

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DECEMBER 31, 2024

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND ADMINISTRATION
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<u>Elected Officials</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Ken Schmitt	Mayor	December 31, 2026
Shawn Blackburn	Council Member	December 31, 2026
Sarah Starling	Council Member	December 31, 2024
Vic Schulz	Council Member	December 31, 2024
Frank Theisen	Council Member	December 31, 2026
<u>Administration</u>		
Shaunna Johnson	City Administrator	
Karla Virnig	Finance Director	
Adri Brenny	City Clerk	

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Waite Park
Waite Park, Minnesota

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Waite Park, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Waite Park, Minnesota, as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, Local Sales Tax Special Revenue Fund and Public Safety Facility Sales and Use Tax Special Revenue Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, Schedules of Employer Contributions, the Schedule of Changes in the City Fire Relief Association's Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, the Schedule of Changes in the City's Total OPEB Liability, and related notes as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The statements and schedules listed in the table of contents as supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

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

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

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 25, 2025, on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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August 25, 2025

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

This section of the basic financial statements of the City of Waite Park, Minnesota (the City) presents a discussion and analysis of the City's financial performance during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the City's basic financial statements following this section.

Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of the City of Waite Park exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$101,222,357. Of this amount, \$15,052,624 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors in accordance with the City's fund designations and fiscal policies.
- The City's total net position increased by \$8,308,431 from normal operations.
- The City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$19,691,621. This represents an increase of \$5,263,886 compared to 2023.
- The City's outstanding long-term liabilities decreased by \$1,640,703.

Using this Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the City as a whole and present a longer-term view of the City's finances. Fund financial statements are presented after the Statement of Activities. Fund financial statements also report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the City's funds. The notes to the basic financial statements provide information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

The City as a Whole: Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities

Our analysis of the City of Waite Park begins with the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities both report information about the City as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. The Statement of Net Position includes all assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting. In the Statement of Activities, all of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the City's net position and changes in them. You can think of the City's net position—the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources—as one way to measure the City's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net position are one indicator of whether the City's financial health is improving or deteriorating.

You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors, however, to assess the overall health of the City.

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

Governmental Activities - Most of the City's basic services are reported here, including public safety, public works, sanitation, recreation and parks and general administration. Property taxes, franchise fees, state and federal grants, and charges for services finance most of these activities.

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The City as a Whole: Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities (Cont'd)

Business-Type Activities - The City charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The City's Water, Sewer, and Stormwater funds are reported here.

The City's Most Significant Funds: Fund Financial Statements

Our analysis of the City's major funds begins with the fund financial statements. These statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not the City as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by state law and by bond covenants. However, the City Council establishes other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money. The City's two kinds of funds-governmental and proprietary-use different accounting approaches.

Governmental Funds - Most of the City's basic services are reported in governmental funds. Governmental funds focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps the reader of the statements determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation after the fund financial statements.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 16-23 of this report.

Proprietary Funds - When the City charges customers for the services it provides—whether to outside customers or to other units of the City—these services are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. In fact, the City's enterprise funds are the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows, for proprietary funds.

The proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 24-27 of this report.

Fiduciary funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources that are held for the benefit of parties outside the City. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the City of Waite Park's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that which is used for proprietary funds.

The fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on page 28 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 29-70 of this report.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

Statement of Net Position

The City of Waite Park's overall net position increased from a year ago. Our analysis focuses on the net position of the City's governmental (Table 1) and business-type activities (Table 2).

Table 1 Comparative Condensed Statement of Net Position			
	Governmental Activities		Change
	2024	2023	
Current and Other Assets	\$ 22,275,805	\$ 18,033,338	\$ 4,242,467
Net Capital Assets	64,693,836	63,495,967	1,197,869
Total Assets	<u>86,969,641</u>	<u>81,529,305</u>	5,440,336
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>3,134,495</u>	<u>4,006,789</u>	(872,294)
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 90,104,136</u>	<u>\$ 85,536,094</u>	<u>\$ 4,568,042</u>
Current Liabilities	\$ 907,797	\$ 1,409,026	\$ (501,229)
Long-Term Liabilities	16,751,329	19,497,653	(2,746,324)
Total Liabilities	<u>17,659,126</u>	<u>20,906,679</u>	(3,247,553)
Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,074,587	3,797,192	277,395
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	51,310,717	49,133,887	2,176,830
Restricted for Economic Development	2,301	2,208	93
Restricted for Debt Service	1,499,124	1,538,082	(38,958)
Restricted for Tax Increment	507,439	434,569	72,870
Restricted for Capital Projects	8,516,356	5,530,127	2,986,229
Unrestricted	6,534,486	4,193,350	2,341,136
Total Net Position	<u>68,370,423</u>	<u>60,832,223</u>	<u>7,538,200</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position	<u>\$ 90,104,136</u>	<u>\$ 85,536,094</u>	<u>\$ 4,568,042</u>

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Statement of Net Position (Cont'd)

Table 2 Comparative Condensed Statement of Net Position			
	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		Change
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
Current and Other Assets	\$ 9,827,309	\$ 8,695,912	\$ 1,131,397
Net Capital Assets	24,333,796	25,205,495	(871,699)
Total Assets	<u>34,161,105</u>	<u>33,901,407</u>	259,698
Deferred Outflows of Resources	117,381	199,395	(82,014)
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 34,278,486</u>	<u>\$ 34,100,802</u>	<u>\$ 177,684</u>
Current Liabilities	\$ 302,638	\$ 344,432	\$ (41,794)
Long-Term Liabilities	916,159	1,530,865	(614,706)
Total Liabilities	<u>1,218,797</u>	<u>1,875,297</u>	<u>(656,500)</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	207,755	143,802	63,953
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	24,333,796	24,767,153	(433,357)
Unrestricted	8,518,138	7,314,550	1,203,588
Total Net Position	<u>32,851,934</u>	<u>32,081,703</u>	<u>770,231</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position	<u>\$ 34,278,486</u>	<u>\$ 34,100,802</u>	<u>\$ 177,684</u>

Governmental Activities

Net position of the City's governmental activities increased by \$7,538,200, this is an increase from the prior year by \$429,213. The increase is due to increases in property and local tax revenues and operating grants and contributions.

Business-Type Activities

The net position of the business-type activities increased by \$770,231. The increase is attributable to the following funds increase in net position: Water Fund - \$595,956, Sewer Fund - \$131,580, and Stormwater Fund - \$42,695.

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Statement of Activities

The following tables indicate the changes in net position for the City's governmental (Table 3) and business-type activities (Table 4):

Table 3 Comparative Condensed Statement of Activities			
	Governmental Activities		Change
	2024	2023	
REVENUES			
Program Revenues			
Fees, Fines, and Charges for Services	\$ 1,128,455	\$ 728,176	\$ 400,279
Operating Grants and Contributions	1,067,755	593,544	474,211
Capital Grants and Contributions	40,742	2,957,400	(2,916,658)
General Revenues			
Taxes			
Property	10,870,009	10,330,512	539,497
Increment	295,358	285,348	10,010
Gravel	111,455	153,770	(42,315)
Franchise	437,910	442,089	(4,179)
Local Sales and Use	4,409,716	3,548,920	860,796
Grants and Contributions			
Not Restricted to Specific Programs	507,037	33,118	473,919
Refunds and Reimbursements	156,435	136,277	20,158
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	720,439	588,808	131,631
Other	131,272	107,298	23,974
Gain on Sale of Assets	122,957	3,845	119,112
Total Revenues	19,999,540	19,909,105	90,435
EXPENSES			
General Government	1,984,133	1,826,821	157,312
Public Safety	4,685,302	4,867,656	(182,354)
Public Works	2,943,278	3,220,178	(276,900)
Sanitation	500,906	481,448	19,458
Culture and Recreation	1,641,723	1,697,317	(55,594)
Economic Development	277,993	238,619	39,374
Interest on Long-Term Debt	428,005	468,079	(40,074)
Total Expenses	12,461,340	12,800,118	(338,778)
Change in Net Position	7,538,200	7,108,987	429,213
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	60,832,223	53,723,236	7,108,987
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 68,370,423	\$ 60,832,223	\$ 7,538,200

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Statement of Activities (Cont'd)

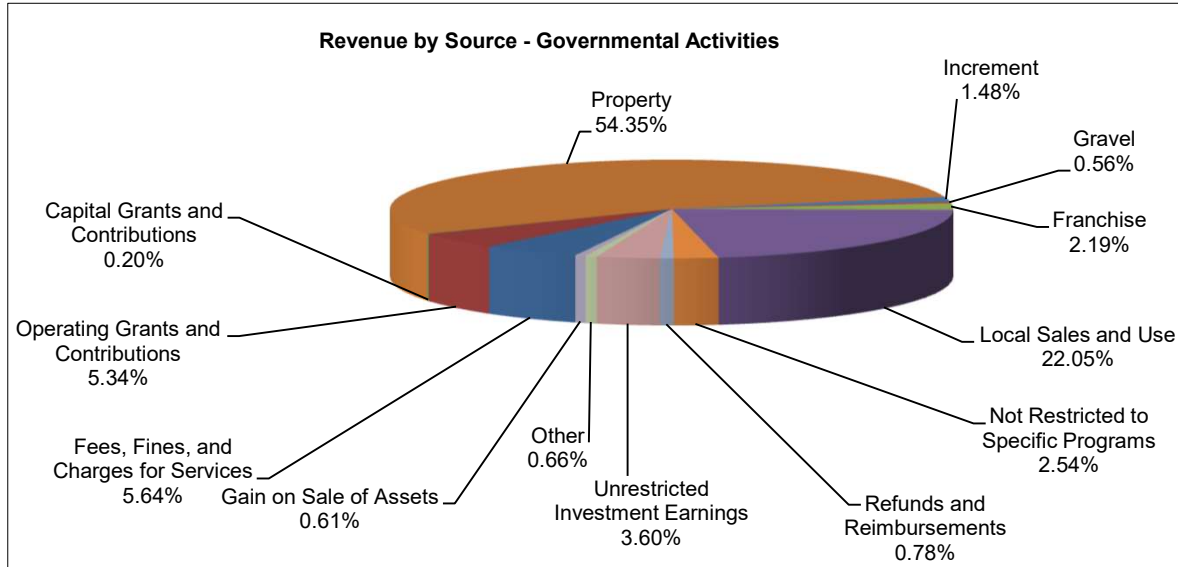
Table 4 Comparative Condensed Statement of Activities			
	Business-Type Activities		Change
	2024	2023	
REVENUES			
Program Revenues			
Fees, Fines, and Charges for Services	\$ 4,050,999	\$ 4,093,996	\$ (42,997)
Capital Grants and Contributions	58,547		
General Revenues			
Grants and Contributions			
Not Restricted to Specific Programs		1,403	(1,403)
Refunds and Reimbursements	41,190	33,274	7,916
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	346,396	318,937	27,459
Total Revenues	<u>4,497,132</u>	<u>4,447,610</u>	<u>(9,025)</u>
EXPENSES			
Water	1,751,032	1,543,019	208,013
Sewer	1,927,275	2,133,084	(205,809)
Stormwater	48,594	104,434	(55,840)
Total Expenses	<u>3,726,901</u>	<u>3,780,537</u>	<u>(53,636)</u>
Change in Net Position	770,231	667,073	44,611
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>32,081,703</u>	<u>31,414,630</u>	<u>667,073</u>
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 32,851,934</u>	<u>\$ 32,081,703</u>	<u>\$ 770,231</u>

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Governmental Activities

Revenues - The following chart visually illustrates the City's revenue by source for its governmental activities:



Financial Analysis of the City's Funds

General Fund - The City's General Fund balance increased by \$2,152,474. The increase was caused by an increase in property tax revenues and a decrease in capital outlay expenditures for culture and recreation.

