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FINANCIAL REPORT

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2015



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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



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INTRODUCTION

The City of Belle Glade follows a policy of preparing a complete set of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles at the end of each fiscal year. These financial statements are audited by a licensed certified public accounting firm. The financial statement audit has been completed, and we hereby issue the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the City of Belle Glade for fiscal year ending September 30, 2015.

This report consists of management's representations concerning the finances for the City of Belle Glade. Management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all of the information presented in this report. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the City of Belle Glade has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the City's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and to communicate sufficiently reliable information for the City of Belle Glade's financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The City of Belle Glade's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable rather than absolute assurance that the financial statements will be free from material misstatement. As management, we assert that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this financial report is complete and reliable in all material respects.

The City of Belle Glade's financial statements have been audited by Nowlen, Holt, & Miner, P.A., a licensed certified public accounting firm. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the City of Belle Glade for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The independent auditor concluded, based upon the audit, that there was a reasonable basis for rendering an unmodified opinion that the City of Belle Glade's financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, are fairly presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The independent auditor's report is located at the front of the Financial Section of this report.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) immediately follows the independent auditor's report and provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the basic financial statements. The MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

The City's webpage (www.bellegladegov.com) provides information on the natural resources and recreational amenities available in the Belle Glade area, as well as provides citizens with up to date information on City's activities, events and contracts.

PROFILE OF THE CITY AND ITS OPERATIONS

The City of Belle Glade is located in western Palm Beach County on the southeast corner of Lake Okeechobee, the second largest freshwater lake within the contiguous United States of America. Palm Beach County has been recognized as one of the fastest growing counties in both the state and the nation. The City is a rural community, centrally located between the east and west coasts of Florida about 42 miles west of West Palm Beach and is approximately 6 square miles in size.

The population of 17,424 is primarily employed in various agricultural business and related industries within the greater Belle Glade area. The City issues approximately 1,026 business tax receipts for a wide range of businesses doing business within the corporate limits.

The City has a commissioner/manager form of government, with the five commissioners elected at large for staggered three-year terms. Elections are held on the second Tuesday in March each election year. The City employs a full-time City Manager who is the chief executive officer of the City.

The City provides a various range of municipal services to its citizenry. These services include culture-recreation, highways and streets, sanitation and recycling, park facilities, planning, zoning and general administrative services. Police services are currently being provided by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department under contract. Fire and emergency medical services are being provided by the Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue Department. Along with general governmental activities, the Mayor and Commission appoint members to the governing bodies of the General Employees' Pension and the Retired Public Safety Officers' Trust Boards. Additionally, the legislative body appoints the Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA) board members. However, pursuant to Statement 14 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, the BGHA does not qualify as a component unit of the City and thus their financial information is excluded from this report.

The City maintains budgetary controls over revenues and expenditures. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the City Commission. Activities of the General, Special Revenue, Capital Projects, Expendable Trust and Proprietary Funds are included in the annual appropriated budget. The level of budgetary control is established by object classification (personal services, operating expenses, capital outlay, and debt service) within each department. Budgetary reports are issued and reviewed monthly. The City also maintains an encumbrance accounting system as a budgetary control technique. All encumbered amounts lapse at year-end. Budget to actual comparisons are provided in the report for each governmental fund for which an appropriated annual budget has been adopted.

FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCIAL CONDITION

The information presented in the financial statements is perhaps best understood when it is considered in relationship to the City's specific environment and the City's plans for the future.

Local Economy

About 52% of the City's total revenue applicable to its governmental-type activities is derived from tax revenues. Tax revenues included five major sources: ad valorem property tax, local option gas tax, utility taxes, sales taxes and franchise fees. The ad valorem property tax rate for fiscal year 2015 was 6.5419 mills.

Major Initiatives

- The City is continuing to pursue an aggressive approach to economic development. In conjunction with Palm Beach County and many other agencies, the City has begun to promote the Belle Glade area as an attractive business location for new as well as expanding or relocating businesses. During fiscal year 2015, a new Dollar General Marketplace was opened along with a newly constructed 8,000 sq. ft. Family Dollar Store. The City is getting a new bank, the Bank of Clewiston is building a new facility in Belle Glade and it is anticipated to open in fiscal year 2016. Also, CVS Pharmacy has begun construction of a new store in Belle Glade.
- The City continues to work with the Community Redevelopment Agency within the downtown area of the City. The CRA is designed to assist in the elimination of slum and blight conditions in that section of the City and will continue working with Palm Beach County's Economic Development Office for the development of a "downtown core" to increase economic activity. The "old City Hall" located downtown is currently under redevelopment by the new private owners to be utilized to accommodate a daycare with apartments on the top level of the building. Adjacent to that facility the new owners are also going to build a 30 unit apartment complex.
- In an effort to reduce crime while simultaneously beautifying the City, Belle Glade has been aggressively pursuing a program of eliminating dilapidated structures throughout the City. The City has received a grant from Palm Beach County Solid Waste Authority to assist in the cost of the demolishing of the City's old water treatment plant facilities that were abandoned in 2008.
- The City continues its aggressive campaign to beautify and cleanup the City through stricter code enforcement. The campaign is aimed at improving overall aesthetics of the City through education and assistance to residents as well as businesses. This campaign has enticed various businesses on the City's Main Street to renovate the exteriors of their buildings.
- The City has a Youth Empowerment Program in partnership with the Palm Beach County Youth Services Department. Under the program, the City has established a Youth Empowerment Center that provides activities and services to youth ages 13-18, including after-school programs and activities, tutoring/mentoring, job training for in school and out of school youth, gang prevention outreach, parenting classes, employment services, safe school programs and information on resources.

- City leadership is pursuing several avenues in order to acquire funding for infrastructure improvements. The City Commission, City Manager and staff continue to solicit state and federal elected officials for assistance with road funding. The City received a state grant for \$619,625 for road resurfacing in fiscal year 2015. The City was able to repave 15 of its worst streets with the allotment of funds. The City has already received \$1,038,835 for road resurfacing in fiscal year 2016 and it is currently working on another \$2,036,043 for road projects.
- The City's storm drainage system is another project that the City is diligently working to improve. In fiscal year 2015 the City completed a \$328,568 stormwater drainage project on SE Avenue K. The reconstruction of the drainage system on NW Avenue H, for which the City received \$250,000 from the state, will be completed in fiscal year 2016, total estimated cost is \$707,649.
- The City's Aviation Master Plan was completed and the City has received in fiscal year 2015 the first of several planning and construction grants that will be received over the next five years. The City continues its partnership with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and Department of Environment Protection (DEP) to resolve the mitigation of the contaminated 19 acres at the Airport.
- The City has taken an aggressive approach in rehabilitating the City's parks. Various grants have been received to improve the City park system. The City has received grant funding to begin development of a new park in a blighted area of the City, known as "Loading Ramp Park".
- The City is progressing on schedule with its comprehensive plan to renovate the Belle Glade Marina area. The project plan tasks include renovating various Marina's facilities and infrastructure. The projects at the Belle Glade Marina include renovation of the Marina boardwalk area, which includes the reconstruction of the boardwalk, stabilization of the shoreline, installation of a pier, gangway and dock to the boardwalk. Improvements to the Marina parking and roadway, sidewalks and curbs, expansion of picnic shelters, renovation of campground laundry facility and electrical improvements to pedestals in the campground are also included in the Marina project plan. In fiscal year 2015, the boardwalk and stabilization of the shoreline was completed.
- The City is continuing to improve the Marina campground amenities. In fiscal year 2015, the City completed the construction of a new activity center. The City has received grant funds to construct an observation tower at the Marina.
- The City has a neighborhood transit system known as the Belle Glade Express that provides low-cost transportation to our transit-dependent citizens. This is the sixth year the transit system has provided service and the Belle Glade Express continues to be a popular means of transportation within the City.
- The City Commission approved a revolving loan fund program used to assist eligible first-time homebuyers who meet low and moderate income guidelines. In fiscal year 2015, two homes were built and financed using the funds available in the program for the new homeowners. The City is continuing to promote the program with the anticipation in assisting other first-time homebuyers.

- Water and sewer is being provided to the City by Palm Beach County Water Utilities and they have pledged to spend a total of \$25 million over a five year period to replace and/or repair water and sewer infrastructure in the Glades area. Three years are left on this project.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Cash Resources and Practices

The cash management program involves minimizing credit and market risks while maintaining a competitive yield on its portfolio. The City is authorized to make direct investments in U.S. Government and federal agency obligations, repurchase agreements or to arrange interest-bearing time deposits with qualified public depositories. In addition, restricted funds held by outside custodians on behalf of the Employees' Retirement and Deferred Compensation Funds are invested by the outside custodians pursuant to the applicable trust or escrow agreements. Accordingly, except for certain funds held pursuant to trust or escrow agreements, deposits were either insured by federal depository insurance or collateralized.

Risk Management

The City continues to purchase commercial insurance to cover various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disaster. No claims were settled that exceed the insurance coverage during the last three years. Risk retention is limited to those items which are not insurable, with deductible levels ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 per occurrence.

Risks that are not insured include damages to infrastructure or assets less than \$1,000; however, the amount of any loss cannot be reasonably estimated and the probability of the event of a loss cannot be determined. Therefore, the City makes no provision for losses in the financial statements.

Currently the City of Belle Glade's group health coverage is insured with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida through Public Risk Management Group Health Trust pool. Coverage through Public Risk Management Health Trust has allowed the City the opportunity to control health coverage expense by sharing the risk with other members in the pool.

Long-Term Debt Administration

Other post-employment benefits and compensated absences are listed in the financial statements. The City's only other long-term debt outstanding is a capital lease balance of \$392,464 as of September 30, 2015.

Trust Funds

Trust Funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the government.

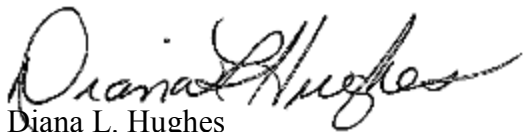
The City has two pension trust funds used to account for its retirement system: the General Employees' and the Retired Public Safety Officers' Safety Trust Funds. The Retired Public Safety Officers' Trust Fund was created to fund the benefits for vested members of the Firefighters' Pension and Police Officers' Pension Plans that were closed during Fiscal Year 2009.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was made possible by the dedicated efforts of the Finance Department's staff. Each member of the department has my sincere appreciation for the contributions made in the preparation of this report. I would also like to thank the City Manager and City Commission for their interest and support in planning and conducting the financial operations of the City in a responsible and progressive manner.

In conclusion, this report reflects the sound financial position and progressive manner in which the City continues to provide necessary services to the citizens of Belle Glade.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diana L. Hughes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Diana L. Hughes
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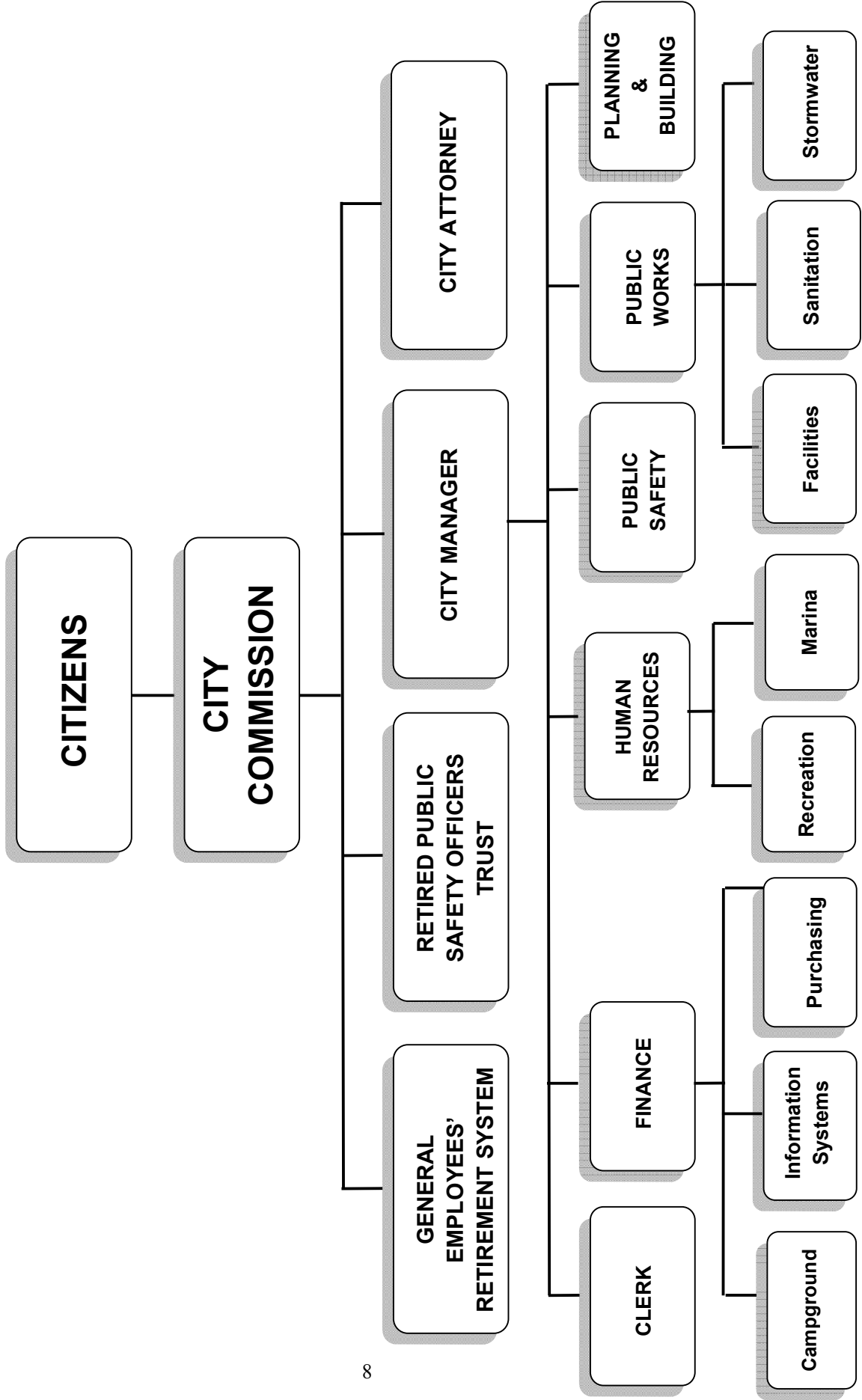
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September 30, 2014

Executive Director/CEO

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

ORGANIZATION CHART



CITY COMMISSION – September 30, 2015

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Redevelopment Services
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Belle Glade, Florida as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor’s Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Belle Glade, Florida, as of September 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 17 to the financial statements, the City implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*, during the year ended September 30, 2015. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 13 through 23, budgetary comparison information on pages 78 through 81, and the pension and other postemployment benefit trend information on pages 82 through 86 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Belle Glade, Florida's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining fund financial statements, other supplemental information, and statistical data listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining fund financial statements, other supplemental information and the schedule of expenditures of State financial assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 fund financial statements, other supplemental information and the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 28, 2016, on our consideration of the City of Belle Glade, Florida's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering City of Belle Glade, Florida's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Nowlen, Holt & Mimer, P.A.

Belle Glade, Florida
March 28, 2016

City of Belle Glade, Florida Management's Discussion and Analysis

The City of Belle Glade's (the "City") discussion and analysis is designed to:

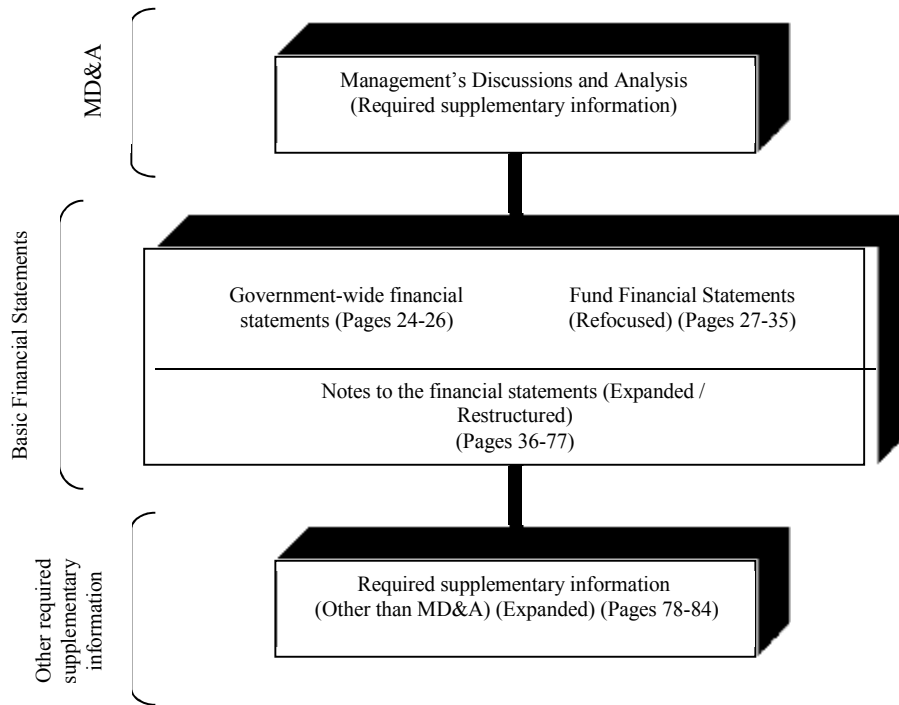
- A. Assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues
- B. Provide an overview of the City's financial activity
- C. Identify changes in the City's financial position
- D. Identify any material deviations from the financial plan (the approved budget)
- E. Identify individual fund issues or concerns

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the City of Belle Glade exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$43,041,442 (net position). Of this amount, \$13,401,809 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The government activities revenues increased by \$176,388. This increase was primarily due to an increase in intergovernmental revenues in the amount of \$201,273 (state revenue sharing increase of \$50,537 and half cent sales tax increase of \$144,865), an increase in other taxes in the amount of \$150,181 (franchise taxes increase of \$150,005), an increase in property taxes of \$93,100, an increase in local operating grants and contributions in the amount of \$78,700 and an increase in miscellaneous revenues in the amount of \$70,981 along with a decrease in transportation capital grants and contributions in the amount of \$405,768.
- The business-type activities revenues showed a net increase of \$1,118,566 primarily due to an increase in charges for services of \$518,795, an increase in capital grants and contributions of \$492,908, an increase in other miscellaneous revenues of \$106,863.
- The total cost of all City programs was \$12,658,157 during fiscal year 2015, an increase of \$11,2301 from prior year. This increase was primarily due to an increase in business-type activities in the Marina Campground and an overall decrease in expenses in general government.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the total fund balance for the general fund was \$8,841,959. Of this amount, nonspendable was \$951,752, restricted was \$538,233, committed was \$1,995,472, assigned was \$1,905,739 and unassigned was \$3,450,763.
- The City's total long-term liability decreased by \$9,793 during the current fiscal year. The decrease in the City's long-term liability was primarily due to the decrease in capital lease liability. The City's OPEB and compensated absences liability did increase in fiscal year 2015 by \$7,917 and \$25,096 respectfully.

City of Belle Glade, Florida Management’s Discussion and Analysis

USING THIS REPORT



The financial statement’s focus is on both the City as a whole (government-wide) and on the major individual funds. Both perspectives (government-wide and major fund) allow the user to address relevant questions, broaden a basis for comparison (year-to-year or government-to-government) and enhance the City’s accountability.

Management’s Discussion and Analysis

The Management’s Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is designed to focus on the current years’ activities, resulting changes and currently known facts. Thus, please read it in conjunction with the Transmittal Letter at the front of this report and the City’s financial statements, which follow this section.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the City of Belle Glade’s finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the government’s assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and liabilities. All of the current year’s revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

City of Belle Glade, Florida Management's Discussion and Analysis

The two government-wide statements report the City's net position and how they have changed. Net position – the difference between the City's assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and liabilities is one way to measure the City's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net position is one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the City's property tax base and the condition of the City's roads, to assess the overall health of the City.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, we divide the City into two kinds of activities:

- Government activities – Most of the City's basic services are reported here, including public safety, public works, parks and recreation, and general administration. Property taxes, franchise fees, and state shared revenue finance most of these activities.
- Business-type activities – The City charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides.

Fund Financial Statements

Our analysis of the City's major funds begins on page 27. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds – not the City as a whole. Funds are devices that the City uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Governmental funds – Most of the City's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets can be readily converted to cash flow and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs.
- Proprietary funds – Services for which the City charges customers a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds, like the government-wide statements, provide both long and short-term financial information.
- In fact, the City's enterprise funds (one type of proprietary fund) are the same as its business-type activities, but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows.
- Fiduciary Funds – The City is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its employees' pension plans. The City is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. We exclude these activities from the City's government-wide financial statements because the City cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to full understanding of the data provided in the government – wide and fund financial statements.

