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CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY CITY OFFICIALS

As of June 30, 2024

<u>Mayor</u>

D. Angelo Penque

Council Members

Christopher Ampfer

Lisa Cavanaugh

Dave Guidugli

Paul Kloeker

Cindy Moore

Adam Sandfoss

Legal Counsel

Brandon Voelker



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Council of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve



collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
 fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
 in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's internal control. Accordingly,
 no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison schedule, and *Multiple Employer, Cost Sharing, Defined Benefit Pension and OPEB Plan* disclosures be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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 the 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.



Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's basic financial statements. The minor governmental fund budget to actual statement is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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 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 minor governmental fund budget to actual statement is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 6, 2024, on our consideration of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky'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 solely 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 the effectiveness of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's 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 City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Chamberlin Owen & Co., Inc.

Chamberlin Owen, & Co., Inc. Erlanger, Kentucky December 6, 2024

City of Cold Spring, Kentucky Fiscal Year 2024 Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our discussion and analysis of the City of Cold Spring's financial performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, is intended to compliment the formal financial statements that begin on page 10. The formal financial statements, upon which the audit firm renders their opinion, can be fairly complex. The Auditors notes, which are in the last section of the report, must also comply with structured professional standards and can be difficult for a non-accounting professional to understand. This "management's discussion" portion is intended to assist our citizens and other stakeholders in gaining a clearer understanding of the information in the Annual Financial Reports.

OVERVIEW OF THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This Annual Report consists of:

- 1. The Audit Opinion, pages 2-4.
- 2. This section, Management's Discussion and Analysis.
- 3. Formal financial statements and supporting schedules, pages 10 thru 14.
- 4. Notes and supplementary information.
- 5. Compliance and other matters.

The City's financial statements are presented in two formats, each with a different perspective of the City's finances. <u>Government-wide</u> statements present the finances of the City as one complete entity, while the <u>Fund</u> financial statements attempt to isolate various departments or activities within the City's structure and provide greater detail. Both approaches are useful in understanding the City's financial structure.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide statements report information about the City as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. These statements include all assets and liabilities, using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenditures are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Government-wide financial statements provide us with the total net position of the City and the changes in them from prior periods. One can think of the City's net position—the difference between assets and liabilities—in the same way as one would calculate their personal net worth. The year-end net position of the city, its equity, can be compared to prior years to determine if the City's equity is growing or shrinking. This is an important measurement of how the City is doing financial wise. Of course, the financial results of any entity must be evaluated in conjunction with the local economic environment and a host of non-financial factors such as, population growth, infrastructure asset condition, new or changed government legislation, and the types and levels of services to be provided.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Traditional users of government financial statements will find the fund financial statement presentation familiar. The focus of these financial statements is on the City's various funds. The fund financial statements provide more information about the City's funds and not the City as a whole.

Governmental Funds—Most of the City's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash, and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash, flow in and out, and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, additional information is provided funds statement that explains the relationship (or differences) between them. Cold Spring has three "governmental funds". The largest is the General Fund, which uses general revenues to provide city services and cover operating expenses. The Municipal Aid Road Fund houses grant receipts to be used only for specific purposes in accordance with Kentucky Revised Statutes and the Stormwater Fund which collects a stormwater fee and pays expenses associated with stormwater management in the city.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY AS A WHOLE

For the year ended June 30, 2024, net position changed as follows:

Beginning net position	\$ 14,095,576
Increase in net positon	 1,157,395
Ending net position	\$ 15,252,971

TABLE 1 NET POSITION

		2024		2023
Current and Other Assets	\$	12,774,513	\$	13,425,825
Capital Assets, Net		12,946,911	6	13,143,411
Total Assets		25,721,424		26,569,236
Deferred Outflow of Resources		1,130,352		1,137,362
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows		26,851,776		27,706,598
Current Liabilities Long Term Liabilities Total Liabilities Deferred Inflow of Resources Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows		499,291 9,187,644 9,686,935 1,911,870 11,598,805		7,897,812 4,613,185 12,510,997 1,100,025 13,611,022
Net Position Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted Unrestricted Total Net Position	\$	12,946,911 1,520,202 785,858 15,252,971	\$	13,143,411 1,255,008 (302,843) 14,095,576

Cash and investments totaled \$11,387,863 at the end of fiscal year 2024, a decrease of \$312,057 from last year. The City expended \$494,290 for new pickleball courts and equipment purchases. At the end of June 30, 2024, the city had \$12,946,911 invested in capital assets, net of depreciation, comprised of administrative, police and maintenance equipment, buildings, park facilities and roads.

TABLE 2 CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	Governmen	ital Ad	ctivities
General Revenue	2024		2023
Taxes			
Taxes - Property	\$ 1,014,097	\$	1,041,383
Taxes - Payroll	1,594,774		1,555,125
Taxes - Insurance Premium	1,102,984		1,047,362
Taxes - Other, Interest & Fees	388,084		424,205
Licenses and Permit Fees			1,000
Occupational Licenses	221,515		232,099
Other Licenses and Fees			44,890
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	119,348		6,273
Miscellaneous	356,710		48,281
Total General Revenue	4,797,512		4,399,618
Program Expenses, Net of Income			
Administration	897,536		629,556
Police	1,086,658		1,440,706
Maintenance and Public Works	1,597,648		1,127,194
Parks and Recreation	157,777		34,623
Enterprises	37,127		99,317
Unallocated Pension and OPEB	(136,629)		(17, 235)
Interest on Long-Term Debt			1,896
Total Program Expenses, net	3,640,117		3,316,057
Net Change in Net Position	\$ 1,157,395	\$	1,083,561

Taxes are the primary source of income to the City. Property, Payroll, Insurance Premium, and Other Tax collections increased by \$31,864. These increases are a result of increased property valuations, increased employee payroll, and increased insurance policy premiums. Tax rates did not increase. The increase in Miscellaneous revenue is from payments received as reimbursement for interest paid on the loan for the DAV property.

The majority of the City's expenses are dedicated to Public Safety (30%), Maintenance and Public Works (44%), and Administration (25%). Overall net expenses increased by \$324,060 (9.7%) for the fiscal year. This increase is primarily attributable to interest payments made on the DAV loan.

The City has a conservative budget approach and usually encounters favorable budget variances at the end of its fiscal years. 2024 General Fund revenues were \$1,907,675 above budgeted revenues. Expenditures were underbudget by \$829,003.

The Municipal Road Aid Fund was \$16,572 over budgeted revenues but was \$112,393 under budgeted on expenditures.

The Stormwater fund was \$59,009 over budgeted revenues primarily due to unbudgeted interest income, and was \$364,175 under budgeted on expenditures.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

The capital assets were reported for the fiscal years ended as follows:

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		Activ	ities			
		2024		2023		
Land Construction in progress Buildings Infrastructure Equipment Parks	\$	414,039 10,600 7,912,191 12,404,149 1,446,512 310,520	\$	414,039 - 7,912,191 12,404,149 1,350,352 34,169		
Totals	\$	22,498,011	\$	22,114,900		
This year's net increase of \$383,109 in o	apita	al assets included:				
Construction in progress-maintenance building Police equipment Maintenance equipment Parks equipment			\$	10,600 82,314 13,846 276,349 383,109		

Debt

following is a summary of the City's debt transactions during the year ended June 30, 2024:

Debt type		Balance atJune 30, 2023Net Change					Balance at ne 30, 2024	Current Portion	
Compensated Abs Property Note	ences	\$	117,200	\$	44,915 5,500,000	\$	162,115 5,500,000	\$	54,038 -
	Totals	\$	117,200	\$	5,544,915	\$	5,662,115	\$	54,038

GASB 68 PENSION AND GASB 75 OPEB LIABILITY RECOGNITION

As of June 30, 2024, the City is required, by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 68 and 75, to display its proportionate share of the unfunded liability of the Kentucky Retirement System's County Employee Retirement System (CERS), a cost sharing multiple employer plan, in which the District is a participant. The net pension and OPEB liability, \$3,579,567, the deferred outflow of resources, \$1,130,352, and the deferred inflow of resources, \$1,911,870 on the Statement of Net Position at June 30, 2024 are a function of this required reporting. Detailed information on this pension and OPEB recognition can be found in Note G in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The City has re-opened a loan to facilitate the purchase, and eventual sale, of the DAV property in Cold Spring. The City has adequate contingency funds to address unforeseen conditions and events. The 2025 budget has been passed to accommodate this project, along with several street improvement projects in the City. The City will also recognize \$600,000 of the deferred ARPA revenues in the current year, which may be used for a variety of operating or capital expenditures in the 2024-25 fiscal year. The

City's budget may require amending near the end of the fiscal year to allow for any unforeseen circumstances or opportunities.

