. The State Auditor has set this level at the purpose level. Municipalities are prohibited from spending in excess of the lowest level adopted in the budget except for capital outlay, election expense and emergency warrants.

The budgetary comparisons present budget figures at the legal level of control. The City Council formally adopts the annual budget for the General Fund with revenues segregated by source (ad valorem tax, licenses and permits, intergovernmental, etc.). The General Fund expenditure budget is set at the character level (current, capital outlay, debt service) for each department (function) with current expenditures further detailed at the object level (personal services, supplies, and other services).

The budgets for revenues are on a cash basis – revenue is recognized if actually received within the year. Budgeted expenditures are on the cash basis with allowance for encumbrances for goods and services actually received prior to year-end and liquidated (paid) within thirty days after year-end.

Accounting principles applied in preparation of the budget comparison statements differ from the generally accepted accounting principles used in preparation of the fund statements. These differences in the principles used results in timing differences in the recognition of revenue and expenditures. At the bottom of the schedule is a reconciliation of the General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, Budget and Actual – Budget Basis to the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Governmental Funds.

Required Supplemental Information
Schedule of Changes in the City's Net Pension Liability
And Related Ratios and Notes
Mississippi Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

For the Years Ended September 30

	2016	2015
Total pension liability		
Service cost	\$ 3,085,089	\$ 2,829,229
Interest	12,734,950	12,044,252
Changes of benefit terms	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,736,675	1,366,474
Changes of assumptions	(279,745)	7,649,191
Change in beginning balance proportionate share	-	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(10,418,667)	(9,822,103)
Net change in total pension liability	6,858,302	14,067,043
Total pension liability-beginning	169,531,253	155,464,210
Total pensions liability-ending	\$ 176,389,555	\$ 169,531,253
Plan fiduciary net position		
Contributions-employer	\$ 4,289,296	\$ 4,185,207
Contributions-employee	2,404,811	2,343,218
Net investment income	549,780	3,476,197
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(10,418,667)	(9,822,103)
Administrative expense	(63,697)	(56,797)
Other costs	(1,991)	(2,087)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	(3,240,468)	123,635
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning	104,607,535	104,483,900
Plan fiduciary net position-ending	\$ 101,367,067	\$ 104,607,535
City's net pension liability-ending	\$ 75,022,488	\$ 64,923,718
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.5%	61.7%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 46,485,622	\$ 45,894,544
City's net pension liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	161.4%	141.5%

Notes to Schedule: *This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE June 30, 2015, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the City has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

Changes of assumptions: In 2016, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from revisions from price and wage inflation, withdrawal, pre-retirement mortality, disability, and retirement rates for active members. Changes were also made to the post-retirement mortality tables and salary scale.

Required Supplemental Information Schedule of City's Contributions and Notes And Related Ratios and Notes Mississippi Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) For the Years Ended September 30

	Statutorily Required Employer	Employer	Contribution Deficiency	Employee	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered
Year	Contributions	Contributions	(Excess)	Payroll	Payroll
2007	2,785,677	2,785,677	-	23,507,823	11.85%
2008	3,358,530	3,358,530	-	27,987,750	12.00%
2009	3,447,179	3,447,179	-	28,726,492	12.00%
2010	3,181,382	3,181,382	-	26,511,517	12.00%
2011	3,365,904	3,365,904	-	28,049,200	12.00%
2012	3,529,220	3,529,220	-	27,294,818	12.93%
2013	3,817,029	3,817,029	-	26,767,384	14.26%
2014	4,064,174	4,064,174	-	25,804,279	15.75%
2015	4,298,859	4,298,859	-	27,294,343	15.75%
2016	4,064,174	4,064,174	-	25,804,279	15.75%

Notes to Schedule: Valuation date: Actuarially determined contribution rates in the Schedules of Employer Contributions are calculated as of June 30, 2014, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method Entry age

Amortization method Level percentage of payroll, open

Remaining amortization period 29.2 years

Asset valuation method 5 year smoothed market

Inflation 3.5%

Salary increases 4.25-19.0%

Investment rate of return 8.0%

Retirement age

Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less.

Required Supplemental Information
Schedule of Changes in the City's Net Pension Liability
And Related Ratios and Notes
Mississippi Municipal Retirement System (MRS)
For the Years Ended September 30

	2016	2015
Total pension liability		
Interest expense	\$ 1,518,469	\$ 1,553,407
Changes of benefit terms	-	
Differences between expected and actual experience	139,083	57,114
Changes of assumptions	-	548,351
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,980,266)	(1,986,362)
Net change in total pension liability	(322,714)	172,510
Total pension liability-beginning	20,583,280	20,410,770
Total pensions liability-ending	\$ 20,260,566	\$ 20,583,280
Plan fiduciary net position		
Contributions-employer	\$ 899,471	\$ 987,168
Contributions-employee	113,727	317,976
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,980,266)	(1,986,362)
Administrative expense	(17,989)	(19,743)
Other costs	29,650	
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	(955,407)	(700,961)
Plan fiduciary net position-beginning	10,209,329	10,910,290
Plan fiduciary net position-ending	\$ 9,253,922	\$ 10,209,329
City's net pension liability-ending	\$ 11,006,644	\$ 10,373,951
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	45.7%	49.6%

Notes to Schedule: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE June 30, 2015, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the City has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

Changes of assumptions: In 2016, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from revisions from price and wage inflation, withdrawal, pre-retirement mortality, disability, and retirement rates for active members. Changes were also made to the post-retirement mortality tables and salary scale.

Payroll-related information not provided because plan is closed to new entrants and there are very few remaining active members and many municipalities have no remaining active members.

Required Supplemental Information Schedule of City's Contributions and Notes And Related Ratios and Notes Mississippi Municipal Retirement System (MRS) For the Years Ended September 30

	Actuarially		Contribution		Contributions as a Percentage of
	Determined	Employer	Deficiency	Employee	Covered
Year	Contributions*	Contributions	(Excess)	Payroli**	Payroll**
2016	1,023,128	1,023,128	-	N/A	N/A
2015	975,093	975,093	-	N/A	N/A
2014		899,471		N/A	N/A
2013		971,252		N/A	N/A
2012		1,259,233		N/A	N/A
2011		1,545,190		N/A	N/A
2010		1,375,214		N/A	N/A
2009		1,523,859		N/A	N/A
2008		1,418,886		N/A	N/A
2007		1,137,920		N/A	N/A

^{*}Actuarially determined contributions information only available for two years.

Notes to Schedule:

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported. Contributions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016 were based on the June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method Ultimate Asset Reserve

Amortization method N/A Remaining amortization period N/A

Asset valuation method Five year smoothed market

Inflation 3.50%

Salary increases 4.50 - 6.00%, including inflation Investment rate of return 8.00%, net of pension

plan investment expense, including inflation

^{**}Payroll-related information not provided because plan is closed to new entrants and there are very few remaining active members and many municipalities have no remaining active members.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Supplementary information is presented to provide greater detailed information than reported in the preceding financial statements. This information, in many cases, has been spread throughout the report and is brought together here for greater clarity. Financial schedules are not necessary for fair presentation in order to be in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.



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Non-Major Governmental Funds

Combining and Individual Fund Financial Statements and Budgetary Comparison Schedules

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted for specific expenditure purposes. A description of these funds is found later in this section.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for the payment of principal and interest on the City's outstanding debt.

Non-major Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheet September 30, 2016

	Special Revenue Funds							Capital Projects Funds												
		Disaster Relief Fund	De	ommunity evelopment lock Grant Fund		Police and Firemen's Retirement Fund		Forfeitures nd Seizures Fund		996 Public mprovement Fund		998 Public mprovement Fund		001 Public provement Fund		003 Public provement Fund		Debt Service Fund		Total
Assets									_											
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	313,104	\$	4.545.414	\$	-	\$	9,488	\$	43,008	\$	227,332	\$	279,365	\$	0.50.0	\$	872,297
Property taxes receivable Intergovernmental receivable		1,301,975		387,265		4,547,416		-		-		-		-		-		965,962		5,513,378
Due from other funds		1,301,973		387,263		-		-		-		-		-		-		738,412		1,689,240 738,412
Restricted cash		-						1,086,605		-		-		-				730,412		1,086,605
Total assets	\$	1,301,975	\$	700,369	\$	4,547,416	-\$	1,086,605	\$	9,488		43,008	<u> </u>	227,332	\$	279,365	\$	1,704,374	-\$	9,899,932
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Liabilities																				
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	182,480	\$	7,697	\$	53,395	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	114,050	\$	357,622
Retainage payable		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Accrued wages payable				4,412		-		-		-		-		-		-				4,412
Due to other funds		847,812		1,219,269	_				_								_	789,553		2,856,634
Total liabilities	_	847,812		1,406,161	_	7,697	_	53,395		<u> </u>								903,603		3,218,668
Deferred inflows of resources																				
Deferred inflows - property taxes		_		_		4,539,719				_		_		_		_		926,620		5,466,339
Total deferred inflows of resources				_	_	4,539,719	_	-	_		_				_			926,620	_	5,466,339
											_									
Fund Balance																				
Restricted for public safety		-		-		-		1,033,210		-		-		-		-		•		1,033,210
Restricted for capital projects		454,163		-		-		-		9,488		43,008		227,332		279,365		-		1,013,356
Unassigned	_	464.162		(705,792)	_		_	1.022.210	_			42.000				270.245		(125,849)		(831,641)
Total fund balance Total liabilities, deferred inflows	_	454,163	_	(705,792)		-		1,033,210	_	9,488		43,008		227,332		279,365		(125,849)		1,214,925
of resources and fund balance	\$	1,301,975	\$	700,369	\$	4,547,416	\$	1,086,605	\$	9,488	\$	43,008	\$	227,332	_\$_	279,365	\$	1,704,374	\$	9,899,932