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Required Supplementary Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information about the City financial information in connection with non-major governmental and enterprise funds as well as fiduciary funds.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY AS A WHOLE

Net Position

- The City's combined net position for fiscal year 2015 is reported at \$43,041,442. Net position of the City's governmental activities for fiscal year 2015 is \$25,679,490. The net position of our business-type activities is reported at \$17,361,952 for fiscal year 2015. Overall the net position of the total primary government has increased by \$1,807,449.

*City of Belle Glade
Statement of Net Position
as of September 30, 2015*

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total Primary Government</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 10,374,391	\$ 11,240,327	\$ 3,953,513	\$ 4,288,868	\$ 14,327,904	\$ 15,529,195
Long term assets	16,188,306	15,388,118	12,977,822	13,259,872	29,166,128	28,647,990
TOTAL ASSETS	26,562,697	26,628,445	16,931,335	17,548,740	43,494,032	44,177,185
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		777,795		201,215		979,010
Current and other liabilities	396,896	416,871	121,343	167,276	518,239	584,147
Long term liabilities outstanding	1,026,693	1,005,178	145,479	157,201	1,172,172	1,162,379
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,423,589	1,422,049	266,822	324,477	1,690,411	1,746,526
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	501,862	304,701	67,766	63,526	569,628	368,227
Net investment in capital assets	12,086,063	12,282,141	12,393,038	12,896,407	24,479,101	25,178,548
Restricted	3,811,146	4,207,105	320,740	253,980	4,131,886	4,461,085
Unrestricted	8,740,037	9,190,244	3,882,969	4,211,565	12,623,006	13,401,809
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 24,637,246	\$ 25,679,490	\$ 16,596,747	\$ 17,361,952	\$ 41,233,993	\$ 43,041,442

2014 amounts have been restated above for GASB 68.

- The City implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Boards ("GASB") Statement No. 68 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27" ("GASB #68") and GASB Statement No. 71 "Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68" ("GASB #71" and collectively "Statements") in 2015. These Statements require the City to recognize a net pension asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for its two retirement plans, on financial statements prepared on the economic resources measurement focus and

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accrual basis of accounting (i.e. the statement of net position) and presents more extensive note disclosures. The adoption of these Statements had no impact on the City's governmental fund financial statements, which continue to report expenditures in the amount of the contractually required contributions. However, the adoption has resulted in the restatement of the City's net position as of September 30, 2014 for its government-wide financial statements and proprietary funds to reflect the reporting of net pension assets, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources for each of its qualified pension plans in accordance with the provisions of these Statements. Net position of the City's governmental activities as of September 30, 2014 was increased by \$3,132,131 and the business-type activities increase by \$517,018 reflecting the cumulative change in accounting principle related to the adoption of these Statements. See Note 10 in the notes to the basic financial statements for more information regarding the City's retirement plans.

Changes in Net Position

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

- The increase in net position for governmental activities was \$1,042,244. The increase in net position was due to an excess of revenues over expenses of \$767,089 and net transfers in of \$275,155.
- The net position increase for business-type activities was \$765,205. The net position increase was due to an excess of revenues over expenses of \$1,040,360 and net transfers out of \$275,155.

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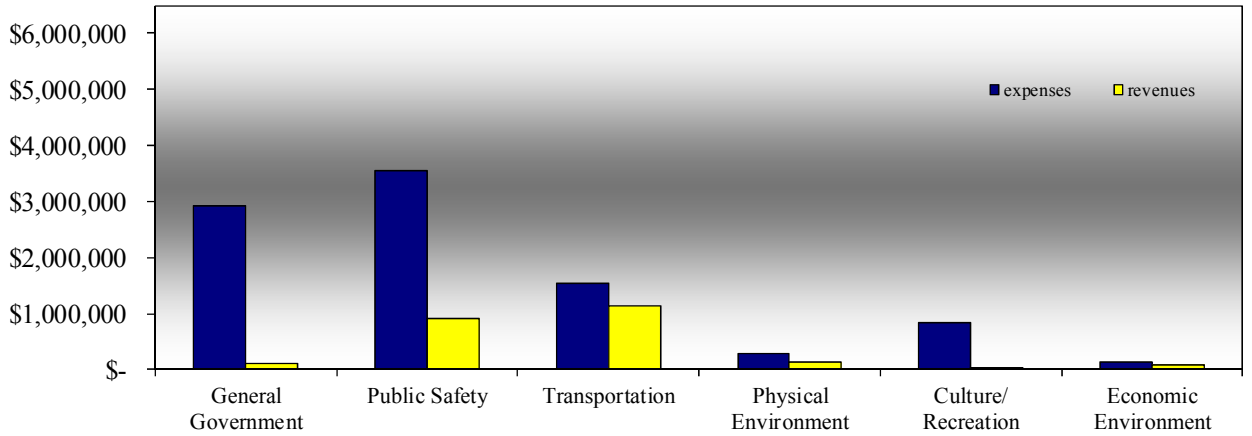
City of Belle Glade's Changes in Net Position as of September 30, 2015

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total Primary Government</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Revenues:						
<i>Program Revenues:</i>						
Charges for services	\$ 777,005	\$ 764,926	\$ 3,087,971	\$ 3,606,766	\$ 3,864,976	\$ 4,371,692
Operating grants and contributions	826,234	904,934	-	-	826,234	904,934
Capital contributions	1,142,281	736,513	185,977	678,885	1,328,258	1,415,398
<i>General Revenues:</i>						
Property taxes	1,601,442	1,694,542	-	-	1,601,442	1,694,542
Other taxes	3,257,768	3,407,949	-	-	3,257,768	3,407,949
Intergovernmental	2,250,290	2,451,563	-	-	2,250,290	2,451,563
Other	37,717	108,698	3,967	110,830	41,684	219,528
TOTAL REVENUES	9,892,737	10,069,125	3,277,915	4,396,481	13,170,652	14,465,606
Expenses:						
<i>Primary Government:</i>						
General government	3,075,354	2,931,318	-	-	3,075,354	2,931,318
Public safety	3,620,565	3,561,596	-	-	3,620,565	3,561,596
Transportation	1,471,076	1,547,693	-	-	1,471,076	1,547,693
Physical environment	270,643	275,675	-	-	270,643	275,675
Culture/recreation	783,050	848,991	-	-	783,050	848,991
Economic environment	184,946	124,886	-	-	184,946	124,886
Interest on long-term debt	13,717	11,877	-	-	13,717	11,877
<i>Business-type Activities:</i>						
Water and sewer	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garbage and solid waste	-	-	2,020,382	1,891,092	2,020,382	1,891,092
Marina	-	-	681,016	930,856	681,016	930,856
Stormwater utility	-	-	526,178	534,173	526,178	534,173
TOTAL EXPENSES	9,419,351	9,302,036	3,227,576	3,356,121	12,646,927	12,658,157
Excess (deficiency) before transfers	473,386	767,089	50,339	1,040,360	523,725	1,807,449
Transfers	148,687	275,155	(148,687)	(275,155)	-	-
Increase (decrease) in net position	622,073	1,042,244	(98,348)	765,205	523,725	1,807,449
Net Position - beginning, as restated	24,015,173	24,637,246	16,695,095	16,596,747	40,710,268	41,233,993
Net Position - ending	\$ 24,637,246	\$ 25,679,490	\$ 16,596,747	\$ 17,361,952	\$ 41,233,993	\$ 43,041,442

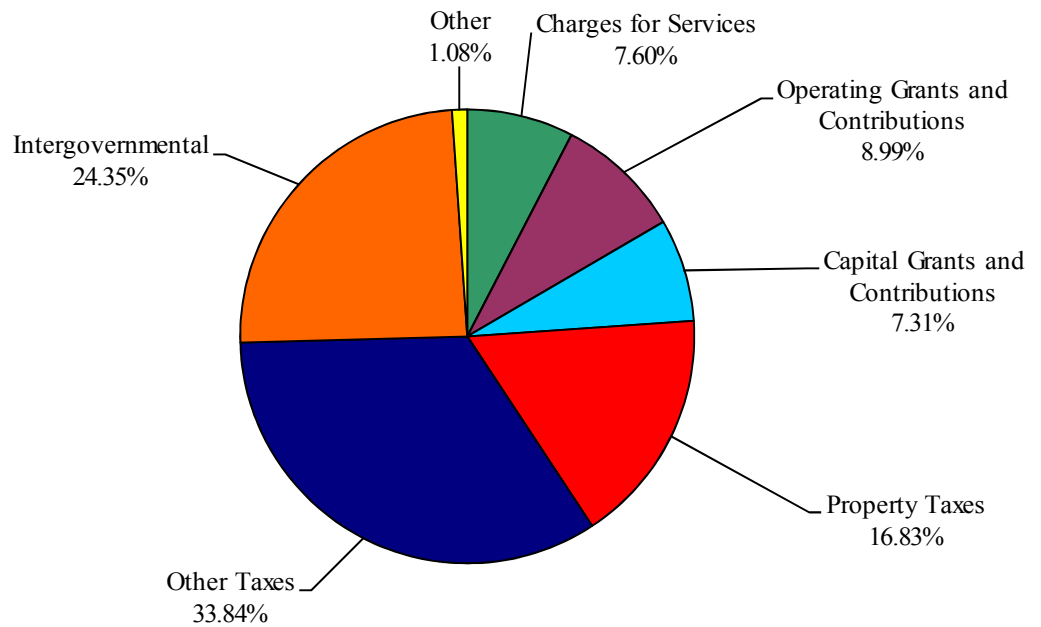
Beginning net position for 2014 was restated for GASB 68.

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Expense and Program Revenues - Governmental Activities

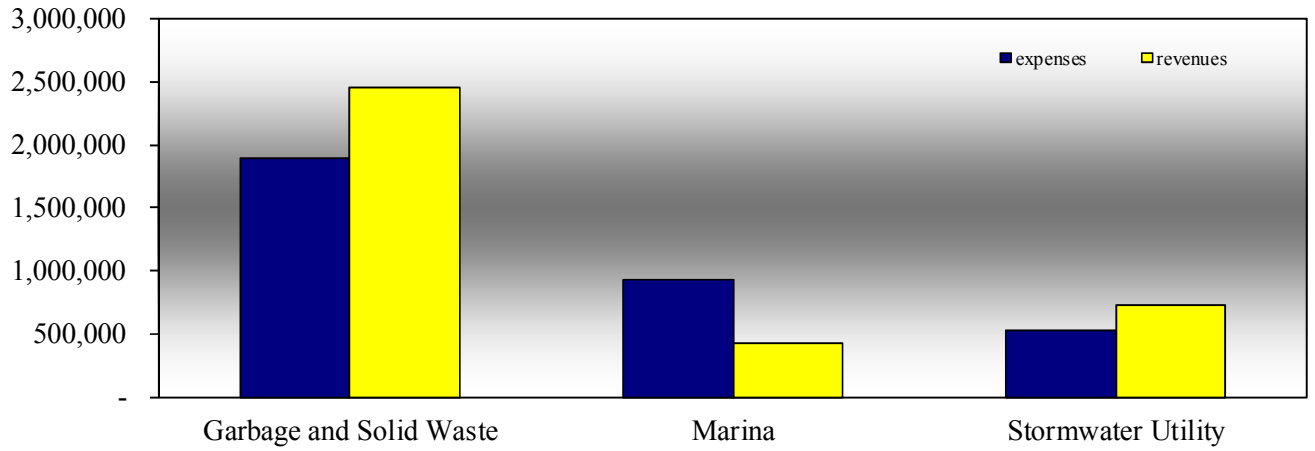


Revenues by Source - Governmental Activities

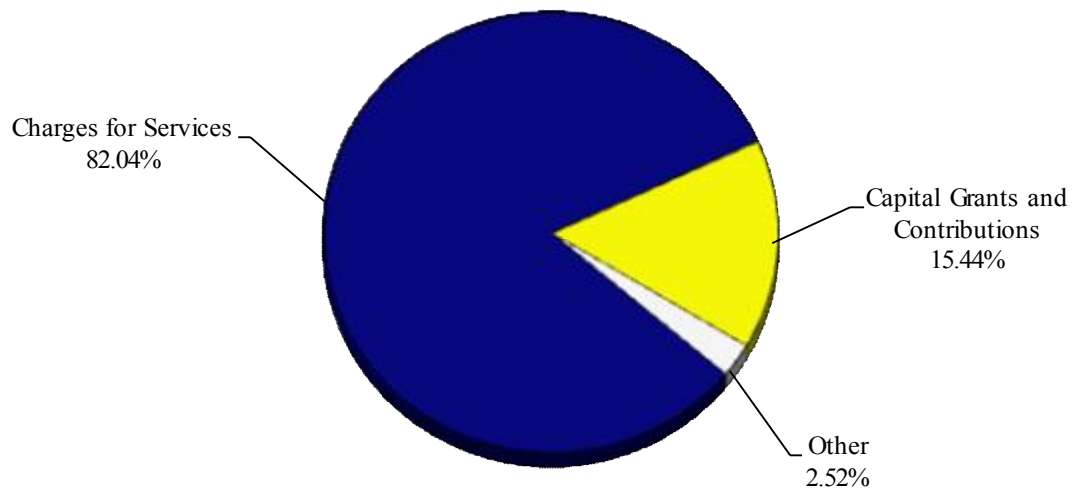


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Expenses and Program Revenues - Business-Type Activities



Revenues by Source - Business-Type Activities



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Financial Analysis of the Major Governmental Fund

At the end of the current fiscal year, the City of Belle Glade's governmental funds reflected combined ending fund balances of \$10,612,206 an increase of \$845,062 compared to the prior year. Of the total combined fund balances, nonspendable was \$1,336,111, restricted was \$1,834,224, committed was \$1,995,472, assigned was \$1,905,739 and unassigned was \$3,540,660.

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the City of Belle Glade. At the end of the current fiscal year, the fund balance of the General Fund was \$8,841,959. Of this amount, nonspendable was \$951,752, restricted was \$538,233, committed was \$1,995,472, assigned was \$1,905,739 and unassigned was \$3,450,763.

During the current fiscal year, the fund balance of the City of Belle Glade's general fund increased by \$754,853. This was due to an excess of revenues over expenditures of \$594,087 and net transfers in of \$160,766.

The City's Revolving Loan Fund is another major governmental fund which is utilized to account for funds used to assist eligible first-time homebuyers who meet low and moderate income guidelines in purchasing and/or constructing their first home. At the end of the current fiscal year, fund balance in the Revolving Loan Fund was \$1,500,526. Of this amount, nonspendable was \$384,359 and restricted was \$1,116,167.

Financial Analysis of the Major Proprietary Funds

Unrestricted net position of the Garbage/Solid Waste Fund at the end of the year was \$2,667,587, an increase of \$618,050 from the previous year.

Unrestricted net position of the Marina Fund increased \$62,184 from (\$202,284) to (\$140,100) due to an increase in total assets in the amount of \$505,010, less an increase in liabilities in the amount of \$150,616, less an increase in investment in capital assets in the amount of \$292,210.

Unrestricted net position of the Stormwater Fund increased from \$1,518,698 to \$1,684,078.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the City Commission revised the City budget several times. These budget changes were primarily due to either amended budgets for grants or revised departmental needs.

After these amendments, actual expenditures were \$1,082,090 less than the final budget amounts. This was due to some grant funds not being spent in public safety and transportation and underexpenditure by the operating departments. Revenues were \$289,120 more than the final budget amounts and were primarily due to overcollection of other taxes, permits, fines and charges for fees.

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CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of 2015, the City had invested \$25,571,012 (net of depreciation) in a broad range of capital assets including buildings, parks and recreation facilities, roads, and bridges. Additional information concerning capital assets can be found in Note 6 of the financial statements.

City of Belle Glade's Capital Assets
(net of depreciation)
as of September 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		TOTAL	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
Land	\$ 2,336,815	\$ 2,321,166	\$ 2,597,250	\$ 2,597,250	\$ 4,934,065	\$ 4,918,416
Buildings and improvements	3,832,399	3,668,964	5,471,435	5,840,946	9,303,834	9,509,910
Equipment	605,653	620,401	1,031,620	1,033,909	1,637,273	1,654,310
Infrastructure	4,286,233	4,518,206	3,215,523	3,375,577	7,501,756	7,893,783
Construction in progress	1,460,233	1,545,868	77,210	48,725	1,537,443	1,594,593
TOTALS	\$ 12,521,333	\$ 12,674,605	\$ 12,393,038	\$ 12,896,407	\$ 24,914,371	\$ 25,571,012

The \$1,545,868 in construction in progress in the City of Belle Glade's governmental activities was primarily due to design and engineering services for the boat lock project. The \$48,725 in construction in progress in the City of Belle Glade's business-type activities was primarily due to design and engineer services for stormwater drainage improvements in the Stormwater Fund.

Long-Term Liabilities

At September 30, 2015, the City had a capital lease for \$392,464 and \$769,915 in compensated absences and other post employment benefits (OPEB) as shown in the following table. Additional information can be found in Note 7 of the notes to the financial statements.

City of Belle Glade's Outstanding Debt
as of September 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		TOTAL	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
Capital Lease	\$ 435,270	\$ 392,464	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 435,270	\$ 392,464
OPEB	99,563	103,541	24,947	28,886	124,510	132,427
Compensated absences	491,860	509,173	120,532	128,315	612,392	637,488
TOTALS	\$ 1,026,693	\$ 1,005,178	\$ 145,479	\$ 157,201	\$ 1,172,172	\$ 1,162,379

City of Belle Glade, Florida Management's Discussion and Analysis

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

For the 2016 fiscal year, General Fund revenue projections were generally conservative as has been our practice in previous years.

- There is a budgeted transfer from unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$650,000 in the General Fund.
- No rate increases in sanitation fees were implemented in fiscal year 2016.
- No change in stormwater assessment rate.
- Campground fees are estimated to generate 83.6% of revenue needed to operate Torry Island Campground in the Marina Fund.
- The millage rate is 6.5419 mills, which is 5.27% over the rolled back rate and the same millage rate as the previous year.
- There is a budgeted increase in net ad valorem taxes of approximately 12.18% due to annexation of new property into the City and an increase in total property value.