Special Revenue Funds - The City's Special Revenue fund balances increased by \$3,596,482. This increase was caused by an increase in sales tax revenue and a decrease in capital outlay expenditures for economic development.

Debt Service Funds - The Debt Service fund balances increased by \$62,395. This increase was due to tax revenues and transfers in to the funds being sufficient to cover debt service payments.

Capital Project Funds - The Capital Project fund balances decreased by \$547,465. This was due to an increase in the public safety capital outlay expenditures for the ongoing project.

Water Fund - The Water Fund net position increased \$595,956 due to an increase in intergovernmental revenues and investment income.

Sewer Fund - The Sewer Fund net position increased \$131,580 due to an increase in charges for services revenues and a decrease in wages and salaries and repairs and maintenance expenses.

Stormwater Fund - The Stormwater Fund net position increased \$42,695 as a result of an increase in charges for services revenue and a decrease in wages and salaries and repairs and maintenance expenses.

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General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the City of Waite Park Council did not revise the budget. The General Fund budget included expenditures over revenues, resulting in a budgeted decrease in fund balance of \$300,000. The actual fund balance increased by \$2,152,474. The General Fund actual revenues were over budgeted amounts by \$1,543,473 consisting of property taxes, licenses and permits, intergovernmental, charges for services, and investment revenue. Expenditures were under budgeted amounts by \$126,288. This was due to the City budgeting for more public safety expenditures than were incurred.

Capital and Right to Use Assets

At the end of 2024, the City of Waite Park had \$146,196,283 invested in a broad range of capital and right to use assets. Refer to Note 5 of the Notes to the Financial Statements for a schedule showing the City's capital asset activity.

Long-Term Liabilities

At year-end of the year, the City of Waite Park had \$14,715,654 in bonds and other long-term liabilities outstanding. Refer to Note 7 of the Notes to the Financial Statements for a schedule showing the City's long-term liability activity.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The City of Waite Park's appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2025 budget, rates, and fees that will be charged by the funds of the City. The major factor accounted for when adopting the General Fund budget is to hold all line items as much as possible to the 2024 final Budget.

Contacting the City's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our residents, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the City of Waite Park's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact the City of Waite Park, 19 13th Avenue North, PO Box 339, Waite Park, Minnesota 56387, (320) 252-6822, or Karla.Virnig@ci.waitepark.mn.us.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Cash and Investments	\$ 19,237,287	\$ 8,840,311	\$ 28,077,598
Receivables			
Accounts	134,423	38,064	172,487
Utilities		919,609	919,609
Delinquent Taxes	113,115		113,115
Special Assessments Receivable			
Delinquent	7,978		7,978
Deferred	1,222,960		1,222,960
Inventories	35,701	4,942	40,643
Prepaid Items	165,595	24,383	189,978
Due from Other Governments	1,005,693		1,005,693
Capital Assets			
Assets Not Being Depreciated or Amortized	7,870,101	1,421,032	9,291,133
Other Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation and Amortization	56,823,735	22,912,764	79,736,499
Net Pension Asset	353,053		353,053
Total Assets	<u>86,969,641</u>	<u>34,161,105</u>	<u>121,130,746</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>3,134,495</u>	<u>117,381</u>	<u>3,251,876</u>
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 90,104,136</u>	<u>\$ 34,278,486</u>	<u>\$ 124,382,622</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ 604,141	\$ 71,386	\$ 675,527
Contracts Payable	92,399		92,399
Due to Other Governments	26,088	211,689	237,777
Salaries and Benefits Payable	164,450	19,563	184,013
Interest Payable	20,719		20,719
Long-Term Liabilities			
Net Pension Liability	2,070,441	309,996	2,380,437
Total OPEB Liability	414,720	156,677	571,397
Other Long-Term Liabilities Due Within One Year	1,320,516		1,320,516
Other Long-Term Liabilities Due in More Than One Year	12,945,652	449,486	13,395,138
Total Liabilities	<u>17,659,126</u>	<u>1,218,797</u>	<u>18,877,923</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,074,587	207,755	4,282,342
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	51,310,717	24,333,796	75,644,513
Restricted for			
Economic Development	2,301		2,301
Debt Service	1,499,124		1,499,124
Tax Increment	507,439		507,439
Regional Capital Improvement Projects	8,516,356		8,516,356
Unrestricted	6,534,486	8,518,138	15,052,624
Total Net Position	<u>68,370,423</u>	<u>32,851,934</u>	<u>101,222,357</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Pension	<u>\$ 90,104,136</u>	<u>\$ 34,278,486</u>	<u>\$ 124,382,622</u>

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
	Expenses	Fees, Fines, and Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES							
General Government	\$ 1,984,133	\$ 326,904	\$ 7,140	\$	\$ (1,650,089)	\$	\$ (1,650,089)
Public Safety	4,685,302	463,565	957,196		(3,264,541)		(3,264,541)
Public Works	2,943,278	3,730	14,054	38,728	(2,886,766)		(2,886,766)
Sanitation	500,906	5,683			(495,223)		(495,223)
Culture and Recreation	1,641,723	328,573	89,365	2,014	(1,221,771)		(1,221,771)
Economic Development	277,993				(277,993)		(277,993)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	428,005				(428,005)		(428,005)
Total Governmental Activities	12,461,340	1,128,455	1,067,755	40,742	(10,224,388)	0	(10,224,388)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES							
Water	1,751,032	2,108,762		58,547		416,277	416,277
Sewer	1,927,275	1,855,414				(71,861)	(71,861)
Stormwater	48,594	86,823				38,229	38,229
Total Business-Type Activities	3,726,901	4,050,999	0	58,547	0	382,645	382,645
Total	\$ 16,188,241	\$ 5,179,454	\$ 1,067,755	\$ 99,289	(10,224,388)	382,645	(9,841,743)
GENERAL REVENUES							
Taxes							
Property					10,870,009		10,870,009
Increment					295,358		295,358
Gravel					111,455		111,455
Franchise					437,910		437,910
Local Sales and Use					4,409,716		4,409,716
Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Specific Programs					507,037		507,037
Refunds and Reimbursements					156,435	41,190	197,625
Unrestricted Investment Earnings					720,439	346,396	1,066,835
Other					131,272		131,272
Gain on Sale of Assets					122,957		122,957
Total General Revenues					17,762,588	387,586	18,150,174
Change in Net Position					7,538,200	770,231	8,308,431
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR					60,832,223	32,081,703	92,913,926
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR					\$ 68,370,423	\$ 32,851,934	\$ 101,222,357

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	General (101)	Local Sales Tax (221)	Public Safety Facility Sales and Use Tax (223)	Public Safety Facility (445)	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash and Investments	\$ 9,066,420	\$ 2,532,363	\$ 4,243,152	\$ 1,019,253	\$ 2,376,099	\$ 19,237,287
Receivables						
Accounts	134,423					134,423
Delinquent Taxes	100,449				12,666	113,115
Special Assessments Receivable						
Delinquent	7,978					7,978
Deferred	1,222,960					1,222,960
Inventory	35,701					35,701
Prepaid Items	165,595					165,595
Due from Other Governments	54,647	494,250	453,088		3,708	1,005,693
Total Assets	\$ 10,788,173	\$ 3,026,613	\$ 4,696,240	\$ 1,019,253	\$ 2,392,473	\$ 21,922,752
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE						
Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$ 251,436	\$	\$	\$ 225,750	\$ 126,955	\$ 604,141
Contracts Payable	92,399					92,399
Due to Other Governments	26,088					26,088
Salaries and Benefits Payable	164,450					164,450
Total Liabilities	534,373	0	0	225,750	126,955	887,078
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Unavailable Revenue						
Delinquent Taxes	100,449				12,666	113,115
Special Assessments	1,230,938					1,230,938
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,331,387	0	0	0	12,666	1,344,053
Fund Balance						
Nonspendable						
Inventory	35,701					35,701
Prepays	165,595					165,595
Restricted						
Tax Increment					507,439	507,439
Loan Program					2,301	2,301
Debt Service					1,507,177	1,507,177
Regional Capital Improvement Projects		3,026,613	4,696,240	793,503		8,516,356
Assigned						
Capital Outlay	854,599				4,491	859,090
Park Land Development					132,464	132,464
Fund Operations					98,980	98,980
Unassigned	7,866,518					7,866,518
Total Fund Balance	8,922,413	3,026,613	4,696,240	793,503	2,252,852	19,691,621
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance	\$ 10,788,173	\$ 3,026,613	\$ 4,696,240	\$ 1,019,253	\$ 2,392,473	\$ 21,922,752