Non-major Governmental Funds Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

		Special Rev	enue Funds			Capital Pro				
	Disaster Relief	Community Development Block Grant	Police and Firemen's Retirement	Forfeitures and Seizures	1996 Public	1998 Public	2001 Public	2003 Public	Debt Service	
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Total
Revenues										
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 847,698	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,328,423	\$ 5,176,121
Intergovernmental	-	1,179,138	36,723	1,681,515	-	-	-	-	187,697	3,085,073
Interest income	_	497		822					1,044	2,363
Total revenue		1,179,635	884,421	1,682,337				<u>-</u>	4,517,164	8,263,557
Expenditures										
Public safety	-		884,421	19,541	-	-	-	-	-	903,962
Economic development	-	1,082,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,082,977
Culture and recreation	613,623	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		613,623
Capital outlay	-	648,316	-	904,156	-	-	-	-	-	1,552,472
Debt service:										
Principal	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	4,034,538	4,034,538
Interest	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	1,357,116	1,357,116
Other debt service costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,497	8,497
Total expenditures	613,623	1,731,293	884,421	923,697		-			5,400,151	9,553,185
Excess (deficiency) of revenues										
over expenditures	(613,623)	(551,658)		758,640					(882,987)	(1,289,628)
Other financing sources:										
Transfers in	-	-	-	25,000	-	-	-	-	544,812	569,812
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(539,146)	(539,146)
Sale of capital assets	-	-	-	219	-	_		-	-	219
Total other financing sources		-		25,219					5,666	30,885
Net change in fund balance	(613,623)	(551,658)	-	783,859	-	-	-	-	(877,321)	(1,258,743)
Fund balance - beginning	1,067,786	(154,134)	-	249,351	9,488	43,008	227,332	279,365	751,472	2,473,668
Fund balance - ending	\$ 454,163	\$ (705,792)	\$ -	\$ 1,033,210	\$ 9,488	\$ 43,008	\$ 227,332	\$ 279,365	\$ (125,849)	\$ 1,214,925

Special Revenue Funds Budget to Actual Comparisons

<u>Disaster Relief Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for all federal, state and local grants and contributions that are to be used in the reconstruction, repairs and other hurricane disaster related uses for the City.

<u>Community Development Block Grant Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for all federal, state and local grants and contributions that are to be used in improving low-income housing in the community.

<u>Police and Firemen's Retirement Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for tax revenues legally restricted for funding the police and firemen's retirement plan. All collections are forwarded to the Public Employee's Retirement System (PERS) for a closed fire and police retirement system managed by PERS.

<u>Forfeitures and Seizures Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for monies seized and forfeited through drug enforcement actions and are specifically restricted for drug enforcement expenditures and other such public safety operations.

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Special Revenue Funds Disaster Relief Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Disaster Relief Fund										
		Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual Budget Basis	Variance with final budget				
REVENUES											
Intergovernmental	\$	5,208,820	\$	5,208,820			_\$_(5,208,820)			
Total revenues		5,208,820		5,208,820			(5,208,820)			
EXPENDITURES											
Culture and recreation											
Other services and charges		2,363,306		2,363,306		920,425		1,442,881			
Total culture and recreation		2,363,306		2,363,306		920,425		-			
Total expenditures		2,363,306		2,363,306		920,425		1,442,881			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues											
over expenditures	\$	•	\$	2,845,514		(920,425)	\$ (3,765,939)			
Fund balance - October 1 -											
GAAP basis						1,067,786					
Receivable/revenue adjustments						-					
Payable/expenditure adjustments						306,802					
Fund balance - September 30 -											
GAAP basis					\$	454,163					

Special Revenue Funds Community Development Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Community Development Block Grant Fund Actual Original Budget Final Variance with Budget Budget Basis final budget REVENUES 1,240,891 Intergovernmental 7,928,718 9,415,144 \$ (8,174,253) Investment earnings 497 497 Total revenues 7,928,718 9,415,144 1,241,388 (8,173,756)**EXPENDITURES** Economic development Personnel services 128,619 420,527 228,568 191,959 Supplies 2,900 15,000 1,388 13,612 Other contractual services 152,931 2,132,245 9,686 2,122,559 Capital outlay 2,935,098 4,439,753 1,455,228 2,984,525 3,219,548 7,007,525 1,694,870 5,312,655 Total Expenditures Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures 4,709,170 \$ 2,407,619 \$ (2,861,101) (453,482)Fund balance - October 1-GAAP basis (154, 134)Receivable/revenue adjustments (61,753)Payable/expenditure adjustments (36,423)Fund balance - September 30 -**GAAP** basis (705,792)

Special Revenue Funds
Police and Firemen's Retirement Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Police and Firemen's Retirement Fund Actual Original Final Budget Variance with Budget Budget Basis final budget REVENUES 988,600 988,600 847,340 (141,260)Property taxes Intergovernmental 34,000 34,000 36,723 2,723 Total revenues 1,022,600 1,022,600 884,063 (138,537)**EXPENDITURES** Public safety Other services 1,022,600 1,022,600 884,063 138,537 138,537 Total Expenditures 1,022,600 1,022,600 884,063 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures Fund balance - October 1 -GAAP basis Receivable/revenue adjustments 358 Payable/expenditure adjustments (358)Fund balance - September 30 -**GAAP** basis

Special Revenue Funds
Forfeitures and Seizures Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Forfeitures and Seizures Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Budget Basis	Variance with final budget
REVENUES				0 (1250)
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 1,678,593	\$ 1,674,335	\$ (4,258)
Investment earnings		822	822	
Total revenues		1,679,415	1,675,157	(4,258)
EXPENDITURES				
Public Safety Personnel services	41,402	41,402	1,487	39,915
	18,971	18,971	11,289	7,682
Supplies Other contractual services	10,000	20,000	6,589	13,411
Capital outlay	446,995	2,116,410	1,073,582	1,042,828
Total Expenditures	517,368	2,196,783	1,092,947	1,103,836
Total Esperialists			-,-,-,-	.,,
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	(517,368)	(517,368)	582,210	1,099,578
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Sale of capital assets		-		-
Total other financing sources				
Excess of revenues and other				
sources over expenditures	\$ (517,368)	\$ (517,368)	582,210	\$ 1,099,578
Fund balance - October 1 -				
GA AP basis			249,351	
Receivable/revenue adjustments			32,399	
Payable/expenditure adjustments			169,250	
Fund balance - September 30 -			£ 1.000.000	
GAAP basis			\$ 1,033,210	

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Capital Projects Funds

Combining Budget to Actual Comparisons

<u>1996 Public Improvement Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for various public improvement projects financed by general obligation bonds.

<u>1998 Public Improvement Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for various public improvement projects financed by general obligation bonds.

<u>2001 Public Improvement Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for various public improvement projects financed by Mississippi Development Promissory Note.

<u>2003 Public Improvement Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for various public improvement projects financed by general obligation bonds.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> – (Major fund not part of required supplementary information) This fund is used to account for tax revenues and certain government grants specifically restricted for the construction of major capital facilities and public improvement projects not otherwise funded by general obligation bonds.

Capital Projects Funds
Combining Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

					Actual Budge	t Basis			
				Non-Ma	ajor Funds		Major Fund	Total	
							Capital Projects	Actual Budget	Variance with
	Original Budget	Final Budget	1996	1998	nt Bond Fund 2001	2003	Fund	Basis	final budget
REVENUES	Dudget	Dudget							
Intergovernmental	\$ 10,754,719	\$ 71,275,792	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$17,376,891	\$17,376,891	\$ (53,898,901)
Miscellaneous	2,000,000	2,000,000	-	-	-	-	500,000	500,000	(1,500,000)
Investment earnings							52,061	52,061	52,061
Total revenues	12,754,719	73,275,792			-		17,928,952	17,928,952	(55,346,840)
EXPENDITURES									
Public works									
Debt service	-	155,062	-	-	-	-	20,192	20,192	(134,870)
Other contractual services	744,524	953,345	-	-	-	-	464,050	464,050	(489,295)
Capital outlay	31,175,826	93,589,543			<u>-</u>		10,065,596	10,065,596	(83,523,947)
Total Expenditures	31,920,350	94,697,950					10,549,838	10,549,838	(84,148,112)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues									
over expenditures	(19,165,631)	(21,422,158)					7,379,114	7,379,114	28,801,272
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Lease proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,404,039	1,404,039	1,404,039
Operating Transfers		318,428							(318,428)
Total other financing sources		318,428					1,404,039	1,404,039	1,085,611
Excess of revenues and other									
sources over expenditures and other uses	\$(19,165,631)	\$ (21,103,730)	-	-	-	-	8,783,153	\$ 8,783,153	\$ 29,886,883
Fund balance - October 1 -									
GAAP basis			9,488	43,008	227,292	279,256	15,213,116		
Receivable/revenue adjustments			_	-	-	-	(220,962)		
Payable/expenditure adjustments							(1,127,143)		
Fund balance - September 30 -									
GAAP basis			\$ 9,488	\$43,008	\$227,292	\$ 279,256	\$ 22,648,164		

Debt Service Fund

Budget to Actual Comparisons

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> -This Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources and payment of general obligation bond principal and interest from governmental resources when the City of Gulfport, Mississippi is obligated in some manner for the payment.

