

**TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA**  
**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**JUNE 30, 2023**

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 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT  
 Year Ended June 30, 2023

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

June 30, 2023

**MAYOR**

The Honorable Neal Watkins

**TOWN COUNCIL**

Mr. Gerald Guidry  
Ms. Julie Fontenot  
Mr. Joe Becnel

Mr. Daniel Hennigan  
Ms. Vernessa Guillory

**LEGAL COUNSEL**

Mr. Eugene Bouquet

**TOWN CLERK**

Ms. Cynthia Mallett

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Town Council  
Town of Iowa  
Iowa, Louisiana

**Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, Sales Tax-Water Improvements, Sales Tax II-Streets, and Sales Tax III for the year 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, 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 these 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 Town of Iowa, Louisiana'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.

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

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

- Exercise professional judgement 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 disclosure 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 Town of Iowa, Louisiana'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Iowa, Louisiana'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 Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of Employer's Pension Contributions 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.

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, Schedule

of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Mayor, Justice System Funding Schedules, and 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, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements, justice system funding schedules, and the schedule of compensation, benefits, other payments to Mayor, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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 annual report. The other information comprises the introductory section and does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions 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 18, 2023, on our consideration of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting and our test 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 Town of Iowa, Louisiana'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 Town of Iowa, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Lake Charles, Louisiana  
December 18, 2023

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## GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

GOVERNMENT-WIDE  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2023

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,315,301	\$ 151,638	\$ 4,466,939
Certificates of deposit	185,974	-	185,974
Investments	4,899,832	631,340	5,531,172
Receivables (net, where applicable, of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	904	-	904
Accounts	219,026	88,572	307,598
Intergovernmental	1,877,842	-	1,877,842
Lease	328,478	-	328,478
Internal balance	88,835	(88,835)	-
Prepaid expenses	790	24,864	25,654
Deposits	-	100	100
Restricted assets:			
Customers' deposits-cash	-	132,562	132,562
Police evidence	42,940	-	42,940
Construction deposit	5,000	-	5,000
Right to use leased asset, net of amortization	196,226	-	196,226
Capital assets:			
Land, improvements and construction in progress	734,298	1,651,547	2,385,845
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	5,929,466	2,766,627	8,696,093
Total assets	<u>18,824,912</u>	<u>5,358,415</u>	<u>24,183,327</u>
 <u>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred outflows related to pensions	<u>880,186</u>	<u>245,315</u>	<u>1,125,501</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts payables	659,775	27,825	687,600
Retainage payable	102,042	-	102,042
Other payables	247,739	9,619	257,358
Payable from restricted assets:			
Customer deposits	-	132,562	132,562
Police evidence payable	42,940	-	42,940
Construction deposit payable	5,000	-	5,000
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	68,556	1,728	70,284
Due in more than one year	165,813	15,551	181,364
Net pension liability	<u>1,769,828</u>	<u>504,454</u>	<u>2,274,282</u>
Total liabilities	<u>3,061,693</u>	<u>691,739</u>	<u>3,753,432</u>

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

GOVERNMENT-WIDE  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
June 30, 2023  
(Continued)

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Deferred inflows related to pensions	26,144	6,419	32,563
Deferred inflows related to Right to Use leased asset liabilities	<u>326,392</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>326,392</u>
Total deferred inflows	<u>352,536</u>	<u>6,419</u>	<u>358,955</u>
 <u>NET POSITION</u>			
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt	6,653,489	4,418,174	11,071,663
Restricted for:			
Special revenue	7,547,178	-	7,547,178
Unrestricted	<u>2,090,202</u>	<u>487,398</u>	<u>2,577,600</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 16,290,869</u>	<u>\$ 4,905,572</u>	<u>\$ 21,196,441</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

GOVERNMENT-WIDE  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		
		<u>Fees, Fines and Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>
Government activities:				
General government	\$ 1,231,064	\$ 300,908	\$ -	\$ 1,515,015
Public safety	2,633,613	717,807	53,742	-
Highway and streets	488,200	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	295,181	-	65,005	-
Drainage	562,438	-	744	-
Total governmental activities	<u>5,210,496</u>	<u>1,018,715</u>	<u>119,491</u>	<u>1,515,015</u>
Business-type activities:				
Water utility	678,791	374,060	-	-
Sanitation	1,277,999	761,221	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>1,956,790</u>	<u>1,135,281</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total government	<u>\$ 7,167,286</u>	<u>\$ 2,153,996</u>	<u>\$ 119,491</u>	<u>\$ 1,515,015</u>

General revenues:

Ad valorem taxes  
Sales taxes  
Franchise taxes  
Gaming taxes  
Other taxes  
Intergovernmental  
Interest earned  
Miscellaneous

Transfers

Total general revenues  
and transfers

Change in net position

Net position at beginning of year - restated

Net position at end of year

See accompanying notes to financial statements



Net (Expenses) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
\$ 584,859	\$ -	\$ 584,859
(1,862,064)	-	(1,862,064)
(488,200)	-	(488,200)
(230,176)	-	(230,176)
<u>(561,694)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(561,694)</u>
<u>(2,557,275)</u>		<u>(2,557,275)</u>
-	(304,731)	(304,731)
<u>-</u>	<u>(516,778)</u>	<u>(516,778)</u>
-	(821,509)	(821,509)
<u>\$ (2,557,275)</u>	<u>\$ (821,509)</u>	<u>\$ (3,378,784)</u>
\$ 284,768	\$ -	\$ 284,768
2,812,653	-	2,812,653
276,624	-	276,624
245,800	-	245,800
22,543	-	22,543
1,047,864	-	1,047,864
211,516	27,461	238,977
297,647	31,118	328,765
<u>(1,855,169)</u>	<u>1,855,169</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>3,344,246</u>	<u>1,913,748</u>	<u>5,257,994</u>
786,971	1,092,239	1,879,210
<u>15,503,898</u>	<u>3,813,334</u>	<u>19,317,232</u>
<u>\$ 16,290,869</u>	<u>\$ 4,905,573</u>	<u>\$ 21,196,442</u>

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## FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
June 30, 2023

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Water Improvements</u>	<u>Streets II</u>
Cash	\$ 912,142	\$ 797,511	\$ 1,026,381
Certificate of deposit	-	-	-
Investments	682,612	2,927,909	784,497
Receivables (net, where applicable, of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	623	31	-
Accounts	219,026	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	395,052	-
Due from other funds	31,014	100,001	66,573
Prepays	790	-	-
Restricted assets:			
Construction deposit	5,000	-	-
Police evidence	42,940	-	-
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,894,147</u>	<u>\$ 4,220,504</u>	<u>\$ 1,877,451</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 51,790	\$ 556,131	\$ 5,429
Retainage payable	-	60,094	22,702
Other payables	230,621	5,802	4,442
Payable from restricted assets:			
Construction deposit payable	5,000	-	-
Police evidence payable	42,940	-	-
Due to other funds	14,815	159,790	-
Total liabilities	<u>345,166</u>	<u>781,817</u>	<u>32,573</u>
Fund balances:			
Restricted for:			
Water improvements	-	3,438,687	-
Streets	-	-	1,844,878
Flood control, economic development and capital improvements to City Hall	-	-	-
Parks and streets	-	-	-
Police drug enforcement	-	-	-
Fire protection	-	-	-
Sewer improvements	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,548,981	-	-
Total fund balance	<u>1,548,981</u>	<u>3,438,687</u>	<u>1,844,878</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 1,894,147</u>	<u>\$ 4,220,504</u>	<u>\$ 1,877,451</u>

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position is different because:

Total fund balance - total governmental funds  
Some revenues were collected more than sixty days after year-end and therefore, are not available soon enough to pay for current-period expenditures  
Right to use leased asset in governmental activities are not financial resources, and therefore are not reported in the funds  
Amounts related to long term lease receivable, net of Related deferred inflow of resources  
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources, and, therefore, are not reported in the funds  
Amounts related to pension recognition are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds  
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable and accrued leave, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds

Total net position - governmental activities

See accompanying notes to financial statements

Sales Tax III	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 700,314	\$ 878,953	\$ 4,315,301
-	185,974	185,974
504,814	-	4,899,832
-	250	904
-	-	219,026
-	-	395,052
44,580	53,705	295,873
-	-	790
-	-	5,000
-	-	42,940
<u>\$ 1,249,708</u>	<u>\$ 1,118,882</u>	<u>\$ 10,360,692</u>
\$ 1,178	\$ 45,247	\$ 659,775
-	19,246	102,042
3,149	3,725	247,739
-	-	5,000
-	-	42,940
<u>31,367</u>	<u>1,065</u>	<u>207,037</u>
<u>35,694</u>	<u>69,283</u>	<u>1,264,533</u>
-	-	3,438,687
-	-	1,844,878
1,214,014	-	1,214,014
-	335,155	335,155
-	28,233	28,233
-	686,202	686,202
-	9	9
-	-	1,548,981
<u>1,214,014</u>	<u>1,049,599</u>	<u>9,096,159</u>
<u>\$ 1,249,708</u>	<u>\$ 1,118,882</u>	<u>\$ 10,360,692</u>
		\$ 9,096,159
		1,482,789
		196,226
		2,086
		6,663,764
		(915,786)
		<u>(234,369)</u>
		<u>\$ 16,290,869</u>