In summary, the fiscal year 2025 budget should be adequate to continue the City's delivery of high-quality public service in a manner consistent with previous years. Care will be taken that all expenditures are prudent, and that the City can maintain its strong financial position.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, 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 City Administrative Officer at 5694 East Alexandria Pike, Cold Spring, Kentucky 41076.

Steve Taylor

Steve Taylor City Administrative Officer

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2024

Assets	Governmental Activities
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,849,979
Investments	1,037,884
Property held for sale	5,500,000
Receivables	
Accounts	1,038,493
Insurance tax	284,850
Intergovernmental	16,438
Waste, penalties, other	46,869
Capital assets, net of depreciation	12,946,911
Total Assets	25,721,424
Deferred Outflow of Resources	4 420 252
Deferred outflow of resources related to pensions and OPEB	1,130,352
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES	26,851,776
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	56,921
Accrued liabilities	4,515
Deferred revenues	383,817
Current portion of long-term liabilities	54,038
Noncurrent liabilities	
Compensated absences	108,077
Long term debt	5,500,000
Net pension and OPEB liability	3,579,567
Total Liabilities	9,686,935
Deferred Inflow of Resources	
Deferred inflow related to pensions and OPEB	1,911,870
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflow of Resources	11,598,805
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	12,946,911
Restricted for Municipal Aid and Stormwater	1,520,202
Unrestricted	785,858
Total Net Position	\$ 15,252,971

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

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CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY	STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES	For the Year Ended June 30 2024

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								Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in	Kevenue es in
			<u>a</u>	rogran	Program Revenues			Net Position	ion
:				Op	Operating	O	Capital		
Functions/Programs	Ĺ	Charges for	. tor	Gra	Grants and	Gra	Grants and	Governmental	ntal
Governmental Activities	Expenses	Services	Ses	Cont	Contributions	Con	Contributions	Activities	S
General government	\$ 1504 282	₩	808 748	6		6		•	
Public safety - Police) - -)	ı	9	2 200	A	(897,536)
Public works	220,010,7	Ö	000		7 7 7		97,170	<u>۔</u>	(1,086,658)
Parks and recreation	2,000,012	707	40,060		141,456		ı	(1	(1,597,648)
Enternises	190,/40	4	40,909		ı				(157,777)
	21,121				ı		1		(37,127)
Unallocated pension and OPEB	•		1		136,629		1		136,629
merest on long term debt	1		1		1		1		1
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 5,662,149	\$ 910	916,683	8	278,085	↔	827,264	(3)	(3,640,117)
		1							
	,	General revenues	ennes						
	_	l axes, levied for general purposes	d for gen	eral pur	boses				
		Property taxes	ixes						1,014,097
		Payroll tax	they no					_	1,594,774
		Insurance premium tax	premium	tax				_	1,102,984
		Penalties, fines and forfeitures	fines and	l forfeitu	Ires				27,931
		Other taxes	s						360,153
	_	icenses and permit fees	d permit f	ees					3
		Occupational licenses	nal licens	ses					195,412
		Other licenses and fees	ises and	fees					26,103
	~	Miscellaneous	SI						356,710
	_	Unrestricted investment earnings	investme	ent earn	ings				119,348
	_	Total general revenues	al revenu	sər				4	4,797,512
		Change in net position	net pos	ition				~	1,157,395
	2	Net position, beginning	ı, beginn	ing				14	14,095,576
		Net position, ending	ı, ending					\$ 15	15,252,971
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.	part of these financia	l statements	vi.				•		

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2024

Assets	General Fund	Municipal Aid Road Fund	Stormwater Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Property held for sale Receivables	\$ 3,368,760 1,037,884 5,500,000	\$ 157,19 - -		\$ 4,849,979 1,037,884 5,500,000
Accounts Insurance tax Intergovernmental Waste, penalties, other	1,038,493 284,850 - -	- - 16,43 -	- - 8 - 46,869	1,038,493 284,850 16,438 46,869
Prepaid Due from other funds	225,143	164,75	0 36,069	425,962
Total Assets	\$ 11,455,130	\$ 338,38	2 \$ 1,406,963	\$ 13,200,475
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities Accounts payable Accrued expenses Deferred revenues Due to other funds	\$ 56,921 4,515 383,817 200,819	\$ - - - 5,81	\$ - - 2 219,331	\$ 56,921 4,515 383,817 425,962
Total Liabilities	646,072	5,81	2 219,331	871,215
Fund Balances Nonspendable Restricted Committed Unassigned	5,500,000 1,037,884 4,271,174	- 332,57 - -	- 0 1,187,632 - -	7,020,202 1,037,884 4,271,174
Total Fund Balances	10,809,058	332,57	0 1,187,632	12,329,260
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 11,455,130	\$ 338,38	2 \$ 1,406,963	\$ 13,200,475
Reconciliation of Fund Balances Total governmental fund balance Amounts reported for government position are different because:	ces			\$ 12,329,260
Capital assets of \$22,498,010 (used in governmental activitie therefore, are not reported in	12,946,911			
Deferred outflows and inflows on applicable to future periods and Deferred outflow of resources Deferred inflow of resources	1,130,352 (1,911,870)			
Long-term liabilities are not due therefore, are not reported in Compensated absences Long term debt Net pension and OPEB liabil Net position of governmental ac	the funds.			(162,115) (5,500,000) (3,579,567) \$ 15,252,971

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

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

_	_	General Fund		/lunicipal Aid oad Fund		Stormwater Fund	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Revenues								
Property taxes	\$	1,014,097	\$	-1	\$	-	\$	1,014,097
Payroll taxes		1,594,774		-		-		1,594,774
Insurance premium tax		1,102,984		=		=		1,102,984
Other taxes		360,153		=		=		360,153
Licenses, fees, and permits		221,515		-		• -		221,515
Charges for services		606,746		-	*	268,968		875,714
Penalties, fines, and forfeitures		27,931		-		-		27,931
Interest income		78,938		1,669		38,741		119,348
Intergovernmental		827,264		141,456		-		968,720
Miscellaneous		373,982		-				373,982
Parks, trees, and recreation		40,969		-				40,969
Total Revenues		6,249,353	W	143,125	0	307,709		6,700,187
Expenditures								
General government		1,474,967		_				1,474,967
Police		1,701,748		_		_		1,701,748
Public works		679,915		649,205		286,435		1,615,555
Parks, trees and recreation		114,322		-		200, .00		114,322
Enterprises		37,127		_				37,127
Capital outlay		494,288		_				494,288
Total Expenditures		4,502,367		649,205		286,435	-	5,438,007
		4,002,001		040,200		200,400		0,400,007
Excess of Revenues		1 746 006		(EOC 000)		04.074		1 000 100
Over Expenditures		1,746,986		(506,080)		21,274		1,262,180
Other Financing Sources and Transfers								
Other financing source - loan proceeds		5,500,000		=		-		5,500,000
Transfers (to) from other fund		(750,000)		750,000		_	8	-
Total Other Financing Sources								
and Transfers		4,750,000		750,000		-		5,500,000
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Other								
Financing Sources and Transfers		6,496,986		243,920		21,274		6,762,180
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year		4,312,072		88,650		1,166,358		5,567,080
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 1	0,809,058	\$	332,570	\$	1,187,632	\$ 1	12,329,260
								

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

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net change in fund balances-total governmental funds	\$ 6,762,180
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the costs of those assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense: Capital asset purchases capitalized Depreciation expense	494,288 (673,515)
The net effect of various transactions involving capital assets is to increase net position as follows: Change due to capital retirements	(17,273)
Governmental funds report City pension contributions as (benefits) expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employer contributions is reported as pension benefit (expense): Cost of benefits earned - pension benefit Cost of benefits earned - OPEB expense	31,357 105,273
Loan proceeds	(5,500,000)
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, such as compensated absences.	 (44,915)

\$ 1,157,395

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

Change in net position of governmental activities

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The City of Cold Spring, Kentucky (City) was incorporated in 1941 under the provisions of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The accounting policies of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

The Reporting Entity

The City of Cold Spring, Kentucky is a municipality governed by an elected Mayor and Board of six Council Members. As required by generally accepted accounting principles these financial statements present the primary government of the City.

