CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE JUNE 30, 2024

<u>Name</u> <u>Title</u>

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Tim Shaw Mayor

John Senft Vice Mayor

Kristen Harrison Alderman

Monty Gregory Alderman

Kim Martin Alderman

MANAGEMENT

Kelly Rider City Recorder and CMFO

FINANCIAL SECTION





Independent Auditor's Report

Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Ridgetop, Tennessee

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee (the "City") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City'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 governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the City as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, State Street Aid, and Drug Fund 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 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. 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 and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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'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 and *Government 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 judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

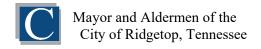
In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- 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'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'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 as listed in the table of contents 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 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 an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The supplementary schedules on pages 41 through 44 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards on page 46 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is also 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 supplementary schedules on pages 41 through 44 and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards on page 46 are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the basic financial statements. The other information comprises the introductory section and the schedule of utility rates, as listed in the table of contents, but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 13, 2024, on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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'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 the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Nashville, Tennessee December 13, 2024

As management of the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee (the "City"), we offer readers of the City's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The analysis focuses on significant financial position, budget changes and variances from the budget, and specific issues related to funds and the economic factors affecting the City. Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") focuses on current year activities and resulting changes.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the City exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$12,618,996. Of this amount, \$5,116,483 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The government's total net position increased by \$1,520,812. The City's governmental expenses increased by \$31,866 due primarily to an increase in public safety expenses. The governmental revenues increased by \$207,975 mainly due to an increase in grants and interest income during the current year. Revenues in the Utility Funds are higher than in the prior year by \$657,619 primarily due to grants revenue of \$616,226. Expenses in the Utility Funds decreased \$116,363 from the prior year mainly due to less natural gas purchases because of a milder winter.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$3,355,293 an increase of \$181,525 in comparison to the prior year. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$2,873,805 or 208% of the total general fund expenditures.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the City's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all the City's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected tax).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the City include general government, personnel, finance, parks, planning, police, fire, disposal service, streets and public works. The business-type activities include a sewer fund and a natural gas fund.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 12 - 13 of this report.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u>. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the City can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds.

<u>Governmental Funds</u>. Governmental Funds are funds used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The City maintains three individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, State Street Aid Fund, and Drug Fund, all of which are considered to be major funds.

The City adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund, State Street Aid Fund, and Drug Fund. Budgetary comparison statements have been provided for these funds to demonstrate compliance with the budgets.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 14 - 23 of this report.

<u>Proprietary Funds</u>. The City has two proprietary funds, which include the Sewer Fund and the Natural Gas Fund. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 24 - 26 of this report.

<u>Notes to the financial statements.</u> The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 27 - 40 of this report.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the City, assets exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$12,618,996 at the close of the most recent fiscal year. The largest portion of the City's assets reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure) less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE FINNANCIAL STATEMENTS – THE CITY'S NET POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

Net Position - Primary Government June 30, 2024 and 2023

	Government	al Activities	Business-Ty	pe Activities	Total			
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023		
Current and other assets	\$ 3,777,492	\$ 3,471,548	\$ 2,598,087	\$ 2,639,766	\$ 6,375,579	\$ 6,111,314		
Capital assets	4,248,802	3,774,730	2,869,433	2,217,134	7,118,235	5,991,864		
Total assets	8,026,294	7,246,278	5,467,520	4,856,900	13,493,814	12,103,178		
Deferred inflows of resources								
Other liabilities	149,743	38,908	78,307	64,338	228,050	103,246		
Long-term liabilities outstanding								
Total liabilities	149,743	38,908	78,307	64,338	228,050	103,246		
Deferred inflows of resources	276,141	267,671	370,627	634,077	646,768	901,748		
Net position:								
Net investment in capital assets	4,248,802	3,774,730	2,869,433	2,217,134	7,118,235	5,991,864		
Restricted	384,278	323,552	-	-	384,278	323,552		
Unrestricted	2,967,330	2,841,417	2,149,153	1,941,351	5,116,483	4,782,768		
Total net position	\$ 7,600,410	\$ 6,939,699	\$ 5,018,586	\$ 4,158,485	\$ 12,618,996	\$ 11,098,184		

At the end to the current fiscal year, the City is able to report positive balances in all categories of net position, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities. The same situation held true for the prior year.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As noted earlier, the City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

<u>Governmental Funds</u>. The focus of the City's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the City's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for discretionary use as they represent a portion of fund balance that has not yet been limited to use for a particular purpose.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$2,873,805. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 208% of total general fund expenditures.

<u>Business-Type Activities</u>. The net position balance of the City's Utility Funds increased by \$860,101 during the current fiscal year, due to a growing local economy.

CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	Government	al Activities	Business-Ty	pe Activities	Total			
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023		
Program revenues:								
Charges for service	\$ 33,853	\$ 64,841	\$ 1,058,935	\$ 1,044,462	\$ 1,092,788	\$ 1,109,303		
Operating grants and contributions	316,609	187,984	-	-	316,609	187,984		
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	616,226	-	616,226	-		
General revenues:								
Property taxes	379,367	377,399	(29,581)	(31,552)	349,786	345,847		
Sales taxes	600,325	558,355	-	-	600,325	558,355		
Other local taxes	39,241	46,349	-	-	39,241	46,349		
Other state shared taxes	6,892	6,952	-	-	6,892	6,952		
Other	215,451	141,883	112,878	85,958	328,329	227,841		
Total revenues	1,591,738	1,383,763	1,758,458	1,098,868	3,350,196	2,482,631		
Expenses:								
General government	264,362	278,644	_	-	264,362	278,644		
Police department	157,743	146,358	-	-	157,743	146,358		
Fire department	209,073	164,518	_	-	209,073	164,518		
Employer's contribution	17,754	14,162	-	-	17,754	14,162		
Parks and recreation	105,119	72,087	-	-	105,119	72,087		
Highways and streets	172,247	165,511	-	-	172,247	165,511		
City court	4,729	5,250	-	-	4,729	5,250		
Natural gas	-	-	441,192	544,496	441,192	544,496		
Sewer			457,165	470,224	457,165	470,224		
Total expenses	931,027	846,530	898,357	1,014,720	1,829,384	1,861,250		
Change in net position	660,711	537,233	860,101	84,148	1,520,812	621,381		
Net position - beginning of year	6,939,699	6,402,466	4,158,485	4,074,337	11,098,184	10,476,803		
Net position - end of year	\$ 7,600,410	\$ 6,939,699	\$ 5,018,586	\$ 4,158,485	\$ 12,618,996	\$ 11,098,184		

GOVERNMENTAL BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

During the year, the City exceeded some of its departmental budgets. See pages 18 - 23 for further analysis.