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

		<u>Special Revenue</u>	
	<u>General</u>	<u>Water Improvements</u>	<u>Streets II</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Tax revenue	\$ 1,056,375	\$ 900,049	\$ 731,290
Licenses and permits	252,750	-	-
Intergovernmental	405,305	674,784	-
Charges for services	35,557	-	-
Fines and forfeits	727,054	-	-
Interest earned	35,323	116,274	31,030
Fire Insurance	-	-	-
Grants	12,502	-	-
Miscellaneous	<u>101,829</u>	<u>115,979</u>	<u>10,500</u>
Total revenues	<u>2,626,695</u>	<u>1,807,086</u>	<u>772,820</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
<b>Current:</b>			
General government	573,371	-	-
Public safety	2,614,678	-	-
Highways and streets	-	-	800,224
Culture and recreation	-	-	-
Fire protection district	-	-	-
Drainage	-	-	-
Other services and charges	-	2,003,320	-
Total expenditures	<u>3,188,049</u>	<u>2,003,320</u>	<u>800,224</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(561,354)</u>	<u>(196,234)</u>	<u>(27,404)</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>			
Operating transfers in	163,881	-	-
Operating transfers out	-	(1,855,169)	-
Lease liabilities issued	<u>168,670</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>332,551</u>	<u>(1,855,169)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	(228,803)	(2,051,403)	(27,404)
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>1,777,784</u>	<u>5,490,090</u>	<u>1,872,282</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 1,548,981</u>	<u>\$ 3,438,687</u>	<u>\$ 1,844,878</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

<u>Sales Tax III</u>	<u>Non-Major Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
\$ 562,531	\$ 392,142	\$ 3,642,387
-	-	252,750
-	19,333	1,099,422
-	-	35,557
-	-	727,054
21,305	7,583	211,515
-	25,258	25,258
8,744	55,000	76,246
-	27,110	255,418
<u>592,580</u>	<u>526,426</u>	<u>6,325,607</u>
5,946	-	579,317
-	-	2,614,678
-	-	800,224
57,479	213,699	271,178
-	304,256	304,256
431,136	-	431,136
4,000	-	2,007,320
<u>498,561</u>	<u>517,955</u>	<u>7,008,109</u>
<u>94,019</u>	<u>8,471</u>	<u>(682,502)</u>
-	-	163,881
-	(163,881)	(2,019,050)
-	-	168,670
<u>-</u>	<u>(163,881)</u>	<u>(1,686,499)</u>
94,019	(155,410)	(2,369,001)
<u>1,119,995</u>	<u>1,205,009</u>	<u>11,465,160</u>
<u>\$ 1,214,014</u>	<u>\$ 1,049,599</u>	<u>\$ 9,096,159</u>

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
 TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
 Year Ended June 30, 2023

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the  
 statement of activities different because:

Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds	\$ (2,369,001)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the costs of those assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.	1,817,742
Disposal of assets	(4,687)
Right to use leased asset capital outlay expenditures which were capitalized	168,670
Amortization expense for intangible assets	(54,123)
Net effect of pension liability recognition	(225,613)
Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after year-end, they are not considered "available" revenues in the governmental funds.	1,482,789
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	(58,226)
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	<u>29,420</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 786,971</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements



TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance With Final Budget Positive (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Tax revenue	\$ 1,139,636	\$ 1,139,636	\$ 1,056,375	\$ (83,261)
Licenses and permits	253,800	253,800	252,750	(1,050)
Intergovernmental	486,700	486,700	405,305	(81,395)
Charges for services	32,000	32,000	35,557	3,557
Fines and forfeits	816,500	816,500	727,054	(89,446)
Interest earned	2,000	2,000	35,323	33,323
Grants received	38,000	38,000	12,502	(25,498)
Miscellaneous	6,500	6,500	101,829	95,329
Total revenues	<u>2,775,136</u>	<u>2,775,136</u>	<u>2,626,695</u>	<u>(148,441)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government	537,360	575,000	573,371	1,629
Public safety	2,394,295	2,615,000	2,614,678	322
Total expenditures	<u>2,931,655</u>	<u>3,190,000</u>	<u>3,188,049</u>	<u>1,951</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(156,519)	(414,864)	(561,354)	(146,490)
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Operating transfers in (out)	160,000	160,000	163,881	3,881
Lease liability issued	-	-	168,670	168,670
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>160,000</u>	<u>160,000</u>	<u>332,551</u>	<u>172,551</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue and other financing sources over expenditures and other uses	3,481	(254,864)	(228,803)	26,061
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>1,777,784</u>	<u>1,777,784</u>	<u>1,777,784</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 1,781,265</u>	<u>\$ 1,522,920</u>	<u>\$ 1,548,981</u>	<u>\$ 26,061</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
SALES TAX - WATER IMPROVEMENTS

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance With Final Budget Positive (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Tax revenue	\$ 1,027,739	\$ 1,027,739	\$ 900,049	\$ (127,690)
Intergovernmental	3,643,000	700,261	674,784	(25,477)
Interest earned	12,000	12,000	116,274	104,274
Miscellaneous	60,000	60,000	115,979	55,979
Total revenues	4,742,739	1,800,000	1,807,086	7,086
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Other services and charges	4,544,959	2,005,000	2,003,320	1,680
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	197,780	(205,000)	(196,234)	8,766
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Operating transfers out	-	(1,855,000)	(1,855,169)	(169)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue and other financing sources over expenditures and other uses	197,780	(2,060,000)	(2,051,403)	8,597
Fund balance at beginning of year	5,490,090	5,490,090	5,490,090	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 5,687,870	\$ 3,430,090	\$ 3,438,687	\$ 8,597

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
SALES TAX II - STREETS

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance With Final Budget Positive (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Tax revenue	\$ 835,038	\$ 732,500	\$ 731,290	\$ (1,210)
Interest earned	7,500	7,500	31,030	23,530
Grants received	30,000	30,000	-	(30,000)
Miscellaneous	-	-	10,500	10,500
Total revenues	872,538	770,000	772,820	2,820
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
Highways and streets	874,564	874,564	800,224	74,340
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(2,026)	(104,564)	(27,404)	77,160
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,872,282	1,872,282	1,872,282	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 1,870,256	\$ 1,767,718	\$ 1,844,878	\$ 77,160

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
SALES TAX III

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance With Final Budget Positive (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Tax revenue	\$ 642,337	\$ 575,800	\$ 562,531	\$ (13,269)
Interest earned	5,000	5,000	21,305	16,305
Grants received	109,200	9,200	8,744	(456)
Total revenues	756,537	590,000	592,580	2,580
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government	74,650	74,650	5,946	68,704
Culture and recreation	100,000	100,000	57,479	42,521
Drainage	610,172	610,172	431,136	179,036
Other services and charges	13,000	13,000	4,000	9,000
Total expenditures	797,822	797,822	498,561	299,261
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(41,285)	(207,822)	94,019	301,841
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,119,995	1,119,995	1,119,995	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 1,078,710	\$ 912,173	\$ 1,214,014	\$ 301,841

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
 PROPRIETARY FUND - UTILITY ENTERPRISE FUND

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
 June 30, 2023

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	151,638
Investments		631,340
Receivables (net, where applicable, of allowance for uncollectibles):		
Accounts		88,572
Due from other funds		7,312
Prepaid expenses		24,864
Deposits		100
Restricted assets:		
Customers' deposits-cash		132,562
Capital assets:		
Land, improvements and construction in progress		1,651,547
Other capital assets, net of depreciation		<u>2,766,627</u>
Total assets		<u>5,454,562</u>

DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Deferred outflows related to pensions		<u>245,315</u>
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LIABILITIES

Accounts payable		27,825
Other payables		9,619
Payable from restricted assets:		
Customer deposits		132,562
Due to other funds		96,147
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Due within one year		1,728
Due in more than one year		15,551
Net pension liability		<u>504,454</u>
Total liabilities		<u>787,886</u>

DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Deferred inflows related to pensions		<u>6,419</u>
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NET POSITION

Investment in capital assets, net of related debt		4,418,174
Unrestricted		<u>487,398</u>
Total net position		<u>\$ 4,905,572</u>

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
 PROPRIETARY FUND - UTILITY ENTERPRISE FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
 Year Ended June 30, 2023

Operating revenues:	
Charges for services	<u>\$ 1,135,281</u>
Operating expenses:	
Salaries	629,154
Insurance	36,669
Repairs, maintenance and supplies	271,942
Utilities	95,649
Other services and charges	492,240
Depreciation	<u>413,940</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>1,939,594</u>
Operating (loss)	<u>(804,313)</u>
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):	
Interest earned	27,461
(Loss) on disposal of asset	(3,997)
Miscellaneous	<u>17,918</u>
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>41,382</u>
(Loss) before transfers	(762,931)
Operating transfers in	<u>1,855,169</u>
Change in net position	1,092,238
Net position at beginning of year	<u>3,813,334</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 4,905,572</u>