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Debt Service Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Debt Service Fund Actual Original **Final** Budget Variance with final budget Budget Budget Basis REVENUES Property taxes \$ 4,610,278 4,610,278 4,322,838 (287,440)Intergovernmental 165,000 165,000 187,697 22,697 Interest income 716 716 Total revenues 4,775,278 4,775,278 4,511,251 (264,027)**EXPENDITURES** Debt service Principal and interest 5,686,000 5,686,000 5,395,785 290,215 Total Expenditures 5,686,000 5,686,000 5,395,785 290,215 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures (910,722) (910,722)(884,534) 26,188 Fund balance - October 1 -**GAAP** basis 751,472 Receivable/revenue adjustments 550,725 Payable/expenditure adjustments (543,512)Fund balance - September 30 -

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(125,849)

GAAP basis

Proprietary Funds

Combining and Individual Fund Financial Statements and Budgetary Comparison Schedules

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the services to the general public on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

<u>Internal Service Funds</u> are used to account for the financing of goods and services provided by on department or agency to other departments or agencies of the government and to other government units on a cost reimbursement basis.

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Enterprise Funds

Combining Budget to Actual Comparisons

<u>Water and Sewer Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for the activities of the Water and Sewer operations of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi.

<u>Joseph T. Jones Park Fund</u>— This fund is used to account for operations, maintenance, and leasing of boat slips and other facilities within the Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park.

<u>Gulfport Redevelopment Commission Fund</u> (blended component unit) – The commission's sole purpose is to finance, develop and manage City owned property. Its assets were received from the City and consist of the south parcel of the VA property given to the City by the Department of Veteran Affairs in 2009. No budget information for this fund is available.

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Enterprise Funds Combining Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

Major Fund Non-Major Fund Total	
Water and Joseph T. Actual	
Original Final Sewer Jones Park Budget Variance	with
Budget Budget Fund Fund Basis final bu	lget
OPERATING REVENUES	
Charges for services \$ 32,116,432 \$ 32,116,432 \$ 30,766,976 \$ 854,093 \$ 31.621,069 \$ (49)	,363)
Interest income 3,000 3,000 11,038 30 11,068	,068
Miscellaneous 1,795,000 1,795,000 1,796,084 224,347 2,020,431 22:	,431
Total operating revenues 33,914,432 33,914,432 32,574,098 1,078,470 33,652,568 (26	,864)
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Personnel services 1,497,013 1,497,013 1,021,816 296,912 1,318,728 (178	,285)
Contractual services 20,706,250 21,635,179 19,964,486 283,934 20,248,420 (1,38)	,759)
Material and supplies 3,285,349 3,205,349 2,626,102 330,072 2,956,174 (24)	(175)
Total operating expenses 25,488,612 26,337,541 23,612,404 910,918 24,523,322 (1,814)	,219)
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) 8,425,820 7,576,891 8,961,694 167,552 9,129,246 1,552	,355
NON-OPERATING REVENUES	
AND (EXPENSES)	
Debt service (8,899,045) (8,954,107) (8,860,521) - (8,860,521) 9.	,586
Capital outlay (12,966,095) (12,809,636) (3,729,034) - (3,729,034) 9,08	,602
Total non-operating revenues (net) (21,865,140) (21,763,743) (12,589,555) - (12,589,555) 9,17	,188
Change in net position \$ (13,439,320) \$ (14,186,852) (3,627,861) 167,552 \$ (3,460,309) \$ 10,720	,543
Net Position - October 1 -	
GAAP basis 138,109,267 21,777,265	
Receivable/revenue adjustments 119,418 1,221,220	
Pay able/expenditure adjustments 5,474,841 227,522	
Net Position - September 30 -	
GAAP basis \$ 140,075,665 \$ 23,393,559	

Internal Service Funds

Combining Fund Financial Statements

<u>Group Life and Health Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for the accumulation and allocation of costs associated with providing health care and life insurance benefits for the City of Gulfport, Mississippi's employees.

<u>Claims Contingency Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for the accumulation of costs associated with workman's compensation claims and general liability claims against the City of Gulfport.

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Internal Service Funds Combining Statement of Net Position September 30, 2016

	Internal Service Funds					
		Group Health Claims and Life Contingency			Total	
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	2,878,414	\$	2,878,414
Due from other funds		-		140,401		140,401
Prepaid insurance		-		900,433		900,433
Total assets				3,919,248		3,919,248
Liabilities						
Accounts payable		23,828		6,746		30,574
Due to other funds		253,909		-		253,909
Liability for self-insurance claims		315,387		2,540,000		2,855,387
Total liabilities		593,124		2,546,746		3,139,870
Net Position						
Unrestricted	\$	(593,124)	\$	1,372,502	\$	779,378

Internal Service Funds

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Internal Service Funds					
	Group Health	Claims				
	and Life	Contingency	Total			
Revenues						
Employee contributions	\$ 1,147,614	\$ -	\$ 1,147,614			
Retiree contributions	250,919	-	250,919			
Employer contributions	4,332,514	3,038,072	7,370,586			
Insurance claim reimbursements	1,163,829	-	1,163,829			
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u> _	10,236	10,236			
Total revenue	6,894,876	3,048,308	9,943,184			
Operating expenses						
Administrative expenses	455,367	138,384	593,751			
Premium payments	712,689	1,625,048	2,337,737			
Claims paid	5,384,238	748,677	6,132,915			
Total expenses	6,552,294	2,512,109	9,064,403			
Operating income (loss)	342,582	536,199	878,781			
Non-operating revenues (expenses)						
Interest income	341	1,319	1,660			
Change in net position	342,923	537,518	880,441			
Net position - October 1	(936,047)	834,984	(101,063)			
Net position - September 30	\$ (593,124)	\$ 1,372,502	\$ 779,378			

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Internal Service Funds Combining Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

	Internal Service Funds				
	Gro	up Health		Claims	
	and Life		Contingency		 Total
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Cash received from other operating receipts	\$	-	\$	10,236	\$ 10,236
Cash received from employees and others		1,398,533		-	1,398,533
Cash received from insurance claims		1,163,829		-	1,163,829
Cash received from employer contributions		4,332,514		3,038,072	7,370,586
Cash paid for contractual services		(7,445,332)		(2,654,280)	 (10,099,612)
Net cash provided by (used) in operating activities		(550,456)		394,028	 (156,428)
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:					
Loans from (to) other funds		550,115		(5,401)	544,714
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities		550,115		(5,401)	544,714
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Interest received		341		1,319	1,660
Net cash provided by investing activities		341		1,319	1,660
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		-		389,946	389,946
Cash and cash equivalents - October 1		-		2,488,468	2,488,468
Cash and cash equivalents - September 30	\$	-	\$	2,878,414	\$ 2,878,414
Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	\$	342,582	\$	536,199	\$ 878,781
(Increase) decrease in assets:					
Prepaid insurance		-		59,543	59,543
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:					
Accounts payable		28,828		(1,606)	27,222
Other liabilities		(921,866)		(200,108)	 (1,121,974)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	(550,456)	\$	394,028	\$ (156,428)

Fiduciary Funds Combining Fund Financial Statements

Fiduciary Funds are used to report resources held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

<u>Asset Forfeiture Fund</u> – This is a fiduciary fund for collecting and settling assets seized jointly by the city and other governments.

<u>Coastal Narcotics Task Force Fund</u> – This is a fiduciary fund for collecting and settling assets seized jointly by the city and other governments.