CAPITAL ASSETS

The City's investment in capital assets from its governmental activities at June 30, 2024, amounts to \$4,248,802 (net of accumulated depreciation) and its business-type activities amounts to \$2,869,433. This investment in capital assets is in land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset purchases during the current fiscal year included the following:

- \$138,938 for a John Deere backhoe
- \$157,859 for fire truck repairs
- \$244,807 for street paving
- \$523,713 for Lake Road sewer main project

Capital Assets June 30, 2024 and 2023

	Governmental Activities			Business-Type Activities					Total			
	2024		2023		2024		2023		2024		2023	
Land	\$ 611,809	\$	611,809	\$	15,000	\$	15,000	\$	626,809	\$	626,809	
Building and improvements	1,304,008		1,266,871		5,238,875		4,555,889		6,542,883		5,822,760	
Infrastructure	3,133,124		2,888,317		-		-		3,133,124		2,888,317	
Equipment	1,164,597		920,597		438,272		299,334		1,602,869		1,219,931	
Construction in progress	278,725		77,516		-		17,880		278,725		95,396	
Total capital assets	 6,492,263		5,765,110		5,692,147		4,888,103		12,184,410		10,653,213	
Less: Accumulated depreciation	 (2,243,461)		(1,990,380)		(2,822,714)		(2,670,969)		(5,066,175)		(4,661,349)	
Capital assets, net	\$ 4,248,802	\$	3,774,730	\$	2,869,433	\$	2,217,134	\$	7,118,235	\$	5,991,864	

Additional information on the City's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements section of this report.

LONG-TERM DEBT

The City has no long-term debt.

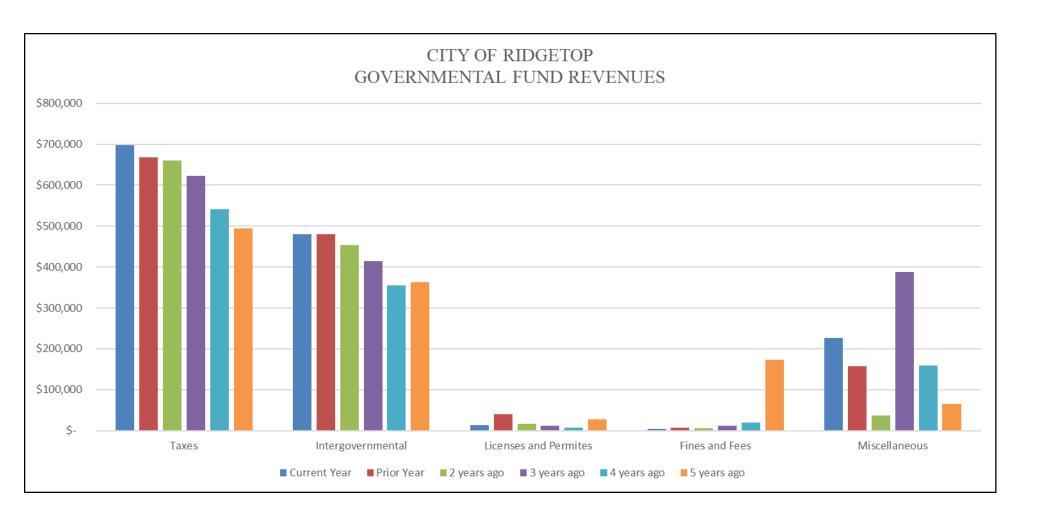
ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

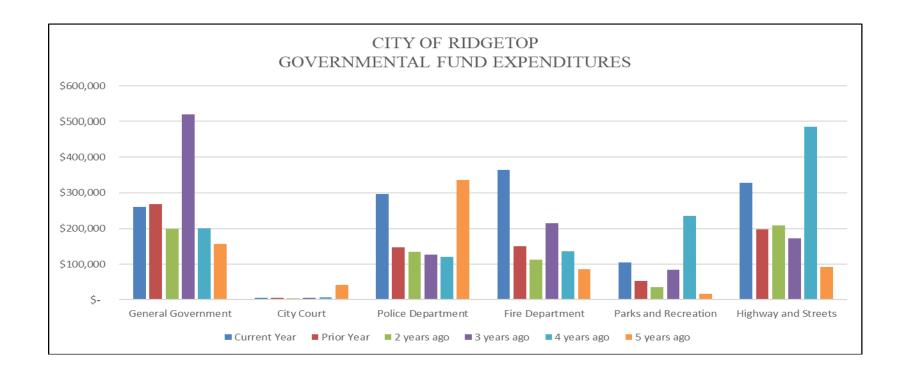
The City's budget has benefited by a stable commercial and retail base producing increasing local sales tax receipts. All of these factors were considered in preparing the City's budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to:

City of Ridgetop Attn: Kelly Rider City Recorder Ridgetop, Tennessee





City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

		vernmental Activities		Business- Type Activities	Total Primary Government		
Assets: Cash	\$	2 496 422	¢	2 200 007	¢	5 696 520	
Taxes receivable	Ф	3,486,432 285,861	\$	2,200,097	\$	5,686,529 285,861	
Accounts and other receivables, net		237,722		50,321		288,043	
Internal balances		(328,854)		328,854		200,043	
Inventory of supplies, at cost		(326,634)		18,815		18,815	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		96,331		10,013		96,331	
Capital assets:		90,331		_		90,331	
Capital assets not being depreciated		890,534		15,000		905,534	
Capital assets not being depreciated Capital assets net of accumulated depreciation		3,358,268		2,854,433		6,212,701	
Cupital assets liet of accumulated depreciation	-	3,330,200		2,034,433		0,212,701	
Total assets		8,026,294		5,467,520		13,493,814	
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		136,338		37,387		173,725	
Accrued compensated absences		13,405		- -		13,405	
Customer deposits		<u>-</u>		40,920		40,920	
Total liabilities		149,743		78,307		228,050	
Deferred Inflows of Resources:							
Grants		=		370,627		370,627	
Property taxes		276,141				276,141	
Total deferred inflows of resources		276,141		370,627		646,768	
Net Position:							
Net investment in capital assets		4,248,802		2,869,433		7,118,235	
Restricted for:							
State street aid		382,857		-		382,857	
Drug fund		1,421		-		1,421	
Unrestricted		2,967,330		2,149,153		5,116,483	
Total net position	\$	7,600,410	\$	5,018,586	\$	12,618,996	