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
 PROPRIETARY FUND - UTILITY ENTERPRISE FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
 Year Ended June 30, 2023

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash received from customers	\$ 1,121,216
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(882,184)
Cash payments to employees for services	<u>(592,156)</u>
Net cash (used in) operating activities	<u>(353,124)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Operating transfer from other funds (net)	-
Interfund payable decrease	<u>62,254</u>
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	<u>62,253</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Miscellaneous proceeds received	31,219
Acquisition of fixed assets	<u>(13,361)</u>
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities	<u>17,858</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Receipts of interest	27,461
Purchase of investments	<u>123,594</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>151,055</u>
Net (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(121,957)
Cash and cash equivalents:	
Beginning of year	<u>406,157</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 284,200</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year consisted of:	
Unrestricted cash	\$ 151,638
Restricted cash	<u>132,562</u>
	<u>\$ 284,200</u>

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
PROPRIETARY FUND - UTILITY ENTERPRISE FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating (loss)	\$ (804,313)
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	413,940
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) in accounts receivable and other receivables	(16,792)
(Increase) in prepaid expenses	(7,201)
Increase in accounts payable and other payables	21,517
Increase in customer deposits	2,727
(Decrease) in noncurrent liabilities	(16,984)
Increase in net pension liability	251,847
Changes in deferred inflows and outflows of resources:	
(Increase) in deferred outflows related to pensions	(125,595)
(Decrease) in deferred inflows related to pensions	<u>(72,270)</u>
Net cash (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ (353,124)</u>

NON CASH INVESTING, CAPITAL, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Transfer in of capital assets	\$ 1,855,169

See accompanying notes to financial statements



TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2023

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Town of Iowa, Louisiana was incorporated June 26, 1952, under the provisions of the Lawrason Act. The Town operates under a Mayor-Town Council form of government.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:517 and to the guidance set forth in the *Louisiana Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*, and to the industry audit guide, *Audits of State and Local Governmental Units*.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements include the various departments, activities, and organizational units that are within the control and authority of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in Statement No. 14 and No. 61 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This statement defines the reporting entity as the primary government and those component units for which the primary government is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and either a) the ability to impose will by the primary government, or b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government.

Consistent with these criteria, the Town of Iowa, Louisiana has determined that the Fire Protection District No. 1 of Ward 8 of Calcasieu Parish is a component unit of the Town.

B. Basis of Presentation

## GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the activities of the primary government.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report financial information for the Town as a whole so that individual funds are not displayed. However, the Statement of Activities reports the expense of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given program and (2) operating or capital grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Taxes and other revenue sources not properly included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

## FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Town segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Separate statements are presented for governmental and proprietary activities. These statements present each major fund as a separate column on the fund financial statements; all non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Governmental funds are those funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The measurement focus of governmental funds is on the sources, uses and balance of current financial resources. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into three broad fund categories as follows:

## GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to

expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The term "proceeds of specified sources" establishes that one or more specific restricted or committed revenues shall be the foundation for a special revenue fund.

Capital Projects Funds - These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned for capital acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

#### PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

#### C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to which transactions are recorded within various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures (or expenses) are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Therefore, governmental fund financial statements include reconciliations with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for government funds. The primary effect of internal activity (between or within funds) has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds are accounted for using a financial resources measurement focus whereby only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet and increases or decreases in net current assets are presented in the

operating statements. These funds utilize the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Certain revenues such as sales tax, property tax, and charges for services are assessed and collected in such a manner that they can be accrued appropriately. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred, if measurable, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt which are recognized when due. Also, expenditures for accrued compensated absences are not recognized until they are payable from current available financial resources.

The proprietary fund, also in the fund financial statements, is accounted for and reported using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. This means that all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. The operating statements for the proprietary fund present increases or decreases in net total assets.

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

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent 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.

D. Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

In some instances, the GASB requires a government to delay recognition of decreases in net position as expenditures until a future period. In other instances, governments are required to delay recognition of increases in net position as revenues until a future period. In these circumstances, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources result from the delayed recognition of expenditures or revenues, respectively.

E. Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) 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.

Fund balances:

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Net position:

Net position is displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position - Consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Constraints may be placed on the use, either by (1) external groups, such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position - Net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in either of the other two categories of net position.

F. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The Mayor and Town Clerk prepare a proposed budget and submit same to the Town Council prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.

A summary of the proposed budget is published, a public hearing is held, and the budget is adopted through passage of an ordinance prior to the commencement of the fiscal year for which the budget is adopted.

Any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund must be approved

by the Councilmen. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General and Special Revenue Funds. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a modified accrual basis of accounting. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Town Council.

Encumbrance accounting is not used.

#### G. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and certificates of deposit. The Town considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Certificates of deposit are stated at cost. At June 30, 2023, the Town had no cash equivalents.

Louisiana State Statutes, as stipulated in R.S. 39:1271, authorize the Town to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates, or time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana and national banks having the principal office in the State of Louisiana. In addition, local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP), a nonprofit corporation formed by an initiative of the State Treasurer and organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, which operates a local government investment pool. Investments are stated at cost.

#### H. Bad Debts

Uncollectible amounts due for ad valorem taxes and customers' utility receivables are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the receivable.

#### I. Interfund Activity

Interfund activity is reported as either loans, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Reimbursements are when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the

reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

J. Capital Assets and Depreciation

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to capital assets associated with a fund are determined by their measurement focus. General capital assets are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds and capitalized. The valuation basis for general capital assets is historical cost, or where historical cost is not available, estimated historical cost based on replacement cost. The minimum capitalization threshold is any individual item with a total cost greater than \$1,500.

Depreciation of capital assets is computed and recorded by the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable capital assets are as follows:

Plant	10 to 33 years
Machinery and equipment	5 to 10 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 to 10 years

K. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied in any one year are recognized as revenues of that year.

L. Compensated Absences

It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned, but unused, paid time off (PTO). All PTO is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements.

Each full-time employee shall earn PTO at the following rates for each quarter, based on years of employment with the Town:

Post probation - 1 year	44 hours per quarter
1-5 years	57 hours per quarter
5-10 years	69 hours per quarter
10+ years	81 hours per quarter

Employees may also receive compensatory time off with pay in lieu of overtime pay for work in excess of regular scheduled hours. Compensatory time may be accumulated up to 240 hours for regular employees and 480 hours for police and fire.

Upon separation of employment, the employee shall be paid for unused PTO/compensatory time.

#### M. Right to Use Assets

The Town has recorded right to use lease assets as a result of implementing GASB 87. The right to use assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability plus any lease payments made prior to the lease term, less lease incentives, and plus ancillary charges necessary to place the lease into service. The right to use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.

#### N. Leases

The Town is a lessor for leases of Town property. The Town recognizes a lease receivable at the present value of payments expected to be received during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease receivable is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments received. Under the lease agreements, the Town may receive variable lease payments that are dependent upon the lessee's revenue. The variable payments are recorded as an inflow of resources in the period the payment is received. The deferred inflow of resources is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease receivable, adjusted for lease payments received at or before the lease commencement date. Subsequently, the deferred inflow of resources is recognized as revenue over life of the lease term.

The Town uses the incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for the lease. The lease term includes the non-cancellable period of the lease.

The Town monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease, and will remeasure the lease receivable and deferred inflows of resources if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease receivable.

#### Note 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Custodial credit risk - deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it.

In accordance with a fiscal agency agreement which is approved by the Town Council, the Town of Iowa maintains demand and time deposits through local depository banks which are members of the Federal Reserve System.

Deposits in excess of federally insured amounts are required by Louisiana state statute to be protected by collateral of equal market value. Authorized collateral includes general obligations of the U.S. government,



obligations issued or guaranteed by an agency established by the U.S. government, general obligation bonds of any state of the U.S., or of any Louisiana parish, municipality, or school district. The Town's bank demand and time deposits at year end were fully collateralized.

The deposits at June 30, 2023 are as follows:

June 30, 2023	<u>Demand Deposits</u>	<u>Time Deposits</u>
Carrying amount	\$ 4,641,342	\$ 185,974
Bank balances:		
a. Federally insured	\$ 750,000	\$ 185,974
b. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution	3,970,377	-
c. Uncollateralized and uninsured	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total bank balances	<u>\$ 4,720,377</u>	<u>\$ 185,974</u>

Investments held at June 30, 2023, consist of \$5,536,172 in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool Inc. (LAMP), a local government investment pool (see Summary of Significant Accounting Policies). Of this amount, \$5,000 was restricted for a construction deposit. LAMP is administered by LAMP Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, which was formed by an initiative of the State Treasurer in 1993. The corporation is governed by a board of directors comprising the State Treasurer, representatives from various organizations of local government, the Government Finance Officers Association of Louisiana, and the Society of Louisiana CPA's. Only local governments having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets.