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Fiduciary Funds Combining Statement of Assets and Liabilities September 30, 2016

	Agency Funds					
	Asset		Coastal Narcotics			
	Forfe	iture Fund	Taskl	Force Fund		Total
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	250,513	\$	83,517	\$	334,030
Assets held for disposal		54,350				54,350
Total assets	\$	304,863	\$	83,517	\$	388,380
Liabilities						
Assets held in trust		304,863		83,517		388,380
Total liabilities	\$	304,863	\$	83,517	\$	388,380

CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI Fiduciary Funds

Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

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Schedule of Surety Bonds for Public Officials For the Year Ended September 30, 2016

NAME AND POSITION	AMOUNT	EXPIRES
Kenneth L. Casey, Sr., Councilman, Ward 1	\$100,000	6/30/2017
Richard "Ricky" Dombrowski, Councilman, Ward 2	\$100,000	6/30/2017
Ella Jean Holmes-Hines, Councilwoman, Ward 3	\$100,000	6/30/2017
F. B. "Rusty" Walker, IV, Councilman, Ward 4	\$100,000	6/30/2017
Myles Sharp, Councilman, Ward 5	\$100,000	6/30/2017
Robert "R. Lee" Flowers, II, Councilman, Ward 6	\$100,000	6/30/2017
Cara L. Pucheu, Councilwoman, Ward 7	\$100,000	6/30/2017
William G. "Billy" Hewes, III, Mayor	\$100,000	6/30/2017
John R. Kelly, Chief Administrator Officer	\$50,000	3/17/2017
Linda K. Elias, Comptroller/City Clerk	\$50,000	6/3/2017
Kourtney Wells, Deputy City Clerk	\$50,000	9/9/2017
Rhonda Cole, Deputy City Clerk	\$50,000	3/6/2017
Leonard Papania, Police Chief	\$50,000	5/8/2017
Mary C. Collins, Deputy City Clerk	\$50,000	7/25/2017
Antionette F. White, Deputy City Clerk	\$50,000	9/8/2017



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Statistical Section

This part of the City of Gulfport's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as to context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplemental information says about the government's overall financial health.

Contents:

Financial Trends-These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the government's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity-These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the government's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.

Debt Capacity-These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the government's current levels of outstanding debt and its ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Demographic and Economic Information-These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the government's financial activities occur.

Operating Information-These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the government's financial report relates to the services the government provides and the activities it performs.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the comprehensive annual financial reports for the relevant years.



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City of Gulfport Net Position by Component Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year 2014 2013 2016 2015 Governmental activities \$ 281,117,526 Net investment in capital assets \$ 284,125,550 \$ 269,973,076 285,129,249 13,301,974 16,868,111 Restricted 12,978,620 14,019,819 (54,692,070) 5,437,311 (9,402,426)Unrestricted (61,646,834)235,457,336 \$ 229,300,825 303,868,534 \$ 288,583,211 Total governmental activities net position \$ Business-type activities \$ 187,635,987 \$ 164,552,076 177,125,671 \$ 175,793,824 Net investment in capital assets 952,515 952,420 Restricted 8,486 15,731,978 2,891,605 4,113,910 (2,404,430)86,560 Unrestricted 185,240,043 \$ 180,370,614 180,969,791 \$ 180,860,154 Total business-type activities net position \$ Primary government \$ \$ 456,911,350 Net investment in capital assets 471,761,537 434,525,152 462,254,920 \$ 12,987,106 29,751,797 14,254,489 17,820,531 Restricted (54,605,510) 8,328,916 (5,288,516) Unrestricted (64,051,264)\$ 420,697,379 409,671,439 484,838,325 \$ 469,443,365 Total primary government net position

Years 2007 thru 2013 Governmental Activities Unrestricted Net Position restated for Net Pension Asset

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			Fiscal Year		
2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
\$ 270,930,882	\$ 266,185,951	\$ 249,085,367	\$ 241,003,147	\$ 189,599,451	\$ 188,696,228
16,137,281	5,797,855	9,827,643	23,399,810	32,297,576	12,457,697
(2,956,829)	112,782	(3,975,556)	(5,272,825)	2,585,625	34,765,794
\$ 284,111,334	\$ 272,096,588	\$ 254,937,454	\$ 259,130,132	\$ 224,482,652	\$ 235,919,719
\$ 174,576,166	\$ 166,696,100	\$ 132,528,012	\$ 70,723,443	\$ 54,599,249	\$ 35,870,524
952,325	952,230	952,121	968,050	4,000	4,000
3,570,295	4,723,104	2,378,590	11,971,135	14,425,629	20,910,904
\$ 179,098,786	\$ 172,371,434	\$ 135,858,723	\$ 83,662,628	\$ 69,028,878	\$ 56,785,428
\$ 445,507,048	\$ 432,882,051	\$ 381,613,379	\$ 311,726,590	\$ 244,198,700	\$ 224,566,752
17,089,606	6,750,085	10,779,764	24,367,860	32,301,576	12,461,697
613,466	4,835,886	(1,596,966)	6,698,310	17,011,254	55,676,698
\$ 463,210,120	\$ 444,468,022	\$ 390,796,177	\$ 342,792,760	\$ 293,511,530	\$ 292,705,147

City of Gulfport Changes in Net Position Last Ten Fiscal Years (accrual basis of accounting)

	Fiscal Year					
	2016		2015	2014	2013	
Expenses						
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$ 9,457,333	\$	9,984,277	\$ 17,447,206	\$ 15,406,713	
Public safety	32,749,940		35,195,058	28,485,153	26,479,794	
Public works	13,449,819		13,400,408	12,878,389	12,657,384	
Economic development	5,151,915		3,777,350	1,927,464	2,036,416	
Culture & recreation	6,337,334		8,178,271	7,876,483	5,212,892	
Interest on long-term debt	1,213,855		1,262,659	1,001,747	1,493,792	
Total governmental activities expense	68,360,196		71,798,023	69,616,442	63,286,991	
Business-type activities						
Water and sewer	30,727,118		31,522,039	31,584,772	29,368,049	
Joseph T. Jones park	1,488,774		1,580,391	1,769,575	1,737,744	
Gulfport Redevelopment Commission	890,413		993,205	87,250	87,250	
Total business-type activities expense	33,106,305		34,095,635	33,441,597	31,193,043	
Total primary government expenses	\$101,466,501	\$	105,893,658	\$103,058,039	\$ 94,480,034 :	
Program Revenue						
Governmental activities:						
Charges for services:						
General government	\$ 1,326,909	\$	1,120,782	\$ 3,991,989	\$ 3,888,141	
Public safety	1,651,228	Ψ	2,099,891	108,200	90,097	
Public works	1,031,220		77	205,186	7,246	
Economic development	1,279,488		1,211,817	1,428,906	1,251,084	
Culture & recreation	691,299		713,456	714,847	813,746	
Operating grants and contributions	2,499,445		3,221,880	3,157,775	5,017,529	
Capital grants and contributions	19,749,006		10,118,309	3,094,349	4,325,695	
Total governmental activities program revenues	27,197,375		18,486,212	12,701,252	15,393,538	
Dusiness tune activities						
Business-type activities:						
Charges for services:	31,673,688		21 066 110	30,516,277	30,367,141	
Water and sewer			31,966,110	1,145,826	1,028,745	
Joseph T. Jones park	716,627		753,310 253,475	1,143,620	1,020,743	
Operating grants and contributions	143,820			200.001	1.064.907	
Capital grants and contributions	32,534,135		950,480	309,001 31,971,104	1,064,897	
Total business-type activities program revenues			33,923,375		32,460,783 \$ 47,854,321	
Total primary government program revenues	\$ 59,731,510	\$	52,409,587	\$ 44,672,356	\$ 47,854,321	
Net (Expense)/Revenue						
Governmental activities	\$(41,162,821)	\$	(53,311,811)	\$(56,915,190)	\$ (47,893,453)	
Business-type activities	(572,170)		(172,260)	(1,470,493)	1,267,740	
Total prinary government net expense	\$(41,734,991)	\$	(53,484,071)	\$(58,385,683)	\$ (46,625,713)	

Years 2007 thru 2013 Governmental Activities Unrestricted Net Position restated for Net Pension Asset

2012	2008	
2012 2011 2010 2009	2006	2007
\$ 17,985,821 \$ 14,640,152 \$ 15,061,672 \$ 17.895,591	\$ 16,389,796	\$ 8,439,737
29,205,705 27,707,275 28,908,909 32,637,921	35,181,734	30,122,550
12,482,311 11,084,442 12,235,926 14,365,217	17,911,142	27,428,901
2,122,547 2,081,041 2,289,992 2,662,668	2,468,356	2,276,098
5,793,659 5,717,562 8,869,990 16,820,045	14,361,467	10,037,906
1,677,536 1,413,236 1,564,971 1,772,771	2,355,672	1,445,005
69,267,579 62,643,708 68,931,460 86,154,213	88,668,167	79,750,197
29,943,157 26,911,222 26,940,884 26,111.077	24,476,747	15,752,495
2,947,134 164,346 104,380 87,597	110,805	124,458
87,250	-	-
32,977,541 27,075,568 27,045,264 26,198,674	24,587,552	15,876,953
\$ 102,245,120 \$ 89,719,276 \$ 95,976,724 \$ 112,352,887	\$ 113,255,719	\$ 95,627,150
\$ 4,157,208 \$ 4,614,756 \$ 3,703,025 \$ 3,726,883	\$ 1,770,822	\$ 2,576,853
	- , -,	
113,522 150,421 28,761 123,813 14,161 55,885	161,265	166,858
1,110,574 1,376,726 1,426,498 1,951,181	2,620,595	2,854,504
598,271 550,700 771,647 494,019	88,456	347,523
2,664,936 3,625,390 8,564,497 15,924,930	856,785	4,756,775
20,047,920 18,384,916 14,959,682 18,696,556	17,270,909	28,536,146
28,706,592 28,758,794 29,454,110 40,917,382	22,768,832	39,238,659
30,245,886 28,604,172 24,210,429 22,892.554	22,196,429	20,571,100
520,896 11,647 11,647 7,817	10,139	5,714
	-	-
8,138,942 29,957,733 52,615,994 24,267,954	255,260	806,099
<u>38,905,724</u> <u>58,573,552</u> <u>76,838,070</u> <u>47,168,325</u>	22,461,828	21,382,913
<u>\$ 67,612,316</u> <u>\$ 87,332,346</u> <u>\$ 106,292,180</u> <u>\$ 88,085,707</u>	\$ 45,230,660	\$ 60,621,572
\$ (40,560,987) \$ (33,884,914) \$ (39,477,350) \$ (45,236,831)	\$ (65,899,335)	\$ (40,511,538)
5,928,183 31,497,984 49,792,806 20,969,651	(2,125,724)	5,505,960
\$ (34,632,804) \$ (2,386,930) \$ 10,315,456 \$ (24,267,180)	\$ (68,025,059)	\$ (35,005,578)

