

Special-Purpose Financial Statements

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

*Year Ended September 30, 2015
with Independent Auditors' Report*

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Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Special-Purpose Financial Statements
Year ended September 30, 2015

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Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Special-Purpose Financial Statements

Year Ended September 30, 2015

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (the Board), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida as of September 30, 2015, the results of each of the major funds' changes in financial position, where applicable, the cash flows thereof, and the respective budgetary comparison statements of the major funds for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the special-purpose financial statements, the accompanying special-purpose financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying special-purpose financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of the major funds, the proprietary fund and the agency funds of the Board, and only that portion that is attributable to the transactions of the Board. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Leon County, Florida, as of September 30, 2015, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures of Funds Related to the Deepwater Horizon Spill (the Schedule) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule 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. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures of Funds Related to the Deepwater Horizon Spill is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report, on our consideration of the Board's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters under the heading *Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Board's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Thomas Howell Ferguson P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida
February 22, 2016



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Tallahassee, Florida

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
September 30, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Fine & Forfeiture Fund</u>	<u>Grants Fund</u>	<u>Fire Rescue Services Fund</u>
Assets				
Cash	\$ 13,352,273	\$ 0	\$ 116,585	\$ 0
Investments	30,056,256	1,394,012	4,776,030	2,757,968
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles):				
Accounts	194,774	6,402	1,352	4,392
Special assessments	0	0	0	0
Due from other governments	1,421,700	0	1,034,115	0
Due from other funds	97,063	0	0	0
Due from other county units	370,426	742,569	11,831	640
Inventories	256,576	0	0	0
Other assets	11,750	0	0	0
Total assets	<u>\$ 45,760,818</u>	<u>\$ 2,142,983</u>	<u>\$ 5,939,913</u>	<u>\$ 2,763,000</u>
Liabilities and fund balances				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,901,679	\$ 15,943	\$ 31,239	\$ 0
Accrued liabilities	314,666	0	2,112	0
Due to other governments	5,441	0	0	1,634,276
Due to other funds	0	0	0	0
Due to other county units	81,045	0	37,929	0
Deposits	45,010	286,439	0	0
Revenue received in advance	0	0	4,349,143	0
Total liabilities	<u>2,347,841</u>	<u>302,382</u>	<u>4,420,423</u>	<u>1,634,276</u>
Fund balances:				
Nonspendable	268,326	0	0	0
Restricted	0	0	1,519,490	0
Committed	6,511,947	276,090	0	1,128,724
Assigned	7,271,200	1,564,511	0	0
Unassigned	29,361,504	0	0	0
Total fund balances	<u>43,412,977</u>	<u>1,840,601</u>	<u>1,519,490</u>	<u>1,128,724</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 45,760,818</u>	<u>\$ 2,142,983</u>	<u>\$ 5,939,913</u>	<u>\$ 2,763,000</u>

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

Special Assessment Paving Fund	Capital Improvement Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Component Unit - Housing Finance Authority of Leon County	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 231,658	\$ 5,295,933	\$ 2,065,588	\$ 671,550	\$ 21,733,587
0	14,949,091	52,504,316	0	106,437,673
32,398	126,826	4,535,958	0	4,902,102
1,702,459	0	10	10	1,702,479
0	0	1,866,149	0	4,321,964
0	0	0	0	97,063
0	0	390,529	0	1,515,995
0	0	0	0	256,576
0	0	10,200	0	21,950
<u>\$ 1,966,515</u>	<u>\$ 20,371,850</u>	<u>\$ 61,372,750</u>	<u>\$ 671,560</u>	<u>\$ 140,989,389</u>
\$ 0	\$ 281,898	\$ 1,915,898	\$ 105	\$ 4,146,762
0	0	500,952	0	817,730
0	0	75,064	0	1,714,781
0	0	24,841	0	24,841
0	0	0	0	118,974
0	149,925	122,039	0	603,413
1,702,459	0	425,580	0	6,477,182
<u>1,702,459</u>	<u>431,823</u>	<u>3,064,374</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>13,903,683</u>
0	0	10,200	0	278,526
0	19,940,027	40,957,310	671,455	63,088,282
264,056	0	17,152,822	0	25,333,639
0	0	188,044	0	9,023,755
0	0	0	0	29,361,504
<u>264,056</u>	<u>19,940,027</u>	<u>58,308,376</u>	<u>671,455</u>	<u>127,085,706</u>
<u>\$ 1,966,515</u>	<u>\$ 20,371,850</u>	<u>\$ 61,372,750</u>	<u>\$ 671,560</u>	<u>\$ 140,989,389</u>

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances -
Governmental Funds

Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Fine & Forfeiture Fund</u>	<u>Grants Fund</u>	<u>Fire Rescue Services Fund</u>	<u>Special Assessment Paving Fund</u>
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 47,330,896	\$ 67,860,491	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Licenses and permits	0	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental	20,230,914	19,191	3,467,825	0	0
Charges for services	1,798,542	896,344	119,228	7,161,671	0
Fines and forfeitures	0	189,456	0	0	0
Interest	572,228	186,573	3,877	26,020	45,311
Net (decrease) increase in fair value of investments	48,405	1,995	7,390	4,899	0
Miscellaneous	967,479	0	382,728	0	272,225
Total revenues	<u>70,948,464</u>	<u>69,154,050</u>	<u>3,981,048</u>	<u>7,192,590</u>	<u>317,536</u>
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	11,698,591	0	0	0	0
Public safety	2,286,740	0	442,655	6,891,326	0
Physical environment	2,299,570	0	1,244,103	0	0
Transportation	0	0	2,008,744	0	0
Economic environment	1,868,353	0	44,355	0	0
Human services	7,928,448	100,330	137,188	0	0
Culture and recreation	6,344,382	0	142,436	0	0
Judicial	6,452,333	1,602,992	24,694	0	0
Debt Service:					
Principal retirement	0	0	0	0	0
Interest and fiscal charges	0	0	0	0	0
Total expenditures	<u>38,878,417</u>	<u>1,703,322</u>	<u>4,044,175</u>	<u>6,891,326</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>32,070,047</u>	<u>67,450,728</u>	<u>(63,127)</u>	<u>301,264</u>	<u>317,536</u>
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in	3,579,301	539,817	145,859	0	0
Refunding bonds issued	0	0	0	0	0
Payment to refunding bond escrow agent	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers out	<u>(32,000,168)</u>	<u>(69,333,263)</u>	<u>(121,155)</u>	<u>(33,793)</u>	<u>(313,907)</u>
Total other financing (uses) sources	<u>(28,420,867)</u>	<u>(68,793,446)</u>	<u>24,704</u>	<u>(33,793)</u>	<u>(313,907)</u>
Net change in fund balances	3,649,180	(1,342,718)	(38,423)	267,471	3,629
Fund balances at beginning of year	<u>39,763,797</u>	<u>3,183,319</u>	<u>1,557,913</u>	<u>861,253</u>	<u>260,427</u>
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 43,412,977</u>	<u>\$ 1,840,601</u>	<u>\$ 1,519,490</u>	<u>\$ 1,128,724</u>	<u>\$ 264,056</u>

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Capital Improvement Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Component Unit - Housing Finance Authority of Leon County	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 0	\$ 32,964,303	\$ 0	\$ 148,155,690
0	2,217,507	0	2,217,507
0	5,580,468	8,674	29,307,072
0	12,145,854	83,961	22,205,600
0	270,160	0	459,616
219,540	619,389	6,691	1,679,629
25,415	90,858	0	178,962
0	2,572,952	0	4,195,384
<u>244,955</u>	<u>56,461,491</u>	<u>99,326</u>	<u>208,399,460</u>
3,005,715	2,777,990	0	17,482,296
113,528	24,712,168	0	34,446,417
1,415,349	8,754,840	0	13,713,862
848,504	19,167,290	0	22,024,538
10,883	3,525,740	78,288	5,527,619
0	1,511,932	0	9,677,898
1,667,493	7,481,463	0	15,635,774
255,426	251,846	0	8,587,291
0	706,605	0	706,605
0	1,376,864	0	1,376,864
<u>7,316,898</u>	<u>70,266,738</u>	<u>78,288</u>	<u>129,179,164</u>
<u>(7,071,943)</u>	<u>(13,805,247)</u>	<u>21,038</u>	<u>79,220,296</u>
1,107,834	21,777,520	0	27,150,331
0	13,692,000	0	13,692,000
0	(20,468,276)	0	(20,468,276)
(21,830)	(7,021,926)	0	(108,846,042)
<u>1,086,004</u>	<u>7,979,318</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(88,471,987)</u>
(5,985,939)	(5,825,929)	21,038	(9,251,691)
<u>25,925,966</u>	<u>64,134,305</u>	<u>650,417</u>	<u>136,337,397</u>
<u>\$ 19,940,027</u>	<u>\$ 58,308,376</u>	<u>\$ 671,455</u>	<u>\$ 127,085,706</u>

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds
September 30, 2015

	Business-type Activities - Landfill Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 1,162	\$ 172,952
Cash with fiscal agent	0	67,006
Investments	8,270,604	5,295,257
Accounts	790,688	184,604
Due from other governments	0	20,153
Due from other county units	546	4,797
Inventories	3,762	44,336
Total current assets	9,066,762	5,789,105
Noncurrent assets:		
Restricted cash and investments	7,669,889	0
Capital assets:		
Land nondepreciable	1,809,844	0
Depreciable (net)	10,970,098	0
Total noncurrent assets	20,449,831	0
Total assets	\$ 29,516,593	\$ 5,789,105
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 136,572	\$ 164,990
Accrued liabilities	301,507	165,064
Due to other funds	0	72,222
Other current liabilities	0	3,679,762
Revenue received in advance	589	0
Total current liabilities	438,668	4,082,038
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Liability for closure costs/maintenance	10,977,531	0
Total noncurrent liabilities	10,977,531	0
Total liabilities	11,416,199	4,082,038
Net position		
Net investment in capital assets	12,779,942	0
Unrestricted	5,320,452	1,707,067
Total net position	18,100,394	1,707,067
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 29,516,593	\$ 5,789,105

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

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in
Fund Net Position - Proprietary Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Business-type Activities - Landfill Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
Operating revenues		
Charges for services	\$ 7,122,426	\$ 6,745,030
Total operating revenues	<u>7,122,426</u>	<u>6,745,030</u>
Operating expenses		
Personnel services	1,950,521	784,774
Contractual services	5,252,183	87,255
Supplies	261,654	1,092,956
Communications services	25,738	458,134
Insurance	55,096	3,735,226
Utility services	205,683	22,829
Depreciation	922,507	0
Other services and charges	163,250	867,212
Total operating expenses	<u>8,836,632</u>	<u>7,048,386</u>
Operating (loss) gain	<u>(1,714,206)</u>	<u>(303,356)</u>
Nonoperating revenues:		
Taxes	1,717,447	0
Interest	204,109	51,977
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	(19,347)	9,523
Miscellaneous	85,006	2
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>1,987,215</u>	<u>61,502</u>
Income (loss) before contributions and transfers	273,009	(241,854)
Transfers in	466,822	0
Transfers out	<u>(57,678)</u>	<u>0</u>
Change in net position	682,153	(241,854)
Net position at beginning of year	17,418,241	1,948,921
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 18,100,394</u>	<u>\$ 1,707,067</u>

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Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Business-type Activities - Landfill Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from customers	\$ 6,664,004	\$ 301,320
Payments to suppliers	(6,128,859)	(3,208,247)
Payments to employees	(1,951,763)	(664,299)
Internal activity - payments to other funds	(55,096)	0
Internal activity - cash received from other funds	0	6,482,949
Claims paid	0	(2,069,910)
Net cash (used) provided by operating activities	<u>(1,471,714)</u>	<u>841,813</u>
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities		
Tax proceeds	1,717,447	0
Repayments on interfund loans	(146)	0
Transfers from other funds	466,822	0
Transfers to other funds	(57,678)	0
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	<u>2,126,445</u>	<u>0</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities		
Sale of property	312,883	0
Acquisition and/or construction of capital assets	(1,186,146)	0
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	<u>(873,263)</u>	<u>0</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	4,252,516	2,082,356
Purchases of investments	(4,195,317)	(2,848,245)
Interest and dividends received	198,870	48,053
Decrease in fair value of investments	(37,540)	(2,113)
Net cash provided (used) in investing activities	<u>218,529</u>	<u>(719,949)</u>
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(3)	121,864
Cash at beginning of year	1,165	118,094
Cash at end of year	<u>\$ 1,162</u>	<u>\$ 239,958</u>

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Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Funds (continued)
Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Business-type Activities - Landfill Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
Reconciliation of operating loss income to net cash (used) provided by operating activities		
Operating loss:	\$ (1,714,206)	\$ (303,356)
Adjustment to reconcile operating (loss) gain to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	922,507	0
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts and intergovernmental receivables	323,036	39,238
Inventories	2,748	40,779
Accounts payable and other liabilities	(223,099)	939,997
Accrued expenses	(1,242)	125,155
Revenues received in advance	294	0
Estimated liability for closure costs/maintenance	(781,752)	0
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (1,471,714)	\$ 841,813

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Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - General Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 45,246,987	\$ 45,246,987	\$ 47,330,896	\$ 2,083,909
Intergovernmental	19,417,806	19,417,806	20,230,914	813,108
Charges for services	2,482,595	2,482,595	1,798,542	(684,053)
Interest	317,799	317,799	572,228	254,429
Net decrease in fair value of investments	0	0	48,405	48,405
Miscellaneous	240,303	240,303	967,479	727,176
Total revenues	<u>67,705,490</u>	<u>67,705,490</u>	<u>70,948,464</u>	<u>3,242,974</u>
Expenditures				
General government	18,308,673	21,687,742	11,698,591	9,989,151
Public safety	2,513,726	2,545,759	2,286,740	259,019
Physical environment	2,503,867	2,503,867	2,299,570	204,297
Economic environment	2,098,670	2,108,670	1,868,353	240,317
Human services	7,800,850	8,317,127	7,928,448	388,679
Culture and recreation	6,725,412	6,725,412	6,344,382	381,030
Judicial	461,702	2,717,536	6,452,333	(3,734,797)
Total expenditures	<u>40,412,900</u>	<u>46,606,113</u>	<u>38,878,417</u>	<u>7,727,696</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	27,292,590	21,099,377	32,070,047	10,970,670
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	7,944,490	10,373,130	3,579,301	(6,793,829)
Transfers out	(39,237,080)	(39,343,625)	(32,000,168)	7,343,457
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(31,292,590)</u>	<u>(28,970,495)</u>	<u>(28,420,867)</u>	<u>549,628</u>
Net change in fund balance	(4,000,000)	(7,871,118)	3,649,180	11,520,298
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>39,763,797</u>	<u>39,763,797</u>	<u>39,763,797</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 35,763,797</u>	<u>\$ 31,892,679</u>	<u>\$ 43,412,977</u>	<u>\$ 11,520,298</u>

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

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - Fine & Forfeiture Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 67,533,125	\$ 67,533,125	\$ 67,860,491	\$ 327,366
Intergovernmental	21,945	21,945	19,191	(2,754)
Charges for services	907,900	907,900	896,344	(11,556)
Fines and forfeitures	117,249	117,249	189,456	72,207
Interest	76,000	76,000	186,573	110,573
Net increase in fair value of investments	0	0	1,995	1,995
Total revenues	<u>68,656,219</u>	<u>68,656,219</u>	<u>69,154,050</u>	<u>497,831</u>
Expenditures				
Human services	100,000	110,641	100,330	10,311
Judicial	1,793,769	2,144,956	1,602,992	541,964
Total expenditures	<u>1,893,769</u>	<u>2,255,597</u>	<u>1,703,322</u>	<u>552,275</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>66,762,450</u>	<u>66,400,622</u>	<u>67,450,728</u>	<u>1,050,106</u>
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	0	0	539,817	539,817
Transfers out	<u>(66,762,450)</u>	<u>(69,383,263)</u>	<u>(69,333,263)</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(66,762,450)</u>	<u>(69,383,263)</u>	<u>(68,793,446)</u>	<u>589,817</u>
Net change in fund balance	0	(2,982,641)	(1,342,718)	1,639,923
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>3,183,319</u>	<u>3,183,319</u>	<u>3,183,319</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 3,183,319</u>	<u>\$ 200,678</u>	<u>\$ 1,840,601</u>	<u>\$ 1,639,923</u>

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

Board of County Commissioners
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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - Grants Fund
Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 343,000	\$ 17,374,418	\$ 3,467,825	\$(13,906,593)
Charges for services	104,500	382,948	119,228	(263,720)
Interest	0	11,076	3,877	(7,199)
Net increase in fair value of investments	0	0	7,390	7,390
Miscellaneous	0	1,350,771	382,728	(968,043)
Total revenues	447,500	19,119,213	3,981,048	(15,138,165)
Expenditures				
General government	0	750	0	750
Public safety	445,098	1,646,849	442,655	1,204,194
Physical environment	0	2,311,160	1,244,103	1,067,057
Transportation	0	12,782,643	2,008,744	10,773,899
Economic environment	0	967,730	44,355	923,375
Human services	30,000	201,403	137,188	64,215
Culture and recreation	15,000	2,413,119	142,436	2,270,683
Judicial	91,834	259,926	24,694	235,232
Total expenditures	581,932	20,583,580	4,044,175	16,539,405
(Deficiency) excess of revenue (under) over expenditures	(134,432)	(1,464,367)	(63,127)	1,401,240
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	255,587	280,291	145,859	(134,432)
Transfers out	(121,155)	(121,155)	(121,155)	0
Total other financing sources (uses)	134,432	159,136	24,704	(134,432)
Net change in fund balance	0	(1,305,231)	(38,423)	1,266,808
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,557,913	1,557,913	1,557,913	0
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 1,557,913	\$ 252,682	\$ 1,519,490	\$ 1,266,808

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

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - Fire Rescue Services Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		<u>Final Budget</u>
				<u>Positive</u>
				<u>(Negative)</u>
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 6,878,610	\$ 7,451,328	\$ 7,161,671	\$ (289,657)
Interest	0	0	26,020	26,020
Net decrease in fair value of investments	0	0	4,899	4,899
Total revenues	<u>6,878,610</u>	<u>7,451,328</u>	<u>7,192,590</u>	<u>(258,738)</u>
Expenditures				
Public safety	6,845,249	7,417,535	6,891,326	526,209
Total expenditures	<u>6,845,249</u>	<u>7,417,535</u>	<u>6,891,326</u>	<u>526,209</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>33,361</u>	<u>33,793</u>	<u>301,264</u>	<u>267,471</u>
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out	<u>(33,361)</u>	<u>(33,793)</u>	<u>(33,793)</u>	<u>0</u>
Total other financing uses	<u>(33,361)</u>	<u>(33,793)</u>	<u>(33,793)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net change in fund balance	0	0	267,471	267,471
Fund balance at beginning of year	861,253	861,253	861,253	0
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 861,253</u>	<u>\$ 861,253</u>	<u>\$ 1,128,724</u>	<u>\$ 267,471</u>

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

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - Special Assessment Paving Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2015

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Interest	\$ 76,917	\$ 76,917	\$ 45,311	\$ (31,606)
Miscellaneous	236,990	236,990	272,225	35,235
Total revenues	<u>313,907</u>	<u>313,907</u>	<u>317,536</u>	<u>3,629</u>
Expenditures				
Public safety	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total expenditures	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>313,907</u>	<u>313,907</u>	<u>317,536</u>	<u>3,629</u>
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out	<u>(313,907)</u>	<u>(313,907)</u>	<u>(313,907)</u>	<u>0</u>
Total other uses	<u>(313,907)</u>	<u>(313,907)</u>	<u>(313,907)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net change in fund balance	0	0	3,629	3,629
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>260,427</u>	<u>260,427</u>	<u>260,427</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u><u>\$ 260,427</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 260,427</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 264,056</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3,629</u></u>

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

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities - Agency Fund
September 30, 2015

	Total Agency Funds
Assets	
Cash	\$ 610,370
Accounts receivable	1,037,784
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,648,154</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 808,573
Accrued liabilities	839,581
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 1,648,154</u>

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

Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida
Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements
Year Ended September 30, 2015

Note 1. Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

Leon County is a political subdivision of the state of Florida and provides services to its residents in many areas, including public safety, transportation, recreation, and human services. It is governed by an elected Board of County Commissioners (seven members). In addition to the members of the Board of County Commissioners, there are five elected Constitutional Officers: Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sheriff, Tax Collector, Property Appraiser, and Supervisor of Elections. The Constitutional Officers maintain separate accounting records and budgets. Effective for the 2003 fiscal year, the citizens of Leon County passed a voter referendum to make Leon County a charter county. The charter is a simple charter which allows for the same powers and duties as provided in the Constitution of the State of Florida and *Florida Statutes*. However, in certain instances, the charter either alters or expands the powers of the elected officials via voter referendum. The accounting policies of Leon County, Florida conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The more significant accounting policies of Leon County Board of County Commissioners (the Board) are described below.

Component Units

The component unit discussed below is included in the Board's reporting entity either because of the significance of the operational relationship or the Board is financially accountable for the component unit. The Board is financially accountable for an organization when the Board appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and is able to impose its will on the organization; there is a potential for the organization to provide a financial benefit or impose a financial burden on the Board; or the organization is fiscally dependent on the Board.

Specific criteria used to determine financial accountability are:

- Selection of a voting majority of the governing body.
- Imposition of Will: Ability to remove appointed members at will; ability to approve or modify rate charges affecting revenue; ability to appoint, hire or dismiss management.
- Financial Benefit or Burden Relationship: The Board is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Board is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of or provide support to the organization; or the Board is obligated in some manner for the debt of the organization.
- Fiscal Dependency: Ability to approve or modify the organization's budget or rate charges; ability to approve debt issuances and/or tax levies.

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Year Ended September 30, 2015

Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Component Units (continued)

Financial statements of component units are included in the financial reporting entity either as a blended component unit or as a discretely presented component unit in accordance with governmental accounting standards. At September 30, 2015, the only component unit of the Board is The Housing Finance Authority of Leon County (the Authority) which is discretely presented in a separate column on the Board's financial statements.

The Authority was created as a Florida public corporation in accordance with the Florida Housing Finance Authority Law, Part IV of Chapter 159, *Florida Statutes* (1979), following the adoption of an approving ordinance (#80-39) by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida. The Authority is a Dependent Special District as defined in Section 189.4041, *Florida Statutes*.

The Authority's governing board is appointed by the Board; the budget is approved by the Board; all bonds issued and contracts entered into must be approved by the Board; the Board may, at its sole discretion, and at anytime, alter or change the structure, organization, programs or activities of the Authority, including the power to terminate the Authority; and the Board maintains the books and records of the Authority. This component unit is reported in a separate column to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Board. Separate financial information for the Housing Finance Authority is available at 918 Railroad Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32310 (Note 12).

Excluded from the Reporting Entity:

The Leon County Health Facilities Authority, Leon County Research and Development Authority, Leon County Education Facilities Authority, Leon County Energy Improvement District, and Community Redevelopment Agency have been established under *Florida Statutes*, Chapter 159, Part V, Chapter 154, Part III, Chapter 243, Chapter 189, Part II and Chapter 163, Part III, respectively. Operations of the above authorities are not included in this report because they do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the reporting entity as set forth in GASB Statement No. 39.

Other public entities located within Leon County and not included in the financial statements of the Board include municipalities and the following independent taxing districts authorized and established by the Laws of Florida:

Leon County School Board District
Leon County Health Department
Fallschase Special Taxing District
Northwest Florida Water Management District

These potential component units have been excluded because they do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the reporting entity.

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Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Consolidated Dispatch Agency

In May 2012, the City of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, and the Leon County Sheriff's Office entered into an inter-local agreement authorized by Section 163.01, *Florida Statutes*. This agreement created a Consolidated Dispatch Agency (CDA) for the purpose of dispatching law enforcement, fire and emergency medical services personnel. The term of this agreement is for a period of 10 years, commencing April 1, 2013, and will renew automatically thereafter. The CDA will govern and manage the provision of public safety consolidated dispatch services on a county-wide basis.

The governing body of the CDA consists of the City of Tallahassee City Manager, the Leon County Administrator and the Leon County Sheriff, hereinafter called the Council. The City and Sheriff shall fund the CDA budget proportionately based upon the per capita population within the corporate limits of the City of Tallahassee for the city, and the per capita population within the unincorporated area of Leon County for the Sheriff, and a service cost allocation shall be included in the CDA's annual budget. Current audited financial statements may be obtained from the Consolidated Dispatch Agency, 300 S. Adams Street, Box A-19, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

Capital Regional Transportation Planning Agency

In December 2004, the Capital Regional Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) was created through an inter-local agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation; the Counties of Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson and Wakulla; the Cities of Tallahassee, Chattahoochee, Gretna, Midway, Monticello, Quincy, St. Marks and Sopchoppy; the towns of Greensboro, Havana and the Leon County School Board as authorized by Section 163.01 *Florida Statutes*. It was established in order for the members to participate cooperatively in the development of transportation related plans and programs. The governing board consists of voting representatives from the Counties of Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson, and Wakulla; the Cities of Midway, Quincy, Tallahassee, Chattahoochee and Gretna; the Towns of Greensboro and Havana, the Leon County School Board, and three nonvoting representatives from the Florida Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and StarMetro.

The CRTPA receives federal and state transportation funds for the performance of its transportation planning and programming activities. If operating expenses exceed the external funding obtained, the deficit is funded by the members of the CRTPA in proportion of their weighted votes. As a participating member of CRTPA, Leon County has a limited share of financial responsibility for any such deficits. Current audited financial statements may be obtained from the Capital Regional Transportation Planning Agency, 300 S. Adams Street, Box A-19, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

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Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Leon County-City of Tallahassee Blueprint 2000 Intergovernmental Agency

In October 2000, Leon County entered into an interlocal agreement with the City of Tallahassee as authorized by Section 163.01(7) *Florida Statutes*. This agreement created the Blueprint 2000 Intergovernmental Agency to govern the project management for the project planning and construction of a list of projects known as the Blueprint 2000 projects. The Board of County Commissioners and the City Commission constitute the Blueprint 2000 Intergovernmental Agency. The revenues to fund the projects under this agreement are the collections of the local government infrastructure sales surtax, which began December 1, 2004. This tax was extended pursuant to the provisions in Section 212.055, *Florida Statutes*, until December 31, 2019.

Periodically, the Agency provides construction management services to the County. For these services the Agency and the County entered into Joint Participation Agreements whereby the County agrees to pay an administrative fee to the Agency.

Current audited financial statements may be obtained from Blueprint 2000, 315 S. Calhoun Street, Suite 450, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

Basis of Presentation

The special-purpose fund financial statements are fund financial statements that have been prepared in conformity with the accounting principles and reporting guidelines established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and accounting practices prescribed by the State of Florida, Office of the Auditor General.

Description of Funds

Governmental Major Funds:

The Board reports the following major funds in the governmental fund financial statements:

General Fund – The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Board. This fund is used to account for all financial transactions not required to be accounted for in another fund.

Fine & Forfeiture Fund – This fund was established to account for revenues collected pursuant to the provisions of Section 142.01, *Florida Statutes*. It also accounts for expenditures related to the costs of criminal prosecutions and for the proceeds of certain court fines and costs as well as accounting for ad valorem tax revenues collected and used to support the Sheriff's Department.

Grants Fund – This fund is used to account for the revenues and expenses of federal, state, and local grants awarded to the county. This fund also includes the corresponding county matching funds for the various grants.

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Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Description of Funds (continued)

Governmental Major Funds: (continued)

Fire Rescue Services Fund – This fund was established to fund enhanced fire protection services in the unincorporated area of Leon County. The revenue source is derived from a fire service fee levied on single-family, commercial, and governmental properties in the unincorporated area of the county. It also assists with funding for volunteer fire departments. By interlocal agreement, the fire rescue and emergency management services are functionally consolidated under the city and county.

Special Assessment Paving – This fund accounts for the repayment of special assessments associated with the county's paving program. Repayments are collected as a non-ad valorem special assessment on the annual tax bill. The revenues are repaying the county for the costs to construct the paving projects.

Capital Improvement Fund – This fund is used to account for the acquisition or construction of major non-transportation related capital facilities and/or projects other than those financed by proprietary funds.

Proprietary Major Fund:

Landfill Fund – The Landfill Fund accounts for the revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities associated with the County landfill and transfer station.

Other Fund Types:

Internal Service Funds – These funds account for goods or services provided by various departments to other departments of the Board on a cost-reimbursement basis.

Agency Funds – These funds account for assets held by the Board as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and/or other governmental units. These are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the fund financial statements and relates to the timing of the measurements made.

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Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements
Year Ended September 30, 2015

Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Basis of Accounting (continued)

The accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting for all Governmental Funds. Accordingly, revenues are recognized when measurable and available to pay liabilities of the current period and expenditures are generally recorded when the liability is incurred and/or will be paid from expendable available financial resources.

The Board considers receivables collected within 60 days after year-end to be available and susceptible to accrual as revenues of the current year. The following revenues are considered to be susceptible to accrual: taxes, charges for services, interest, state revenue sharing, federal forestry revenue, insurance agents' revenue, various other gas taxes, gas tax pour-over trust, federal and state grants, planning and zoning revenue, municipal service franchise fees, and special assessments.

Expenditures are generally recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. An exception to this general rule is principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recorded when due.

The financial statements of the Proprietary Funds and Fiduciary Funds (Agency Funds) are prepared on the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when earned and their expenses are recognized when incurred. Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund.

Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies, taxes, and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Florida Statutes, Section 129.01 (2) (b), requires that "...the receipts division of the budget shall include ninety-five percent of all receipts reasonably expected to be anticipated from all sources, including taxes to be levied, and one hundred percent of the amount of the balances, both of cash and liquid securities, estimated to be brought forward at the beginning of the fiscal year." The Board has complied with the provisions of the above *Florida Statutes*.

Annual budgets for the governmental fund types and the Housing Finance Authority of Leon County are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Budgets are not adopted for the fiduciary funds. The legal level of budgetary control is at the fund level; however, budgets are monitored at varying levels of detail.

All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end, although the Board expects to honor purchase orders and contracts in process, subject to authority provided in the subsequent year's budget.

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Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements
Year Ended September 30, 2015

Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (continued)

The budget information, as amended, presented in the financial statements was prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. All Board authorized amendments to the applicable budget originally approved have been incorporated into the data reflected in the special-purpose financial statements. The Board made several supplemental budgetary appropriations throughout the year.

The Board uses the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. On or before May 1 of each year, the designated budget officer submits to the Board a tentative budget for the ensuing fiscal year. The tentative budget includes proposed expenditures and funding sources.
2. The Board requires such changes to be made as it shall deem necessary, provided the budget remains in balance and subject to the notice and hearing requirements of Section 200.065, *Florida Statutes* and the budget preparation and adoption procedures, as defined in Section 129.03, *Florida Statutes*. The legal level of budgetary control is at the fund level.
3. Public hearings are held pursuant to Section 200.065, *Florida Statutes* in order for the Board to adopt the tentative and final budgets.
4. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution.
5. All changes to the final budget must be approved by the Board in accordance with Section 129.06, *Florida Statutes*.
6. Formal budgetary integration is used as a management control device during the year for all governmental funds of the Board.
7. Budgets for the governmental fund types are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Applicable budgets of Constitutional Officers are controlled by appropriations in accordance with budgetary requirements set forth in the *Florida Statutes*.

Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits. The Board's investments consist of U.S. Government obligations, money market funds, municipal bonds, and commercial paper of prime quality and are reported at fair value.

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Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Cash and Investments (continued)

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*, investments of the Board are reported at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

During the 2014-2015 fiscal year, the Board invested in four different investment pools: the Special Purpose Investment Account (SPIA) within the Florida Treasury Investment Pool (the Pool) administered by the Florida Department of Financial Services, as authorized by Section 17.61(1), *Florida Statutes*; The Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT), a local government investment pool developed through the joint efforts of the Florida Association of Court Clerks (FACC) and the Florida Association of Counties (FAC); The Florida Municipal Investment Trust (FMIVT), administered by the Florida League of Cities, Inc. The FMIVT is an Authorized Investment under Section 163.01, *Florida Statutes*; and the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund (LGSF), administered by the Florida State Board of Administration (SBA) as authorized by Section 218.415 (17), *Florida Statutes*; and Florida PRIME, administered by the Florida State Board of Administration (SBA). Florida PRIME is not a registrant with the SEC; however, the SBA has adopted operating procedures consistent with the requirements for the SEC Rule 2a-7 fund.

The Board liquidates and reallocates investments throughout the year depending on whether the external pools authorized by *Florida Statutes* or the interest bearing accounts with approved public depositories provide the most favorable interest rates.

Receivables

Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. As the receivables age, the allowance increases. The emergency medical services allowance used for 2015 is equal to 67% of current year billings.

Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for services rendered or goods provided resulting in receivables and payables that are classified as “due from other funds” or “due to other funds” on the balance sheet.

Inventories

Inventories in the General Fund and Internal Service Funds consist of expendable office supplies. The office supplies are valued at the average unit cost and are accounted for under the consumption method whereby the cost is recorded as an expenditure at the time of issuance to the user department.

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Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Restricted Assets

Investments that are held in escrow in accordance with the Florida Administrative Code requirement for landfill closure and post-closure costs are shown as restricted in the Enterprise Fund.

Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased in the governmental fund types are recorded as expenditures (capital outlay) at the time of purchase. Such assets are reported as capital assets in the Statement of Net Position as part of the county-wide basic financial statements. The Board does not record depreciation of these assets on its governmental fund financial statements, although depreciation is recorded for such assets in the county-wide financial statements. Donated assets are recorded at fair market value at the date of donation. Accounting policies for capitalization and depreciation of infrastructure assets including roads, bridges, curbs, gutters, and sidewalks are described in the county-wide financial statements. A summary of capital assets purchased by the Board's governmental funds is provided in Note 4.

Fixed Assets

Fixed assets acquired in the Proprietary Funds are capitalized at cost. Gifts or contributions are recorded at fair market value at the time received. Depreciation on property and equipment in the Proprietary Funds is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives. The Board follows the policy of capitalizing interest as a component of the cost of proprietary fund type fixed assets constructed for its own use.

The general fixed assets used in the operations of the Board, Property Appraiser, Tax Collector, Clerk of the Circuit Court, and Supervisor of Elections, and the real property used by the Sheriff are accounted for by the Board, as the Board holds legal title and is accountable for them under Florida law.

Liability for Compensated Absences

The Board accrues a liability for employees' rights to receive compensation for future absences when certain conditions are met. The Board does not, nor is it legally required to accumulate expendable available financial resources to liquidate this obligation. Accordingly, the liability for the compensated absences is not reported in the governmental funds. However, the current and long-term portion of the liability for compensated absences is reported on the county-wide Statement of Net Position for Leon County, Florida.

Other Postemployment Benefits

The Board, through Leon County, offers retiree medical and life insurance benefits for qualifying Board employees that have retired from a Florida Retirement System (FRS) pension plan.

Board of County Commissioners
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Year Ended September 30, 2015

Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Executive Service Plan

Executive service and senior management employees of the Board are entitled to severance pay if terminated from employment. If there is a contract or employment agreement, severance pay may not exceed an amount greater than twenty weeks of compensation. If there is no contract, severance pay is limited to six weeks.

Net Position and Fund Balances

Net Position is the difference between fund assets and liabilities on the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund statements. Fund Balance is the difference between assets and liabilities on the governmental fund statement.

For financial reporting purposes, County policy defines the five fund balance classifications for governmental funds and the order that the resources are used.

Nonspendable Fund Balance - Balances are comprised of funds that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted Fund Balance - Balances are comprised of funds that have legally enforceable constraints placed on their use or those funds that have externally-imposed restrictions by resource providers or creditors, grantors, contributors, voters, or interlocal agreement, or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance - Balances are comprised of unrestricted funds used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action such as ordinances, resolutions, or legislation of Leon County and that remain binding unless removed by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners.

Assigned Fund Balance - Balances are comprised of unrestricted funds informally constrained by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners, or by a designated county officer, in a manner that reflects the County's use of those resources such as appropriations of fund balance at year end or at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Unassigned Fund Balance - Balances are comprised of the residual of the unrestricted funds in the General Fund and are not nonspendable, restricted, committed, or assigned. Other fund types can only report a negative unassigned residual amount.

The County's policy is that available resources will be spent in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

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Year Ended September 30, 2015

Note 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Common Expenses

Certain expenses that are common to the Board and all Constitutional Officers are reported as expenditures of the Board and, therefore, are not budgeted by or allocated to the other Constitutional Officers. These are:

- Occupancy costs
- Property insurance
- Utilities (except telephone), and
- Janitorial service

Operating Transfers

The Board funds a portion or, in certain instances, all of the operating budgets of the County's Constitutional Officers. The payments by the Board to fund the operations of the Constitutional Officers are recorded as operating transfers out on the financial statements of the Board and as operating transfers in on the financial statements of the Constitutional Officers. Repayments to the Board are recorded as operating transfers out on the financial statements of the Constitutional Officers and as operating transfers in on the financial statements of the Board.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the special-purpose financial statements is in conformity with accounting practices prescribed by the State of Florida, Office of the Auditor General, and requires management to make use of estimates that affect the reported amounts in the special-purpose financial statements. Actual results could differ from estimates.

Note 2. Property Taxes

Under Florida Law, the assessment of all properties and the collection of all county, municipal, special taxing districts, and school board property taxes are consolidated in the offices of the County Property Appraiser and County Tax Collector. The laws of Florida regulating tax assessments are also designed to assure a consistent property valuation method statewide. State statutes permit counties to levy property taxes at a rate of up to 10 mills. The tax levy of Leon County is established by the Board prior to October 1 of each year. The millage rate collected by the Board during the current fiscal year was 8.314 mills. County citizens were also assessed for emergency medical services through a Municipal Services Taxing Unit at a millage rate of 0.5000 mills. For County citizens charged a special assessment, the required annual payment is included on their tax bill.

All property is reassessed according to its fair market value as of January 1 of each year. Each assessment roll is submitted to the Executive Director of the State Department of Revenue for review to determine if the rolls meet all of the appropriate requirements of *Florida Statutes*.

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Note 2. Property Taxes (continued)

All taxes are due and payable on November 1 of each year, or as soon thereafter as the assessment roll is certified and delivered to the Tax Collector. All unpaid taxes become delinquent on April 1 following the year in which they are assessed. Discounts are allowed for early payment at the rate of 4% in the month of November, 3% in the month of December, 2% in the month of January, and 1% in the month of February. The taxes paid in March are without discount. No accrual for the property tax levy becoming due in September 30, 2015 is included in the accompanying financial statements, since such taxes are collected to finance expenditures of the subsequent period.

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

Delinquent taxes on personal property bear interest at 18% per year until the tax is satisfied either by seizure and sale of the property or by the seven-year statute of limitations. Since tax certificates were sold for substantially all current year delinquent property taxes, there were no material property taxes receivable at September 30, 2015.

Note 3. Cash and Investments

As of September 30, 2015, the value of the Board's deposits and investments, with their respective credit ratings, was as follows:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Credit Rating</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Deposits in Qualified Public Depositories	\$ 21,880,830	NA	NA
External Investment in Government Pools:			
Florida State Treasury Special Purpose Investment Account (SPIA)	39,013,024	A+f	2.51
Florida Local Government Investment Trust Government Fund (FLGIT)	10,021,740	AAAf	1.42
Florida Municipal Investment Trust (FMivT) 1-3 Year High Quality Bond Fund	55,706	AAA/V2	1.34
Florida PRIME Investment Pool	502,372	AAAm	0.08
Externally Managed Portfolio:			
Money Market	143,824	AAA	NA
U.S. Treasuries	29,202,207	AA+	1.76
Government Sponsored Agencies:			
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp	4,315,996	AA+	1.29
Other Government Sponsored Agencies	7,706,610	AA+	2.06
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	3,576,618	AA+	1.63
MBS	5,534,130	AA+	1.68

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Note 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Credit Rating</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Corporate Bonds	10,749,034	A	1.49
Corporate Bonds	4,646,886	A-	1.14
Corporate Bonds	3,983,981	AA	0.61
Municipal Bonds	1,918,213	AA	1.67
Asset-backed Securities	6,528,643	AAA	1.11
Total Cash and Investments	<u>\$ 149,779,814</u>		

The amounts above exclude cash on hand and amounts held by third parties in trust for the Board, but includes accrued interest of \$233,687.

Credit Risk

The Board Investment Policy provides a structure for the portfolio that is designed to minimize credit risk. The majority of the securities held will be those of the highest available credit quality ratings. Staff will notify the Investment Oversight Committee (IOC) at any time holdings drop below the minimum credit ratings specified in the policy. The IOC will consider the market environment and make recommendations to hold and continue to monitor the investments or liquidate the investments. To further limit the Board's risk against possible credit losses, a maximum of 3% of the total portfolio managed by the Board's external manager may be held at any one time in all securities of any corporate entity, inclusive of commercial paper, medium term notes, or corporate notes and bonds. The Policy provides that 45% of the external portfolio may be invested in Federal instrumentalities, with a limit of 15% of the portfolio in any one issuer.

Section 218.415(16), *Florida Statutes*, stipulates the state-approved investment policy for all governmental entities and includes the following investments:

1. The Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund or any authorized intergovernmental investment pool.
2. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.
3. Interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in qualified public depositories.
4. Direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury.
5. Federal agencies and instrumentalities.

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Note 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

Credit Risk (continued)

6. Securities of, or other interests in, any management type investment company or trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, where the investment portfolio is limited to United States Government Obligations.
7. Other investments authorized by law or by ordinance for a county or a municipality.

In addition, Section 17.61(1), *Florida Statutes* permits organizations created by the Florida Constitution to participate in the existing State Treasury Investment Pool “Special Purpose Investment Account (SPIA).”

The Board’s Investment Policy limits credit risk by restricting authorized investments to the following: Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund, State of Florida Special Purpose Investment Account, direct obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, direct obligations of states and municipalities, repurchase agreements, commercial paper, bankers’ acceptances, money market mutual funds, the Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT), and the Florida Municipal Investment Trust (FMIvT).

The Chief Financial Officer for the State of Florida (formerly the State Treasurer) has been investing state revenues, excess revenues of state universities and community colleges and certain other public agencies in a commingled investment portfolio for several years. This program is authorized under Section 17.61(1), *Florida Statutes* and is called the Treasury Special Purpose Investment Account (SPIA).

Historically, SPIA participants have received higher earnings reflecting the higher risk associated with the longer maturities and lower credit quality. The financial details and disclosures for the Treasury Investment Pool are made in Note 2 to the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The Florida Treasury Investment Pool is rated by Standard and Poor's. The rating as of September 30, 2015 was A+f. Investments in this pool are limited to a maximum of 50% of the portfolio. A copy of SPIA's most recent financial statements can be found at http://www.fltreasury.org/fs_01.html.

The FLGIT is a local government investment pool created by the Florida Association of Court Clerks and Controllers, and the Florida Association of Counties for the purpose of providing public entities with an investment program that focuses on longer term securities with the highest credit ratings. The effective maturity of the underlying investments is five years or less. At year end, the FLGIT was invested in treasury notes, corporates, asset-backed securities, and Federal agency obligations. This investment type is subject to some market risk due to fluctuating prices and liquidity risk due to advance redemption notification requirements. However, it has a professional investment advisor and an investment advisory board, and provides diversity in the Fund’s portfolio. The FLGIT maintains a credit rating of AA Af by Standard & Poor’s. Investments in this pool are limited to a maximum of 15% of the portfolio. A copy of FLGIT's most recent financial statements can be found at <http://www.floridatrusionline.com/about>.

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Note 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

Credit Risk (continued)

The FMIvT is a similar investment pool operated by the Florida League of Cities. Its rating, investment parameters, and liquidity generally mirror those of the FLGIT. The 1 to 3 Year High Quality Bond Fund is designed to provide an investment pool alternative to those Members that have excess funds and that have an investment horizon greater than that of money market instruments. The investment objective is: 1) to preserve capital; 2) achieve a total rate of return that exceeds the return of T-Bills by 1% per year over rolling three-year periods; and 3) exceed the return of the Merrill Lynch One-to-Three-year Government Index over three-year periods. The Portfolio will generally invest in securities with greater potential returns and risk than those offered by money market type instruments. Due to the fact that the Portfolio will be investing in securities with an average maturity of approximately two years, increases in interest rates will cause declines in the net asset value of the Portfolio. Therefore, the Portfolio may be an inappropriate investment for funds required to meet short-term needs. The portfolio is managed by Atlanta Capital Management and maintains a AAA/V2 rating from Fitch. Investments in this pool are limited to a maximum of 15% of the portfolio.

The Florida PRIME is an external investment pool that is administered by the Florida State Board of Administration (SBA). Florida PRIME is not a registrant with the SEC; however, the SBA has adopted operating procedures consistent with the requirements for the SEC Rule 2a-7 fund. Florida PRIME is governed by Chapter 19-7 of the Florida Administrative Code, which identifies the Rules of the SBA. These rules provide guidance and establish the general operating procedures for the administration of Florida PRIME. Additionally, the State of Florida, Office of the Auditor General performs the operational audit of the activities and investments of the SBA. Throughout the year and as of September 30, 2015, Florida PRIME contained certain floating rate and adjustable rate securities that were indexed based on the prime rate and/or one and three-month LIBOR rates. These floating rate and adjustable rate securities are used to hedge against interest risk and provide diversification to the portfolio. Investments in this pool are limited to a maximum of 50% of the portfolio. The current rating for the Florida PRIME is AAAM by Standard and Poors. A copy of Florida PRIME's most recent financial statements can be found at <http://www.sbafla.com/prime/Audits/tabid/582/Default.aspx>.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure or the failure of the counterparty, the government's deposits may not be returned to it, or may not be able to recover the value of its investments that are in the possession of an outside party.

Qualified public depositories of public funds are required to provide collateral each month pursuant to Section 280.04, *Florida Statutes*. The collateral is held by the Florida Division of Treasury or other custodian with full legal rights maintained by the Florida Division of Treasury to transfer ownership. Any loss not covered by the pledged securities and deposit insurance would be assessed by the Florida Division of Treasury and paid by the other public depositories. The County's deposits are therefore considered fully insured or collateralized. Bank balances at September 30, 2015, were \$24,004,314.

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Note 3. Cash and Investments (continued)

Custodial Credit Risk (continued)

Due to the nature of the County's cash and investments, management believes there is no exposure to custodial credit risk and concentration of credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair market value of investments. The County's actual portfolio will have a duration range of 0.5 years to 2.5 years. Unusual market or economic conditions may mandate moving the portfolio outside of this range. The Investment Oversight Committee will be convened and will approve any portfolio duration outside of the range specified above. The effective duration of investments is listed in the preceding table.

The externally managed portfolio totaled \$78,306,142 at September 30, 2015, and was invested for a weighted average term of approximately 1,210 days, as compared to a weighted average term of 1,405 days in fiscal year 2014. The County requires a minimum balance of short term investments. The portfolio shall maintain in liquid investments (defined as repurchase agreements purchased under the terms of the County's depository contract, open repurchase agreements, negotiable certificates of deposit, banker's acceptance, commercial paper, U.S. Treasury direct and agency obligations, money market funds, all having a maturity of 90 days or less, and SPIA) a minimum balance equal to one-twelfth of the current fiscal year's budgeted operating expenditures. The Board was in compliance with this requirement.

Foreign Currency Risk

The County contributes to the Florida Retirement System (FRS), the investments of which are administered by the State Board of Administration. The FRS's investment policy and exposure to foreign currency risk is disclosed in Note 3 of the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. A copy of this report is available at http://www.myfloridacfo.com/aadir/statewide_financial_reporting/index.htm.

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Note 4. Fixed Assets

A summary of changes in fixed assets and depreciation for the year ended September 30, 2015, follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>(Reductions)</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:				
Land	\$ 20,891,310	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 20,891,310
Improvements other than buildings	21,510,494	1,892,179	(649,902)	22,752,771
Buildings and improvements	216,727,163	419,956	0	217,147,119
Equipment	57,595,529	6,468,115	(5,232,292)	58,831,352
Construction in progress	9,647,204	8,209,480	(2,236,987)	15,619,697
Totals at historical cost	<u>\$ 326,371,700</u>	<u>\$ 16,989,730</u>	<u>\$ (8,119,181)</u>	<u>\$ 335,242,249</u>

Depreciation on capital assets used in governmental activities is recorded in the county-wide financial statements of Leon County.

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>(Reductions)</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Business type activities:				
Land	\$ 1,809,844	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,809,844
Buildings, improvements, and construction in progress	20,534,898	694,942	0	21,229,840
Equipment	5,491,521	491,204	(512,208)	5,470,517
Totals at historical cost	<u>27,836,263</u>	<u>1,186,146</u>	<u>(512,208)</u>	<u>28,510,201</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(12,078,603)	(609,537)	0	(12,688,140)
Equipment	(3,097,088)	(358,897)	413,866	(3,042,119)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(15,175,691)</u>	<u>(968,434)</u>	<u>413,866</u>	<u>(15,730,259)</u>
	<u>\$ 12,660,572</u>	<u>\$ 217,712</u>	<u>\$ (98,342)</u>	<u>\$ 12,779,942</u>

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt

A. A summary of changes in the long-term debt of the Board follows:

	<u>Balance October 1, 2014</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>(Reductions)</u>	<u>Balance September 30, 2015</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Long-Term Debt					
Special revenue debt:					
Capital Improvement Revenue					
Refunding Bonds, Series 2005	\$ 20,040,000	\$ 0	\$(20,040,000)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Capital Improvement Revenue					
Bonds, Series 2012A	8,267,000	0	0	8,267,000	0
Taxable Capital Improvement					
Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B	12,679,000	0	(162,000)	12,517,000	166,000
Capital Improvement Revenue					
Refunding Bonds, Series 2014	16,200,000	0	(123,000)	16,077,000	126,000
Capital Improvement Revenue					
Refunding Bonds, Series 2015	0	13,692,000	0	13,692,000	6,806,000
Total special revenue debt	<u>57,186,000</u>	<u>13,692,000</u>	<u>(20,325,000)</u>	<u>50,553,000</u>	<u>7,098,000</u>
Note payable	1,695,793	0	(421,604)	1,274,189	437,540
Liability for compensated					
absences	5,374,508	1,868,046	(2,480,234)	4,762,320	1,441,394
Other postemployment benefits	2,759,355	525,927	(92,659)	3,192,623	0
Arbitrage rebate liability	<u>25,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>\$ 67,040,656</u>	<u>\$16,085,973</u>	<u>\$(23,319,497)</u>	<u>\$ 59,807,132</u>	<u>\$ 8,976,934</u>

Total interest costs incurred for general long-term debt by the Board, including bond issuance costs, for the year ended September 30, 2015, was \$1,773,117.

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt (continued)

B. A summary of each special revenue debt obligation outstanding at September 30, 2015 is as follows:

	Outstanding at September 30, 2015
	2015
<p>\$8,267,000, Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A, (i) to refund the County's Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A of which \$7,965,000 was outstanding and maturing in the years 2018 through 2020, and (ii) to pay a portion of the costs of the acquisition of the Bank of America Building, and (iii) the construction of improvements to the Bank of America Building, and (iv) to finance improvements to the County's courthouse and parking garage. The economic gain resulting from the refunding was \$1,279,488. The bonds dated December 20, 2012, bear interest of 1.65% per annum. The interest on the bonds is payable on April 1 and October 1, beginning April 1, 2013. The bond principal matures serially on October 1 of each year for two years beginning October 1, 2019.</p>	\$ 8,267,000
<p>\$12,956,000, Taxable Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B, to, (i) refund the Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2003B of which \$12,465,000 was currently outstanding and maturing in the years 2018 through 2019, and (ii) pay a portion of the costs of the acquisition of the Bank of America Building, and (iii) pay capitalized interest and issuance costs on the Series 2012B bonds, and (iii) pay bond issuance costs. The economic gain resulting from the refunding was \$1,405,034. The bonds dated December 20, 2012 and bear interest of 2.22% per annum. The interest on the bonds is payable on April 1 and October 1, beginning April 1, 2013. The bond principal matures serially on October 1 of each year through the final maturity of October 1, 2019.</p>	12,517,000
<p>\$13,692,000 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015, (i) refund the remaining portion of the Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2005 of which \$20,040,000 was currently outstanding and maturing in the years 2021 through 2025, and (ii) pay issuance costs on the Series 2015 bonds. The economic gain resulting from the refunding was \$585,711. The bonds dated July 31, 2015 and bear interest of 0.83% per annum. The interest on the bonds is payable on April 1 and October 1, beginning April 1, 2016. The bond principal matures serially on October 1 of each year through the final maturity of October 1, 2017.</p>	13,692,000
<p>\$16,200,000 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014, (i) refund a portion of the Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2005 of which \$41,415,000 was currently outstanding and maturing in the years 2021 through 2025, and (ii) pay issuance costs on the Series 2014 bonds. The economic gain resulting from the refunding was \$1,695,208. The bonds dated July 23, 2014 and bear interest of 2.69% per annum. The interest on the bonds is payable on April 1 and October 1, beginning October 1, 2014. The bond principal matures serially on October 1 of each year through the final maturity of October 1, 2025.</p>	16,077,000

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt (continued)

**Outstanding at
September 30,
2015**

The Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A, the Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2005, and Taxable Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B are parity bonds payable from and secured by a lien upon certain non-ad valorem revenue. The pledged revenues include the Local Government Half-Cent Sales Tax, Guaranteed Entitlement, Second Guaranteed Entitlement, and additional State Revenue Sharing Funds (less the Guaranteed Entitlement and the Second Guaranteed Entitlement).

Total Special Revenue Bond Obligations

\$ 50,553,000

Note Payable:

SunTrust Equipment Finance & Leasing Corp

On November 18, 2005, the Board borrowed \$4,466,238, (including \$3,986,522 tax exempt, and \$479,686 taxable), under provision of Section 489.145 Florida Statutes. Interest rates are 3.74% and 5.85% for the tax exempt and taxable portion, respectively. The proceeds were used to purchase energy savings equipment. The taxable portion matured on May 18, 2008, and the tax-exempt portion matures on May 18, 2018.

\$ 1,274,189

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt (continued)

C. A Schedule of Debt Service Requirements, including principal and interest, is as follows:

	Year ending September 30,				
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015	\$ 6,938,900	\$ 6,943,154	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A	136,406	136,406	136,406	1,441,406	7,076,871
Taxable Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B	443,877	443,192	6,938,441	5,636,411	0
Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014	558,471	559,082	558,585	559,007	558,322
Note payable	484,514	484,514	484,514	0	0
Total Debt Service	<u>\$ 8,562,168</u>	<u>\$ 8,566,348</u>	<u>\$ 8,117,946</u>	<u>\$ 7,636,824</u>	<u>\$ 7,635,193</u>

	2021-2025	2026-2028	Total Payments	Less Interest	Principal
	Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$13,882,054	\$ 190,054
Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A	0	0	8,927,495	660,495	8,267,000
Taxable Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B	0	0	13,461,921	944,921	12,517,000
Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014	16,676,780	0	19,470,247	3,393,247	16,077,000
Note payable	0	0	1,453,542	179,353	1,274,189
Total Debt Service	<u>\$16,676,780</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$57,195,259</u>	<u>\$ 5,368,070</u>	<u>\$51,827,189</u>

D. Refunded Obligations

The Board has refunded certain obligations by placing amounts into an escrow account which will be invested so that the accumulated investment and interest earnings will be sufficient to pay the remaining principal and interest on the refunding obligations as they become due. The refunded obligations are not shown as liabilities of the Board; however, the escrow agreement states that in the unlikely event that the accumulated funds in the escrow accounts are insufficient to meet the required debt service payments, the Board would be required to fund any deficiency.

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt (continued)

At September 30, 2015, \$35,325,000 of outstanding general long-term debt special revenue bonds is considered defeased as follows:

Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2005	<u>\$ 35,325,000</u> <u>\$ 35,325,000</u>
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Note 6. Employees' Retirement Plan

GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, is effective for all fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014. This Statement establishes standards for measuring and recognizing liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. For defined benefit pensions, this Statement identifies the methods and assumptions that should be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. As described in Note 1, the financial statements of the Board are fund statements considered to be special-purpose financial statements consistent with accounting practices by the Auditor General, State of Florida. Accordingly, the net pension liability is included at county-wide financial statement level rather than in these Special-Purpose Financial Statements

All full-time employees of the Board are eligible to participate in the Florida Retirement System (FRS). The FRS includes various plans and programs, including a defined benefit pension plan (Pension Plan), which is primarily a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit public-employee pension plan. Information as to benefits, contribution rates, and vesting requirements by membership category is provided in the county-wide financial statements of Leon County, Florida. Contributions and benefits are established in Section 121.71, *Florida Statutes*.

Participating employer contributions are based upon actuarially determined blended rates established by the State Legislature that are expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll and are adequate to accumulate sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. Prior to July 1, 2011, the FRS was employee noncontributory. Beginning July 1, 2011, employees who are not participating in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan are required to contribute 3% of their salary to the FRS.

The Board also participates in the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, *Florida Statutes*. The benefit is a monthly cash payment to assist retirees of state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. Additional information regarding benefits is provided in the county-wide financial statements of Leon County, Florida.

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Note 6. Employees' Retirement Plan (continued)

The HIS Program is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the State Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS employees and are reported by employers with monthly payroll reports and included with the amount submitted for retirement contributions. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, the contribution rate was 1.66% of payroll pursuant to Section 112.363, *Florida Statutes*.

The total employer retirement contributions for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$3,895,120, \$3,527,043, and \$2,540,719, respectively, which is equal to the required contribution for each year.

The Pension Plan and the HIS Program are administered by the State of Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement. The Division of Retirement issues a publicly available FRS Annual Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Pension Plan and HIS Program. That report may be obtained by writing to the Division of Retirement, P.O. Box 9000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-9000, or by calling 850-488-5706.

Note 7. Other Postemployment Benefits

Plan Description

The Board participates in an agent multiple-employer plan administered by Leon County, Florida (the County) under which qualified retired employees are permitted to participate in the health and life insurance benefits program (the Program). The health insurance benefits portion of the Program is considered by the County's insurance provider to be community-rated and, therefore, no Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) obligation is calculated for healthcare. The Program may be amended by the Board. A stand alone financial report is not issued for the Program.

Funding Policy

Retired employees and their spouses for their lifetime are eligible for continuation of the benefits offered to active employees and are responsible for paying the required premium contributions.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

As described in Note 1, the Board consists of elected Constitutional Officers of the County. The annual OPEB obligation of Constitutional Officers is recognized in the county-wide financial statements of the County and the obligation associated with each Constitutional Officer is disclosed within the notes of their respective financial statements. The County's OPEB obligation is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC) of the employer, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the guidance provided by Governmental Accounting Standards Number 45, "*Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*."

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Note 7. Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and to amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years. The following table shows the Board's share of the County's annual OPEB cost, its actual contributions and changes in the Board's share of the County's net OPEB obligation:

Normal cost (service cost for one year)	\$ 199,114
Amortization of unfunded actuarial accrued liability	306,585
Interest on normal cost and amortization	<u>20,228</u>
Annual required contribution	525,927
Interest on net OPEB obligation	110,374
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(153,436)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	482,865
Contributions made	<u>(49,597)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	433,268
Net OPEB obligation at beginning of year	<u>2,759,355</u>
Net OPEB obligation at end of year	<u><u>\$ 3,192,623</u></u>

The Board's share of the County's OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for fiscal year 2015 and the preceding two years is as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Amount Contributed</u>	<u>Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contribution</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation</u>
September 30, 2015	\$ 482,865	\$ 49,597	10%	\$ 3,192,623
September 30, 2014	\$ 510,666	\$ 58,372	11%	\$ 2,759,355
September 30, 2013	\$ 517,892	\$ 54,901	11%	\$ 2,307,061

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of September 30, 2015, the Board's share of the actuarial accrued liability for benefits recognized in the County's financial statements was \$5,513,540, all of which was unfunded. The Board's covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$34,848,028. The ratio of the Board's actuarial accrued liability to the Board's covered payroll was 16% at September 30, 2015.

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Note 7. Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

The projection of future benefit payments for an ongoing plan involves estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. 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.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of the valuation. The actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective and 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.

For the October 1, 2014 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit method of funding was used. The objective under that method is to fund each participant's benefits under the plan as they would accrue, taking into consideration the plan's benefit allocation formula. Thus, the total benefit value each participant is expected to become entitled to is broken down into units, each associated with a year of past or future credited service.

The actuarial assumptions included a 4% rate of return based on the estimated long-term investments that are expected to be used to finance the payment of the benefits. In addition, the actuarial assumptions included a 3% salary growth rate. The unfunded actuarial liability is being amortized as a level of percentage of projected payroll on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at September 30, 2015, was 30 years.

Note 8. Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; error and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The following is a summary of the County's coverage and exposure relating to the various risks of loss retained as of September 30, 2015.

General Liability

Effective December 15, 2012 the Board purchased commercial insurance for general liabilities from OneBeacon. The Board maintains a \$10,000 deductible with the insurance carrier.

The actuarially determined liability determined below reflects open claims associated with these carriers.

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Note 8. Risk Management (continued)

General Liability (continued)

Changes in the Board's claim liability amount were as follows:

	<u>Beginning of Fiscal Year Liability</u>	<u>Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates</u>	<u>Claims Payments</u>	<u>Balance at Fiscal Year End</u>
September 30, 2015	\$ 10,281	\$ (586)	\$ 0	\$ 9,695
September 30, 2014	\$ 15,965	\$ (5,684)	\$ 0	\$ 10,281

The claims liability of \$9,695 includes an actuarial valuation for incurred but not reported claims of \$10,000.

Workers' Compensation

The Board maintains a self-insurance Internal Service Fund (the Fund) to account for insurance activities relating to workers' compensation, which is administered by a third-party administrator, Preferred Governmental Claims Solutions. Under this program, the Board absorbs losses up to a maximum of \$500,000 for each claim. At September 30, 2015, the Board had \$67,298 deposited with the third-party administrator for use against future claims. The Board purchases commercial insurance for claims in excess of coverage provided by the Fund. Settled claims have not exceeded the retention level for this commercial coverage in the current year and any of the past five years.

All funds of the Board participate in this program and make payments to the Insurance Service Fund based on payroll exposure in the amounts needed to pay prior and current year claims and to establish a reserve for catastrophic losses. Net position of the Self Insurance Fund is reserved for anticipated future catastrophic losses pursuant to County policy and GASB Statement No. 10.

The actuarially-determined claims liability for workers' compensation of \$3,665,220, which includes incurred but not reported claims of \$2,352,595, reported in the Fund at September 30, 2015 is based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred as of the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

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Note 8. Risk Management (continued)

Workers' Compensation (continued)

Changes in the Fund's claims liability amount were as follows:

	<u>Beginning of Fiscal Year Liability</u>	<u>Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates</u>	<u>Claims Payments</u>	<u>Balance at Fiscal Year End</u>
September 30, 2015	\$ 2,781,151	\$ 1,847,069	\$ (963,000)	\$ 3,665,220
September 30, 2014	\$ 2,714,523	\$ 902,628	\$ (836,000)	\$ 2,781,151

Automobile Liability

The Board purchases commercial coverage for automobile liability insurance through the same provider of its general liability insurance. All vehicles are covered for physical damage with a \$1,000 deductible and for liability with a \$10,000 deductible.

All funds of the Board participate in this program and pay premiums to the Insurance Service Fund based on the vehicles used by their personnel. Changes in the Fund's claims liability were as follows:

	<u>Beginning of Fiscal Year Liability</u>	<u>Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates</u>	<u>Claims Payments</u>	<u>Balance at Fiscal Year End</u>
September 30, 2015	\$ 5,140	\$ (293)	\$ 0	\$ 4,847
September 30, 2014	\$ 36,238	\$ (31,098)	\$ 0	\$ 5,140

The claims liability of \$4,847 includes an actuarial valuation for incurred but not reported claims of \$5,000.

Note 9. Leases

In June 2003, the Board purchased the Bank of America building. There are several noncancellable operating lease agreements for the rental of its building. The lease agreements provide for monthly rentals, which escalate over the lease terms and expire on various dates.

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Note 9. Leases (continued)

Minimum future rentals to be collected under the terms of the lease agreements as of September 30, 2015, are as follows:

<u>Year ending September 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ 1,335,720
2017	844,203
2018	471,691
2019	465,601
2020	445,177
2021-2023	<u>149,410</u>
	<u>\$ 3,711,802</u>

In October 2009, the Board purchased the Lake Jackson Oaks Huntington Property. There are several noncancellable operating lease agreements for the rental of its building. The lease agreements provide for monthly rentals, which escalate over the lease terms and expire on various dates. Minimum future rentals to be collected under the terms of the lease agreements as of September 30, 2015, are as follows:

<u>Year ending September 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ 253,660
2017	55,735
2018	<u>23,912</u>
	<u>\$ 333,307</u>

Note 10. Other Required Individual Fund Disclosures

Interfund balances in the Governmental Funds primarily represent repayments due from other funds responsible for particular expenditures to the funds that initially paid for them. Interfund balances are due and payable within one year.

Interfund receivable and payable balances at September 30, 2015, are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
General Fund	\$ 97,063	\$ 0
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	0	24,841
Internal Service Funds	0	72,222
	<u>\$ 97,063</u>	<u>\$ 97,063</u>

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Note 10. Other Required Individual Fund Disclosures (continued)

Each fund has a discrete purpose. However, often, there is a need for one fund to support a portion of another fund's activities. To accomplish this, monies are moved between funds through a process called interfund transfers. Interfund Transfers for the year ended September 30, 2015, consisted of the following:

Transfers to the General Fund from:	
Fine & Forfeiture Fund	\$ 2,400,000
Special Assessment Paving Fund	308,407
Enterprise Fund	<u>28,640</u>
Total Transfers to the General Fund	<u>2,737,047</u>
Transfers to the Grants Fund from:	
General Fund	121,155
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>24,704</u>
Total Transfers to the Grants Fund	<u>145,859</u>
Transfers to the Capital Improvement Fund from:	
General Fund	1,033,500
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>74,334</u>
Total Transfers to the Capital Improvement Fund	<u>1,107,834</u>
Transfers to the Nonmajor Governmental Funds:	
General Fund	15,732,460
Fine & Forfeiture Fund	220,813
Capital Projects Fund	21,830
Other Nonmajor Funds	<u>5,467,366</u>
Total Transfers to the Nonmajor Governmental Funds	<u>21,442,469</u>
Total Transfers to Governmental Funds	<u>25,433,209</u>
Transfers to the Enterprise Fund from:	
General Fund	<u>466,822</u>
Total Transfers to Enterprise Funds	<u>466,822</u>
Total Interfund Transfers	<u><u>\$ 25,900,031</u></u>

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Note 11. Closure and Post-closure Care Cost

State and federal laws and regulations require the Board to place a final cover on each of its landfill cells when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions on each cell for thirty years after closure. Although closure and post-closure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the Board reports a portion of these costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. The \$10,977,531 reported as landfill closure and post-closure care liability at September 30, 2015, represents the cumulative amount reported to date based on the use of 100% of the estimated capacity of the landfill cells placed in use. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform closure and post-closure care in 2015 on those cells placed in use. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations. The landfill is no longer accepting Class I waste, however it is still accepting residuals from a Class III materials recovery facility and recovered screened materials. Since the landfill is permitted as a single permit, until the entire landfill is closed the Board cannot begin to perform closure and post-closure care.

The Board is required by state and federal laws to make annual contributions to an escrow account to finance a minimum of all closure costs. The Board is in compliance with those minimum requirements, and at September 30, 2015, held investments in the amount of \$7,669,889 for these purposes that are reported as restricted assets on the balance sheet. The Board expects that future inflation costs will be paid from interest earnings on these annual contributions. However, if interest earnings are inadequate or additional post-closure care requirements are determined; these costs may need to be covered by charges to future landfill users or from future tax revenue.

Net income of the landfill fund is accumulated in a reserve for rate stabilization. The fund reported a reserve balance of \$5,320,452 at September 30, 2015. The intent of this reserve is to allow for consistent usage fee charges, construction or acquisition of landfill assets and accumulation of closure and post-closure costs. Because funding for closure and post-closure costs associated with unused capacity of landfill cells is to be derived from future usage fees, the rate stabilization reserve does not represent liquid assets available for that purpose.

Note 12. Component Unit - Housing Finance Authority of Leon County

The Authority had the following bonds outstanding at September 30, 2015, pursuant to its authorization:

	<u>Amount Outstanding</u>
Single Family Mortgage Revenue and Refunding Bonds:	
Series 1995 A	\$ 65,000
	<u>\$ 65,000</u>

The principal and interest thereon is payable solely from revenues and other amounts derived from the mortgage loans purchased with bond proceeds and certain reserve funds, all of which are administered by trustees. The Authority is not directly or indirectly liable for the collection of the mortgage loans. The principal and interest on the bonds do not constitute an indebtedness, liability, general obligation or pledge of the faith or credit of the Authority, Leon County, the state of Florida, or any municipality or political subdivision thereof.

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Note 13. Commitments and Contingencies

A. Contract commitments:

Grants

The Board is currently receiving, and has received in the past, grants which are subject to special compliance audits by the grantor agency that may result in disallowed expense amounts. Such amounts, if any, constitute a contingent liability of the Board. Accordingly, such liabilities are not reflected within the financial statements.

Long-Term Construction Projects

The Board is committed to various material long-term construction projects at September 30, 2015. These commitments have been included in the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget and the five-year Capital Improvement Program and certain amounts have been reserved in the capital projects fund. Current contracts outstanding as of the report date approximate \$4.1 million.

B. Potential liabilities resulting from litigation:

The Board is a defendant in various lawsuits arising from the normal course of operations. The outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable.

On October 1, 2012, the CDA was formed as a separate legal entity by virtue of an Interlocal Agreement between Leon County, Florida, the City of Tallahassee, and the Leon County Sheriff's Office. Subsequent to the CDA's formation and during the course of the CDA providing dispatch services, there have been occasions which have given rise to certain claims and litigation against the CDA itself. At no time has Leon County or the City of Tallahassee been named as a Party Defendant to any of the litigation. To the extent that any Plaintiff or Claimant in this litigation is able to prevail in their claims against the CDA, obtain a Final Judgment against the CDA, it could be covered by the CDA's general liability insurance and would be subject to the statutory mandates of sovereign immunity contained in Florida Statutes, Section 768.28. Thus, should a money judgment be obtained against the CDA, and to the extent it exceeds or is not covered by the CDA's insurance, and to the extent it exceeds the sovereign immunity caps under Section 768.28, and to the extent that the successful Plaintiff seeks a further waiver of the sovereign immunity cap by virtue of filing a Claims Bill in the Florida Legislature, and to the extent that in some year in the future the Florida Legislature actually approves such a Claims Bill, and to the extent that such a Claims Bill requires payment from the CDA which exceeds its existing budgeted funds, then the CDA may seek financial contribution from Leon County and the City of Tallahassee, which the City and the County are not legally obligated to appropriate. Then, to the extent that Leon County and/or the City of Tallahassee chooses to budget and appropriate funds to the CDA to cover the costs set forth in any Claims Bill which is directed to the CDA, then, and only then, would there be a potential financial impact to Leon County and/or the City of Tallahassee.

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Note 13. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

C. Encumbrances:

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. They do not constitute expenditures or liabilities. The commitments will be honored in the subsequent year. The Board had \$0 reserved for encumbrances as of September 30, 2015.

Note 14. Subsequent Event

The County has evaluated subsequent events through February 22, 2016, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Other Schedules

**Board of County Commissioners
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**Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures of
Funds Related to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill**

Year Ended September 30, 2015

Source	Amount Received during the 2014-15 Fiscal Year	Amount Expended during the 2014-15 Fiscal Year
British Petroleum:		
Agreement No. 134036	\$ 746,693	\$0

Note: This schedule does not include funds related to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill that are considered Federal awards or State financial assistance. Leon County, Florida did not receive or expend any Federal awards or State financial assistance related to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.

See independent auditors' report.

Internal Control and Compliance Section

Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on
Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial
Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

September 30, 2015

Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

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 discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (the Board), which comprise the statement of financial position as of September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 22, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Board's special-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other 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 Board'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 Board's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

We have issued a management letter to the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida dated February 22, 2016, presenting certain required disclosures and comments pursuant to the *Rules of the Auditor General*, Chapter 10.550.



Thomas Howell Ferguson P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida
February 22, 2016



Law, Redd, Crona & Munroe P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida

Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance with Section 218.415,
Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies
September 30, 2015

Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance with
Section 218.415, *Florida Statutes*, Local Government Investment Policies

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

We have examined the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida's (Board) compliance with local government investment policies provided in Chapter 218.415, *Florida Statutes*, during the year ended September 30, 2015. Management is responsible for the Board's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Board's compliance based on our examination.

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

In our opinion, the Board complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2015.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida and the Florida Auditor General and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Thomas Howell Ferguson P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida
February 22, 2016

Law, Redd, Crona & Munroe P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida

Management Letter
September 30, 2015

Management Letter

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners
Leon County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the special-purpose financial statements of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (Board), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated February 22, 2016.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reports and Schedules

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, Section 601, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated February 22, 2016, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations reported in the prior year management letter.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity are disclosed in Note 1 of the Notes to the Special-Purpose Financial Statements. The Leon County Housing Finance Authority, a component unit of Leon County, was authorized pursuant to Chapter 159, Part IV, of the *Florida Statutes* and was created by Leon County Ordinance 80-39.

Other Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in the management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. The following recommendation was made.

15-01 Systematic process for back-ups

Our assessment of information technology controls identified that the MIS division does not currently have a formal and comprehensive process for periodically testing the integrity and viability of server and database back-ups. Restores of back-ups were performed to a degree but not in a systematic manner. We recommend that procedures be implemented to systematically restore and test back-ups of IT data, software, and configurations to ensure back-ups are functioning as intended. The plan should be developed using a risk-based approach to guide decisions with regard to selecting which back-ups are to be restored on a test basis and the frequency in which the back-ups are tested. The plan should also provide for assessing the integrity of all back-ups within a defined time period, perhaps annually.

Management's response: We agree with your comment that a systematic and regular test of the backup for the financial system needs to be in a written policy and tested at least annually. We are in the process of developing our policy.

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

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Thomas Howell Ferguson P.A.
Tallahassee, Florida
February 22, 2016



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Tallahassee, Florida