The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term high-quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest. Accordingly, LAMP investments are restricted to securities issued, guaranteed, or backed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. Government, or one of its agencies, enterprises, or instrumentalities, as well as repurchase agreements collateralized by those securities. The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances.

Interest rate risk. The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit risk. State law limits investments to United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates, or time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana and national banks having a principal office in the State of Louisiana. Local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in LAMP. The Town has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of June 30 2023, the Town's investment in LAMP was rated AAA by Standard & Poor's.

Concentration of credit risk. The Town places no limit on the amount the Town may invest in any one issuer. All of the Town's investments are in LAMP.

As of June 30, 2023, the Town had the following investments and maturities:

Investment Type	Fair Value	Investment Maturities (in Years)			
		Less Than 1	1-5	6-10	More Than 10
Certificates of deposit	\$ 185,974	\$ 185,974	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
LAMP	5,536,172	5,536,172	-	-	-
	<u>\$5,722,146</u>	<u>\$ 5,722,146</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Note 3. Individual Fund Transactions

Individual fund interfund receivables and payables are as follows:

	Receivables	Payables
General Fund	\$ 16,199	\$ -
Sales Tax Fund - Water Improvements	-	59,789
Sales Tax Fund - Streets II	66,573	-
Sales Tax Fund - Sales Tax III	13,213	-
Non-major Governmental funds	-	88,836
Water Utility Fund	52,640	-
	<u>\$ 148,625</u>	<u>\$ 148,625</u>

Operating transfers:

	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
General Fund:		
Non-major Governmental Fund	\$ 163,881	\$ -
Sales Tax Water Improvements:		
Water Utility Fund	-	1,855,169
Water Utility Fund:		
Sales Tax Water Improvements	1,855,169	-
Non-major Governmental Fund:		
General Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>163,881</u>
Grand totals	<u>\$ 2,019,050</u>	<u>\$ 2,019,050</u>

Note 4. Restricted Assets

Restricted assets were applicable to the following at June 30, 2023:

General Fund:		
Construction deposit		\$ 5,000
Police evidence		42,940
Enterprise Fund:		
Customers deposits-water and sewer maintenance services		132,562

Note 5. Right to Use Leased Assets

The Town has recorded a right to use lease asset. The asset is a right to use assets for leased equipment. The related lease is discussed in the Note 8. The right to use lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the related lease.

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balances</u>
Right to use assets:				
Leased equipment	\$ 86,484	\$ 168,670	\$ -	\$ 255,154
Less accumulated amortization for:				
Leased equipment	<u>4,805</u>	<u>54,123</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,928</u>
Right to use asset, net	<u>\$ 81,679</u>	<u>\$ 144,547</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 196,226</u>

Note 6. Changes in Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Beginning of Year	Additions	Deletions	End of Year
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 230,758	\$ 36,627	\$ -	\$ 267,385
Construction in progress	<u>244,358</u>	<u>741,284</u>	<u>518,729</u>	<u>466,913</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>475,116</u>	<u>777,911</u>	<u>518,729</u>	<u>734,298</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	2,325,394	-	-	2,325,394
Improvements other than buildings	1,149,429	1,486,279	-	2,635,708
Furniture and equipment	1,557,219	216,153	16,898	1,756,474
Vehicles	1,286,358	178,243	88,201	1,376,400
Infrastructure	<u>3,449,140</u>	<u>229,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,678,614</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>9,767,540</u>	<u>2,110,149</u>	<u>105,099</u>	<u>11,772,590</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	1,108,401	49,335	-	1,157,736
Improvements other than buildings	410,373	101,124	-	511,497
Furniture and equipment	1,202,794	137,938	12,210	1,328,522
Vehicles	1,073,754	99,925	88,201	1,085,478
Infrastructure	<u>1,596,624</u>	<u>163,267</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,759,891</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>5,391,946</u>	<u>551,589</u>	<u>100,411</u>	<u>5,843,124</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>4,375,594</u>	<u>1,558,560</u>	<u>4,688</u>	<u>5,929,466</u>
Government activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 4,850,710</u>	<u>\$ 2,336,471</u>	<u>\$ 523,417</u>	<u>\$ 6,663,764</u>

	Beginning of Year	Additions	Deletions	End of Year
Business-type activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 4,002	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,002
Construction in progress	<u>649,747</u>	<u>1,647,545</u>	<u>649,747</u>	<u>1,647,545</u>
Total Capital assets not being depreciated	<u>653,749</u>	<u>1,647,545</u>	<u>649,747</u>	<u>1,651,547</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Plant and equipment	11,922,432	870,632	-	12,793,064
Machinery	<u>563,538</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,945</u>	<u>545,593</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>12,485,970</u>	<u>870,732</u>	<u>17,945</u>	<u>13,338,657</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Plant and equipment	9,836,377	357,041	-	10,193,418
Machinery	<u>322,460</u>	<u>56,900</u>	<u>748</u>	<u>378,612</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>10,158,837</u>	<u>413,941</u>	<u>748</u>	<u>10,572,030</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>2,327,133</u>	<u>456,691</u>	<u>17,197</u>	<u>2,766,627</u>
Business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,980,882</u>	<u>\$ 2,104,236</u>	<u>\$ 666,944</u>	<u>\$ 4,418,174</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

General government	\$ 47,568
Public safety	196,116
Highway and streets	126,112
Culture and recreation	50,492
Drainage	<u>131,302</u>
Total depreciation	<u>\$ 551,590</u>

#### Note 7. Leases

The Town leases to others a portion of its land. The lease agreement qualifies as other than short-term lease under GASB 87, and therefore, has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments of the date of their inception.

The agreement was executed on May 1, 2020, to lease land and required 60 monthly payments of \$1,025 for a term of 5 years. The agreement will be renewed for five additional five year terms. Each term, the monthly payment will increase by 5%.

The Town recognized \$10,656 in lease revenue and \$1,647 in interest revenue during the year ended June 30, 2023. As of June 30, 2023, the Town's receivable for lease payments was \$328,478. Also, the Town has a deferred inflow of resources associated with the lease what will be recognized as revenue over the lease terms.

As of June 30, 2023, the balance of deferred inflow of resources was \$326,392.

Future payments included in the measurement of the lease receivable as of June 30, 2023 for each of the next 5 fiscal years and in five-year increments thereafter are as follows:

Years Ending <u>June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 11,310	\$ 990	\$ 12,300
2025	11,912	849	12,761
2026	9,914	2,986	12,900
2027	10,523	2,377	12,900
2028	11,173	1,727	12,900
2029-2033	57,334	9,325	66,659
2033-2038	60,023	9,770	69,793
2039-2043	62,924	10,254	73,178
2044-2048	66,057	10,757	76,814
2049-2050	<u>27,308</u>	<u>1,619</u>	<u>28,927</u>
Total	<u>\$ 328,478</u>	<u>\$ 50,654</u>	<u>\$ 379,132</u>

Note 8. Long-Term Obligations

Notes Payable

The Town has a note payable to Ford Motor Credit at 5.99%, with an original borrowing amount of \$43,561, payable in annual installments of \$10,890 due June 28, 2024. The outstanding balance on this note payable as of June 30, 2023 is \$10,275.

Maturities of notes payable are as follows:

Year ended June 30, 2024	<u>10,275</u>
	<u>\$ 10,275</u>

This note payable is secured by a vehicle with a net book value of \$24,004.

Leases

The Town has entered into an agreement to lease certain equipment. The lease agreement qualifies as other than short-term lease under GASB 87 and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments of the date of their inception.

One agreement was executed on April 9, 2022, to lease computer equipment and requires 36 monthly payments of \$2,631. There are no variable payment components of the lease. The lease liability is measured at a discount rate of 6%. At June 30, 2023, the net book value of the right to use asset is \$52,856.

The other agreement was executed on October 28, 2022 to lease BodyWorn police equipment and armor. It requires 1 payment of \$73,354 at inception and 4 annual payments of \$27,508. There are no variable payment components of the lease. The lease liability is measured at a discount rate of 6%. As a result of the lease, the Town has recorded a right to use asset with a net book value of \$143,370 at June 30, 2023.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2023 were as follows:

<u>Year Ending</u> <u>June 30</u>	<u>Principal</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Payments</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	50,871	8,209	59,080
2025	48,695	5,121	53,816
2026	24,482	3,026	27,508
2027	<u>25,950</u>	<u>1,558</u>	<u>27,508</u>
	<u>\$ 149,998</u>	<u>\$ 17,914</u>	<u>\$ 167,912</u>

The following is a summary of the long-term obligation activity for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Ending One Year</u>
Governmental activities:					
Note payable	\$ 19,969	\$ -	\$ 9,694	\$ 10,275	\$ 10,275
Accrued leave payable	103,514	-	29,419	74,095	7,410
Lease Liabilities	82,076	168,670	100,748	149,998	50,871
Net pension liabilities	<u>843,871</u>	<u>925,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,769,828</u>	<u>-</u>
Governmental activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$1,049,430</u>	<u>\$1,094,627</u>	<u>\$ 139,861</u>	<u>\$2,004,195</u>	<u>\$ 68,556</u>
	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Ending One Year</u>
Business-type activities:					
Accrued leave payable	\$ 34,263	\$ -	\$ 16,984	\$ 17,279	\$ 1,728
Net pension liabilities	<u>252,607</u>	<u>251,847</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>504,454</u>	<u>-</u>
Business-type activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 286,870</u>	<u>\$ 251,847</u>	<u>\$ 16,984</u>	<u>\$ 521,733</u>	<u>\$ 1,728</u>

Note 8. Ad Valorem Taxes

For the year ended June 30, 2023, taxes of 5.59 mills were levied by the Town of Iowa on property with assessed valuations totaling \$21,044,070 and were dedicated for general corporate purposes. Taxes of 10.00 mills were levied by the Fire Protection District No. 1 of Ward 8 of Calcasieu Parish on property with assessed valuations-net of exemptions totaling \$18,036,443 and were dedicated for the purpose of providing fire protection to the District.