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

							Changes in Net Position							
			Program Revenues							Primary Government				
					0	perating		Capital		,		-		
			C	harges for	Gi	rants and	G	rants and	Go	vernmental	Bu	siness-Type		
Functions/Programs]	Expenses		Services	Cor	itributions	Co	ntributions	1	Activities		Activities		Total
Primary Government:														
Governmental Activities:														
General Government	\$	264,362	\$	29,832	\$	148,151	\$	_	\$	(86,379)	\$	_	\$	(86,379)
City Court	Ψ	4,729	Ψ	27,032	Ψ	- 10,151	Ψ	_	Ψ	(4,729)	Ψ	_	Ψ	(4,729)
Public Safety:		7,729		-		-		-		(4,729)		-		(4,729)
Police Department		157,743		4.021						(153,722)				(153,722)
Fire Department		209,073		4,021		89,125		-		(119,948)		-		(119,948)
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Highways and Streets		172,247		-		79,333		-		(92,914)		-		(92,914)
Employer's Contribution		17,754		-		-		-		(17,754)		-		(17,754)
Parks and Recreation		105,119		-		-				(105,119)				(105,119)
Total Governmental Activities		931,027	_	33,853		316,609				(580,565)				(580,565)
Business-Type Activities:														
Sewer Fund		457,165		578,107		_		616,226		_		737,168		737,168
Natural Gas Fund		441,192		480,828		_		-		_		39,636		39,636
Total Business-Type Activities	_	898,357		1,058,935			_	616,226				776,804	_	776,804
Total Business Type Teavities		070,557		1,050,755				010,220	-			770,001	_	770,001
Total primary government	\$	1,829,384	\$	1,092,788	\$	316,609	\$	616,226		(580,565)		776,804		196,239
General revenues:														
Taxes:														
Property taxes										311,585		-		311,585
Public utilities taxes										38,201		-		38,201
Sales taxes										600,325		-		600,325
Business taxes										38,294		_		38,294
Beer taxes										947		_		947
State income and excise tax										6,892		_		6,892
Interest income										161,102		112,878		273,980
Miscellaneous										54,349		,		54,349
Transfers - in lieu of property taxes										29,581		(29,581)		
Total general revenues and transfers										1,241,276		83,297		1,324,573
S														
Change in net position										660,711		860,101		1,520,812
Net position - beginning										6,939,699		4,158,485		11,098,184
Net position - ending									\$	7,600,410	\$	5,018,586	\$	12,618,996

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

		General Fund		State Street Aid Fund		Drug Fund		Total vernmental Funds
Assets:								
Cash	\$	3,114,691	\$	370,320	\$	1,421	\$	3,486,432
Receivables (net, where applicable,								
allowances for uncollectible):								
Taxes receivable		285,861		=		-		285,861
Other governments		224,226		13,496		-		237,722
Prepaid expenses and other assets		96,331		-		-		96,331
Total assets	\$	3,721,109	\$	383,816	\$	1,421	\$	4,106,346
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable	\$	135,379	\$	959	\$	-	\$	136,338
Due to other funds		328,854						328,854
Total liabilities		464,233		959				465,192
Deferred Inflows of Resources:								
Unavailable revenue - current property taxes		276,141		-		-		276,141
Unavailable revenue - delinquent property taxes		9,720		-		-		9,720
Total deferred inflows of resources		285,861		-		-		285,861
Fund Balances:								
Nonspendable		96,331		_		_		96,331
Restricted		-		382,857		1,421		384,278
Assigned - police		879		-		-,		879
Unassigned		2,873,805		_		_		2,873,805
Total fund balances		2,971,015		382,857		1,421		3,355,293
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Total liabilities, deferred inflows	Ф	2.721.100	Φ	202.016	Ф	1 401	Φ	4.106.246
of resources, and fund balances	\$	3,721,109	\$	383,816	\$	1,421	\$	4,106,346

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

Total fund balances of governmental funds	\$ 3,355,293
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources,	
and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	4,248,802
Receivables not available to pay for current expenditures, and therefore, are unavailable in the governmental funds.	9,720
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current	
period, and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	
Compensated absences	 (13,405)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 7,600,410

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	S S		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 697,672	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 697,672
Intergovernmental	544,189	74,993	-	619,182
Licenses and permits	12,792	-	-	12,792
Fines and fees	4,021	-	-	4,021
Miscellaneous	212,383	16,107		228,490
Total revenues	1,471,057	91,100		1,562,157
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General Government	217,914	-	-	217,914
City Court	4,729	=	=	4,729
Public Safety:				
Police Department	297,315	-	-	297,315
Fire Department	146,153	-	-	146,153
Highways and Streets	22,170	30,374	-	52,544
Employer's Contribution	17,754	-	-	17,754
Parks and Recreation	86,223	-	-	86,223
Capital outlay:				
General Government	42,656	=	-	42,656
Public Safety:	210.064			210.064
Fire Department	218,864	-	=	218,864
Highways and Streets	306,444	=	-	306,444
Parks and Recreation	19,617	-		19,617
Total expenditures	1,379,839	30,374		1,410,213
Excess of revenues				
over expenditures	91,218	60,726		151,944
Other Financing Sources:				
Transfers in - in lieu of taxes	29,581	_	_	29,581
Total other financing sources	29,581			29,581
Net change in fund balances	120,799	60,726	-	181,525
Fund balance - beginning	2,850,216	322,131	1,421	3,173,768
Fund balance - ending	\$ 2,971,015	\$ 382,857	\$ 1,421	\$ 3,355,293

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee 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	\$ 181,525
Amounts reported for the governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities,	
the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Specifically these items are as follows:	
Capital assets added	727,153
Depreciation expense	(253,081)
Expenses reported in the statement of activities that do not require the use of current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds for:	
Compensated absences	5,114
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Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 660,711

	Budgeted	l Amo	ounts			Var	iance with
	Original Original		Final			Fin	al Budget
	Budget	lget Budget		Actual		Ove	r (Under)
REVENUES:	 						
Taxes:							
Property taxes	\$ 295,000	\$	295,000	\$	309,228	\$	14,228
Public utilities taxes	12,000		12,000		11,791		(209)
Interest and penalty on taxes	350		350		2,357		2,007
Local sales tax	250,000		250,000		336,002		86,002
Business tax	8,000		8,000		18,967		10,967
Cable TV tax	18,000		18,000		19,327		1,327
Total Taxes	 583,350		583,350		697,672		114,322
Intergovernmental:							
Grants	165,983		165,983		148,151		(17,832)
State sales tax	246,480		246,480		264,323		17,843
State income tax	3,200		3,200		-		(3,200)
State beer tax	945		945		947		2
State special petroleum tax	3,759		3,759		4,340		581
TVA payments in lieu of taxes	24,648		24,648		26,410		1,762
County - fire department support	59,125		59,125		89,125		30,000
Corporate excise tax	5,500		5,500		6,892		1,392
Sports betting	2,054		2,054		4,001		1,947
Total Intergovernmental	511,694		511,694		544,189		32,495
Licenses and Permits:							
Building licenses	10,000		10,000		12,792		2,792
Total Licenses and Permits	10,000		10,000		12,792		2,792
Fines and Fees:							
City court fines and fees	2,500		2,500		4,021		1,521
Total Fines and Fees	2,500		2,500		4,021		1,521
Miscellaneous:							
Miscellaneous revenues	3,000		3,000		9,037		6,037
Rent	16,400		16,400		17,040		640
Park events	500		500		15,150		14,650
Interest income	25,000		25,000		144,995		119,995
Insurance recoveries	-		-		26,161		26,161
	44,900		44,900		212,383		167,483
Total Revenues	 1,152,444		1,152,444		1,471,057		318,613