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	General (101)	Local Sales Tax (221)	(Former Nonmajor) Public Safety Facility Sales and Use Tax (223)	(Former Nonmajor) Public Safety Facility (445)	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES						
Taxes						
Property	\$ 10,188,653	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1,116,412	\$ 11,305,065
Gravel	111,455					111,455
Franchise	437,910					437,910
Total Taxes	10,738,018				1,116,412	11,854,430
Sales Tax	7,538	1,739,585	2,662,593			4,409,716
Tax Increment	708				294,650	295,358
Special Assessments	58,241				63,160	121,401
Licenses and Permits	311,933					311,933
Intergovernmental	1,391,231					1,391,231
Charges for Services	697,676					697,676
Fines and Forfeitures	81,870				5,012	86,882
Miscellaneous						
Investment Income	220,401	107,926	242,770	52,348	96,994	720,439
Contributions and Donations	35,107				78,843	113,950
Refunds and Reimbursements	131,937				20,268	152,205
Event Reimbursements	101,649					101,649
Other	35,746					35,746
Total Revenues	13,812,055	1,847,511	2,905,363	52,348	1,675,339	20,292,616
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
General Government	1,913,353					1,913,353
Public Safety	4,368,754				3,970	4,372,724
Public Works	2,008,863					2,008,863
Sanitation	506,445					506,445
Culture and Recreation	1,040,568				83,520	1,124,088
Economic Development					253,915	253,915
Debt Service						
Principal	84,196				1,175,000	1,259,196
Interest and Other Charges	4,999				468,795	473,794
Capital Outlay						
General Government	46,662					46,662
Public Safety	330,129			599,617		929,746
Public Works	2,100,490			196		2,100,686
Culture and Recreation	39,835				15,860	55,695
Economic Development					8,276	8,276
Total Expenditures	12,444,294	0	0	599,813	2,009,336	15,053,443
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,367,761	1,847,511	2,905,363	(547,465)	(333,997)	5,239,173
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	24,713					24,713
Transfers In	760,000				459,180	1,219,180
Transfers Out		(1,219,180)				(1,219,180)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	784,713	(1,219,180)	0	0	459,180	24,713
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,152,474	628,331	2,905,363	(547,465)	125,183	5,263,886
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS ORIGINALLY STATED						
	6,769,939	2,398,282			5,259,514	14,427,735
Adjustment - Changes within Reporting Entity						
			1,790,877	1,340,968	(3,131,845)	
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS RESTATED						
	6,769,939	2,398,282	1,790,877	1,340,968	2,127,669	14,427,735
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR						
	\$ 8,922,413	\$ 3,026,613	\$ 4,696,240	\$ 793,503	\$ 2,252,852	\$ 19,691,621

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>2024</u>
Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 5,263,886
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over the estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.	
Asset Additions	3,429,914
Asset Disposals	(145,067)
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	(2,185,159)
Accumulated Depreciation of Disposed Assets	98,181
Certain receivables will be collected in subsequent years, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	
Delinquent Taxes	(435,056)
Special Assessments	
Delinquent	(6,079)
Deferred	(83,678)
Postemployment benefits payable in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because this benefit is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, postemployment benefits payable and compensated absences are recognized when accrued.	
Compensated Absences	(59,111)
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	120,028
In the Statement of Activities, pension expenses are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid).	
	240,355
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore not reported as liabilities in the funds.	
Amortization of Bond Premium	37,914
Principal Retirement of Long-Term Debt	1,229,848
Payment of Long-Term Leases	19,007
Payment of Long-Term Subscriptions	10,341
Change in Accrued Interest Payable	<u>2,876</u>
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 7,538,200</u>

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under) Final Budget
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Property	\$ 9,798,882	\$ 9,798,882	\$ 10,188,653	\$ 389,771
Gravel	150,000	150,000	111,455	(38,545)
Franchise	445,000	445,000	437,910	(7,090)
Total Taxes	10,393,882	10,393,882	10,738,018	344,136
Sales Tax			7,538	7,538
Tax Increment			708	708
Special Assessments			58,241	58,241
Licenses and Permits	144,525	144,525	311,933	167,408
Intergovernmental	866,979	866,979	1,391,231	524,252
Charges for Services	576,096	576,096	697,676	121,580
Fines and Forfeitures	59,900	59,900	81,870	21,970
Miscellaneous				
Investment Income	20,000	20,000	220,401	200,401
Contributions and Donations	14,000	14,000	35,107	21,107
Refunds and Reimbursements	85,000	85,000	131,937	46,937
Event Reimbursements	105,000	105,000	101,649	(3,351)
Other	3,200	3,200	35,746	32,546
Total Revenues	12,268,582	12,268,582	13,812,055	1,543,473
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General Government	1,898,107	1,898,107	1,913,353	15,246
Public Safety	5,656,085	5,656,085	4,368,754	(1,287,331)
Public Works	1,893,473	1,893,473	2,008,863	115,390
Sanitation	574,050	574,050	506,445	(67,605)
Culture and Recreation	946,117	946,117	1,040,568	94,451
Debt Service				
Principal	54,850	54,850	84,196	29,346
Interest and Other Charges	5,000	5,000	4,999	(1)
Capital Outlay				
General Government	104,500	104,500	46,662	(57,838)
Public Safety	138,400	138,400	330,129	191,729
Public Works	1,300,000	1,300,000	2,100,490	800,490
Culture and Recreation			39,835	39,835
Total Expenditures	12,570,582	12,570,582	12,444,294	(126,288)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
Over (Under) Expenditures	(302,000)	(302,000)	1,367,761	1,669,761

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under) Final Budget
	Original	Final		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers In	\$	\$	\$ 760,000	\$ 760,000
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	2,000	2,000	24,713	22,713
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>784,713</u>	<u>782,713</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ (300,000)</u>	<u>\$ (300,000)</u>	2,152,474	<u>\$ 2,452,474</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR			<u>6,769,939</u>	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR			<u>\$ 8,922,413</u>	

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 LOCAL SALES TAX SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under) Final Budget
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Sales Tax	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,739,585	\$ 239,585
Miscellaneous				
Investment Income			107,926	107,926
Total Revenues	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>1,847,511</u>	<u>347,511</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,847,511	347,511
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers Out	<u>(1,100,000)</u>	<u>(1,100,000)</u>	<u>(1,219,180)</u>	<u>(119,180)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ 400,000</u>	<u>\$ 400,000</u>	628,331	<u>\$ 228,331</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR			<u>2,398,282</u>	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR			<u>\$ 3,026,613</u>	

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY SALES AND USE TAX SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under) Final Budget
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
Sales Tax	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,662,593	\$ 662,593
Miscellaneous				
Investment Income			242,770	242,770
Total Revenues	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,905,363</u>	<u>905,363</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,905,363	905,363
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers Out	<u>(680,200)</u>	<u>(680,200)</u>		<u>680,200</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ 1,319,800</u>	<u>\$ 1,319,800</u>	2,905,363	<u>\$ 1,585,563</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS ORIGINALLY STATED				
Adjustment - Changes within Reporting Entity			<u>1,790,877</u>	
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS RESTATED			<u>1,790,877</u>	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR			<u>\$ 4,696,240</u>	

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds			
	Water (601)	Sewer (605)	Stormwater (609)	Total
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash and Investments	\$ 3,923,079	\$ 4,795,355	\$ 121,877	\$ 8,840,311
Receivables				
Accounts	29,849	8,215		38,064
Utilities	453,576	444,843	21,190	919,609
Inventory	1,996	1,579	1,367	4,942
Prepaid Items	15,425	8,958		24,383
Total Current Assets	<u>4,423,925</u>	<u>5,258,950</u>	<u>144,434</u>	<u>9,827,309</u>
Noncurrent Assets				
Capital Assets				
Assets Not Being Depreciated	645,831	775,201		1,421,032
Other Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	12,469,792	10,442,972		22,912,764
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>13,115,623</u>	<u>11,218,173</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>24,333,796</u>
Total Assets	<u>17,539,548</u>	<u>16,477,123</u>	<u>144,434</u>	<u>34,161,105</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources				
Related to OPEB	2,847	1,492	71	4,410
Related to Pensions	72,925	38,234	1,812	112,971
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>75,772</u>	<u>39,726</u>	<u>1,883</u>	<u>117,381</u>
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 17,615,320</u>	<u>\$ 16,516,849</u>	<u>\$ 146,317</u>	<u>\$ 34,278,486</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 30,703	\$ 40,342	\$ 341	\$ 71,386
Due to Other Governments	25,821	185,868		211,689
Salaries and Benefits Payable	13,481	6,082		19,563
Total Current Liabilities	<u>70,005</u>	<u>232,292</u>	<u>341</u>	<u>302,638</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities				
Net Pension Liability	200,107	104,915	4,974	309,996
Compensated Absences	277,613	171,873		449,486
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	101,137	53,026	2,514	156,677
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>578,857</u>	<u>329,814</u>	<u>7,488</u>	<u>916,159</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>648,862</u>	<u>562,106</u>	<u>7,829</u>	<u>1,218,797</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Related to Pensions	134,109	70,312	3,334	207,755
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	13,115,623	11,218,173		24,333,796
Unrestricted	3,716,726	4,666,258	135,154	8,518,138
Total Net Position	<u>16,832,349</u>	<u>15,884,431</u>	<u>135,154</u>	<u>32,851,934</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position	<u>\$ 17,615,320</u>	<u>\$ 16,516,849</u>	<u>\$ 146,317</u>	<u>\$ 34,278,486</u>

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds			Total
	Water (601)	Sewer (605)	Stormwater (609)	
OPERATING REVENUES				
Charges for Services	\$ 2,072,762	\$ 1,819,414	\$ 86,823	\$ 3,978,999
Service Availability Charge	36,000	36,000		72,000
Total Operating Revenues	2,108,762	1,855,414	86,823	4,050,999
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Wages and Salaries	617,693	275,715	21,371	914,779
Supplies	72,669	18,630	311	91,610
Repairs and Maintenance	197,621	39,233	7,664	244,518
Utilities	194,637	5,008		199,645
Contractual Services	2,545	1,069,259	341	1,072,145
Depreciation	451,631	479,326		930,957
Professional Services	121,831	5,313	12,155	139,299
Miscellaneous	87,881	34,791	6,752	129,424
Total Operating Expenses	1,746,508	1,927,275	48,594	3,722,377
Operating Income (Loss)	362,254	(71,861)	38,229	328,622
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Intergovernmental Revenues	58,547			58,547
Refunds and Reimbursements	24,611	16,579		41,190
Investment Income	155,068	186,862	4,466	346,396
Interest and Fiscal Agent Fees	(4,524)			(4,524)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	233,702	203,441	4,466	441,609
Change in Net Position	595,956	131,580	42,695	770,231
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	16,236,393	15,752,851	92,459	32,081,703
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 16,832,349	\$ 15,884,431	\$ 135,154	\$ 32,851,934

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds			Total
	Water (601)	Sewer (605)	Stormwater (609)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts from Customers and Users	\$ 2,074,917	\$ 1,816,272	\$ 79,127	\$ 3,970,316
Other Receipts	24,611	16,579		41,190
Payments to Suppliers	(666,260)	(1,223,383)	(28,508)	(1,918,151)
Payments to Employees	(625,447)	(274,932)	(35,305)	(935,684)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	807,821	334,536	15,314	1,157,671
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Intergovernmental	58,547			58,547
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(23,903)	(35,355)		(59,258)
Principal Paid on Debt	(430,000)			(430,000)
Interest Paid on Debt	(13,395)			(13,395)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(408,751)	(35,355)	0	(444,106)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Interest and Dividends Received	155,068	186,862	4,466	346,396
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	554,138	486,043	19,780	1,059,961
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR				
	3,368,941	4,309,312	102,097	7,780,350
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR				
	\$ 3,923,079	\$ 4,795,355	\$ 121,877	\$ 8,840,311