Total taxes levied were \$117,637 and \$174,486 respectively for the Town and the District. Taxes receivable at June 30, 2023 consisted of the following:



	<u>2023</u>
Taxes receivable current roll	\$ 623
Taxes receivable prior years	<u>2,348</u>
	2,971
Allowance for uncollectible taxes	<u>(2,348)</u>
	<u>\$ 623</u>

Property taxes are levied November 1 and attach as an enforceable lien on property as of April 30.

Note 9. Fund Balance

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

Non-spendable -

includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.

Restricted -

includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained or due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed -

includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority (the Town Council) and does not lapse at year end. Formal action by the same authority is required to rescind such a commitment.

Assigned -

includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund balance may be assigned by the Mayor.

Unassigned -

includes positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above-mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

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

unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

The Town does not have a formal minimum fund balance policy.

The purpose of each major special revenue fund and revenue source is listed below:

Major special revenue fund	Revenue source
Water improvements	Portion of 2.5% sales tax described in Note 10
Streets II	Portion of 2.5% sales tax described in Note 10
Sales Tax III	Portion of 2.5% sales tax described in Note 10

Note 10. Dedication of Proceeds and Flow of Funds - 2.5% Sales and Use Tax

Proceeds of a 1% sales and use tax levied by the Town of Iowa, Louisiana approved by voters in perpetuity beginning January 2017 (2023 collections \$1,125,061) is dedicated to the following purposes:

1. Capital and other improvements of the Town's Water Works, Sewer, and Wastewater Systems
2. Keeping in repair the Town's Streets and further improvements to the Town's park system.
3. Other lawful expenditures of the town, including economic development and the ability to fund avails of the tax into debt.

Proceeds of a 1% sales and use tax levied by the Town of Iowa, Louisiana approved by voters beginning July 2017 set to expire June 2027 (2023 collections \$1,125,061) are dedicated to the following purposes:

1. Maintenance and construction of streets, sidewalks, and street lighting
2. Maintenance and construction of sewerage treatment facilities, systems, pumps and sewer lines.
3. General administrative and general fund needs.

Proceeds of a 1/2% sales and use tax levied by the Town of Iowa, Louisiana approved by voters in perpetuity beginning July 2022 (2023 collections \$562,531) are dedicated to the following purposes:

1. Flood control maintenance and flood control improvements.
2. Economic development activities.
3. Capital improvements and maintenance to the Town Hall and Town Park situated in the Town of Iowa

Note 11. Pension Plans

**Plan Descriptions**

Substantially all employees of the Town of Iowa are members of the following statewide retirement systems: Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (MERS) or Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (MPERS). These systems are cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by separate boards of trustees. Article 10, Section 29 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the state legislature. The systems issue annual, publicly available financial reports that include financial statements and required supplementary information for the systems. The reports for MERS and MPERS may be obtained at [www.mersla.com](http://www.mersla.com) and [www.lampers.org](http://www.lampers.org), respectively.

Plan Description- MERS

MERS was originally established by Act 356 of the 1954 regular session of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana and is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. All employees of the Town of Iowa are members of Plan B. All permanent employees working at least 35 hours per week who are not covered by another pension plan and are paid wholly or in part from municipal funds and all elected municipal officials are eligible to participate in MERS.

Plan Description- MPERS

All full-time police department employees engaged in law enforcement are required to participate in MPERS providing he or she does not have to pay social security and providing he or she meets the statutory criteria. MPERS provides retirement benefits for municipal police officers. The projections of benefit payments in the calculation of the total pension liability includes all benefits to be provided to current active and inactive employees through MPERS in accordance with benefit terms and any additional legal agreements to provide benefits that are in force at the measurement date. Benefit provisions are authorized within Act 189 of 1973 and amended by LRS 11:2211-11:2233.

**Benefits Provided**

Retirement Benefits- MERS

Any member of Plan B hired before January 1, 2013 may retire at any age with 30 years of creditable service or at age 60 with at least 10 years of creditable service. Any member of Plan B hired on or after January 1, 2013 may retire at age 67 with at least 7 years of creditable service, at age 62 with at least 10 years of creditable service, or at age 55 with at least 30 years of creditable service. Members hired on or after January 1, 2013 are also eligible to retire at any age with at least 25 years of creditable service, but their benefit will be actuarially reduced from the earliest age of which the member would be entitled to a vested deferred benefit under any of the previously-mentioned provisions, if the member had continued in service to that age. Members are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 2% of the member's final compensation (defined below) multiplied by the member's years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts. Employees who terminate with at least the amount of creditable service stated above, and do not withdraw their employee contributions, may retire at the ages specified above and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination.

Final compensation is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average for a member whose first employment made him or her eligible for membership in the system on or before June 30, 2006. Final compensation is the employee's average salary over the 60 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average for a member whose first employment made him or her eligible for membership in the system after June 30, 2006. Employees who terminate with at least the amount of creditable service stated above, and do not withdraw their employee contributions, may retire at the ages specified above and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination.

#### Retirement Benefits- MPERS

Members of MPERS with membership beginning prior to January 1, 2013 are eligible for regular retirement after he or she has been a member of MPERS and has 25 years of creditable service at any age or has 20 years of creditable service and is age 50 or has 12 years of creditable service and is age 55. A member is eligible for early retirement after he or she has been a member of MPERS for 20 years of creditable service at any age with an actuarially reduced benefit. Members are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to three and one-third percent (3.33%) of the member's final compensation (employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average) multiplied by the member's years of creditable service.

Members of MPERS with membership beginning on or after January 1, 2013 are eligible for regular retirement, early retirement, disability and survivor benefits based on Hazardous Duty and Non-Hazardous Duty sub plans. Under the Hazardous Duty sub plan, a member is eligible for regular retirement after he or she has been a member of MPERS and has 25 years of creditable service at any age or has 12 years of creditable service at age 55. Under the Non-Hazardous Duty sub plan, a member is

eligible for regular retirement after he or she has been a member of MPERS and has 30 years of creditable service at any age, 25 years of creditable service at age 55, or 10 years of creditable service at age 60. Under both sub plans, a member is eligible for early retirement after he or she has been a member of MPERS for 20 years of creditable service at any age, with an actuarially reduced benefit from age 55. Under the Hazardous and Non-Hazardous Duty sub plans, the benefit rates are three percent and two and a half percent, respectively, of average final compensation (average monthly earnings during the highest 60 consecutive months or joined months if service was interrupted) per number of years of creditable service not to exceed 100% of final salary.

In 1999, the State Legislature authorized MPERS to establish an Initial Benefit Option program. This is available to MPERS members who are eligible for regular retirement but have not participated in DROP. This program provides both a one-time single sum payment of up to 46 months of the regular monthly retirement benefit, plus a reduced monthly retirement benefit for life.

#### Deferred Retirement Options

In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement allowance, any member of MERS who is eligible to retire may elect to participate in the deferred retirement option plan (DROP) for up to three years and defer the receipt of benefits. A MERS member may participate in DROP only once. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable, but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment, are credited to the MERS member's individual DROP account. Interest is earned when the member has completed DROP participation. Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the participation period, the member may receive a lump sum from the account, or a true annuity based on the account balance. If employment is not terminated at the end of the three year DROP participation period, payments into the DROP account cease and the person resumes active contributing membership in MERS.

A member of MPERS is eligible to enter DROP when he or she is eligible for regular retirement based on the members' sub plan participation. At the entry date into DROP, employee and employer contributions cease. The amount deposited into the DROP account for MPERS members is equal to the benefit computed under the retirement plan elected by participant date of application. Interest is earned when the MPERS member has completed DROP participation. Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the participation period, the MPERS member may receive a lump sum from the account, or a true annuity based on the account balance.

### Disability Benefits

A member of MERS Plan B is eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if he or she has at least 10 years of creditable service, is not eligible for normal retirement and has been officially certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. The monthly maximum retirement benefit under Plan B of MERS is the lesser of an amount equal to two percent of member's final compensation multiplied by years of service (not less than 30% of member's final compensation) or an amount equal to what the member's normal retirement benefit would be based on final compensation at time of disability, but assuming continuous service until member's earliest normal retirement age.