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with	
	Original	Final		Final Budget	
	Budget	Budget	Actual	Over (Under)	
EXPENDITURES:					
General Government:					
Mayor and Alderman:					
Salaries	7,200	7,200	7,000	(200)	
Advertising	1,500	1,500	1,305	(195)	
Dues and fees	10,500	10,500	16,264	5,764	
Professional services	36,500	36,500	23,566	(12,934)	
Property tax expense	2,000	2,000	-	(2,000)	
Zoning expense	15,000	15,000	1,401	(13,599)	
Repair and maintenance	3,000	3,000	- -	(3,000)	
Insurance	25,000	25,000	10,920	(14,080)	
Miscellaneous	2,000	2,000	207	(1,793)	
	102,700	102,700	60,663	(42,037)	
Capital outlay	5,000	5,000	-	(5,000)	
Total Mayor and Alderman	107,700	107,700	60,663	(47,037)	
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Recorder's office:					
Salaries	55,811	55,811	48,008	(7,803)	
Training	3,500	3,500	2,641	(859)	
Postage	1,000	1,000	411	(589)	
Telephone	5,800	5,800	5,682	(118)	
Office supplies	1,500	1,500	3,150	1,650	
Computer and copier expense	2,800	2,800	3,865	1,065	
Equipment maintenance	500	500		(500)	
Insurance	2,700	2,700	527	(2,173)	
Data processing	11,000	11,000	8,113	(2,887)	
Miscellaneous	500	500	199	(301)	
	85,111	85,111	72,596	(12,515)	
Capital outlay	6,000	6,000	5,519	(481)	
Total Recorder's office	91,111	91,111	78,115	(12,996)	
Government building:					
Salaries	-	-	765	765	
Utilities	40,000	40,000	35,643	(4,357)	
Repair and maintenance	75,000	75,000	34,796	(40,204)	
Insurance	25,500	25,500	12,597	(12,903)	
Supplies	2,000	2,000	854	(1,146)	
Miscellaneous	500	500		(500)	
	143,000	143,000	84,655	(58,345)	
Capital outlay	10,000	10,000	37,137	27,137	
Total Government building	153,000	153,000	121,792	(31,208)	
Total General Government	351,811	351,811	260,570	(91,241)	

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with	
	Original	Final		Final Budget	
	Budget	Budget	Actual	Over (Under)	
City Court:					
Salaries	600	600	-	(600)	
Data processing Services	4,200	4,200	4,729	529	
Computer Expenses	700	700	-	(700)	
Total City Court	5,500	5,500	4,729	(771)	
Public Safety:					
Grant expenses	160,983	160,983	139,572	(21,411)	
Professional services	159,856	159,856	157,743	(2,113)	
Total Police Department	320,839	320,839	297,315	(23,524)	
Fire Department:					
Salaries	54,080	54,080	55,168	1,088	
Training	1,000	1,000	133	(867)	
Telephone	2,800	2,800	2,592	(208)	
Repair and maintenance	10,000	45,000	38,422	(6,578)	
Gas and oil	3,000	3,000	2,474	(526)	
Supplies	5,300	5,300	5,459	159	
Clothing and uniforms	10,000	10,000	210	(9,790)	
Equipment	15,000	15,000	-	(15,000)	
Insurance	9,200	9,200	13,797	4,597	
Professional services	27,217	27,217	27,217	-	
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	681	(319)	
	138,597	173,597	146,153	(27,444)	
Capital outlay	205,747	216,638	218,864	2,226	
Total Fire	344,344	390,235	365,017	(25,218)	
Total Public Safety	665,183	711,074	662,332	(48,742)	
Highways and Streets:					
Repair and maintenance	20,000	20,000	22,004	2,004	
Insurance	900	900	166	(734)	
Miscellaneous	100	100	-	(100)	
	21,000	21,000	22,170	1,170	
Capital outlay	470,000	608,938	306,444	(302,494)	
Total Highways and Streets	491,000	629,938	328,614	(301,324)	
Employer's contributions for employee benefits	16,365	18,365	17,754	(611)	

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with	
	Original	Final		Final Budget	
	Budget	Budget	Actual	Over (Under)	
Parks and Recreation:					
Salaries	2,483	2,483	2,410	(73)	
Supplies	10,000	10,000	11,116	1,116	
Activities	15,000	15,000	30,628	15,628	
Insurance	3,000	3,000	1,552	(1,448)	
Repair and maintenance	60,000	60,000	40,517	(19,483)	
Park rental reimbursement	1,200	1,200	-	(1,200)	
Miscellaneous	500	500	-	(500)	
	92,183	92,183	86,223	(5,960)	
Capital outlay	100,000	100,000	19,617	(80,383)	
Total Parks and Recreation	192,183	192,183	105,840	(86,343)	
Total Expenditures	1,722,042	1,908,871	1,379,839	(529,032)	
Other financing sources					
Transfers in - in lieu of taxes	29,581	29,581	29,581	-	
Total other financing sources	29,581	29,581	29,581		
Net change in fund balance	(540,017)	(726,846)	120,799	847,645	
Fund balance - beginning	2,850,216	2,850,216	2,850,216		
Fund balance - ending	\$ 2,310,199	\$ 2,123,370	\$ 2,971,015	\$ 847,645	

	Budgeted Amounts					Var	iance with		
		Original		Final				al Budget	
	Budget			Budget		Actual		Over (Under)	
REVENUES:									
State street aid fund revenue	\$	73,328	\$	73,328	\$	74,993	\$	1,665	
Miscellaneous:									
Interest		300		300		16,107		15,807	
Total revenues		73,628		73,628		91,100		17,472	
EXPENDITURES:									
Highways and streets:									
Street lighting		38,000		33,000		28,901		(4,099)	
Maintenance and repair		20,000		20,000		1,473		(18,527)	
Liability insurance		1,500		1,500		-		(1,500)	
Miscellaneous		500		500		-		(500)	
Total highways and streets		60,000		55,000		30,374		(24,626)	
Total expenditures		60,000		55,000		30,374		(24,626)	
Net change in fund balance		13,628		18,628		60,726		42,098	
Fund balance - beginning		322,131		322,131		322,131			
Fund balance - ending	\$	335,759	\$	340,759	\$	382,857	\$	42,098	

	Budgeted Amounts						Varia	nce with
	0	riginal	Final Budget		Actual		Final Budget Over (Under)	
	В	Budget						
REVENUES:								
Fines and forfeitures:								
Drug related	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total revenues		-		-		-		
EXPENDITURES:								
Miscellaneous		-		-		-		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-
Total expenditures		-		-		-		-
Net change in fund balance		-		-		-		-
Fund balance - beginning		1,421		1,421		1,421		
Fund balance - ending	\$	1,421	\$	1,421	\$	1,421	\$	