City of Gulfport Changes in Net Position Last Ten Fiscal Years (accrual basis of accounting)

			Fiscal	чеаг	
		2016	2015	2014	2013
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position					
Governmental activities:					
Taxes:					
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	\$	18,711,363	\$ 18,324,198	\$ 18,432,805	\$ 18,388,705
Property taxes, levied for special purposes		5,176,121	5,198,340	5,807,459	5,729,313
Sales tax		20,751,725	20,523,996	19,739,832	19,576,183
Franchise taxes		3,617,560	4,246,279	4,332,280	3,779,248
Gaming taxes		3,793,035	3,656,859	3,092,973	3,282,363
Unrestricted grants and contributions		1,506,240	1,612,414	5,292,120	3,559,724
Insurance proceeds			11,817	-	-
Gain (Loss) on Disposal of Capital Assets		(2,650,954)		(30,892)	376,346
Investment Earnings & Misc		244,918	4,442,248	105,043	162,701
Transfers		(4,542,001)			(454,869)
Total governmental activities		46,608,007	58,016,151	56,771,620	54,399,714
Business-type activities					
Insurance Proceeds				-	-
Gain (Loss) on Disposal of Capital Assets				(6,498)	-
Investment Earnings & Misc		892,530	5,008	52,575	38,759
Transfers		4,542,001	391,651		454,869
Total business-type activities		5,434,531	396,659	46,077	493,628
Total primary government	\$	52,042,538	\$ 58,412,810	\$ 56,817,697	\$ 54,893,342
Governmental - Special Items:					
Prior Period Adjustments		711,325	(79,272,049)		
FEMA Community disaster loan forgiveness				16,021,567	
Business-type activities - Special items:					
Prior Period Adjustments		86,043	(823,576)		
FEMA Community disaster loan forgiveness				3,573,774	
Total primary government - Special items	\$	797,368	\$ (80,095,625)	\$ 19,595,341	\$
Change in Net Position					
Governmental activities	\$	235,457,336	\$229,300,825	\$ 15,877,997	\$ 3,975,972
Business-type activities	Φ	185,240,043	180,370,614	2,149,358	1,761,368
Total primary government	\$	420,697,379	\$409,671,439	\$ 18,027,355	\$ 5,737,340
Total planking government		740,071,319	φ+02,071,439	\$ 10,027,333	<i>σ</i> 3,737,340

2012	2011	2010	Fiscal Year 2009	2008	2007
\$ 18,457,067 6,095,931 19,002,874 3,606,682 3,142,387 1,980,424 - 580,963 237,067 (981,225) 52,122,170	\$ 18,061,388 6,315,051 19,230,296 3,638,352 3,198,977 825,581 214,664 (126,609) 141,165 (3,882,228) 47,616,637	\$ 17,410,169 7,048,312 18,741,574 3,942,293 3,221,427 523,802 309,856 (20,349,579) 3,737,998 (1,765,333) 32,820,519	\$ 16,609,515 6,801,634 20,131,945 3,828,900 3,316,175 968,885 3,264,814 (1,850,914) 25,322,512 (3,439,783) 74,953,683	\$ 14,120,511 6,046,362 21,834,653 3,634,007 3,524,542 1,049,367 11,759,304 - 5,903,789 (13,410,267) 54,462,268	\$ 12,623,050 6,894,400 24,039,616 3,284,355 2,847,942 2,937,024 3,514,865
74,245 981,225 1,055,470 \$ 53,177,640	(2,971) 119,166 3,882,228 3,998,423 \$ 51,615,060	(81,167) 189,350 1,765,333 1,873,516 \$ 34,694,035	524,471 (47,347) 2,863,010 3,439,783 6,779,917 \$ 81,733,600	958,907 13,410,267 14,369,174 \$ 68,831,442	486,747 - 2,469,746 1,140,348 4,096,841 \$ 67,157,401
\$ 10,764,978 6,983,653 \$ 17,748,631	\$ 13,731,723 35,496,407 \$ 49,228,130	\$ (6,656,831) 51,666,322 \$ 45,009,491	\$ 29,716,852 27,749,568 \$ 57,466,420	\$ (11,437,067) 12,243,450 \$ 806,383	\$ 22,549,022 9,602,801 \$ 32,151,823

City of Gulfport Fund Balances, Governmental Funds Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year						
		2016		2015		2014	2013
General Fund							
Restricted for:							
Drug enforcement	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$ -
Senior citizens program		160,591		160,512		100,000	100,000
Assigned for:							
Subsequent year appropriations							215,226
Unassigned		8,085,738		7,754,355		3,527,812	 3,179,087
Total general fund	\$	8,246,329	\$	7,914,867	\$	3,627,812	\$ 3,494,313
All Other Governmental Funds							
Restricted for:							
Drug enforcement	\$	1,033,210	\$	249,351	\$	800,030	\$ 1,512,330
Debt service				751,472		4,720,408	3,849,656
Urban development				1,067,786		221,348	297,275
Capital projects		23,661,520		15,772,309		7,460,188	11,108,850
Hurricane repairs		-		-		-	-
Unassigned		(831,641)		(154,134)			
Nonspendable for prepaids		-				<u>-</u>	60,770
Total all other							
governmental funds	\$	23,863,089	\$	17,686,784		13,201,974	 16,828,881
Total Governmental Funds	\$	32,109,418	\$	25,601,651	\$	16,829,786	\$ 20,323,194

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					Fiscal Year			
2012		2011		2010	2009	·	2008	 2007
\$ 28,499 100,000	\$	28,499 100,000	\$	28,499 100,000	\$ 28,499 100,000	\$	- 100,000	\$ - 100,000
-		-		-	4,775,590		8,028,176	15,873,704
 2,372,878 2,501,377		5,075,411 5,203,910		5,183,946 5,312,445	 627,799 5,531,888		4,256,005 12,384,181	 13,680,477 29,654,181
\$ 1,458,489	\$	1,395,365	\$	2,030,276	\$ 3,114,542	\$	2,886,966	\$ 2,070,426
4,134,783 295,988		3,844,021 295,984		3,662,817 132,398	5,791,001 406,792		10,104,287 51,505	4,037,526 286,358
12,245,552		2,240,691 -		5,643,041	14,239,250 1,152,092		20,313,242	10,446,352 8,842,822
 64,883		69,820		72,582	 76,257		79,757	 -
\$ 18,199,695		7,845,881		11,541,114	\$ 24,779,934		33,435,757	 25,683,484
\$ 20,701,072	_\$	13,049,791	\$_	16,853,559	\$ 30,311,822	_\$	45,819,938	\$ 55,337,665

City of Gulfport Changes in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds Last Ten Fiscal Years