All of these factors were considered in preparing the City of Belle Glade's budget for the 2016 fiscal year.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to demonstrate the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Director of Finance, City of Belle Glade, 110 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., West, Belle Glade, FL 33430.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Net Position
September 30, 2015

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,949,333	\$ 3,582,223	\$ 11,531,556
Investments	360,163		360,163
Receivables			
Accounts, net	352,497	524,416	876,913
Accrued interest	18,460		18,460
Due from other governments	1,255,421	455,742	1,711,163
Grants	243,728		243,728
Delinquent mortgages	44,864		44,864
Assets held for resale	64,109		64,109
Internal balances	553,337	(553,337)	
Supplies inventory	15,339		15,339
Prepaid expenses	383,076	25,844	408,920
Restricted assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		253,980	253,980
Net pension asset	2,713,513	363,465	3,076,978
Capital assets			
Non-depreciable	3,867,034	2,645,975	6,513,009
Depreciable (net of depreciation)	8,807,571	10,250,432	19,058,003
Total assets	<u>26,628,445</u>	<u>17,548,740</u>	<u>44,177,185</u>
Deferred outflows of resources			
Pension related items	<u>777,795</u>	<u>201,215</u>	<u>979,010</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	155,105	151,501	306,606
Deposits	20,121		20,121
Accrued liabilities	137,820		137,820
Accrued interest payable	5,297		5,297
Due to other governments	95,830	4,034	99,864
Unearned revenue	2,698	11,741	14,439
Non-current liabilities			
Due within one year	145,935	22,317	168,252
Due in more than one year	859,243	134,884	994,127
Total liabilities	<u>1,422,049</u>	<u>324,477</u>	<u>1,746,526</u>
Deferred inflows of resources			
Pension related items	208,998	63,526	272,524
Unearned revenue	95,703		95,703
Total deferred intflows of resources	<u>304,701</u>	<u>63,526</u>	<u>368,227</u>
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	12,282,141	12,896,407	25,178,548
Restricted for:			
Capital improvements		253,980	253,980
Economic environment	1,521,515		1,521,515
Landscaping	82,319		82,319
Museum	74,659		74,659
Transportation	504,525		504,525
Other purposes	28,615		28,615
Stabilization	1,995,472		1,995,472
Unrestricted	9,190,244	4,211,565	13,401,809
Total net position	<u>\$ 25,679,490</u>	<u>\$ 17,361,952</u>	<u>\$ 43,041,442</u>

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>
Primary Government		
Governmental activities		
General government	\$ 2,931,318	\$ 102,960
Public safety	3,561,596	510,937
Transportation	1,547,693	14,787
Physical environment	275,675	135,163
Culture/recreation	848,991	1,079
Economic environment	124,886	
Interest on long term debt	11,877	
Total governmental activities	<u>9,302,036</u>	<u>764,926</u>
Business-type activities		
Garbage and solid waste	1,891,092	2,460,253
Marina	930,856	421,910
Stormwater utility	534,173	724,603
Total business-type activities	<u>3,356,121</u>	<u>3,606,766</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 12,658,157</u>	<u>\$ 4,371,692</u>

Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Primary Government		
		Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions			
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
398,566		(2,828,358)		(2,828,358)
481,368	652,341	(2,652,093)		(2,652,093)
		(399,197)		(399,197)
25,000		(140,512)		(140,512)
	84,172	(822,912)		(822,912)
		(40,714)		(40,714)
		(11,877)		(11,877)
<u>904,934</u>	<u>736,513</u>	<u>(6,895,663)</u>		<u>(6,895,663)</u>
			569,161	569,161
	678,885		169,939	169,939
			190,430	190,430
	<u>678,885</u>		<u>929,530</u>	<u>929,530</u>
<u>\$ 904,934</u>	<u>\$ 1,415,398</u>	<u>(6,895,663)</u>	<u>929,530</u>	<u>(5,966,133)</u>
General revenues				
Ad valorem taxes		1,694,542		1,694,542
Local option gas taxes		475,926		475,926
Franchise taxes		1,412,101		1,412,101
Utility taxes		1,519,922		1,519,922
Unrestricted intergovernmental shared revenues		2,451,563		2,451,563
Unrestricted investment earnings		83,008		83,008
Miscellaneous revenues		25,690	110,830	136,520
Transfers		275,155	(275,155)	
Total general revenues and transfers		<u>7,937,907</u>	<u>(164,325)</u>	<u>7,773,582</u>
Change in net position		1,042,244	765,205	1,807,449
Net position - beginning, as restated		24,637,246	16,596,747	41,233,993
Net position - ending		<u>\$ 25,679,490</u>	<u>\$ 17,361,952</u>	<u>\$ 43,041,442</u>

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
September 30, 2015

	General	Capital Projects Fund	Revolving Loan Fund	Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,892,892	\$	\$ 1,035,452	\$ 20,989	\$ 7,949,333
Investments			360,163		360,163
Receivables					
Accounts, net	340,083	12,414			352,497
Accrued interest			18,460		18,460
Due from other funds	402,039				402,039
Due from other governments	551,624	703,797			1,255,421
Grants	243,728				243,728
Delinquent mortgages			44,864		44,864
Assets held for resale			64,109		64,109
Supplies inventory	15,339				15,339
Prepaid expenditures	383,076				383,076
Advance to other funds	553,337				553,337
Total assets	<u>\$ 9,382,118</u>	<u>\$ 716,211</u>	<u>\$ 1,523,048</u>	<u>\$ 20,989</u>	<u>\$ 11,642,366</u>
Liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 82,877	\$ 70,936	\$ 1,292	\$	\$ 155,105
Deposits	12,298		7,823		20,121
Accrued liabilities	129,909		7,911		137,820
Due to other funds		396,543	5,496		402,039
Due to other governments	95,830				95,830
Unearned revenue	2,698				2,698
Total liabilities	<u>323,612</u>	<u>467,479</u>	<u>22,522</u>		<u>813,613</u>
Deferred inflows or resources					
Unavailable revenue	120,844				120,844
Unearned revenue	95,703				95,703
	<u>216,547</u>				<u>216,547</u>
Fund balances					
Nonspendable					
Inventory and prepaids	398,415				398,415
Advance	553,337				553,337
Long term portion of mortgage notes			339,495		339,495
Delinquent mortgages			44,864		44,864
Restricted					
Police education	22,197				22,197
Landscaping	82,319				82,319
Parking	3,230				3,230
Museum	74,659				74,659
Veteran's memorial		6,950			6,950
Civic center	3,188				3,188
Transportation	352,640	151,885			504,525
Economic environment			1,116,167	20,989	1,137,156
Committed					
Stabilization	1,995,472				1,995,472
Assigned					
Emergencies	527,564				527,564
Capital projects	1,378,175	89,897			1,468,072
Unassigned	3,450,763				3,450,763
Total fund balances	<u>8,841,959</u>	<u>248,732</u>	<u>1,500,526</u>	<u>20,989</u>	<u>10,612,206</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 9,382,118</u>	<u>\$ 716,211</u>	<u>\$ 1,523,048</u>	<u>\$ 20,989</u>	<u>\$ 11,642,366</u>

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Position
Governmental Funds
September 30, 2015

Fund balances total governmental funds \$ 10,612,206

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.

Governmental capital assets	\$ 32,403,741	
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(19,729,136)</u>	12,674,605

The net pension asset related to defined benefit pension plans does not represent available spendable resources and is not reported in the governmental funds.

2,713,513

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to defined benefit pension plans are applicable future periods and are not reported in the governmental funds:

Pension related deferred outflows	777,795	
Pension related deferred outflows	<u>(208,998)</u>	568,797

Revenue is recognized when earned in the government-wide statements, regardless of activity. Governmental funds report based on modified accrual, i.e., both measurable and available.

Grant revenues		120,844
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Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.

Accrued interest payable	(5,297)	
Other postemployment benefits	(103,541)	
Compensated absences	(509,173)	
Capital lease	<u>(392,464)</u>	<u>(1,010,475)</u>

Net position of governmental activities \$ 25,679,490

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	General	Capital Projects Fund	Revolving Loan Fund	Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 4,950,606	\$ 151,885	\$	\$	\$ 5,102,491
Licenses and permits	234,559				234,559
Intergovernmental revenues	3,307,243	703,797		6,776	4,017,816
Charges for services	329,005				329,005
Fines and forfeitures	52,459				52,459
Miscellaneous revenues	715,819	6,950	13,797		736,566
Total revenues	<u>9,589,691</u>	<u>862,632</u>	<u>13,797</u>	<u>6,776</u>	<u>10,472,896</u>
Expenditures					
Current					
General government	3,175,878				3,175,878
Public safety	3,578,022				3,578,022
Transportation	1,117,306				1,117,306
Physical environment	273,356				273,356
Culture/recreation	625,249				625,249
Economic environment	5,790		90,697	327	96,814
Capital outlay	164,458	715,967		100,394	980,819
Debt service					
Principal	42,806				42,806
Interest	12,739				12,739
Total expenditures	<u>8,995,604</u>	<u>715,967</u>	<u>90,697</u>	<u>100,721</u>	<u>9,902,989</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>594,087</u>	<u>146,665</u>	<u>(76,900)</u>	<u>(93,945)</u>	<u>569,907</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers in	405,000	104,500		9,889	519,389
Transfers (out)	(244,234)				(244,234)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>160,766</u>	<u>104,500</u>		<u>9,889</u>	<u>275,155</u>
Net change in fund balances	754,853	251,165	(76,900)	(84,056)	845,062
Fund balances - beginning	<u>8,087,106</u>	<u>(2,433)</u>	<u>1,577,426</u>	<u>105,045</u>	<u>9,767,144</u>
Fund balances - ending	<u>\$ 8,841,959</u>	<u>\$ 248,732</u>	<u>\$ 1,500,526</u>	<u>\$ 20,989</u>	<u>\$ 10,612,206</u>

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ 845,062

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.

However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is depreciated over their estimated useful life.

Expenditures for capital assets	\$ 980,819	
Less current year depreciation	<u>(810,960)</u>	169,859

Donations and disposals of capital assets affect net position in the statement of activities, but do not appear in the governmental funds because they are not financial resources.

Net book value of asset disposals or sales		(16,587)
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Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

Capital lease payments		42,806
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Governmental funds report revenues when earned and available. However, in the Statement of Activities, revenues are recognized when earned, regardless of availability.

Program revenue-charges for services	(105,000)	
Program revenue-operating grants	<u>96,137</u>	(8,863)

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Changes in accrued interest payable	862	
Change in net pension asset and related deferred amounts	30,396	
Change in other postemployment benefits	(3,978)	
Change in long-term compensated absences	<u>(17,313)</u>	<u>9,967</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities		<u><u>\$ 1,042,244</u></u>
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See notes to the financial statements.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Funds
September 30, 2015

	Garbage and Solid Waste	Marina	Stormwater	Totals
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,953,986	\$ 200	\$ 1,628,037	\$ 3,582,223
Receivables				
Accounts, net	520,492	924	3,000	524,416
Due from other governments		455,742		455,742
Prepaid expenses	21,556	1,200	3,088	25,844
Restricted assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	253,980			253,980
Total current assets	<u>2,750,014</u>	<u>458,066</u>	<u>1,634,125</u>	<u>4,842,205</u>
Non-current assets				
Net pension asset	240,751	40,853	81,861	363,465
Capital assets				
Property, plant, and equipment	2,273,355	12,519,174	4,984,750	19,777,279
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,561,206)</u>	<u>(3,946,008)</u>	<u>(1,373,658)</u>	<u>(6,880,872)</u>
Total non-current assets	<u>952,900</u>	<u>8,614,019</u>	<u>3,692,953</u>	<u>13,259,872</u>
Total assets	<u>3,702,914</u>	<u>9,072,085</u>	<u>5,327,078</u>	<u>18,102,077</u>
Deferred outflows of resources				
Pension related items	<u>133,280</u>	<u>22,616</u>	<u>45,319</u>	<u>201,215</u>
Liabilities				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	42,604	79,306	29,591	151,501
Due to other governments		4,034		4,034
Compensated absences	14,644	513	7,160	22,317
Unearned revenue		11,741		11,741
Total current liabilities	<u>57,248</u>	<u>95,594</u>	<u>36,751</u>	<u>189,593</u>
Non-current liabilities				
Advance from other funds		553,337		553,337
Compensated absences	82,977	1,538	21,483	105,998
Other postemployment benefits	20,175	4,026	4,685	28,886
Total non-current liabilities	<u>103,152</u>	<u>558,901</u>	<u>26,168</u>	<u>688,221</u>
Total liabilities	<u>160,400</u>	<u>654,495</u>	<u>62,919</u>	<u>877,814</u>
Deferred inflows of resources				
Pension related items	<u>42,078</u>	<u>7,140</u>	<u>14,308</u>	<u>63,526</u>
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets	712,149	8,573,166	3,611,092	12,896,407
Restricted for:				
Repairs and replacement	253,980			253,980
Unrestricted	<u>2,667,587</u>	<u>(140,100)</u>	<u>1,684,078</u>	<u>4,211,565</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 3,633,716</u>	<u>\$ 8,433,066</u>	<u>\$ 5,295,170</u>	<u>\$ 17,361,952</u>

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes
in Fund Net Position
Proprietary Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Garbage and Solid Waste	Marina	Stormwater	Total
Operating revenue				
Charges for services	\$ 2,460,253	\$ 421,910	\$ 724,603	\$ 3,606,766
Operating expenses				
Personal services	772,673	143,117	182,261	1,098,051
Professional services	1,110	21,048	24,969	47,127
Insurance	74,528	29,275	10,053	113,856
Chemicals	2,016	3,905		5,921
Disposal fees	357,912			357,912
Heat, light and power	9,285	168,770		178,055
Depreciation	152,845	473,799	216,951	843,595
Repairs and maintenance	125,072	47,825	6,104	179,001
Administrative	268,037		72,159	340,196
Other	127,614	43,117	21,676	192,407
Total operating expenses	1,891,092	930,856	534,173	3,356,121
Operating income (loss)	569,161	(508,946)	190,430	250,645
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)				
Insurance proceeds	108,656			108,656
Intergovernmental	2,174			2,174
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	110,830			110,830
Income (loss) before contributions	679,991	(508,946)	190,430	361,475
Capital contributions		678,885		678,885
Transfers				
Transfers in		129,845		129,845
Transfers (out)	(405,000)			(405,000)
Total transfers	(405,000)	129,845		(275,155)
Change in net position	274,991	299,784	190,430	765,205
Net position - beginning, as restated	3,358,725	8,133,282	5,104,740	16,596,747
Net position - ending	\$ 3,633,716	\$ 8,433,066	\$ 5,295,170	\$ 17,361,952

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Garbage and Solid Waste	Marina	Stormwater	Totals
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 2,440,387	\$ 401,077	\$ 724,601	\$ 3,566,065
Payments to suppliers	(706,975)	(277,175)	(41,271)	(1,025,421)
Payments to employees	(768,925)	(139,787)	(170,557)	(1,079,269)
Payments to other governments		1,512		1,512
Internal activity - payments to other funds	(268,037)		(72,159)	(340,196)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>696,450</u>	<u>(14,373)</u>	<u>440,614</u>	<u>1,122,691</u>
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:				
Advances from other funds		120,427		120,427
Transfers (out) in	(405,000)	129,845		(275,155)
Net cash (used) by non-capital financing activities	<u>(405,000)</u>	<u>250,272</u>		<u>(154,728)</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:				
Contributed capital		223,143		223,143
Insurance proceeds	108,656			108,656
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(217,303)	(766,977)	(363,652)	(1,347,932)
Net cash (used) by capital and related financing activities	<u>(108,647)</u>	<u>(543,834)</u>	<u>(363,652)</u>	<u>(1,016,133)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	182,803	(307,935)	76,962	(48,170)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>2,025,163</u>	<u>308,135</u>	<u>1,551,075</u>	<u>3,884,373</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 2,207,966</u>	<u>\$ 200</u>	<u>\$ 1,628,037</u>	<u>\$ 3,836,203</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Operating income (loss)	<u>\$ 569,161</u>	<u>\$ (508,946)</u>	<u>\$ 190,430</u>	<u>\$ 250,645</u>
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	152,845	473,799	216,951	843,595
Operating grants	2,174			2,174
Change in net pension asset and related deferred amounts	8,804	(1,719)	8,779	15,864
Change in assets and liabilities:				
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(22,040)	(924)	(2)	(22,966)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(21,556)	(600)	(3,088)	(25,244)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	3,314	9,391	24,619	37,324
Increase (decrease) in due to other governments		1,512		1,512
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue		8,065		8,065
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences	2,840	1,950	2,993	7,783
Increase (decrease) in other postemployment benefits	908	3,099	(68)	3,939
Total adjustments	<u>127,289</u>	<u>494,573</u>	<u>250,184</u>	<u>872,046</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ 696,450</u>	<u>\$ (14,373)</u>	<u>\$ 440,614</u>	<u>\$ 1,122,691</u>
Noncash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities				
Construction contracts payable	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 29,332</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 29,332</u>

See notes to financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds
September 30, 2015

	Pension Trust Funds
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 474,745
Investments	
U.S. government securities	772,876
Corporate bonds	1,233,113
Corporate stock	10,949,085
Foreign/ADR securities	1,265,669
Fixed income mutual funds	6,244,533
Receivables	
Accounts	29,173
Accounts, broker dealers	374,415
Due from participants	29,438
Due from Public Safety trust fund	
Accrued dividends and interest	26,682
Prepaid pension benefit	56,623
Total assets	21,456,352
Liabilities	
Accounts payable, broker dealers	380,859
Prepaid pension contribution	139,597
Total liabilities	520,456
Net Position	
Restricted for pension benefits	\$ 20,935,896

See notes to the financial statements

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Pension Trust Funds</u>
Additions	
Contributions	
Employer	\$ 132,427
Plan members	111,676
Total contributions	<u>244,103</u>
Investment income	
Net increase in fair value of investments	(462,523)
Investment earnings	515,187
Total investment income	<u>52,664</u>
Investment expenses	<u>(163,703)</u>
Total net investment income	<u>(111,039)</u>
Total additions	<u>133,064</u>
Deductions	
Retirement benefits	762,823
Other expenses	0
Administrative expense	51,368
Total deductions	<u>814,191</u>
Net increase	(681,127)
Net position restricted for pension benefits	
Net position - beginning	<u>21,617,023</u>
Net position - ending	<u><u>\$ 20,935,896</u></u>

See notes to the financial statements

**CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the City of Belle Glade, Florida (City) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The City of Belle Glade, Florida is a municipal corporation organized under Chapter 61 - 1880 Laws of Florida, a special act 1980 as amended. The City provides the full range of municipal services contemplated by statute or charter. The services provided include: public safety, streets and roads, culture and recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, marina, trash removal, and general administrative services. Police services are provided by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office by contract. Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue provides fire and rescue services through a Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU).

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements include the City (the primary government) and its component units. Component units are legally separate entities for which the City is financially accountable. The City is financially accountable if:

- it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) it is able to impose its will on the organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the City or;
- the organization is fiscally dependent on the City and (1) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to the City or (2) impose specific financial burdens on the City.

Organizations for which the City is not financially accountable are also included when doing so is necessary in order to prevent the City's financial statements from being misleading.

Based upon application of the above criteria, the City of Belle Glade has determined that there are three legally separate entities to consider as potential component units. The City of Belle Glade General Employees' Retirement System and the City of Belle Glade Public Safety Officers' Retirement System are both component units as they are fiscally dependent on and impose a specific financial burden on the City. They are reported in the City's financial statements as pension trust funds in the fiduciary funds financial statements.

The Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund (CRA) is reported as a blended governmental fund component unit into the primary government. Although, the CRA is legally separate from the City, the City Commission serves as the CRA Board, is able to impose its will on the CRA, and the CRA provides specific financial benefits to the City.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The basic financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements. The previous financial reporting model emphasized fund types. The new reporting model, however, focuses on either the City as a whole, or major individual funds (within the fund financial statements).

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely on fees and charges for support.

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

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

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The City does not accrue property tax revenues since the collection of these taxes coincides with the fiscal year in which levied, and since the City consistently has no material uncollected property taxes at year end. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Property tax revenues are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. A three month availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures relating to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Fines and permit revenues are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. Property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, interest revenue, intergovernmental revenues, and charges for services associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the City.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

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

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or for major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The City has two major special revenue funds, the Revolving Loan Fund which is funded from a one time grant from the State of Florida for the rehabilitation, replacement and construction of low cost housing in the City and the Community Redevelopment Agency Trust Fund, which is used to account for the activity of redevelopment projects within the City and is funded from incremental tax revenues within the designated CRA area.

Capital projects funds account for the acquisition of fixed assets or construction of major capital projects not being financed by proprietary funds. The City has one capital project fund, the General Capital Outlay Fund.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Garbage and Solid Waste Fund accounts for refuse and recycling services to the residents of the City.

The Marina Fund accounts for the operation of the City's marina and campground.

The Stormwater Utility Fund accounts for the stormwater drainage system.

Additionally, the City reports the following non-major fund types:

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the government. The pension trust funds are held under the terms of a formal trust agreement. The City has two pension trust funds: the General Employees and the Public Safety Officers Trust Funds.

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

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses report on the costs to maintain the proprietary systems, the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

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

**CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position or Equity

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with maturities of three months or less when purchased.

Investments

U.S. Government Securities

U.S. government securities are stated at fair value.

Corporate Bonds and Stock

Corporate bonds and stock are reported at fair value.

Foreign/ADR Securities

Foreign/ADR securities are reported at fair value.

Mortgage Notes

Mortgage notes are held for long-term investment and are valued at fair value (computed on an aggregate loan basis).

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable of the General Fund and Garbage and Solid Waste Fund consists of billed and unbilled receivables.

Inventory

Inventory is valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first in/first out (FIFO) method. The costs of governmental fund type inventory are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Prepays

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to a future accounting period and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

Interfund Transactions

Following is a description of the basic types of interfund transactions made during the year and the related accounting policy:

Transactions for services rendered or facilities provided: These transactions are recorded as revenue in the receiving fund and expenditures in the disbursing fund.

Transactions to transfer revenue or contributions from the fund budgeted to receive them to the fund budgeted to expend them: These transactions are recorded as operating transfers in and out.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include plant, property, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g. roads, bridges, and sidewalks) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the governmental-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an original cost of greater than or equal to \$5,000 including ancillary cost and with a useful life of one year or more. Such assets are recorded at cost or the fair market value of the assets at the time of purchase or contribution. Depreciation has been provided over the useful lives using the straight line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	40-50 years
Infrastructure	25-50 years
Building improvements	15-25 years
Land improvements	15 years
Equipment	5-10 years

Interest Capitalization

Interest is capitalized on costs for all assets that are constructed for an enterprise's use. The amount of interest to be capitalized is that portion of the interest incurred during the asset's acquisition period, which theoretically could have been avoided if expenditures for the asset had not been made.