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Statement of Net Position Proprietary Funds June 30, 2024

	Sewer Fund	Natural Gas Fund	Total
Assets:			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 955,1	76 \$ 1,244,921	\$ 2,200,097
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	48,4	34 1,887	50,321
Due from other funds	328,8	54 -	328,854
Inventory		18,815	18,815
Total current assets	1,332,4	1,265,623	2,598,087
Capital assets:			
Land - not being depreciated	15,0	- 00	15,000
Utility plant in service	4,616,5	26 1,060,621	5,677,147
Less accumulated depreciation	(2,240,7	23) (581,991)	(2,822,714)
Capital assets, net	2,390,8	03 478,630	2,869,433
Total assets	3,723,2	67 1,744,253	5,467,520
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	8,0	42 29,345	37,387
Customer deposits	14,1	50 26,770	40,920
Total current liabilities	22,1	92 56,115	78,307
Total liabilities	22,1	92 56,115	78,307
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Grants	370,6	27 -	370,627
Total deferred inflows of resources	370,6	27 -	370,627
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	2,390,8	03 478,630	2,869,433
Unrestricted	939,6	45 1,209,508	2,149,153
Total net position	\$ 3,330,4	48 \$ 1,688,138	\$ 5,018,586

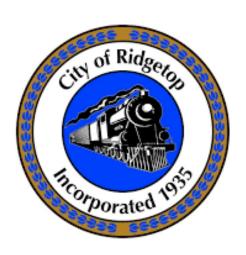
City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Sewer Fund		Natural Gas Fund		Total
Operating Revenues:					
Charges for services	\$	573,510	\$	474,594	\$ 1,048,104
Miscellaneous		4,597		6,234	10,831
Total operating revenues		578,107		480,828	1,058,935
Operating Expenses:					
Salaries		81,444		117,627	199,071
Employee benefits		11,146		33,249	44,395
Utilities		1,518		6,072	7,590
Maintenance and supplies		96,523		60,002	156,525
Uniforms		824		-	824
Office expenses		5,499		7,410	12,909
Depreciation		111,354		40,391	151,745
Natural gas purchased		-		109,975	109,975
Automobile expenses		2,916		5,386	8,302
Insurance		12,379		16,945	29,324
Sewer treatment		95,229		_	95,229
Professional services		35,610		30,830	66,440
Rent		2,400		12,000	14,400
Miscellaneous		323		1,305	1,628
Total operating expenses		457,165		441,192	898,357
Operating income		120,942		39,636	 160,578
Non-operating Income:					
Interest income		50,189		62,689	112,878
Capital grant revenue		616,226		_	616,226
Total non-operating income		666,415		62,689	729,104
Transfers - in lieu of tax - out		(8,577)		(21,004)	 (29,581)
Change in net position		778,780		81,321	860,101
Net position, beginning of year		2,551,668		1,606,817	 4,158,485
Net position, end of year	\$	3,330,448	\$	1,688,138	\$ 5,018,586

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Sewer Fund			Natural Gas Fund	Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		- Tunu		<u>Jus I unu</u>	 10441
Receipts from customers	\$	573,648	\$	481,903	\$ 1,055,551
Payments to general fund		(347,412)	·	-	(347,412)
Payments to or on behalf of employees		(92,590)		(150,876)	(243,466)
Payments to suppliers		(263,071)		(244,891)	(507,962)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(129,425)		86,136	(43,289)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:					
Receipts from grants		352,776		-	352,776
Transfers to other funds		(8,577)		(21,004)	(29,581)
Net cash (used in) provided by noncapital		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
financing activities		344,199		(21,004)	323,195
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:					
Cash payments for the purchase of capital assets		(715,890)		(88,154)	(804,044)
Net cash used in capital and related					
financing activities		(715,890)		(88,154)	 (804,044)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:					
Interest income		50,189		62,689	112,878
Net cash provided by investing activities		50,189		62,689	112,878
Net (decrease) increase in cash		(450,927)		39,667	(411,260)
Cash, Beginning of Year		1,406,103		1,205,254	2,611,357
Cash, End of Year	\$	955,176	\$	1,244,921	\$ 2,200,097
Reconciliation of operating income to net					
cash provided by operating activities:					
Operating income	\$	120,942	\$	39,636	\$ 160,578
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to		,	·	,	,
net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation		111,354		40,391	151,745
(Increase) decrease in assets:		ŕ		Ź	ŕ
Accounts receivable		(9,534)		-	(9,534)
Inventory		-		(6,765)	(6,765)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:				,	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(5,075)		17,669	12,594
Customer deposits		300		1,075	1,375
Due to/from other funds		(347,412)		(5,870)	(353,282)
Total adjustments		(250,367)		46,500	(203,867)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	\$	(129,425)	\$	86,136	\$ (43,289)

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The City of Ridgetop, Tennessee (the "City") was incorporated by the Private Act of the Tennessee General Assembly. The City provides the following services, as authorized by its charter and duly passed ordinances: public safety (Police and Fire), sewerage, natural gas services, streets, recreations, public improvements, planning and zoning, and general administrative services. The accounting policies of the City conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

Reporting Entity

In evaluating the City as a reporting entity, management follows all GASB statements and has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting entities) for which the City may be financially accountable and, as such, should be included within the City's financial statements. The City (the primary government) is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) it is able to impose its will on the organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefit or to impose specific financial burden on the City. Additionally, the primary government is required to consider other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The City has no component units at year-end.

Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements consist of the statement of net position and the statement of activities and report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Government activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of net position presents the City's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories:

- Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt that is attributable to the acquisition, construction and improvement of those assets. Debt that was issued for capital purposes is not a part of the calculation of net investment in capital assets, until the proceeds have been used to acquire capital assets.
- Restricted net position results from restriction placed on net position by external sources such as creditors, grantors and contributors, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

• *Unrestricted net position* consists of net position which does not meet the definition of the two proceeding categories.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct and indirect expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. Indirect expenses are allocated based on the annual cost allocation plan. Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity, and 2) grants and contributions, including special assessments that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The accounts of the City are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual proprietary - enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

- The General Fund is the City's primary operating fund. It accounts for all the financial resources and the legally authorized activities of the City except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The State Street Aid Fund is used to account for the receipt and usage of the City's share
 of State gasoline taxes. State law requires these gasoline taxes to be used to maintain
 streets.
- Drug Fund is used to account for drug fines received and usage of those monies to further drug investigations.

The City reports the following major proprietary - enterprise funds:

- The Sewer Fund accounts for the activities of providing sewer services to the citizens of the City.
- The Natural Gas Fund accounts for natural gas services to the citizens of the City.

CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2024

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund revenues are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they become both measurable and collectable within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The government considers property taxes and most governmental revenues as available if received within 60 days of year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund 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 when payment is due.