A member of MPERS is eligible to retire and receive a disability benefit if he or she has been certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. If the disability incurred is job-related, there is no minimum creditable service requirement. If the disability is non-job-related, a minimum of 10 years of creditable service is required if the member was employed on or after July 1, 2008. Members of MPERS employed prior to July 1, 2008 must have a minimum of 5 years of creditable service to be eligible to retire with disability benefits if the disability incurred is non-job-related. The disability benefit received by a MPERS member is equal to three percent of his or her final average compensation multiplied by years of creditable service (not less than 40%, nor more than 60% of final average compensation). At the time the disabled MPERS member reaches normal retirement age, he or she will have the option to continue to receive the disability retirement benefit or to receive his or her vested retirement benefit.

### Survivor's Benefit

The surviving spouse (defined as someone married to the deceased member for at least 12 months immediately preceding the member's death) of a MERS Plan B member (not eligible for retirement at the time of death) will receive a survivor benefit, provided that the member had 5 or more years of creditable service. The surviving spouse will be paid either a monthly benefit equals to 30% of member's final compensation, payable when surviving spouse attains the age of 60 or becomes disabled, or a monthly benefit equal to actuarial equivalent of the benefit described previously (not less than 15% of member's final compensation), payable upon the death of the member. A MERS Plan B member who is eligible for normal retirement at the time of death will be deemed to have retired and selected Option 2 benefits on behalf of the surviving spouse upon the date of death. Benefits will begin only upon proper application and are paid in lieu of any other survivor benefits.

Survivor benefits for MPERS members are payable to the surviving spouse or surviving minor child/children of a deceased active contributing member or a deceased disability retiree. Survivor benefits are not payable to survivors of retirees receiving benefits under the provisions

of early or normal service retirement. The maximum benefit for a surviving spouse of a MPERS member is equal to the regular retirement formula, regardless of age, but not less than 40% or more than 60% of the deceased member's final average compensation. There is no requirement for minimum years of creditable service. If the MPERS member is killed in the line of duty, the surviving spouse shall receive a benefit equal to 100% of the deceased member's final average compensation, less any survivor benefits payable to a child or children. Each surviving minor child of the MPERS member will receive a benefit equal to 10% of deceased member's final average compensation or \$200 per month, whichever is greater. Benefits for a surviving child cease upon the child's attainment of age 18 or upon marriage, whichever occurs first. The benefit may continue after age 18 if the child meets certain educational or disability requirements. The surviving minor child may receive an increased benefit if there is no surviving spouse of the MPERS member.

#### Cost of Living Increases

MERS is authorized under state law to grant an annual cost of living adjustment to members who have been retired for at least one year. The adjustment cannot exceed 2% of the retiree's original benefit and may only be granted if sufficient funds are available. The cost of living increase must be paid from investment income in excess of normal requirements.

MPERS is authorized to provide annual cost of living adjustments to members who have been retired for at least one full fiscal year. The adjustment cannot exceed 3% in any given year. MPERS members who elect early retirement are not eligible for a cost of living adjustment until they reach regular retirement age.

#### **Contributions**

The MERS and MPERS employer contribution rates are established annually under La R.S 11:101-11:104 by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee (PRSAC), taking into consideration the recommendation of the system's actuary. Each plan pays a separate actuarially-determined employer contribution rate. For the year ending June 30, 2023 the employer contribution rate for MERS Plan B was 15.50% and MPERS was 31.25%. Employer contributions to MERS and MPERS were \$139,863 and \$154,350, respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2023. Employees participating in MERS are required to contribute 5.00% and employees participating in MPERS are required to contribute 10.00%.

Contributions received by a pension plan from non-employer contributing entities that are not in a special funding situation are recorded as revenue by the respective pension plan. MERS receives ad valorem taxes and state revenue sharing funds. MPERS receives insurance premium tax monies appropriated by the legislature each year based on an actuarial study. The

Town of Iowa recognizes revenue in an amount equal to its proportionate share of the total contributions to the pension plan from these non-employer contributing entities. During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Town of Iowa recognized revenue as a result of support received from non-employer contributing entities of \$33,393 for its participation in MERS and \$27,538 for its participation in MPERS.

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

At June 30, 2023, the Town of Iowa reported a liability for MERS and MPERS of \$1,008,908 and \$1,265,374, respectively, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total pension liabilities used to calculate the net pension liability were determined by actuarial valuations as of that date. The Town of Iowa's proportion of the net pension liability for each retirement system was based on a projection of the Town of Iowa's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2022, the Town of Iowa's proportion for MERS and MPERS was 1.149120% and 0.123792%, respectively. This reflects an increase for MERS of 0.277024% and an increase for MPERS of 0.012872% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Town of Iowa recognized pension expense, for which there were no forfeitures, as follows:

	<u>Pension Expense</u>
MERS	\$ 281,222
MPERS	<u>353,519</u>
Total	<u>\$ 634,741</u>

At June 30, 2023, the Town of Iowa reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>		
	<u>MERS</u>	<u>MPERS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	6,241	6,241
Changes in assumptions	10,788	43,648	54,436
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	185,548	225,909	411,457
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	154,429	204,724	359,153
Employer contributions subsequent to measurement date	<u>139,863</u>	<u>154,350</u>	<u>294,213</u>
Total	<u>\$ 490,628</u>	<u>\$ 634,872</u>	<u>\$ 1,125,500</u>



	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>		
	<u>MERS</u>	<u>MPERS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	12,837	10,313	23,150
Changes in assumptions	-	9,412	9,412
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 12,837</u>	<u>\$ 19,725</u>	<u>\$ 32,562</u>

During the year ended June 30, 2023, employer contributions totaling \$139,863 and \$154,350 were made subsequent to the measurement date for MERS and MPERS, respectively. These contributions are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	<u>MERS</u>	<u>MPERS</u>
2024	\$ 130,470	\$ 187,523
2025	104,233	116,069
2026	20,003	38,708
2027	<u>83,222</u>	<u>118,497</u>
Total	<u>\$ 337,928</u>	<u>\$ 460,797</u>

### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The net pension liability was measured as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided through the pension plan to current active and inactive employees that is attributed to those employees' past periods of service, less the amount of the pension plan's fiduciary net position. The components of the net pension liability of MERS and MPERS employers as of June 30, 2022 are as follows:

	<u>MERS Plan B</u>	<u>MPERS</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 288,388,827	\$ 3,500,495,219
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>200,590,478</u>	<u>2,478,317,694</u>
Total net pension liability	<u>\$ 87,798,349</u>	<u>\$ 1,022,177,525</u>

The Town of Iowa's allocation is 1.149120% of the Total Net Pension Liability

for MERS and 0.123792% of the Total Net Pension Liability for MPERS.

The total pension liabilities for MERS and MPERS in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuations were determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

	MERS	MPERS						
<b>Actuarial cost method</b>	Entry Age Normal	Entry Age Normal Cost						
<b>Expected remaining service lives</b>	3 years for Plan B	4 years						
<b>Investment rate of return</b>	6.85%, net of investment expense	6.75%, net of investment expense						
<b>Inflation rate</b>	2.50%	2.50%						
<b>Projected salary increases</b>	7.4% for 1-4 years of service, 4.9% more than 4 years of service.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Years of Service</u></th> <th><u>Salary Growth Rate</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1-2</td> <td>12.30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 &amp; over</td> <td>4.70%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Salary Growth Rate</u>	1-2	12.30	3 & over	4.70%
<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Salary Growth Rate</u>							
1-2	12.30							
3 & over	4.70%							
<b>Cost of living adjustments</b>	None	None						
<b>Mortality</b>	<p>PubG-2010(B) Employee Table for active members (equal to 120% for males and females, each adjusted using respective MP2018 scales):</p> <p>Pub 2010(B) Healthy Retiree Table for annuitants (equal to 120% for males and females, each adjusted using respective MP2018 scales):</p> <p>PubNS-2010(B) Disabled Retiree Table for disabled annuitants (equal to 120% for males and females with the full generation MP2018 scale).</p>	<p>Pub-2010 Employee Table for active members (equal to 115% for males and 125% for females using MP2019 scales)</p> <p>Pub-2010 Healthy Retiree Table for healthy annuitants (equal 115% for males and 125% for females using MP2019 scales)</p> <p>Pub-2010 Disabled Retiree Table for disabled annuitants (equal to 105% for males and 115% for females using MP2019 scales)</p>						

The MERS actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an experience study for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018. The MPERS actuarial

assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019.