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			Fiscal Ye	ar		
		2016	 2015		2014	2013
Revenues						
Taxes						
Property	\$	23,887,484	\$ 23,522,538	\$	24,240,264	\$ 24,118,018
Sales		20,751,725	20,523,996		19,739,832	19,576,183
Franchise		3,617,560	4,246,279		4,332,280	3,779,248
Gaming		3,793,035	3,450,659		3,092,973	3,282,363
Licenses and permits		1,011,280	1,102,339		1,406,737	1,251,084
Intergovernmental		24,509,833	15,054,935		8,488,088	11,085,701
Charges for service		2,146,206	1,974,416		1,954,839	1,721,145
Fines & Forfeits		1,159,849	1,423,042		1,721,696	1,956,635
Miscellaneous		397,772	 687,373		104,066	161,557
Total revenues		81,274,744	71,985,577		65,080,775	66,931,934
Expenditures						
General government		8,014,244	8,372,762		7,824,841	7,079,355
Public safety		29,161,755	30,264,968		31,361,182	29,433,859
Public works		8,219,646	9,586,433		10,335,506	9,927,950
Economic development		3,111,656	3,567,688		2,249,006	2,346,013
Culture & recreation		6,126,959	6,214,998		6,958,247	8,066,154
Capital Outlay		13,348,415	13,988,721		7,126,336	6,738,782
Debt Service						
Principal		4,034,538	3,268,236		3,238,072	4,140,350
Interest		1,357,116	935,696		765,011	1,128,160
Other		8,497	 112,408		7,625	11,866
Total expenditures		73,382,826	 76,311,910		69,865,826	 68,872,489
Excess of revenues over		7 001 010	(4.22(.222)		(4.705.051)	(1.040.555)
(under) expenditures		7,891,918	 (4,326,333)		(4,785,051)	 (1,940,555)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Capital leases		1,163,948	1,910,117		415,679	517,622
Issuance of TIF bonds		1,105,710	1,,,,,,,,,,,		480,000	5.7,022
Payment to refunded bond escrow	,				(16,412,456)	_
Bond proceeds	•		16,000,000		15,025,000	_
Bond issue costs			10,000,000		(364,181)	_
Premium on refunding bonds					1,745,902	_
Insurance proceeds					1,745,762	_
Sale of capital assets		78,338	62,548		401,699	884,922
Transfers in		569,812	581,558		-01,000	536,337
Transfers out		(3,196,249)	(581,558)		_	(991,206)
British Petroleum settlement		(5,170,217)	4,402,962		_	(>>1,200)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(1,384,151)	 22,375,627		1,291,643	 947,675
Total other Interioring sources (uses)		(1,504,151)	 22,513,021		.,251,015	 7.7,075
Net change in fund balance	\$	6,507,767	\$ 18,049,294	\$	(3,493,408)	\$ (992,880)
Debt service as a % of non capital exp		8.98%	6.75%		6.38%	8.48%

	2012		2011		2010	2009		2008	 2007
\$	24,552,998	\$	24,376,439	\$	24,458,481	\$ 23,411,149	\$	20,166,873	\$ 19,517,450
	19,002,874		19,230,296		18,741,574	20,131,945		21,834,653	24,039,616
	3,606,682		3,638,352		3,942,293	3,828,900		3,634,007	3,284,355
	3,142,387		3,197,977		3,221,427	3,316,175		3,524,542	2,847,942
	1,110,574		1,342,133		1,362,510	1,695,450		2,228,349	2,803,830
	21,082,548		22,835,887		24,047,981	34,908,729		19,177,061	32,943,601
	1,527,177		1,502,856		985,498	952,901		953,699	848,659
	1,931,800		2,548,171		2,202,505	2,673,324		1,888,998	1,393,749
	201,646		75,847		459,499	1,054,812		4,406,741	 7,097,624
	76,158,686		78,747,958		79,421,768	 91,973,385		77,814,923	 94,776,826
	7,187,596		7,228,142		7,279,026	8,706,354		9,284,515	7,445,333
	32,448,262		30,667,009		33,477,490	35,626,715		36,821,619	29,929,880
	9,728,428		8,276,579		8,809,717	10,923,312		14,597,641	25,713,928
	2,428,878		2,370,885		2,551,983	2,954,131		2,687,131	2,238,014
	6,787,433		5,565,858		9,315,501	16,998,771		14,492,953	9,997,168
	15,098,742		20,708,636		26,012,668	26,364,288		14,125,668	12,690,199
	3,497,844		3,748,258		3,725,430	3,572,981		3,394,376	3,028,101
	1,279,711		1,055,136		1,209,078	1,391,971		1,311,173	1,286,601
	7,675		9,165		8,165	15,453		6,201	9,715
	78,464,569		79,629,668	_	92,389,058	 106,553,976		96,721,277	92,338,939
_	(2,305,883)		(881,710)		(12,967,290)	 (14,580,591)		(18,906,354)	 2,437,887
									. 500 505
	10,000,000		-		-	-		11,209,465	1,790,535
	-		-		-	-		-	-
	-		-		-	-		-	-
	-		-		-	-		-	-
	-		-		-	-		-	-
	-		214 664		200.856	2 264 915		767,530	2 220 595
	1,070,368		214,664 106,085		309,856 139,929	3,264,815 65,170		441,620	3,239,585 127,023
	1,193,605		773,380		4,323,038	9,927,865		21,084,020	17,789,011
	(1,691,807)		(4,017,187)		(5,263,796)	(14,185,375)		(24,114,008)	(19,494,359)
	-		-		-	-		-	 -
	10,572,166	_	(2,923,058)		(490,973)	(927,525)	_	9,388,627	 3,451,795
\$	8,266,283	_\$_	(3,804,768)	\$	(13,458,263)	\$ (15,508,116)	\$	(9,517,727)	\$ 5,889,682
	7.54%		8.15%		7.43%	6.19%		5.70%	5.42%

City of Gulfport Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property Last Ten Fiscal Years

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Real Property (1)(2)(3)		Personal	Property	Utilities		
Fiscal	Assessed	Actual	Assessed	Actual	Assessed	Actual	
Year	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value	
2016	471,288	3,445,088	75,200	501,333	133,476	889,840	
2015	457,861	3,346,937	82,237	548,247	126,978	846,520	
2014	459,586	3,359,547	82,689	551,260	127,697	851,313	
2013	460,129	3,363,516	81,023	540,153	131,213	874,753	
2012	466,503	3,410,110	83,309	555,393	129,334	862,227	
2011	459,746	3,360,716	80,905	539,367	125,478	836,520	
2010	438,057	3,202,171	86,117	574,113	122,200	814,667	
2009	433,240	3,166,959	87,524	583,493	111,864	745,760	
2008	330,443	2,415,519	73,554	490,360	109,811	732,073	
2007	307,011	2,244,232	57,473	383,153	109,051	727,007	

Class 1 - residential, owner occupied is assessed at 10% of true value
 Class 2 - commercial is assessed at 15% of true value
 Above schedule uses estimated combined assessment ratio of 13.68% for real property

(2) Fiscal Year 2009 real property figures reflect completion of real property reappraisal by Harrison County

Source: Harrison County Tax Assessor

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Autom	obiles	То		
Assessed	Actual	Assessed	Actual	Assessed
Value	Value	Value	Value	to Actual
75,991	253,303	755,955	5,089,564	14.85%
69,253	230,843	736,329	4,972,547	14.81%
68,175	227,250	738,147	4,989,370	14.79%
69,407	231,357	741,772	5,009,779	14.81%
69,948	233,160	749,094	5,060,890	14.80%
73,952	246,507	740,081	4,983,110	14.85%
83,028	276,760	729,402	4,867,711	14.98%
86,752	289,173	719,380	4,785,386	15.03%
91,125	303,750	604,933	3,941,702	15.35%
90,733	302,443	564,268	3,656,836	15.43%

City of Gulfport Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates Last Ten Fiscal Years

Overlapping Rates

	City of Gulfport			Hari	rison Coun	ty	Gulfpoi	rt School Di	istrict	
Fiscal Year	Operating Millage	Debt Millage	Total Millage	Operating Millage	Debt Millage	Total Millage	Operating Millage	Debt Millage	Total Millage	Grand Total Millage
2016	27.8	6.2	34.0	31.3	5.1	36.4	53.4	11.5	64.9	135.3
2015	27.8	6.2	34.0	31.1	5.1	36.2	53.6	11.3	64.9	135.1
2014	27.0	7.0	34.0	30.5	5.4	35.9	53.6	7.3	60.9	130.8
2013	27.0	7.0	34.0	30.5	5.4	35.9	53.9	7.0	60.9	130.8
2012	27.0	7.0	34.0	30.5	5.4	35.9	53.6	7.3	60.9	130.8
2011	27.0	7.0	34.0	30.5	5.4	35.9	53.0	7.9	60.9	130.8
2010	25.7	8.3	34.0	31.0	4.9	35.9	50.3	7.6	57.9	127.8
2009	25.8	8.2	34.0	31.3	4.4	35.7	50.3	7.6	57.9	127.6
2008	26.0	8.0	34.0	32.9	3.4	36.3	50.3	7.6	57.9	128.2
2007	24.1	9.9	34.0	33.5	3.0	36.5	50.3	7.6	57.9	128.4

Ad valorem on real property are collected in arrears for each calendar year. The tax is levied in September of the tax year on all property on the tax roll as of January 1 of the same year. Consequently, ad valorem tax is collected in the fiscal year ending in the calendar year subsequent to the calendar year for which the tax is assessed.