Property taxes, state shared revenues, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period using the criteria specified in the paragraph above. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu taxes and other charges between the government's utilities and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as program revenues include (i) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (ii) operating grants and contributions, and (iii) capital grants and contributions. General revenues include all taxes and internally dedicated resources.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the various utility funds are charges to customers for sales and services. The Utility Fund also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

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 they are needed. When unrestricted funds are used, the City uses committed, assigned, and then unassigned funds.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of savings accounts, certificates of deposit with original maturities three months or less, and amounts held by the State Local Government Investment Pool.

Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds of the Enterprise Fund bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on their respective balance sheets because they are maintained in separate bank accounts and their use is either limited by applicable bond covenants or represent proceeds from bond issues that are restricted for use in construction.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The government has no items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The government has items that qualify for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the items are reported in the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental funds balance sheet. These revenues are from the following sources: current and delinquent property taxes as well as grants, which do not meet the availability criteria in governmental funds. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either due from/due to other funds (i.e. the current portion of interfund loans). Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as internal balances.

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available resources. All trade receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible, if applicable.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted - net position and unrestricted - net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the City's policy to consider restricted - net position to have been depleted before unrestricted - net position is applied.

Inventory

Inventory of the Utility Fund is valued at cost, using the first in first out method. Inventory of all the governmental funds consists of expendable supplies held for consumption and are recorded at cost under the consumption method.

Property Tax

The City's property tax is levied each November 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and personal property located in the City's legal boundaries. All City taxes on real estate are declared to be a lien on such realty from January 1 of the year assessments are made.

Assessed values are established by the State of Tennessee at the following rates of appraised market value:

Public Utility Property	55%
Industrial and Commercial	40%
Personal	30%
Farm and Residential Property	25%

Taxes were levied at a rate of \$0.3770 per \$100 of assessed valuation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Payments may be made during the period from November 1 through March 31. Current tax collections of \$267,672 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 were approximately 100 percent of the tax levy.

Delinquent taxes are turned over to the City Attorney for collection as required by the City Municipal Code.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, and infrastructure assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, including roads, bridges, streets and sidewalks, and drainage systems are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of three years. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated useful life in excess of three years. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date donated. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Interest costs incurred during the construction phase of capital assets are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Y ears</u>
Infrastructure	40 - 50 years
Buildings	10 - 50 years
Utility Plant in Service	10 - 50 years
Furniture and Equipment	5 - 10 years

Compensated Absences

The City has accrued a liability for vacation pay, which is earned but not yet taken by the City's employees.

	Balance			Balance
	June 30, 2023	<u>Additions</u>	Retirements	June 30, 2024
Governmental activities	\$18,520	\$10,627	<u>\$(15,742)</u>	<u>\$13,405</u>

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds and are presented in the accompanying financial statements as other assets, when applicable. Debt issuance costs, when applicable, are recognized as an expense.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Financial instruments that potentially subject the City to significant concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and accounts receivable. The City places its cash with federally-insured financial institutions, institutions participating in the State collateral pool. With respect to accounts receivable, credit risk is dispersed across a large number of customers concentrated within one area of service.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The City follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. Formal budgets are adopted and approved by Council vote on an annual basis for the General and Special Revenue Funds. These budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP").
- b. The City Council approves, by ordinance, total budget appropriations by department only. The Mayor is authorized to transfer budget amounts between line items within each department; however, any revisions that alter the total appropriations of any fund must be approved by the City Council.
- c. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts as amended during the year.

During the year, the City had one department exceed their departmental budget; however, the amount was immaterial.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Fund Balances

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, governmental funds report fund balance in classifications based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Based on the requirements of GASB No. 54, fund balances are reported in the following categories:

- Nonspendable fund balance amounts that cannot currently be spent, such as inventories.
- Restricted fund balance fund balances that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by external parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balance amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the City's Board.
- Assigned fund balance amounts the City intends to use for a specific purpose, but do not meet the definition of being restricted or committed. Intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority.
- Unassigned fund balance represents the residual classification and includes all spendable amounts not included in other classifications within the General Fund that are available for any purpose.

Only by Board approval (via ordinance) can fund balance amounts be classified as committed or assigned. Board approval (via ordinance) is required to establish, modify or rescind a fund balance requirement.

B. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The City is authorized to invest funds in Federal treasury bills and notes, State of Tennessee Local Government Investment Pool and financial institution demand deposit accounts and certificates of deposit. During the year, the City invested funds that were not immediately needed in certificates of deposits, savings accounts, and investments in the State of Tennessee Local Government Investment Pool. The City has deposit policies to minimize custodial credit risks.

B. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - Continued

All deposits with financial institutions must be secured by one of two methods. One method involves financial institutions that participate in the bank collateral pool administered by the state treasurer. Participating banks determine the aggregate balance of their public fund accounts for the State of Tennessee and its political subdivisions. The amount of collateral required to secure these public deposits must equal at least 105 percent of the average daily balance of public deposits held. Collateral securities required to be pledged by the participating banks to protect their public fund accounts are pledged to the state treasurer on behalf of the bank collateral pool. The securities pledged to protect these accounts are pledged in the aggregate rather than against each account. The members of the pool may be required by agreement to pay an assessment to cover any deficiency. Under this additional assessment agreement, public fund accounts covered by the pool are considered to be insured for purposes of credit risk disclosure.

For deposits with financial institutions that do not participate in the bank collateral pool, state statutes require that all deposits be collateralized with collateral whose market value is equal to 105 percent of the uninsured amount of the deposits. Cash and cash equivalents were adequately covered by federal depository insurance, insured by the depository bank's participation in the State of Tennessee Bank Collateral Pool or collateralized by securities, pledged for deposits, held by an independent third-party financial institution under the terms of a safekeeping collateral agreement in the City's name. Investment policies of the City follow state law and bond requirements prohibiting investments that are not secured or insured by the U.S. Government.

C. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2024 consists of the following:

<u>Fund</u>	Other <u>Government</u>	Property <u>Taxes</u>	Customer and Other Accounts	<u>Total</u>	
General Fund	\$224,226	\$285,861	\$ -	\$510,087	
State Street Aid Fund	13,496	-	-	13,496	
Sewer Fund	-	-	64,699	64,699	
Natural Gas Fund	-	-	1,887	1,887	
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts		<u>-</u> _	(16,265)	(16,265)	
Total	<u>\$237,722</u>	<u>\$285,861</u>	<u>\$ 50,321</u>	<u>\$573,904</u>	

D. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

A summary of changes in governmental activities capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

	Balance <u>June 30, 2023</u>		Reductions	Balance June 30, 2024
Capital assets, not being depreciated -				
Land	\$ 611,809	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 611,809
Construction in progress	77,516	201,209		278,725
Subtotal	689,325	201,209		890,534
Capital assets, being depreciated -				
Building and improvements	1,266,871	37,137	-	1,304,008
Infrastructure	2,888,317	244,807	-	3,133,124
Equipment	920,597	244,000		1,164,597
Subtotal	5,075,785	525,944		5,601,729
Accumulated depreciated -				
Building and improvements	664,866	48,510	-	713,376
Infrastructure	719,253	125,687	-	844,940
Equipment	606,261	78,884		685,145
Subtotal	1,990,380	253,081		2,243,461
Capital assets, being depreciated	3,085,405	272,863		3,358,268
Capital assets, net	\$3,774,730	<u>\$474,072</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$4,248,802</u>

Included in construction in progress for the governmental activities capital assets at June 30, 2024 is the Shedden Road Bridge Project that has an estimated cost to complete of approximately \$428,000.