Basis of Accounting

City of Cold Spring's financial statements are presented on the full accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These statements report financial information for all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. Generally, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which are generally supported by taxes and City general revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expense and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: charges for services, which report fees, fines and forfeitures, and other charges to users of the City's services; operating grants and contributions which finance annual operating activities including restricted investment income; and capital grants and contributions which fund the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of capital assets and include fees to developers. These revenues are subject to externally imposed restrictions to these program uses. Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Amounts paid to acquire fixed assets are recorded as capital assets in the government-wide financial statements balance sheet and depreciated, rather than reported as expenditures of the current period. Proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as a liability in the government-wide financial statements, rather than as another financing source. Amounts paid to reduce long-term indebtedness of the reporting government are reported as a reduction of the related liability, rather than as expenditures.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements, as applicable, are provided for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds. Major individual governmental and enterprise funds are reported in separate columns with composite columns for non-major funds.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements of the City are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The City's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements and applicable Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless they conflict with GASB pronouncements. The City's reporting entity does not apply FASB pronouncements or APB opinions issued after November 30, 1989.

The government-wide financial statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting generally including the reclassification or elimination of internal activity (between or within funds). Reimbursements are reported as reductions to expenses. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax revenues are recognized in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues when grantor eligibility requirements are met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only in the year when payment is due.

Major revenue sources where accrual is most likely to occur include property taxes, insurance premium taxes and franchise/gross receipts license fees.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the City's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

Fund Types – Governmental Funds

The City reports the following governmental funds:

General Fund

This fund is the government's primary operating fund. This fund accounts for all financial resources of the general government not accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds

This fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. Currently, the City maintains special revenue funds for Municipal Aid Road and Stormwater. The Municipal Aid Road Fund is used to account for the receipt and disbursement of funds in accordance with Kentucky Revised Statutes for the Kentucky Municipal Aid Road Fund. The Stormwater Fund accounts for the stormwater fee received and costs associated with stormwater management in the City.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Statutes authorize the City to invest in obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, certificates of deposit, passbooks, bankers' acceptances, commercial paper, bonds of other state or local governments, and mutual funds. Cash and cash equivalents consist of those instruments with maturities of less than three months and certificates of deposit with maturities less than one year. All accounts held are insured under the FDIC insurance program and amounts held in excess of the FDIC coverage are fully covered by pledged collateral.

Inter-fund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, it is possible for transactions to occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the balance sheet. For the year ended June 30, 2024 there were inter-fund receivables and payables, in the offsetting amount of \$425,962 as detailed on the Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

If applicable, inventories in the governmental funds consist of expendable supplies held for consumption stated on a first in, first out basis. They are reported at cost as expenditures at the time individual inventory items are used.

Prepaid items record payments to vendors that benefit future reporting periods. Both inventories and prepaid items are similarly reported in government-wide and fund financial statements. There were no inventory or prepaid items at June 30, 2024.

Capital Assets

The City's property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and are comprehensively reported in the government-wide financial statements. The City maintains infrastructure asset records consistent with all other capital assets. General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in proprietary funds. General capital assets are reported in the governmental activities' column of the government-wide statement of net position. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or historical estimated cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date donated.

The City has elected to capitalize assets with a cost of \$5,000 or more. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation is charged as an expense against operations and accumulated depreciation is

reported on the respective statement of net position. When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts and the resulting gain or loss recorded in operations. Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

Buildings	10-25 years
Building improvements	10-20 years
Furniture and equipment	3-10 years
Public domain infrastructure	40 years
Vehicles	5 years

Compensated Absences

It is the City's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned, but unused vacation. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. Governmental funds report only the portion of compensated absences that have matured and have been paid to employees; these are included in employee wage expense in the funds. Compensated absences totaled \$108,077 at June 30, 2024.

Long-Term Debt

In the government-wide financial statements outstanding debt is reported as liabilities. The governmental fund financial statements recognize the proceeds of debt as other financing sources of the current period. Payments of principal and interest are reported as expenditures.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County Employee Retirement System (CERS) and additions to/deductions from CERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis of as they are reported by CERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB), Health Insurance

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County Employee Retirement System (CERS) and additions to/deductions from CERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis of as they are reported by CERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value

Fund Equity

Net position is the difference between assets and liabilities. Assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt are capital assets, less accumulated depreciation and any outstanding debt related to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

The City uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the result of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

Nonspendable fund balances consist of amounts that are not in spendable form; the City considers prepaid expenses to be non-spendable.

Restricted fund balances are amounts that can only be used pursuant to constraints imposed by external sources; such as state government restrictions or the funds restricted by the will of the City's voters. These include residual balances from the Kentucky Municipal Aid Road Fund and the City's Stormwater Fund.

Committed fund balances are amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as stipulated internally by the City Council. These items can only be changed or lifted by the Council taking the same formal action that imposed the restraint. These include the certificate of deposit investment balances committed to the City's strategic road plan.

Unassigned fund balances consist of all residual funds not included in non-spendable, restricted, or committed fund balances.

Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenditures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE B - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The City abides by the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. In accordance with City ordinance, prior to May 31, the Mayor submits to the Council, a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them for the upcoming year.
- 2. Public hearings are conducted to obtain citizen comment.
- 3. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.
- 4. The Mayor is required by Kentucky Revised Statutes to present a quarterly report to the Council explaining any variance from the approved budget.
- 5. Appropriations continue in effect until a new budget is adopted.
- The Council may authorize supplemental appropriations during the year.

NOTE C - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits consist of checking and savings accounts. They are carried at cost, which approximates market value. The carrying amount of deposits is separately displayed on the balance sheets as "Cash and Cash Equivalents" and "Investments". The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2024 was \$4,849,979.

The City's compliance with Kentucky Revised Statutes permits investment of monies in each fund, consistent with the contemplated use of such monies, in investment obligations defined as follows:

- a) Direct obligations of or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- b) Obligations issued by any of the following agencies: Federal Home Loan Bank System; Export-Import Banks; Government National Mortgage Association; Farmers Home Administration; Federal National Mortgage Association to the extent that such obligations are guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association; and any other Federal Agency to the extent that such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States (other than provided in (a) hereof);
- c) Public housing bonds issued by public housing authorities and fully secured as to the payment of both principal and interest by a pledge of annual contributions under an annual contributions contract or contracts with the United States of America; or project notes issued by public housing authorities, fully secured as to the payment of both principal and interest by a requisition or payment agreement with the United States of America;
- d) U.S. Dollar denominated deposit accounts fully insured to the holder (up to the \$250,000 maximum coverage) by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in commercial banks, and to the extent not so insured (amounts in excess of \$250,000 maximum coverage), collateralized by obligations described in (a) or (b) above, having at all times a quoted market value at least equal to such uninsured amount plus accrued and undisbursed interest;
- e) General obligations to the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- f) A pool or fund made up entirely of U.S. Government obligations or obligations guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the U.S. Government; or
- g) Repurchase agreements for U.S. Government Obligations, secured in the same manner as is provided in (d) above for other deposits.

Effective January 1, 1998, investments are reported at fair value which is determined using the selected basis. Short term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair market value.

Investment obligations are deemed to be part of the fund or account for which purchased, and income, interest, gains, and losses on an investment obligation are credited or charged to the fund or account for which such an investment obligation was purchased.

The City's investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the City at June 30, 2024.

The categories are described as follows:

Category 1 – Insured and registered, with securities held by the entity or its agent in the entity's name.

Category 2 – Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the entity's name.

Category 3 – Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or its trust department or agent but not in the entity's name.

	Category 1	Cate	egory 2	Cate		Total	Level		
Deposits	\$	4,849,979	\$	-	\$:=1	\$	4,849,979	1
Investments		1,037,884		-		-		1,037,884	1
Total	\$	5,887,863	\$		\$	-	_\$	5,887,863	

Level 1 investments are investments that have readily observable prices, are bought and sold on an open market, and whose prices have a reliable fair market value.

NOTE D - PROPERTY TAXES AND WASTE FEES RECEIVABLE

Property taxes are levied as of October 1 on property values assessed as of January 1. Taxes are billed on approximately October 1 and are due and payable on December 31 and are delinquent on January 1. A penalty of 20% and 1% interest accrual per month is assessed by the City. The City bills and collects its own property taxes and waste fees. A lien may be placed on the property on January 1.