Source: Harrison County Tax Collector

City of Gulfport
Principal Property Taxpayers
Current Year and Ten Years Ago
(amount expressed in thousands)

		2016		2007				
Taxpayer	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation	A	axable ssessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation	
Mississippi Power & Light	\$ 114,288	1	70.27%	\$	90,598	1	79.91%	
Gulfside Casino Partnership	17,649	2	10.85%				0.00%	
CrossRoads Center	5,991	3	3.68%		11,361	2	10.02%	
Hancock Bank	5,280	4	3.25%		2,801	5	2.47%	
Bell South	5,229	5	3.22%		4,678	4	4.13%	
GPCH	3,593	6	2.21%					
E.I. Dupont	3,174	7	1.95%				0.00%	
Harrison-Gulfport LLC	2,758	8	1.70%				0.00%	
Gulfport Factory Shops	2,398	9	1.47%		2,093	6	1.85%	
Garden Park Hospital	2,278	10	1.40%					
Total	\$ 162,638		100.00%	\$	113,372		100.00%	

Source: Harrison County Tax Assessor

City of Gulfport Property Tax Levies and Collections Last Ten Fiscal Years (amounts expressed in thousands)

Total Collections Collected within the Fiscal Taxes Levied Year of the Levy Collection in To Date Percentage Fiscal for the Fiscal Percentage Subsequent of Levy Year of Levy Years Amount Year Amount \$ 96.03% 44,302 96.79% \$ 45,771 43,952 350 2016 45,583 43,784 96.05% -513 * 43,271 94.93% 2015 42,629 95.78% 2014 44,508 42,288 95.01% 341 42,399 94.19% 158 42,557 94.54% 2013 45,014 200 2012 45,675 42,829 93.77% 43,029 94.21% 93.89% 233 42,853 2011 45,642 42,620 93.38% 193 96.22% 95.80% 43,350 2010 45,051 43,157 2009 42,882 40,952 95.50% 393 41,345 96.42% 94.29% 452 34,146 95.56% 2008 35,733 33,694 2007 86.94% 634 31,288 88.74% 35,260 30,654

^{*} Net of Section 42 Housing repayments by the City

Schedule 9

City of Gulfport Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type Last Ten Fiscal Years

(amounts expressed in thousands)

Gover	nmental Ac	tivities	Business-Type Activities							
		Other	General			Total				
General		General	Obligation	State		Primary	Percentage	Total		
Obligation	Capital	Obligation	Revenue	Revolving	Other	Government	of Personal	Debt Per		
Bonds	Leases	Debt	Bonds	Loans	Debt	Debt	Income	Capital		
\$ 29,863	\$ 3,319	\$ 6,350	\$ 37,842	\$ 32,331	\$ 11,061	120,766	17.24%	1.68		
32,789	2,468	7,305	42,877	32,516	10,952	128,907	17.18%	1.80		
19,055	793	8,307	44,582	23,380	-	96,117	21.71%	1.35		
15,545	518	26,686	46,035	25,258	2,986	117,028	18.44%	1.67		
18,345	-	28,026	49,460	27,312	3,308	126,451	16.48%	1.83		
21,005	326	23,538	52,735	29,407	3,338	130,349	13.78%	1.92		
23,535	961	19,122	55,875	31,533	3,368	134,394	15.19%	1.90		
26,070	1,572	19,701	59,625	33,611	3,397	143,976	14.06%	2.04		
28,480	2,159	20,277	52,950	35,640	3,427	142,933	13.28%	2.03		
20,710	2,725	20,875	55,610	34,551	3,456	137,927	12.38%	2.00		
	General Obligation Bonds \$ 29,863 32,789 19,055 15,545 18,345 21,005 23,535 26,070 28,480	General Obligation Bonds \$ 29,863 \$ 3,319 32,789	General Capital General Obligation Capital Obligation Bonds Leases Debt \$ 29,863 \$ 3,319 \$ 6,350 32,789 2,468 7,305 19,055 793 8,307 15,545 518 26,686 18,345 - 28,026 21,005 326 23,538 23,535 961 19,122 26,070 1,572 19,701 28,480 2,159 20,277	General Other General General Obligation General Obligation Revenue Bonds Leases Debt Bonds \$ 29,863 \$ 3,319 \$ 6,350 \$ 37,842 32,789 2,468 7,305 42,877 19,055 793 8,307 44,582 15,545 518 26,686 46,035 18,345 - 28,026 49,460 21,005 326 23,538 52,735 23,535 961 19,122 55,875 26,070 1,572 19,701 59,625 28,480 2,159 20,277 52,950	General Other General General Obligation State Obligation Bonds Capital Leases Debt Debt Debt Debt Debt Debt Debt Debt	General Other General General Obligation State Obligation Bonds Leases Debt Bonds Loans Debt \$ 29,863 \$ 3,319 \$ 6,350 \$ 37,842 \$ 32,331 \$ 11,061 \$ 32,789 2,468 7,305 42,877 32,516 10,952 \$ 19,055 793 8,307 44,582 23,380 - \$ 15,545 518 26,686 46,035 25,258 2,986 \$ 18,345 - 28,026 49,460 27,312 3,308 \$ 21,005 326 23,538 52,735 29,407 3,338 \$ 23,535 961 19,122 55,875 31,533 3,368 \$ 26,070 1,572 19,701 59,625 33,611 3,397 \$ 28,480 2,159 20,277 52,950 35,640 3,427	General Other General General General Obligation State Total Primary Obligation Bonds Leases Debt Bonds Loans Debt Debt \$ 29,863 \$ 3,319 \$ 6,350 \$ 37,842 \$ 32,331 \$ 11,061 120,766 \$ 32,789 2,468 7,305 42,877 32,516 10,952 128,907 \$ 19,055 793 8,307 44,582 23,380 - 96,117 \$ 15,545 518 26,686 46,035 25,258 2,986 117,028 \$ 18,345 - 28,026 49,460 27,312 3,308 126,451 \$ 21,005 326 23,538 52,735 29,407 3,338 130,349 \$ 23,535 961 19,122 55,875 31,533 3,368 134,394 \$ 26,070 1,572 19,701 59,625 33,611 3,397 143,976 \$ 28,480 2,159 20,277 52,950 35,640 3,427 142,933	General Other General General Obligation State Primary Percentage Obligation Bonds Leases Debt Bonds Loans Debt Government of Personal \$ 29,863 \$ 3,319 \$ 6,350 \$ 37,842 \$ 32,331 \$ 11,061 120,766 17.24% 32,789 2,468 7,305 42,877 32,516 10,952 128,907 17.18% 19,055 793 8,307 44,582 23,380 - 96,117 21.71% 15,545 518 26,686 46,035 25,258 2,986 117,028 18.44% 18,345 - 28,026 49,460 27,312 3,308 126,451 16.48% 21,005 326 23,538 52,735 29,407 3,338 130,349 13.78% 23,535 961 19,122 55,875 31,533 3,368 134,394 15.19% 26,070 1,572 19,701 59,625 33,611 3,397 143,97		

City of Gulfport Ratios of Net General Obligation Bonded Debt Outstanding Last Ten Fiscal Years

(amounts expressed in thousands)

			Gross			Percentage of	Net
		Assessed	General	Less Debt	Net GO	Assessed	Bonded
Fiscal	Estimated	Property	Obligation	Service	Bonded	Taxable Value	Debt Per
Year	Population	Value (1)	Bonds	Funds	Debt	of Property	Capita
2016	71.9	755,955	29,863	10,338	19,525	2.58%	272
2015	71.8	736,329	32,789	3,848	28,941	3.93%	403
2014	71.0	738,147	19,055	4,720	14,335	1.94%	202
2013	70.1	741,772	15,545	3,850	11,695	1.58%	167
2012	69.2	749,094	18,345	4,135	14,210	1.90%	205
2011	67.8	740,081	21,005	3,914	17,091	2.31%	252
2010	70.8	729,402	23,535	3,735	19,800	2.71%	280
2009	70.7	719,380	26,070	5,867	20,203	2.81%	286
2008	70.4	604,933	28,480	10,184	18,296	3.02%	260
2007	68.9	564,268	20,710	7,926	12,784	2.27%	186

⁽¹⁾ Schedule 5 "Assessed and Actual Value of Property"

City of Gulfport Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt As of September 30, 2016 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Jurisdiction	Out	Debt tstanding	Estimated Percentage Applicable	Estimated Share of Overlapping Debt		
City of Gulfport direct debt	\$	29,863	100.00%		29,863	
Debt repaid with property taxes:						
Harrison County		153,999	36.58%		56,333	
Gulfport School District		43,544	100.00%		43,544	
Overlapping debt					99,877	
Total direct and overlapping debt				\$	129,740	

Note: Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic boundaries of the City. This schedule estimates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the residents and businesses of the City. This process recognizes that, when considering the City's ability to issue and repay long-term debt, the entire debt burden borne by the residents and business should be taken into account. However, this does not imply that every taxpayer is a resident, and therefore responsible for repaying the debt of each overlapping government.

The percentage of overlapping debt applicable is estimated using assessed property values, by determining the portion of the county's taxable assessed value that is within the government's boundaries and dividing it by the county's total assessed value.

Source: Debt schedules for City of Gulfport, Harrison County, and Gulfport School Districts.