Deferred Outflow of Resources

The statement of net position includes a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This represents the usage of net position applicable to future periods and will not be recognized as expenditures until the future period to which it applies. The City reports deferred pension items in connection with its two Retirement Systems. These deferred pension charges are either (a) recognized in the subsequent period as a reduction of the net pension liability or (b) amortized in a systematic and rational method as pension expense in future periods.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

Deferred Inflows of Resources

The statement of net position also includes a separate section, listed below total liabilities, for deferred inflows of resources. This represents the acquisition of net position applicable to future periods and will not be recognized as revenue until the future period to which it applies. The City currently has three types of deferred inflows. The first is local business tax revenues received prior to the period for which the taxes are levied, these are recognized as income in the period for which they are levied. The second is receivables that are received after 90 days of the end of the fiscal year, these are recognized in the period they meet the availability criterion of the modified accrual basis of accounting and are reported as deferred inflows only on the governmental funds balance sheet. The third is deferred pension items in connection with its two Retirement Systems. These items are amortized in a systemic and rational method and recognized as a reduction of pension expense in future periods.

Unearned Revenue

The City reports unearned revenue on its statements of net position and governmental funds balance sheet. Unearned revenue arises when resources are obtained prior to revenue recognition. In subsequent periods, when revenue recognition criteria are met the unearned revenue is removed and revenue is recognized.

Unavailable Revenue

The City reports unavailable revenue on its governmental funds balance sheet for resource inflows that do not qualify for recognition as revenue in a governmental fund because they are not yet considered available.

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences are absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation and sick leave. A liability for compensated absences that is attributable to services already rendered and that is not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the government and its employees is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits. Compensated absences that relate to future services or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the government and its employees are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or such events take place.

All vacation and sick leave is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

Fund Balance

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported under the following categories:

1. Nonspendable fund balances – Includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, for example, inventories and prepaid amounts. It also includes the long-term amount of loans and notes receivable, as well as property acquired for resale. However, if the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed, or assigned, then they should be included in the appropriate fund balance classification (restricted, committed, or assigned), rather than the nonspendable fund balance. The corpus (or principal) of a permanent fund is an example of an amount that is legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
2. Restricted fund balance – Includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
3. Committed fund balance – Includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the City Commission, the City’s highest level of decision making authority, an ordinance. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the City removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action employed to previously commit those amounts.
4. Assigned fund balance – Includes amounts intended to be used by the City for specific purposes, but are neither restricted or committed. In accordance with the City’s fund balance policy, assignments can be made by the City Commission or the City Manager.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

Fund Balance (Continued)

5. Unassigned fund balance – Includes the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

The City Commission has established committed fund balance by ordinance to maintain a stabilization reserve of 20% of the General Fund operating budget less transfers and contingency. The operating reserve is in addition to any contingency in the General Fund budget. Any excess of revenues over expenditures shall be placed in the stabilization reserve until 20% of the General Fund operating budget less transfers and contingency is reached then additional amounts shall flow to Unassigned Fund Balance. The stabilization reserve is set up for unforeseen economic conditions and potential natural disasters (hurricanes) that could affect the area.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available, it is the City's policy to reduce restricted amounts first. When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, it is the City's policy to reduce committed amounts first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

Net Position

Equity in the government-wide and enterprise fund statements are classified as net position and displayed in following three components:

1. 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, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
2. Restricted net position – Consists of net position with constraints 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 of enabling legislation.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position or Equity
(Continued)

Net Position (Continued)

3. Unrestricted net position – All other net position that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets.”

Use of Estimates

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

NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Data

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds and the Enterprise Funds. All budgets are legally enacted.

Annual appropriated budgets for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds (except for the on-behalf pension fund) are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Except for not budgeting for depreciation, the annual appropriated budgets for the enterprise funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. For budgeting purposes, current year encumbrances are not treated as expenditures.

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NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)

A. Budgetary Data (Continued)

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

1. Prior to August 1st, the City Manager submits to the City Commission a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1st. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to October 1st, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution.
4. The City Manager is authorized to approve transferring funds within object classifications (personal services, operating expenses, capital outlay and debt service) within any budgeted cost center; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any object classification within any budgeted cost center must be approved by the City Commission. Any revisions that alter the bottom line of a fund must be approved by the City Commission, by resolution.
5. Appropriations along with encumbrances lapse on September 30th.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by appropriate action. During the year several supplemental appropriations were necessary.

Encumbrance accounting is employed in governmental funds. Encumbrances (e.g. purchase orders or contracts) outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be reappropriated and honored during the subsequent year. The General Fund had \$21,940 in outstanding encumbrances at year-end.

B. Property Taxes

Under Florida law, the assessment of all properties and the collection of all county, municipal and school board property taxes are consolidated in the offices of the County Property Appraiser and County Tax Collector. The laws of the State regulating tax assessment are also designed to assure a consistent property valuation method statewide.

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NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)

B. Property Taxes (Continued)

The tax levy of the City is established by the City Commission prior to October 1st of each year and the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser incorporates the City's millages into the total tax levy, which includes Palm Beach County and Palm Beach County School Board tax requirements.

All property is reassessed according to its fair market value on January 1st of each year, which is also the lien date. Each assessment roll is submitted to the Executive Director of the State Department of Revenue for review to determine if the rolls meet all the appropriate requirements of State statutes.

All taxes are due and payable on November 1st of each year or as soon thereafter as the assessment roll is certified and delivered to the Tax Collector. All unpaid taxes become delinquent on April 1st following the year in which they are assessed. Discounts are allowed for early payment at the rate of 4% in the month of November, 3% in the month of December, 2% in the month of January and 1% in the month of February. The taxes paid in March are without discount.

Delinquent taxes on real property bear interest of 18% per year. On or prior to June 1st following the tax year, certificates are sold for all delinquent taxes on real property. After sale, tax certificates bear interest of 18% per year or any lower rate bid by the buyer. Application for a tax deed on any unredeemed tax certificates may be made by the certificate holder after a period of two years.

Delinquent taxes on personal property bear interest of 18% per year until the tax is satisfied either by seizure and sale of the property or by the five year statute of limitations.

NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits with Financial Institutions

In addition to insurance provided by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, deposits are held in banking institutions approved by the State Treasurer of the State of Florida to hold public funds. Under Florida Statutes Chapter 280, Florida Security for Public Deposits Act, the State Treasurer requires all Florida qualified public depositories to deposit with the Treasurer or other banking institution eligible collateral. In the event of failure of a qualified public depository, the remaining public depositories would be responsible for covering any resulting losses.

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The City's deposits at year end are considered insured for custodial credit risk purposes.

At year end, the carrying amounts of the City's deposits were \$11,784,536 and the bank balances were \$12,611,750. The City also had \$1,000 in petty cash.

Investments

Florida Statutes authorize the City to invest in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund administered by the State Treasurer, negotiable direct obligations unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government, interest bearing time deposits in financial institutions located in Florida and organized under Federal or Florida laws, obligations of the Federal Farm Credit Banks, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Federal Home Loan Bank or its direct banks, obligations guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association and obligations of the Federal National Mortgage Association. In addition, funds held by outside custodians on behalf of Enterprise Funds and investments of the Employees' Retirement and Deferred Compensation Funds are invested by the outside custodians pursuant to the applicable trust or escrow agreement.

Investments of the Pension Fund's are limited to:

1. Time, savings, and money market deposit accounts of a national bank, a state bank or a savings and loan institution, insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, provided the amount deposited does not exceed the insured amount.
2. Obligations issued by the United States Government or obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States Government or by an agency of the United States Government.
3. Stocks, commingled funds administered by national or state banks, mutual funds and bonds or other evidences of indebtedness, issued or guaranteed by a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any state or organized territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, provided:
 - a. The securities meet the following ranking criteria:
 - i. Fixed Income: Standards & Poor's AAA, AA, A or Moody's Aaa, Aa, or A
 - ii. Equities: Value line ranking for safety 1, 2, or 3, except that 15% of the fund assets may be invested in securities not meeting this requirement
 - iii. Money Market Standard & Poor's A1 or Moody's P1

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NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

4. Commingled stock, bond or money market funds whose investments are restricted to securities meeting the above criteria
5. Foreign Securities

Limitations:

1. Investments in corporate common stock and convertible bonds shall not exceed 75% of the fund assets at market value.
2. Foreign securities shall not exceed 15% of the value at cost of the fund.

The following is a summary of deposits and investments as shown on the statement of net position and statement of fiduciary net position for the City.

	<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>		<u>Investments</u>
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 7,949,333	\$	\$ 360,163
Business type activities	<u>3,582,223</u>	<u>253,980</u>	<u> </u>
Statement of net position	11,531,556	253,980	360,163
Fiduciary	<u>474,745</u>	<u> </u>	<u>20,465,276</u>
Total deposits and investments	<u>\$12,006,301</u>	<u>\$ 253,980</u>	<u>\$ 20,825,439</u>

**CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
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SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

The following is a summary of the City’s cash and cash equivalents and investments at September 30, 2015:

	Fair Value		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Pension
Cash and cash equivalents:			
Petty cash	\$ 1,000	\$	\$
Deposits with financial Institutions	11,530,556	253,980	
Total cash and cash Equivalents	11,531,556	253,980	
Investments:			
Mortgage notes	360,163		
Money market mutual funds			474,745
U.S. government securities			772,876
Corporate bonds			1,233,113
Corporate stock			10,949,085
Foreign/ADR securities			1,265,669
Fixed income mutual funds			6,244,533
Total investments	360,163		20,940,021
Total deposits and investments	\$ 11,891,719	\$ 253,980	\$ 20,940,021

**CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counter party to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Florida statutes limit the City’s investments to high quality investments to control credit risk. The mortgage notes are held by the Revolving Loan Fund and are unrated as are the money market mutual fund investments of the Pension Trust Funds. The Standard & Poor’s rating for the City’s other investments in debt securities at September 30, 2015, are summarized as follows:

	<u>S & P Rating</u>	<u>Amount</u>
U.S. Government Securities	AA+	\$ 577,523
U.S. Government Securities	Not Rated	195,352
Corporate Bonds	AA+	59,584
Corporate Bonds	AA-	110,465
Corporate Bonds	A+	109,245
Corporate Bonds	A	120,056
Corporate Bonds	A-	202,434
Corporate Bonds	BBB+	457,545
Corporate Bonds	BBB	57,411
Corporate Bonds	BBB-	61,360
Corporate Bonds	Not Rated	55,013

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the time to maturity, the greater the exposure to interest rate risks. The City does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The City’s investment in mortgage notes consist of 99% residential home mortgage loans. They are subject to prepayments and therefore highly sensitive to changes in interest rates. The remaining 1% investment in mortgage notes are non-interest bearing.

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NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk (Continued)

The table below summarizes the scheduled maturities of debt investments at September 30, 2015:

	Fair Value of Investment Maturities				
	Fair Value	Less Than One year	One to Five Years	Six To Ten Years	More Than Ten Years
Mortgage notes	\$ 360,163	\$ 20,668	\$ 86,533	\$ 91,384	\$ 161,578
Pension funds investments:					
U.S. government securities	772,875	327,151	445,724		
Corporate bonds	1,233,113		1,233,113		
Total	\$ 2,366,151	\$ 347,819	\$ 1,765,370	\$ 91,384	\$ 161,578

Custodial Credit Risk

For an investment, custodial credit is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments that are in the possession of an outside party. At September 30, 2015, all investments were insured or collateralized, except the City's two pension funds, in which the underlying securities are held by counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the City's name and are uninsured and unregistered.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is defined as the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an investment in a single user. The City places no limit on the amount they may invest in any one issuer, except those in the City's two pension funds. Not more than 5% of the fund's assets shall be invested in the common stock or capital stock of any one issuing company, nor shall the aggregate investment in any one issuing company exceed 5% of the outstanding capital stock of the company. Also, the value of bonds issued by any single corporation shall not exceed 10% of the total fund. The U.S. government securities, bonds, stocks, asset backed securities and mutual funds are owned by the Pension Trust Funds.

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NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

Foreign Currency Risk

Investing in foreign markets may involve special risks and considerations not typically associated with investing in companies in the United States of America. These risks include revaluation of currencies, high rates of inflation, repatriation restrictions on income and capital, and future adverse political, social, and economic developments. Moreover, securities of foreign governments may be less liquid, subject to delayed settlements, taxation on realized or unrealized gains, and their prices are more volatile than those of comparable securities in U.S. companies.

NOTE 4 – ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at September 30, 2015, are comprised of the following:

	General Fund	Garbage and Solid Waste Fund
Billed	\$ 392,980	\$ 649,786
Unbilled	16,132	106,513
Total	409,112	756,299
Less allowance for uncollectibles	(69,029)	(235,807)
	\$ 340,083	\$520,492

The Stormwater and Marina funds do not have an allowance for uncollectibles as of September 30, 2015.

NOTE 5 – DELINQUENT MORTGAGES

One of the mortgage notes held by the Revolving Loan Fund is delinquent. The City is currently in the foreclosure process for this mortgage. At September 30, 2015, it is recorded at the lesser of the value of the property or the principal balance due. At September 30, 2015, the delinquent mortgage was \$44,864.

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NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2015, was as follows:

Primary Government

Governmental Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 2,336,815	\$	\$ (15,649)	\$ 2,321,166
Construction in progress	1,460,233	816,361	(730,726)	1,545,868
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	4,691,688			4,691,688
Buildings	3,283,974			3,283,974
Building improvements	986,752	148,128	(5,469)	1,129,411
Machinery and equipment	2,338,141	54,157	(29,318)	2,362,980
Vehicles	679,205	73,274	(1,999)	750,480
Infrastructure	15,698,549	619,625		16,318,174
Total at historical cost:	<u>31,475,357</u>	<u>1,711,545</u>	<u>(783,161)</u>	<u>32,403,741</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	(2,763,095)	(185,141)		(2,948,236)
Buildings	(1,940,779)	(75,277)		(2,016,056)
Building improvements	(426,141)	(51,144)	5,468	(471,817)
Machinery and equipment	(1,814,377)	(85,799)	29,318	(1,870,858)
Vehicles	(597,316)	(25,947)	1,062	(622,201)
Infrastructure	(11,412,316)	(387,652)		(11,799,968)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(18,954,024)</u>	<u>(810,960)</u>	<u>35,848</u>	<u>(19,729,136)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 12,521,333</u>	<u>\$ 900,585</u>	<u>\$ (747,313)</u>	<u>\$ 12,674,605</u>

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NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Business-type activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 2,597,250	\$	\$	\$ 2,597,250
Construction in progress	77,210	48,725	(77,210)	48,725
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	6,795,618	661,485		7,457,103
Buildings	2,001,875	124,948		2,126,823
Building improvements	152,311	37,476		189,787
Machinery and equipment	473,535	13,170	(1,160)	485,545
Vehicles	2,120,816	209,802		2,330,618
Infrastructure	4,212,860	328,568		4,541,428
Total at historical cost:	18,431,475	1,424,174	(78,370)	19,777,279
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	(2,985,550)	(386,000)		(3,371,550)
Buildings	(490,091)	(55,657)		(545,748)
Building improvements	(2,728)	(11,580)		(14,308)
Machinery and equipment	(294,726)	(27,021)	1,160	(320,587)
Vehicles	(1,268,005)	(194,823)		(1,462,828)
Infrastructure	(997,337)	(168,514)		(1,165,851)
Total accumulated depreciation	(6,038,437)	(843,595)	1,160	(6,880,872)
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 12,393,038	\$ 580,579	\$ (77,210)	\$ 12,896,407

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NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

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

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 93,882
Public safety	27,250
Transportation	429,654
Physical environment	9,302
Culture/recreation	222,800
Economic environment	28,072
Total depreciation expense governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 810,960</u></u>
Business-type activities	
Garbage and solid waste	\$ 152,845
Marina	473,799
Stormwater utility	216,951
Total depreciation expense business-type activities	<u><u>\$ 843,595</u></u>

Construction Commitments

Contracts awarded but not yet completed were as follows:

<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Costs</u>
Marina Project	\$ 49,264
Torry Island laundry and picnic facilities	186,450
Airport runway – engineering	331,123

NOTE 7 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Capital Lease

The City entered into a lease agreement for financing the acquisition of energy efficient equipment with a purchase price of \$476,820 in April 2013. The lease qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. There are 20 semi-annual payments required of \$27,773 beginning October 18, 2013. At September 30, 2015, the net book value of the equipment was \$380,142.

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NOTE 7 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

The future minimum lease obligations as of September 30, 2015, are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total Debt Service</u>
	\$	\$	\$
2016	44,100	11,445	55,545
2017	45,432	10,113	55,545
2018	46,806	8,739	55,545
2019	48,221	7,324	55,545
2020	49,678	5,867	55,545
2021-2023	158,227	8,408	166,635
	<u>\$ 392,464</u>	<u>\$ 51,896</u>	<u>\$ 444,360</u>

Changes in long-term liabilities

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental activities:					
Capital lease	\$ 435,270	\$	\$ (42,806)	\$ 392,464	\$ 44,100
OPEB (see Note 14)	99,563	3,978		103,541	
Compensated absences	491,860	219,092	(201,779)	509,173	101,835
Governmental activities					
Long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 1,026,693</u>	<u>\$ 223,070</u>	<u>\$ (244,585)</u>	<u>\$ 1,005,178</u>	<u>\$ 145,935</u>
Business-type activities:					
OPEB (see Note 14)	\$ 24,947	\$ 3,939	\$	\$ 28,886	\$
Compensated absences	120,532	57,350	(49,567)	128,315	22,317
Business-type activities					
Long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 145,479</u>	<u>\$ 61,289</u>	<u>\$ (49,567)</u>	<u>\$ 157,201</u>	<u>\$ 22,317</u>

For governmental activities, compensated absences and other postemployment benefit obligations are liquidated from the City's General Fund.

Interest Expense

Total interest costs incurred and paid on all City debt for the year ended September 30, 2015, were \$11,877 and \$12,739, respectively. No interest cost was capitalized during the year.

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NOTE 8 – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

Advances to/from other funds

The composition of interfund advances for the year ended September 30, 2015, are as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund:</u>	<u>Payable Fund:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Marina	\$ 553,337

The advance between funds results from the General Fund repaying grant funds in a previous year on behalf of the Marina Fund and the cost of construction of the Activity Center located at the Marina Campground.

Transfers to/from other funds

The composition of interfund transfers for the year ended September 30, 2015, are as follows:

<u>Transfer Out:</u>	<u>Transfer In:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Marina	\$ 129,845
General	CRA	9,889
General	Capital Project	104,500
Garbage & solid waste	General	<u>405,000</u>
		<u>\$ 649,234</u>

The transfers to the CRA and the Capital Project funds were to move unrestricted general fund revenues to finance various programs that the government must account for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations, including amounts provided as subsidies or matching funds for various grant programs. The transfers into the general fund were used to balance the budget.

NOTE 9 – SUBLEASE OF FACILITIES

Golf Course

On January 31, 2008, the City entered into an agreement with Golf Operators Link of Florida, LLC, to obtain professional management services for the Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course. Golf Operators Link of Florida will maintain the golf course, greens, fairways and all related grounds and the servicing and maintenance of all related facilities and equipment for the golf course. The agreement was effective on February 1, 2008 and expired on January 31, 2013; the agreement was extended until September 30, 2017. Golf Operators Link of Florida LLC will keep all proceeds from the Golf operations.

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NOTE 9 – SUBLEASE OF FACILITIES (Continued)

Golf Course (Continued)

On June 4, 2012, the contract between Golf Operators Link of Florida, LLC and the City was extended through September 30, 2017. The City also agreed to reimburse Golf Operators Link of Florida, LLC for eligible expenses up to \$60,000 for each fiscal year of the contract, starting with the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015. Expenses are considered eligible if they are directly incurred by Golf Operators Link of Florida, LLC for management and improvement of the Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course.

NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The City maintains two separate single-employer, defined benefit pension plans - General Employees' Retirement System (GERS) and Public Safety Officers' Retirement System (PSORS) for the general employees, retired police officers, and retired firefighters.

The plans are established by the City and administered by a separate board of trustees for each plan. Both plans are reported as Pension Trust Funds and are included as part of the City's reporting entity. The plans do not issue stand-alone financial reports.

Each plan has its own board that acts as plan administrator and trustee: The General Employees Retirement Board consists of five members (5); three (3) members shall be City Commissioners appointed annually by the City Commission by resolutions, and two (2) members shall be full-time employees elected by vote of the members of the General Employees' Pension Fund. The Public Safety Officer' Retirement System Board consists of five members (5); one (1) legal resident of the City, appointed by the other four members of the Board; two (2) retirees elected by a majority of the retired members of the Plan; the City Finance Director; and one (1) City Commissioner selected by the other City Commissioners.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

All Retirement Systems

Basis of Accounting. The retirement systems are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Plan members and state contributions are recognized as revenues in the period that the contributions are due. Employer contributions to each plan are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan. The plans' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis used by the pension plans.