NOTE E - CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2024:

Asset type		alance at e 30, 2023	,	Additions	Rec	lassifications/ Deletions		Balance at une 30, 2024
Land	\$	414,039	\$	-	\$	-	\$	414,039
Construction in progress	•	-	7	10,600	T	:= :	7	10,600
Administrative equipment		121,551		193,493		V		315,044
Police equipment		737,079		-		(111,179)		625,900
Maintenance equipment		491,722		13,846		-		505,568
Park equipment		34,171		276,349				310,520
Buildings		7,912,191		-		-		7,912,191
Infrastructure		12,404,149		-	-			12,404,149
Subtotal		22,114,902		494,288		(111,179)		22,498,011
Less: accumulated depreciation		(8,971,489)	*/	(673,515)		93,904		(9,551,100)
Capital assets, net	\$	13,143,413	\$	(179,227)	\$	(17,275)	\$	12,946,911

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Governmental Activites	
General government	\$ 24,953
Public safety - Police	174,508
Public works	14,800
Public works-infrastructure	374,830
Parks and recreation	84,424
	\$ 673,515

NOTE F - LONG TERM DEBT - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

The City has the following long-term debt:

Stockyards Bank - 2021 DAV Property Note - (Governmental Activities)

On September 30, 2021, the City signed a promissory note for \$6,500,000 to finance the purchase of the Disabled American Veterans property in Cold Spring. The City's intent is to hold this property for resale. The note is an interest-only note and is secured by the real property. The note carries an annual interest rate of 3.50% and a term of 24 months.

During Fiscal Year 2022, the City over-paid the interest due on one monthly payment, and the note's principal was reduced that month by \$1,896. The remaining balance at June 30, 2022 was \$6,498,104. This note was paid in full in August 2023 and the City signed a new promissory note for \$5,500,000. The new note is an interest-only note. See *Note J* below.

The following is a summary of the debt of the City's governmental activities:

					_	Balance at June 30,	Current		
Debt type	 2023		Additions	Rec	luctions		2024	Portion	
Compensated Absence	\$ 117,200	\$	44,915	\$	-	\$	162,115	\$	54,038
Note -DAV Property		100.0	5,500,000				5,500,000		
Totals	\$ 117,200	\$	5,544,915	\$		\$	5,662,115	\$	54,038

NOTE G - COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Plan description – City employees are covered by CERS (County Employees' Retirement System), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension and health insurance (Other Post-Employment Benefits; OPEB) plan administered by the Kentucky Public Pension Authority, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statue ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Public Pension Authority administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Public Pension Authority issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS. That report may be obtained from http://kyret.ky.gov/.

The Plan is divided into both a **Pension Plan** and **Health Insurance Fund Plan** (Other Post-Employment Benefits; OPEB) and each Plan is further sub-divided based on **Non-Hazardous**

duty and *Hazardous* duty covered-employee classifications. The City has both *Non-Hazardous* and *Hazardous Duty* employees.

Membership in CERS consisted of the following at June 30, 2023:

	Non-Ha	zardous	Haza	rdous
	Pension	OPEB	Pension	OPEB
Active Plan Members	77,849	76,946	9,184	9,109
Inactive Plan Members	105,707	28,719	4,100	883
Retired Members	68,889	37,584	11,231	7,655
	252,445	143,249	24,515	17,647
Number of participati	ng employers	1,141		260

PENSION PLAN

Non-Hazardous Pension Plan Description

Benefits Provided – CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to Non-Hazardous duty Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the Plan after five years of service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date:

Tier 1	Participation date Unreduced retirement Reduced retirement	Before September 1, 2008 27 years service or 65 years old At least 5 years service and 55 years old At least 25 years service and any age
Tier 2	Participation date Unreduced retirement	September 1, 2008 - December 31, 2013 At least 5 years service and 65 years old or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	At least 10 years service and 60 years old
Tier 3	Participation date	After December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	Not available

Cost of living adjustments are provided at the discretion of the General Assembly. Retirement is based on a factor of the number of years of service and hire date multiplied by the average of the highest five years' earnings. Reduced benefits are based on factors of both of these components. Participating employees become eligible to receive health insurance benefits after at least 180 months of service. Death benefits are provided for both death after retirement and death prior to retirement. Death benefits after retirement are \$5,000 in lump sum. Five years' service is required for death benefits prior to retirement and the employee must have suffered a duty-related death. The decedent's beneficiary will receive the higher of the normal death benefit and \$10,000 plus 25% of the decedent's monthly final rate or pay and any dependent child will receive 10% of the decedent's monthly final rate of pay up to 40% for all dependent children. Five years' service is required for nonservice-related disability benefits.

Contributions - Required pension contributions by the employee are based on the tier:

	Required Contribution	
Tier 1	5%	
Tier 2	5%	
Tier 3	5%	

Hazardous Pension Plan Description

Benefits Provided – CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to Hazardous duty Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the Plan after five years of service.

For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date:

Tier 1	Participation date Unreduced retirement Reduced retirement	Before September 1, 2008 At least one month of hazardous duty service credit and 55 years old, or any age with 20 years of service. 15 years service and 50 years old
Tier 2	Participation date	September 1, 2008 - December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years of hazardous duty service credit and 60 years old or any age with 25 years of service.
	Reduced retirement	15 years service and 50 years old
Tier 3	Participation date Unreduced retirement	On or after January 1, 2014 At least 5 years of hazardous duty service credit and 60 years old or 25 or more years of service, with no age requirement
	Reduced retirement	Not available

Cost of living adjustments are provided at the discretion of the General Assembly. Retirement is based on a factor of the number of years of service and hire date multiplied by the average of the highest five years' earnings. Reduced benefits are based on factors of both of these components. Participating employees become eligible to receive health insurance benefits after at least 180 months of service. Death benefits are provided for both death after retirement and death prior to retirement. Death benefits after retirement are \$5,000 in lump sum. Five years' service is required for death benefits prior to retirement and the employee must have suffered a duty-related death. The decedent's beneficiary will receive the higher of the normal death benefit and \$10,000 plus 25% of the decedent's monthly final rate or pay and any dependent child will receive 10% of the decedent's monthly final rate of pay up to 40% for all dependent children. Five years' service is required for nonservice-related disability benefits.

Contributions - Required pension contributions by the employee are based on the tier:

	Required Contribution	
Tier 1	8%	_
Tier 2	8%	
Tier 3	8%	

Contributions

For non-hazardous duty employees, the City contributed 23.34% of covered-employee's compensation, of which 23.34% was for the pension fund and 0% was for the health insurance fund.

For hazardous duty employees, the City contributed 43.69% of covered-employee's compensation, of which 41.11% was for the pension fund and 2.58% was for the health insurance fund.

The City made all required contributions for the non-hazardous Plan pension obligation for the fiscal year in the amount of \$106,331, of which \$106,331 was for the pension fund and \$0 was for the health insurance fund.

The City made all required contributions for the hazardous Plan pension obligation for the fiscal year in the amount of \$295,593, of which \$244,263 was for the pension fund and \$15,330 was for the health insurance fund.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the City reported a liability of \$3,483,653 (\$1,118,141 for the non-hazardous plan and \$2,365,512 for the hazardous duty Plan) as its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, 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 net pension liability was based on a projection of the City's long-term share of contributions to the pension Plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At the June 30, 2023 measurement year, the City's non-hazardous employer allocation proportion was 0.01743% of the total CERS non-hazardous duty employees and the hazardous employer allocation proportion was 0.08774% of the total CERS hazardous duty employees. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the City recognized a net pension benefit of \$31,357 in addition to its \$359,086 pension contribution.

At June 30, 2024, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Non-Hazardous					Hazar	3	Total					
		Deferred Outflow				Deferred Outflow		Deferred Inflow		Deferred Outflow		Deferred Inflow	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	57,884	\$	(3,038)	\$	108,142	\$	-	\$	166,026	\$	(3,038)	
Net difference between projected actual earnings on plan investments		-		(15,252)		-		(23,730)		_		(38,982)	
Changes of assump.		z -		(102,478)		-	((184,740)		-	((287,218)	
Changes in proportion, differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions		207,355		(34,753)		80,780	((368,877)		288,135	(403,630)	
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	-	106,331				244,263				350,594	L andace and		
	\$	371,570	\$	(155,521)	\$	433,185	\$ ((577,347)	\$	804,755	\$ (732,868)	

The City's contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$350,594 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Measurement Year Ending	Net		
June 30,	Deferral		
2024	\$	(102,327)	
2025		(150,584)	
2026		9,417	
2027		(35,213)	
2028		_	
Thereafter			
	\$	(278,707)	

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions for Determining the Net Pension Liability

For financial reporting, the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023, was performed by Gabriel Roeder Smith (GRS). The total pension liability, net pension liability, and sensitivity information as of June 30, 2023, were based on an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date (June 30, 2022) to the plan's fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, using generally accepted actuarial principles.

Changes of Assumptions

The CERS Board of Trustees adopted new actuarial assumptions on May 9, 2023 and include a change in the investment return assumption from 6.25% to 6.50%. These assumptions are documented in the report titled "2022 Actuarial Experience Study for the Period Ending June 30,

2022." The Total Pension Liability as of June 30, 2023, is determined using these updated assumptions.