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City of Gulfport Legal Debt Margin Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

(amounts expressed in thousands)

		 Fiscal Year								
	2016	2015		2014	2013			2012		
Debt Limit (15%)	\$ 113,393	\$ 110,449	\$	110,722	\$	111,266	\$	112,364		
Total net GO debt applicable to limit	 28,005	27,364		12,600		11,695		14,210		
Legal debt margin	\$ 85,388	 83,085		98,122	\$	99,571	\$	98,154		
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of the debt limit	24.70%	24.78%		11.38%		10.51%		12.65%		

Fiscal Year								
2011	2010	2009	2008	2007				
\$ 111,012	\$ 109,410	\$ 107,907	\$ 90,740	\$ 84,640				
17,091	19,800	20,203	18,296	12,784				
\$ 93,921	\$ 89,610	\$ 87,704	\$ 72,444	\$ 71,856				
15.40% Legal Debt for Fiscal Y	18.10% Margin Calce Year 2016	18.72% ulated	20.16%	15.10%				
Assessed Va	lue			755,955				
Debt limit (15	5% of assessed	d value)		113,393				
Debt limit (15% of assessed value) Debt applicable to limit: General obligation bonds Debt service funds available 113,39 28,00 85,38								
Legal debt m	argin			\$ 113,393				

City of Gulfport Pledged Revenue Coverage Last Ten Fiscal Years (amounts expressed in thousands)

			Net				
	Water and	Water and	Revenue				
	Sewer	Sewer (2)	Available				
Fiscal	Gross	Operating	For Debt	Debt Serv	ice Require	ments (1)	
Year	Revenue	_Expenses	Service	Principal	Interest	Total	Coverage
2016	\$ 32,210	\$ 22,942	9,268	\$ 3,998	\$ 2,333	6,331	146.39%
2015	32,420	23,714	8,706	4,119	2,181	6,300	138.19%
2014	30,559	23,652	6,907	1,995	1,791	3,786	182.44%
2013	30,402	20,669	9,733	1,895	1,890	3,785	257.15%
2012	30,282	21,172	9,110	1,800	1,985	3,785	240.69%
2011	28,700	18,394	10,306	1,710	2,075	3,785	272.29%
2010	24,348	18,879	5,469	1,620	2,160	3,780	144.68%
2009	23,040	18,758	4,282	1,545	2,236	3,781	113.25%
2008	22,347	17,808	4,539	1,470	2,310	3,780	120.08%
2007*	21,853	9,480	12,373	1,395	2,376	3,771	328.11%

- (1) Does not include GO Revenue Bonds in which the City has the option of using property or sales taxes to repay the debt.
- (2) Operating expenses are exclusive of depreciation and amortization
- * Operating expenses in 2007 were reduced due to the Harrison County Wastewater District refinancing it's debt, resulting in no related charges to the City for that year



City of Gulfport Demographic and Economic Statistics Last Ten Calendar Years

		Per Capita		
Fiscal	Estimated	Personal	School (2)	Unemployment
Year	Population (1)	Income (1)	Enrollment	Rate (3)
2016	71,856	20,825	6,302	6.10%
2015	71,750	20,340	6,353	7.30%
2014	71,012	20,863	6,135	8.50%
2013	70,113	21,579	5,903	9.90%
2012	69,220	20,845	5,699	9.90%
2011	67,793	17,963	5,659	10.40%
2010	70,794	20,417	5,609	9.40%
2009	70,732	20,243	5,232	7.60%
2008	70,372	18,978	5,341	5.40%
2007	68,959	17,079	5,065	6.20%

- (1) U.S. Census BureauGCT-T1-R population estimates
- (2) Gulfport School District (Pre-K thru 12th Grade)
- (3) Mississippi Employment Security Commission

City of Gulfport Principal Employers Last Seven Fiscal Years

_	20	16	201	15	201	14	2013		2012		2011		2010	
Employer	Staff	Rank												
Naval CBC Base	5,500	1	5,500	1	5,500	1	3,304	1	5,400	1	5,800	1	5,950	1
Memorial Hospital	3,331	2	3,331	2	3,331	2	3,290	2	3,290	2	2,894	2	2,894	2
Harrison Cty School	1,802	3	1,802	3	1,802	3	1,788	3	1,703	3	1,649	3	1,795	3
Island View Casino	1,206	4	1,293	4	1,206	4	1,207	4	1,337	4	1,188	5	1,170	6
Hancock Bank	864	5	864	5	864	5	864	5	864	5	864	7	1,213	5
Gulfport Schools	848	6	848	7	848	6	831	6	818	6	900	6	881	7
Mississippi Power	728	7	728	8	728	7	728	7	728	8	1,253	4	1,295	4
City of Gulfport	640	8	640	9	-	-	617	8	618	9	639	9	605	8
Trent Lott Training	636	9	636	10	636	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wal-Mart	585	10	-	-	-	-	585	10	585	10	585	10	585	9
Gulf Coast Shipyard	-	-	851	6	650	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gulf Ship, LLC	-	-	-	-	650	9	608	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Huntington Ingalls	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	730	7	730	8	-	-
Trinity Yachts	-		-		-		-		-		-		500	- 10
T otal	16,140		16,493	=	16,215		13,822		16,073		16,502		16,888	=

Information taken from Harrison County Development Commission Listing of Major Employers.

City of Gulfport
Full-Time Equivalent City Government Staff by Function/Program
Last Seven Fiscal Years

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
	Full-Time	Full-T ime	Full-Time	Full-Time	Full-Time	Full-T ime	Full-Time	Full-Time
	Equivalent							
Function/Program	Staff							
Mayor's Office	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Council	9	9	9	9	8	8	9	9
Municipal Court	18.5	21.5	22.5	23.5	22.5	23.5	24	26
Legal	11	10	10	8.5	10	9	9	10
General Admin	32	32.5	33.5	33.5	31.5	33	33	34
Police								
Officers	161.5	168	176	167.5	176	185.5	189	183
Civilians	56	58	57	56.5	59.5	61.5	63	69
Fire								
Combat	152	156	149	158	154	158	150	155
Civilians	6	7	7	6	6	5	5	9
Public Works	36	36	37	35	34	33	31	45
Leisure Services	69.5	72	70.5	69.5	67	67.5	55	59
Community Dev	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
Urban/Economic Dev	26	27	27	26	26	31	30	30
Utility Department	18	18	18	18	17	18	-	2
Total	601.5	621.0	622.5	617.0	617.5	639.0	605.0	638

Schedule 17
City of Gulfport
Operating Indicators by Function/Program
Last Seven Fiscal Years

Function/Program	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Police							
Physical arrests	10,465	11,783	10,777	11,072	11,826	12,639	11,129
Parking violations	1,356	1,781	1,823	911	1,929	2,421	1,341
Traffic violations	22,371	21,679	26,213	19,766	21,063	25,037	33,900
Fire							
Emergency responses	11,817	11,945	10,520	10,194	10,534	9,712	9,480
Fires extinguished	377	379	383	352	380	511	378
Inspections	1,624	1,956	2,325	2,220	3,616	1,548	1,699
Public Works							
Street resurfacing (miles)	12.56	3.42	8.21	34.49	7.20	18.45	3.00
Potholes repaired	714	648	745	1,041	977	733	1,184
Parks and Recreation							
Center Admissions	342,690	369,577	406,632	294,462	253,384	337,268	264,599
Water							
New connections	405	406	496	326	563	446	1,060
Water main breaks	21	33	42	36	28	33	24
Avg daily used (gal)	7,370,000	7,645,740	6,740,942	8,871,332	9,898,706	8,529,219	10,246,575
Wastewater							
Avg daily sewage treatment (gal	13,180,000	11,860,100	11,780,200	11,044,900	10,910,833	10,078,400	12,885,000

Schedule 18
City of Gulfport
Capital Asset Statistics by Function/Program
Last Seven Fiscal Years

Function/Program	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Police					_		
Stations	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Patrol Units	58	66	60	60	63	72	79
Fire Stations	11	11	11	11	12	12	12
Public Works							
Streets (miles)	1021.33	1,021.3	1,021.3	1,021.3	614.0	614.0	614.0
Street lights	13,379	10,273	10,765	9,383	9,543	9,356	8,030
Traffic signals	110	110	110	110	110	110	110
Parks and Recreations							
Acreage	600	600	600	600	600	600	600
Play grounds	19	19	19	19	19	19	19
Ballfields	38	38	38	38	38	38	38
Tennis courts	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Parks	31	31	31	31	31	31	31
Community centers	10	10	11	10	11	14	14
Waterfront piers	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Boat launch ramps	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
Small craft harbor slips *	319	319	319	319	319	319	-
Water							
Water mains (miles)	448.0	447.0	423.0	418.0	412.0	409.0	401.0
Fire hy drants	3,856	3,850	3,650	3,614	3,559	3,538	2,793
Storage capacity (gal)	5,775,000	5,775,000	6,108,000	6,108,000	6,550,000	5,550,000	5,550,000
Wastewater							
Sanitary sewer (miles)	523.00	522.00	502.00	501.00	500.00	499.00	492.00
Storm sewer (miles)	505.00	504.00	502.00	501.00	500.00	499.00	492.00
Treatment capacity (gal)	17,000,000	26,907,600	27,571,500	27,550,417	30,905,833	20,235,000	21,000,000

During 2009 the City began construction to rebuild 319 boat slips and the harbor master building that were destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Prior to the hurricane there were 289 boat slips and a harbor master building.



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