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

General Government	\$ 51,562
Public Safety:	
Fire Department	62,920
Highways and Streets	119,703
Parks Department	18,896
Total	<u>\$253,081</u>

D. <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u> - Continued

A summary of changes in business-type activities capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2024 is presented below:

Sewer Fund	Balance <u>June 30, 2023</u>	Additions Reductions		Balance June 30, 2024
Plant in service Capital assets, not being depreciated -				
Land Construction in progress	\$ 15,000 <u>17,880</u>	\$ - <u>523,713</u>	\$ - 541,593	\$ 15,000
Subtotal	32,880	523,713	541,593	<u> 15,000</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated - Plant and distribution Equipment Subtotal	3,769,983 112,773 3,882,756	594,832 138,938 733,770	- 	4,364,815 251,711 4,616,526
Accumulated depreciated - Plant and distribution Equipment Subtotal	2,021,223 108,146 2,129,369	110,385 969 111,354	- 	2,131,608 109,115 2,240,723
Plant in service, being depreciated	1,753,387	622,416		2,375,803
Net plant in service	<u>\$1,786,267</u>	<u>\$1,146,129</u>	<u>\$ 541,593</u>	<u>\$2,390,803</u>

CAPITAL ASSETS - Continued D.

Natural	Gas
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Natural Gas				
	Balance			Balance
	June 30, 2023	<u>Additions</u>	Reductions	June 30, 2024
Plant in service				
Capital assets, not being				
depreciated -				
Plant and distribution	\$577,970	\$ 5,269	\$ -	\$ 583,239
Building	207,936	82,885	_	290,821
Equipment	186,561	<u> </u>		186,561
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Subtotal	972,467	88,154		1,060,621
Accumulated depreciated -				
Plant and distribution	385,657	18,998	_	404,655
Building	19,413	7,282	_	26,695
Equipment	136,530	14,111		150,641
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Subtotal	<u>541,600</u>	40,391		<u>581,991</u>
Plant in service, being				
Depreciated	430,867	47,763		478,630
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Net plant in service	<u>\$430,867</u>	<u>\$47,763</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 478,630</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the business-type activities as follows:

Sewer Fund	\$111,354
Natural Gas Fund	40,391
Total	<u>\$151,745</u>

E. RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks to general liability and property and casualty losses. The City has decided it was more economically feasible to join a public entity risk pool as opposed to purchasing commercial insurance for general liability and property and casualty coverage. The City joined TML Insurance Pool which is a public entity risk pool established by the Tennessee Municipal League, an association of member cities. The City pays an annual premium to the TML for its general liability and property and casualty insurance coverage. The creation of the pool provides for it to be self-sustaining through member premiums. The City has not had any claims in excess of insurance coverage during the last three years.

F. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2024 are attributable to unsettled balances at year end primarily for internal billings and transfers between funds and are expected to be repaid within one year. As of June 30, 2024, the General Fund has \$328,854 due to the Sewer Fund.

During the year, the Sewer Fund transferred \$8,577 to the General Fund and the Natural Gas Fund transferred \$21,004 to the General Fund as an in-lieu tax payment.

G. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Litigation

The City has outstanding litigation related to the closure of the City's police department. These claims are in the early stages of proceeding through the legal system. City management believes that there will be no material unfavorable outcomes related to the claims.

Grants

Amounts received from Grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by Grantor agencies, principally the Federal government. Any disallowed claims including amounts already collected, could become a liability of the applicable fund.

H. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The following are recent accounting pronouncements which, to the extent applicable, pose consideration for the City. Management is currently in the process of determining the impact of these Statements to the City's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences* Effective Date: The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures* Effective Date: For fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, and all reporting periods thereafter.

H. <u>RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS</u> - Continued

GASB issued Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*, which is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2025, fiscal year 2026 for the City.

GASB issued Statement No. 104, *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets*, which is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2025, fiscal year 2026 for the City.

I. <u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>

Management has evaluated subsequent events through December 13, 2024, the date the financial statements were available for issuance, and has determined there were no subsequent events requiring disclosure.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Capital Assets Used in the Operation of the Governmental Funds Schedule of Changes in Capital Assets - By Type June 30, 2024

Description	Jı	Balance aly 1, 2023	A	additions	Ret	irements	Ju	Balance ne 30, 2024
Land	\$	611,809	\$	-	\$	-	\$	611,809
Buildings and improvements		1,266,871		37,137		-		1,304,008
Infrastructure		2,888,317		244,807		-		3,133,124
Equipment		920,597		244,000		-		1,164,597
Construction in progress		77,516		201,209				278,725
	\$	5,765,110	\$	727,153	\$		\$	6,492,263

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Capital Assets Used in the Operation of the Governmental Funds Schedule of Changes in Capital Assets - By Function and Activity June 30, 2024

Description - Asset Cost	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Infrastructure	Equipment	Construction in Progress	Total
General government	\$ 611,809	\$ 1,014,474	\$ -	\$ 107,350	\$ -	\$ 1,733,633
Public safety:						
Police department	-	-	-	26,747	139,572	166,319
Fire department	-	-	-	923,241	-	923,241
Highways and streets	-	-	3,133,124	38,910	-	3,172,034
Parks and recreation		289,534		68,349	139,153	497,036
	611,809	1,304,008	3,133,124	1,164,597	278,725	6,492,263
Description - Accumulated Depreciation	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Infrastructure	Equipment	Construction in Progress	Total
General government	-	(518,960)	-	(73,325)	-	(592,285)
Public safety:						
Police department	-	-	-	(26,747)	-	(26,747)
Fire department	-	-	-	(535,508)	-	(535,508)
Highways and streets	-	-	(844,940)	(29,072)	-	(874,012)
Parks and recreation		(194,416)		(20,493)		(214,909)
		(713,376)	(844,940)	(685,145)		(2,243,461)
Description - Net Book Value	Land	Buildings and Improvements	Infrastructure	Equipment	Construction in Progress	Total
General government	611,809	495,514	-	34,025	-	1,141,348
Public safety:						
Police department	-	-	-	-	139,572	139,572
Fire department	-	-	-	387,733	-	387,733
Highways and streets	-	-	2,288,184	9,838	-	2,298,022
Parks and recreation		95,118		47,856	139,153	282,127
	\$ 611,809	\$ 590,632	\$ 2,288,184	\$ 479,452	\$ 278,725	\$ 4,248,802