House Bill 506 passed during the 2023 legislative session and reinstated the Partial Lump Sum Option form of payment for members who retire on and after January 1, 2024, with the lump-sum options expanded to include 48 or 60 times the member's monthly retirement allowance. Since this optional form of payment results in a reduced, actuarial equivalent, monthly retirement allowance for members who elect a partial lump-sum option, this provision does not have a fiscal impact to the total pension liability.

House Bill 506 also adjusted the minimum required separation period before a retiree may become reemployed and continue to receive their retirement allowance to one month under all circumstances. This is a minimal change for members in the hazardous plans, as the minimum separation period was already one month for members who became reemployed on a full-time basis in a hazardous position. The requirement was previously three months only for members who became reemployed on a part-time basis or in any nonhazardous position. GRS believes this provision of House Bill 506 will have an insignificant impact on the retirement pattern of hazardous members and therefore reflected no fiscal impact to the total pension liability of the hazardous plan.

Similarly, this is a relatively small change for future retirees in the non-hazardous plans. But as the minimum separation period was previously three months in almost every circumstance, GRS assumed that there would be a one percent (1%) increase in the rate of retirement for each of the first two years a non-hazardous member becomes retirement eligible under the age of 65 in order to reflect a shift in the retirement pattern. The total pension liability as of June 30, 2023, for the non-hazardous plans in determined using these updated benefits provisions.

There have been no other plan provision changes that would materially impact the total pension liability since June 30, 2022. It is GRS's opinion that these procedures for determining the information contained in this report are reasonable, appropriate, and comply with applicable requirements under *GASB No.* 68.

The actuarial assumptions are:

Inflation 2.50%

Payroll Growth Rate 2.0% for CERS Non-hazardous and Hazardous

Salary Increases 3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service for CERS Non-hazardous

3.55% to 19.05%, varies by service for CERS Hazardous

Investment Rate of Return 6.50% for CERS Non-hazardous and Hazardous

The mortality table used for active members was a Pub-2010 General Mortality table, for the Non-hazardous System, and the Pub-2010 Public Safety Mortality table for the Hazardous System, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on mortality experience from 2013-2022, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2020 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2023. The mortality table used for the disabled members was PUB-2010 Disabled Mortality table, with rates multiplied by 150% for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2020 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010.

June 30, 2024

Discount Rate

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate of 6.50% for CERS non-hazardous and hazardous systems assumes that the funds receive the required employer contributions each future year, as determined by the current funding policy established in Statute, as amended by House Bill 362, (passed in 2018) over the remaining 28 years (closed) amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions used to determine the Actuarial Determined Contributions for Fiscal Year 2023

The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the actuarially determined contributions effective for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023:

Valuation Date

June 30, 2021

Experience Study

July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2022

Actuarial Cost Method

Entry Age Normal

Amortization Method

Level Percent of Pay

Remaining Amortization Period

30 years closed period at June 30, 2019; gains and losses incurring after 2019 will be amortized over separate closed

20-year amortization bases

Payroll Growth Rate

2.0%

Asset Valuation Method

20% of the difference between the market value of assets

and the expected actuarial value of assets is recognized

Inflation

2.30%

Salary Increases

3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service for Non-Hazardous

3.55% to 19.05%, varies by service for Hazardous

Investment Rate of Return

6.25%

Phase-in Provision

Board certified rate is phased into the actuarially determined

rate in accordance with HB 362 enacted in 2018.

The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on mortality experience from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019.

Plan Target Allocation

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

	CERS Pensions	
	Non-Hazardous	
	and Hazardous	Long Term
	Target	Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return
Public equity	50.00%	5.90%
Private equity	10.00%	11.73%
Core bonds	10.00%	2.45%
Specialty credit / high yield	10.00%	3.65%
Cash	0.00%	1.39%
Real estate	7.00%	4.99%
Real return	13.00%	5.15%
Expected Real Return	100.00%	5.75%
Long-Term Inflation Assumption		2.50%
Expected Nominal Return for Portfolio		8.25%

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.50%, 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 1-percentage-point lower (5.50%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.50%) than the current rate:

	Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability						
	1% Decrease Current Rate				1% Increase		
	5.50%		6.50%		7.50%		
Non-hazardous	\$	1,411,720	\$	1,118,141	\$	874,165	
Hazarous		2,987,024		2,365,512	- 1	1,857,878	
Total	\$	4,398,744	\$	3,483,653	\$	2,732,043	

<u>HEALTH INSURANCE – OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS</u>

Non-Hazardous OPEB Plan Description

Benefits Provided – CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to non-hazardous duty Plan employees and beneficiaries. Health insurance coverage is provided through payment/partial payment of insurance premiums for both non-Medicare-eligible and Medicare-eligible retirees.

Tier 1 Participation date

Before July 1, 2003

Benefit eligibility

Recipient of a retirement allowance

Percentage of member

< 4 years service - 0%

premium paid by the plan

4-9 years service - 25% 10-14 years service - 50%

15-19 years service - 75% 20 or more years service - 100%

Tier 2 Participation date

July 1, 2003 - August 31, 2008

Benefit eligibility

Recipient of a retirement allowance with at least 120

months of service at retirement

Member premium paid

by the plan

\$10/month for each year of earned service with a 1.5% increase each July 1. As of July 1, 2016, the contribution

was \$12.99 per month.

Tier 3 Participation date

On or after September 1, 2008

Benefit eligibility

Recipient of a retirement allowance with at least 180

months of service at retirement

Member premium paid

by the plan

\$10/month for each year of earned service with a 1.5% increase each July 1. As of July 1, 2016, the contribution

was \$12.99 per month.

Contributions – Required health insurance Plan contributions by the employee are based on the tier:

	Required Contribution	
Tier 1	None	
Tier 2	1%	
Tier 3	1%	

Hazardous OPEB Plan Description

Benefits Provided – CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to hazardous duty Plan employees and beneficiaries. Health insurance coverage is provided through payment/partial payment of insurance premiums for both non-Medicare-eligible and Medicare-eligible retirees.

June 30, 2024

Tier 1 Participation date Before July 1, 2003

Benefit eligibility Recipient of a retirement allowance

Percentage of member

premium paid by the plan 4-9 years service - 25% 10-14 years service - 50%

15-19 years service - 50% 20 or more years service - 100%

Tier 2 Participation date July 1, 2003 - August 31, 2008

Benefit eligibility Recipient of a retirement allowance with at least 120

< 4 years service - 0%

months of service at retirement

Member premium paid

by the plan

\$15/month for each year of earned service with a 1.5% increase each July 1. As of July 1, 2018, the contribution

was \$20.07 per month.

Tier 3 Participation date On or after September 1, 2008

Benefit eligibility Recipient of a retirement allowance with at least 180

months of service at retirement

Member premium paid

by the plan

\$15/month for each year of earned service with a 1.5% increase each July 1. As of July 1, 2018, the contribution

was \$20.07 per month.

Contributions – Required health insurance Plan contributions by the employee are based on the tier:

	Required Contribution	
Tier 1	None	_
Tier 2	1%	
Tier 3	1%	

Contributions

Contribution requirements for covered employees and participating governmental entities are established and may be amended by the KPPA Trustees.

For non-hazardous employees, the City contributed 0.00% of covered employees' compensation for the health insurance fund.

For hazardous duty employees, the City contributed 2.58% of covered employees' compensation for the health insurance fund.

The City made all required contributions for the non-hazardous Plan OPEB obligation for the fiscal year in the amount of \$16,152.

The City made all required contributions for the hazardous Plan OPEB obligation for the fiscal year in the amount of \$39,213.

These contributions are actuarially determined as an amount that is expected to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any

unfunded accrued liability. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the City recognized OPEB benefit of \$105,273 in addition to its \$15,330 OPEB contribution.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At June 30, 2024, the City reported a liability of \$95,914 as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the City's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB Plan relative to the projected contributions of all governmental entities, actuarially determined. At the June 30, 2023 measurement year, the City's non-hazardous employer allocation proportion was 0.01743% of the total CERS non-hazardous duty employees and the hazardous employer allocation proportion was 0.08768% of the total CERS hazardous duty employees.