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

All Retirement Systems (Continued)

Method Used to Value Investments. Investments are reported at fair value. Short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

PLAN DESCRIPTION AND CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

The following schedule is provided for general information purposes only and is derived from the respective actuarial reports and City information for the two retirement plans. Plan participants should refer to the appropriate source documents for more complete information on the plans.

	<u>General Employees'</u>	<u>Public Safety Officers'</u>
Plan Description:		
Authority	City Ordinance	City Ordinance/State
Asset Valuation:		
Reporting	Fair Value	Fair Value
Legal Reserves	None	None
Long-Term Receivable	None	None
Internal/Participant Loans	None	None

Members of each plan consisted of the following at October 1, 2014:

	<u>GERS</u>	<u>PSORS</u>
Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries		
currently receiving benefits	49	12
Inactive Plan Members entitled to but		
not yet receiving benefits	40	4
Active Plan Members	<u>76</u>	<u> </u>
Total	<u>165</u>	<u>16</u>

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

General Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. The plan provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of credited service. General employees hired after April 9, 1990, become members of the system on the date of their employment as a condition of employment. Cost of living adjustments (COLA) are provided annually to reflect changes in CPI (subject to maximum increases of 3% per year). Authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions of the plan rests with the City Commission.

Employees become eligible for normal retirement benefits after attaining the age of 62 and completing ten years of credited service, attaining the age of 65, or completing 30 years of credited service. The normal retirement benefit consists of a life annuity, options available, (subject to cost of living adjustments not to exceed 3% a year), of 2% of final average earnings times the years of credited service. Early retirement benefits can be received at any date preceding the normal retirement date by not more than ten years. The benefit is determined as for normal retirement and actuarially reduced. Disability benefits can be received for total and permanent disabilities as determined by the Board of Trustees of the applicable pension trust (medical proof required). The benefits are paid following a six month waiting period, for life or recovery and are determined as if for a normal retirement on the date of disability.

If an active member dies, his beneficiary receives a refund of member contributions plus 3% interest. The benefit received upon death following retirement is dependent upon the optional form of benefit selected. If an employee terminates his employment, he is entitled to the following:

- With less than ten years of credited service, a refund of member contributions plus 3% interest.
- With ten or more years of credited service, a refund of member contributions, the accrued benefit payable at normal retirement date, or a reduced benefit paid at an otherwise early retirement date.

"Final average earnings" is the average of the five highest consecutive calendar years during the final ten years of service.

"Credited service" consists of years and completed months of uninterrupted service with the City. Any service during which the employee elected to waive participation or withdraw member contributions is excluded.

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

General Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

Contributions. General employees are required to contribute 4% of their basic compensation to the plan. The City is required to contribute the remaining amount to fund the plan using the Aggregate Actuarial Cost Method. Contribution requirements of plan members and the City are established and may be amended by the City Commission.

Asset Allocation. The plan's adopted asset allocation policy as of September 30, 2015, is as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>
Domestic equity	55%
International equity	10
Broad Market Fixed Income	<u>35</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>

Investments Concentrations. The plan did not hold investments in any one organization that represents 5 percent or more of the Pension Plan's fiduciary net position.

Rate of Return. For the year ended September 30, 2015, the annual money-weighted rate of return on Pension Plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was -0.91 percent. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Public Safety Officers' Retirement System

Plan Description. The plan provides retirement benefits as well as survivor benefits to retired members from the City's former Police and Fire Departments. This plan was created due to the election of certain inactive members in the City of Belle Glade Police Officers' Retirement Plan and the City of Belle Glade Firefighters' Retirement Plan electing to continue receiving their current monthly benefits upon termination of their respective plans. The plan is closed to active members. Cost of living adjustments (COLA) are provided annually to reflect changes in CPI (subject to maximum increases of 3% per year). Authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions of the plan rests with the City Commission.

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Safety Officers' Retirement System (Continued)

Contributions. The City is required to contribute the remaining amount to fund the plan using the Aggregate Actuarial Cost Method.

Asset Allocation. The plan's adopted asset allocation policy as of September 30, 2015, is as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation
Domestic equity	45%
Broad Market Fixed Income	45
TIPS	5
Cash	5
Total	100%

Investments Concentrations. The plan did not hold investments in any one organization that represents 5 percent or more of the Pension Plan's fiduciary net position.

Rate of Return. For the year ended September 30, 2015, the annual money-weighted rate of return on Pension Plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 0.55 percent. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

All Retirement Plans

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2014 updated to September 30, 2015 using the following actuarial assumptions.

	General Employees	Public Safety Officers'
Inflation	3.00%	3.00%
Salary increases	6.00%	N/A
Investment rate of return	7.75%	6.25%
Mortality	RP-2000 Combined Healthy Participant Mortality Table. Disabled lives are set forward 5 years.	RP-2000 Combined Healthy Participant Mortality Table, sex distinct. Disabled lives are set forward 5 years 650 public safety funds; this table reflects a 10% margin for future mortality improvements.

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

All Retirement Plans (Continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expenses 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included the pension plan’s target asset allocation as of September 30, 2015, are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	
	General Employees’	Public Safety Officers’
Domestic equity	7.50%	7.50%
International equity	8.50%	N/A
Broad Market Fixed Income	2.50%	2.50%
TIPS	N/A	2.50%

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent for the General Employees’ Retirement System and 6.25 percent for the Public Safety Officers’ Retirement System. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rates assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that sponsor contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plans’ fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

General Employees' Retirement System

The components of the net pension liability of the City at September 30, 2015, were as follows:

Description	Total Pension Liability (a)	Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)
Balances at September 30, 2014	\$ 13,263,517	\$ 15,774,395	\$ (2,510,878)
Changes due to:			
Service cost	393,663		393,663
Interest	1,037,078		1,037,078
Differences between expected and actual experience	(408,785)		(408,785)
Employer contributions		132,427	(132,427)
Employee contributions		111,676	(111,676)
Benefit payments and refunds	(551,058)	(551,058)	
Net investment income		(142,391)	142,391
Administrative expenses		(31,368)	31,368
Total changes	<u>470,898</u>	<u>(480,714)</u>	<u>951,612</u>
Balances at September 30, 2015	<u>\$ 13,734,415</u>	<u>\$ 15,293,681</u>	<u>\$ (1,559,266)</u>

The Plan fiduciary net position was 111.35% of the total pension liability as of September 30, 2015.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the City, calculated using the discount rates of 7.75%, as well as what the City's net pension liabilities would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 6.75%	Current Discount Rate 7.75%	1% Increase 8.75%
City's net pension liability	<u>\$ 35,745</u>	<u>\$(1,559,266)</u>	<u>\$(2,898,966)</u>

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Safety Officers' Retirement System

The components of the net pension liability of the City at September 30, 2015, were as follows:

Description	Total Pension Liability (a)	Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)
Balances at September 30, 2014	\$ 4,101,749	\$ 5,842,628	\$ (1,740,879)
Changes due to:			
Interest	187,913		187,913
Differences between expected and actual experience	46,606		46,606
Benefit payments and refunds	(211,765)	(211,765)	
Net investment income		31,352	(31,352)
Administrative expenses		(20,000)	20,000
Total changes	<u>22,754</u>	<u>(200,413)</u>	<u>223,167</u>
Balances at September 30, 2015	<u>\$ 4,124,503</u>	<u>\$ 5,642,215</u>	<u>\$ (1,517,712)</u>

The Plan fiduciary net position was 136.80% of the total pension liability as of September 30, 2015.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the City, calculated using the discount rates of 7.75%, as well as what the City's net pension liabilities would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 5.25%	Current Discount Rate 6.25%	1% Increase 7.25%
City's net pension liability	<u>\$(1,192,154)</u>	<u>\$(1,517,712)</u>	<u>\$(1,793,893)</u>

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

General Employees' Retirement System

Pension expense and deferred outflows and inflows of resources

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, the City recognized pension expense of \$202,384. In addition, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the Plan from the following sources:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$	\$ 272,524
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	<u>863,213</u>	
Total	<u>\$ 863,213</u>	<u>\$ 272,524</u>

The amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the plan will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year ended September 30:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ 61,356
2017	61,356
2018	197,618
2019	270,359
2020	
Thereafter	<u>\$ 590,689</u>

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

Public Safety Officers' Retirement System

Pension expense and deferred outflows and inflows of resources

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, the City recognized pension expense of \$84,489. In addition, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the Plan from the following sources:

Description	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	\$ 115,797	\$

The amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the plan will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended September 30:	Amount
2016	\$ 16,958
2017	16,958
2018	16,958
2019	64,923
2020	
Thereafter	\$ 115,797

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NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)

All Retirement Plans

Summarized information

The City’s total pension liability, plan fiduciary net position, net pension liability, pension related deferred outflows and inflows, and pension expense for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, are as follows:

	<u>General Employees</u>	<u>Public Safety Officers’</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 13,734,415	\$ 4,124,503	\$ 17,858,918
Plan fiduciary net position	15,293,681	5,642,215	20,935,896
Net pension liability	(1,559,266)	(1,517,712)	(3,076,978)
Deferred outflows of resources	863,213	115,797	979,010
Deferred inflows of resources	272,524		272,524
Pension expense	202,384	84,489	286,873

At September 30, 2015, the City reported payables in the amounts of \$19,126 to the General Employees and \$-0- to the Public Safety Officers’ plans for outstanding contributions.

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NOTE 11 – PENSION PLAN FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires that financial statements for individual pension plans be presented in the notes to the financial statements of the primary government if separate, GAAP financial reports have not been issued. The individual pension funds of the City of Belle Glade, Florida do not have separate GAAP reports issued and the financial information for these is presented below.

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
September 30, 2015

	General Employees'	Public Safety Officers'	Total Employee Retirement Funds
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 199,094	\$ 275,651	\$ 474,745
Investments at fair value			
U.S. government securities		772,876	772,876
Corporate bonds		1,233,113	1,233,113
Corporate stock	8,425,138	2,523,947	10,949,085
Foreign/ADR securities	1,265,669		1,265,669
Fixed income mutual funds	5,466,231	778,302	6,244,533
Receivables			
Accounts	29,173		29,173
Accounts, broker dealers	219,287	155,128	374,415
Due from participants		29,438	29,438
Accrued dividends and interest	4,995	21,687	26,682
Prepaid pension benefit	40,301	16,322	56,623
Total assets	15,649,888	5,806,464	21,456,352
Liabilities			
Accounts payable, broker dealers	216,610	164,249	380,859
Prepaid pension contribution	139,597		139,597
Total liabilities	356,207	164,249	520,456
Net Position			
Held in trust for pension benefits and other purposes	\$15,293,681	\$ 5,642,215	\$20,935,896

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

NOTE 11 – PENSION PLAN FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

**Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015**

Additions	Employees	Public Safety Officers	Total Employee Retirement Funds
Contributions			
Employer	\$ 132,427	\$	\$ 132,427
Plan members	111,676		111,676
Total contributions	244,103		244,103
Investment income			
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	(395,254)	(67,269)	(462,523)
Investment earnings	366,944	148,243	515,187
Total investment income	28,310	80,974	52,664
Investment expenses	(114,081)	(49,622)	(163,703)
Total net investment income	(142,391)	31,352	(111,039)
Total additions	101,712	31,352	133,064
Deductions			
Retirement benefits	465,288	213,861	679,149
Other expenses	27,474	3,600	31,074
Administrative expense	31,368	20,000	51,368
Total deductions	582,426	231,765	814,191
Net increase (decrease)	480,714	200,413	681,127
Net position held in trust for pension benefits			
Net position – beginning	15,774,395	5,842,628	21,617,023
Net position – ending	\$15,293,681	\$ 5,642,215	\$ 20,935,896

NOTE 12 – DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

Employees of the City of Belle Glade may participate in a deferred compensation plan adopted under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 457 (Deferred Compensation Plans with Respect to Service for State and Local Governments).

The deferred compensation plan is available to all employees of the City. Under the plan, employees may elect to defer a portion of their salaries and avoid paying taxes on the deferred portion until the withdrawal date. The deferred compensation amount is not available for withdrawal by employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

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NOTE 12 – DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN (Continued)

Because the City has little administrative involvement and does not perform the investing function for funds in the Plan, the City's activities do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the fiduciary funds of a government. Consequently, the Plan is not included in the City's financial statements.

NOTE 13 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The City implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 45 (GASB 45), *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, effective October 1, 2008. The City elected to implement prospectively, and the change in accounting principle had no effect on changes in net position/fund equity for prior periods. Retirees of the City pay an amount equal to the actual premium for health insurance charged by the carrier, but there is an implied subsidy in the healthcare insurance premium for retirees because the premium charged for these retirees is the same as the premium charged for active employees, who are younger than retirees on average. This implied subsidy constitutes other postemployment benefits (OPEB) under GASB 45.

Plan Description

The City provides a single employer defined benefit health care plan to all of its employees. The plan allows its employees and their beneficiaries, to continue to obtain health and dental benefits upon retirement. The normal retirement age for City employees is age 65. The benefits of the plan are in accordance with Florida Statutes, which are the legal authority for the plan. The plan has no assets and does not issue a separate financial report.

Funding Policy

The City does not directly make a contribution to the plan on behalf of retirees. Retirees and their beneficiaries pay the same group rates as are charged to the City for active employees by its healthcare provider. However, the City's actuaries, in their actuarial valuation, calculate an offset to the cost of these benefits as an Employer Contribution, based upon an implicit rate subsidy. This offset equals the total age-adjusted costs paid by the City or its active employees for coverage of the retirees and their dependents for the year net of the retiree's own payments for the year.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45. The annual required contribution represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and to amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities over a period not to exceed 30 years.

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NOTE 13 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

The annual OPEB cost and the net OPEB obligation for the City for the current year and the related information is as follows:

Required contribution rates:	
Employer	Pay-as-you-go
Plan members	N/A
Normal cost	\$ 12,368
Interest on normal cost	495
Amortization	10,321
Interest on amortization	413
Interest on Net OPEB obligation	4,976
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(7,556)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	21,017
Contributions made	<u>(13,100)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	7,917
Net OPEB obligation October 1, 2014	<u>124,510</u>
Net OPEB obligation September 30, 2015	<u>\$ 132,427</u>

Trend Information

Three-Year Trend Information			
Fiscal Year End	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
09/30/13	\$21,819	68.5%	\$114,778
09/30/14	\$20,753	53.1%	\$124,510
09/30/15	\$21,017	62.3%	\$132,427

Funded Status

The funded status of the plan as of most recent actuarial valuation date was as follows:

Actuarial valuation date	10/01/2012
Actuarial accrued liability	\$ 139,099
Actuarial value of plan assets	\$
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	\$ 139,099
Funded ratio	0.0%
Covered payroll	\$3,050,612
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	4.6%

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NOTE 13 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are comparable with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, will present multi-year trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits. The City has not contributed assets to the plan at this time.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits in force at the valuation date and the pattern of sharing benefit costs between the City and the plan members to that point. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective and employ methods and assumptions that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets. Significant methods and assumptions were as follows:

Actuarial valuation date	10/01/2012
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age
Amortization method	30 Years
Remaining amortization period	30 Years
Asset valuation method	Unfunded
Actual assumptions:	
Discount rate	4%
Inflation rate	0%
Investment rate of return	4%
Payroll growth rate	0%
Healthcare cost trend	7.5% for 2014 decreasing to 4.5% in 2017

NOTE 14 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The General Fund provides the other funds with various management services. Administrative costs totaling \$244,000, \$72,159, and \$48,600 were charged to the Garbage and Solid Waste, Stormwater Utility, and Revolving Loan funds respectively, for 2015.

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NOTE 15 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The City continues to purchase commercial insurance to cover the various risks. Retention of risks is limited to those risks that are uninsurable, and deductibles ranging from \$100 to \$2,500 per occurrence. There were no settled claims which exceeded insurance coverage during the past three fiscal years.

As a member of Public Risk Management, the responsibility of the City is to pay those premiums charged by the nonassessable pool for workers compensation coverage. The pool is responsible to pay all claims incurred by the City. The City may terminate the membership based on at least one year notice to the pool. All pool policies are on an occurrence basis.

Major uninsurable risks include damages to infrastructure assets. Since the amount of loss cannot be reasonably estimated and the likelihood of occurrence is not determinable, no provision for losses is reflected in the financial statements.

Florida Statutes limit the City's maximum loss for most liability claims to \$200,000 per person and \$300,000 per occurrence under the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity. However, under certain circumstances, a plaintiff can seek to recover damages in excess of statutory limits by introducing a claims bill to the Florida Legislature. The limits addressed in Florida Statutes do not apply to claims filed in Federal courts.

NOTE 16 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Contingencies

The City is involved in various litigations and claims arising in the course of operations. It is the opinion of legal counsel that the likelihood of unfavorable outcome and the amounts of potential losses cannot be reasonably determined at this time. Accordingly, no provision for any liability that may result has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Inter-local Agreement

The City renewed their agreement with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) to provide law enforcement services. The fee is payable in monthly installments and is subject to annual renewals. The City paid \$2,852,505 to PBSO for law enforcement services during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015. The City has extended the contract and will pay \$2,886,030 for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

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NOTE 16 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

Pursuant to Palm Beach County Ordinance No. 83-23, as amended, and City of Belle Glade Ordinance No. 05-30, the City has opted into the County's Fire-Rescue Municipal Services Taxing Unit ("MSTU") for the provision of fire rescue, fire protection, and related services from the County commencing on October 1, 2006. The tax for the MSTU is included in the maximum 10 mills the City is legally allowed to assess. On September 30, 2015, the MSTU millage rate was 3.481 mills.

NOTE 17 – ACCOUNTING CHANGE

The City implemented the following Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015.

In June 2012, the GASB issued Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement 27*. GASB 68 improves financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. This Statement results from a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of existing standards of accounting and financial reporting for pensions with regard to providing decision-useful information, supporting assessments of accountability and inter-period equity, and creating additional transparency. The implementation of this statement resulted in a restatement of beginning net position, as well as related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources due to recording the City's net pension liability on the statement of net position.

In November 2013, the GASB issued Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – an amendment to GASB Statement No. 68*. This Statement amends paragraph 137 of GASB 68 to require that, at transition, a government recognize the beginning deferred outflow of resources for its pension contributions, if any, made subsequent to the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability.

The City sponsors the Public Safety Officers' Retirement Plan, covering retired police officers and retired firefighters, and the General Employees Retirement Plan, single employer defined benefit pension plans. These standards require employers participating in single employer defined benefit pension plans to report their net pension liabilities and related pension amounts. The cumulative effect of applying GASB 68 has been reported as a restatement of the beginning net position of the governmental activities and the business-type activities on the entity-wide financial statements and on the proprietary funds in the fund basis financial statements.

**CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

NOTE 17 – ACCOUNTING CHANGE (Continued)

A reconciliation of the prior period ending net position to the current period beginning net positions is as follows:

	<u>Entity-wide</u>		<u>Proprietary funds</u>		
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>	<u>Garbage and Solid Waste</u>	<u>Marina</u>	<u>Stormwater</u>
September 30, 2014, as reported	\$ 21,505,115	\$ 16,079,729	\$ 3,017,968	\$ 8,078,672	\$ 4,983,089
Adjustment for adoption of GASB 68	<u>3,132,131</u>	<u>517,018</u>	<u>340,757</u>	<u>54,610</u>	<u>121,651</u>
September 30, 2014, as restated	<u><u>\$ 24,637,246</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,596,747</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3,358,725</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,133,282</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,104,740</u></u>

NOTE 18 – NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

Below is a brief description and effective date of new accounting standards that could have a significant impact on the City’s financial statements.

In February 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. This Statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes and also provides guidance for applying fair value of certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements. This Statement is effective for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016.