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds			
	Water (601)	Sewer (605)	Stormwater (609)	Total
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 362,254	\$ (71,861)	\$ 38,229	\$ 328,622
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities				
Depreciation	451,631	479,326		930,957
Pension Related Adjustments	(10,013)	(1,896)	(7,686)	(19,595)
Other Receipts	24,611	16,579		41,190
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	(28,744)	(13,498)	(4,198)	(46,440)
(Increase) Decrease in Assets				
Accounts Receivable	(17,244)	(8,215)		(25,459)
Utilities Receivable	(16,601)	(30,927)	(7,696)	(55,224)
Inventory	173	(870)	(484)	(1,181)
Prepaid Items	6,560	3,697	171	10,428
Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities				
Accounts Payable and Due to Other Governments	4,191	(53,976)	(972)	(50,757)
Salaries and Benefits Payable	7,302	2,471	(281)	9,492
Compensated Absences	23,701	13,706	(1,769)	35,638
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 807,821</u>	<u>\$ 334,536</u>	<u>\$ 15,314</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,671</u>

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Custodial Fund
ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	\$ 77,416
Accounts Receivable	15,286
Total Assets	\$ 92,702
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 29,186
NET POSITION	
Held for Other Purposes	62,166
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 91,352

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Custodial Fund
ADDITIONS	
Earnings from Other Taxes	\$ 245,570
Earnings from Investments	2,133
Total Additions	247,703
DEDUCTIONS	
Professional Services	239,635
Net Change in Net Position	8,068
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	54,098
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 62,166

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. REPORTING ENTITY

The City of Waite Park is a statutory city governed by an elected mayor and four council members. The accompanying financial statements present the government entities for which the City is considered to be financially accountable.

The financial statements present the City and its component units. The City includes all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments and offices that are not legally separate from such. Component units are legally separate entities for which the City is financially accountable, or for which the exclusion of the component unit would render the financial statements of the City misleading.

The criteria used to determine if the City is financially accountable for a component unit includes whether or not 1) the City appoints the voting majority of the potential component unit's governing body and is able to impose its will on the potential component unit or is in a relationship of financial benefit or burden with the potential component unit, or 2) the potential component unit is fiscally dependent on and there is a potential for the potential component unit to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the City.

As a result of applying the component unit definition criteria above, certain organizations have been defined and are presented in this report as follows:

Blended Component Unit - Reported as if they were part of the City.

Blended Component Unit

The Waite Park Economic Development Authority (EDA) is a legal entity separate from the City. Although legally separate, the Waite Park EDA is reported as if it were part of the primary government because its governing body is substantially the same as the governing body of the primary government. Separate financial statements are not prepared for the Waite Park EDA.

B. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. Internally dedicated revenues are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

B. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Cont'd)

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

The Custodial Fund is presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements. Since, by definition, these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the City, this fund is not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, special assessments, intergovernmental revenue, charges for services, franchise taxes, licenses and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the City.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

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

The Local Sales Tax Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the accumulation of local sales and use tax revenue.

The Public Safety Facility Sales and Use Tax Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the accumulation of sales and use tax revenue for the public safety facility.

The Public Safety Facility Capital Project Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures related to the public safety facility project.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION
(Cont'd)

The City reports the following major enterprise funds:

The Water Fund accounts for the operations of the City's water utility.

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operations of the City's sewer utility.

The Stormwater Fund accounts for the operations related to protecting and improving the quality of local water resources and to maintain compliance with requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act.

Additionally, the City reports the following fiduciary fund:

The Custodial Fund is custodial in nature and does not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. This fund accounts for assets the City holds for others in an agent capacity.

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

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

It is generally the City's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

D. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, deposits and highly liquid debt instruments purchased with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

The City may invest in the following types of investments as authorized by Minn. Stat. §§118A.04 and 118A.05:

- (1) securities which are direct obligations or are guaranteed or insured issues of the United States, its agencies, its instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of Congress, except mortgage-backed securities defined as "high risk" by Minn. Stat. §118A.04, subd. 6;
- (2) mutual funds through shares of registered investment companies provided the mutual fund receives certain ratings depending on its investments;
- (3) general obligations of the State of Minnesota and its municipalities, and in certain state agency and local obligations of Minnesota and other states provided such obligations have certain specified bond ratings by a national bond rating service;
- (4) time deposits that are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or bankers acceptances of United States bank;
- (5) commercial paper issued by United States corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries that is rated in the highest quality category by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in 270 days or less; and
- (6) with certain restrictions, in repurchase agreements, securities lending agreements, joint powers investment trusts, and guaranteed investment contracts.

Cash and cash equivalents were comprised of deposit accounts, money market accounts, external investment pool and brokered certificates of deposit.

Cash balances from all funds of the City are pooled and invested, to the extent available, in allowable cash management accounts and time deposits. Earnings from such accounts are allocated to the respective funds on the basis of applicable cash balance participation by each fund.

The City invests in an external investment pool, the Minnesota Municipal Money Market Fund (4M Fund), which is created under a joint powers agreement pursuant to Minn. Stat. §471.59. The 4M Fund is not registered with the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), but does satisfy the requirements of Rule 2a-7 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR §270.2a-7), as amended. The investment in the pool is measured at the net asset value per share provided by the pool.

The City categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

D. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

The City does have an investment policy in place that addresses interest rate risk, credit risk, concentration of credit risk or custodial credit risk.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits: For deposits, this is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the City's deposits may not be returned to it. Minnesota Statutes require all City deposits be protected by federal deposit insurance, corporate surety bonds, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged must be 110 percent more than the amount on deposit plus accrued interest at the close of the financial institution's banking day, not covered by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance or corporate surety bonds. The City minimizes custodial credit risk by obtaining collateral or bonds for all uninsured amounts on deposit and by obtaining necessary documentation to show compliance with state law and a perfected security interest under federal law.

Authorized collateral includes the obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies, and instrumentalities, shares of investment companies whose only investments are in the aforementioned securities, obligations of the State of Minnesota or its municipalities, bankers' acceptances, futures contracts, repurchase and reverse purchase agreements, and commercial paper of the highest quality with a maturity of no longer than 270 days, as well as certain first mortgage notes, and certain other state or local government obligations. Minnesota Statutes require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping by the City treasurer or in a financial institution other than that furnishing the collateral.

Interest Rate Risk: This is the risk that market values of securities in a portfolio would decrease due to changes in market interest rates. The City minimizes its exposure to interest rate risk by investing in short-term and long-term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of the portfolio is maturing or coming close to maturity evenly over time as necessary to provide the cash flow and liquidity needed for operations. However, the City does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk: Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. Minnesota Statutes §118A.04 and §118A.05 limits investments that are in the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The City does not have an investment policy that further limits credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk: This is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an investment in a single issuer. Investments should be diversified to avoid incurring unreasonable risk inherent in over investing in specific instruments, individual financial institutions or maturities. The City's investment policy states the City will attempt to diversify their investments according to type and maturity.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, this is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The City's investment policy states when investments purchased by the City are held in safekeeping by a broker/dealer, they must provide insurance through the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC).

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

E. RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

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

All trade and property tax receivables are shown at a gross amount since both are assessable to the property and are collectible upon the sale of the property.

The City levies its property tax for the subsequent year during the month of December. December 30th is the last day the City can certify a tax levy to the County Auditor for collection the following year. Such taxes become a lien on January 1 and are recorded as receivables by the City at that date. The property tax is recorded as revenue when it becomes measurable and available. Stearns County is the collecting agency for the levy and remits the collections to the City three times a year. The tax levy notice is mailed in March with the first half payment due on May 15 and the second half payment is due on October 15. Taxes not collected as of December 31 each year are shown as delinquent taxes receivable.

The County Auditor prepares the tax list for all taxable property in the City, applying the applicable tax rate to the tax capacity of individual properties, to arrive at the actual tax for each property. The County Auditor also collects all special assessments, except for certain prepayments paid directly to the City.

The County Auditor submits the list of taxes and special assessments to be collected on each parcel of property to the County Treasurer in January of each year.

F. PREPAID ITEMS

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

G. INVENTORIES

Inventories are valued at cost, using the first in, first out method of accounting.

H. CAPITAL AND RIGHT TO USE ASSETS

Capital assets, both tangible and intangible, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, sidewalks and similar items) and easements, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Tangible and intangible capital assets are defined by the City as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years.

Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Right to use assets are capitalized at the present value of minimum lease or subscription payments. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated acquisition value at the date of donation.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

H. CAPITAL ASSETS (Cont'd)

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Tangible and intangible assets of the City are depreciated using the straight-line, full month convention method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	5-30
Land Improvements	10-60
Vehicles	5-10
Machinery and Equipment	3-15
Infrastructure	10-50

Capital assets not being depreciated include land, easements and construction in progress, if any.

I. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future reporting period. During that future period, it will be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure). The City has items that qualify for reporting in this category on the government-wide Statement of Net Position related to pensions and OPEB.

J. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The liability for compensated absences reported in the financial statements consists of unpaid, accumulated vacation and sick leave balances. The liability has been calculated using the vesting method, in which leave amounts for both employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments and other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments upon termination are included. The liability for compensated absences is reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements. Compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. The government-wide and proprietary funds Statement of Net Position reports both current and noncurrent portions of compensated absences using full accrual accounting. The current portion consists of an amount based on expected or known retirements coming in the next fiscal year. The noncurrent portion consists of the remaining amount of vacation and total vested sick leave.

Employees are granted vacation based on their years of service. Maximum vacation accumulation shall be equal to the number of hours earned in the preceding year plus hours earned to date in the current year.

Employees accrue sick leave according to the following schedule:

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

J. COMPENSATED ABSENCES (Cont'd)

Full-time employees are granted 80 hours in their first year of employment. Sick leave is available to be used after completion of four months of service. Then 40 hours of sick leave may be used as necessary until completion of one year. After the first year, full-time employees are granted 120 hours per year accrued at a rate of 4.62 hours per pay period.

Part-time employees who work a minimum of 1,664 hours per year (an average of 32 hours per week) will accrue sick leave at a rate of 8 hours per month. Sick leave will accrue from hire date but will not be considered earned until employee has completed one full year of employment.

Sick leave may be accumulated to a maximum of 1,200 hours payable upon retirement. Unused sick days accumulated above the 1,200 hours shall be banked at the rate of one-half hour per hour earned and shall be paid to the employee at the regular hourly rate of pay, which will be paid into the employee's Health Care Savings Plan in the first payroll process following the employee's anniversary date. The remaining one-half hour per hour shall be banked for use as a catastrophic sick leave bank to a maximum of 2,000 hours. Upon retirement of service, the maximum payable shall remain at 1,200 hours. Benefit accrual will discontinue during any unpaid leave.

Unpaid sick and vacation pay earned, is estimated to be approximately \$1,201,198 in the governmental funds and \$449,486 in the enterprise funds.

K. PENSIONS

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and the City of Waite Park's Fire Relief Association and additions to/deductions from PERA's and the City of Waite Park's Fire Relief Association's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERA and the City of Waite Park's Fire Relief Association. For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized as of employer payroll paid dates and benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The City participates in various pension plans; total pension expense for the year ended December 31, 2024, was \$251,236. The components of pension expense are noted in the plan summaries.

L. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Employees of the City pay premiums based on amounts negotiated in union contracts. Since the insurance rates are not age based, the City has an implicit rate subsidy factor in postemployment health care expenses. Additionally, Minnesota Statutes require the City to allow retired employees to stay on the health care plan with the retiree responsible to pay the entire premium for continuation coverage. The City's personnel policy and union contracts do not provide for any contributions upon employee retirement.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

M. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities or proprietary fund type Statement of Net Position. Lease and subscription liabilities are measured at the present value of payments expected to be made and amortized as a component of interest expense over the lease and subscription term.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures. The present value of lease and subscription payments expected to be made at the inception of a lease and subscription agreement is reported as other financing sources. Subsequent lease and subscription payments are reported as capital outlay expenditures.

N. DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future reporting period. During that future period, it will be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue). The City has items that qualify for reporting in this category on both the government-wide Statement of Net Position and the governmental fund financial statements related to property taxes, special assessments and pensions.

O. FUND BALANCE

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources reported in governmental funds. These classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable - consists of amounts that cannot be spent because it is not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact, such as inventories and prepaid items.

Restricted - consists of amounts related to externally imposed constraints established by creditors, grantors or contributors; or constraints imposed by state statutory provisions.

Committed - consists of amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by formal action of the City Council. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Council removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action it employed to previously commit those amounts. These constraints are established by Resolution of the City Council.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

O. FUND BALANCE (Cont'd)

Assigned - consists of amounts intended to be used by the City for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the governing body itself or by an official to which the governing body delegates the authority. Pursuant to City Council Resolution, the Finance Director and City Administrator are authorized to establish assignments of fund balance.

Unassigned - is the residual classification for the General Fund and also reflects negative residual amounts in the remaining governmental funds.

The City requires restricted amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available. Additionally, the City would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

P. NET POSITION

Net position represents the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources in the government-wide, proprietary fund, and fiduciary fund financial statements. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and right to use assets, net of accumulated amortization, reduced by the outstanding balance of any long-term liabilities used to build or acquire the capital and right to use assets. Net position is reported as restricted in the government-wide, proprietary fund, and fiduciary fund financial statements when there are limitations on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Unrestricted net position consists of all other net position that does not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

Q. USE OF ESTIMATES

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

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. BUDGETARY INFORMATION

The City Council adopts an annual budget. The amounts shown in the financial statements as "budget" represent the original budgeted amounts and all revisions made during the year. The City follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Budget requests are submitted by all department heads to the City finance department and City Administrator. The finance department and City Administrator compile the budget requests into an overall preliminary City budget, balancing budget requests with available revenue.
2. In August, the finance department and City Administrator present the proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1 to the City Council which in turn holds a public hearing on the proposed budget. The budget resolution adopted by the City Council sets forth the budget at the function level for the General and Special Revenue Funds prior to December 31.
3. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General and Special Revenue Funds. Formal budgetary integration is not employed for Debt Service Funds because effective budgetary control is alternatively achieved through general obligation bond indenture provisions. Budgetary control for Capital Projects Funds is accomplished through the use of project controls.
4. Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The budget presented is the original budget; there were no amendments during the year. Annual appropriations lapse at year-end.

Encumbrances outstanding at year-end expire and outstanding purchase orders are canceled and not reported in the financial statements.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

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DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

A. DEPOSITS

In accordance with applicable Minnesota Statutes, the City maintains deposits at depository banks authorized by the City Council.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits: The City's bank balances were not exposed to custodial credit risk because they were fully insured through the FDIC as well as collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent and in the City's name.

Governmental and Business-Type Activities	
Pooled Cash in Checking Account	\$ 683,986
Flex Account	11,089
Petty Cash	<u>400</u>
Total Deposits	<u>\$ 695,475</u>

B. INVESTMENTS

The City had the following investments:

	<u>Concentration Risk</u>	<u>Interest Rate Risk</u>	<u>Credit Risk</u>	<u>Fair Value or Amortized Cost</u>
	Over 5 Percent of Portfolio	Maturity Date	Credit Rating	
Brokered Certificates of Deposit	6.83%	less than 1 year	N/A	\$ 1,875,573
Brokered Money Market Mutual Fund	0.23%	1-12 years	N/A	61,896
External Investment Pool				
4M	15.13%	N/A	Not Rated	4,155,757
4M Plus	68.09%	N/A	Not Rated	18,696,802
4M Limited Term Duration	1.99%	N/A	Not Rated	547,350
4M Term Series	5.46%	1-3 years	N/A	1,500,000
Money Market Accounts	2.27%	N/A	N/A	<u>622,161</u>
Total Investments				<u>\$ 27,459,539</u>

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NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

B. INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

	Fair Value	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Investments at fair value:				
Brokered Certificates of Deposit	\$ 1,875,573	\$ 0	\$ 1,875,573	\$ 0
Investments at amortized cost:				
Brokered Money Market Mutual Fund	\$ 61,896			
External Investment Pool	24,899,909			
Money Market Accounts	622,161			
Total Investments at Amortized Cost	<u>25,583,966</u>			
Total Investments	<u>\$ 27,459,539</u>			

The following is a summary of total deposits and investments:

Deposits (Note 3.A.)	\$ 695,475
Investments (Note 3.B.)	<u>27,459,539</u>
Total Deposits and Investments	<u>\$ 28,155,014</u>

Deposits and investments are presented in the basic financial statements as follows:

Statement of Net Position	
Cash and Investments	\$ 28,077,598
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position	
Cash and Investments	<u>77,416</u>
	<u>\$ 28,155,014</u>

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NOTE 4. RECEIVABLES

Receivables are as follows:

	Total Receivables	Amounts not Scheduled for Collection During the Subsequent Year
Governmental Activities		
Accounts	\$ 134,423	\$
Delinquent Taxes	113,115	
Special Assessments	1,230,938	1,221,209
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 1,478,476	\$ 1,221,209
Business-Type Activities		
Accounts	\$ 38,064	\$
Utilities	919,609	
Total Business-Type Activities	\$ 957,673	\$ 0
Fiduciary Activities		
Accounts	\$ 15,286	\$ 0

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NOTE 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity is as follows:

Governmental Activities	Beginning Balance	Increase	Decrease	Ending Balance
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 3,819,368	\$	\$	\$ 3,819,368
Easements	900,143			900,143
Construction in Progress	4,650,417	1,391,285	(2,891,112)	3,150,590
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	9,369,928	1,391,285	(2,891,112)	7,870,101
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated				
Buildings	26,703,721			26,703,721
Improvements Other than Buildings	51,947,529	4,359,148		56,306,677
Machinery and Equipment	8,491,153	570,593	(145,067)	8,916,679
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	87,142,403	4,929,741	(145,067)	91,927,077
Right to Use Assets, Being Amortized				
Equipment	103,126			103,126
Software	65,334			65,334
Total Right to Use Assets, Being Amortized	168,460	0	0	168,460
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Buildings	4,889,595	491,648		5,381,243
Improvements Other than Buildings	22,819,398	1,112,498		23,931,896
Machinery and Equipment	5,442,139	547,321	(98,181)	5,891,279
Total Accumulated Depreciation	33,151,132	2,151,467	(98,181)	35,204,418
Less Accumulated Amortization for				
Equipment	20,625	20,625		41,250
Software	13,067	13,067		26,134
Total Accumulated Amortization	33,692	33,692	0	67,384
Total Capital and Right to Use Assets, Being Depreciated or Amortized, Net	54,126,039	2,744,582	(46,886)	56,823,735
Governmental Activities Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 63,495,967</u>	<u>\$ 4,135,867</u>	<u>\$ (2,937,998)</u>	<u>\$ 64,693,836</u>

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NOTE 5. CAPITAL ASSETS (Cont'd)

Depreciation and amortization expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

Governmental Activities	
General Government	\$ 91,846
Public Safety	247,599
Public Works	1,393,951
Culture and Recreation	<u>451,763</u>

Total Depreciation and Amortization Expense - Governmental Activities \$ 2,185,159

Business-Type Activities	Beginning Balance	Increase	Decrease	Ending Balance
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 22,000	\$	\$	\$ 22,000
Easement	<u>1,399,032</u>			<u>1,399,032</u>
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	1,421,032	0	0	1,421,032
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated				
Improvements Other than Buildings	44,134,871			44,134,871
Machinery and Equipment	<u>625,484</u>	<u>59,258</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>674,742</u>
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	44,760,355	59,258	(10,000)	44,809,613
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Improvements Other than Buildings	20,432,680	909,032		21,341,712
Machinery and Equipment	<u>543,212</u>	<u>21,925</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>555,137</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>20,975,892</u>	<u>930,957</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>21,896,849</u>
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	<u>23,784,463</u>	<u>(871,699)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22,912,764</u>
Business-Type Activities Net Capital Assets	<u><u>\$ 25,205,495</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (871,699)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 24,333,796</u></u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

Business-Type Activities	
Water	\$ 451,631
Sewer	<u>479,326</u>
Total Depreciation Expense - Business-Type Activities	<u><u>\$ 930,957</u></u>

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NOTE 6. INTERFUND ACTIVITY

The composition of interfund transfers is as follows:

	Transfers In		
	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Transfers Out			
Local Sales Tax	\$ 760,000	\$ 459,180	\$ 1,219,180

The purpose of the transfers was to provide funding for debt service payments and capital improvement projects.

NOTE 7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

The City issues General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds to provide financing for street improvements, facility construction and tax increment projects. Debt service is covered respectively by special assessments, property taxes and tax increments against benefited properties with any shortfalls being paid from general taxes.

G.O. Bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the City. These bonds generally are issued as 15 year Serial Bonds with equal debt service payments each year.

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NOTE 7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES(Cont'd)

B. COMPONENTS OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

	<u>Interest Rates</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Balance Outstanding</u>
<u>Governmental Activities</u>			
Tax Abatement Bonds			
G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2016A	2.00%-3.00%	12/15/2031	\$ 1,135,000
G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2018A	2.85%-4.15%	12/15/2033	3,395,000
Special Assessment Bonds			
G.O. Improvement Bonds, Series 2013B	2.00%-3.10%	12/01/2026	600,000
CIP Bonds			
G.O. Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2016B	2.00%-3.00%	12/15/2041	7,280,000
Fire Truck Financed Purchase	2.95%	2/1/2026	114,598
Long-Term Leases	8.00%	9/21/2027	59,712
Long-Term Subscriptions	8.00%	1/1/2027	36,257
Compensated Absences			1,201,198
Unamortized Bond Premium			<u>444,403</u>
 Total Governmental Activities			 <u><u>\$ 14,266,168</u></u>
	<u>Interest Rates</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Balance Outstanding</u>
<u>Business-Type Activities</u>			
Compensated Absences			<u><u>\$ 449,486</u></u>

On November 15, 2013, the City issued \$4,720,000 G.O. Improvement Bonds, Series 2013B, with an interest rate of 2.00% to 3.10%. The City issued the Bonds to fund street improvements.

On May 1, 2016, the City issued \$2,275,000 G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2016A, with an interest rate of 2.00% to 3.00%. The City issued the bonds to fund street improvements.

On October 15, 2016, the City issued \$9,505,000 G.O. Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2016B, with an interest rate of 2.00% to 3.00%. The City issued the Bonds to construct a new public works facility.

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NOTE 7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont'd)

B. COMPONENTS OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont'd)

On December 6, 2018, the City issued \$5,115,000 G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2018A, with an interest rate of 2.85% to 4.15%. The City issued the Bonds to fund the amphitheater project.

Debt service funds are used to liquidate the governmental activities outstanding bonded indebtedness. The General Fund has historically been used to liquidate the outstanding governmental activities compensated absences. The Water, Sewer, and Stormwater Funds are used to liquidate the outstanding business-type activities compensated absences.

C. MINIMUM DEBT PAYMENTS

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for all bonded debt, loan and certificates of indebtedness outstanding are as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Governmental Activities			
	G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds		Special Assessment Bonds	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 475,000	\$ 168,230	\$ 400,000	\$ 18,200
2026	490,000	152,192	200,000	6,200
2027	510,000	135,315		
2028	520,000	117,390		
2029	540,000	98,190		
2030-2033	1,995,000	189,314		
	<u>\$ 4,530,000</u>	<u>\$ 860,631</u>	<u>\$ 600,000</u>	<u>\$ 24,400</u>

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NOTE 7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont'd)

C. MINIMUM DEBT PAYMENTS (Cont'd)

Year Ending December 31	Governmental Activities			
	C.I.P. Bonds		Financed Purchase	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 320,000	\$ 241,700	\$ 56,466	\$ 3,381
2026	330,000	232,100	58,132	1,715
2027	340,000	222,200		
2028	350,000	212,000		
2029	365,000	198,000		
2030-2034	2,060,000	758,800		
2035-2039	2,435,000	384,750		
2040-2041	1,080,000	48,900		
	<u>\$ 7,280,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,298,450</u>	<u>\$ 114,598</u>	<u>\$ 5,096</u>

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NOTE 7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont'd)

D. CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
<u>Governmental Activities</u>					
G.O. Tax Abatement					
Bonds	\$ 4,990,000	\$	\$ (460,000)	\$ 4,530,000	\$ 475,000
Special					
Assessment Bonds	1,000,000		(400,000)	600,000	400,000
C.I.P. Bonds	7,595,000		(315,000)	7,280,000	320,000
Total Bonds Payable	13,585,000	0	(1,175,000)	12,410,000	1,195,000
Financed Purchase	169,446		(54,848)	114,598	56,466
Long-Term Leases	78,719		(19,007)	59,712	19,968
Long-Term					
Subscriptions	46,598		(10,341)	36,257	11,168
Compensated					
Absences*	1,142,087	59,111		1,201,198	
Unamortized Bond					
Premium	482,317		(37,914)	444,403	37,914
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 15,504,167</u>	<u>\$ 59,111</u>	<u>\$ (1,297,110)</u>	<u>\$ 14,266,168</u>	<u>\$ 1,320,516</u>
<u>Business-Type Activities</u>					
Bonds Payable					
G.O. Water Revenue					
Bonds, Net of					
Premium	\$ 438,342	\$	\$ (438,342)	\$	\$
Compensated					
Absences*	413,848	35,638		449,486	
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>\$ 852,190</u>	<u>\$ 35,638</u>	<u>\$ (438,342)</u>	<u>\$ 449,486</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

*The change in the compensated absences is presented as a net change.

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NOTE 7. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Cont'd)

E. CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATIONS

Conduit debt obligations are certain limited-obligation revenue bonds or similar debt instruments issued for the express purpose of providing capital financing for a specific third party. The City has issued various revenue bonds to provide funding to private-sector entities for projects deemed to be in the public interest. Although these bonds bear the name of the City, the City has no obligation for such debt. Accordingly, the bonds are not reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the City.

The City's conduit debt consisted of the following:

Name	Date of Issue	Original Amount of Issue	Balance as of December 31, 2024
WACOSA Commercial Development Revenue Note, Series 2012 - Refinanced in 2022	08/31/22	\$ 450,000	\$ 259,379

NOTE 8. LONG-TERM LEASES

Lease agreements are summarized as follows:

	Origination Date	Payment Terms	Payment Amount	Interest Rate
Shift Technologies Computers	10/21/2021	72 months	\$ 1,102	8.00%
Axon Mobile Body Cameras	1/1/2023	5 years	Variable	8.00%
	Original Lease Liability	Current Year Additional Outflows	Balance Outstanding	
Shift Technologies Computers	\$ 58,145	\$	\$ 34,751	
Axon Mobile Body Cameras	44,981	_____	24,961	
Total Long-Term Lease Liability		<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 59,712</u>	

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NOTE 8. LONG-TERM LEASES (Cont'd)

The City leased computers from Shift Technologies beginning October 21, 2021 for a term of 72 months at a fixed interest rate of 8.00%. The lease is not renewable and the City will not acquire the equipment at the end of the lease term.

The City leased body camera from Axon Mobile beginning January 1, 2023 for a term of 5 years at a fixed interest rate of 8.00%. The lease is not renewable and the City will not acquire the equipment at the end of the lease term.

Annual requirements to amortize lease obligations and related interest are as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 19,968	\$ 2,945
2026	20,988	1,925
2027	18,756	850
	<u>\$ 59,712</u>	<u>\$ 5,720</u>

NOTE 9. LONG-TERM SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscription arrangements are summarized as follows:

	Origination Date	Payment Terms	Payment Amount	Interest Rate
Axon Mobile Body Cameras Software	1/1/2023	5 years	Variable	8.00%
	Original Subscription	Current Year Additional Outflows	Impairments	Balance Outstanding
Axon Mobile Body Cameras Software	<u>\$ 65,334</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 36,257</u>

On January 1, 2023, the City entered into an agreement with Axon Mobile for use of software and storage for body-worn cameras. The lease term is 5 years at a fixed interest rate of 8.00%. The agreement is not renewable and the City will not acquire the software at the end of the agreement term.

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NOTE 9. LONG-TERM SUBSCRIPTIONS (Cont'd)

Annual requirements to amortize long-term subscriptions and related interest are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2025	\$ 11,168	\$ 2,901
2026	12,062	2,007
2027	13,027	1,042
	<u>\$ 36,257</u>	<u>\$ 5,950</u>

NOTE 10. RISK MANAGEMENT

The City purchases commercial insurance coverage through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT), which is a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program, with other cities in the state. The City pays an annual premium to the LMCIT for its insurance coverage. The LMCIT is self-sustaining through commercial companies for excess claims. The City is covered through the pool for any claims incurred but unreported, but retains risk for the deductible portion of its insurance policies. The amount of these deductibles is considered immaterial to the financial statements.

There were no significant reductions in insurance from the previous year or settlements in excess of insurance coverage for any of the past three fiscal years.

The City's workers' compensation insurance policy is retrospectively rated. With this type of policy, final premiums are determined after loss experience is known. The amount of premium adjustment is estimated to be immaterial based on workers' compensation rates and salaries for the year.

There are no other claims liabilities reported in the funds based on the requirements of accounting standards, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

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NOTE 11. CITY OF WAITE PARK FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION - SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN

A. PLAN DESCRIPTION

The Fire Department of the City participates in the Statewide Volunteer Firefighting Retirement Plan (accounted for in the Volunteer Firefighter Fund), an agent multiple-employer lump-sum defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). The Volunteer Firefighter Plan covers volunteer firefighters of municipal fire departments or independent nonprofit firefighting corporations that have elected to join the plan. As of December 31, 2024, the plan covered 14 active firefighters and 12 vested terminated fire fighters whose pension benefits are deferred. The plan is established and administered in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 353G.

B. BENEFITS PROVIDED

The Volunteer Firefighter Plan provides retirement, death, and supplemental benefits to covered firefighters and survivors. Benefits are paid based on the number of years of service multiplied by a benefit level approved by the City. Members are eligible for a lump-sum retirement benefit at 50 years of age with five years of service. Plan provisions include a pro-rated vesting schedule that increases from 5 years at 40 percent through 20 years at 100 percent.

C. CONTRIBUTIONS

The Volunteer Firefighter Plan is funded by fire state aid, investment earnings and, if necessary, employer contributions as specified in Minnesota Statutes, and voluntary City contributions. The State of Minnesota contributed \$58,042 in fire state aid to the fund for the year ended December 31, 2024. Required employer contributions are calculated annually based on statutory provisions. The City's statutorily-required contributions to the Volunteer Firefighter Fund for the year ended December 31, 2024, were \$13,245.

D. PENSION COSTS

At December 31, 2024, the City reported a net pension liability (asset) of (\$353,053) for the Volunteer Firefighter Fund. The net pension liability (asset) was measured as of December 31, 2024. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) in accordance with GASB 68 was determined by PERA applying an actuarial formula to specific census data certified by the fire department. The following table presents the changes in net pension liability (asset) during the year.

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NOTE 11. CITY OF WAITE PARK FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION - SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN (Cont'd)

D. PENSION COSTS (Cont'd)

	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a) - (b)
Beginning Balance 12/31/2023	\$ 567,928	\$ 919,234	\$ (351,306)
Changes for the Year:			
Service Cost	32,088		32,088
Interest	31,189		31,189
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	129,997		129,997
Contributions - Employer		13,245	(13,245)
Contributions - State		58,042	(58,042)
Net Investment Income		123,734	(123,734)
Benefit Payments	(160,400)	(160,400)	
Net Change	<u>32,874</u>	<u>34,621</u>	<u>(1,747)</u>
Balance End of Year 12/31/2024	<u>\$ 600,802</u>	<u>\$ 953,855</u>	<u>\$ (353,053)</u>

There were no benefit provision changes during the measurement period.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the City recognized pension expense of (\$114,734).

At December 31, 2024, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in Actuarial Assumptions	\$ 111,427	\$ 134,795
Differences Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings	47,329	
Contributions Paid to Plan Subsequent to Measurement Date	77,504	
State Revenue Received for the Plan Subsequent to Measurement Date		<u>63,994</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 236,260</u>	<u>\$ 198,789</u>

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NOTE 11. CITY OF WAITE PARK FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION - SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN (Cont'd)

D. PENSION COSTS (Cont'd)

\$77,504 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from City contributions (both statutorily-required and voluntary, as applicable) subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability (asset) in the year ended December 31, 2025. \$63,994 reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions resulting from State contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net pension liability (asset) in the year ended December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended December 31,	Pension Expense Amount
2025	\$ (25,089)
2026	(1,042)
2027	8,628
2028	4,322
2029	18,571
Thereafter	18,571

E. ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS

The total pension liability at December 31, 2024, was determined using the entry age normal actuarial cost method and the following actuarial assumptions:

- Retirement eligibility at the later of age 50 or 20 years of service
- Investment rate of return of 6.00 percent
- Inflation rate of 3.00 percent

No actuarial assumptions changes were made during the measurement period.

F. DISCOUNT RATE

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions to the Volunteer Firefighter Fund will be made as specified in statute. Based on that assumption and considering the funding ratio of the plan, the fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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NOTE 11. CITY OF WAITE PARK FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION - SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN (Cont'd)

G. PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) SENSITIVITY

The following presents the City's net pension liability (asset) for the Volunteer Firefighter Fund, calculated using the assumed discount rate as well as what the City's net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (5.00%)	Discount Rate (6.00%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (7.00%)
City's Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ (329,620)	\$ (353,053)	\$ (375,006)

H. PLAN INVESTMENTS/INVESTMENT POLICY:

The Minnesota State Board of Investment (SBI) is established by Article XI of the Minnesota Constitution to invest all state funds. Its membership as specified in the Constitution is comprised of the governor (who is designated as chair of the board), state auditor, secretary of state and state attorney general.

All investments undertaken by the SBI are governed by the prudent person rule and other standards codified in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 11A and Chapter 353G.

Within the requirements defined by state law, the SBI, with assistance of the SBI staff and the Investment Advisory Council, establishes investment policy for all funds under its control. These investments policies are tailored to the particular needs of each fund and specify investment objectives, risk tolerance, asset allocation, investment management structure and specific performance standards. Studies guide the ongoing management of the funds and are updated periodically.

I. ASSET ALLOCATION

To match the long-term nature of the pension obligations, the SBI maintains a strategic asset allocation for the Volunteer Firefighter Plan that includes allocations to domestic equity, international equity, bonds and cash equivalents. The long-term target asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return is the following:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Stocks	35.00%	5.10%
International Stocks	15.00%	5.30%
Bonds	45.00%	0.75%
Cash	5.00%	0.00%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

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NOTE 11. CITY OF WAITE PARK FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION - SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN (Cont'd)

I. ASSET ALLOCATION (Cont'd)

The six percent long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method. Best estimates for expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of inflation) were developed for each asset class using both long-term historical returns and long-term capital market expectations from a number of investment management and consulting organizations. The asset class estimates and the target allocations were then combined to produce a geometric, long-term expected real rate of return for the portfolio. Inflation expectations were applied to derive the nominal rate of return for the portfolio.

The SBI made no significant changes to their investment policy during 2024 for the Volunteer Firefighter Fund.

J. PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Detailed information about the Volunteer Firefighter Fund's fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2024, is available in a separately-issued PERA financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the internet at www.mnpera.org.

NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE

A. PLAN DESCRIPTION

The City participates in the following cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). These plan provisions are established and administered in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 353, 353D, 353E, 353G, and 356. Minnesota Statutes chapter 356 defines each plan's financial reporting requirements. PERA's defined benefit pension plans are tax qualified plans under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

General Employees Retirement Plan (GERP; General Employees Plan; accounted for in the General Employees Fund):

Membership in the General Plan includes employees of counties, cities, townships, schools in non-certified positions, and other governmental entities whose revenues are derived from taxation, fees, or assessments. Plan membership is required for any employee who is expected to earn more than \$425 in a month, unless the employee meets exclusion criteria.

Public Employees Police and Fire Plan (PEPFP; Police and Fire Plan; accounted for in the Police and Fire Fund):

Membership in the Police & Fire Plan includes full-time, licensed police officers and firefighters who meet the membership criteria defined in Minnesota Statutes section 353.64 and who are not earning service credit in any other PERA retirement plan or a local relief association for the same service. Employers can provide Police & Fire Plan coverage for part-time positions and certain other public safety positions by submitting a resolution adopted by the entity's governing body. The resolution must state that the position meets plan requirements.

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

B. BENEFITS PROVIDED

PERA provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Benefit provisions are established by state statute and can only be modified by the state Legislature. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits, but are not receiving them yet, are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated their public service. When a member is "vested," they have earned enough service credit to receive a lifetime monthly benefit after leaving public service and reaching an eligible retirement age. Members who retire at or over their Social Security full retirement age with at least one year of service qualify for a retirement benefit.

GERP Benefits:

General Employees Plan requires three years of service to vest. Benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any five successive years of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service. Two methods are used to compute benefits for General Plan members. Members hired prior to July 1, 1989, receive the higher of the Step or Level formulas. Only the Level formula is used for members hired after June 30, 1989. Under the Step formula, General Plan members receive 1.20% of the highest average salary for each of the first 10 years of service and 1.70% for each additional year. Under the Level formula, General Plan members receive 1.70% of highest average salary for all years of service. For members hired prior to July 1, 1989 a full retirement benefit is available when age plus years of service equal 90 and normal retirement age is 65. Members can receive a reduced requirement benefit as early as age 55 if they have three or more years of service. Early retirement benefits are reduced by 0.25% for each month under age 65. Members with 30 or more years of service can retire at any age with a reduction of 0.25% for each month the member is younger than age 62. The Level formula allows General Plan members to receive a full retirement benefit at age 65 if they were first hired before July 1, 1989 or at age 66 if they were hired on or after July 1, 1989. Early retirement begins at age 55 with an actuarial reduction applied to the benefit.

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. The postretirement increase is equal to 50% of the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) announced by the SSA, with a minimum increase of at least 1% and a maximum of 1.50%. The 2024 annual increase was 1.50%. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive the full increase. Recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one month but less than a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a prorated increase.

PEFP Benefits:

Benefits for Police and Fire Plan members hired before July 1, 2010, are vested after three years of service. Members hired on or after July 1, 2010, are 50% vested after five years of service and 100% vested after ten years. After five years, vesting increase by 10% each full year of service until members are 100% vested after ten years. Police and Fire Plan members receive 3% of highest average salary for all years of service. Police and Fire Plan members receive a full retirement benefit when they are age 55 and vested, or when their age plus their years of service equals 90 or greater if they were first hired before July 1, 1989. Early retirement starts at age 50, and early retirement benefits are reduced by 0.417% each month members are younger than age 55.

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

B. BENEFITS PROVIDED (Cont'd)

PEPFP Benefits: (Cont'd)

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. The postretirement increase is fixed at 1%. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least 36 months as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive the full increase. Recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least 25 months but less than 36 months as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a prorated increase.

C. CONTRIBUTIONS

Minnesota Statutes chapters 353, 353E, 353G, and 356 set the rates for employer and employee contributions. Contribution rates can only be modified by the state Legislature.

GERP Contributions:

Coordinated Plan members were required to contribute 6.50% of their annual covered salary in fiscal year 2024 and the City was required to contribute 7.50% for Coordinated Plan members. The City's contributions to the General Employees Fund for the year ended December 31, 2024, were \$198,207. The City's contributions were equal to the required contributions as set by state statute.

PEPFP Contributions:

Police and Fire Plan member's were required to contribute 11.80% of their annual covered salary in fiscal year 2024 and the City was required to contribute 17.70% for Police and Fire Plan members. The City's contributions to the Police and Fire Fund for the year ended December 31, 2024, were \$240,469. The City's contributions were equal to the required contributions as set by state statute.

D. PENSION COSTS

GERP Pension Costs:

At December 31, 2024, the City reported a liability of \$1,130,550 for its proportionate share of the General Employees Fund's net pension liability. The City's net pension liability reflected a reduction due to the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$16 million. The State of Minnesota is considered a non-employer contributing entity and the state's contribution meets the definition of a special funding situation. The State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the City totaled \$29,234. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the City's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. The City's proportion share was 0.0306% at the end of the measurement period and 0.0304% for the beginning of the period.

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

D. PENSION COSTS (Cont'd)

GERP Pension Costs: (Cont'd)

City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,130,550
State of Minnesota's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated With the City	<u>29,234</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 1,159,784</u></u>

There were no provision changes during the measurement period.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the City recognized pension expense of \$57,836 for its proportionate share of GERP's pension expense. In addition, the City recognized an additional \$784 as pension expense (and grant revenue) for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$16 million to the General Employees Fund.

During the plan year ended June 30, 2024, the State of Minnesota contributed \$170.1 million to the General Employees Fund. The State of Minnesota is not included as a non-employer contributing entity in the General Employees Plan pension allocation schedules for the \$170.1 million in direct state aid because this contribution was not considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation. The City recognized \$52,016 for the year ended December 31, 2024 as revenue and an offsetting reduction of net pension liability for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's on-behalf contributions to the General Employees Fund.