In addition, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Non-Hazardous			Hazardous			Total			
		Deferred	Deferred		Deferred	Deferred		Deferred		Deferred
		Outflow	Inflow		Outflow	Inflow		Outflow		Inflow
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	16,772	\$ (341,601)	\$	10,851	\$ (494,608)	\$	27,623	\$	(836,209)
Net difference between projected actual earnings on plan investments		-	(5,583)			(16,522)				(22,105)
Changes of assump.		47,345	(32,995)		81,917	(125,065)		129,262		(158,060)
Changes in proportion, differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions		101,279	(21,215)		52,103	(141,414)		153,382		(162,629)
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	_	-		<u></u>	15,330			15,330		
	\$	165,396	\$ (401,394)	\$	160,201	\$ (777,609)	\$	325,597	\$	(1,179,003)

The City's contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$15,330 will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

June 30, 2024

Measurement Year Ending June 30,	Net Deferral
2023	\$ (173,220)
2024	(214,626)
2025	(190,046)
2026	(207,619)
2027	(83,225)
Thereafter	
	\$ (868,736)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions to Determine the Net OPEB Liability

For financial reporting, the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023, was performed by Gabriel Roeder Smith (GRS). The total OPEB liability, net OPEB liability, and sensitivity information as of June 30, 2023, were based on an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2022. The total OPEB liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date (June 30, 2022) to the plan's fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, using the generally accepted actuarial principles.

The following actuarial assumptions were used in performing the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023:

Inflation	2.50%
Payroll Growth Rate	2.0% for CERS Non-hazardous and Hazardous
Salary Increase	3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service for CERS Non-hazardous 3.55% to 19.05%, varies by service for CERS Hazardous
Investment Rate of Return Health Care Trend Rates	6.50%
Pre-65	Initial trend starting at 6.80% at January 1, 2025, and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.
Post-65	Initial trend starting at 8.50% in 2025, then gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.
Mortality	
Pre-retirement	PUB-2010 General Mortality table, for the Non-hazardous Systems, and the PUB-2010 Public Safety Mortality table for the Hazardous Systems, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2020

mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010.

Post-retirement (nondisabled) System-specific mortality table based on mortality experience from

2013-2022 projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2020 mortality

improvement scale using a base year of 2023.

Post-retirement (disabled) PUB-2010 Disabled Mortality table, with rates multiplied by 150% for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-

2020 mortality improvement scale using a base year 2010.

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The CERS Board of Trustees adopted new actuarial assumptions on May 9, 2023. These assumptions are documented in the report titled "2022 Actuarial Experiences Study for the Period Ending June 30, 2022". Additionally, the single discount rates used to calculate the total OPEB liability within each plan changed since the prior year. Additional information regarding the single

discount rates is provided below. The Total OPEB Liability as of June 30, 2023, is determined using these updated assumptions.

House Bill 506 passed during the 2023 legislative session reinstated the Partial Lump Sum Option form of payment for members who retire on and after January 1, 2024 and adjusted the minimum required separation period before a retiree may become reemployed and continue to receive their retirement allowance to one month for all circumstances.

This is a minimal change for members in the hazardous plans, as the minimum separation period was already one month for members who became reemployed on a full-time basis in a hazardous position. The requirement was previously three months only for members who became reemployed on a part-time basis in any nonhazardous position. GRS believes this provision of House Bill 506 will have an insignificant impact on the retirement pattern of hazardous members and therefore have reflected no fiscal impact to the total OPEB liability of the hazardous plan.

Similarly, this is a relatively small change for future retirees in the non-hazardous plan. But as the minimum separation period was previously three months in almost every circumstance, GRS assumed that there would be a one percent (1%) increase in the rate of retirement for each of the first two years a non-hazardous member becomes retirement eligible under the age of 65, in order to reflect a shift in the retirement pattern. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023, for the non-hazardous plan is determined using these updated benefit provisions.

There have been no other plan provision changes that would materially impact the total OPEB liability since June 30, 2022. It is GRS's opinion that these procedures are reasonable and appropriate and comply with applicable requirements under GASB Statement No. 75.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions used to determine the Actuarial Determined Contribution for Fiscal Year 2023

The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the actuarially determined contributions effective for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023:

Valuation Date

June 30, 2021

Experience Study

July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2022

Actuarial Cost Method

Entry Age Normal

Amortization Method

Level Percent of Pav

Remaining Amortization Period

30 years closed period at June 30, 2019; gains and losses incurring after 2019 will be amortized over separate closed

20-year amortization bases

Payroll Growth Rate

2.0%

Asset Valuation Method

20% of the difference between the market value of assets

and the expected actuarial value of assets is recognized

Inflation

2.30%

Salary Increases

3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service for Non-hazardous 3.55% to 19.05%, varies by service for Hazardous

Investment Rate of Return

6.25%

Healthcare Trend Rates

Pre - 65

Initial trend starting at 6.30% at January 1, 2023, and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years. The 2022 premiums were known at the time of the valuation and were included into the liability measurement.

Post - 65

Initial trend starting at 6.30% in 2023, then gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years. The 2022 premiums were known at the time of the valuation and were included into the liability measurement.

Mortality

Pre-retirement

PUB-2010 General Mortality table, for the Non-hazardous Systems, and the PUB2010 Public Safety Mortality table for the Hazardous Systems, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base

year of 2010

Post-retirement (non- disabled)

System-specific mortality table based on mortality experience 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base

year of 2019.

Post-retirement (disabled)

PUB-2010 Disabled Mortality table, with a 4-year setforward for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement

scale using a base year of 2010

The single discount rates used to calculate the total OPEB liability within each plan changed since the prior year. The assumed increase in future health care costs, or trend assumption, was reviewed during the June 30, 2021, valuation process and was updated to better reflect the plan's anticipated long-term healthcare costs. There were no other material assumption changes.

Senate Bill 209 passed during the 2022 legislative session and increased the insurance dollar contribution for members hired on or after July 1, 2003, by \$5 for each year of service a member attains over certain thresholds, depending on a member's retirement eligibility requirement. This increase in the insurance dollar contribution does not increase by 1.5% annually and is only payable for non-Medicare retirees. Additionally, it is only payable when the member's applicable insurance fund is at least 90% funded. The increase is first payable on January 1, 2023. Senate Bill 209 also allows members receiving the insurance dollar contribution to participate in a medical insurance reimbursement plan that would provide the reimbursement of premiums for health plans other than those administered by KPPA.

The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023, is determined using these updated benefit provisions. There were no other material plan provision changes.

Changes of Assumptions

The discount rates used to calculate the total OPEB liability increased from 5.70% to 5.93%. The

assumed increase in future health care costs, or trend assumption, was reviewed during the June 30, 2023 valuation process and was updated to better reflect more current expectations relating to anticipated future increases in the medical costs. There were no other material assumption changes.

Discount Rate

Single discount rates of 5.93% for CERS non-hazardous and 5.97% for CERS hazardous were used to measure the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023. The single discount rates are based on the expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments of 6.50%, and a municipal bond rate of 3.86%, as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index" as of June 30, 2023. Based on the stated assumptions and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, each plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected separately and were sufficient to finance the future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on insurance plan investments was applied to all periods of the projected benefit payments paid from the plan. However, the cost associated with the implicit employer subsidy was not included in the calculation of the plans actuarially determined contributions, and any cost associated with the implicit subsidy will not be paid out of the plan trusts. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was applied to future expected benefit payments associated with the implicit subsidy.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the single discount rate must include an assumption regarding future employer contributions made each year. Future contributions are projected assuming that each participating employer in each insurance plan contributes the actuarially determined employer contribution each future year calculated in accordance with the current funding policy.

Plan Target Allocation

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

•	CERS Pensions	v.
	Non-Hazardous	
	and Hazardous	Long Term
	Target	Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return
Public equity	50.00%	5.90%
Private equity	10.00%	11.73%
Core bonds	10.00%	2.45%
Specialty credit /high yield	10.00%	3.65%
Cash	0.00%	1.39%
Real estate	7.00%	4.99%
Real return	13.00%	5.15%
Expected Real Return	100.00%	5.75%
Long-Term Inflation Assumption		2.50%
Expected Nominal Return for Portfolio		8.25%

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rates of 5.93% for the Non-hazardous plan and the 5.97% for the hazardous plan, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

Discount Rate, Non-Hazardous
Net OPEB liability, Non-Haz
Discount Rate, Hazardous
Net OPEB liability, Haz
Total

	Proportion	ate S	hare of Net OPE	B Lial	oility
1.0	0% Decrease	C	urrent Rate	1.00	0% Increase
	4.93%		5.93%		6.93%
\$	45,148	\$	(24,058)	\$	(82,010)
	4.97%		5.97%		6.97%
\$	303,411	\$	119,972	\$	(32,882)
\$	348,559	\$	95,914	\$	(114,892)

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

		Proportion	ate Sha	are of Net OPE	B Liab	oility
Healthcare cost trend rate	1.00	% Decrease	Cu	rrent Rate	1.00	% Increase
Net OPEB liability, non-hazardous Net OPEB liability, hazardous	\$	(77,110) 1,367	\$	(24,058) 119,972	\$	41,112 263,212
Total	\$	(75,743)	\$	95,914	\$	304,324

Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Both the Pension Plan and the Health Insurance Plan issue publicly available financial report that include financial statements and required supplementary information, and detailed information about each Plan's fiduciary net position. These reports may be obtained, in writing, from the Kentucky Public Pension Authority, 1260 Louisville Road, Perimeter Park West, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601 or online at www.kyret.ky.gov.

NOTE H - RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees, and natural disasters. The City has obtained insurance coverage through a commercial insurance company. In addition, the City has effectively managed risk through various employee education and prevention programs. All risk general liability management activities are accounted for in the General Fund. Expenditures and claims are recognized when probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated.

Management estimates that the amount of actual or potential claims against the City as of June 30, 2024 will not materially affect the financial condition of the City. Therefore, the General Fund contains no provision for estimated claims. No claim has exceeded insurance coverage amounts in the past three fiscal years.

In the year ended June 30, 2024, the City's general fund received 17.6% of its revenues from insurance premium taxation. This tax is not regulated on a city level, but rather on a state level. If legislation were imposed to delete this tax, the city would be negatively impacted.

NOTE I - STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Beginning October 1, 2013, the City assumed responsibility of its stormwater management from Sanitation District No. 1 and established the Stormwater Fund. Revenue is generated from the \$4.50 per household/per month fee charged to homeowners/businesses. The program is self-supportive and has a restricted fund balance of \$1,187,632 at June 30, 2024. Future expenditures that exceed the accumulated fund balance will be offset by the general fund.

NOTE J – DISABLE AMERICAN VETERANS PROPERTY PURCHASE

In September 2021, the City purchased the former Disabled American Veterans (DAV) property in Cold Spring, Kentucky for \$6,500,000. The City signed a note at Stockyards Bank for \$6,500,000 (see *Note F - Long Term Debt* above) to fund the purchase, paying DAV \$5,500,000 and holding \$1,000,000 in escrow until the purchase could be completed. The City's intent was to hold the property until a corporate buyer could make arrangement to purchase the property.

In October 2021, the City was notified by the Campbell County School District that the District intended to put an *eminent domain* order upon the property for the location of a future middle school. The School District paid the City \$5,500,000 for the property. The City has not recognized this revenue and is holding the cash as a deferred revenue.

The City filed suit in Campbell County Circuit Court for dismissal of the *eminent domain* order. The Campbell County Circuit Court ruled in favor of the School District. The City appealed the ruling to the Kentucky Court of Appeals. On December 19, 2022, the Kentucky Court of Appeals reversed the Circuit Court decision, finding the School Board could not utilize an eminent domain order for the DAV property. The School District initially sought discretionary review before the Kentucky Supreme Court, then pulled its request for discretionary review.

On August 02, 2023, the City returned the \$5,500,000 payment for the DAV building to the Campbell County School District, and regained possession of the building. The City also reinitiated the loan from Stockyards Bank for \$5,500,000 for the purchase of the building from DAV.

NOTE K – TAX ABATEMENTS

In 1990, the City annexed 15 properties into the City of Cold Spring. To defray property tax increases for the owners, the City agreed to only assess tax on one-half of the property value until the property is sold. As of June 30, 2024, 14 properties remain with the original owners and \$1,534 in property taxes were abated during the 2023-24 tax year.

NOTE L - IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

Statement No. 99 – *Omnibus 2020*, Para. 4-10 – This standard has no significant impact on the City.

Statement No. 100 – Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – This standard has no significant impact on the City.

Statement No. 101 – *Compensated Absences* – This standard has no significant impact on the City.

NOTE M - FUTURE ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

Statement No. 102 - Certain Risk Disclosures - Implementation in FY 2025

Statement No. 103 - Financial Reporting Model Improvements - Implementation in FY 2026

NOTE N - AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING

In response to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic, the City has qualified for and received two tranches of Federal ARPA funding, in the amounts of \$850,810 and \$878,007, passed through the Commonwealth of Kentucky's Department for Local Government. The City expended \$745,000 and \$600,000 of the funding in the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The remaining balance of \$383,817 has been deferred to future years, and will be recognized when expended, per the grant requirements.

NOTE O - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated and considered the need to recognize or disclose subsequent events through December 6, 2024, which represents the date that these financial statements were available to be issued. The City had no events subsequent to June 30, 2024 to disclose.

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGET TO ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

					Variance with
					Final Budget
		Budgeted Amour		Antoni	Favorable
	Original	Revisions	Final	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Budgetary fund balance, July 1	\$ 6,186,685	\$ (1,874,613)	\$ 4,312,072	\$ 4,312,072	\$ -
Resources (inflows)					
Property taxes	1,000,000	13,581	1,013,581	1,014,097	516
Payroll tax	980,000	(397,272)	582,728	1,594,774	1,012,046
Insurance premium tax	850,000	69,372	919,372	1,102,984	183,612
Licenses and permits	320,300	378,718	699,018	221,515	(477,503)
Other taxes	262,829	55,003	317,832	360,153	42,321
Intergovernmental	63,000	6,713	69,713	827,264	757,551
Charges for services	600,196	1,341	601,537	606,746	5,209
Fines, forfeitures, and penalties	2,000	10,342	12,342	27,931	15,589
Interest income	-	=	-	78,938	78,938
Miscellaneous	161,650	(36,095)	125,555	373,982	248,427
Parks, trees and recreation	-	-	-	40,969	40,969
Other taxes					
Amounts available for appropriation	10,426,660	(1,772,910)	8,653,750	10,561,425	1,907,675
Charges to appropriations (outflows)					
General government	2,147,789	-	2,147,789	1,474,967	672,822
Police	2,120,452	-	2,120,452	1,895,241	225,211
Public works	825,543	49,736	875,279	704,361	170,918
Enterprises	56,700	-	56,700	37,127	19,573
Parks, trees and recreation		131,150	131,150	390,671	(259,521)
Total charges to appropriations	5,150,484	180,886	5,331,370	4,502,367	829,003
Loan proceeds	-	5,500,000	5,500,000	5,500,000	-
Transfer from (to) other fund				(750,000)	(750,000)
Budgetary fund balance, June 30	\$ 5,276,176	\$ 3,546,204	\$ 8,822,380	\$ 10,809,058	\$ 1,986,678

Reconciliation to Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

Budgetary Fund Balance \$ 10,809,058

Adjustments
G.A.A.P Basis General Fund Balance \$ 10,809,058

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGET TO ACTUAL - STORMWATER FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Bu	dgeted Amou	nts		Variance with Final Budget Favorable
	Original	Revisions	Final	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Budgetary fund balance, July 1	\$ 1,053,245	\$ 113,113	\$ 1,166,358	\$ 1,166,358	\$ -
Resources (inflows)					
Commercial fees	175,300	-	175,300	182,673	7,373
Residential fees	73,400		73,400	86,295	12,895
Interest				38,741	38,741
Amounts available for appropriation	1,301,945	113,113	1,415,058	1,474,067	59,009
Charges to appropriations (outflows)).
Stormwater expense	350,000	300,610	650,610	286,435	364,175
Total charges to appropriations	350,000	300,610	650,610	286,435	364,175
Transfer out	-				_
Budgetary fund balance, June 30	\$ 951,945	\$ (187,497)	\$ 764,448	\$ 1,187,632	\$ 423,184

MULTIPLE EMPLOYER, COST SHARING, DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN DISCLOSURE-NON-HAZARDOUS CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY Last Ten Fiscal Years Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)