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Schedule of Cash and Cash Equivalents All Funds June 30, 2024

	Carrying Value	
General Fund - Demand deposits	\$	3,114,691
State Street Aid Fund - Demand deposits		370,320
Drug Fund - Demand deposits		1,421
Proprietary Funds:		
Sewer Fund - Demand deposits Natural Gas Fund - Demand deposits		955,176 1,244,921
Total Proprietary Funds		2,200,097
	\$	5,686,529

City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Schedule of Changes in Property Taxes Receivable For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Tax Year	Balance ly 1, 2023	 Levy	an	ollections d Changes Adjustments	Balance ne 30, 2024
2024	\$ _	\$ 276,141	\$	_	\$ 276,141
2023	267,671	-		262,532	5,139
2022	5,798	-		2,927	2,871
2021	2,405	-		1,263	1,142
2020	1,135	-		948	187
2019	220	-		(20)	240
2018	32	_		-	32
2017	6	-		_	6
2016	103	-		-	103
2015	22	-		22	
	\$ 277,392	\$ 276,141	\$	267,672	\$ 285,861

		Tax Rate		Tax Levy	Collections and Changes and Adjustments	Οι 	utstanding Taxes
2024	\$	0.3770	\$	276,141	_	\$	276,141
2023	Ψ	0.6325	Ψ	267,671	262,532	Ψ	5,139
2022		0.6325		285,000	282,129		2,871
2021		0.6325		285,000	283,858		1,142
2020		0.6325		285,000	284,813		187
2019		0.6325		275,000	274,760		240
2018		0.7998		277,586	277,554		32
2017		0.7998		270,325	270,319		6
2016		0.7998		268,105	268,002		103
2015		0.7600		261,899	261,899		-

^{*} All delinquent property taxes have been turned over to the County for collection except for the 2023 tax year.

CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE SCHEDULE OF UTILITY RATES JUNE 30, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

Sewer Rates

Inside City Outside City

Minimum charge \$41.40 N/A

User charge \$6.72 per 1,000 gallons N/A

The number of active customers at June 30, 2024 was 600.

Natural Gas Rates

Minimum charge \$10.00

User charge \$1.05 per cubic foot \$1.10 per cubic foot

The number of active customers at June 30, 2024 was 603.

CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Assistance Listing	GRANTOR'S		
GRANTOR AGENCY	Number	NUMBER	_ EXPE	NDITURES
U.S. Department of the Treasury				
Passed through the Tennessee Department of Environment and C	Conservation			
State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program	21.027	American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	\$	616,226
U.S. Department of Transportation				
Passed through the Tennessee Department of Transportation				
Highway Planning and Construction				
Safe Routes to School Project	20.205	150060		139,572
Total Federal Awards			\$	755,798

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation: The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") summarizes the expenditures of the City of Ridgetop under programs of the federal government and passed through the State of Tennessee for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. The City has elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect and trate as allowed under the Uniform Cuidance.

Note 3 - Subrecipients: There were no amounts passed through to subrecipients during the year ended June 30, 2024.

COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL





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

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen City of Ridgetop, Tennessee

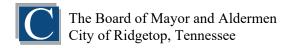
We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee (the "City") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2024-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.



Report Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 the tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The City's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards require the auditor to perform limited procedures on the City's response to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The City's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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.

Nashville, Tennessee December 13, 2024

Crosslin, PUC



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance For the Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by Uniform Guidance

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen City of Ridgetop, Tennessee

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited City of Ridgetop, Tennessee's (the "City") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the City's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024. The City's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the City's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit. 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, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the City's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 City's compliance with the compliance
 requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered
 necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the City's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in
 order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report
 on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the
 purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over
 compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Nashville, Tennessee December 13, 2024

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CITY OF RIDGETOP SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

I. SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S RESULTS

<u>Financial Statements</u>	
Type of auditor's report issued:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	X_YesNo YesX_None Reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	Yes <u>X</u> No
Federal Awards	
Internal control over major program:	
Material weakness(es) identified?Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes <u>X</u> No Yes <u>X</u> None Noted
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major program:	<u>Unmodified</u>
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	Yes X No

CITY OF RIDGETOP SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

I. SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S RESULTS - Continued

Major Programs:

Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program	Amount Expended
U.S. Department of the Treasury – Passed through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation		
21.027	American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program	\$616,226

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee ___Yes __X__No

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

A. Material Weakness in Internal Control

2024-001 - Segregation of Duties

<u>Condition</u>: The City currently has three employees that work in performing the majority of the accounting functions for the City. Although the City has three employees performing the accounting transactions, there is currently one employee/position that has access to perform all steps in every cycle, which leads to an inadequate segregation of duties.

<u>Criteria:</u> Generally accepted accounting principles require that accounting functions be adequately segregated to ensure that the internal accounting controls are effective.

<u>Cause:</u> The City has a limited number of office employees to provide for a proper division of duties.

<u>Effect:</u> The risk of errors and irregularities occurring and not being detected in a timely manner along with the possibility of fraud or misappropriation of assets increases when accounting functions are not adequately segregated.

Recommendation: For adequate segregation of duties, the employee who writes receipts, prepares and makes bank deposits, or writes checks should neither reconcile bank statements nor post to the cash receipts and disbursements journals.

Response: See management's corrective action plan on page 56.

CITY OF RIDGETOP SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS - Continued

B. Compliance Findings

None Reported.

III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None Reported.

CITY OF RIDGETOP SCHEDULE OF DISPOSITION OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Finding Number	Finding Title	Status
2023-001	Segregation of Duties	Repeated, but partially corrected.

The original finding number was 1998-001. The current finding number is 2024-001.

City of Ridgetop

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Management's Corrective Action Plan

Audit period: June 30, 2024

The findings from June 30, 2024, Schedule of Findings and Responses are discussed below.

2024-001 Segregation of Duties (Internal Control)

Contact person: Kelly Rider

Planned Corrective Action:

We agree with the recommendation and partially corrected the finding during fiscal year 2023. The City hired a third person in the City's finance department and has segregated duties to the optimum level desired. However, due to the small size of City staff, one of the three employees/positions has access to perform each of the processes noted in the finding as there are times that there is only one employee in the City's offices. This issue is mitigated by the continued oversight of the Board as the Board continues to monitor the City's finances and internal controls and has implemented various safeguards in relation to each of the City's significant processes.

Anticipated Completion Date: As noted above, the City hired a third person in the City's finance department and has segregated duties to the optimum level desired. We will continue to improve and strengthen our internal controls, but we cannot give a definite date.

Signature:

