

CITY OF WALTERBORO SOUTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

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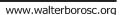
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November 15, 2025

The Honorable Members of City Council and the Citizens of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina

State law requires that all general-purpose local governments publish within six months of the close of each fiscal year a complete set of financial statements presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to that requirement, we hereby issue the annual comprehensive financial report of City of Walterboro (City) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025.

This report consists of management's representations concerning the finances of the City of Walterboro. Consequently, management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all the information presented in this report. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the City of Walterboro has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the government's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the City of Walterboro's financial statements in conformity with GAAP. Because the costs of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, City of Walterboro'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 dependable in all material respects.

The City of Walterboro's financial statements have been audited by The Baird Audit Group, LLC, a firm of licensed certified public accountants. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the City of Walterboro for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involves examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement presentation; assessing the accounting principles used and 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 Walterboro's financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. The independent auditors' report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report.

GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of management's discussion and analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. City of Walterboro's MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

Profile of the Government

The City of Walterboro was incorporated in 1826 and is located in Colleton County, South Carolina. It is 54 miles south of Charleston, South Carolina and 69 miles north of Savannah, Georgia on Interstate I-95 exits 53

and 57. As of June 30, 2025, the City of Walterboro occupied a land area of 6.7 square miles and serves a population of approximately 5,544. The City of Walterboro is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal property located within its boundaries.

The City of Walterboro operates under the council manager form of government. Policy-making and legislative authority are vested in a governing council consisting of seven members. The governing council is responsible, among other things, for passing ordinances, adopting the budget, appointing committees, and hiring both the government's manager and attorney. The City's Manager is responsible for conducting policies and ordinances of the governing council, for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the government, and for appointing the heads of various departments. The six Council members and Mayor are each elected to four-year staggered terms, with three council members elected every two years.

The City of Walterboro provides a full range of services to its citizens including police, fire, public works, planning and development, parks, municipal court, economic development, tourism, and water and sewer services.

The annual budget serves as the foundation for the City of Walterboro's financial planning and control. All departments of the City of Walterboro are required to submit requests for appropriations to the manager in the first week of February each year. The City Manager uses these requests as the starting point for developing a proposed budget. These requests are based upon the policy goals requested by the Council at an annual planning retreat. The City Manager then presents this proposed budget to the Council for review the first week in April. The Council is required to hold public hearings on the proposed budget and to adopt a final budget by no later than June 30th, the close of the City of Walterboro's fiscal year. The appropriated budget is prepared by fund and department. Budgetary control (that is the level at which expenditures cannot legally exceed the appropriated amount) is maintained by the manager at the fund level and may be amended as necessary during the fiscal year. Budget-to-actual comparisons are provided in the report for each individual governmental fund for which an appropriated annual budget has been adopted. For the general fund, this comparison is presented on page 66 as part of the required supplementary information for governmental funds.

Factors Affecting Financial Condition

The information presented in the financial statements is perhaps best understood when it is considered from the broader perspective of the specific environment within which the City of Walterboro operates.

Local Economy

According to the Census Bureau, the median household income is approximately \$48,366. Walterboro's existing retail marketplace remained steady at approximately \$450 million (as extrapolated from business license returns). Many big box retailers and more than a dozen large hotels continue their operations in Walterboro's vibrant local economy. In 2025, several notable property renovations were completed, including those at Walmart, Waffle House, Cracker Barrel, DaVita, and Colleton Medical Center. Additionally, new construction projects were undertaken including Dollar General and Express Oil. Krystal has opened in the former Popeyes location, and AgFirst Farm Credit has commenced construction on a new office building. Economic development efforts continue to create commercial redevelopment throughout the City of Walterboro.

Long-term Financial Planning

One of the City of Walterboro's primary concerns is that the necessary planning and growth management tools

are implemented to ensure that the future cost of providing City of Walterboro services does not exceed the revenues generated from slow but steady growth. During the budget preparation process, capital needs are projected five years into the future, along with anticipated revenues and related operating expenditures. These projections are updated each year. The City of Walterboro's water and wastewater treatment operations continue to be a critical component of the City of Walterboro's ability to service its population and attract commercial development. The City of Walterboro continues its efforts to provide quality water and wastewater treatment services to its customers.

Relevant Accounting Policies

Internal Controls – Internal controls are procedures that are designed to protect assets from loss, theft, or misuse; to check the accuracy and reliability of accounting data; to promote operational efficiency; and to encourage compliance with managerial policies. The management of the City of Walterboro is responsible for establishing a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance these objectives are met.

Budgetary Controls – The City of Walterboro maintains budgetary controls which are designed to ensure compliance with legal provisions of the annual budget adopted by Council. It is the City of Walterboro's objective to conduct an open budget process providing for input from department administrators, top management, elected officials, and the public as the City of Walterboro's programs and services are determined for the next year.

Major Initiatives

The City of Walterboro has identified a 6.35-mile transportation corridor along Highways 63 and 64 from I-95 exit 53 to exit 57, known as the "I-95 Business Loop Streetscape Corridor" as a major gateway and economic growth corridor. Design and engineering on Phase 3 began this year. Phase 3 will extend along Bells Highway from Jefferies Blvd to Exit 57 and will complete the project. The goal of the Loop Project is to tie exits 53 and 57 together through the City of Walterboro with an enhanced streetscape with decorative mast arms, sidewalks, landscaped medians, street trees, signage, decorative mast arms, stamped asphalt crosswalks, lighting, and the milling and resurfacing of the entire corridor.

The City of Walterboro has undertaken several significant infrastructure projects, including the expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the development of Sewer Subsystems 1 East and 3, which are currently 96% complete. Additionally, construction has begun on multiple park projects aimed at enhancing the quality of life for all residents of Walterboro.

These projects include:

- 1) \$ 45,108 Wastewater Treatment Plant Trunk Line
- 2) \$ 37,700 Gadsden Loop Water Project
- 3) \$13,826,624 Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion
- 4) \$ 356,694 Subsystem 1 East and 3
- 5) \$ 1,092,610 Wastewater Treatment Plant Generator
- 6) \$ 90,311 Hwy 17 & 63 Pump & Force Main
- 7) \$ 430,875 Northwest Sewer Improvements
- 8) \$ 257,733 Ireland Creek Revitalization
- 9) \$ 298,610 I95 Loop Phase 3
- 10) \$ 197,775 Boardwalk Replacement Project
- 11)\$ 10,665 Water Tower Park

Awards and Acknowledgments

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awards a Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting. To be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a governmental unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, the contents of which conform to program standards. Such reports must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

For the past thirteen consecutive years, the City of Walterboro has received a "Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Finance Reporting" award. A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. The current report will conform to certificate of achievement program requirements and will be submitted to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

The preparation of the annual comprehensive financial report was made possible by the cooperation of the department managers and staff of the City of Walterboro. Each of these individuals has our sincere appreciation for the contributions made in the preparation of this report.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey P. Molinari City Manager

Amy 9. Risher Finance Director



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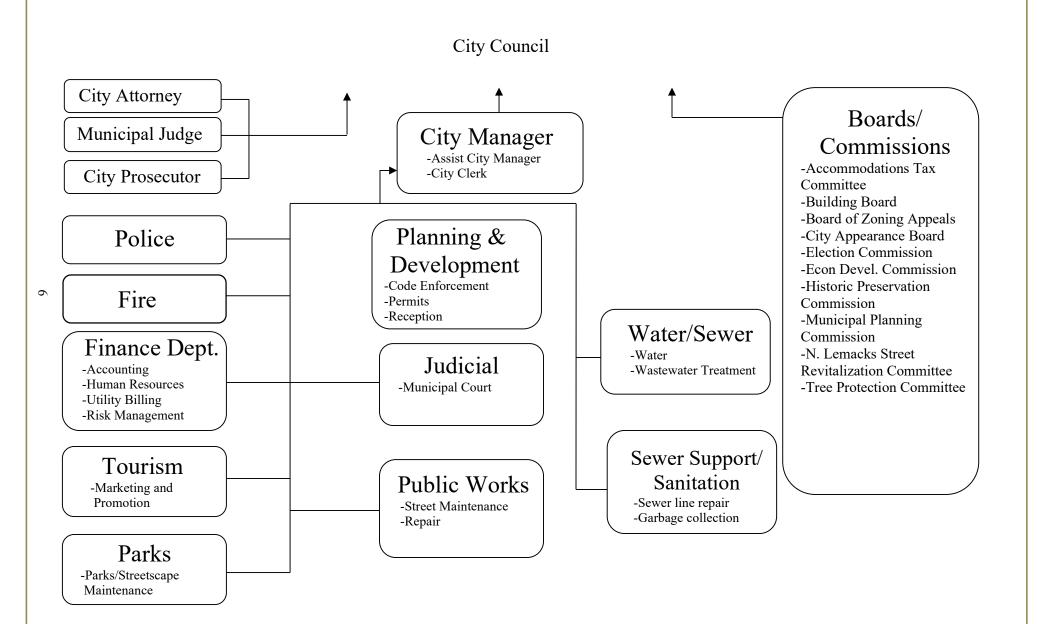
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June 30, 2024

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Executive Director/CEO

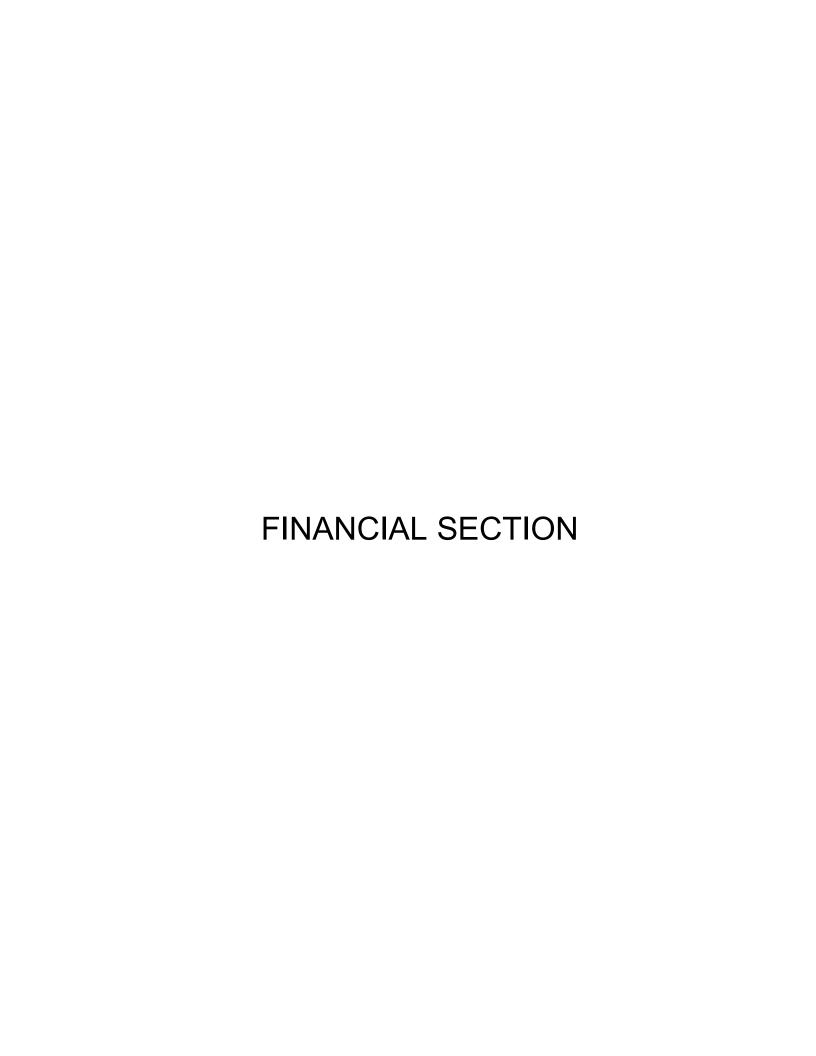
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CITY OF WALTERBORO SOUTH CAROLINA

LIST OF PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS JUNE 30, 2025

TITLE	NAME
Mayor	William T. Young, Jr.
Council Member	James Broderick
Council Member	Carl Brown
Council Member	Greg Pryor
Council Member	Judy Bridge
Council Member	Ladson Fishburne
Council Member	Paul Siegel
City Manager	Jeff Molinari
Assistant City Manager	Ryan McLeod
Finance Director	Amy Risher
City Attorney	Peden B. McLeod, Jr.
Utility Director	Wayne Crosby
Public Works Director	Michael Crosby
Police Chief	Wade Marvin
Fire Chief	Paul Seigler
Tourism Director	Patricia Utsey (Vacant until 8/19/24)
Parks Director	Jonathan Burroughs





INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Mayor and City Council City of Walterboro, South Carolina Walterboro, South Carolina 29488

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Walterboro, South Carolina's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Walterboro, South Carolina, as of June 30, 2025, 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.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements, as a whole, are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City of Walterboro, South Carolina's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison schedules, schedule of proportionate share of net pension liability, schedule of contributions, schedule of changes in net OPEB liability, schedule of net OPEB liability, and schedule of employer contributions on pages 11 – 19 and 66 -71 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance

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Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Walterboro, South Carolina's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and the schedule of court fines, assessments, and surcharges are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 15, 2025, on our consideration of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering City of Walterboro, South Carolina's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

The Baird Audit Group, LLC Certified Public Accountants

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City of Walterboro, South Carolina

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of City of Walterboro, we offer readers of the City's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal, which can be found on pages 1 to 4 of this report.

Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of the City exceed its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$68,025,670 (net position). Of this amount, \$3,455,312 (restricted net position) was restricted for specific purposes, \$76,706,083 represented the net investment in capital assets, and the remaining deficit of \$(12,135,725) was unrestricted. The City's net position increased by \$11,881,142 for the year ended June 30, 2025.
- The City's beginning net position was restated by \$(201,902) for the adoption of GASB Statement 101, *Compensated Absences*.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of \$8,145,024, a decrease of \$327,166.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, total unassigned general fund balance was \$5,083,711 or 55% of the total fund expenditures excluding projects of \$644,299 funded by outside contributions.
- At the close of the current fiscal year, the City's proprietary type funds reported a combined ending net position of \$52,166,828, an increase of \$11,250,883.

Overview of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the City include general government, finance, public works, sanitation, emergency services, planning and development, courts, police, fire, and parks, recreation and tourism. The business-type activities of the City include a water and sewer authority and the sanitation department.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 20-22 of this report.

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

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

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

The City maintains eight individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the general fund and capital project funds that are considered to be major funds. Data from the other five governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The City adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 23-26 of this report.

Proprietary funds. Services provided to the general public for which customers are charged a fee are generally reported in Enterprise funds, which are proprietary funds. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The City has one proprietary fund for water, sewer and sanitation services, which is an enterprise fund. A budget is presented in the supplemental statements to monitor the performance of the operations. Also included in the supplemental statements is a combining schedule that reports the balances by City for the communities of Ruffin and Hendersonville. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 27-29 of this report.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are not available to support the City's own programs. The basic fiduciary fund financial statement can be found on pages 30-31 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 32-65 of this report.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the City's budget, historical pension and other post employment benefits on pages 66-71.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information. Combining and individual fund statements and schedules can be found on pages 72-85 of this report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of City of Walterboro assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$68,025,670 at the close of the most recent fiscal year. The following table reflects the condensed government-wide statement of net position.

	Governmen	al Acti	vities	Business-ty	pe Act	ivities	Total			
	 2025		2024	2025		2024		2025		2024
Current and Other Assets	\$ 9,105,823	\$	9,509,478	\$ 8,856,587	\$	11,895,097	\$	17,962,410	\$	21,404,575
Capital Assets	21,507,021		21,355,247	64,793,243		49,523,330		86,300,264		70,878,577
Total Assets	30,612,844		30,864,725	73,649,830		61,418,427		104,262,674		92,283,152
Deferred Outflows of Resources	2,649,643		3,038,990	-		-		2,649,643		3,038,990
Long-term Liabilities Outstanding	14,469,100		15,956,062	8,679,442		8,827,514		23,148,542		24,783,576
Other Liabilities	841,516		853,136	 12,803,560		11,642,120		13,645,076		12,495,256
Total Liabilities	 15,310,616		16,809,198	21,483,002		20,469,634		36,793,618		37,278,832
Deferred Inflows of Resources	2,093,029		1,696,880	-		-		2,093,029		1,696,880
Net Position	 									
Net Investment in Capital Assets	18,775,143		18,231,874	57,930,940		43,065,075		76,706,083		61,296,949
Restricted	3,061,313		3,555,984	393,999		343,930		3,455,312		3,899,914
Unrestricted	(5,977,614)		(6,390,221)	(6,158,111)		(2,460,212)		(12,135,725)		(8,850,433)
Total Net Position	\$ 15,858,842	\$	15,397,637	\$ 52,166,828	\$	40,948,793	\$	68,025,670	\$	56,346,430

By far the largest portion of the City's net position \$76,706,083 (113%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, construction in progress, building and improvements, machinery and equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the City's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The restricted portion of the net position of \$3,455,312 (5%) represents restricted resources and are not available to fund other commitments. The largest portion of the restricted net position represents \$1,512,053 committed for tourism related expenses, \$1,493,308 restricted for capital projects, \$393,999 restricted for debt covenants, and \$55,952 restricted to public safety.

The balance of unrestricted net position represents a deficit of \$(12,135,725) (-118%) due to the recognition of the net pension liability and other post-employment benefits as a long-term obligation.

The City's total net position increased by \$11,881,142 for the year ended June 30, 2025 summarized below:

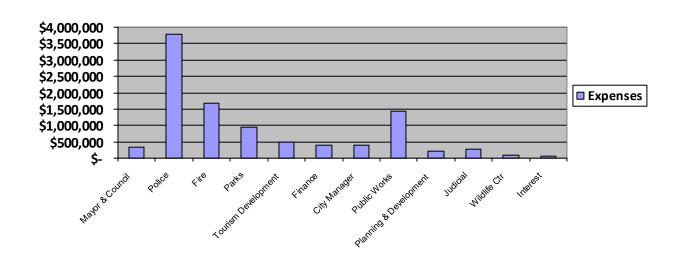
CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmen	ital Act	ivities	Business-ty	ре Ас	tivities		To	tal	
	2025		2024	 2025		2024	-	2025		2024
Program Revenues										
Charges for Services	\$ 265,799	\$	181,743	\$ 5,710,407	\$	4,796,155	\$	5,976,206	\$	4,977,898
Operating Grants and Contributions	147,858		68,064	31,596		31,026		179,454		99,090
Capital Grants and Contributions	649,299		588,916	11,526,796		15,376,847		12,176,095		15,965,763
General Revenues										
Taxes	5,959,362		5,419,590	-		-		5,959,362		5,419,590
Business Licenses	3,017,129		3,199,514	-		-		3,017,129		3,199,514
Grants and contributions not restricted										
to specific programs	144,975		138,100	-		-		144,975		138,100
Investment earnings	262,727		353,300	126,259		182,122		388,986		535,422
Miscellaneous	136,701		248,647	-		-		136,701		248,647
Total revenues	10,583,850		10,197,874	17,395,058		20,386,150		27,978,908		30,584,024
Expenses										
Mayor and Council	333,042		310,669	-		-		333,042		310,669
Police	3,773,004		3,660,553	-		-		3,773,004		3,660,553
Fire	1,669,274		1,643,950	-		-		1,669,274		1,643,950
Parks	952,972		721,467	-		-		952,972		721,467
Tourism Development	483,991		421,188	-		-		483,991		421,188
Finance	382,876		411,813	-		-		382,876		411,813
City Manager	405,779		411,866	-		-		405,779		411,866
Public Works	1,427,107		1,546,262	-		-		1,427,107		1,546,262
Planning and Development	216,166		198,945	-		-		216,166		198,945
Judicial	269,556		253,660	-		-		269,556		253,660
Wildlife Center	103,524		111,159	-		-		103,524		111,159
Interest Expense	53,847		64,605	-		-		53,847		64,605
Water	-		-	2,358,877		1,892,575		2,358,877		1,892,575
Sew er	-		-	1,595,266		1,512,291		1,595,266		1,512,291
Sew er Support	-		-	484,893		423,016		484,893		423,016
Utility Support	-		-	1,109,941		876,997		1,109,941		876,997
Sanitation	-		-	477,651		512,642		477,651		512,642
Total expenses	10,071,138		9,756,137	 6,026,628		5,217,521		16,097,766		14,973,658
Change in net position before transfers	512,712		441,737	 11,368,430		15,168,629		11,881,142		15,610,366
Transfers	117,547		450,000	(117,547)		(450,000)		-		-
Change in net position	630,259		891,737	 11,250,883		14,718,629		11,881,142		15,610,366
Net position – beginning	15,397,637		14,505,900	40,948,793		26,230,164		56,346,430		40,736,064
Prior period restatement	(169,054)			(32,848)		-		(201,902)		-
Net position – ending	\$ 15,858,842	\$	15,397,637	\$ 52,166,828	\$	40,948,793	\$	68,025,670	\$	56,346,430

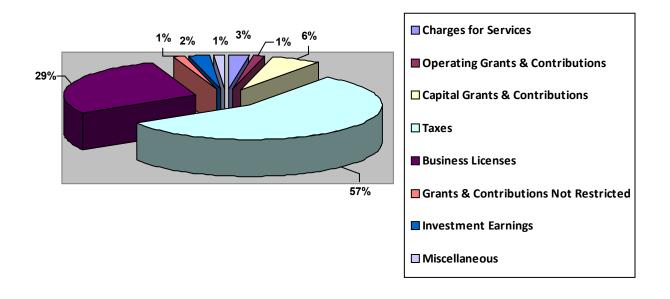
Governmental activities. Governmental activities increased the City's net position by \$630,259 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

- Overall revenues increased \$385,976 with the majority of this increase in taxes and an overall increase in expenses of \$315,001.
- Depreciation/amortization expenses for governmental activities of \$990,341 were recognized in each functional department with capital outlay of \$1,142,115 reported on the statement of net position. See Capital Assets for further discussion.
- Payment of principal of \$597,121 was reported on the statement of net position along with lease issuance of \$18,156. See Long-term Obligations for further discussion.
- The net pension liability decreased expenses by \$426,871 and the other post employments benefits increased expenses by \$123,872.
- There was a prior period restatement for the adoption of GASB Statement 101, Compensated Absences, of \$(169,054).

Expenses – Governmental Activities



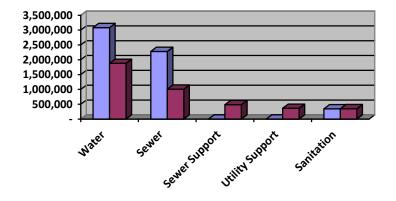
Revenues by Source – Governmental Activities



Business-type activities. Business-type activities increased the City's net position by \$11,250,883. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

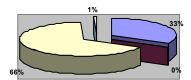
- Overall revenues were down \$2,991,092 compared to the prior year because capital grants were down \$3,850,051, charges for services were up \$914,252, and interest earnings were down \$55,863.
- Overall expenses were up \$809,107 which is attributable to the increase in water expenses of \$466,302 to include salaries and benefits of approximately \$224,000 and Bells Highway water line repairs of approximately \$245,000. Utility support was up \$232,944 mostly for interest expense. Sewer expenses were up \$82,975 that related to an increase in sludge removal of \$51,000, costs related to Beaver Lift Station of \$37,000, insurance of \$21,000, and depreciation of \$35,808 with decreases of \$77,000 in salaries and benefits and utilities of \$13,000. Sewer support increased \$61,877 which mostly relates to salaries and benefits. Sanitation expenses were down \$34,991 for personnel costs of approximately \$37,000.
- Capital contributions of \$11,526,796 less the transfer of \$117,547 impacted the increase in net position.
- There was a prior period restatement for the adoption of GASB Statement 101, *Compensated Absences*, of \$(32,848).

Expenses and Program Revenues – Business-type Activities



Revenues
Expenses

Revenues by Source - Business-type Activities



☐ Charges for Services
☐ Operating Grants & Contributions
☐ Capital Grants & Contributions
☐ Investment Earnings

Financial Analysis of the City's Funds

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

Governmental funds. The focus of the City's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the City of Walterboro's financing requirements. In particular, the fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$8,145,024, a decrease of \$327,166. This decrease is mostly attributable to the net decrease in the capital projects fund of \$618,703 which was related to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received and spent on capital outlay for parks.

The fund balance of the City's general fund increased by \$167,505 during the current fiscal year. This increase is mostly attributable to unanticipated revenues of approximately \$170,000 for business licenses, approximately \$370,170 in property taxes, approximately \$33,000 in franchise revenue, approximately \$95,000 in local option sales taxes, and \$644,000 in grants which helped to offset unbudgeted expenditures. The unanticipated revenues offset the expenditures budget fluctuations.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Original Budget Compared to Final Budget. The original budget was funded with 99.86 mills with budgeted expenditures of \$8,915,536 for the general fund and budgeted expenses of \$5,939,120 for the proprietary fund. No amendments were made to the budget.

Final Budget Compared to Actual Results. Overall revenues were \$1,507,166 more than budgeted. Likewise, the City's overall expenditures were over budget by \$988,324. Approximately \$618,000 of the revenue and expenditure budget overages related to projects that were funded by outside grants. The final variance of \$343,605 was the result of higher than anticipated revenues of \$1,331,929 less expenditure budget overages of \$988,324, including the other financing sources (uses). Additional revenues included local option sales taxes of \$95,000, business licenses \$263,000, property taxes of \$345,000, franchise revenue of \$33,000 and miscellaneous revenues of \$653,358 which include grants of \$644,000 that were not budgeted. Expenditure budget overages of \$556,343 related to grants for I95 Loop of \$294,610 and Ireland Creek Revitalization of \$257,733, as well as police department overages of \$319,547 that include salaries and related benefits of \$110,390, contractual services of \$21,538, vehicle expenses of \$90,295, and in-car camera grant of \$87,956. The transfer from the proprietary fund was reduced by \$193,393 due to budgetary constraints related to the wastewater treatment plant expansion.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The City's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2025 amounts to \$86,300,264 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure. Major capital asset events during the current year include the following:

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA CAPITAL ASSETS

	Governmen	ital Ac	tivities	Business-type Activities				Total			
	2025	_	2024		2025		2024	2025		2024	
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 2,045,356	\$	1,862,802	\$	44,773	\$	44,773	\$ 2,090,129	\$	1,907,575	
Construction in progress	910,562		154,429		39,206,475		24,190,965	40,117,037		24,345,394	
Buildings and Improvements	4,771,927		4,934,329		26,038		33,445	4,797,965		4,967,774	
Machinery and Equipment	303,018		295,423		482,390		412,409	785,408		707,832	
Vehicles	1,142,013		1,317,010		842,698		599,235	1,984,711		1,916,245	
Infrastructure	12,298,592		12,766,673		24,190,869		24,242,503	36,489,461		37,009,176	
ROU Leased Equipment	35,553		24,581		-		-	35,553		24,581	
Total	\$ 21,507,021	\$	21,355,247	\$	64,793,243	\$	49,523,330	\$ 86,300,264	\$	70,878,577	

In governmental activities, capital additions of \$1,142,115 related to:

- o Mayor and Council: \$8,930 for equipment was capitalized.
- Public Works: \$580,742 includes 195 Loop for \$298,610, Ireland Creek Revitalization for \$257,733, and equipment for \$24,399.
- o Police: \$129,559 includes \$111,403 for vehicles and \$18,156 for copiers were capitalized.
- o Fire: \$11,899 for building improvements were capitalized.
- o Parks: \$410,985 includes equipment for \$28,641, Water Tower Park for \$14,055, Ford Property & Pinckney Park for \$170,514, and boardwalk repairs for \$197,775.

In business-type activities, capital additions of \$16,462,749 related to vehicles of \$450,983, equipment of \$131,843, sewer projects of \$15,879,923 (includes WWTP \$13,826,624, WWTP Generator \$1,092,610, Northwest Walterboro Sewer Improvements \$430,875, Subsystem 1-East & 3 \$356,694, WWTP Trunk \$45,108, Highway 17 & 63 \$90,312, and water system projects of \$37,700 for Gadsden Loop Water).

Additional information on the City's capital assets can be found in note 5 beginning on page 41 of this report.

Long-term Obligations. At the end of the current fiscal year, the City had total long-term obligations outstanding of \$23,139,162. The City reports GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and is reporting its proportionate share of the net pension liability of \$7,879,156 and GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, which resulted in the reporting of a long-term obligations \$3,306,499. New debt incurred during the year ended June 30, 2025 included \$18,156 for leases issued for office equipment. Additionally, the City received a bond anticipation note for \$10,625,985 during the construction of the wastewater treatment plant. All other debt payments were made as scheduled.

During the year ended June 30, 2025, the City adopted GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. In addition to the value of unused vacation time owed to employees upon separation of employment, the City now recognizes an estimated amount of sick leave earned as of year-end that will be used by employees as time off in future years as part of the liability for compensated absences. As a result of this adoption, the beginning balances were restated in the governmental activities for \$(169,054) and business-type activities in the water, sewer and sanitation fund for \$(32,848).

Changes in outstanding debt are summarized in the following chart:

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA OUTSTANDING OBLIGATION

	Governmen	ital Act	tivities Business-type Activities				To	Total			
	2025	202	24 Restated		2025	202	24 Restated	2025	202	24 Restated	
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 125,500	\$	246,770	\$	-	\$	_	\$ 125,500	\$	246,770	
Revenue Bonds	2,441,528		2,830,743		8,216,063		8,668,163	10,657,591		11,498,906	
Leases	36,233		24,862		355,838		96,499	392,071		121,361	
Notes Payable	254,980		334,831		-		-	254,980		334,831	
Compensated Absences	415,824		413,760		107,541		95,700	523,365		509,460	
OPEB .	3,306,499		3,718,423		-		-	3,306,499		3,718,423	
Net Pension Liability	7,879,156		8,555,727		-		-	7,879,156		8,555,727	
Total	\$ 14,459,720	\$	16,125,116	\$	8,679,442	\$	8,860,362	\$ 23,139,162	\$	24,985,478	

State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt a governmental entity may issue, without a referendum, to 8% of its total assessed valuation. The current debt limitation for the City is \$2,967,636 of which \$125,500 is outstanding.

Additional information on the City's long-term obligations can be found in note 7 beginning on page 43 of this report.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets

In 2025, the City has experienced continued growth in retail sales and the hospitality sector. Activities continue to increase, and we expect a strong upcoming year. The City continues to receive inquiries regarding commercial space and development opportunities located within the City limits which indicates businesses are optimistic about continued economic growth in Walterboro. The unemployment rate for Colleton County, South Carolina was 4.7% for June 2024 compared to 4.7% for June 2025.

The City set the millage for the 2026 budget at 99.86 mills. Budgeted general fund expenditures for 2026 are projected to be \$9,641,632. Also, the City has budgeted \$6,166,866 in expenses for the proprietary fund in 2026.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Walterboro's finances for all those with as interest in the City's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Director of Finance and Administration, City of Walterboro, 300 Hampton Street, Walterboro, South Carolina, 29488.



CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2025

				ary Governmen	ıt			Compon	nent Units		
	G	overnmental	Вι	usiness-type			7	ourism	Dev	elopment	
		Activities		Activities		Total	Co	mmission	Co	rporation	
ASSETS			•	4 004 450		7 000 044	•	440.000	•	07.040	
Cash	\$	5,987,786	\$	1,281,158	\$	7,268,944	\$	110,330	\$	27,248	
Receivables		1,552,172		5,257,538		6,809,710		50,186		-	
Inventories				214,294		214,294		-		-	
Restricted Cash		1,565,865		2,103,597		3,669,462		-		-	
Capital Assets, being depreciated		18,551,103		25,541,995		44,093,098		-		-	
Capital Assets, not being depreciated Total Assets		2,955,918 30,612,844		39,251,248 73,649,830		42,207,166 104,262,674		160.516		27.248	
Total Assets		30,012,044		70,040,000	_	104,202,014		100,010		21,240	
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES											
Deferred Outflows Related to Pension		1,741,722		-		1,741,722		-		-	
Deferred Outflows Related to OPEB		907,921		-		907,921		-		-	
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		2,649,643				2,649,643		-			
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	33,262,487	\$	73,649,830	\$	106,912,317	\$	160,516	\$	27,248	
LIABILITIES											
Accounts Payable	\$	475,520	\$	1,409,706	\$	1,885,226	\$	12.227	\$		
Salaries and Benefits Payable	φ	214,295	φ	70,005	φ	284,300	φ	12,221	φ	-	
Interest Payable		9,380		61,389		70,769		-		-	
		*						-		-	
Unearned Revenues		151,701		207,981		359,682		-		-	
Customer Deposits		-		428,494		428,494		-		-	
Bond Anticipation Note		-		10,625,985		10,625,985		-		-	
Noncurrent Liabilities:		COE 777		F74 000		4 007 770					
Due within one year		635,777		571,996		1,207,773		-		-	
Due in more than one year: Debt		0.047.404		0.004.005		40.050.000					
		2,247,464		8,004,905		10,252,369		-		-	
Compensated Absences		390,824		102,541		493,365		-		-	
Net Pension Liability		7,879,156		-		7,879,156		-		-	
Other Post Employment Benefits Total Liabilities		3,306,499 15,310,616		21,483,002		3,306,499 36,793,618		12,227			
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DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred Inflows Related to Pension		040.050				940.050					
Deferred Inflows Related to OPEB		849,653		-		849,653		-		-	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	_	1,243,376 2,093,029			_	1,243,376 2,093,029					
NET POSITION											
Unrestricted		(5,977,614)		(6,158,111)		(12,135,725)		-		27,248	
Restricted:											
Capital Projects		1,493,308		-		1,493,308		-		-	
Tourism		1,512,053		-		1,512,053		148,289		-	
Other (see note 11)		55,952		393,999		449,951		-		-	
Net Investment in Capital Assets		18,775,143		57,930,940		76,706,083		- 110.055			
Total Net Position		15,858,842		52,166,828	_	68,025,670		148,289		27,248	
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,											
and Net Position	\$	33,262,487	\$	73,649,830	\$	106,912,317	\$	160,516	\$	27,248	

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	F									
		Operating	Capital	P	rimary Government	:	Compon	ent Units		
	Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-type		Tourism	Development		
Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total	Commission	Corporation		
\$ 333,042	: \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (333,042)	\$ -	\$ (333,042)	\$ -	\$ -		
3,773,004	137,690	29,650	87,956	(3,517,708)	-	(3,517,708)	-	-		
1,669,274	-	41,064	-	(1,628,210)	-	(1,628,210)	-	-		
952,972	-	-	5,000	(947,972)	-	(947,972)	-	-		
483,991	-	-	-	(483,991)	-	(483,991)	-	-		
382,876	-	=	=	(382,876)	=	(382,876)	-	-		
405,779	-	-	=	(405,779)	-	(405,779)	-	-		
1,427,107	-	77,144	556,343	(793,620)	=	(793,620)	-	-		
216,166	80,602	-	=	(135,564)	-	(135,564)	-	-		
269,556	982	=	=	(268,574)	=	(268,574)	-	-		
103,524	46,525	-	=	(56,999)	-	(56,999)	-	-		
53,847	·			(53,847)		(53,847)				
10,071,138	265,799	147,858	649,299	(9,008,182)		(9,008,182)				
2,358,877	3,083,948	31,596	37,700	-	794,367	794,367	-	-		
1,595,266	2,279,667	-	11,489,096	-	12,173,497	12,173,497	-	-		
484,893	-	_	-	-	(484,893)	(484,893)	-	-		
1,109,941	-	_	-	-	(1,109,941)	(1,109,941)	-	-		
477,651	346,792	-	-	-	(130,859)	(130,859)	-	-		
6,026,628	5,710,407	31,596	11,526,796		11,242,171	11,242,171				
\$ 16,097,766	_	\$ 179,454	\$ 12,176,095	(9,008,182)	11,242,171	2,233,989	_			
	\$ 333,042 3,773,004 1,669,274 952,972 483,991 382,876 405,779 1,427,107 216,166 269,556 103,524 53,847 10,071,138 2,358,877 1,595,266 484,893 1,109,941 477,651 6,026,628	Expenses Charges for Services \$ 333,042 \$ - 3,773,004 1,669,274 - 952,972 483,991 - 382,876 405,779 - 405,779 1,427,107 - 982 269,556 982 103,524 46,525 53,847 - 7 10,071,138 265,799 2,358,877 3,083,948 1,595,266 2,279,667 484,893 - 448,893 1,109,941 - 346,792 6,026,628 5,710,407	Expenses Charges for Services Operating Grants and Contributions \$ 333,042 \$ - \$ - \$ - 3,773,004 137,690 29,650 1,669,274 - 41,064 952,972 41,064 952,972	Expenses Charges for Services Operating Grants and Contributions Capital Grants and Contributions \$ 333,042 \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - 3,773,004 137,690 29,650 87,956 1,669,274 - 41,064 - 5,000 483,991 5,000	Expenses Charges for Services Operating Grants and Contributions Capital Grants and Contributions P Governmental Activities \$ 333,042 \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ (333,042) 3,773,004 137,690 29,650 87,956 (3,517,708) \$ 1,669,274 - 41,064 - (1,628,210) 952,972 - 5,000 (947,972) \$ 483,991 (483,991) 382,876 (483,991) 382,876 (405,779) \$ 405,779 (405,779) - (405,779) - (405,779) - (405,779) \$ 1,427,107 - 77,144 556,343 (793,620) \$ 269,556 982 (268,574) \$ 103,524 46,525 (268,574) \$ 10,071,138 265,799 147,858 649,299 (9,008,182) \$ 2,358,877 3,083,948 31,596 37,700 (53,847) \$ 1,109,941	Expenses Charges for Services Operating Grants and Contributions Capital Grants and Contributions Primary Government Governmental Activities Business-type Activities \$ 333,042 \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - 3,773,004 137,690 29,650 87,956 (3,517,708) 3,773,004 137,690 29,650 87,956 (3,517,708) 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,210 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,210 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 6,026,226 794,367 794,367 - 11,489,096 12,173,497 6,026,628 794,367 794,367 - 11,489,096 12,173,497 6,026,628 794,367 794,367 794,367 794,367 794,367 - 11,489,096 12,173,497 794,367	Expenses Charges for Services Operating Grants and Contributions Capital Grants and Contributions Contributions Primary Governmental Activities Business-type Activities Total \$ 333,042 \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (333,042) \$ - \$ (35,17,708)	Charges for Services		

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	P	rogra	am Revenu	ies	Ne	t (Expense) Reveni	ue and Changes i	in Net Position		
		O	perating	Capital	Р	rimary Governmen	it	Compon	ent U	nits
Ch	arges for	Gr	ants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-type	_	Tourism	Deve	lopment
<u> </u>	ervices	Con	tributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total	Commission	Cor	poration
277 \$	-	\$	11,519	\$ -				(151,758)		-
25	-		-	-				-		(225)
502 \$	-	\$	11,519	\$ -				(151,758)		(225)
enues										
y Taxes					2,367,674	-	2,367,674	-		-
, ption Sale	s Taxes				2,220,365	-	2,220,365	-		-
lity and Ac	commodati	ons T	axes		1,371,323	-	1,371,323	184,614		_
•					3,017,129	-	3,017,129	, <u>-</u>		-
and Contri	butions not	restri	cted to spe	cific programs	144,975	-	144,975	-		_
				. 0	262.727	126.259	388.986	_		_
	3				,	-		_		_
					117.547	(117.547)	· <u>-</u>	_		_
General F	Revenues ai	nd Tra	ansfers				9,647,153	184,614		
ange in Ne	et Position						11.881.142			(225)
•					,		, ,			27,473
, ,	0				, ,		, ,	-		-,
								\$ 148.289	\$	27,248
	s S 277 \$ 225 502 \$ venues ty Taxes option Sale ality and Ac ss License and Contri nent Earnir aneous General F ange in Ne	Charges for Services 277 \$ - 225	Charges for Services Consider S	Charges for Services Charges for Grants and Contributions 277 \$ - \$ 11,519 225 - \$ 11,519 200 \$ - \$ 11,519 201	Charges for Services Grants and Contributions 277 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 225 5002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - \$ 11,519 \$ - 25002 \$ - 2	Charges for Services				

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2025

	General		Capital Projects Fund	Go	Other evernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
ASSETS	 	-					
Cash	\$ 4,575,241	\$	_	\$	1,412,545	\$	5,987,786
Receivables	1,203,481		154,997		193,694		1,552,172
Cash Restricted	-		1,565,865		· -		1,565,865
Total Assets	\$ 5,778,722	\$	1,720,862	\$	1,606,239	\$	9,105,823
LIABILITIES							
Accounts Payable	\$ 209,732	\$	227,554	\$	38,234	\$	475,520
Salaries and Benefits Payable	214,295		· -		· -		214,295
Unearned Revenues	151,701		-		-		151,701
Total Liabilities	575,728		227,554		38,234		841,516
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Unavailable Revenues-Property Taxes	119,283		-		-		119,283
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	119,283				-		119,283
FUND BALANCES							
Unassigned	5,083,711		_		_		5,083,711
Assigned	_		1,493,308		-		1,493,308
Restricted	-		-		394,044		394,044
Committed	 -				1,173,961		1,173,961
Total Fund Balances	 5,083,711		1,493,308		1,568,005		8,145,024
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of							
Resources, and Fund Balances	\$ 5,778,722	\$	1,720,862	\$	1,606,239	\$	9,105,823

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2025

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

Total fund balances for governmental funds		\$ 8,145,024
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources		
and therefore are not reported in the funds. Those assets consist of:		
Land and Improvements	2,045,356	
Construction in Progress	910,562	
Buildings and Improvements, net of \$2,534,738 accumulated depreciation	4,771,927	
Machinery and Equipment, net of \$1,567,392 accumulated depreciation	303,018	
Vehicles, net of \$2,694,101 accumulated depreciation	1,142,013	
Infrastructure, net of \$3,441,738 accumulated depreciation	12,298,592	
Right to Use Equipment, net of \$9,438 accumulated amortization	35,553	
Total Capital Assets		21,507,021
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources represents amounts applicable to		
future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:		
Deferred outflows of resources:		
Related to pensions and other post employment benefits	2,649,643	
Deferred inflows of resources:		
Related to pensions and other post employment benefits	(2,093,029)	
Related to receivables	119,283	
Total deferred outflows and inflows of resources		675,897
Long-term liabilities applicable to the City's governmental activities are not		
due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as		
fund liabilities. Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental		
funds, but rather is recognized as an expenditure when due. All liabilities		
both current and long-termare reported in the statement of net position.		
Balances at end of year are:		
Accrued Interest Payable	(9,380)	
Bonds, Notes, and Leases Payable	(2,858,241)	
Net Pension Liability	(7,879,156)	
OPEB Liability	(3,306,499)	
Accrued Compensated Absences	(415,824)	
Total Long-Term Liabilities		 (14,469,100)
Total net position of governmental activities		\$ 15,858,842

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	General			Capital Projects Fund		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES									
Taxes	\$	7,723,534	\$	-	\$	1,330,453	\$	9,053,987	
Fines, Fees and Licenses		265,799		-		-		265,799	
Intergovernmental		144,975		-		-		144,975	
Miscellaneous		1,015,344		84,896		96,345		1,196,585	
Total Revenues		9,149,652	_	84,896		1,426,798		10,661,346	
EXPENDITURES									
Current									
Mayor and Council		321,022		5,000		-		326,022	
Police		3,705,369		25,000		11,971		3,742,340	
Fire		1,589,631		-		46,644		1,636,275	
Parks		640,052		-		-		640,052	
Tourism Development		151,981		-		334,100		486,081	
Finance		360,858		-		-		360,858	
City Manager		412,505		-		-		412,505	
Public Works		1,128,696		-		-		1,128,696	
Planning and Development		218,771		-		-		218,771	
Judicial		271,597		-		-		271,597	
Wildlife Center		104,688		-		-		104,688	
Capital Outlay									
Mayor and Council		8,930		-		-		8,930	
Police		129,559		-		-		129,559	
Fire		11,899		-		-		11,899	
Parks		35,496		375,489		-		410,985	
Public Works		580,742		-		-		580,742	
Debt Service									
Principal		207,907		-		389,214		597,121	
Interest		21,157		-		35,937		57,094	
Total Expenditures		9,900,860		405,489		817,866		11,124,215	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Issuance of Leases		18,156		-		-		18,156	
Transfers In		903,557		-		3,000		906,557	
Transfers Out		(3,000)		(298,110)		(487,900)		(789,010)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		918,713		(298,110)		(484,900)		135,703	
Net Change in Fund Balances		167,505		(618,703)		124,032		(327,166)	
Fund Balances, Beginning		4,916,206		2,112,011		1,443,973		8,472,190	
Fund Balances, Ending	\$	5,083,711	\$	1,493,308	\$	1,568,005	\$	8,145,024	

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

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

statement of activities is unifferit because.		
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ (327,166)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the		
statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their		
estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation/amortization expense. This is the		
amount by which capital outlays (\$1,142,115) exceeded depreciation/amortization		
(\$990,341) in the current period.		151,774
Proceeds of debt and leases are reported as a revenue in governmental funds.		
However, in the government wide statements proceeds of debt are		
treated as a liability.		(18,156)
Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but		
reduces the liability in the statement of net position.		597,121
Governmental funds report employee benefits as expenditures.		
However in the statement of activities, the cost of employee benefits earned		
net of employee contributions is reported as an expense.		
Pension contributions	1,075,454	
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions	(648,583)	426,871
Other Post Employee Benefits	(148,973)	
Cost of other post employment benefits	25,101	(123,872)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial		
resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		(77,496)
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.		
Compensated absences	(2,064)	
Accrued interest	3,247	
Net change in expenses		 1,183
Total change in net position of governmental activities		\$ 630,259

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2025

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds		
		Water, Sewer & Sanitation	
ASSETS		Garmation	
Current Assets			
Cash	\$	1,281,158	
Receivables		5,257,538	
Inventories		214,294	
Total Current Assets		6,752,990	
Noncurrent Assets			
Restricted Cash		2,103,597	
Capital Assets - not being depreciated		39,251,248	
Capital Assets - being depreciated		25,541,995	
Total Noncurrent Assets		66,896,840	
Total Assets	\$	73,649,830	
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$	1,409,706	
Salaries and Benefits Payable		70,005	
Interest Payable		61,389	
Current Portion of Long-term Liabilities		571,996	
Unearned Revenues		207,981	
Customer Deposits		428,494	
Bond Anticipation Note Payable		10,625,985	
Total Current Liabilities		13,375,556	
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Debt		8,004,905	
Compensated Absences		102,541	
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		8,107,446	
Total Liabilities		21,483,002	
NET POSITION			
Unrestricted		(6,158,111)	
Restricted for Debt Escrow		393,999	
Net Investment in Capital Assets Total Net Position		57,930,940 52,166,828	
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$	73,649,830	

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

		Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds	
	Ente		
	Wa	ater, Sewer	
		Sanitation	
OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges for Services			
Water Sales	\$	3,083,948	
Sewer Charges		2,279,667	
Sanitation Charges		346,792	
Total Operating Revenues		5,710,407	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Costs of Sales and Services			
Water		1,879,211	
Sewer		1,008,798	
Sewer Support		484,893	
Utility Support		364,436	
Sanitation		350,949	
Depreciation		1,192,836	
Total Operating Expenses		5,281,123	
Operating Income		429,284	
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
Investment Income		126,259	
Surplus Equipment and Insurance Reimbursements		31,596	
Interest Expense		(734,830)	
Bond Costs		(1,500)	
Bank Charges		(9,175)	
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		(587,650)	
Income Before Contributions and Transfers		(158,366)	
Capital Contributions		11,526,796	
Transfers In		282,453	
Transfers Out		(400,000)	
Change in Net Position		11,250,883	
Net Position, Beginning		40,948,793	
Prior Period Restatement		(32,848)	
Net Position, Ending	\$	52,166,828	

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Business-type Activities	
	Enterprise Funds Water, Sewer	
Cash Flows From Operating Activities	<u>& Sanitation</u>	
Cash received from customers	\$ 5,609,763	
Cash paid for operating goods and services	(2,420,163)	
Cash paid to employees	(1,001,000)	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	2,188,600	
Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities		
Transfers between other funds	(117,547)	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities	(117,547)	
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Bond issue costs	(1,500)	
Principal paid on capital debt	(500,053)	
Grant and capital contributions	14,462,123	
Bond anticipation note	3,090,734	
Note payable	307,292	
Interest paid on capital debt	(729,830)	
Net effect of transactions involving capital assets	31,596	
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(19,191,146)	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(2,530,784)	
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Interest received on investments	126,259	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	126,259	
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(333,472)	
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,718,227	
CASH AT END OF YEAR	\$ 3,384,755	
Reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) to Net		
Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		
Operating income	\$ 429,284	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net		
cash provided (used) by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	1,192,836	
(Increase) decrease in customer receivables	(155,909)	
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(74,380)	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	714,086	
Increase (decrease) in salaries and benefits payable	15,577	
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences	11,841	
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues	39,912	
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	15,353	
Total adjustments	1,759,316	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 2,188,600	

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2025

	Post Retirement Fund
ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 1,214,019
Total Assets	\$ 1,214,019
LIABILITIES	
Due to Others	\$ -
Total Liabilities	<u> </u>
NET POSITION	
Restricted for OPEB	1,214,019
Total Net Position	\$ 1,214,019

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF CHANGES FIDUCIARY IN NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Post Retirement Fund
Additions	
Investment Income (Loss)	\$ 83,811
Total Additions	83,811
Deductions Contractual Expenses Total Deductions	208,078 208,078
Change in Net Position	(124,267)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	1,338,286
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 1,214,019

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external customers for support.

Reporting Entity

The City of Walterboro, South Carolina is a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, operating under the Council-Manager form of government to provide services authorized by its charter. It is governed by an elected Board (the "Council"), which is governed by state statutes and regulations. The City Council acts as the governing body of the City with power to pass ordinances and adopt resolutions. The accompanying financial statements present the government and its component units, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Blended component units are, in substance, part of the primary government's operations, even though they are legally separate entities. Thus, blended component units are appropriately presented as funds of the primary government. Each discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the government.

Discretely Presented Component Units

Three of the four members of the Walterboro Tourism Commission are appointed by the Council. The Walterboro Tourism Commission is fiscally dependent upon the government because the City Council approves the budget and can significantly influence the decisions of the Walterboro Tourism Commission. The Walterboro Tourism Commission does not issue separate financial statements.

Three of the five members of the Walterboro Development Corporation are appointed by the Council. The Walterboro Development Corporation is fiscally dependent upon the government because the City Council approves the budget and can significantly influence the decisions of the Walterboro Development Corporation. The Walterboro Development Corporation does not issue separate financial statements.

Basis of Presentation - Government-Wide Financial Statements

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds and internal service funds, while business-type activities incorporate data from the government's enterprise funds. 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.

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 where the amounts are reasonably equivalent in value to the interfund services provided and other charges between the government's water functions and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues for the various functions concerned.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements

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

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The *general fund* is the City's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The *capital projects fund* accounts for the acquisition of capital assets or construction of major capital projects.

The City reports the following non-major funds:

The *special revenue funds* account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes (not including expendable trusts or major capital projects) such as grants, fire and other special purpose fees, and economic development.

The City reports the following major proprietary fund:

The water and sewer fund accounts for the activities of the water, sewer and sanitation operations. The City operates the sewage treatment plant, sewage pumping stations and collection systems, and the water distribution system.

Additionally, the City reports the following fiduciary fund types.

The *post retirement fund* accounts for the activities of the retired employee's health benefits, which accumulates resources for payment of retirees' health insurance.

During the course of operations, the City has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds. While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the presentation of the government-wide financial statements.

Further, certain activity occurs during the year involving transfers of resources between funds. In fund financial statements these amounts are reported at gross amounts as transfers in/out. While reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Transfers between the funds included in the governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the business-type activities column.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

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

The City's 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 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. For this purpose, the City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within the first 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period, except for grant reimbursements for which the availability period is 90 days. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt for acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest 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. Entitlements are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met, including any time requirements, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year end). Expenditure driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year end). All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the City.

The proprietary and other postemployment benefit trust funds are reported using the *economic* resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The fiduciary fund utilizes the accrual basis of accounting for reporting its assets, liabilities deferred outflows/inflows of resources and fiduciary net position.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the general fund. Other special revenue funds do not have appropriated budgets since other means control the use of these resources (e.g., grant awards and issuances of debt) and sometimes span a period of more than one fiscal year.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The government's department heads may make transfers of appropriations within a department. Transfers of appropriations between departments require the approval of the administrator. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level.

Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Deposits

The City considers cash and cash equivalents for cash flow purposes to be currency on hand, demand deposits with banks, amounts included in pooled cash and investment accounts, and liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased.

Investments

Investments for the City are reported at fair value determined annually based upon quoted market prices.

Inventories and Prepaid items

Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method and consist of expendable supplies and vehicle repair parts. The cost of such inventories is recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased in the proprietary fund.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenditures/expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items,) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets, other than infrastructure, are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. For infrastructure assets the same estimated minimum useful life is used, but only those infrastructure assets with an initial, individual cost of \$50,000 are reported as capital assets. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets, donated works of art and similar items, received in a service concession arrangement should be reported at acquisition value rather than fair value. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during construction of governmental-type activities is not capitalized.

All reported capital assets except land and construction in progress are depreciated. Useful lives for infrastructure are estimated based on the City's historical records of necessary improvements and replacements. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Capital Asset Classes	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and Improvements Vehicles Machinery and Equipment Infrastructure	5 to 50 5 to 20 5 to 30 5 to 50
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Leases

The City is a lessee for noncancellable leases. The City recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset in the government-wide and the proprietary fund financial statements. The City recognizes lease liabilities with an initial, individual value of \$5,000 or more. At the commencement of the lease, the City initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgements related to leases include the discount rate, the lease terms and the lease payments. For the discount rate, the City uses the interest rate charged by the lessor. If an interest rate is not provided by the lessor, the City will use its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate. Lease terms include the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that the City is reasonably certain to exercise.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Leases - Continued

The City monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its leases and will remeasure the lease assets and liabilities if certain changes occur that significantly affect the amount of the lease liabilities.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The City reports deferred outflows related to its other post employment benefits and net pension liability in the statement of net position.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The City has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from one source: property taxes. This amount is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The statement of net position reports deferred inflows related to its other post employment benefits and net pension liability.

Net Position Flow Assumptions

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

Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the City will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the government's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Fund Balance Policies

Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various categories based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The City itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the City's highest level of decision-making authority. The City Council is the highest level of decision-making authority for the government that can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the ordinance remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another ordinance) to remove or revise the limitation.

Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the City for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The City Council has by resolution authorized the finance director to assign fund balance. The Council may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget unlike commitments. These assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

Program Revenues

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions (including special assessments) that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Property Taxes

Taxes on real property and certain personal property attach as an enforceable lien on the property as of January 1. Taxes are levied and billed the following September on all property other than vehicles and are payable without penalty until January 15 of the following year. Penalties are assessed on unpaid taxes on the following dates: January 16 – three percent, February 1 – an additional seven percent, March 16 – an additional five percent. If not paid by October 1, the property is subject to sale by the delinquent tax office. Assessed property is subject to lien one year from the levy date if taxes remain unpaid. Taxes on licensed motor vehicles are levied during the month when the taxpayer's license registration is due for renewal. The property tax rate approved by ordinance for tax year 2024 is 99.86 mills.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Compensated Absences

The City recognizes a liability for compensated absences for leave time that (1) has been earned for services previously rendered by employees (2) accumulates and is allowed to be carried over to subsequent years, and (3) is more likely than not to be used as time off or settled (for example paid in cash to the employee or payment to an employee flex spending account) during or upon separation from employment. Based on the criteria listed, two types of leave qualify for liability recognition for compensated absences – vacation and sick leave. The liability for compensated absences is reported as incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for compensated absences is recorded in the governmental funds only if the liability has matured because of employee resignations or retirements. The liability for compensated absences includes salary-related benefits, where applicable.

The City's policy permits employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation benefits, which are eligible for payment at the employee's current pay rate upon separation from employment.

The City's policy permits employees to accumulate earned but unused sick leave. All sick leave lapses when employees leave the employment of the City and, upon separation from service, no monetary obligation exists. However, a liability for estimated value of sick leave that will be used by employees as time off is included in the liability for compensated absences.

Proprietary Fund Operating and Non-operating Revenues and Expenses

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. The principal operating revenues of the water and sewer fund are charges to customers for sales and services. The water and sewer fund also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information

In accordance with the State of South Carolina General Statute, the City prepares an annual balanced budget ordinance. The basis of budgeting is the same as generally accepted accounting principles. The City adopts annual budgets for the general fund using the modified accrual basis. An annual budget for the special revenue fund is not adopted as sufficient budgetary control is achieved through restrictions included in the various grant agreements.

In March, the budget process begins with a special comprehensive work session in which the finance department and city manager meet with all department heads to discuss current and future trends, needs and goals of the City. All department heads submit comprehensive lists of programs, projects, and initiatives to be considered in the upcoming budget and meet with finance department staff and the administrator individually. During May and June, formal budget workshops are held. The Council holds public hearings, and a final budget must be prepared and adopted no later than June 30.

Budgets are prepared at the fund, function and department level. Budgets are adopted at the fund level and are amended as necessary during the fiscal year in one of two ways. First, the City Manager delegated by the City Council may make line item transfers within individual fund budgets with subsequent monthly notice to City Council. Such transfers can neither increase nor decrease the overall budget at the fund level. Secondly, the budget may be increased or decreased at the fund level as changing circumstances dictate, subject to City Council approval.

NOTE 3 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Credit Risk

The City has an investment policy that limits investment types to those approved by the South Carolina Code of Laws to obligations of the United States and agencies thereof, general obligations of the State of South Carolina or any of its political subdivisions, certificates of deposit where the certificates are collaterally insured by securities described above held by a third party as escrow agent or custodian of a market value not less than the amount of the certificates of deposits so secured including interest, or repurchase agreements when collateralized by securities set forth above. Currently, the City's investments consist of deposits with the South Carolina Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP).

The LGIP is considered to be a 2a7-like pool that operates in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. The pool is managed by the Treasurer's Office of the State of South Carolina. The pool is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. The fair value of the balance in the LGIP represents the same value as the pool shares.

Interest Rate Risk

In accordance with its investment policy, the City manages its exposure to declines in fair value by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investments to short-term investments in the South Carolina Local Investment Pool.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the City's deposits may not be returned to it. The City has a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2025, the bank balances were \$11,075,984. All of the City's deposits at year end were covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held in the pledging financial institution's trust department in the City's name. Therefore, none of the City's deposits were exposed to custodial credit risk at June 30, 2025.

NOTE 4 RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2025, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows for the fund and government-wide financial statements:

Receivables	General	Capital Projects Fund	Projects Gove		Nater and ewer Fund	Total	Total Component Units		Total all Funds
Taxes	\$ 948,467	\$ -	\$	192,079	\$ -	\$ 1,140,546	\$	-	\$ 1,140,546
Fines and Fees	15,290	-		1,615	-	16,905		-	16,905
Intergovernmental	37,602	-		-	-	37,602		-	37,602
Accounts	-	-		-	1,017,324	1,017,324		-	1,017,324
Other	452,181	154,997		_	 4,375,107	4,982,285		50,186	5,032,471
Gross Receivables	1,453,540	154,997		193,694	5,392,431	7,194,662		50,186	7,244,848
Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	(250,059)				 (134,893)	(384,952)			(384,952)
Net Total Receivables	\$ 1,203,481	\$ 154,997	\$	193,694	\$ 5,257,538	\$ 6,809,710	\$	50,186	\$ 6,859,896

NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 was as follows:

Governmental Activities	June 30, 2024	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	June 30, 2025
Capital Assets - not being depreciated/amortized					
Land and Improvements	\$ 1,862,802	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 182,554	\$ 2,045,356
Construction in Progress	154,429	938,687	-	(182,554)	910,562
Total Capital Assets, not being depreciated/amortized	2,017,231	938,687			2,955,918
Capital Assets - being depreciated/amortized					
Buildings and Improvements	7,294,766	11,899	-	-	7,306,665
Machinery and Equipment	1,808,440	61,970	-	-	1,870,410
Vehicles	3,839,882	111,403	115,171	-	3,836,114
Infrastructure	15,740,330	-	-	-	15,740,330
Right-to-use Lease Equipment	26,835	18,156	-	-	44,991
Total Capital Assets - being depreciated/amortized	28,710,253	203,428	115,171		28,798,510
Less Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization for:					
Buildings and Improvements	2,360,437	174,301	-	-	2,534,738
Machinery and Equipment	1,513,017	54,375	-	-	1,567,392
Vehicles	2,522,872	286,400	115,171	-	2,694,101
Infrastructure	2,973,657	468,081	-	-	3,441,738
Right-to-use Lease Equipment	2,254	7,184			9,438
Total Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization	9,372,237	990,341	115,171		10,247,407
Total Capital Assets - being dep/amort, net	19,338,016	(786,913)			18,551,103
Governmental Activity Capital Assets, Net	\$ 21,355,247	\$ 151,774	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21,507,021

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

Governmental Activities	_	
City Manager	\$	9,867
Finance		23,291
Fire		98,074
Mayor and Council		895
Parks, Recreation and Tourism		318,702
Police		170,601
Public Works		368,911
Total Depreciation/Amortization Expense -		
Governmental Activities	\$	990,341

NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS - CONTINUED

Business-type	June 30, 2024	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	June 30, 2025	
Capital Assets - not being depreciated/amortized						
Land and Improvements	\$ 44,773	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 44,773	
Construction in Progress	24,190,965	15,879,923	-	(864,413)	39,206,475	
Total Capital Assets, not being depreciated/amortized	24,235,738	15,879,923		(864,413)	39,251,248	
Capital Assets - being depreciated/amortized						
Water System and Improvements	19,088,593	-	-	864,413	19,953,006	
Sewer System and Improvements	23,056,354	-	-	-	23,056,354	
Buildings and Improvements	283,711	-	-	-	283,711	
Machinery and Equipment	1,135,125	131,843	7,004	-	1,259,964	
Vehicles	1,994,416	450,983	-	-	2,445,399	
Total Capital Assets - being depreciated/amortized	45,558,199	582,826	7,004	864,413	46,998,434	
Less Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization for:						
Water System and Improvements	8,066,269	405,847	-	-	8,472,116	
Sewer System and Improvements	9,836,175	510,200	-	-	10,346,375	
Buildings and Improvements	250,266	7,407	-	-	257,673	
Machinery and Equipment	722,716	61,862	7,004	-	777,574	
Vehicles	1,395,181	207,520	-	-	1,602,701	
Total Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization	20,270,607	1,192,836	7,004		21,456,439	
Total Capital Assets - being dep/amort, net	25,287,592	(610,010)		864,413	25,541,995	
Business-type Activity Capital Assets, Net	\$ 49,523,330	\$ 15,269,913	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 64,793,243	

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

Business-type Activities	
Water	\$ 479,666
Sewer	586,468
Sanitation	126,702
Total Depreciation/Amortization Expense - Business-	 _
type Activities	\$ 1,192,836

NOTE 6 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

		Transfers In									
				Other							
	(General	Go	overnmental		Water					
Transfer Out		Fund		Funds		& Sewer		Total			
General Fund	\$	-	\$	3,000	\$	-	\$	3,000			
Capital Projects		15,657		-		282,453		298,110			
Water and Sewer Fund		400,000		-		-		400,000			
Other Governmental Funds		487,900		-				487,900			
Total Transfers Out	\$	903,557	\$	3,000	\$	282,453	\$ ^	1,189,010			

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the water and sewer fund and nonmajor funds to the general fund as provided in the budget, (2) move completed projects from the nonmajor projects fund to the water and sewer fund, and (3) move amounts earmarked for future equipment replacement from the nonmajor equipment replacement fund.

Interfund balances must generally be eliminated in the government-wide financial statements, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental activities. Amounts involving fiduciary funds should be reported as external transactions. Any allocations must reduce the expense of the function from which the expenses are being allocated, so that expenses are reported only once – in the function in which they are allocated. No amounts were reported in the government-wide financial statements, as the amount did not involve the transfers of financial resources.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations for the year ended June 30, 2025:

Governmental Activities	June 30,		•			June 30, 2025	Due Within A Year		
Bonds Payable:	2024 Nestat	<u> </u>	illored3e3	 corcuses	 2020		Aicai		
General Obligation	\$ 246,77	0 \$	-	\$ 121,270	\$ 125,500	\$	125,500		
Revenue Bond	2,830,74	3	-	389,215	2,441,528		394,200		
Total Bonds	3,077,51	3	_	510,485	2,567,028		519,700		
Notes Payable	334,83	1		79,851	254,980		82,284		
Leases Payable	24,86	2	18,156	6,785	36,233		8,793		
Compensated Absences*	413,76	0	2,064	 	 415,824		25,000		
Total	\$ 3,850,96	6 \$	20,220	\$ 597,121	\$ 3,274,065	\$	635,777		

^{*}The change in compensated absences above is a net change for the year.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Business-type Activities	June 30, 2024 Restated Inci		•				ecreases_	 June 30, 2025	ue Within A Year
Bonds Payable:			 			 	 		
Revenue Bonds	\$	8,668,163	\$ -	\$	452,100	\$ 8,216,063	\$ 461,405		
Notes Payable		96,499	307,292		47,953	355,838	105,591		
Compensated Absences*		95,700	11,841		-	107,541	5,000		
Total	\$	8,860,362	\$ 319,133	\$	500,053	\$ 8,679,442	\$ 571,996		

^{*}The change in compensated absences above is a net change for the year.

For compensated absences, the general fund liquidates the portion attributable to governmental activities, while the water and sewer fund liquidates the portion reported in the business-type activities.

Leases Payable - Governmental Activities

The City has various lease agreements for the acquisition and use of office equipment. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$44,991. As of June 30, 2025, the value of the liability was \$36,233. The City is required to make monthly principal and interest payments of \$867. The lease has an interest rate of 5%. The City is not expected to renew the lease at the end of the lease term. The value of the right-to-use asset as of the end of the current fiscal year was \$35,553 and had accumulated amortization of \$9,438.

The future principal and interest lease payments as of June 30, 2025 are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	P	rincipal	In	nterest	 Total
2026	\$	8,793	\$	1,610	\$ 10,403
2027		9,243		1,162	10,405
2028		8,492		704	9,196
2029		7,680		303	7,983
2030		2,025		30	 2,055
Total	\$	36,233	\$	3,809	\$ 40,042

Notes Payable - Governmental Activities

	t	Salance
\$411,941 firetruck, due in annual payments of \$90,834 including interest of 3.35%		
over five years through November 2027.	\$	254,980

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for notes payable are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal Interest		Total		
2026	\$	82,284	\$ 8,550	\$	90,834
2027		85,041	5,793		90,834
2028		87,655	3,179		90,834
Total	\$	254,980	\$ 17,522	\$	272,502

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Notes Payable - Business-type Activities

	 Balance
\$236,144 sanitation vehicle, due in annual payments of \$49,303 including interest of 1.4499% over five years through October 2025.	\$ 48,546
\$307,292 sanitation vehicle, due in annual payments of \$69,348 including interest of 4.19% over five years through November 2029.	 307,292
	\$ 355,838

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for notes payable are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal Interest		Total		
2026	\$	105,591	\$ 13,061	\$	118,652
2027		58,717	10,631		69,348
2028		61,211	8,137		69,348
2029		63,797	5,551		69,348
2030		66,522	 2,826		69,348
Total	\$	355,838	\$ 40,206	\$	396,044

General Obligation Bonds

	Ва	alance
The City issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition		
and construction of major capital facilities and large equipment. General		
obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the		
City. The bonds were issued for 15 years in annual installments plus interest		
ranging from 2.20% to 3.50%.	\$	125,500

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

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal		In	terest	 Total
2026	\$	125,500	\$	4,382	\$ 129,882
Total	\$	125,500	\$	4,382	\$ 129,882

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Revenue Bonds - Governmental Funds

	 Balance
The City has issued a revenue bond to complete construction of the	
Walterboro Wildlife Sanctuary and Center. Local hospitality and	
accommodation tax revenues are pledged for the payment. The original	
amount of the bond was \$4,000,000, payable in yearly installments of	
approximately \$425,000 including interest at 1.27% for ten years.	\$ 2,441,528

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the revenue bond is as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	 Principal	I Interest		Total	
2026	\$ 394,200	\$	31,008	\$	425,208
2027	399,200		26,002		425,202
2028	404,300		20,932		425,232
2029	409,400		15,798		425,198
2030	414,600		10,598		425,198
2031	419,828		5,405		425,233
Total	\$ 2,441,528	\$	109,743	\$	2,551,271

Revenue Bonds – Proprietary Funds

The City has entered into three separate revenue bonds for water and sewer expansion as follows:

	Balance
\$3,062,830 Sewer Rehabilitation Bond payable in quarterly installments of \$45,841 at 1.84% interest through December 2030.	\$ 904,851
\$1,480,000 Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Bond payable in quarterly installments of \$22,071 at 1.8% interest through December 2037.	986,212
\$7,000,000 Waterworks & Sewer System Improvement Bond Series 2021 payable in variable semi-annual installments of principal and interest at 2.59% interest	
through June 2040.	 6,325,000
	\$ 8,216,063

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the revenue bonds are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal		Interest	Total
2026	\$	461,405	\$ 197,535	\$ 658,940
2027		475,841	187,271	663,112
2028		485,414	176,611	662,025
2029		495,125	165,684	660,809
2030		504,979	154,485	659,464
2031-2035		2,717,961	590,972	3,308,933
2036-2040		3,075,338	238,076	3,313,414
Total	\$	8,216,063	\$ 1,710,634	\$ 9,926,697

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Short-Term Debt – Proprietary Funds

Business-type Activities	Original Issue	Interest Rate	June 30, 2024	Increases	Decreases	June 30, 2025
Waterworks & Sewer Imp	2023	4.17%	\$ 7,535,251	\$ 16,144,525	\$ 13,053,791	\$ 10,625,985

The purpose of the short-term borrowings was to provide resources for Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion. The form of financing used was a bond anticipation note. The City will be issuing a \$12,000,000 revenue bond in December 2025. The amount issued for business-type activities relates solely to the water and sewer fund.

Compensated Absences

Liabilities for compensated absences are reported in the applicable governmental type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Compensated absences are paid from the general fund and water, sewer, and sanitation fund. The liability for compensated absences at June 30, 2025, amounted to \$415,824 and \$107,541, respectively, for the governmental activities and business-type activities and includes 20% for employee benefits.

Other Post Employment Benefits

Plan Description – The City provides postemployment health care benefits to employees who participate in the City's health insurance plan and who retire from City service in accordance with the South Carolina Retirement System through a single-employer defined benefit plan. The benefits, benefit levels and employee contributions, and employer contributions are governed by the City of Walterboro and can be amended by the City through its personnel manual. Service Retirees and employees enrolled in the health plan on or before July 1, 2010, and meet at least one of the following criteria: (1) have at least 16 years of continuous service with the City and be a Mayor, Council Member, or Council Appointee; or (2) have at least 15 years of continuous service with the City and retire from PORS; or (3) have at least 18 years of continuous service with the City and retire from SCRS. Participants with less than 10 years of service with the City on July 1, 2010 may not receive benefits until they are at least age 60 regardless of age at retirement. Participants with at least 10 years of service with the City on July 1, 2010 receive benefits immediately upon retirement.

Funding Policy – The liability for other postemployment benefits will be fully liquidated from the general fund. The contribution requirements of plan members and the City are established and may be amended by the City Council. The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements, with an additional amount to prefund benefits as determined annually by the City Council. For fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the City contributed \$25,100 to the plan. Administrative costs of the OPEB Trusts are paid from the plan assets. The following table summarizes the membership of the Plan as of December 31, 2022, the valuation date:

Membership				
	Number			
Inactive Employees or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	14			
Inactive Members Entitled To But Not Yet Receiving Benefits	0			
Active Employees	23			
Total Membership	37			

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

As of December 31, 2024, the Measurement Date is presented in the table below:

Measurement Date as of

December 31, 2024					
Total OPEB Liability (TOL)	\$	4,575,888			
Fiduciary Net Position (FNP)		1,269,389			
Net OPEB Liability (NOL)	\$	3,306,499			
Ratio of FNP to TOL		27.74%			

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

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. The occurrences that must be considered include employee turnover, pay increases, disablement, retirement, deaths, and investment income on anticipated plan assets. 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 compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

The schedule of funding progress, presented below, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

The TOL was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022, using the following key actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Inflation	2.25%
Real wage growth	
SCRS	0.75%
PORS	1.25%
Wage inflation	
SCRS	3.00%
PORS	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	
SCRS	3.00% - 9.5%
PORS	3.50% - 11.00%
Long-term Investment Rate of Return, net of OPEB	
plan investment expense, including price inflation	4.75%
Municipal Bond Index Rate	
Prior Measurement Date	3.26%
Measurement Date	4.08%
Year FNP is projected to be depleted	
Prior Measurement Date	2033
Measurement Date	2034
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation	
Prior Measurement Date	3.37%
Measurement Date	4.14%
Health Care Cost Rates	
Pre-Medicare	7.0% for 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.5% by 2033
Medicare	5.25% for 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.5% by 2029

The discount rate used to measure the TOL was based on the Single Equivalent Interest Rate.

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 Mortality Tables for Employees with a 100% multiplier to better reflect the anticipated experience and provide margin for future improvements.

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, and salary increases used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of the 2024 actuarial experience study adopted by SCRS and PORS.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the December 31, 2022 valuation.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Several factors should be considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long- term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) are developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges should be 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 then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant may cover a shorter investment horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding OPEB plans which are likely to cover a longer timeframe. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

As of the most recent adoption of the current long-term rate of return by the Plan, the target asset allocation for each major asset class, as provided by the Plan, are summarized in the following table:

Target Allocation	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return
58.0%	4.40%
40.0%	4.90%
2.0%	3.85%
100.0%	
	58.0% 40.0% 2.0%

Discount Rate (SEIR). The discount rate used to measure the TOL as of the Measurement Date was 4.14%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate was performed in accordance with GASB 74. The projection's basis was an actuarial valuation performed as of December 31, 2022. In addition to the actuarial methods and assumptions of the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation, the following actuarial methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total payroll for the initial projection year consists of the payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date. In subsequent projection years, total payroll was assumed to increase annually using the payroll growth assumptions.
- Active employees do not explicitly contribute to the Plan.
- In all future years, the employer continues to contribute the amount equal to the average contribution over the last five years. These contributions may be either to the Trust or as direct payment of benefits to plan members as the benefits come due. The employer is assumed to have the ability and willingness to make contributions to the Trust and benefit payments from its own resources for all periods in the projection.
- Projected assets do not include employer contributions that fund the estimated service costs of future employees.
- · Cash flows occur mid-year.

Based on these assumptions, the Plan's FNP was projected to be depleted in 2034 and, as a result, the Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the SEIR. Here, the long-term expected rate of return of 4.75% on Plan investments was applied to periods through 2033 and the Municipal Bond Index Rate at the Measurement Date (4.08%) was applied to periods on and after City of Walterboro, resulting in an SEIR at the Measurement Date (4.14%). As a result of the change to the Municipal Bond Index Rate, there was a change in the discount rate from 3.37% at the Prior Measurement Date to 4.14% at the Measurement Date.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

The FNP projections are based upon the Plan's financial status on the Valuation Date, the indicated set of methods and assumptions, and the requirements of GASB 74. As such, the FNP projections are not reflective of the cash flows and asset accumulations that would occur on an ongoing plan basis, reflecting the impact of future members. Therefore, the results of this test do not necessarily indicate whether or not the fund will actually run out of money, the financial condition of the Plan, or the Plan's ability to make benefit payments in future years.

Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Health Care Cost Trend Rates: The following exhibit presents the NOL of the Plan, calculated using current health care cost trend rates, as well as what the Plan's NOL would be if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rates.

Health Care Cost Trend Rate Sensitivity								
System	1% Decrease			Current	1% Increase			
Net OPEB Liability	\$	2,586,368	\$	3,306,499	\$	4,217,041		

Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Discount Rates: This paragraph requires disclosure of the sensitivity of the NOL to changes in the discount rate. The following exhibits present the NOL of the Plan, calculated using the discount rate of 4.14%, as well as what the Plan's NOL would be if it were calculated using a Discount Rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

Discount Rate Sensitivity						
	Current Discount					
O. veterre	1% Decrease Rate 1% Increase					
System	(3.14%) (4.14%) (5.14%)					
Net OPEB Liability	\$	4,083,162	\$	3,306,499	\$	2,684,134

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Change in Net OPEB Liability (NOL)

Description	Total OPEB Liability (a)		Plan Net Position (b)		Net OPEB Liability (a) - (b)	
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$	5,055,066	\$	1,336,643	\$	3,718,423
Changes for the year:						
Service cost at the end of the year*		78,276		-		78,276
Interest on the TOL and Cash Flows		168,405		-		168,405
Difference between expected and actual experience		(7,406)		-		(7,406)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		(601,738)		-		(601,738)
Contributions - employer		-		25,100		(25,100)
Net investment income		-		25,361		(25,361)
Benefit payments and implicit subsidy credit**		(116,715)		(116,715)		-
Plan administrative expenses***		_		(1,000)		1,000
Net changes		(479,178)		(67,254)		(411,924)
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$	4,575,888	\$	1,269,389	\$	3,306,499

^{*} The service cost includes interest for the year.

^{**} Benefit payments are net of participant contributions and include a payment of \$25,100 for the implicit subsidy.

^{***} Administrative expenses are based on the fees paid from the plan's trust.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

CavMac has assumed no significant changes, other than the change in the Municipal Bond Index Rate, has occurred between the Valuation Date and the Measurement Date. If a significant change, other than the change in the Municipal Bond Index Rate, has occurred between the valuation Date and Measurement Date, an updated valuation may need to be performed.

The TOL is based upon an actuarial valuation performed as of the Valuation Date, December 31, 2022. An expected TOL is determined as of December 31, 2024 using standard roll forward techniques. The roll forward calculation begins with the TOL, as of December 31, 2023, subtracts the actual benefit payments and refunds for the year, applies interest at the discount rate for the year, and then adds the annual Normal Cost (also called the Service Cost).

Information regarding changes in benefit terms and changes to assumptions or other inputs should be noted. The following changes have been made since the prior measurement date:

Changes in Benefit Terms: None

Changes to Assumptions or Other Inputs:

- Change in discount rate
- The decremental and salary increase assumptions have been updated based on the most recent SCRS and PORS experience analysis.

Since certain expense items are recognized over closed periods each year, the deferred portions of these items must be tracked annually. If the amounts will increase OPEB Expense they are labeled Deferred Outflows of Resources. If they serve to reduce OPEB Expense they are labeled Deferred Inflows of Resources. The recognition of these amounts is accomplished on a level dollar basis, with no interest included in the deferred amounts. Experience gains/losses and the impact of changes in actuarial assumptions or other inputs, if any, are recognized over the average expected remaining service life of the active and inactive Plan members at the beginning of the measurement period.

Deferred Inflows of Resources and Deferred Outflows of Resources: The following table provides a summary of the Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources as of December 31, 2024:

Deferred

Deferred

	Oi	utflows of esources	_	nflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$	6,932	\$	368,940
Changes of assumptions or other inputs Net difference between projected and actual earnings on		708,278		874,436
plan investments		192,711		
Total	\$	907,921	\$	1,243,376

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Schedule of the Recognition of Deferred (Inflows)/Outflows of Resources in OPEB Expense: Amounts reported as Deferred Outflow of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources related to OPEB benefits will be recognized in OPEB Expense as follows:

Measurement Period Ended December 31:	 Amount
2025	\$ (25,331)
2026	(173,073)
2027	(90,127)
2028	(46,924)
2029	-
Thereafter	_

Pension Plan

Description of the Entity

The South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority (PEBA), created July 1, 2012, is the state agency responsible for the administration and management of the retirement systems and benefit programs of the state of South Carolina, including the State Optional Retirement Program and the S.C. Deferred Compensation Program, as well as the state's employee insurance programs. As such, PEBA is responsible for administering the South Carolina Retirement Systems' five defined benefit pension plans. PEBA has an 11-member Board of Directors, appointed by the Governor and General Assembly leadership, which serves as custodian, co-trustee and co-fiduciary of the Systems and the assets of the retirement trust funds. The Retirement System Investment Commission (Commission as the governing body, RSIC as the agency), created by the General Assembly in 2005, has exclusive authority to invest and manage the retirement trust funds' assets. The Commission, an eight-member board, serves as co-trustee and co-fiduciary for the assets of the retirement trust funds. By law, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority (SFAA), which consists of five elected officials, also reviews certain PEBA Board decisions regarding the actuary of the Systems.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Systems and additions to/deductions from the Systems fiduciary net position have been determined on the accrual basis of accounting as they are reported by the Systems in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Benefit and refund expenses are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Investments are reported at fair value.

PEBA issues an Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) containing financial statements and required supplementary information for the Systems' Pension Trust Funds. The ACFR is publicly available through PEBA's website at www.peba.sc.gov, or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA, 202 Arbor Lake Drive, Columbia, SC 29223. PEBA is a division of the primary government of the state of South Carolina and therefore, retirement trust fund financial information is also included in the ACFR for the state.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Plan Descriptions

- The South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established July 1, 1945, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-1-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits for teachers and employees of the state and its political subdivisions. SCRS covers employees of state agencies, public school districts and participating charter schools, public higher education institutions, other participating local subdivisions of government and individuals first elected to the South Carolina General Assembly at or after the general election in November 2012.
- The South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System (PORS), a cost–sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established July 1, 1962, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits to police officers and firefighters. PORS also covers peace officers, coroners, probate judges and magistrates.

Membership

Membership requirements are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A brief summary of the requirements under each system is presented below.

- SCRS Generally, all employees of covered employers are required to participate in and
 contribute to the system as a condition of employment. This plan covers general employees
 and teachers and individuals first elected to the South Carolina General Assembly at or after
 the general election in November 2012. A member of the system with an effective date of
 membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. A member of the system with an
 effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.
- PORS To be eligible for PORS membership, an employee must be required by the terms of his employment, by election or appointment, to preserve public order, protect life and property, and detect crimes in the state; to prevent and control property destruction by fire; be a coroner in a full-time permanent position; or be a peace officer employed by the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice or the Department of Mental Health. Probate judges and coroners may elect membership in PORS. Magistrates are required to participate in PORS for service as a magistrate. PORS members, other than magistrates and probate judges, must also earn at least \$2,000 per year and devote at least 1,600 hours per year to this work, unless exempted by statute. A member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. A member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.

Benefits

Benefit terms are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. PEBA does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms without a legislative change in the code of laws. Key elements of the benefit calculation include the benefit multiplier, years of service, and average final compensation/current annual salary. A brief summary of the benefit terms for each system is presented below.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

SCRS - A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 65 or with 28 years credited service regardless of age. A member may elect early retirement with reduced pension benefits payable at age 55 with 25 years of service credit. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension upon satisfying the Rule of 90 requirement that the total of the member's age and the member's creditable service equals at least 90 years. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a reduced deferred annuity at age 60 if they satisfy the five- or eight-year earned service requirement, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program.

The annual retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or five hundred dollars every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase. Members who retire under the early retirement provisions at age 55 with 25 years of service are not eligible for the benefit adjustment until the second July 1 after reaching age 60 or the second July 1 after the date they would have had 28 years of service credit had they not retired.

PORS - A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 25 years of service regardless of age. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 27 years of service regardless of age. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a deferred annuity at age 55 with five or eight years of earned service, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program. Accidental death benefits are also provided upon the death of an active member working for a covered employer whose death was a natural and proximate result of an injury incurred while in the performance of duty.

The retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or five hundred dollars every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase.

Contributions

Actuarial valuations are performed annually by an external consulting actuary to ensure applicable contribution rates satisfy the funding parameters specified in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. Under these provisions, SCRS and PORS contribution requirements must be sufficient to maintain an amortization period for the financing of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) over a period that does not exceed the number of years scheduled in state statute.

Effective July 1, 2017, employee rates were increased and capped at 9 percent for SCRS and 9.75 percent for PORS. The legislation also increased employer contribution rates beginning July 1, 2017, for both SCRS and PORS until reaching 18.56 percent for SCRS and 21.24 percent for PORS. The legislation included a further provision that if the scheduled contributions are not sufficient to meet the funding periods set in state statute, the PEBA board would increase the employer contribution rates as necessary to meet the funding periods set for the applicable year.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Pension reform legislation modified statute such that the employer contribution rates for SCRS and PORS to be further increased, not to exceed one-half of one percent in any one year if necessary, in order to improve the funding of the plans. The statute set rates intended to reduce the unfunded liability of SCRS and PORS to the maximum amortization period of 20 years from 30 years over a ten-year schedule, as determined by the annual actuarial valuations of the plan. Finally, under the revised statute, the contribution rates for SCRS and PORS may not be decreased until the plans are at least 85 percent funded.

Required employee contribution rates¹ are as follows:

	Fiscal Year 2025 ¹	Fiscal Year 2024 ¹
SCRS		
Employee class two	9.00%	9.00%
Employee class three	9.00%	9.00%
PORS		
Employee class two	9.75%	9.75%
Employee class three	9.75%	9.75%

Required employer contribution rates¹ are as follows:

	Fiscal Year 2025 ¹	Fiscal Year 2024 ¹
SCRS		
Employer class two	18.56% ²	18.56%
Employer class three	18.56% ²	18.56%
PORS		
Employer class two	21.24% ³	21.24%
Employer class three	21.24% ³	21.24%

¹Calculated on earnable compensation as defined in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Actuarial valuations of the ongoing plan involve estimates of the reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality and future salary increases. Amounts determined regarding the net pension liability are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. South Carolina state statute requires that an actuarial experience study be completed at least once in each five-year period. The GASB Statement No. 67 valuation report prepared as of June 30, 2024 is based on the experience study report for the period ending June 30, 2019. A more recent experience report on the Systems was issued for the period ending June 30, 2023 and will be used for future valuations.

²Includes incidental death benefit contribution rate of 0.15%.

³Includes incidental death benefit and accidental death benefit contribution rate of 0.20% each.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

The June 30, 2024, total pension liability (TPL), net pension liability (NPL), and sensitivity information shown in this report were determined by our consulting actuary, Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company (GRS) and are based on an actuarial valuation performed as of July 1, 2023. The total pension liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date to the plans' fiscal year end, June 30, 2024, using generally accepted actuarial principles. There was no legislation enacted during the 2024 legislative session that had a material change in the benefit provisions for any of the systems.

The following table provides a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods used to calculate the TPL as of June 30, 2024.

	<u>SCRS</u>	<u>PORS</u>
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Investment rate of return ¹	7.00%	7.00%
Projected salary increases	3.0% to 11.0% (varies by service) ¹	3.5% to 10.5% (varies by service) ¹
Benefit adjustments	Lesser of 1% or \$500 annually	Lesser of 1% or \$500 annually

¹ includes inflation at 2.25%

The post-retiree mortality assumption is dependent upon the member's job category and gender. The base mortality assumptions, the 2020 Public Retirees of South Carolina Mortality table (2020 PRSC), was developed using the Systems' mortality experience. These base rates are adjusted for future improvement in mortality using 80% of Scale UMP projected from the year 2020.

Assumptions used in the determination of the June 30, 2024, TPL are as follows.

Former Job Class	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Educators	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 95%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 94%
General employees and members of the general assembly	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 97%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%
Public safety and firefighters	2020 PRSC Males multiplied by 127%	2020 PRSC Females multiplied by 107%

Net Pension Liability

The NPL is calculated separately for each system and represents that particular system's TPL determined in accordance with GASB 67 less that system's fiduciary net position. NPL totals, as of June 30, 2024, for SCRS and PORS are presented below.

System	 Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position		nsion Plan Fiduciary Net Pensio		ployers' Net sion Liability (Asset)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a % of the Total Pension Liability
SCRS	\$ 10,819,497	\$	6,685,207	\$	4,134,290	61.8%	
PORS	 12,705,892		8,961,026		3,744,866	70.5%	
Total	\$ 23,525,389	\$	15,646,233	\$	7,879,156		

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

The TPL is calculated by the Systems' actuary, and each plan's fiduciary net position is reported in the Systems' financial statements. The NPL is disclosed in accordance with the requirements of GASB 67 in the Systems' notes to the financial statements and required supplementary information. Liability calculations performed by the Systems' actuary for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of GASB 67 and 68 are not applicable for other purposes, such as determining the plans' funding requirements.

Long-term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is based upon 20-year capital market assumptions. The long-term expected rates of return represent assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market-based inputs. Expected returns are net of investment fees.

The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2024 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation and is summarized in the table on the following page. For actuarial purposes, the 7 percent assumed annual investment rate of return used in the calculation of the TPL includes a 4.75 percent real rate of return and a 2.25 percent inflation component.

Daliau Tawat	Expected Arithmetic Real	Long-Term Expected Portfolio
Policy larget	Rate of Return	Real Rate of Return
46.0%	6.23%	2.86%
26.0%	2.60%	0.68%
9.0%	9.60%	0.86%
7.0%	6.90%	0.48%
12.0%		
9.0%	4.30%	0.39%
3.0%	7.30%	0.22%
100.0%		5.49%
		2.25%
		7.74%
	26.0% 9.0% 7.0% 12.0% 9.0% 3.0%	Policy Target Arithmetic Real Rate of Return 46.0% 6.23% 26.0% 2.60% 9.0% 9.60% 7.0% 6.90% 12.0% 9.0% 9.0% 4.30% 3.0% 7.30%

¹RSIC staff and consultant will notify the Commission if the collective exposure to Private Equity, Private Debt and Private Real Assets exceeds 30 percent of total plan assets.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the TPL was 7 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from participating employers in SCRS and PORS will be made based on the actuarially determined rates based on provisions in the South Carolina Code of Laws. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all the 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 TPL.

²Portable Alpha Strategies, which utilizes Hedge Funds and are not included in the Policy Target, will be capped at 15% of total assets.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the collective NPL of the participating employers calculated using the discount rate of 7 percent, as well as what the employers' NPL would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percent lower (6 percent) or 1 percent higher (8 percent) than the current rate.

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

System	19	% Decrease (6%)	rent Discount Rate (7%)			
SCRS	\$	5,357,573	\$ 4,134,280	\$	3,007,744	
PORS		5,425,602	 3,744,876		2,368,267	
	\$	10,783,175	\$ 7,879,156	\$	5,376,011	

Pension Expense

The aggregate amount of pension expense for SCRS and PORS is \$874,374. Components of collective pension expense reported in the Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, are presented below.

Description	SCRS	PORS
Service cost (annual cost of current service)	\$ 208,474	\$ 300,728
Interest on the total pension liability	706,562	813,696
Plan administrative costs	3,201	4,206
Plan member contributions	(196,999)	(246,801)
Expected return on plan assets	(423,410)	(564,075)
Recognition of current year amortization - difference between expected and actual experience & assumption changes	156,598	243,888
Recognition of current year amortization - difference between projected and actual investment earnings	(55,701)	(74,126)
Other	 319	 (2,186)
Total	\$ 399,044	\$ 475,330

Additional items included in Total Employer Pension Expense in the Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer are the current period amortized portions of deferred outflows and/or inflows of resources related to changes in employers' proportionate share of the collective NPL and differences between actual employer contributions and proportionate share of total plan employer contributions. These two deferrals are specific to cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans as discussed in paragraphs 54 and 55 of GASB 68.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

The following schedules reflect the amortization of collective deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources related to pensions outstanding at June 30, 2024.

Difference between expected and actual experience \$ 135,867 \$ 5,131 Assumption changes 72,887 - Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings - 159,295 Deferred amounts from changes in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions & proportionate share of total plan employer contributions 17,393 178,581 Contributions subsequent to the measurement date 491,148 - - Total \$ 717,295 \$ 343,007 Difference between expected and actual experience \$ 351,693 \$ 21,470 Assumption changes 81,533 Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings - 209,953 Deferred amounts from changes in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions & proportionate share and differences between employer contributions & proportionate share of total plan employer contributions 6,895 275,223 Contributions subsequent to the measurement date 584,306 - - Total \$ 1,024,427 \$ 506,646 - Total All Plans \$ 49,653 849,653 -	<u>SCRS</u>	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
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	Difference between expected and actual experience Assumption changes Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings Deferred amounts from changes in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions & proportionate share of total plan employer contributions Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$	351,693 81,533 - 6,895 584,306	In Re	21,470 209,953 275,223

As discussed in paragraph 71b of GASB 68, collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources arising from differences between projected and actual pension plan investment earnings in different measurement periods should be aggregated and included as a net collective deferred outflow of resources related to pensions or a net collective deferred inflow of resources related to pensions. Accordingly, the Outstanding Balance of Deferred Outflows of Resources in the Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer reflects the current net difference between projected and actual pension plan investment earnings.

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Additional items reported within the Outstanding Balance of Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources in the Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer result from the two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan-specific deferrals previously discussed.

The amounts of \$491,148 and \$584,306 reported as deferred outflows of resources relate to the contributions subsequent to the measurement date of the SCRS and PORS, respectively, and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Amortization of Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) of Resources Amortized period ending June 30, **SCRS PORS** Total 2025 (97,258)(85,068)\$ (182, 326)2026 107,510 179,048 286,558 2027 (44,982)(37,910)(82,892)

2028 (82,130) (122,595) (204,725)

Net balance of deferred
outflows/(inflows) of resources \$ (116,860) \$ (66,525) \$ (183,385)

Employer and Nonemployer Contributions

Employers' proportionate shares were calculated on the basis of employer and nonemployer contributions remitted to the plan. In an effort to help offset a portion of the increased contribution requirements for employers, the General Assembly again provided nonemployer contributions to PEBA. Based on the criteria provided by the General Assembly, PEBA issued credit invoices to certain SCRS and PORS employers for fiscal year 2024 who then applied the credit invoices towards contributions otherwise due to the Systems. The amount of credit invoices issued in fiscal year 2024 totaled \$88.7 million and \$12.5 million for SCRS and PORS, respectively.

Employer contributions recognized by the Systems that are not representative of future contribution effort are excluded in the determination of employers' proportionate shares. Examples of employer contributions not representative of future contribution effort are contributions towards the purchase of employee service purchases and employer contributions paid by employees.

The following table provides a reconciliation of Employer and Nonemployer contributions in the plans' Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position (per the Systems' separately issued financial statements) to the Employer and Nonemployer contributions used in the determination of employers' proportionate shares of collective pension amounts reported in the Schedules of Employer and Nonemployer Allocations.

		SCRS		PORS
Employer contributions reported in statement of changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024	\$	434,268	\$	508,704
Nonemployer contributions reported in statement of changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024		15,639		15,568
Employer contributions not representative of future contribution effort		(261)		(1,259)
Employer and nonemployer contributions used as the basis for allocating employers' proportionate shares of collective pension amounts - June 30, 2024 measurement date	¢.	449,646	\$	523,013
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NOTE 7 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - CONTINUED

Additional Financial and Actuarial Information

Information contained in these Notes to the Schedules of Employer and Nonemployer Allocations and Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer (Schedules) was compiled from the Systems' audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the accounting valuation report as of June 30, 2024. Additional financial information supporting the preparation of the Schedules (including the unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements and required supplementary information) is available in the Systems' ACFR.

Payable to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2025, the amount reported for payables was \$0. The liability for pension-related obligations is fully liquidated by the general fund.

401(K) Plan

The City of Walterboro currently offers substantially all full-time employees the option of participating in a 401(K) plan. Empower Retirement administers the plan as an affiliate of Great West Financial Services, Inc. Under the terms of the plan employees may contribute a minimum of two percent and a maximum of twenty percent of adjusted gross income subject to the limits of Section 401(K) of the Internal Revenue Code. It is the opinion of the City's legal counsel that the government has no liability for losses under the plan but does have the duty of due care that would be required of an ordinary prudent investor. Therefore, the assets and liabilities of the 401(K) plan are not reflected in the City's financial statements.

NOTE 8 SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The City has several lawsuits against it. Most of this litigation is covered by insurance or settled through subsequent agreements. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, in the opinion of the City the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the City.

In the normal course of operations, the City receives grant funds from various federal and state agencies. These grant programs are subject to program compliance audits by grantors or representatives. The amount, if any, of liability for reimbursement which may arise from these audits cannot be determined at this time, although the City expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

NOTE 9 RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various types of risk of loss and maintains elements of both self-insurance and purchased insurance policies divided into coverage of worker's compensation, property and casualty, and employee health insurance. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses for the covered risks. The insurers promise to pay to or on behalf of the insured for covered economic losses sustained during the policy period in accordance with insurance policy and benefit program limits.

The State of South Carolina itself assumes substantially all risks for the following:

- Claims of covered public employees for health and dental insurance benefits (Office of Insurance Services),
- Claims of covered public employees for long-term disability and group-life insurance benefits (Retirement System), and
- Property and casualty insurance on buildings, equipment, and vehicles owned by the City as well as tort liability on City employees (South Carolina Municipal Risk Fund).

The City participates in the South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust Pool, a public entity risk pool for its Workers Compensation coverage. Pool members are subject to a supplemental assessment in the event of deficiencies.

The City has recorded insurance premium expenditures in the applicable functional expenditure categories of the General Fund. These expenditures do not include estimated claim losses and estimable premium adjustments.

In management's opinion, supplemental premium assessments, if any, would not be significant enough to have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the City.

There have not been any reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year.

The amounts of settlements have not exceeded coverage in each of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 10 NET POSITION

The following is a detail of the net investment in capital assets as reported on the Statement of Net Position:

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	
Net Investment in Capital Assets			
Capital assets	\$ 21,507,021	\$	64,793,243
Long-term debt	(3,274,065)		(8,679,442)
Add: Compensated absences included above	415,824		107,541
Unspent Bond Funds	126,363		1,709,598
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 18,775,143	\$	57,930,940

NOTE 11 FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION CLASSIFICATIONS

The following is a detail of the fund balance and net position classifications:

Governmental Funds		
Committed		
Funds committed by local ordinance for tourism related expenditures:		
Accommodations Tax	\$	670,233
Hospitality Tax		503,728
Total Committed Fund Balance	\$	1,173,961
Assigned		
Unspent bond and grant funds	\$	126,363
ARPA Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Funds		1,366,945
Total Assigned Fund Balance	\$	1,493,308
Restricted State accommodations tax restricted by the state for tourism 1% Funds restricted for firemen	\$	338,092
		5,273 50,679
Funds restricted for police Total Restricted Fund Balance	\$	394,044
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Proprietary Fund		
Restricted	_	
Funds restricted by bond ordinance for a debt service reserve	\$	393,999
Total Restricted Net Position	\$	393,999

NOTE 12 RESTATEMENT OF BEGINNING BALANCES

During the current year, the City implemented GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. In addition to the value of unused vacation time owed to employees upon separation of employment, the City now recognizes an estimated amount of sick leave earned as of year-end that will be used by employees as time off in future years as part of the liability for compensated absences.

	Net Position/Fund Balance June 30, 2024 As Previously Reported		Balance June 30, 2024 As Previously Restatement - GASB			Net Position/Fund Balance June 30, 2025 As Restated	
Government-wide							
Governmental Activities	\$	15,397,637	\$	(169,054)	\$	15,228,583	
Business-type Activities		40,948,793		(32,848)		40,915,945	
Total Government-wide	\$	56,346,430	\$	(201,902)	\$	56,144,528	
Proprietary Fund							
Enterprise Fund							
Major Fund:							
Water, Sewer & Sanitation	\$	40,948,793	\$	(32,848)	\$	40,915,945	
Total Enterprise Fund	\$	40,948,793	\$	(32,848)	\$	40,915,945	

NOTE 13 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through November 15, 2025, the date the financial statements were issued, and determined that the following significant events have occurred: The City has been awarded several grants to upgrade or make improvements to existing infrastructure. A list of awards by project is as follows:

Project	Grant Amount	Expected Completion
Sewer Upgrade Subsystem 1 East & 3	\$ 2,321,831	Year 2026
Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion	\$ 25,665,446	Year 2026
Wastewater Generator	\$ 1,188,784	Year 2026
Wastewater Trunkline	\$ 3,257,501	Year 2026
Northwest Sewer Improvements	\$ 10,000,000	Year 2026
Forest Hills Water Improvement	\$ 1,340,143	Year 2027

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

		Gene	ral Fund	
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 6,966,000	\$ 6,966,000	\$ 7,723,534	\$ 757,534
Fines, Fees and Licenses	171,300	171,300	265,799	94,499
Intergovernmental	143,200	143,200	144,975	1,775
Miscellaneous	361,986	361,986	1,015,344	653,358
Total Revenues	7,642,486	7,642,486	9,149,652	1,507,166
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Mayor and Council	298,290	298,290	321,022	(22,732)
Police	3,385,912	3,385,912	3,705,369	(319,457)
Fire	1,528,497	1,528,497	1,589,631	(61,134)
Parks	610,891	610,891	640,052	(29,161)
Tourism Development	202,269	202,269	151,981	50,288
Finance	364,570	364,570	360,858	3,712
City Manager	408,805	408,805	412,505	(3,700)
Public Works	1,168,053	1,168,053	1,128,696	39,357
Planning and Development	217,840	217,840	218,771	(931)
Judicial	263,147	263,147	271,597	(8,450)
Wildlife Center	87,446	87,446	104,688	(17,242)
Capital Outlay				
Mayor and Council	-	-	8,930	(8,930)
Police	114,000	114,000	129,559	(15,559)
Fire	12,000	12,000	11,899	101
Parks	25,000	25,000	35,496	(10,496)
Public Works	5,100	5,100	580,742	(575,642)
Debt Service				
Principal	196,716	196,716	207,907	(11,191)
Interest	24,000	24,000	21,157	2,843
Total Expenditures	8,912,536	8,912,536	9,900,860	(988,324)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Issuance of Leases	-	-	18,156	18,156
Transfers In	1,096,950	1,096,950	903,557	(193,393)
Transfers Out	(3,000)	(3,000)	(3,000)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,093,950	1,093,950	918,713	(175,237)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(176,100)	(176,100)	167,505	343,605
Fund Balances, Beginning	4,916,206	4,916,206	4,916,206	-
Fund Balances, Ending	\$ 4,740,106	\$ 4,740,106	\$ 5,083,711	\$ 343,605

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE:

The basis of budgeting is the same as generally accepted accounting principles. The City adopts annual budgets for the general fund using the modified accrual basis. Appropriations lapse at the end of the year.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF THE PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY STATE PENSION PLAN LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SCRS)

	Fiscal Year										
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	0.022228%	0.023383%	0.022336%	0.022226%	0.020759%	0.019926%	0.018358%	0.018726%	0.018599%	0.017630%	
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 4,215,647	\$ 4,994,574	\$ 5,028,193	\$ 4,980,145	\$ 4,740,204	\$ 5,091,332	\$ 3,972,979	\$ 4,539,679	\$ 4,496,769	\$ 4,134,280	
Covered Payroll	\$ 2,082,192	\$ 2,264,917	\$ 2,253,646	\$ 2,303,233	\$ 2,192,125	\$ 2,222,965	\$ 2,075,241	\$ 2,228,974	\$ 2,351,348	\$ 2,422,666	
Proportionate Share of the New Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Its Covered Payroll Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a	202.46%	220.52%	223.11%	216.22%	216.24%	229.03%	191.45%	203.67%	191.24%	170.65%	
Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	57.00%	52.90%	53.30%	54.10%	54.40%	50.70%	60.70%	57.10%	58.60%	61.80%	

POLICE OFFICER RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (PORS)

				POLIC	E OFFICER REI	IKEMENI SISIE	EIVIS (PURS)			
					Fis	scal Year				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	0.126160%	0.148610%	0.141630%	0.139537%	0.136987%	0.133873%	0.141516%	0.139276%	0.133339%	0.124838%
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 2,749,696	\$ 3,769,354	\$ 3,880,067	\$ 3,953,839	\$ 3,925,963	\$ 4,439,500	\$ 3,641,093	\$ 4,176,861	\$ 4,058,958	\$ 3,744,876
Covered Payroll	\$ 1,564,963	\$ 1,894,530	\$ 1,907,323	\$ 1,931,400	\$ 1,986,940	\$ 2,022,343	\$ 2,127,966	\$ 2,204,177	\$ 2,336,399	\$ 2,462,403
Proportionate Share of the New Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Its Covered Payroll	175.70%	198.96%	203.43%	204.71%	197.59%	219.52%	171.11%	189.50%	173.73%	152.08%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	64.60%	60.40%	60.90%	61.70%	62.70%	58.80%	70.40%	66.40%	67.80%	70.50%

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE:

Year 2022, the General Assembly approved a change in discount rate from 7.25% to 7.0%.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS STATE PENSION PLAN LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SCRS)

	Fiscal Year														
	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 250,501	\$	260,522	\$	312,319	\$	319,173	\$	345,893	\$	322,908	\$ 369,269	\$ 412,897	\$ 449,646	\$ 491,148
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 250,501	\$	260,522	\$	312,319	\$	319,173	\$	345,893	\$	322,908	\$ 369,269	\$ 412,897	\$ 449,646	\$ 491,148
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ 	\$		\$		\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$ -
Covered Payroll	\$ 2,264,917	\$	2,253,646	\$	2,303,233	\$	2,192,125	\$	2,222,965	\$	2,075,241	\$ 2,228,974	\$ 2,351,348	\$ 2,422,666	\$ 2,646,282
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	11.06%		11.56%		13.56%		14.56%		15.56%		15.56%	16.56%	17.56%	18.56%	18.56%

POLICE OFFICER RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (PORS)

	Fiscal Year															
	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022	2023	2024	2025
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 260,309	\$	271,600	\$	313,659	\$	342,548	\$	368,876	\$	388,139	\$	424,085	\$ 472,887	\$ 523,013	\$ 584,306
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 260,309	\$	271,600	\$	313,659	\$	342,548	\$	368,876	\$	388,139	\$	424,085	\$ 472,887	\$ 523,013	\$ 584,306
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ 	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered Payroll	\$ 1,894,530	\$	1,907,323	\$	1,931,400	\$	1,986,940	\$	2,022,343	\$	2,127,966	\$	2,204,177	\$ 2,336,399	\$ 2,462,403	\$ 2,750,966
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	13.74%		14.24%		16.24%		17.24%		18.24%		18.24%		19.24%	20.24%	21.24%	21.24%

Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30th.

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE:

Net change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Plan Fiduciary Net Position - beginning

Plan Fiduciary Net Position - ending

Kay changes in assumptions and other inputs:

Year 2019, no change in benefit terms or assumptions.

Year 2020, changes in medical trend.

Total OPEB Liability

Benefit payments

Service cost at the end of the year

Total OPEB Liability - beginning

Total OPEB Liability - ending

Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Contributions - employer

Net investment income

Administrative expense

Net OPEB Liability - ending

Benefit payments

Interest on the TOL and Cash Flows

Changes of assumption or other inputs

Net change in Total OPEB Liability

Difference between expected and actual experience

Year 2021, change in discount rate from 4.75% to 3.45%.

Year 2022, decremental & salary increase assumptions updated based on the most recent SCRS and PORS experience analysis, changes in medical trend, change in discount rate from 3.45% to 2.62%.

Year 2023, change in discount rate from 2.62% to 3.83%.

Year 2024, change in discount rate from 3.83% to 3.37%, updated claims costs, change in medical trend, decremental & salary increase assumptions updated based on most recent SCRS & PORS experience analysis.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET OPEB LIABILITY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

2019

\$

81,498

198,792

(14,391)

(70,739)

195,160

16.300

18.621

(70,739)

(35.818)

1,792,959

1,757,141

\$ 2,658,083

4,220,064

4,415,224

2018

79,023

189,559

(13,863)

(50, 155)

204,564

4,015,500

4,220,064

258.583

44.169

(50.155)

(14.697)

237.900

1,555,059

1,792,959

\$ 2,427,105

Fiscal Year

\$

2021

61,474

191,585

55,082

974,559

(158,519)

1,124,181

4,111,705

5,235,886

91.498

101.728

(158,519)

(4.345)

30.362

1,787,451

1,817,813

\$ 3,418,073

2020

84,052

206,369

(398,620)

(142,880)

(303,519)

4,415,224

4,111,705

82.689

90.501

30.310

1,757,141

1,787,451

\$ 2,324,254

(142,880)

(52,440)

2022

96,542

178,972

(1,596,052)

1,555,155

(97,413)

137,204

5,235,886

5,373,090

25.200

(44.967)

(97,413)

(4.595)

(121,775)

1,817,813

1,696,038

\$ 3,677,052

\$

2023

\$ 100,620

139,582

(19,326)

(91,622)

(871,523)

5,373,090

4,501,567

20.500

(91,622)

(1.250)

(316,264)

1,696,038

1,379,774

\$ 3,121,793

(243.892)

(1,000,777)

2024

\$

69,252

170,318

(27,690)

451,877

(110,258)

553,499

4,501,567

5,055,066

24.400

48.484

(5.757)

(43,131)

1,379,774

1,336,643

\$ 3,718,423

(110,258)

2025

78,276

168,405

(601,738)

(116,715)

(479, 178)

5,055,066

4,575,888

25.100

25.361

(116,715)

(1.000)

(67,254)

1,336,643

1,269,389

\$ 3,306,499

(7,406)

\$

Year 2025, change in discount rate from 3.37% to 5.14%, decremental & salary increase assumptions updated based on most recent SCRS & PORS experience analysis.

2016

\$

2017

\$

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

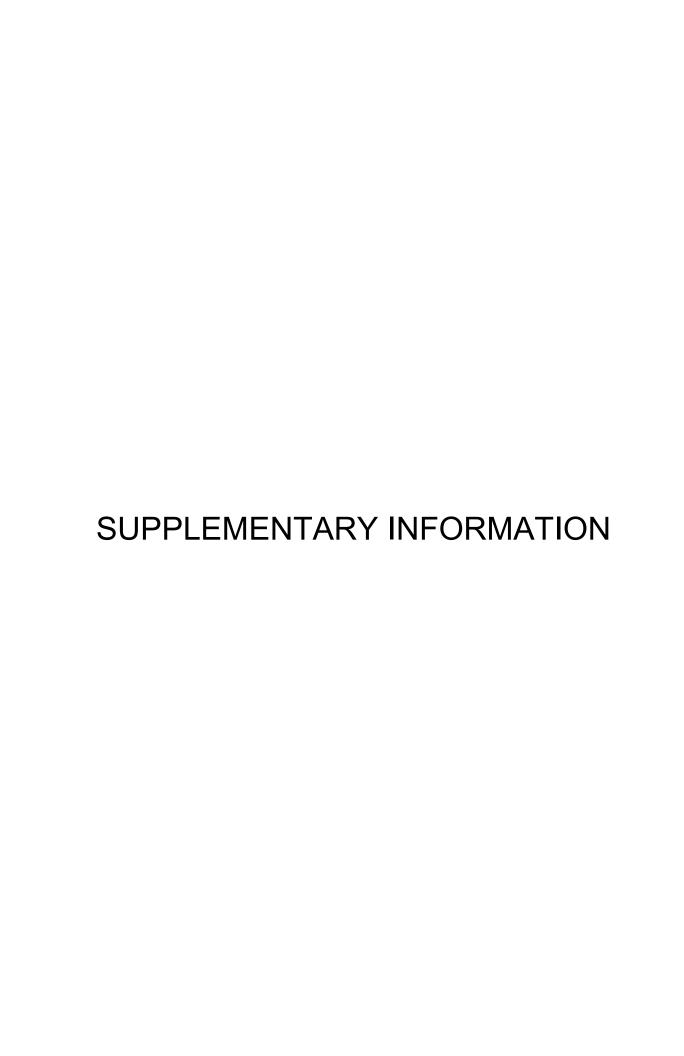
	Fiscal Year										
Description	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Total OPEB Liability	\$ -	\$ 4,015,500	\$ 4,220,064	\$ 4,415,224	\$ 4,111,705	\$ 5,235,886	\$ 5,373,090	\$ 4,501,567	\$ 5,055,066	\$ 4,575,888	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	-	(1,555,059)	(1,792,959)	(1,757,141)	(1,787,451)	(1,817,813)	(1,696,038)	(1,379,774)	(1,336,643)	(1,269,389)	
Net OPEB Liability	\$ -	\$ 2,460,441	\$ 2,427,105	\$ 2,658,083	\$ 2,324,254	\$ 3,418,073	\$ 3,677,052	\$ 3,121,793	\$ 3,718,423	\$ 3,306,499	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	0.0%	38.7%	42.49%	39.80%	43.47%	34.72%	31.57%	30.65%	26.44%	27.74%	
Covered Payroll*	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 1,512,507	\$ 1,512,507	\$ 1,512,507	\$ 1,284,855	\$ 1,284,855	\$ 1,199,147	\$ 1,199,147	\$ 1,093,027	\$ 1,093,027	
Net OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered payroll	0.0%	162.7%	160.5%	175.7%	180.9%	266.0%	306.6%	260.3%	340.2%	302.5%	

^{*}For years following the valuation date (when no new valuation is performed), covered payroll has been set equal to the covered payroll from the most recent valuation.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	Fiscal Year										
Description	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution											
(ADEC)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 256,105	\$ 241,203	\$ 226,586	\$ 212,127	\$ 202,404	\$ 192,885	\$ 217,495	\$ 243,659	
Contributions in relation to the ADEC	-	-	258,583	16,300	82,689	91,498	25,200	20,500	24,400	25,100	
Annual contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,478)	\$ 224,903	\$ 143,897	\$ 120,629	\$ 177,204	\$ 172,385	\$ 193,095	\$ 218,559	
Covered Payroll*	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,524,468	\$ 1,531,583	\$ 1,292,307	\$ 1,284,855	\$ 1,199,147	\$ 1,199,147	\$ 1,093,027	\$ 1,093,027	
Actual contributions as a percentage of covered											
payroll	0%	0%	16.96%	1.06%	6.40%	7.12%	2.10%	1.71%	2.23%	2.30%	

^{*}For years following the valuation date (when no new valuation is performed), covered payroll has been set equal to the covered payroll from the most recent valuation.



NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

•	Police Fund	Accounts for assets seized from drug related arrests. Funds designated for victims of crime and grants for police.
•	Firemen Fund	Funds designated for victims of crime and grants for fire.
•	State Accommodations Tax	Accounts for revenues and expenditures that are restricted by State Law.
•	Local Accommodation Tax Fund	Accounts for revenues and expenditures that are restricted by ordinance.
•	Local Hospitality Tax Fund	Accounts for revenues and expenditures that are restricted by

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2025

ASSETS		Police Fund	 remens Fund	 State Accom Tax Fund	Local Accom Tax Fund	н	Local lospitality Tax Fund	Total Nonmajor vernmental Funds
Cash Receivables	\$	49,064 1,615	\$ 5,322	\$ 269,555 105,442	\$ 646,138 25,375	\$	442,466 61,262	\$ 1,412,545 193,694
Total Assets	\$	50,679	\$ 5,322	\$ 374,997	\$ 671,513	\$	503,728	\$ 1,606,239
LIABILITIES								
Current Liabilities								
Accounts Payable	\$	<u> </u>	\$ 49	\$ 36,905	\$ 1,280	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ 38,234
Total Liabilities			49	36,905	1,280			38,234
FUND BALANCES								
Restricted		50,679	5,273	338,092	-		-	394,044
Committed		-	-	-	670,233		503,728	1,173,961
Total Fund Balances	_	50,679	5,273	338,092	670,233		503,728	1,568,005
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,								
& Fund Balances	\$	50,679	\$ 5,322	\$ 374,997	\$ 671,513	\$	503,728	\$ 1,606,239

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

			State Accom	Local Accom	Local Hospitality	Total Nonmajor
	Police	Firemens	Tax	Tax	Tax	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 342,393	\$ 310,650	\$ 677,410	\$ 1,330,453
Miscellaneous	29,650	41,064	447	17,462	7,722	96,345
Total Revenues	29,650	41,064	342,840	328,112	685,132	1,426,798
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
Police	11,971	-	-	-	-	11,971
Fire	-	46,644	-	-	-	46,644
Tourism Development	-	-	319,038	15,062	-	334,100
Debt Service						
Principal	-	-	-	91,547	297,667	389,214
Interest				8,453	27,484	35,937
Total Expenditures	11,971	46,644	319,038	115,062	325,151	817,866
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers In	3,000	-	-	-	-	3,000
Transfers Out	(19,500)	<u> </u>		(168,400)	(300,000)	(487,900)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(16,500)			(168,400)	(300,000)	(484,900)
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,179	(5,580)	23,802	44,650	59,981	124,032
Fund Balances, Beginning	49,500	10,853	314,290	625,583	443,747	1,443,973
Fund Balances, Ending	\$ 50,679	\$ 5,273	\$ 338,092	\$ 670,233	\$ 503,728	\$ 1,568,005

PROPRIETARY FUND

Enterprise Fund

Proprietary Funds are used to account for operation of the City (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business, where the intent is for the cost of providing goods or services to be recovered, in whole or in part, through user charges; or (b) where the City Council has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expense incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes. This fund consists of water and sewer operations in the City of Walterboro, and communities of Ruffin and Hendersonville. It also reports the revenues and expenses generated by the Sanitation Department.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - BUDGET AND ACTUAL PROPRIETARY FUND - BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
OPERATING REVENUES				
Charges for Services				
Water Sales	\$ 3,040,700	\$ 3,040,700	\$ 3,083,948	\$ 43,248
Sewer Charges	2,196,428	2,196,428	2,279,667	83,239
Sanitation Charges	350,500	350,500	346,792	(3,708)
Total Operating Revenues	5,587,628	5,587,628	5,710,407	122,779
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Costs of Sales and Services				
Water	1,909,871	1,909,871	1,879,211	30,660
Sewer	1,007,736	1,007,736	1,008,798	(1,062)
Sewer Support	517,775	517,775	484,893	32,882
Utility Support	355,337	355,337	364,436	(9,099)
Sanitation	417,385	417,385	350,949	66,436
Depreciation			1,192,836	(1,192,836)
Total Operating Expenses	4,208,104	4,208,104	5,281,123	(1,073,019)
Operating Income	1,379,524	1,379,524	429,284	(950,240)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Investment Income	64,000	64,000	126,259	62,259
Miscellaneous	28,920	28,920	31,596	2,676
Interest Expense	(1,110,466)	(1,110,466)	(734,830)	375,636
Bond Costs	-	-	(1,500)	(1,500)
Bank Charges			(9,175)	(9,175)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	(1,017,546)	(1,017,546)	(587,650)	429,896
Income Before Contributions and Transfers	361,978	361,978	(158,366)	(520,344)
Capital Contributions	-	-	11,526,796	11,526,796
Transfers In	158,572	158,572	282,453	123,881
Transfers Out	(620,550)	(620,550)	(400,000)	220,550
Change in Net Position	(100,000)	(100,000)	11,250,883	11,350,883
Net Position, Beginning	40,948,793	40,948,793	40,948,793	-
Prior Period Restatement	(32,848)	(32,848)	(32,848)	
Net Position, Ending	\$ 40,815,945	\$ 40,815,945	\$ 52,166,828	\$ 11,350,883

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA COMBINING SCHEDULE OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS - ENTERPRISE FUNDS JUNE 30, 2025

				Business-ty	pe Act	ivities	
	Wa	Valterboro iter, Sewer & Sanitation	R	uffin Water		dersonville er & Sewer	Total
ASSETS							
Current Assets							
Cash	\$	428,490	\$	683,441	\$	169,227	\$ 1,281,158
Receivables		5,245,579		9,153		2,806	5,257,538
Inventories		214,294				-	 214,294
Total Current Assets		5,888,363		692,594		172,033	 6,752,990
Noncurrent Assets							
Restricted Cash		2,103,597		-		-	2,103,597
Capital Assets, not being depreciated		39,251,248		-		-	39,251,248
Capital Assets, being depreciated		24,365,995		783,072		392,928	 25,541,995
Total Noncurrent Assets		65,720,840		783,072		392,928	 66,896,840
Total Assets	\$	71,609,203	\$	1,475,666	\$	564,961	\$ 73,649,830
LIABILITIES							
Current Liabilities							
Accounts Payable	\$	1,409,706	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,409,706
Salaries and Benefits Payable		70,005		-		-	70,005
Interest Payable		61,389		-		-	61,389
Current Portion of Long-term Liabilities		571,996		-		-	571,996
Unearned Revenues		207,981		-		-	207,981
Customer Deposits		428,494		-		-	428,494
Bond Anticipation Note Payable		10,625,985				_	 10,625,985
Total Current Liabilities		13,375,556		-		-	13,375,556
Noncurrent Liabilities							
Debt		8,004,905		-		-	8,004,905
Compensated Absences		102,541		_		-	102,541
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		8,107,446		-			 8,107,446
Total Liabilities		21,483,002		-			21,483,002
NET POSITION							
Unrestricted		(7,022,738)		692,594		172,033	(6,158,111)
Restricted		393,999		-		-	393,999
Net Investment in Capital Assets		56,754,940		783,072		392,928	 57,930,940
Total Net Position		50,126,201		1,475,666		564,961	 52,166,828
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$	71,609,203	\$	1,475,666	\$	564,961	\$ 73,649,830

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS - ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

				Business-ty	pe Act	tivities		
	Wa	Walterboro Iter, Sewer & Sanitation	R	Ruffin Water	Hendersonville Water & Sewer			Total
OPERATING REVENUES								
Charges for Services								
Water Sales	\$	3,015,024	\$	58,843	\$	10,081	\$	3,083,948
Sewer Charges		2,274,060		-		5,607		2,279,667
Sanitation Charges		346,792						346,792
Total Operating Revenues		5,635,876		58,843		15,688		5,710,407
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Costs of Sales and Services								
Water		1,854,684		19,364		5,163		1,879,211
Sewer		1,008,798		-		-		1,008,798
Sewer Support		484,893		-		-		484,893
Utility Support		359,680		3,755		1,001		364,436
Sanitation		350,949		-		-		350,949
Depreciation		1,151,665		27,125		14,046		1,192,836
Total Operating Expenses		5,210,669		50,244		20,210		5,281,123
Operating Income		425,207		8,599		(4,522)		429,284
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)								
Miscellaneous		31,596		-		-		31,596
Investment Income		126,259		-		-		126,259
Interest Expense		(734,830)		-		-		(734,830)
Bond Costs		(1,500)		-		-		(1,500)
Bank Charges		(9,175)		-				(9,175)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		(587,650)						(587,650)
Income Before Contributions and Transfers		(162,443)		8,599		(4,522)		(158,366)
Capital Contributions		11,526,796		-		-		11,526,796
Transfers In		282,453		-		-		282,453
Transfers Out		(400,000)		-				(400,000)
Change in Net Position		11,246,806		8,599		(4,522)		11,250,883
Net Position, Beginning		38,912,243		1,467,067		569,483		40,948,793
Prior Period Restatement		(32,848)						(32,848)
Net Position, Ending	\$	50,126,201	\$	1,475,666	\$	564,961	\$	52,166,828

COMPONENT UNITS

Major Component Units

Component Units are used to account for organizations that raise and hold economic resources for the direct benefit of the governmental unit and for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable.

Tourism Commission
 Accounts for funds received and expended for tourism in the

Walterboro area.

development in the Walterboro area.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA BALANCE SHEET COMPONENT UNITS - WALTERBORO TOURISM COMMISSION JUNE 30, 2025

	General			Total		
ASSETS						
Cash	\$	110,330	\$	110,330		
Receivables		50,186		50,186		
Total Assets	\$	160,516	\$	160,516		
LIABILITIES						
Total Liabilities	\$	12,227	\$	12,227		
FUND BALANCES						
Restricted		148,289		148,289		
Total Fund Balances		148,289		148,289		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	160,516	\$	160,516		

There are no reconciling items between the governmental funds balance sheet and the statement of net position.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES COMPONENT UNITS - WALTERBORO TOURISM COMMISSION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	General			Total		
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$	184,614	\$	\$ 184,614		
Miscellaneous		11,519	_	11,519	_	
Total Revenues		196,133		196,133		
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
Tourism Commission		163,277		163,277	_	
Total Expenditures		163,277		163,277	_	
Net Change in Fund Balances		32,856		32,856		
Fund Balances, Beginning		115,433		115,433		
Fund Balances, Ending	\$	148,289	\$	148,289	_	

There are no reconciling items between the change in net position for governmental activities and the change in fund balances for governmental funds.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA BALANCE SHEET COMPONENT UNITS - WALTERBORO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION JUNE 30, 2025

	Ge	eneral	Total		
ASSETS		_			
Cash	\$	27,248	\$	27,248	
Total Assets	\$	27,248	\$	27,248	
FUND BALANCES					
Unassigned	\$	27,248	\$	27,248	
Total Fund Balances		27,248		27,248	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	27,248	\$	27,248	

There are no reconciling items between the governmental funds balance sheet and the statement of net position.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES COMPONENT UNITS - WALTERBORO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Seneral	Total		
REVENUES				
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$	-	
Total Revenues	 			
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Tourism	 225		225	
Total Expenditures	225		225	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(225)		(225)	
Fund Balances, Beginning	27,473		27,473	
Fund Balances, Ending	\$ 27,248	\$	27,248	

There are no reconciling items between the change in net position for governmental activities and the change in fund balances for governmental funds.

CITY OF WALTERBORO UNIFORM SCHEDULE OF COURT FINES, ASSESSMENTS AND SURCHARGES (per ACT 96) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

FOR THE STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE:

COUNTY / MUNICIPAL FUNDS COLLECTED BY CLERK OF COURT	<u>General</u> Sessions	<u>Magistrate</u> <u>Court</u>	<u>Municipal</u> <u>Court</u>	<u>Total</u>
Court Fines and Assessments:				
Court fines and assessments collected			320,269	320,269
Court fines and assessments remitted to State Treasurer			162,263	162,263
Total Court Fines and Assessments retained			158,006	158,006
Surcharges and Assessments retained for victim services:				
Surcharges collected and retained			4,955	4,955
Assessments retained			16,269	16,269
Total Surcharges and Assessments retained for victim services			21,224	21,224

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION (DCVC)

VICTIM SERVICE FUNDS COLLECTED	<u>Municipal</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Total</u>
Carryforward from Previous Year – Beginning Balance	1,995		1,995
Victim Service Revenue:			
Victim Service Fines Retained by City/County Treasurer	-	-	-
Victim Service Assessments Retained by City/County Treasurer	16,269	-	16,269
Victim Service Surcharges Retained by City/County Treasurer	4,955	ı	4,955
Interest Earned	-	-	-
Grant Funds Received	-	-	-
Grant from:	-	-	-
General Funds Transferred to Victim Service Fund	-	-	-
Contribution Received from Victim Service Contracts:	-	-	-
(1) Town of	-	-	-
(2) Town of	-	-	-
(3) City of	-	-	-
Total Funds Allocated to Victim Service Fund + Beginning Balance (A)	23,219	_	23,219

CITY OF WALTERBORO UNIFORM SCHEDULE OF COURT FINES, ASSESSMENTS AND SURCHARGES (per ACT 96) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Expenditures for Victim Service Program:	Municipal	County	<u>Total</u>
Salaries and Benefits	-	-	-
Operating Expenditures	1,601	-	1,601
Victim Service Contract(s):			
(1) Entity's Name	-	-	-
(2) Entity's Name	-	-	-
Victim Service Donation(s):	-	-	-
(1) Domestic Violence Shelter:	-	-	-
(2) Rape Crisis Center:	-	-	-
(3) Other local direct crime victims service agency:		-	-
Transferred to General Fund	19,500	-	19,500
Total Expenditures from Victim Service Fund/Program (B)	21,101	-	21,101
Total Victim Service Funds Retained by Municipal/County Treasurer (A-B)	2,118	-	2,118
Less: Prior Year Fund Deficit Repayment	-	-	-
Carryforward Funds – End of Year	2,118	-	2,118



CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA

STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, notes disclosure, and required supplementary information says about the City's overall financial health.

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Demographic and Economic Information These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the City's financial activities take place and to help comparisons over time and with other governments.	101-102
Operating Information These schedules contain information about the City's operations and resources to help the reader understand how the City's financial information relates to the services the district provides and the activities it performs.	103-105

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

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA NET POSITION BY COMPONENTS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

					FISC	AL YEAR				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES										
Unrestricted	\$ (2,806,763)	\$ (3,147,767)	\$ (8,073,534)	\$ (8,592,818)	\$ (8,774,326)	\$ (7,076,070)	\$ (6,460,049)	\$ (6,169,486)	\$ (6,390,221)	\$ (5,977,614)
Restricted	781,910	1,028,324	3,136,260	1,995,852	1,123,605	1,228,562	1,965,116	3,166,275	3,555,984	3,061,313
Net Investment in Capital Assets	9,045,274	9,099,786	9,473,261	11,777,584	14,180,766	12,602,005	14,600,248	17,509,111	18,231,874	18,775,143
Total Governmental Activities Net Position	\$ 7,020,421	\$ 6,980,343	\$ 4,535,987	\$ 5,180,618	\$ 6,530,045	\$ 6,754,497	\$ 10,105,315	\$ 14,505,900	\$ 15,397,637	\$ 15,858,842
BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES										
Unrestricted	\$ 1,342,285	\$ 1,569,756	\$ 1,454,718	\$ 1,634,661	\$ 1,624,891	\$ 1,788,487	\$ 1,479,734	\$ 1,346,102	\$ (2,460,212)	\$ (6,158,111)
Restricted	214,926	1,784,545	316,184	323,353	328,162	328,325	311,463	323,956	343,930	393,999
Net Investment in Capital Assets	17,960,124	18,058,249	21,031,061	20,791,577	20,996,287	22,209,111	23,153,268	24,560,106	43,065,075	57,930,940
Total Business-type Activities Net Position	\$ 19,517,335	\$ 21,412,550	\$ 22,801,963	\$ 22,749,591	\$ 22,949,340	\$ 24,325,923	\$ 24,944,465	\$ 26,230,164	\$ 40,948,793	\$ 52,166,828
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT										
Unrestricted	\$ (1,464,478)	\$ (1,578,011)	\$ (6,618,816)	\$ (6,958,157)	\$ (7,149,435)	\$ (5,287,583)	\$ (4,980,315)	\$ (4,823,384)	\$ (8,850,433)	\$ (12,135,725)
Restricted	996,836	2,812,869	3,452,444	2,319,205	1,451,767	1,556,887	2,276,579	3,490,231	3,899,914	3,455,312
Net Investment in Capital Assets	27,005,398	27,158,035	30,504,322	32,569,161	35,177,053	34,811,116	37,753,516	42,069,217	61,296,949	76,706,083
Total Net Position	\$ 26,537,756	\$ 28,392,893	\$ 27,337,950	\$ 27,930,209	\$ 29,479,385	\$ 31,080,420	\$ 35,049,780	\$ 40,736,064	\$ 56,346,430	\$ 68,025,670

Source: City Audit Reports

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CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA CHANGES IN NET POSITION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(accrual basis of accounting)

		FISCAL YEAR								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Expenses										
Governmental Activities:										
Mayor/Council/Attorney/Judge	\$ 214,369	\$ 205,110	\$ 262,495	\$ 267,588	\$ 301,269	\$ 228,143	\$ 277,949	\$ 284,877	\$ 310,669	\$ 333,042
City Manager/City Clerk	237,284	275,356	400,555	390,936	418,648	376,673	336,928	378,158	411,866	405,779
Finance	417,915	352,254	359,865	386,869	414,441	421,870	440,498	402,755	411,813	382,876
Public Works	990,559	1,178,124	1,512,264	1,652,317	1,589,089	1,862,475	1,725,088	1,275,749	1,546,262	1,427,107
Planning and Development	261,833	176,955	162,593	224,125	200,055	175,670	172,602	218,526	198,945	216,166
Judicial	177,325	210,250	247,355	263,206	215,522	208,459	210,462	237,554	253,660	269,556
Police	2,584,037	2,784,237	2,939,744	3,007,067	2,999,446	3,034,078	2,976,726	3,151,336	3,660,553	3,773,004
Fire	1,179,975	1,332,419	1,389,024	1,367,812	1,419,196	1,439,812	1,467,964	1,563,280	1,643,950	1,669,274
Sanitation	496,128	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parks	555,763	611,094	474,504	580,713	637,001	646,771	567,016	831,954	721,467	952,972
Tourism	437,928	440,156	581,688	498,171	428,129	340,766	485,607	493,529	421,188	483,991
Housing Project	62	59	66	68	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wildlife Center	-	-	39,000	-	-	43,401	53,552	79,143	111,159	103,524
Administration	353,543	257,844	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest on Long-term Debt	92,025	76,000	73,008	118,945	106,856	91,593	70,792	70,011	64,605	53,847
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	7,998,746	7,899,858	8,442,161	8,757,817	8,729,652	8,869,711	8,785,184	8,986,872	9,756,137	10,071,138
Business-type Activities										
Water	1,179,967	1,405,744	1,292,462	1,253,161	1,396,882	1,355,688	1,478,600	1,595,326	1,892,575	2,358,877
Sewer	1,097,332	1,146,176	1,175,706	1,276,330	1,274,133	1,242,527	1,276,089	1,426,818	1,512,291	1,595,266
Sewer Support	321,292	296,326	302,905	331,022	317,713	350,891	404,836	406,682	423,016	484,893
Utility Support	197,870	308,279	311,432	385,368	338,880	428,792	537,134	550,718	876,997	1,109,941
Sanitation	-	530,106	540,378	573,423	416,858	324,123	435,453	449,800	512,642	477,651
Total Business Activities Expenses	2,796,461	3,686,631	3,622,883	3,819,304	3,744,466	3,702,021	4,132,112	4,429,344	5,217,521	6,026,628
Total Primary Government Expenses	10,795,207	11,586,489	12,065,044	12,577,121	12,474,118	12,571,732	12,917,296	13,416,216	14,973,658	16,097,766
Revenues										
Governmental Activities:										
Program Revenues										
Charges for Services:										
General Government	673,814	228,855	152,696	145,109	115,037	106,349	131,911	157,871	181,743	265,799
Operating Grants and Contributions	162,333	191,564	61,821	115,006	148,447	54,717	180,785	147,851	68,064	147,858
Capital Grants and Contributions	2,071,341	824,472	225,424	1,169,997	1,730,365	543,214	1,863,567	2,821,457	588,916	649,299
Total Governmental Activities Program Revenues	2,907,488	1,244,891	439,941	1,430,112	1,993,849	704,280	2,176,263	3,127,179	838,723	1,062,956
Business-Type Activities										
Charges for Services:										
Water	2,298,824	2,324,598	2,250,004	2,298,662	2,354,359	2,323,757	2,424,145	2,444,482	2,682,987	3,083,948
Sewer	1,347,548	1,370,321	1,340,906	1,436,440	1,507,349	1,496,357	1,551,581	1,697,256	1,765,128	2,279,667
Sanitation	_	434,146	432,983	491,623	395,297	300,550	339,518	346,691	348,040	346,792
Operating Grants and Contributions	-	_	-	-	-	-	116,417	124,241	31,026	31,596
Capital Grants and Contributions	132,428	1,225,276	1,580,683	264,088	304,288	1,495,736	1,060,019	1,529,796	15,376,847	11,526,796
Total Business-Type Activities Program Revenues	3,778,800	5,354,341	5,604,576	4,490,813	4,561,293	5,616,400	5,491,680	6,142,466	20,204,028	17,268,799
Total Primary Government Program Revenues	6,686,288	6,599,232	6,044,517	5,920,925	6,555,142	6,320,680	7,667,943	9,269,645	21,042,751	18,331,755
Net (Expense) Revenue										
Governmental Activities	(5,091,258)	(6,654,967)	(8,002,220)	(7,327,705)	(6,735,803)	_	(6,608,921)	(5,859,693)	(8,917,414)	(9,008,182)
Business-Type Activities	982,339	1,667,710	1,981,693	671,509	816,827	_	1,359,568	1,713,122	14,986,507	11,242,171
Total Primary Government Net Revenue / (Expense)	(4,108,919)	(4,987,257)	(6,020,527)	(6,656,196)	(5,918,976)		(5,249,353)	(4,146,571)	6,069,093	2,233,989
Total Filliary Government Net Revenue / (Expense)	(4, 100,919)	(4,901,201)	(0,020,027)	(0,000,190)	(0,810,810)		(0,248,303)	(4, 140, 37 1)	0,009,093	2,233,989

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA CHANGES IN NET POSITION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(accrual basis of accounting)

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
General Revenues										
Governmental Activities:										
Taxes	\$ 4,111,611	\$ 4,148,111	\$ 4,331,154	\$ 4,329,343	\$ 4,384,479	\$ 4,542,876	\$ 4,951,645	\$ 5,203,388	\$ 5,419,590	\$ 5,959,362
Business Licenses	2,278,734	2,341,419	2,441,825	2,390,513	2,493,340	2,408,425	2,696,789	2,727,729	3,199,514	3,017,129
Unrestricted Grants and Contributions	148,527	123,622	181,036	339,597	337,908	130,437	1,440,113	1,482,203	138,100	144,975
Investment Earnings	4,406	10,476	22,506	59,624	44,458	17,180	7,043	218,897	353,300	262,727
Miscellaneous	20,658	203,948	183,197	112,239	137,355	583,540	114,149	66,374	248,647	136,701
Transfers	167,915_	(212,690)	600,000	741,020	687,690	707,425	750,000	561,687	450,000	117,547
Total Government Activities	6,731,851	6,614,886	7,759,718	7,972,336	8,085,230	8,389,883	9,959,739	10,260,278	9,809,151	9,638,441
Business-Type Activities:										
Investment Earnings	1,232	2,570	5,470	17,139	21,237	8,661	8,974	134,264	182,122	126,259
Miscellaneous	-	12,245	2,250	-	49,375	160,968	-	-	-	-
Transfers	(167,915)	212,690	(600,000)	(741,020)	(687,690)	(707,425)	(750,000)	(561,687)	(450,000)	(117,547)
Total Business-Type Activities	(166,683)	227,505	(592,280)	(723,881)	(617,078)	(537,796)	(741,026)	(427,423)	(267,878)	8,712
Total Primary Government	6,565,168	6,842,391	7,167,438	7,248,455	7,468,152	7,852,087	9,218,713	9,832,855	9,541,273	9,647,153
Change In Net Position										
Prior Period Restatement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(201,902)
Governmental Activities	1,640,593	(40,081)	(242,502)	644,631	1,349,427	224,452	3,350,818	4,400,585	891,737	630,259
Business-Type Activities	815,656	1,895,215	1,389,413	(52,372)	199,749	1,376,583	618,542	1,285,699	14,718,629	11,250,883
Total Primary Government	2,456,249	1,855,134	1,146,911	592,259	1,549,176	1,601,035	3,969,360	5,686,284	15,610,366	11,679,240

Source: City Audit Reports

FY2025 Restatement for implementation of GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

FISCAL YEAR

					IIOOAL	- I LAIN				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
GENERAL FUND										
Unassigned	\$ 3,970,301	\$ 4,024,340	\$ 3,890,104	\$ 3,800,469	\$ 3,980,478	\$ 4,207,092	\$ 4,760,067	\$ 4,799,083	\$ 4,915,456	\$ 5,083,711
Nonspendable		<u>-</u> _	<u>-</u> _	214	<u>-</u> _	650		<u> </u>	750	<u> </u>
Total General Fund	3,970,301	4,024,340	3,890,104	3,800,683	3,980,478	4,207,742	4,760,067	4,799,083	4,916,206	5,083,711
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND										
Assigned	151,711	103,369	2,027,828	825,891	44,608	-	2,105,579	3,853,841	2,112,011	1,493,308
Restricted	3,581	3,581	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Projects Fund	155,292	106,950	2,027,828	825,891	44,608	-	2,105,579	3,853,841	2,112,011	1,493,308
ALL OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS										
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	40,061	-	-	-	-
Restricted	96,100	125,605	151,659	136,100	126,304	152,081	790,970	346,018	374,643	394,044
Committed	682,229	899,138	1,023,605	1,086,864	952,693	1,036,420	1,174,146	973,923	1,069,330	1,173,961
Total All Other Governmental Funds	778,329	1,024,743	1,175,264	1,222,964	1,078,997	1,228,562	1,965,116	1,319,941	1,443,973	1,568,005
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 4,903,922	\$ 5,156,033	\$ 7,093,196	\$ 5,849,538	\$ 5,104,083	\$ 5,436,304	\$ 8,830,762	\$ 9,972,865	\$ 8,472,190	\$ 8,145,024

Source: City Audit Reports

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CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

					FISCAI	L YEAR				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
_										
Revenues	* 4 404 054	A 0 507 445	A 0 700 004	A 0.704.050	A 0.050.504	A 0 074 074	A 7 000 007	A 7.005.550	A 0 500 040	A 0 050 007
Taxes	\$ 4,104,954	\$ 6,507,115	\$ 6,768,204	\$ 6,724,356	\$ 6,852,584	\$ 6,971,674	\$ 7,629,827	\$ 7,885,552	\$ 8,590,912	\$ 9,053,987
Fines, Fees, and Licenses	2,952,748	228,855	152,696	145,109	115,037	106,349	131,911	147,121	181,743	265,799
Intergovernmental	118,159	123,622	121,924	123,424	127,984	130,437	125,602	131,552	138,100	144,975
Miscellaneous	2,288,910	1,230,460	552,060	1,699,517	2,270,549	1,198,651	3,516,196	4,615,980	1,258,927	1,196,585
Total Revenues	9,464,771	8,090,052	7,594,884	8,692,406	9,366,154	8,407,111	11,403,536	12,780,205	10,169,682	10,661,346
Expenditures										
Current:										
Mayor/Council/Attorney/Judge	213,872	197,444	244,547	246,993	284,614	208,159	257,240	275,743	290,784	326,022
City Manager/City Clerk	226,345	249,319	352,913	354,893	377,700	348,209	334,316	379,484	401,502	412,505
Finance	403,630	324,552	323,197	346,098	378,238	380,513	415,550	385,666	382,311	360,858
Public Works	832,632	888,600	929,780	1,109,280	1,067,938	1,285,020	1,291,171	1,084,835	1,222,800	1,128,696
Planning and Development	261,735	167,610	152,367	215,456	190,397	167,385	171,845	219,995	198,410	218,771
Judicial	176,790	197,665	230,322	248,204	204,268	198,387	213,066	239,569	251,128	271,597
Police	2,340,922	2,369,771	2,440,538	2,621,227	2,667,209	2,711,982	2,844,655	3,059,360	3,471,740	3,742,340
Fire	1,130,272	1,188,079	1,207,146	1,190,455	1,249,721	1,282,271	1,408,083	1,517,945	1,539,030	1,636,275
Sanitation	400,243	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parks	409,639	436,332	406,793	397,593	449,839	470,290	401,071	487,174	525,392	640,052
Tourism	434,783	431,692	576,018	481,949	424,878	336,197	487,056	494,779	424,725	486,081
Housing Project	62	59	66	68	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wildlife Center	-	-	39,000	-	-	43,401	53,552	80,002	111,765	104,688
Administrative	272,486	268,405	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service										
Principal	516,797	490,356	575,340	602,247	538,003	505,682	2,411,574	492,786	580,663	597,121
Interest	91,310	75,058	68,679	120,100	108,569	93,427	73,712	62,249	67,708	57,094
Capital Outlay	2,453,607	1,019,351	855,970	2,742,521	2,857,925	751,392	2,396,187	3,832,143	2,679,234	1,142,115
Total Expenditures	10,165,125	8,304,293	8,402,676	10,677,084	10,799,299	8,782,315	12,759,078	12,611,730	12,147,192	11,124,215
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over										
(under) expenditures	(700,354)	(214,241)	(807,792)	(1,984,678)	(1,433,145)	(375,204)	(1,355,542)	168,475	(1,977,510)	(462,869)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Issuance of Debt	-	372,760	2,144,952	_	-	_	4,000,000	411,941	26,835	18,156
Transfers In	1,049,000	810,079	862,800	997,624	970,690	986,825	1,027,000	879,487	901,500	906,557
Transfers Out	(881,085)	(716,484)	(262,800)	(256,604)	(283,000)	(279,400)	(277,000)	(317,800)	(451,500)	(789,010)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	167,915	466,355	2,744,952	741,020	687,690	707,425	4,750,000	973,628	476,835	135,703
Net Change in Fund Balances	(532,439)	252,114	1,937,160	(1,243,658)	(745,455)	332,221	3,394,458	1,142,103	(1,500,675)	(327,166)
Fund Balances, Beginning	5,436,361	4,903,922	5,156,036	7,093,196	5,849,538	5,104,083	5,436,304	8,830,762	9,972,865	8,472,190
Fund Balances, Ending	\$ 4,903,922	\$ 5,156,036	\$ 7,093,196	\$ 5,849,538	\$ 5,104,083	\$ 5,436,304	\$ 8,830,762	\$ 9,972,865	\$ 8,472,190	\$ 8,145,024
Debt service as a percentage of										
noncapital expenditures	7.9%	7.8%	8.5%	9.1%	8.1%	7.5%	24.0%	6.3%	6.8%	6.6%

Source: City Audit Reports

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA ASSESSED VALUE AND ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR										TOTAL DIRECT
ENDED		ASSESSED VALUE	MARKET VALUE							TAX
JUNE 30,	REAL PROPERTY	PERSONAL PROPERTY	 TOTAL	REAL PROPERTY		PERSONAL PROPERTY		TOTAL		RATE
2016	\$ 20,021,620	\$ 5,883,870	\$ 25,905,490	\$	446,377,474	\$	69,725,050	\$	516,102,524	88.00
2017	23,952,370	6,083,520	30,035,890		497,357,662		70,651,672		568,009,334	88.00
2018*	25,104,690	6,310,000	31,414,690		498,656,981		73,909,700		572,566,681	86.40
2019	25,954,110	6,052,300	32,006,410		512,754,225		69,833,380		582,587,605	86.40
2020	23,259,675	6,490,078	29,749,753		403,703,063		74,517,774		478,220,837	86.40
2021	24,141,288	6,210,079	30,351,367		419,625,303		68,863,341		488,488,644	86.40
2022*	25,350,506	7,054,459	32,404,965		435,104,543		81,613,645		516,718,188	86.40
2023	26,682,927	6,506,530	33,189,457		464,291,538		76,395,058		540,686,596	86.40
2024	28,047,890	8,505,550	36,553,440		493,493,766		93,328,541		586,822,307	86.40
2025	28,693,970	8,401,480	37,095,450		500,016,140		100,626,985		600,643,125	99.86

^{*} Reassessment Year.

Data Source: Colleton County Auditor's Office

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING PROPERTY TAX RATES LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

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FISCAL	DIRECT RATES		PING RATES						
YEAR		COUNTY							
ENDED	CITY	COUNTY	DEBT	SCHOOL	DEBT				
JUNE 30,	OPERATIONS	OPERATIONS	SERVICE	OPERATIONS	SERVICE				
2016	88.00	108	7	104	47				
2017	88.00	115	10	110	50				
2018	86.40	115	10	110	50				
2019	86.40	116	10	113	55				
2020	86.40	116	10	116	55				
2021	86.40	116	10	116	55				
2022	86.40	116	10	116	55				
2023	86.40	116	10	116	55				
2024	86.40	119	10	116	55				
2025	99.86	119	10	116	55				

Source: County Auditor's Office

There are no components to the city's basic rate.

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CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS CURRENT YEAR AND TEN YEARS AGO

Schedule 7

			2025			2016			
				PERCENTAGE				PERCENTAGE	
				OF TOTAL CITY				OF TOTAL CITY	
	1	TAXABLE		TAXABLE	-	TAXABLE		TAXABLE	
	Α	SSESSED		ASSESSED	ASSESSED			ASSESSED	
TAXPAYER	VALUE		RANK	VALUE		VALUE	RANK	VALUE	
WALTERBORO COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	\$	1,570,510	1	4.23%	\$	702,000	3	3.66%	
DOMINION ENERGY SC		1,376,970	2	3.71%		1,264,310	1	6.59%	
J H HIERS CONSTRUCTION LLC		947,540	3	2.55%		-			
WAL-MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS TRUST		735,000	4	1.98%		765,000	2	3.99%	
DECORUM WALTERBORO LLC SC		566,090	5	1.53%		-		0.00%	
HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES INC		421,460	6	1.14%					
NAMAN WALTERBORO, LLC		394,760	7	1.06%					
WALTERBORO SAV/ LLC		391,800	8	1.06%		387,300	4	2.02%	
J & L WIRE CLOTH LLC		378,050	9	1.02%		-			
FOREST POINTE APTS LLC		375,180	10	1.01%		300,000	6	1.56%	
PLANT VENTURES LLC				0.00%					
PECK SLIP ASSOCIATES GROUP LLC		-		0.00%		339,120	5	1.77%	
VERIZON SOUTH INC.		-		0.00%		268,290	7	1.40%	
WAL MART STORES EAST		-		0.00%		214,240	8	1.12%	
SOUTH CAROLINA RSA #8 DO 691		-		0.00%		234,000	9	1.22%	
COMCAST CABLEVISION OF CAROLINA INC.				0.00%		228,840	10	1.19%	
Total	\$	7,157,360		19.58%	\$	4,703,100	_	24.52%	

Source: Colleton County Auditor's Office

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL		COLLECTED	WITHIN THE			
YEAR	TAXES LEVIED	FISCAL YEAR	OF THE LEVY	COLLECTIONS	TOTAL COLLECT	TIONS TO DATE
ENDED	FOR THE		PERCENTAGE	IN SUBSEQUENT	•	PERCENTAGE
JUNE 30,	FISCAL YEAR	AMOUNT	OF LEVY YEARS		AMOUNT	OF LEVY
2016	\$ 1,657,630	\$ 1,473,323	88.9	\$ 88,220	\$ 1,561,543	94.2 %
2017	1,621,017	1,465,507	90.4	58,126	1,523,633	94.0
2018	1,703,024	1,515,861	89.0	38,002	1,553,863	91.2
2019	1,698,811	1,541,415	90.7	65,130	1,606,545	94.6
2020	1,774,619	1,627,119	91.7	53,545	1,680,664	94.7
2021	1,791,439	1,662,569	92.8	37,935	1,700,504	94.9
2022	1,770,486	1,682,174	95.0	43,912	1,726,086	97.5
2023	1,665,083	1,534,510	92.2	69,443	1,603,953	96.3
2024	1,856,646	1,752,289	94.4	36,890	1,789,179	96.4
2025	2,414,771	2,237,857	92.7	37,896	2,275,753	94.2

Source: City Finance Office, County Auditor, County Treasurer

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

		GOV	ERNMENTAL ACT	TIVITIES		BUSINESS-T	YPE ACTIVITIES						
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,	REVENUE BOND			NOTES GENERAL PAYABLE OBLIGATION		REVENUE LEASES BOND		TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT	PERCENTAGE OF PERSONAL INCOME	PER CAPITA			
2016	\$ 609,025	\$ 681,789	\$ 292,880	\$ 1,299,360	\$ -	\$ 3,412,821	\$ -	\$ 6,295,875	19.70	\$ 1,193			
2017	489,571	548,063	446,896	1,135,737	-	4,568,975	104,539	7,293,781	22.02	1,378.01			
2018	2,366,392	410,167	445,837	967,483	-	4,206,429	63,227	8,459,535	24.62	1,651.93			
2019	2,178,944	268,888	345,338	794,463	-	3,804,091	260,290	7,652,014	22.28	1,233.17			
2020	1,990,739	123,834	242,749	692,307	-	3,392,306	194,231	6,636,166	18.59	1,223.03			
2021	1,819,408	-	137,951	586,588	-	9,940,785	384,172	12,868,904	37.01	2,371.71			
2022	3,594,700	-	-	477,178	-	9,544,945	321,226	13,938,049	41.03	2,514.08			
2023	3,215,143	-	411,941	363,950	-	9,111,082	194,744	13,296,860	36.13	2,398.42			
2024	2,830,743	-	334,831	246,770	24,862	8,668,163	96,499	12,201,868	26.46	2,200.91			
2025	2,441,528	-	254,980	125,500	36,233	8,216,064	355,838	11,430,143	23.63	2,061.71			

Source: City Audit Report, US Census Bureau

Note: Details of the City's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

See schedule 14 for personal income and population.

These ratios are calculated using personal income and population for the prior calendar year.

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA RATIOS OF GENERAL BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL						
YEAR	(GENERAL	PERCENTAGE			
ENDED	OF	BLIGATION	OF ACTUAL			
JUNE 30,	BONDS		BONDS TAXABLE VALUE		TAXABLE VALUE	PER CAPITA
2016	\$	1,299,360	5.0%	246		
2017		1,135,737	3.8%	215		
2018		967,483	3.1%	189		
2019		794,463	2.5%	145		
2020		692,307	2.3%	128		
2021		586,588	1.9%	108		
2022		477,178	1.5%	86		
2023		363,950	1.1%	66		
2024		246,770	0.7%	45		
2025		125,500	0.3%	23		

Source: City Audit Report

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DEBT AS OF JUNE 30, 2025

ou	DEBT ITSTANDING	ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE APPLICABLE	•	STIMATED SHARE OF /ERLAPPING DEBT
\$	51,228,144	20.00%	\$	10,245,629
	8,314,229	20.00%		1,662,846
	52 763 531	20.00%		10,552,706
	02,700,001	20.0070		10,552,760
	112,305,904			22,461,181
	2 858 241	100 00%		2,858,241
	2,000,241	100.0070		2,300,241
\$	115,164,145		\$	25,319,422
		\$ 51,228,144 8,314,229 52,763,531 112,305,904 2,858,241	DEBT OUTSTANDING PERCENTAGE APPLICABLE \$ 51,228,144 20.00% 8,314,229 20.00% 52,763,531 20.00% 112,305,904 2,858,241 100.00%	ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE OVER

Sources: Colleton County Treasurer, Colleton County School District

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

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2024

 Assessed Value
 \$ 37,095,450

 Debt limit (8% of assessed value)
 2,967,636

 Debt applicable to limit:
 General Obligation Bonds
 (125,500)

 Total net debt applicable to limit
 (125,500)

 Legal Debt Margin
 \$ 2,842,136

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Debt Limit	\$ 2,072,439	\$ 2,072,439	\$ 2,513,175	\$ 2,560,513	\$ 2,377,846	\$ 2,484,102	\$ 2,583,948	\$ 2,611,802	\$ 2,944,314	\$ 2,967,636
Total net debt applicable to limit	(1,299,360)	(1,299,360)	(967,483)	(794,463)	(692,307)	(586,588)	(477,178)	(363,950)	(246,770)	(125,500)
Legal debt margin	\$ 773,079	\$ 773,079	\$ 1,545,692	\$ 1,766,050	\$ 1,685,539	\$ 1,897,514	\$ 2,106,770	\$ 2,247,852	\$ 2,697,544	\$ 2,842,136
Total net debt applicable to limit as a percentage		62.7%	29.5%	21.0%	20.1%	22.6%	19 50/	12.0%	9 40/	4.2%
to limit as a percentage of debt limit	62.7%	62.7%	38.5%	31.0%	29.1%	23.6%	18.5%	13.9%	8.4%	

Under state finance law, the City's outstanding general obligation debt should not exceed 8 percent of the total assessed property value.

Source: City Audit Report

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA PLEDGED-REVENUE COVERAGE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

REVENUE BONDS

				IOL DONDO					
						DEBT S	ERVICE		
 GROSS REVENUE	-				PF	RINCIPAL	_ IN	TEREST	COVERAGE
\$ 3,680,572	\$	1,989,553	\$	1,691,019	\$	338,948	\$	79,762	4.0
4,129,065		2,715,206		1,413,859		364,498		74,024	3.2
4,023,893		2,652,214		1,371,679		362,546		77,425	3.1
4,226,725		2,748,587		1,478,138		402,337		81,776	3.1
4,257,005		2,665,400		1,591,605		411,786		72,327	3.3
4,120,664		2,530,013		1,590,651		421,521		62,592	3.3
4,315,244		2,825,072		1,490,172		395,840		233,132	2.4
4,488,429		3,095,055		1,393,374		433,863		226,782	2.1
4,796,155		3,535,899		1,260,256		442,919		217,287	1.9
5,710,407		4,088,287		1,622,120		452,100		207,538	2.5
	\$ 3,680,572 4,129,065 4,023,893 4,226,725 4,257,005 4,120,664 4,315,244 4,488,429 4,796,155	REVENUE E \$ 3,680,572 \$ 4,129,065 4,023,893 4,226,725 4,257,005 4,120,664 4,315,244 4,488,429 4,796,155	REVENUE EXPENSES \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 4,129,065 2,715,206 4,023,893 2,652,214 4,226,725 2,748,587 4,257,005 2,665,400 4,120,664 2,530,013 4,315,244 2,825,072 4,488,429 3,095,055 4,796,155 3,535,899	GROSS REVENUE OPERATING EXPENSES A \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 \$ 4,129,065 2,715,206 4,023,893 2,652,214 4,226,725 2,748,587 4,257,005 2,665,400 4,120,664 2,530,013 4,315,244 2,825,072 4,488,429 3,095,055 4,796,155 3,535,899	GROSS REVENUE OPERATING EXPENSES AVAILABLE REVENUE \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 \$ 1,691,019 4,129,065 2,715,206 1,413,859 4,023,893 2,652,214 1,371,679 4,226,725 2,748,587 1,478,138 4,257,005 2,665,400 1,591,605 4,120,664 2,530,013 1,590,651 4,315,244 2,825,072 1,490,172 4,488,429 3,095,055 1,393,374 4,796,155 3,535,899 1,260,256	GROSS REVENUE OPERATING EXPENSES AVAILABLE REVENUE PERIOR \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 \$ 1,691,019 \$ 1,413,859 4,129,065 2,715,206 1,413,859 4,023,893 2,652,214 1,371,679 4,226,725 2,748,587 1,478,138 4,257,005 2,665,400 1,591,605 4,120,664 2,530,013 1,590,651 4,315,244 2,825,072 1,490,172 4,488,429 3,095,055 1,393,374 4,796,155 3,535,899 1,260,256	GROSS REVENUE OPERATING EXPENSES AVAILABLE REVENUE PRINCIPAL \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 \$ 1,691,019 \$ 338,948 4,129,065 2,715,206 1,413,859 364,498 4,023,893 2,652,214 1,371,679 362,546 4,226,725 2,748,587 1,478,138 402,337 4,257,005 2,665,400 1,591,605 411,786 4,120,664 2,530,013 1,590,651 421,521 4,315,244 2,825,072 1,490,172 395,840 4,488,429 3,095,055 1,393,374 433,863 4,796,155 3,535,899 1,260,256 442,919	GROSS REVENUE OPERATING EXPENSES AVAILABLE REVENUE PRINCIPAL IN \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 \$ 1,691,019 \$ 338,948 \$ 4,129,065 2,715,206 1,413,859 364,498 4,023,893 2,652,214 1,371,679 362,546 4,226,725 2,748,587 1,478,138 402,337 4,257,005 2,665,400 1,591,605 411,786 4,120,664 2,530,013 1,590,651 421,521 4,315,244 2,825,072 1,490,172 395,840 4,488,429 3,095,055 1,393,374 433,863 4,796,155 3,535,899 1,260,256 442,919	GROSS REVENUE OPERATING EXPENSES AVAILABLE REVENUE PRINCIPAL INTEREST \$ 3,680,572 \$ 1,989,553 \$ 1,691,019 \$ 338,948 \$ 79,762 4,129,065 2,715,206 1,413,859 364,498 74,024 4,023,893 2,652,214 1,371,679 362,546 77,425 4,226,725 2,748,587 1,478,138 402,337 81,776 4,257,005 2,665,400 1,591,605 411,786 72,327 4,120,664 2,530,013 1,590,651 421,521 62,592 4,315,244 2,825,072 1,490,172 395,840 233,132 4,488,429 3,095,055 1,393,374 433,863 226,782 4,796,155 3,535,899 1,260,256 442,919 217,287

Source: City Audit Report

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR			RSONAL COME		PER CAPITA				
ENDED		(tho	ousands	PERSONAL		MEDIAN	SCHOOL	UNEMPLOYMENT	
JUNE 30,	POPULATION	of	of dollars)		INCOME	AGE	ENROLLMENT*	RATE	
2016	5,278	\$	31,966	\$	18,436	41.3	2,310	6.50	%
2017	5,293		33,120		19,839	42.5	2,167	6.50	
2018	5,121		34,362		19,179	44.1	2,242	6.10	
2019	5,468		34,345		20,302	42.5	2,246	3.50	
2020	5,426		35,697		19,213	37.3	2,197	8.20	
2021	5,426		34,773		22,113	38.4	1,828	4.70	
2022	5,544		33,969		21,436	34.8	2,034	3.60	
2023	5,544		36,806		23,060	36.5	1,767	3.40	
2024	5,544		46,119		25,507	40.4	1,970	4.70	
2025	5,544		48,366		26,800	40.5	2,212	4.70	

Data Source:

- (1) US Bureau of the Census
- (2) US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis
- (3) Lowcountry Council of Governments
- (4) South Carolina Department of Education middle school moved out of city limits accounting for drastic enrollment drop.
- (5) South Carolina Employment Security Commission

^{*}Includes county residents until 2011 when students were re-assigned out of the City limits.

Schedule 15

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS CURRENT YEAR AND TEN YEARS AGO

		2025		2016					
			PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL CITY			PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL CITY			
EMPLOYER	EMPLOYEES	RANK	EMPLOYMENT	EMPLOYEES	RANK	EMPLOYMENT			
Colleton County School Board	808	1	5.1%	900	1	5.9%			
Colleton County	305	2	1.9%	462	3	3.0%			
Walmart	327	3	2.1%	400	4	2.6%			
Colleton Medical Center	297	4	1.9%	480	2	3.1%			
Veterans Victory House	248	5	1.6%	-	0	0.0%			
City of Walterboro	107	6	0.7%	142	5	0.9%			
Cracker Barrel	107	7	0.7%	110	6	0.7%			
Pioneer Boats	106	8	0.7%	-	0	0.0%			
Food Lion/BiLo	65	9	0.4%	98	7	0.6%			
Carolina Visuals	58	10	0.4%	-	0	0.0%			
DOT	-	-	0.0%	75	8	0.5%			
Reid's	-	-	0.0%	65	9	0.4%			
Ruby Tuesday	-	-	0.0%	57	10	0.4%			
Total	2,428		15.2%	2,789		18.2%			

Source: City Finance Department

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CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT CITY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	FISCAL YEAR												
FUNCTION/PROGRAM	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025			
Mayor/Council/Attorney/Judge	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0			
City Manager/City Clerk	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0			
Finance	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0			
Public Works	11.5	11.5	12.0	12.0	11.5	11.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0			
Planning and Development	4.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0			
Police	36.0	36.0	36.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	31.0	32.0	32.0	30.0			
Judicial	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0			
Fire	14.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0			
Sanitation	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0			
Parks	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	7.0	7.0	7.0			
Tourism	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0			
Water	9.5	9.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	10.0	12.0	13.0			
Utility Support	2.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0			
Sewer	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0			
Sewer Support	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0			
Total	119.5	121.5	121.5	117.5	116.0	112.5	110.0	113.0	115.0	114.0			

*Note: Figures are for Full Time Equivalents (FTE's)

Source: City Human Resources

CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	FISCAL YEAR															
		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	 2021	2022	2023	2024	_	2025
Business Licenses																
NUMBERS ISSUED		1,017		1,016		957		1,052		1,009	1,310	1,278	1,126	1,295		1,336
Sales Reported for Licenses*	\$	609,080	\$	621,592	\$	615,862	\$	709,087	\$	925,026	\$ 706,157	\$ 865,338	\$ 802,281	\$ 1,124,517	\$	849,814
Commercial Building Permits Issued																
NUMBERS ISSUED		56		67		57		52		60	53	23	52	28		44
Sales Reported for Permits Issued*	\$	4,656	\$	3,663	\$	3,910	\$	16,128	\$	21,333	\$ 24,187	\$ 21,830	\$ 45,101	\$ 137,250	\$	10,153,059
Residential Building Permits Issued																
NUMBERS ISSUED		121		102		87		88		44	155	134	119	53		109
Sales Reported for Permits Issued*	\$	852	\$	1,234	\$	1,175	\$	1,154	\$	10,511	\$ 20,243	\$ 33,152	\$ 19,663	\$ 17,938	\$	3,887,963

^{*} Figures are per \$1,000 USD Source: Various City Departments

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CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA CAPITAL ASSETS STATISTICS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

_	FISCAL YEAR										
FUNCTION/PROGRAM	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
EMERGENCY SERVICES:											
NUMBER OF FIRE STATIONS	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
NUMBER OF FIRE TRUCKS	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	
NUMBER OF POLICE STATIONS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
NUMBER OF POLICE VEHICLES	38	36	34	34	35	35	40	35	37	33	
PUBLIC WORKS											
NUMBER OF GARBAGE TRUCKS	6	6	6	5	3	3	3	3	4	5	
WATER/SEWER											
MILES OF PIPE IN GROUND											
WATER	291	291	291	291	291	291	291	291	292	292	
SEWER	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	79	79	

Source: City capital asset records.





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

To the Mayor and City Council City of Walterboro, South Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Walterboro, South Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City of Walterboro, South Carolina's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 15, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered City of Walterboro, South Carolina's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purposes of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Walterboro, South Carolina's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Walterboro, South Carolina'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 to 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of This Report

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

The Baird Audit Group, LLC Certified Public Accountants

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