In June 2015 the GASB issued Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. This Statement improves accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities. This Statement is effective for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION OTHER THAN MD&A

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
General Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 4,688,321	\$ 4,688,321	\$ 4,950,606	\$ 262,285
Licenses and permits	221,500	221,500	234,559	13,059
Intergovernmental revenues	2,448,913	3,532,200	3,307,243	(224,957)
Charges for services	258,614	306,614	329,005	22,391
Fines and forfeitures	44,852	44,852	52,459	7,607
Miscellaneous revenues	481,834	507,084	715,819	208,735
Total revenues	<u>8,144,034</u>	<u>9,300,571</u>	<u>9,589,691</u>	<u>289,120</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	3,410,541	3,464,433	3,175,878	288,555
Public safety	3,552,625	3,708,215	3,578,022	130,193
Transportation	715,203	1,292,254	1,117,306	174,948
Physical environment	292,728	294,574	273,356	21,218
Culture/recreation	716,728	767,967	625,249	142,718
Economic environment	5,855	5,855	5,790	65
Capital outlay	109,500	199,729	164,458	35,271
Debt service				
Principal	41,551	42,807	42,806	1
Interest	13,996	12,740	12,739	1
Total expenditures	<u>8,858,727</u>	<u>9,788,574</u>	<u>8,995,604</u>	<u>792,970</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(714,693)</u>	<u>(488,003)</u>	<u>594,087</u>	<u>1,082,090</u>
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers in	405,000	405,000	405,000	
Operating transfers (out)	(134,525)	(353,626)	(244,234)	109,392
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>270,475</u>	<u>51,374</u>	<u>160,766</u>	<u>109,392</u>
Net changes in fund balances	<u>\$ (444,218)</u>	<u>\$ (436,629)</u>	754,853	<u>\$ 1,191,482</u>
Fund balances - Beginning			<u>8,087,106</u>	
Fund balances - Ending			<u>\$ 8,841,959</u>	

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
Revolving Loan Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Miscellaneous revenues	\$ 8,915	\$ 8,915	\$ 13,797	\$ 4,882
Total revenues	<u>8,915</u>	<u>8,915</u>	<u>13,797</u>	<u>4,882</u>
Expenditures				
Economic environment	693,109	693,109	90,697	602,412
Total expenditures	<u>693,109</u>	<u>693,109</u>	<u>90,697</u>	<u>602,412</u>
Net changes in fund balances	<u>\$ (684,194)</u>	<u>\$ (684,194)</u>	<u>(76,900)</u>	<u>\$ (607,294)</u>
Fund balances - Beginning			<u>1,577,426</u>	
Fund balances - Ending			<u>\$ 1,500,526</u>	

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
Community Redevelopment Agency Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Intergovernmental revenues	\$ 7,250	\$ 7,250	\$ 6,776	\$ (474)
Total revenues	<u>7,250</u>	<u>7,250</u>	<u>6,776</u>	<u>(474)</u>
Expenditures				
Economic environment	175	328	327	1
Capital outlay	<u>35,000</u>	<u>105,158</u>	<u>100,394</u>	<u>4,764</u>
Total expenditures	<u>35,175</u>	<u>105,486</u>	<u>100,721</u>	<u>4,765</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(27,925)</u>	<u>(98,236)</u>	<u>(93,945)</u>	<u>(4,291)</u>
Other financing sources (uses)				
Operating transfers in	<u>9,919</u>	<u>9,919</u>	<u>9,889</u>	<u>(30)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>9,919</u>	<u>9,919</u>	<u>9,889</u>	<u>(30)</u>
Net changes in fund balances	<u>\$ (18,006)</u>	<u>\$ (88,317)</u>	(84,056)	<u>(4,261)</u>
Fund balances - Beginning			<u>105,045</u>	
Fund balances - Ending			<u>\$ 20,989</u>	

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Notes to the Budgetary
Required Supplementary Information (RSI)
September 30, 2015

Note 1 - Basis of Accounting

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) serve as the budgetary basis of accounting.

Note 2 - Excess of expenditures over appropriations

No departments had expenditures in excess of appropriations for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Required Supplemental Information
September 30, 2015

Schedule of Funding Progress -
Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)- Entry Age(1) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
10/01/09	\$	\$ 390,026	\$ 390,026	0.0%	\$ 2,801,604	13.9%
10/01/10	\$	\$ 223,172	\$ 223,172	0.0%	\$ 2,764,791	8.1%
10/01/12	\$	\$ 139,099	\$ 139,099	0.0%	\$ 3,050,612	4.6%

The schedule of funding progress presented above will present multi-year trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits. The City has not contributed assets to the plan at this time.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Required Supplemental Information
September 30, 2015

General Employees Retirement Fund
Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
Last Two Fiscal Years

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Total pension liability:		
Service cost	\$ 396,435	\$ 393,663
Interest	972,005	1,037,078
Differences between expected and actual experience		(408,785)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	<u>(500,988)</u>	<u>(551,058)</u>
Net change in total pension liability	867,452	470,898
Total pension liability - beginning	<u>12,396,065</u>	<u>13,263,517</u>
Total pension liability - ending (a)	<u><u>\$ 13,263,517</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,734,415</u></u>
Plan fiduciary net position		
Contributions - employer	\$ 12,267	\$ 132,427
Contributions - employees	111,520	111,676
Net investment income	1,486,350	(142,391)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(500,988)	(551,058)
Other expenses	(27,474)	
Administrative expenses	<u>(18,135)</u>	<u>(31,368)</u>
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	1,063,540	(480,714)
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	<u>14,710,855</u>	<u>15,774,395</u>
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	<u><u>\$ 15,774,395</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,293,681</u></u>
Net pension liability (a) - (b)	<u><u>\$ (2,510,878)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (1,559,266)</u></u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>118.93%</u>	<u>111.35%</u>
Covered employee payroll	<u><u>\$ 2,787,994</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,770,208</u></u>
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	<u><u>-90.06%</u></u>	<u><u>-56.29%</u></u>

NOTE: The City implemented GASB Statement 67 in 2014; information is presented for those years in which information is available.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Required Supplemental Information
September 30, 2015

Public Safety Officers Retirement Fund
Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
Last Two Fiscal Years

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Total pension liability:		
Interest	\$ 197,370	\$ 187,913
Differences between expected and actual experience		46,606
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	<u>(213,861)</u>	<u>(211,765)</u>
Net change in total pension liability	(16,491)	22,754
Total pension liability - beginning	<u>4,118,240</u>	<u>4,101,749</u>
Total pension liability - ending (a)	<u><u>\$ 4,101,749</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,124,503</u></u>
Plan fiduciary net position		
Net investment income	\$ 573,783	\$ 31,352
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(213,861)	(211,765)
Other expenses	(3,600)	
Administrative expenses	<u>(23,554)</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	332,768	(200,413)
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	<u>5,509,860</u>	<u>5,842,628</u>
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	<u><u>\$ 5,842,628</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,642,215</u></u>
Net pension liability (a) - (b)	<u><u>\$ (1,740,879)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (1,517,712)</u></u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>142.44%</u>	<u>136.80%</u>
Covered employee payroll	N/A	N/A
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	N/A	N/A

NOTE: The City implemented GASB Statement 67 in 2014; information is presented for those years in which information is available.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Required Supplemental Information
September 30, 2015

Last Two Fiscal Years

Schedule of Contributions

<u>Fiscal Year</u> Ending September 30	<u>Actuarially</u> <u>Determined</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Contribution</u> <u>Deficiency</u> <u>(Excess)</u>	<u>Covered</u> <u>Payroll</u>	<u>Actual Contribution</u> <u>as a Percentage of</u> <u>Covered Payroll</u>
<u>General Employees Retirement Fund</u>					
2014	\$ 12,267	\$ 12,267	\$ -	\$ 2,787,994	0.44%
2015	-	132,427	(132,427)	2,770,208	4.78%
<u>Public Safety Officers Retirement Fund</u>					
2014	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
2015	-	-	-	-	0.00%

Schedule of Investment Returns

<u>Fiscal Year</u> Ending September 30	<u>Annual money weighted rate of return</u> <u>net of investment expense</u>	
	<u>General</u> <u>Employees</u>	<u>Public Safety</u> <u>Officers</u>
2014	10.23%	10.73%
2015	-0.91%	0.55%

NOTE: The City implemented GASB Statement 67 in 2014; information is presented for those years in which information is available.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Notes to the Schedule of Contributions
September 30, 2015

Methods and assumptions used in calculations of determined contributions.

The actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of October 1, one year prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

	<u>General Employees Retirement System</u>	<u>Public Safety Officers Retirement System</u>
Actuarial Cost Method	Aggregate Actuarial Cost Method	Aggregate Actuarial Cost Method
Amortization Method	None	None
Remaining Amortization Period	N/A	N/A
Asset Valuation Method	The Actuarial Value of Assets is brought forward using the historical four year geometric average of Market Returns (net of fees).	Market Value
Inflation	3.00%	3.00%
Salary Increases	6.00%	N/A
Cost of Living Adjustments	3.00%	3.00%
Investment Rate of Return	7.75%	6.50%
Mortality	RP2000 Combined Healthy, projected to the valuation date. Disabled lives are set forward 5 years.	RP2000 Combined Healthy, sex distinct. Disabled lives are set forward 5 years. Based on a study of over 650 public safety funds, this table reflects a 10% margin for future mortality improvements.

COMBINING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Pension Trust Funds

General Employees Pension Trust Fund
Public Safety Officers Pension Trust Fund

CITY OF BELLE GLADE
Fiduciary Funds
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
September 30, 2015

	<u>General Employees</u>	<u>Public Safety</u>	<u>Total Pension Trust Funds</u>
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 199,094	\$ 275,651	\$ 474,745
Investments at fair value			
U.S. government securities		772,876	772,876
Corporate bonds		1,233,113	1,233,113
Corporate stock	8,425,138	2,523,947	10,949,085
Foreign/ADR securities	1,265,669		1,265,669
Fixed income mutual funds	5,466,231	778,302	6,244,533
Receivables			
Accounts	29,173		29,173
Accounts, broker dealers	219,287	155,128	374,415
Due from participants		29,438	29,438
Accrued dividends and interest	4,995	21,687	26,682
Prepaid pension benefit	40,301	16,322	56,623
Total assets	<u>15,649,888</u>	<u>5,806,464</u>	<u>21,456,352</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts payable, broker dealers	216,610	164,249	380,859
Prepaid pension contribution	139,597		139,597
Total liabilities	<u>356,207</u>	<u>164,249</u>	<u>520,456</u>
Net Position			
Held in trust for pension benefits and other purposes	<u>\$ 15,293,681</u>	<u>\$ 5,642,215</u>	<u>\$ 20,935,896</u>

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Fiduciary Funds
Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	General Employees	Public Safety	Total Pension Trust Funds
Additions			
Contributions			
Employer	\$ 132,427	\$	\$ 132,427
Plan members	111,676		111,676
Total contributions	<u>244,103</u>		<u>244,103</u>
Investment income			
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	(395,254)	(67,269)	(462,523)
Investment earnings	366,944	148,243	515,187
Miscellaneous income			0
Total investment income	<u>(28,310)</u>	<u>80,974</u>	<u>52,664</u>
Investment expenses	<u>(114,081)</u>	<u>(49,622)</u>	<u>(163,703)</u>
Total net investment income	<u>(142,391)</u>	<u>31,352</u>	<u>(111,039)</u>
Total additions	<u>101,712</u>	<u>31,352</u>	<u>133,064</u>
Deductions			
Retirement benefits	551,058	211,765	762,823
Other expenses			0
Administrative expense	31,368	20,000	51,368
Total deductions	<u>582,426</u>	<u>231,765</u>	<u>814,191</u>
Net increase (decrease)	(480,714)	(200,413)	(681,127)
Net position held in trust for pension benefits			
Net position - beginning	15,774,395	5,842,628	21,617,023
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 15,293,681</u>	<u>\$ 5,642,215</u>	<u>\$ 20,935,896</u>

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

GENERAL FUND

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Revenues - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Taxes			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 1,685,419	\$ 1,694,542	\$ 9,123
Local option gas tax	294,444	324,041	29,597
Franchise taxes	1,193,218	1,412,101	218,883
Utility taxes	<u>1,515,040</u>	<u>1,519,922</u>	<u>4,882</u>
Total Taxes	<u>4,688,121</u>	<u>4,950,606</u>	<u>262,485</u>
Licenses and Permits			
Occupational licenses	140,000	135,547	(4,453)
Building permits	75,300	96,158	20,858
Other permits	<u>6,200</u>	<u>2,854</u>	<u>(3,346)</u>
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>221,500</u>	<u>234,559</u>	<u>13,059</u>
Intergovernmental Revenue			
Half cent sales tax	1,261,073	1,344,396	83,323
State revenue sharing	901,340	1,077,761	176,421
Palm Beach County grants	143,000	149,981	6,981
Federal grants	171,299	152,448	(18,851)
State grants	996,988	514,084	(482,904)
County - occupational licenses	37,000	45,943	8,943
Other	<u>21,500</u>	<u>22,630</u>	<u>1,130</u>
Total Intergovernmental Revenue	<u>3,532,200</u>	<u>3,307,243</u>	<u>(224,957)</u>

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Revenues - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
(Continued)			
Charges for Services			
Mosquito control	\$ 134,000	\$ 135,163	\$ 1,163
Mass transit	15,000	14,787	(213)
Parking - loading zone		0	0
Concessions	1,200	1,079	(121)
Other charges	156,414	177,976	21,562
	<u>306,614</u>	<u>329,005</u>	<u>22,391</u>
Total Charges for Services			
Fines and Forfeits			
Court fines	22,800	10,269	(12,531)
Other	22,052	42,190	20,138
	<u>44,852</u>	<u>52,459</u>	<u>7,607</u>
Total Fines and Forfeits			
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Reimbursement - stormwater utility	72,183	72,159	(24)
Reimbursement - sanitation	244,000	244,000	
Reimbursement - revolving loan	48,600	48,600	
Interest earnings	200	69,211	69,011
Donations	25,000	25,000	
Rents	101,201	102,960	1,759
Surplus equipment		30,149	30,149
Insurance proceeds		1,000	1,000
Other	15,900	122,740	106,840
	<u>507,084</u>	<u>715,819</u>	<u>208,735</u>
Total Miscellaneous Revenues			
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 9,300,371</u>	<u>\$ 9,589,691</u>	<u>\$ 289,320</u>

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
General Government			
City Commission			
Personal services	\$ 140,442	\$ 138,803	\$ 1,639
Operating expenses	60,975	51,695	9,280
Total City Commission	201,417	190,498	10,919
City Manager			
Personal services	423,650	415,008	8,642
Operating expenses	45,225	36,191	9,034
Total City Manager	468,875	451,199	17,676
Personnel			
Personnel services	211,880	207,384	4,496
Operating expenses	27,989	21,402	6,587
Total Personnel	239,869	228,786	11,083
Purchasing			
Personal services	70,803	68,022	2,781
Operating expenses	20,734	12,853	7,881
Reimbursements	(15,000)	(7,721)	(7,279)
Total Purchasing	76,537	73,154	3,383
Counsel and Legal			
Operating expenses	165,000	122,662	42,338
City Hall			
Personal services	28,961	18,794	10,167
Operating expenses	110,582	92,047	18,535
Total City Hall	139,543	110,841	28,702

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
(Continued)			
General Government (Continued)			
Public Relations			
Personal services	\$ 21,011	\$ 20,622	\$ 389
Operating expenses	<u>56,283</u>	<u>41,957</u>	<u>14,326</u>
Total Public Relations	<u>77,294</u>	<u>62,579</u>	<u>14,715</u>
Finance			
Personal services	558,847	501,041	57,806
Operating expenses	<u>191,210</u>	<u>189,037</u>	<u>2,173</u>
Total Finance	<u>750,057</u>	<u>690,078</u>	<u>59,979</u>
Information Technology			
Personal services	138,953	135,725	3,228
Operating expenses	<u>59,430</u>	<u>48,847</u>	<u>10,583</u>
Total Information Technology	<u>198,383</u>	<u>184,572</u>	<u>13,811</u>
City Clerk			
Personal services	175,494	171,938	3,556
Operating expenses	<u>52,142</u>	<u>35,311</u>	<u>16,831</u>
Total City Clerk	<u>227,636</u>	<u>207,249</u>	<u>20,387</u>
Civil Service Board			
Personal services	883	366	517
Operating expenses	<u>4,435</u>	<u>366</u>	<u>4,435</u>
Total Civil Service Board	<u>5,318</u>	<u>366</u>	<u>4,952</u>

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
(Continued)			
General Government (Continued)			
Other General Government			
Personal services	\$ 15,904	\$ 15,872	\$ 32
Operating expenses	<u>247,632</u>	<u>237,451</u>	<u>10,181</u>
Total Other General Government	<u>263,536</u>	<u>253,323</u>	<u>10,213</u>
Garage			
Personal services	258,328	245,239	13,089
Operating expenses	218,466	205,352	13,114
Reimbursements	<u>(203,000)</u>	<u>(202,534)</u>	<u>(466)</u>
Total Garage	<u>273,794</u>	<u>248,057</u>	<u>25,737</u>
Buildings and Grounds			
Personal services	312,467	303,404	9,063
Operating expenses	66,922	51,524	15,398
Reimbursements	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,414)</u>	<u>199</u>
Total Buildings and Grounds	<u>377,174</u>	<u>352,514</u>	<u>24,660</u>
Total General Government	<u>3,464,433</u>	<u>3,175,878</u>	<u>288,555</u>
Public Safety			
Police			
Operating expenses	<u>2,857,505</u>	<u>2,855,505</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Youth Empowerment			
Personal services	123,429	120,472	2,957
Operating expenses	<u>84,150</u>	<u>58,785</u>	<u>25,365</u>
Total Youth Empowerment	<u>207,579</u>	<u>179,257</u>	<u>28,322</u>

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
(Continued)			
Public Safety (Continued)			
Planning and Building			
Personal services	\$ 283,451	\$ 243,451	\$ 40,000
Operating expenses	<u>120,798</u>	<u>109,487</u>	<u>11,311</u>
Total Planning and Building	<u>404,249</u>	<u>352,938</u>	<u>51,311</u>
Code Enforcement Board			
Personal services	132,303	123,220	9,083
Operating expenses	<u>106,579</u>	<u>67,102</u>	<u>39,477</u>
Total Code Enforcement Board	<u>238,882</u>	<u>190,322</u>	<u>48,560</u>
Total Public Safety	<u>3,708,215</u>	<u>3,578,022</u>	<u>130,193</u>
Transportation			
Traffic Control			
Operating expenses	<u>29,481</u>	<u>16,830</u>	<u>12,651</u>
Total Traffic Control	<u>29,481</u>	<u>16,830</u>	<u>12,651</u>
Streets			
Personal services	206,314	156,086	50,228
Operating expenses	<u>128,264</u>	<u>84,996</u>	<u>43,268</u>
Total Streets	<u>334,578</u>	<u>241,082</u>	<u>93,496</u>
Street Lighting			
Operating expenses	<u>189,520</u>	<u>184,193</u>	<u>5,327</u>

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
(Continued)			
Transportation (Continued)			
Airport			
Operating expenses	\$ 86,627	\$ 74,459	\$ 12,168
Public transit			
Operating expenses	652,048	600,742	51,306
Total Transportation	<u>1,292,254</u>	<u>1,117,306</u>	<u>174,948</u>
Physical Environment			
Public Works			
Personal services	232,956	224,608	8,348
Operating expenses	<u>35,386</u>	<u>23,763</u>	<u>11,623</u>
Total Public Works	<u>268,342</u>	<u>248,371</u>	<u>19,971</u>
Mosquito Spraying			
Operating expenses	<u>26,232</u>	<u>24,985</u>	<u>1,247</u>
Total Physical Environment	<u>294,574</u>	<u>273,356</u>	<u>21,218</u>
Culture/Recreation			
Library			
Operating expenses	<u>48,857</u>	<u>34,858</u>	<u>13,999</u>
Recreation			
Personal services	282,232	256,808	25,424
Operating expenses	<u>279,365</u>	<u>221,948</u>	<u>57,417</u>
Total Recreation	<u>561,597</u>	<u>478,756</u>	<u>82,841</u>
Country Club			
Operating expenses	<u>30,575</u>	<u>24,010</u>	<u>6,565</u>

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
(Continued)			
Culture/Recreation (Continued)			
Golf Course			
Operating expenses	\$ 75,634	\$ 74,425	\$ 1,209
Museum board			
Operating expenses	51,304	13,200	38,104
Total Culture/Recreation	767,967	625,249	142,718
Economic Environment			
Business Park			
Operating expenses	855	790	65
Economic Development			
Operating expenses	5,000	5,000	
Total Economic Environment	5,855	5,790	65
Capital Outlay			
City Hall	9,200	9,200	
Finance	12,295	12,295	
Information Technology	5,000	4,801	199
Buildings and Grounds	25,000	24,989	11
Planning and building	37,493	33,492	4,001
Code enforcement board	7,830	7,830	
Streets	20,000	19,291	709
Public works	35,000	28,994	6,006
Traffic Control	14,975		14,975
Museum Board	23,436	15,532	7,904
Recreation	9,500	8,034	1,466
Total Capital Outlay	199,729	164,458	35,271

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
General Fund
Schedule of Departmental Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
(Continued)			
Debt service			
Principal	\$ 42,807	\$ 42,806	\$ 1
Interest	12,740	12,739	1
Total debt service	<u>55,547</u>	<u>55,545</u>	<u>2</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 9,788,574</u>	<u>\$ 8,995,604</u>	<u>\$ 792,970</u>

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Capital Projects Fund
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures - Budget and Actual
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 138,273	\$ 151,885	\$ 13,612
Intergovernmental revenues	2,355,140	703,797	(1,651,343)
Miscellaneous revenues	<u>6,950</u>	<u>6,950</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenues	<u>\$ 2,500,363</u>	<u>\$ 862,632</u>	<u>\$ (1,637,731)</u>
Expenditures			
Capital outlay	<u>\$ 2,466,590</u>	<u>\$ 715,967</u>	<u>\$ 1,750,623</u>
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 2,466,590</u>	<u>\$ 715,967</u>	<u>\$ 1,750,623</u>

STATISTICAL SECTION

STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the City of Belle Glades' comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed unaudited information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statement, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the City's overall financial health.