The forecasted long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimates ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return for MERS is 6.95% and MPERS is 8.06% for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation for MERS and MPERS as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocations</u>		<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>	
	<u>MERS</u>	<u>MPERS</u>	<u>MERS</u>	<u>MPERS</u>
Equity	53%	55.5%	2.31%	3.60%
Fixed income	38%	30.5%	1.65%	0.85%
Alternatives	<u>9%</u>	<u>14.0%</u>	<u>0.39%</u>	<u>0.95%</u>
Subtotal	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	4.35%	5.40%
Inflation adjustment			<u>2.60%</u>	<u>2.66%</u>
Total			<u>6.95%</u>	<u>8.06%</u>

**Discount Rates**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for MERS was 6.85% and MPERS was 6.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PERSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the actuary. Based on those assumptions, the net position of MERS and MPERS was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

**Sensitivity of the Employer’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rates**

The following table presents the Town of Iowa’s proportionate share of the

net pension liability using the discount rate of 6.85% for MERS and 6.75% for MPERS, as well as what the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (5.85% for MERS and 5.75% for MPERS) or one percentage-point higher (7.85% for MERS and 7.75% for MPERS) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
MERS	\$ 1,375,334	\$ 1,008,908	\$ 698,999
MPERS	<u>1,771,281</u>	<u>1,265,374</u>	<u>842,774</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,146,615</u>	<u>\$ 2,274,282</u>	<u>\$ 1,541,773</u>

#### **Payables to the Pension Plans**

At June 30, 2023, payables to MERS and MPERS were \$18,599 and \$31,539, respectively, for June 2023 employee and employer legally-required contributions.

#### Note 12. Compensation of Mayor and Members of the Town Council

Salaries paid to the Mayor and council members during the year are as follows:

Neal Watkins, Mayor*	\$ 22,760
Paul Hesse**	19,509
Joe Becnel	8,442
Julie Fontenot	8,442
Gerald Guidry	8,442
Vernessa Guillory	8,442
Daniel Hennigan	8,442

\*Term began January 1, 2023

\*\*Term ended December 31, 2022

The Board members of the Fire Protection District No. 1 of Ward 8 of Calcasieu Parish received no compensation during the year ended June 30, 2023.

Note 13. Restatement of Net Position

The beginning net position as reflected on the Statement of Activities has been restated to reflect the following adjustments:

Balance at June 30, 2022	\$ 15,501,815
Implementation of GASB 87 Leases	<u>2,083</u>
Balance at July 1, 2022, as Restated	<u>\$ 15,503,898</u>

Note 14. Subsequent Events

The Town has performed a review of subsequent events through December 18, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available for issuance.

Prior to the issuance of the financial statements, the Town was the victim of a cyber security breach. The Louisiana State Police is currently investigating and addressing the extent of the intrusion. The financial implications are not determinable at this time.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Schedule of Employer's Proportionate  
Share of the Net Pension Liability

Schedule of Employer's Pension  
Contributions

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE  
OF NET PENSION LIABILITY  
Year Ended June 30, 2022\*

Plan Year	Employer Proportionate of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Covered Employee Payroll	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of It's Covered Employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
MERS:					
2022	1.149120%	\$ 1,008,908	\$ 923,853	109.2%	69.56%
2021	0.872096%	505,213	670,187	75.4%	79.14%
2020	0.802499%	727,246	629,877	115.5%	66.26%
2019	0.650539%	569,100	497,643	114.4%	64.68%
2018	0.624262%	528,021	462,512	114.2%	65.60%
2017	0.544458%	471,083	405,064	116.3%	63.49%
2016	0.494175%	409,626	363,493	112.7%	63.34%
2015	0.616046%	418,694	414,050	101.1%	68.71%
2014	0.597262%	280,412	402,449	69.7%	76.94%
MPERS:					
2022	0.123792%	1,265,374	380,043	333.0%	70.80%
2021	0.110920%	591,264	336,766	175.6%	84.09%
2020	0.096804%	894,695	298,999	299.2%	70.94%
2019	0.061940%	562,519	205,914	273.2%	71.01%
2018	0.056094%	474,222	150,351	315.4%	71.89%
2017	0.032717%	285,634	97,670	292.4%	70.08%
2016	0.039931%	374,266	103,879	360.3%	66.04%
2015	0.035060%	238,983	88,405	270.3%	70.73%
2014	0.033536%	209,804	88,595	236.8%	75.10%

\* The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

\*\* This schedule will contain ten years of historical information once such information becomes available

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER'S PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Contractually Required Contribution</u>	<u>Contributions in Relation to Contractual Required Contribution</u>	<u>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</u>	<u>Employer's Covered Employee Payroll</u>	<u>Contributions as a Percent of Covered Employee Payroll</u>
MERS:					
2023	\$ 139,863	\$ 139,863	\$ -	\$ 902,344	15.50%
2022	143,197	143,197	-	923,853	15.50%
2021	103,879	103,879	-	670,187	15.50%
2020	88,183	88,183	-	629,877	14.00%
2019	69,670	69,670	-	497,643	14.00%
2018	61,283	61,283	-	462,512	13.25%
2017	44,557	44,557	-	405,064	11.00%
2016	34,532	34,532	-	363,493	9.50%
2015	40,608	40,608	-	414,050	9.81%
MPERS:					
2023	154,350	154,350	-	493,919	31.25%
2022	113,063	113,063	-	380,043	29.75%
2021	113,658	113,658	-	336,766	33.75%
2020	97,175	97,175	-	298,999	32.50%
2019	66,407	66,407	-	205,914	32.25%
2018	46,233	46,233	-	150,351	30.75%
2017	31,010	31,010	-	97,670	31.75%
2016	30,644	30,644	-	103,879	29.50%
2015	27,848	27,848	-	88,405	31.50%

\* This schedule will contain ten years of historical information once such information becomes available



TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Changes to benefit terms:

There were no changes in benefit terms for the measurement period ending June 30, 2023.

Changes of Assumptions:

- Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return for MPERS changed from 7.30% to 8.06%

**OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Combining Balance Sheet  
Combining Statement of  
Revenues, Expenditures, and  
Changes in Fund Balances

Schedule of Compensation Benefits  
and Other Payments to Mayor

Justice System Funding Schedules  
Collecting/Disbursing Entity  
Schedule Receiving Entity Schedule

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
 June 30, 2023

<u>ASSETS</u>	Special Revenues				Total Non-Major Funds
	Parks and Streets	Police Asset Forfeitures	Sewer Improvements	Fire Protection	
Cash	\$ 280,124	\$ 28,233	\$ 9	\$ 570,587	\$ 878,953
Certificate of deposit	8,465	-	-	177,509	185,974
Taxes receivable	-	-	-	250	250
Intergovernmental receivable	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other funds	53,705	-	-	-	53,705
Total assets	\$ 342,294	\$ 28,233	\$ 9	\$ 748,346	\$ 1,118,882
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payables	\$ 3,414	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,833	\$ 45,247
Retainage payable	-	-	-	19,246	19,246
Other payables	3,725	-	-	-	3,725
Due to other funds	-	-	-	1,065	1,065
Total liabilities	7,139	-	-	62,144	69,283
Fund balance:					
Restricted	335,155	28,233	9	686,202	1,049,599
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 342,294	\$ 28,233	\$ 9	\$ 748,346	\$ 1,118,882

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Special Revenues				Total Non-Major Funds
	Parks and Streets	Police Asset Forfeitures	Sewer Improvements	Fire Protection	
Revenues:					
Tax revenue	\$ 225,012	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 167,130	\$ 392,142
Interest earned	2,048	278	-	5,257	7,583
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	19,333	19,333
Grant revenue	55,000	-	-	-	55,000
Fire Insurance	-	-	-	25,258	25,258
Miscellaneous	2,630	-	-	24,480	27,110
Total revenues	<u>284,690</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,458</u>	<u>526,426</u>
Expenditures:					
Fire protection district	-	-	-	304,256	304,256
Culture and recreation	213,699	-	-	-	213,699
Total expenditures	<u>213,699</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>304,256</u>	<u>517,955</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	70,991	278	-	(62,798)	8,471
Other financing sources (uses):					
Operating transfers in (out)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(163,881)</u>	<u>(163,881)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditure and other uses	70,991	278	-	(226,679)	(155,410)
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>264,164</u>	<u>27,955</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>912,881</u>	<u>1,205,009</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 335,155</u>	<u>\$ 28,233</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ 686,202</u>	<u>\$ 1,049,599</u>

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO MAYOR  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Mayor Paul Hesse (July 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022)

Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 19,509
Cell phone	325
Conference registration	250
Meal reimbursement	368
Hotels	289
Mileage	<u>87</u>
	<u>\$ 20,828</u>

Mayor Neal Watkins (January 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023)

Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ 22,760
Cell Phone	295
Conference registration	635
Fuel reimbursement	652
Meal reimbursement	188
Hotels	903
Meeting supplies reimbursement	886
Uniform reimbursement	<u>275</u>
	<u>\$ 26,594</u>

# Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity

## As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

Identifying Information		
Entity Name	Town of Iowa	
LLA Entity ID # (This is the ID number assigned to the entity by the Legislative Auditor for identification purposes.)	2268	
Date that reporting period ended (mm/dd/yyyy)	6/30/2023	
	<b>First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/2022</b>	<b>Second Six Month Period Ended 06/30/2023</b>
<b>Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected (i.e. cash on hand)</b>	10,888	9,513
<b>Add: Collections</b>		
Civil Fees (including refundable amounts such as garnishments or advance deposits )	-	-
Bond Fees	-	-
Asset Forfeiture/Sale	-	-
Pre-Trial Diversion Program Fees	-	-
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	158,757	225,523
Criminal Fines - Contempt	-	-
Criminal Fines - Other	123,725	213,372
Restitution	-	-
Probation/Parole/Supervision Fees	-	-
Service/Collection Fees (e.g. credit card fees, report fees, 3rd party service fees)	36,416	58,348
Interest Earnings on Collected Balances	-	-
Other (do not include collections that fit into more specific categories above)	-	-
<b>Subtotal Collections</b>	<b>318,898</b>	<b>497,243</b>
<b>Less: Disbursements To Governments &amp; Nonprofits:</b>		
<i>Louisiana Dept. of Health and Hospitals</i>	2,565	3,585
<i>Calcasieu 14th Judicial District Indigent Defender</i>	15,760	19,400
<i>State of Louisiana Treasurer- CMIS</i>	4,728	5,820
<i>Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement</i>	3,306	3,990
<i>Louisiana Supreme Court</i>	788	819
<i>Southwest LA Crime Lab, Calcasieu Parish</i>	37,490	52,460
<b>Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency</b>		
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Percentage of Collection	-	-
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Fixed Amount	-	-
Amounts "Self-Disbursed" to Collecting Agency- Criminal Court Costs/Fees	-	-
Amounts "Self-Disbursed" to Collecting Agency- Criminal Fines- Other	-	-
Town of Iowa	66,040	94,080
<b>Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies</b>	151,805	258,741
Civil Fee Refunds	-	-
Bond Fee Refunds	-	-
Restitution Payments to Individuals (additional detail is not required)	-	-
Other Disbursements to Individuals (additional detail is not required)	-	-
Payments to 3rd Party Collection/Processing Agencies	36,416	48,348
<b>Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage</b>	<b>318,898</b>	<b>487,243</b>

<b>Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained (i.e. cash on hand)</b>	10,888	19,513
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**Ending Balance of "Partial Payments" Collected but not Disbursed***(only applies if collecting agency does not disburse partial payments until fully collected ) - This balance is included in the Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained above.*

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<b>Other Information:</b>		
Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected <i>(i.e. receivable balance )</i>	-	-
Total Waivers During the Fiscal Period <i>(i.e. non-cash reduction of receivable balances, such as time served or community service )</i>	-	-

# Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity

## As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

Identifying Information		
<b>Entity Name</b>	Town of Iowa	
<b>LLA Entity ID #</b> (This is the ID number assigned to the entity by the Legislative Auditor for identification purposes.)	2268	
<b>Date that reporting period ended</b> (mm/dd/yyyy)	6/30/2023	
	<b>First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/2022</b>	<b>Second Six Month Period Ended 06/30/2023</b>
<b>Receipts From:</b>		
<i>La Dept of Public Safety &amp; Corrections- Aff Reinst Court Fees</i>	1,863	1,703
<b>Subtotal Receipts</b>	1,863	1,703
<b>Ending Balance of Amounts Assessed but Not Received</b> ( <i>only applies to those agencies that assess on behalf of themselves, such as courts</i> )	-	-



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**  
**ON INTERNAL CONTROL**  
**AND COMPLIANCE**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT OF 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*

Honorable Mayor  
and Town Council  
Town of Iowa  
Iowa, Louisiana

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Iowa, Louisiana's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 18, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits of the financial statements, we considered Town of Iowa, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Town of Iowa, Louisiana's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Iowa, Louisiana'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 Town's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs that we consider to be material weaknesses (items 2023-001 and 2023-002).

#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

#### Town of Iowa, Louisiana's Response to Findings

*Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Town of Iowa, Louisiana's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Town of Iowa, Louisiana's response was not subjected to the other 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 Town'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 Town's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*Mr. Elroy Quik + Bunch*

Lake Charles, Louisiana  
December 18, 2023

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

Honorable Mayor and Town Council  
Town of Iowa  
Iowa, Louisiana

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

We have audited the Town of Iowa's 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 each of the Town of Iowa's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. The Town of Iowa's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Town of Iowa complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

**Basis for Opinion on Each 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 Town of Iowa 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 each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Iowa'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 Town'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 Town of Iowa'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 Town of Iowa's compliance with the requirements of each 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 Town of Iowa'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 Town of Iowa'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 Town of Iowa'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.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the members of the Town of Iowa, management and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*McElroy Quirk + Bush*

Lake Charles, Louisiana  
December 18, 2023

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TOWN OF IOWA

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
 JUNE 30, 2023

<u>Grant Type</u>	<u>Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Current Expenditures</u>
<b>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</b>		
Passed Through Louisiana Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness:		
<b>Primary Government:</b>		
Disaster Grants-Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	1,553,682
<b>Total Department of Homeland Security</b>		<u>1,553,682</u>
<b>U.S. Department of the Treasury</b>		
Passed Through Louisiana Department of the Treasury:		
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	194,814
<b>Total U.S. Department of the Treasury</b>		<u>194,814</u>
<b>Total Federal Expenditures</b>		<u>\$1,748,496</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule

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TOWN OF IOWA

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Note A. Scope of Audit

The audit was performed pursuant to the Single Audit Act of 1996 and the Uniform Guidance.

Summary of significant accounting policies:

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards has been prepared on the full accrual basis of accounting used by the Town in preparation of the government wide financial statements that report these awards. The accounting policies of the Town conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units. The preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make certain assumptions that affect the reported amounts of expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note B. Disbursements

Disbursements reported in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards cannot be traced, in every case, directly to the disbursements reported in the Town's Financial Report. However, the detailed information regarding the disbursements reflected in both issued reports can be traced to the Town's detailed general ledger with adjustments for any year-end financial statement accruals and reversals.

Disaster Grants Public Assistance 97.036 - According to the 2023 Compliance Supplement, nonfederal entities must record expenditures on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) when (1) FEMA has approved the nonfederal entity's Project Worksheet and (2) the nonfederal entity has incurred the eligible expenditures.

Note C. Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal award programs of the Town that were received directly from federal agencies or passed through other entities and governmental agencies.

Note D. Indirect Cost Rate

The Town did not elect to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
 Year Ended June 30, 2023

**SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS**

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness identified?   X   Yes        No

Significant deficiency identified not considered to be material weakness?        Yes   X   None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?        Yes   X   No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness identified?        Yes   X   No

Significant deficiency identified not Considered to be material weakness?        Yes   X   None reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: Unqualified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance?        Yes   X   No

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
97.036	Disaster Grants-Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)

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

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?        Yes   X   No

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TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023  
(Continued)

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2023-001 Segregation of Duties

Condition: Because of the entity's size and the limited number of accounting personnel, it is not feasible to maintain a complete segregation of duties to achieve effective internal control.

Criteria: Effective internal control requires adequate segregation of duties among client personnel.

Effect: Without proper segregation of duties, errors within the financial records or fraud could go undetected.

Recommendation: To the extent cost effective, duties should be segregated and management should attempt to mitigate this weakness by supervision and review procedures.

Response: As the Town grows and as new positions are added, we will ensure that sufficient segregation of duties are developed and implemented to ensure an optimal and effective control structure.

2023-002 Controls Over Financing Reporting

Condition: In our judgment, the Town's accounting personnel and those charged with governance, in the course of their assigned duties, lack the capable resources to prepare the financial statements and related footnotes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and to detect and correct a material misstatement, if present.

Criteria: The Auditing Standards Board recently issued guidance to auditors related to entity's internal controls over financial reporting. Many small organizations rely on their auditor to generate the annual financial statements including footnotes. Auditing guidance emphasizes that the auditor cannot be part of your system of internal control over financial reporting.

Effect: Material misstatements in financial statements could go undetected.

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023  
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Recommendation: In our judgment, due to the lack of resources available to management to correct this material weakness in financial reporting, we recommend management mitigate this weakness by having a heightened awareness of all transactions being reported.

Response: We concur with this recommendation. Management has implemented supervision and review procedures to the extent possible.

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2022  
(Continued)

SECTION III - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

No findings to report

TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA  
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2023

SECTION IV - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2022-001 Segregation of Duties

Condition: This finding was a material weakness relating to the entity's size and limited number of accounting personnel which made it impossible to achieve effective internal accounting control.

Recommendation: To the extent cost effective, duties should be segregated and management should attempt to mitigate this weakness by supervision and review procedures.

Current Status: The condition still exists but management is mitigating its effect through review procedures. See finding 2023-001.

2022-002 Controls over Financing Reporting

Condition: This finding was a material weakness relating to the inability of the entity to produce financial statements and footnotes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Recommendation: We recommend management mitigate the weakness by having a heightened awareness of all transactions being reported.

Current Status: This condition still exists but management is mitigating its effect through review procedures. See finding 2023-002.

SECTION V - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

No Prior Year Findings.

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