					•												
	2023	23	2022	2	2021		2020	2019	2018	_	2017	20	2016	2015		2014	
Proportion of net pension liability	0.0	0.0174%	0.0130%	30%	0.0146%	%9	0.0117%	0.0102%	0.0094%	34%	0.0118%	o.	0.0101%	0.01	0.0119%	0.0122%	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 1,118,141		\$ 938,471	471 \$	930,546		\$ 900,448	\$ 713,995	\$ 574,072		\$ 691,744	\$	497,717	\$ 511,	511,446	\$ 397,173	
Covered payroll in year of measurement	\$ 476,456		\$ 435,539	539 \$	348,954	↔	303,350	\$ 249,496	\$ 232,925		\$ 266,213	9 9	331,231	\$ 278,	278,556	\$ 283,690	
Share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	234	234.68%	215.47%	47%	266.67%	2%	296.83%	286.17%	246.46%	46%	264.01%	#	150.26%	183.	183.61%	140.00%	
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	57	57.48%	52.	52.42%	57.33%	3%	47.81%	50.45%	53.	53.54%	53.30%	4,	9.97%	59.	29.97%	%08.99	
				Çor	Sche unty Err	dule of 1 1ployees	the City's C s' Retireme	Schedule of the City's Contributions County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)	ERS)								
	2024	- 1	2023	2	2022		2021	2020	2019		2018	20	2017	2016	.	2015	
Contractually required contribution	\$ 106,331		\$ 111,491	491 \$	\$ 92,204	:04 \$	67,348	\$ 58,547	\$ 40,468	468 \$	33,728	€9	37,137	\$ 41,	41,139	\$ 35,516	
Actual contribution	106	106,331	111,491	491	92,204	40	67,348	58,547	40,468	468	33,728	``	37,137	41	41,139	35,516	
Contribution deficiency (excess)		1			1		ı	•	13								
Covered payroll	45	455,575	476,456	456	435,539	39	348,954	303,350	249,496	496	232,925	3	266,213	331,231	231	278,556	
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	2,	23.34%	23.	23.40%	21.17%	%2	19.30%	19.30%	16.3	16.22%	14.48%		13.95%	12	12.42%	12.75%	

Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

The net pension liability as of June 30, 2024, is based on the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation. The changes to the elements of the pension expense, i.e., the difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments, changes in assumptions, and the changes in proportion and differences between City's contributions and proportionate share of contributions are detailed in NOTE G in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

MULTIPLE EMPLOYER, COST SHARING, DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN DISCLOSURE-HAZARDOUS CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY Last Ten Fiscal Years Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	
Proportion of net pension liability	0.0877%	0.0856%	0.1078%	0.1126%	0.0950%	0.0091%	0.1126%	0.1232%	0.1371%	0.1299%	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$2,365,512	\$2,611,742	\$2,868,530	\$3,394,229	\$2,623,131	\$2,189,090	\$2,519,959	\$2,113,653	\$ 2.007.324	\$ 1.561.151	
Covered payroll in year of measurement	\$ 578,357	\$ 504,392	\$ 673,781	\$ 629,583	\$ 532,301	\$ 510,688	\$ 635,892	\$ 642.719		\$ 651,722	
Share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its										-	
covered payroll	409.01%	517.80%	425.74%	539.12%	492.79%	428.66%	396.29%	328.86%	326.32%	239.54%	
Plan fiduciary net position as a											
percentage of total pension liability	52.96%	47.11%	52.26%	44.11%	46.63%	49.26%	49.80%	53.95%	57.52%	63.46%	
			Schedu	le of the City's	Schedule of the City's Contributions	SI					
			County Empl	oyees' Retirer	County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)	(CERS)					
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	
Contractually required contribution \$ 244,263 \$ 247,595	\$ 244,263	\$ 247,595	\$ 170,787	\$ 202,538	\$ 189,253	\$ 132,330	\$ 113,373	\$ 138,052	\$ 130,215	\$ 141,173	
Actual contribution	244,263	247,595	170,787	202,538	189,253	132,330	113,373	138,052	130.215	141.173	

Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

22.95%

20.26%

21.71%

22.20%

24.86%

30.06%

30.06%

33.86%

42.81%

41.11%

Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll

Contribution deficiency (excess)

Covered payroll

615,133

642,719

635,892

510,688

532,301

629,583

673,781

504,392

578,357

594,169

actual experience, net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments, changes in assumptions, and the changes in proportion and differences between City's contributions and proportionate share of contributions are detailed in NOTE G in the Notes to the Financial Statements. The net pension liability as of June 30, 2024, is based on the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation. The changes to the elements of the pension expense, i.e. the difference between expected and

MULTIPLE EMPLOYER, COST SHARING, DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN DISCLOSURE-NON-HAZARDOUS CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY Last Ten Fiscal Years

Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)

4							2					
2014							2015					
2015							2016					
2016							2017	\$ 12,315	12,315	ı	262,013	4.70%
2017	0.0012%	\$ 237,582	\$ 262,013	90.68%	52.40%		2018	\$ 10,947	10,947	r	232,925	4.70%
2018	0.0094%	167,357	232,925	71.85%	57.62%		2019	13,123	13,123		249,496	5.26%
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2019	0.0102%	170,702	249,496	68.42%	60.44%	utions em (CERS	2020	14,439	14,439	1	303,350	4.76%
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2020	0.0117%	283,389	303,350	93.42%	51.67%	Schedule of the City's Contributions County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)	2021	16,610	16,610	1	348,954	4.76%
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2021	0.0146%	\$ 279,357	\$ 348,954	80.06%	62.91%	schedule o y Employe	2022	\$ 25,174	25,174	1	435,539	5.78%
2022	0.0130%	0.0130% \$ 256,162 \$ 435,539	80.95%	Count	2023	\$ 16,152	16,152	ı	476,456	3.39%		
2023	0.0174%	\$ (24,058)	\$ 476,456	-5.05%	104.23%		2024	- \$	1	ı	455,575	00.00%
	Proportion of net OPEB liability	Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	Covered payroll in year of measurement	Share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability			Contractually required contribution \$	Actual contribution	Contribution deficiency (excess)	Covered payroll	Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll

Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 The net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024, is based on the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation. The changes to the elements of the OPEB expense, i.e. the difference between expected and actual experience, net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments, changes in assumptions, and the changes in proportion and differences between City's contributions and proportionate share of contributions are detailed in NOTE G in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

MULTIPLE EMPLOYER, COST SHARING, DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN DISCLOSURE-HAZARDOUS CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY Last Ten Fiscal Years

Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)

2014							2015					
2015							2016					
2016							2017	\$ 59,446	59,446		635,892	9.35%
2017	0.1126%	\$ 931,122	\$ 635,892	146.43%	29.00%		2018	\$ 47,749	47,749	,	510,688	9.35%
2018	0.0905%	\$ 645,378	\$ 510,688	126.37%	64.24%	RS)	2019	\$ 55,732	55,732	,	532,301	10.47%
2019	0.0950%	\$ 702,563	\$ 532,301	131.99%	64.44%	Schedule of the City's Contributions County Employees' Retirement System (CERS)	2020	\$ 59,936	59,936	ľ	629,583	9.52%
2020	0.1125%	\$ 1,039,998	629,583	165.19%	58.84%	Schedule of the City's Contributions ty Employees' Retirement System (C	2021	64,144	64,144	Ļ	673,781	9.52%
2021	0.1078%	871,239 \$	673,781 \$	129.31%	66.81%	Schedule of ity Employees	2022	52,810 \$	52,810	1	504,392	10.47%
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2022	0.0855%	728,677	504,392	144.47%	64.13%		2023	39,213	39,213		578,357	6.78%
		₩	€9					₩				
2023	0.0877%	\$ 119,972	\$ 578,357	20.74%	92.27%		2024	15,330	15,330	1	594,169	2.58%
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	Proportion of net OPEB liability	Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	Covered payroll in year of measurement	Share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability			Contractually required contribution	Actual contribution	Contribution deficiency (excess)	Covered payroll	Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll

Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

The net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024, is based on the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation. The changes to the elements of the OPEB expense, i.e. the difference between expected and actual earnings on plan investments, changes in assumptions, and the changes in proportion and differences between City's contributions and proportionate share of contributions are detailed in NOTE G in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

CITY OF COLD SPRING, KENTUCKY

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGET TO ACTUAL - MUNICIPAL AID ROAD FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Ві	udgeted Amour	nts			Fin	iance with al Budget avorable
		Original	Revisions		Final	Actual	(Un	favorable)
Budgetary fund balance, July 1	\$	366,087	\$ (277,437)	\$	88,650	\$ 88,650	\$	-
Resources (inflows)								
Intergovernmental		118,203	8,305		126,508	141,456		14,948
Other income		-	45_		45	 1,669		1,624
Amounts available for appropriation		484,290	(269,087)		215,203	 231,775		16,572
Charges to appropriations (outflows)							
Municipal road fund		81,583	680,015	3.	761,598	 649,205		112,393
Total charges to appropriations		81,583	680,015		761,598	649,205		112,393
Transfer from General Fund		-			-	 750,000		750,000
Budgetary fund balance, June 30	\$	402,707	\$ (949,102)	\$	(546,395)	\$ 332,570	\$	878,965



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

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of Council City of Cold Spring, Kentucky

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 and each major fund of the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky as of June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 6, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits of the financial statements, we considered City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Cold Spring, Kentucky'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 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, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Cold Spring, Kentucky's financial statements are free of 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 financial statements. 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*.



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.

Chamberlin Owen & Co., Inc.

Chamberlin Owen & Co., Inc. Erlanger, Kentucky December 6, 2024