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

NET POSITION BY COMPONENT

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)

	Fiscal Year				
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Governmental Activities:					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 12,665,117	\$ 12,830,929	\$ 11,206,332	\$ 11,486,309	\$ 11,071,207
Restricted	1,764,347	1,726,616	1,934,318	1,930,112	1,931,858
Unrestricted	1,743,937	2,266,408	1,542,826	1,372,622	2,158,962
Total governmental activities net position	<u>16,173,401</u>	<u>16,823,953</u>	<u>14,683,476</u>	<u>14,789,043</u>	<u>15,162,027</u>
Business-Type Activities:					
Net investment in capital assets	12,665,391	15,733,430	18,029,266	18,289,766	12,052,123
Restricted	3,142,196	2,951,818	2,867,426	2,990,966	122,231
Unrestricted	1,013,383	1,434,535	2,712,489	2,762,426	5,632,080
Total business-type activities net position	<u>16,820,970</u>	<u>20,119,783</u>	<u>23,609,181</u>	<u>24,043,158</u>	<u>17,806,434</u>
Primary government:					
Net investment in capital assets	25,330,508	28,564,359	29,235,598	29,776,075	23,123,330
Restricted	4,906,543	4,678,434	4,801,744	4,921,078	2,054,089
Unrestricted	2,757,320	3,700,943	4,255,315	4,135,048	7,791,042
Total primary government net position	<u>\$ 32,994,371</u>	<u>\$ 36,943,736</u>	<u>\$ 38,292,657</u>	<u>\$ 38,832,201</u>	<u>\$ 32,968,461</u>

	Fiscal Year				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Governmental Activities:					
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 12,420,933	\$ 12,335,958	\$ 11,932,503	\$ 12,086,063	\$ 12,282,141
Restricted	2,376,342	2,605,719	3,316,710	3,811,146	4,207,105
Unrestricted	2,348,479	3,502,993	5,633,829	8,740,037	9,190,244
Total governmental activities net position	<u>17,145,754</u>	<u>18,444,670</u>	<u>20,883,042</u>	<u>24,637,246</u>	<u>25,679,490</u>
Business-Type Activities:					
Net investment in capital assets	12,891,636	12,552,016	12,081,848	12,393,038	12,896,407
Restricted	172,376	121,198	221,032	320,740	253,980
Unrestricted	5,376,089	5,682,085	3,875,197	3,882,969	4,211,565
Total business-type activities net position	<u>18,440,101</u>	<u>18,355,299</u>	<u>16,178,077</u>	<u>16,596,747</u>	<u>17,361,952</u>
Primary government:					
Net investment in capital assets	25,312,569	24,887,974	24,014,351	24,479,101	25,178,548
Restricted	2,548,718	2,726,917	3,537,742	4,131,886	4,461,085
Unrestricted	7,724,568	9,185,078	9,509,026	12,623,006	13,401,809
Total primary government net position	<u>\$ 35,585,855</u>	<u>\$ 36,799,969</u>	<u>\$ 37,061,119</u>	<u>\$ 41,233,993</u>	<u>\$ 43,041,442</u>

Note: GASB 68 was implemented in 2015 and the beginning balance for 2014 was restated

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

**Changes in Net Position
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)**

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Expenses					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 1,576,308	\$ 2,051,088	\$ 2,360,909	\$ 2,164,330	\$ 2,722,076
Public safety	5,935,948	4,545,538	4,507,487	4,425,641	3,658,096
Transportation	1,026,736	977,917	990,270	924,578	1,255,942
Culture/recreation	1,178,512	1,241,293	1,137,730	656,147	674,850
Physical environment	697,444	687,884	721,225	602,432	648,373
Human services	12,000	18,000	-	-	-
Economic environment	262,619	451,843	117,720	148,915	105,775
Interest on long term investments	8,643	4,708	1,951	2,379	410
Total Governmental Activities	<u>10,698,210</u>	<u>9,978,271</u>	<u>9,837,292</u>	<u>8,924,422</u>	<u>9,065,522</u>
Business-Type Activities					
Water and sewer	7,278,214	7,739,116	8,433,898	9,095,512	443,498
Garbage and solid waste	5,373,514	1,959,540	1,952,712	2,015,533	1,945,975
Marina	700,677	764,032	603,509	457,839	297,635
Stormwater utility	129,180	116,203	198,334	346,208	406,396
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>13,481,585</u>	<u>10,578,891</u>	<u>11,188,453</u>	<u>11,915,092</u>	<u>3,093,504</u>
Total primary government expenses	<u>\$ 24,179,795</u>	<u>\$ 20,557,162</u>	<u>\$ 21,025,745</u>	<u>\$ 20,839,514</u>	<u>\$ 12,159,026</u>
Program Revenues					
Governmental activities:					
Charges for services					
General government	\$ 99,025	\$ 59,592	\$ 65,287	\$ 98,855	\$ 72,192
Public safety	428,204	423,945	440,321	343,449	487,183
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Physical environment	131,348	138,188	136,438	134,158	133,944
Culture/recreation	236,862	245,137	79,909	731	1,407
Operating grants and contributions	566,360	109,200	36,031	390,338	367,381
Capital grants and contributions	1,055,666	1,657,699	862,071	812,975	779,464
Property taxes	2,404,426	1,944,436	2,125,465	2,059,062	2,146,641
Other taxes	2,648,986	2,692,229	2,742,996	2,773,357	3,281,288
Intergovernmental	2,273,986	2,252,530	2,045,141	1,915,425	1,888,233
Other	513,165	229,320	141,518	96,145	110,065
Total Governmental Activities	<u>10,358,028</u>	<u>9,752,276</u>	<u>8,675,177</u>	<u>8,624,495</u>	<u>9,267,798</u>
Business-Type Activities					
Charges for services					
Water and sewer	6,679,795	8,377,985	8,945,051	9,072,936	2,584
Garbage and solid waste	2,168,091	2,321,536	2,282,613	2,370,106	2,459,018
Marina	48,423	147,882	260,171	170,033	25,000
Stormwater utility	248,154	247,585	246,628	239,659	516,813
Operating grants and contributions	3,641,601	417,486	550	3,691	10,019
Capital contributions	401,388	2,823,627	1,565,492	814,625	1,659,173
Other	501,200	418,150	213,300	83,513	85,989
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>13,688,652</u>	<u>14,754,251</u>	<u>13,513,805</u>	<u>12,754,563</u>	<u>4,758,596</u>
Total primary government program revenues	<u>\$ 24,046,680</u>	<u>\$ 24,506,527</u>	<u>\$ 22,188,982</u>	<u>\$ 21,379,058</u>	<u>\$ 14,026,394</u>
Excess (deficiency) before transfers					
Governmental activities	\$ (340,182)	\$ (225,995)	\$ (1,162,115)	\$ (299,927)	\$ 202,276
Business-Type Activities	207,067	4,175,360	2,325,352	839,471	1,665,092
Total excess before transfers	<u>(133,115)</u>	<u>3,949,365</u>	<u>1,163,237</u>	<u>539,544</u>	<u>1,867,368</u>
Transfers					
Governmental activities	-	876,547	(978,362)	405,494	170,708
Business-Type Activities	-	(876,547)	978,362	(405,494)	(170,708)
Special Items	-	-	-	-	(7,731,108)
Increase (decrease) in Net Position	<u>(133,115)</u>	<u>3,949,365</u>	<u>1,163,237</u>	<u>539,544</u>	<u>(5,863,740)</u>
Net Position - Beginning	<u>33,127,486</u>	<u>32,994,371</u>	<u>37,129,420</u>	<u>38,292,657</u>	<u>38,832,201</u>
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 32,994,371</u>	<u>\$ 36,943,736</u>	<u>\$ 38,292,657</u>	<u>\$ 38,832,201</u>	<u>\$ 32,968,461</u>

Note: GASB 68 was implemented in 2015 and the beginning balance for 2014 was restated

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
\$	2,718,993	\$ 2,973,512	\$ 2,761,227	\$ 3,075,354	\$ 2,931,318
	3,618,638	3,444,138	3,446,790	3,620,565	3,561,596
	1,165,066	1,536,524	1,586,016	1,471,076	1,547,693
	717,509	757,685	830,939	783,050	848,991
	662,401	186,462	274,293	270,643	275,675
	-	-	-	-	-
	68,940	88,172	93,557	184,946	124,886
	85,000	-	-	13,717	11,877
	<u>9,036,547</u>	<u>8,986,493</u>	<u>8,992,822</u>	<u>9,419,351</u>	<u>9,302,036</u>
	138,609	168,660	229,378	\$ -	\$ -
	2,036,527	2,092,468	1,934,106	2,020,382	1,891,092
	387,617	554,230	471,543	681,016	930,856
	447,913	477,788	457,575	526,178	534,173
	<u>3,010,666</u>	<u>3,293,146</u>	<u>3,092,602</u>	<u>3,227,576</u>	<u>3,356,121</u>
\$	<u>12,047,213</u>	<u>12,279,639</u>	<u>12,085,424</u>	<u>12,646,927</u>	<u>12,658,157</u>
\$	71,823	\$ 71,729	\$ 69,693	\$ 188,438	\$ 102,960
	490,829	474,270	382,545	426,619	510,937
	-	12,150	20,177	15,841	14,787
	135,281	132,736	133,728	145,497	135,163
	2,429	387	-	610	1,079
	199,770	1,017,819	875,857	826,234	904,934
	2,421,706	534,051	353,337	1,142,281	736,513
	1,754,345	1,728,581	1,611,772	1,601,442	1,694,542
	3,298,615	3,098,138	3,407,115	3,257,768	3,407,949
	1,961,627	2,023,228	2,080,379	2,250,290	2,451,563
	36,945	64,588	50,261	37,717	108,698
	<u>10,373,370</u>	<u>9,157,677</u>	<u>8,984,864</u>	<u>9,892,737</u>	<u>10,069,125</u>
	-	-	105,329	-	-
	2,399,556	2,432,280	2,436,317	2,432,663	2,460,253
	24,370	5,000	45,000	50,147	421,910
	572,405	544,519	548,324	605,161	724,603
	89,155	4,673	-	-	-
	1,167,287	743,648	197,000	185,977	678,885
	38,464	605,956	29,740	3,967	110,830
	<u>4,291,237</u>	<u>4,336,076</u>	<u>3,361,710</u>	<u>3,277,915</u>	<u>4,396,481</u>
\$	<u>14,664,607</u>	<u>13,493,753</u>	<u>12,346,574</u>	<u>13,170,652</u>	<u>14,465,606</u>
\$	1,336,823	\$ 171,184	\$ (7,958)	\$ 473,386	\$ 767,089
	1,280,571	1,042,930	269,108	50,339	1,040,360
	2,617,394	1,214,114	261,150	523,725	1,807,449
	646,904	1,127,732	2,446,330	148,687	275,155
	(646,904)	(1,127,732)	(2,446,330)	(148,687)	(275,155)
	-	-	-	-	-
	2,617,394	1,214,114	261,150	523,725	1,807,449
	<u>32,968,461</u>	<u>35,585,855</u>	<u>36,799,969</u>	<u>40,710,268</u>	<u>41,233,993</u>
\$	<u>35,585,855</u>	<u>36,799,969</u>	<u>37,061,119</u>	<u>41,233,993</u>	<u>43,041,442</u>

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
General Fund					
Reserved	\$ 394,067	\$ 770,619	\$ 201,932	\$ 141,262	\$ 442,408
Unreserved	1,492,092	1,802,684	1,216,655	1,609,840	1,930,239
Undesignated	137,747	219,747	566,187	-	-
Nonspendable					
Inventory and prepaids	-	-	-	-	-
Advance	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted					
Police education	-	-	-	-	-
Landscaping	-	-	-	-	-
Parking	-	-	-	-	-
Museum	-	-	-	-	-
Civic center	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Committed					
Stabilization	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned					
Emergencies	-	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	-
Total general fund	<u>\$ 2,023,906</u>	<u>\$ 2,793,050</u>	<u>\$ 1,984,774</u>	<u>\$ 1,751,102</u>	<u>\$ 2,372,647</u>
All other Governmental Funds					
Reserved	\$ 703,512	\$ 614,619	\$ 528,950	\$ 454,962	\$ 356,214
Unreserved, reported in:					
Special revenue funds	961,302	1,111,997	952,330	1,370,649	1,482,385
Capital projects funds	(45,370)	(414,321)	-	(190,571)	(23,437)
Nonspendable					
Non-current investment	-	-	-	-	-
Long term portion of mortgage notes	-	-	-	-	-
Delinquent mortgages	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted					
Veteran's Memorial					
Civic center	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Economic Environment	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned					
Emergencies	-	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	-
Total all other governmental funds	<u>\$ 1,619,444</u>	<u>\$ 1,312,295</u>	<u>\$ 1,481,280</u>	<u>\$ 1,635,040</u>	<u>\$ 1,815,162</u>

NOTE: GASB statement 54, *Fund Balance reporting and Government Fund Definitions* was implemented in 2011.

2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-
251,276	261,781	753,047	277,143	398,415
-	-	-	432,910	553,337
6,256	16,819	19,366	20,939	22,197
82,319	82,319	82,319	82,319	82,319
3,226	3,229	3,229	3,230	3,230
1,368	-	47,406	49,781	74,659
-	-	-	1,650	3,188
-	137,631	277,240	352,640	352,640
455,070	549,566	1,111,515	1,618,116	1,995,472
427,564	527,564	527,564	527,564	527,564
1,602,675	1,602,675	1,602,675	1,472,675	1,378,175
506,833	1,388,575	3,089,310	3,248,139	3,450,763
<u>\$ 3,336,587</u>	<u>\$ 4,570,159</u>	<u>\$ 7,513,671</u>	<u>\$ 8,087,106</u>	<u>\$ 8,841,959</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-
26,022	26,852	14,672	-	-
283,561	208,687	183,170	160,430	339,495
-	67,220	67,220	98,761	44,864
-	-	-	-	6,950
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	151,885
1,544,542	1,540,248	1,525,245	1,423,280	1,137,156
-	-	-	-	-
11,663	54,403	53,832	-	-
-	-	-	(2,433)	89,897
<u>\$ 1,865,788</u>	<u>\$ 1,897,410</u>	<u>\$ 1,844,139</u>	<u>\$ 1,680,038</u>	<u>\$ 1,770,247</u>

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)

	Fiscal Year				
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ 5,053,412	\$ 4,636,665	\$ 4,868,461	\$ 4,832,419	\$ 5,427,929
Licenses and permits	310,095	260,528	229,464	186,310	261,357
Intergovernmental	3,534,010	3,692,166	2,972,553	3,171,915	2,973,119
Charges for services	455,910	469,926	321,939	211,435	254,089
Fines and forfeitures	24,507	39,738	65,933	45,733	69,681
Miscellaneous	1,772,305	1,746,423	980,999	666,363	576,571
Total revenues	<u>11,150,239</u>	<u>10,845,446</u>	<u>9,439,349</u>	<u>9,114,175</u>	<u>9,562,746</u>
Expenditures					
Current					
General government	2,230,504	2,656,287	3,064,990	2,551,997	2,667,432
Public safety	5,829,048	4,470,873	4,309,121	4,368,494	3,622,817
Transportation	544,788	485,790	615,816	571,369	880,049
Physical environment	670,232	641,559	764,840	595,903	643,133
Human services	12,000	18,000	-	-	-
Culture/recreation	1,009,337	1,062,966	746,572	496,894	516,608
Economic environment	230,179	314,016	64,844	110,116	71,733
Grants and aids	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	787,303	1,487,632	798,559	867,749	511,471
Debt service					
Principal	75,564	118,167	16,577	34,680	18,134
Interest	8,643	4,708	1,951	2,379	410
Total expenditures	<u>11,397,598</u>	<u>11,259,998</u>	<u>10,383,270</u>	<u>9,599,581</u>	<u>8,931,787</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(247,359)</u>	<u>(414,552)</u>	<u>(943,921)</u>	<u>(485,406)</u>	<u>630,959</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers in	75,956	1,059,463	339,166	755,727	384,514
Transfers out	(75,956)	(182,916)	(103,927)	(350,233)	(213,806)
Debt proceeds	-	-	-	-	-
Capital lease proceeds	-	-	69,391	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>876,547</u>	<u>304,630</u>	<u>405,494</u>	<u>170,708</u>
Net change in fund balances	(247,359)	461,995	(639,291)	(79,912)	801,667
Fund Balance - Beginning	<u>3,890,709</u>	<u>3,643,350</u>	<u>4,105,345</u>	<u>3,466,054</u>	<u>3,386,142</u>
Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 3,643,350</u>	<u>\$ 4,105,345</u>	<u>\$ 3,466,054</u>	<u>\$ 3,386,142</u>	<u>\$ 4,187,809</u>
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	0.80%	1.27%	0.19%	0.43%	0.22%

Fiscal Year				
<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
\$ 5,052,960	\$ 4,826,719	\$ 5,018,887	\$ 4,859,210	\$ 5,102,491
265,905	242,655	191,465	247,338	234,559
3,443,726	3,233,907	3,311,587	4,210,784	4,017,816
255,159	250,733	242,866	274,349	329,005
73,024	91,247	68,534	44,954	52,459
532,221	466,028	568,609	640,862	736,566
9,622,995	9,111,289	9,401,948	10,277,497	10,472,896
2,636,558	2,829,669	3,080,444	3,126,420	3,175,878
3,575,746	3,508,215	3,392,563	3,495,124	3,578,022
879,408	1,143,601	1,289,640	1,153,189	1,117,306
657,805	676,388	246,275	255,874	273,356
-	-	-	-	-
524,291	552,315	534,237	555,576	625,249
40,575	33,354	63,125	89,844	96,814
85,000	-	-	-	-
855,950	230,285	763,956	1,285,278	980,819
-	-	-	41,550	42,806
-	-	-	13,995	12,739
9,255,333	8,973,827	9,370,240	10,016,850	9,902,989
367,662	137,462	31,708	260,647	569,907
784,938	1,180,860	2,438,777	442,760	519,389
(138,034)	(53,128)	(57,064)	(294,073)	(244,234)
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	476,820	-	-
646,904	1,127,732	2,858,533	148,687	275,155
1,014,566	1,265,194	2,890,241	409,334	845,062
4,187,809	5,202,375	6,467,569	9,357,810	9,767,144
\$ 5,202,375	\$ 6,467,569	\$ 9,357,810	\$ 9,767,144	\$ 10,612,206
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.64%	0.63%

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	Residential Property	Commercial Property	Industrial Property	Less: Tax-Exempt Property	Total Taxable Assessed Value	Total Direct Tax Rate
2006	241,205,674	215,078,510	13,952,710	207,508,900	262,727,994	25.3644
2007	305,046,937	227,455,171	20,686,479	245,510,377	307,678,210	24.6838
2008	321,886,426	198,309,115	23,347,420	245,823,634	297,719,327	23.2216
2009	346,673,535	205,755,434	28,250,884	288,211,062	292,468,791	23.3962
2010	319,457,788	188,176,396	25,856,366	258,782,288	274,708,262	25.8070
2011	242,558,590	167,611,817	20,793,524	200,772,362	230,191,569	26.3118
2012	240,712,338	164,997,423	20,762,382	191,645,423	234,826,720	26.1239
2013	202,746,285	158,975,048	20,492,686	171,717,217	210,496,802	25.4057
2014	186,831,452	165,601,229	21,436,749	169,891,711	203,977,719	25.3425
2015	205,371,309	182,164,489	23,022,595	197,018,186	213,540,207	25.1356

Source: Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office.

Note 1: Detail values by property class available from the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office starting in FY 2006.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
PROPERTY TAX RATES - DIRECT AND OVERLAPPLING GOVERNMENTS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	City of Belle Glade General Operations	Overlapping Rates				
		Palm Beach County School Board	Palm Beach County Library	Palm Beach County	Palm Beach County Debt	Everglades Construction
2006	9.4100	8.1060	0.6250	4.4500	0.2692	0.1000
2007	6.4300	7.8720	0.5989	4.2800	0.1975	0.1000
2008	6.4300	7.3560	0.5441	3.7811	0.2002	0.0894
2009	6.4300	7.2510	0.5427	3.7811	0.1845	0.0894
2010	6.5419	7.9830	0.5518	4.5614	0.2174	0.0894
2011	6.5419	8.1540	0.6069	4.7500	0.2460	0.0894
2012	6.5419	8.1800	0.6081	4.7815	0.2110	0.0624
2013	6.5419	7.5860	0.6065	4.7815	0.2037	0.0587
2014	6.5419	7.5940	0.6024	4.7815	0.1914	-
2015	6.5419	7.5120	0.5985	4.7815	0.1462	-

Source: Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office.

Overlapping Rates

Palm Beach County Health Care District	Palm Beach County Fire Rescue	South Florida Water Management District	Children's Services Council	Florida Inland Navigation District	Total Direct and Overlapping Rates
1.0800		0.5970	0.6887	0.0385	25.3644
0.9700	2.9800	0.5970	0.6199	0.0385	24.6838
0.8900	2.7794	0.5346	0.5823	0.0345	23.2216
0.9975	2.9500	0.5346	0.6009	0.0345	23.3962
1.1451	3.4581	0.5346	0.6898	0.0345	25.8070
1.1451	3.4581	0.5346	0.7513	0.0345	26.3118
1.1250	3.4581	0.3739	0.7475	0.0345	26.1239
1.0800	3.4581	0.3523	0.7025	0.0345	25.4057
1.0800	3.4581	0.3842	0.6745	0.0345	25.3425
1.0426	3.4581	0.3551	0.6677	0.0320	25.1356

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS
CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO

Taxpayer	2015		2006	
	Taxable Assessed Value	Percentage of Total City Net Taxable Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value	Percentage of Total City Net Taxable Assessed Value
Everglades Farm Equipment Co., Inc.	\$ 20,291,214	9.50%	Royals OK Lunch, Inc.	\$ 6,750,122 2.57%
Florida Power & Light Co.	14,497,835	6.79%	Houston Realty & Investments, Inc.	3,544,411 1.35%
Ytech 384 Units Belle Glade Investment	6,702,035	3.14%	Cypress Cooling, LLC	3,694,817 1.41%
Royals OK Lunch, Inc.	6,120,747	2.87%	Roy Burch E TR	3,241,474 1.23%
Glade & Grove Supply Co, LLC	4,878,974	2.28%	J & D Rentals	2,544,114 0.97%
J & D Rentals, Inc.	4,416,157	2.07%	Pine Island Ventures, Inc.	2,230,056 0.85%
Cypress Cooling, LLC	4,283,572	2.01%	R & B Properties, Inc.	2,297,323 0.87%
Rays Heritage, LLC	4,013,211	1.88%	We Help Community Dev. Corp.	2,183,656 0.83%
Glades Plaza Enterprises, LLC	3,004,290	1.41%	Walgreen Co.	2,003,337 0.76%
Pioneer Mobile Home Park, Inc.	2,252,500	1.05%	Big Lake Trust	1,756,769 0.67%
Total	\$ 70,460,535	33.00%	Total	\$ 30,246,079 11.51%

Source: Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Fiscal Year Ended September 30,	Total Taxes Levied for Fiscal Year	Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Collections in Subsequent Years	Total Collections to Date	
		Amount	Percent of Levy		Amount	Percent of Levy
2006	2,480,505	2,390,813	96.4%	11,867	2,402,680	96.9%
2007	2,008,839	1,905,764	94.9%	38,672	1,944,436	96.8%
2008	2,208,148	2,108,034	95.5%	11,969	2,120,003	96.0%
2009	2,180,008	2,007,496	92.1%	49,108	2,056,604	94.3%
2010	2,131,883	2,046,269	96.0%	97,140	2,143,409	100.5%
2011	1,819,881	1,732,182	95.2%	25,786	1,757,968	96.6%
2012	1,832,645	1,698,048	92.7%	30,533	1,728,581	94.3%
2013	1,686,536	1,555,453	92.2%	56,317	1,611,770	95.6%
2014	1,658,733	1,562,999	94.2%	38,443	1,601,442	96.5%
2015	1,743,471	1,653,996	94.9%	40,546	1,694,542	97.2%

Source: Palm Beach County Tax Collector Office.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	Population ⁽¹⁾	Median Family Income ⁽²⁾	Revenue Bonds ⁽³⁾	Bank Notes ⁽³⁾	Total	Per Capita	Percentage Personal Income
2006	15,233	28,980	-	20,495,801	20,495,801	1,345.49	4.64%
2007	17,083	26,756	-	18,822,427	18,822,427	1,101.82	4.12%
2008	17,141	28,903	-	34,428,085	34,428,085	2,008.52	6.95%
2009	17,107	28,054	-	32,475,551	32,475,551	1,898.38	6.77%
2010	17,467	25,351	-	-	-	-	0.00%
2011	17,667	28,641	-	-	-	-	0.00%
2012	17,794	29,272	-	-	-	-	0.00%
2013	17,722	30,644	-	476,820	476,820	26.91	0.09%
2014	17,722	36,065	-	435,270	435,270	24.56	0.07%
2015	17,424	30,844	-	392,464	392,464	22.52	0.07%

Source: (1) Florida Legislative Office of Economic and Demographic Research and/or Business Development Board of Palm Beach County
(2) Business Development Board of Palm Beach County and/or U.S. Census
(3) 2013 debt is government activities, all prior debt is business-type activities

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt
September 30, 2015

<u>Governmental Unit</u>	Net General Obligation Bonded Debt Outstanding	Estimated Percentage Applicable (1)	Estimated Share of Overlapping Debt
Debt repaid with property taxes			
Palm Beach School District	\$ 17,430,000	0.22%	\$ 38,346
Palm Beach County	<u>141,605,000</u>	0.22%	<u>311,531</u>
Subtotal, overlapping debt	<u>\$ 159,035,000</u>		<u>\$ 349,877</u>
City direct debt	<u>392,464</u>	100%	<u>392,464</u>
Total direct and overlapping debt	<u><u>\$ 159,427,464</u></u>		<u><u>\$ 742,341</u></u>

Source: Palm Beach County School District
Palm Beach County

(1) For debt repaid with property taxes, the percentage of overlapping debt applicable is estimated using taxable assessed property values. Value that is within the City's boundaries and dividing it by the County's and School Board's total taxable assessed value. This approach was also used for the other debt.

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CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

Legal Debt Margin Information

September 30, 2015

Total assessed value (a)	<u><u>\$ 213,540,207</u></u>
Legal debt margin:	
Debt limitation - 10% of total assessed value	21,354,021
Total bonded debt outstanding	<u>-</u>
Legal debt margin	<u><u>\$ 21,354,021</u></u>

(a) Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office, Form DR-403

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Revenue Bond Coverage
Water and Sewer Bonds
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Gross Revenues (1)	Operating Expenses (2)	Net Revenue
2006	7,058,702	4,676,123	2,382,579
2007	8,581,224	5,226,436	3,354,788
2008	9,096,154	5,905,644	3,190,510
2009	9,149,364	6,245,840	2,903,524
2010	-	-	-
2011	-	-	-
2012	-	-	-
2013	-	-	-
2014	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-

(1) Gross revenue includes interest revenue.

(2) Operating expenses excludes depreciation.

(3) Coverage should be not less than 1.00. This changed to 1.10 in 1996 for the Refund Revenue Note and to 1.15 in 1999 for the Notes Payable.

Debt Service Requirements(3)		Coverage (3)	
Refund Revenue Note	Revenue Notes	Revenue Bonds	Revenue Notes
1,279,828	1,035,264	1.86	1.07
1,284,174	1,034,487	2.61	2.00
1,279,643	1,034,487	2.49	1.85
1,281,484	1,034,487	2.27	1.57
-	-	n/a	n/a
-	-	n/a	n/a
-	-	n/a	n/a
-	-	n/a	n/a
-	-	n/a	n/a
-	-	n/a	n/a

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Demographic and Economic Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	Population (1)	Median Family Income (2)	Per Capita Personal Income (3)	Median Single Family Home Sales Price (4)	School Enrollment (5)	Unemployment Rate (6)
2006	15,233	28,980	*	172,500	4,993	10.60%
2007	17,083	26,756	*	180,000	4,654	12.60%
2008	17,141	28,903	*	152,498	4,488	16.70%
2009	17,107	28,054	*	155,000	4,304	16.40%
2010	17,467	25,351	*	90,000	4,263	15.70%
2011	17,667	28,641	*	79,000	3,825	18.00%
2012	17,794	29,272	\$ 14,442	55,000	3,866	18.70%
2013	17,722	30,644	14,482	80,000	3,797	18.70%
2014	17,722	36,065	15,134	75,000	3,827	16.80%
2015	17,424	30,844	14,154	75,000	4,318	15.60%

- Sources:
- (1) Florida Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Relation and/or Business Development Board of Palm Beach County
 - (2) Median Family Income approximately 46% County Median Income and/or Business Development Board of Palm Beach County
 - (3) U.S. Census Bureau - American Fact Finder
 - (4) Florida Housing Data
 - (5) Palm Beach County School District
 - (6) U.S. Census, American Community Survey and/or Business Development Board of Palm Beach County
- * Data not available

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

Principal Employers

Current Year and Nine Years Ago

2015				2006			
Employer*	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment	Employer*	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment
Palm Beach County School Board	22,000	1	3.21%	Palm Beach County School Board	21,616	1	3.35%
Palm Beach County Government	11,505	2	1.68%	Palm Beach County Government	6,594	3	1.02%
Tenet Healthcare Corp.	6,100	3	0.89%	Tenet Healthcare Corp	4,794	7	0.74%
NextEra Energy (Florida Power & Light)	3,854	4	0.56%	NextEra Energy (Florida Power & Light)	2,850	8	0.44%
Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) (1)	2,714	5	0.40%	Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) (1)	5,200	5	0.81%
Florida Atlantic University	2,655	6	0.39%				
Bethesda Memorial Hospital	2,600	7	0.38%				
Boca Raton Regional Hospital	2,500	8	0.36%				
Veterans Health Administration	2,500	9	0.36%				
Jupiter Memorial Hospital	2,000	10	0.29%				
				G4S (Wackenhut Corp)	2,825	9	0.44%
				State Government	9,200	2	1.43%
				Federal Government	6,300	4	0.98%
				Boca Raton Resort & Club	2,200	10	0.34%
				United Rental Highway Techs	5,000	6	0.77%
Total	<u>58,428</u>		<u>8.52%</u>	Total	<u>66,579</u>		<u>10.32%</u>

Source: Business Development Board of Palm Beach County, Profile 2015
except for Palm Beach County Government, where the source is the Office of Financial Management and Budget

*Employer: Palm Beach County
No information available for the City of Belle Glade

Notes:
(1) Formerly Columbia Palm Beach Health Care System, Inc.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

**Full-Time Equivalent City Government Employees by Function/Program
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<u>Function/Program</u>										
General Government										
Mayor and Commission	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
City Manager	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Human Resources	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
City Clerk	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Public Relations	0	0	0	1	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Purchasing	1	1	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Finance	11	10	10.5	8	9	9	9	9	9	9
Information Services	0	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
City Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
City Garage	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	5	5	5
Building & Grounds	11	11	11	9	11	10	10	10	10	9
Public Safety										
Code Enforcement	0	0	0	1	0	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0
Weed & Seed	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Community Capacity Planning	0	1	1	1.5	2.5	0	0	0	0	0
Youth Violence Prevention	6	6	5	3	5	5	5	5	5	5
Police Services	0	0	0	1	2.3	2.3	1.5	2	2	2
Fire Services	56.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation										
Traffic Control & Signs	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	0
Street	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Economic Environment										
Revolving Loan	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0.5	0.7	0.7
Physical Environment										
Public Works	2	2	3	0	2	2	3	3	3	3
Stormwater	2	2	2	4	5	4	4	4	4	4
Garbage Solid/Waste	20	20	20	20	20	21	20	20	20	20
Water & Sewer	43	43	41.5	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
Culture and Recreation										
Parks and Recreation	8.4	8.4	8.4	7.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.9
Municipal Golf Course	8	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marina	7	5.5	7	7	0	0	0	0	4	3.8
Total	239.6	157.9	152.4	122.8	93.6	92.6	92.0	92.0	96.7	96.1

Source: City of Belle Glade Human Resources Department

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

**Operating Indicators by Function/Program
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Function										
Police										
Criminal offenses (per calendar year)	998	1873	1777	1891	1582	1139	1062	1173	1231	1079
Fire										
Number of incidents	2402	2442	2425	2635	2716	2598	2575	2682	2722	2971
Inspections	*	851	1068	1028	1041	831	1048	1095	751	752
Planning & Building										
Building permits	973	502	484	331	545	370	611	407	397	395
Transportation										
Transit system ridership/day	(1) 0	0	0	0	95	138	185	107	100	129
Highways and streets										
Street resurfacing (miles)	0	0	0	0	0	0.305	0	0	5.5	4.2
Potholes repaired	1325	1310	1275	1475	1675	1690	1225	1205	1503	1925
Culture and recreation										
Recreational center usage	(2) 0	0	0	0	0	21636	15012	14412	13383	11905
Sanitation										
Garbage collected (tons/day)	50	50	49	50	47	48	47	49	47	44
Trash collected (tons/day)	29	28.5	28.5	28	27	27	26	22	20	19.5
Recyclables collected (tons/day)	2	1.5	2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	3.4
Water										
Average daily consumption (million gallons)	(3) 4.23	4.23	3.55	3.38	3.03	3.47	3.56	0	0	0
Sewer										
Average daily sewage treatment (million gallons)	(3) 2.80	2.89	2.52	2.31	2.69	2.65	2.61	0	0	0

Sources: Various government departments/agencies

Note: Indicators are not available for the general government function

- 1 Belle Glade transit system began in 2010
- 2 Recreational program at civic center began in 2011
- 3 Data no longer available per Palm Beach County Utilities

* Data not available

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

**Capital Asset Statistics by Function/Program
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Function											
Public safety											
Police station	(1)	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Fire station	(2)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highways and streets											
Streets (miles)		72.90	72.90	73.28	73.28	73.28	73.28	73.64	73.64	73.64	73.64
Streetlights		3283	3283	3283	3307	3307	3307	3307	3307	3307	3307
School Flashers		3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Culture and recreation											
Park acreage		38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55
Parks		5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Swimming pools		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tennis courts		8	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6
Basketball courts		6	6	6	6	6	6	16	16	16	16
Civic centers		1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
Library	(3)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Golf course	(4)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Campground (number of sites)	(4)	349	349	349	349	349	349	349	349	349	349
Sanitation											
Collection trucks		8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7
Water (5)											
Water mains (miles)		*	*	*	109	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fire hydrants		468	468	468	468	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maximum daily capacity (million gallons)		*	*	8.00	8.00	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sewer (5)											
Sanitary sewers (miles)		*	*	*	67	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maximum daily treatment capacity (million gallons)		6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storm Drainage (miles)		4.00	4.09	4.28	4.31	4.36	5.80	5.97	5.97	5.97	6.21

Sources: Various city departments
Glades Utility Authority

Note: No capital asset indicators are available for the general government function
 1 Beginning in 2011 Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office provided police facility
 2 Beginning in 2007 Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue provided fire facility
 3 Branch of Palm Beach County library system
 4 Managed by private company
 5 Effective 2010 water and sewer assets were transferred to Glades Utility Authority and subsequently in 2013 to Palm Beach County Utilities

* Data not available

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

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Commission
City of Belle Glade, Florida

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 City of Belle Glade, Florida as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2016.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Nowlen, Holt & Mimer, P.A.

Belle Glade, Florida
March 28, 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE PROJECT AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550 RULES OF THE FLORIDA AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Commission
City of Belle Glade, Florida

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Project

We have audited the City of Belle Glade, Florida's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Department of Financial Services' *State Projects Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City of Belle Glade, Florida's major State projects for the year ended September 30, 2015. The City of Belle Glade, Florida's State projects are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its State projects.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the City of Belle Glade, Florida's major State projects based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United State of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General. Those standards and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General, require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a State project occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City of Belle Glade, Florida's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

Opinion on Each Major State Project

In our opinion, the City of Belle Glade, Florida, 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 State projects for the year ended September 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the City of Belle Glade, Florida, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City of Belle Glade, Florida's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major State project to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major State project and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Belle Glade, Florida's internal control over compliance.

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

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

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 Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Nowlen, Holt & Mimer, P.A.

Belle Glade, Florida
March 28, 2016

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	CSFA Number	Agency or Pass-Through Number	Expenditures
<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>			
Aviation Development Grants	55.004	APX10	\$ 84,172
Economic Development Transportation Projects - Road Fund	55.032	ARR02/436038-1-58-1	619,625
Local Transit Service Grants	55.012	AQE40/430242-1-84-02	215,993
Local Transit Service Grants	55.012	ARR98/437177-1-84-01	<u>386,219</u>
Total Florida Department of Transportation			<u>1,306,009</u>
Total State Financial Assistance			<u>\$ 1,306,009</u>

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes the state grant activity of the City of Belle Glade, Florida for the year ended September 30, 2015, and is presented in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General. The schedule has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principals.

NOTE 2 - CONTINGENCY

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by those agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already received, might constitute a liability of the City for the return of those funds. In the opinion of management, all grant expenditures were in compliance with the terms of the grant agreements and applicable state laws and regulations.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs – State Projects
September 30, 2015

Section I—Summary of Auditors’ Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors’ report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness identified? _____yes X no
- Significant deficiency identified that is not considered to be a material weakness? _____yes X none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? _____yes X no

State Projects

Internal control over major programs and projects:

- Material weakness identified? _____yes X no
- Significant deficiency identified that is not considered to be a material weakness? _____yes X none reported

Type of auditors’ report issued on compliance for major projects: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General? _____yes X no

Identification of Major Projects

<u>CSFA Numbers</u>	<u>Name of State Project</u>
55.012	<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>
55.032	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Transit Service Grants • Economic Development Transportation Projects

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$300,000

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs – State Projects
September 30, 2015

Section II—Financial Statement Findings

None

Section III—State Projects Findings and Questioned Costs

Florida Department of Transportation

Local Transit Service Grants CSFA No. 55.012

Economic Development Transportation Project CSFA No. 55.032

None

CITY OF BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA
Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
September 30, 2015

Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

Finding 2014-01 – Davis Bacon Act

Condition: The City was not able to provide records to support compliance for the contractor or subcontractor for the federally funded, Lake Shore Civic Center grant.

Recommendation: Although, the City was a subrecipient and in the grant agreement the grantor was responsible for monitoring Davis-Bacon compliance, we recommend the City enhance monitoring controls to ensure that the Davis-Bacon Act requirements are being monitored and followed appropriately.

Current Status: The City (subrecipient) relied on the County (grantor) to monitor Davis-Bacon per the grant agreement. The grant agreement was structured that way because the County knew that the city did not have the staff resources to monitor Davis-Bacon compliance.



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MANAGEMENT LETTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

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The Honorable Mayor and
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City of Belle Glade, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the City of Belle Glade, Florida, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2016.

Auditor's Responsibility

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, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General.

Other Reports and Schedule

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with Requirements that could have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major State Project and on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with Chapter 10.550 Rules of the Florida Auditor General; the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, Section 601, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated March 28, 2016, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this Management Letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Financial Condition

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we report the results of our determination as to whether or not the City of Belle Glade, Florida has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the City of Belle Glade, Florida did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.c. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the City of Belle Glade, Florida's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same. Our assessment was done as of the fiscal year end. The results of our procedures did not disclose any matters that are required to be reported.

Annual Financial Report

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we report the results of our determination as to whether the annual financial report for the City of Belle Glade, Florida for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, filed with the Florida Department of Financial Services pursuant to Section 218.32(1)(a), Florida Statutes, is in agreement with the annual financial audit report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015. In connection with our audit, we determined that these two reports were in agreement.

Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.d., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality, or special district, provided the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit, within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality, or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes.

In connection with our audit, we determined that all special district component units provided the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes.

Other Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in the Management Letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Nowlen, Holt & Mimer, P.A.

Belle Glade, Florida
March 28, 2015



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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT’S REPORT
ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415,
FLORIDA STATUTES**

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The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
City of Belle Glade, Florida

We have examined the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes during the year ended September 30, 2015. Management is responsible for the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the City of Belle Glade, Florida’s compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the City of Belle Glade, Florida complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2015.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representative, the Florida Auditor General, applicable management, and the City Commission, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Belle Glade, Florida
March 28, 2016