At December 31, 2024, the City reported its proportionate share of GERP's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences Between Expected and Actual Economic Experience	\$ 105,146	\$
Changes in Actuarial Assumptions	4,675	426,120
Net Collective Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings		331,557
Changes in Proportion	203,670	
Contributions Paid to GERP Subsequent to Measurement Date	<u>98,514</u>	
Totals	<u><u>\$ 412,005</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 757,677</u></u>

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

D. PENSION COSTS (Cont'd)

PEPFP Pension Costs:

The \$98,514 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from City contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year ended December 31,</u>	<u>Pension Expense Amount</u>
2025	\$ (219,786)
2026	(2,130)
2027	(135,566)
2028	(86,704)

At December 31, 2024, the City reported a liability of \$1,249,887 for its proportionate share of the Police and Fire Fund's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the City's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. The City's proportionate share was 0.0950% at the end of the measurement period and 0.1278% for the beginning of the period.

The State of Minnesota also contributed \$37.4 million to the Police and Fire Fund in the plan fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The contribution consisted of \$9 million in direct state aid that meets the definition of a special funding situation, additional one-time direct state aid contribution of \$19.4 million, and \$9 million in supplemental state aid that does not meet the definition of a special funding situation. The \$9 million supplemental state aid was paid on October 1, 2024. Thereafter, by October 1 of each year, the state will pay \$9 million to the Police and Fire Fund until full funding is reached or July 1, 2048, whichever is earlier. The \$9 million in supplemental state aid will continue until the fund is 90% funded, or until the State Patrol Plan (administered by the Minnesota State Retirement System) is 90% funded, whichever occurs later. The State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the City totaled \$47,645.

City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,249,887
State of Minnesota's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated With the City	<u>47,645</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 1,297,532</u></u>

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the City recognized pension expense of \$154,694 for its proportionate share of the Police and Fire Plan's pension expense. The City recognized \$4,627 as grant revenue and pension expense for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$9 million to the Police and Fire Fund.

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

D. PENSION COSTS (Cont'd)

PEPPF Pension Costs: (Cont'd)

The State of Minnesota is not included as a non-employer contributing entity in the Police and Fire Pension Plan pension allocation schedules for the \$28.4 million in supplemental state aid because this contribution was not considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation. The City recognized \$8,550 for the year ended December 31, 2024 as revenue and an offsetting reduction of net pension liability for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's on-behalf contributions to the Police and Fire Fund.

There were no provision changes during the measurement period.

At December 31, 2024, the City reported its proportionate share of the Police and Fire Plan's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences Between Expected and Actual Economic Experience	\$ 594,925	\$
Changes in Actuarial Assumptions	1,742,737	2,475,329
Net Collective Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings		339,838
Changes in Proportion	129,833	510,709
Contributions Paid to PERA Subsequent to Measurement Date	<u>120,034</u>	
Totals	<u>\$ 2,587,529</u>	<u>\$ 3,325,876</u>

The \$120,034 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the City contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year ended December 31,</u>	<u>Pension Expense Amount</u>
2025	\$ (125,475)
2026	327,430
2027	(291,619)
2028	(703,116)
2029	(65,601)

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

E. LONG-TERM EXPECTED RETURN ON INVESTMENT

The State Board of Investment, which manages the investments of PERA, prepares an analysis of the reasonableness on a regular basis of the long-term expected rate of return using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce an expected long-term rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	33.50%	5.10%
International Equity	16.50%	5.30%
Fixed Income	25.00%	0.75%
Private Markets	25.00%	5.90%
	100.00%	

F. ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

The total pension liability for each of the cost-sharing defined benefit plans was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2024, using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. The long-term rate of return on pension plan investments used in the determination of the total liability is 7%. The 7% assumption is based on a review of inflation and investments return assumptions from a number of national investment consulting firms. The review provided a range of investment return rates considered reasonable by the actuary. An investment return of 7% is within that range.

Inflation is assumed to be 2.25% for the General Employees Plan and the Police and Fire Plan. Benefit increases after retirement are assumed to be 1.25% for the General Employees Plan and 1% for the Police and Fire Plan.

Salary growth assumptions in the General Employees Plan range in annual increments from 10.25% after one year of service to 3% after 27 years of service. In the Police and Fire Plan, salary growth assumptions range from 11.75% after one year of service to 3% after 24 years of service.

Mortality rates for the General Employees Plan are based on the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality Table. Mortality rates for the Police and Fire Plan are based on the Pub-2010 Public Safety Employee Mortality tables. The tables are adjusted slightly to fit PERA's experience.

Actuarial assumptions for the General Employees Plan are reviewed every four years. The most recent four-year experience study for the General Employees Plan was completed in 2022. The assumption changes were adopted by the Board and became effective with the July 1, 2023 actuarial valuation. The most recent four-year experience studies for the Police and Fire was completed in 2024. PERA anticipates the experience study will be approved by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement and become effective with the July 1, 2025 actuarial valuation.

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

F. ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

The following changes in actuarial assumptions and plan provisions occurred in 2024:

GERP

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions:

Rates of merit and seniority were adjusted, resulting in slightly higher rates.

Assumed rates of retirement were adjusted as follows: increase the rate of assumed unreduced retirements, slight adjustments to Rule of 90 retirement rates, and slight adjustments to early retirement rates for Tier 1 and Tier 2 members.

Minor increase in assumed withdrawals for males and females.

Lower rates of disability.

Continued use of Pub-2010 general mortality table with slight rate adjustments as recommended in the most recent experience study.

Minor changes to form of payment assumptions for male and female retirees.

Minor changes to assumptions made with respect to missing participant data.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

The workers' compensation offset for disability benefits was eliminated. The actuarial equivalent factors updated to reflect the changes in assumptions.

PEFPF

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

The State contribution of \$9 million per year will continue until the earlier of 1) both the Police & Fire Plan and the State Patrol Retirement Fund attain 90% funded status for three consecutive years (on an actuarial value of assets basis) or 2) July 1, 2048. The contribution was previously due to expire after attaining a 90% funded status for one year.

The additional \$9 million contribution will continue until the Police & Fire Plan is fully funded for a minimum of three consecutive years on an actuarial value of assets basis, or July 1, 2048, whichever is earlier. This contribution was previously due to expire upon attainment of fully funded status on an actuarial value of assets basis for one year (or July 1, 2048 if earlier).

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NOTE 12. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE (Cont'd)

G. DISCOUNT RATE

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability in 2024 was 7%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and employers will be made at rates set in Minnesota Statutes. Based on these assumptions, the fiduciary net position of the General Employees and Police and Fire Plans were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

H. PENSION LIABILITY SENSITIVITY

The following presents the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability for all plans it participates in, calculated using the discount rate disclosed in the preceding paragraph, as well as what the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

	<u>GERP</u>		<u>PEFP</u>	
1% Lower	6.00%	\$ 2,469,303	6.00%	\$ 2,953,726
Current Discount Rate	7.00%	1,130,550	7.00%	1,249,887
1% Higher	8.00%	29,303	8.00%	(149,322)

I. PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued PERA financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at www.mnpera.org.

NOTE 13. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) PLAN

A. PLAN DESCRIPTION

The City operates a single-employer retiree benefit plan (the Plan) that provides health, dental, and life insurance to eligible employees and their spouses through the City's commercial insurance plans. There are 43 active participants and 1 retired participants. Benefit and eligibility provisions are established through negotiations between the City and employee groups including a union. The union contract is renegotiated each two-year bargaining period. The Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets all of the criteria in GASB Statement No. 75, paragraph 4.

B. TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY

The City's total OPEB liability of \$571,397 was measured as of December 31, 2023, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. Update procedures were used to roll forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2024.

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NOTE 13. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) PLAN (Cont'd)

C. CHANGES IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY

Changes in the total OPEB liability were as follows:

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
Beginning of Year	\$ 765,288
Changes for the Year:	
Service Cost	37,891
Interest	31,483
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(248,040)
Changes of Assumptions	36,418
Benefit Payments	<u>(51,643)</u>
Net Changes	<u>(193,891)</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ 571,397</u>

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 1.84% in 2023 to 3.77% in 2024.

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the City, as well as what the City's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.77%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.77%) than the current discount rate:

	<u>1.0% Decrease in Discount Rate (2.77%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (3.77%)</u>	<u>1.0% Increase in Discount Rate (4.77%)</u>
Total OPEB Liability	<u>\$ 612,900</u>	<u>\$ 571,397</u>	<u>\$ 533,530</u>

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NOTE 13. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) PLAN (Cont'd)

C. CHANGES IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY (Cont'd)

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the City, as well as what the City's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (7.60% decreasing to 2.90%) or 1-percentage-point higher (9.60% decreasing to 4.90%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1.0% Decrease (7.60% decreasing to 2.90%)	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates (8.60% decreasing to 3.90%)	1.0% Increase (9.60% decreasing to 4.90%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 529,852	\$ 571,397	\$ 618,564

D. OPEB EXPENSE, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES RELATED TO OPEB

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the City recognized OPEB expense of (\$166,468). At December 31, 2024, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Contributions Paid Subsequent to Measurement Date	\$ 16,082

\$16,082 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from City contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the total OPEB liability in the year ended December 31, 2025.

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NOTE 13. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) PLAN (Cont'd)

E. ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	Based on the most recently disclosed assumptions for the pension plan in which the employee participates.
Healthcare Cost Trend Rates	8.60% for 2024, gradually decreasing over several decades to an ultimate rate of 3.90% for 2075 and later years.
Retiree's Share of Benefit-Related Costs	Assumed to increase with healthcare trend rates.

A discount rate of 3.77% was applied in the measurement of the total OPEB liability. The discount rate is based on the index rate for 20-year, tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher.

Mortality rates for general employees were based on the 2023 PERA of Minnesota General Employees Retirement Plan Experience Study, Pub-2010 General mortality tables with projected mortality improvements based on scale MP-2021, and other adjustments.

Mortality rates for Police and Fire were based on the July 1, 2023 PERA of Minnesota Public Employees' Police & Fire Plan actuarial valuation, Pub-2010 Public Safety mortality tables with projected mortality improvements based on scale MP-2021, and other adjustments.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023.

NOTE 14. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

Five council members are covered by the Defined Contribution Plan, a multiple-employer deferred compensation plan administered by PERA. The Defined Contribution Plan is a tax qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and all contributions by or on behalf of employees are tax deferred until time of withdrawal.

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NOTE 14. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN (Cont'd)

Plan benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings, less administrative expenses. Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 353D.03, specifies plan provisions, including the employee and employer contribution rates for those qualified personnel who elect to participate. An eligible elected official who decides to participate contributes five percent of salary which is matched by the elected official's employer. For ambulance service personnel, employer contributions are determined by the employer, and for salaried employees contributions must be a fixed percentage of salary. Employer contributions for volunteer personnel may be a unit value for each call or period of alert duty. Employees who are paid for their services may elect to make member contributions in an amount not to exceed the employer share. Employer and employee contributions are combined and used to purchase shares in one or more of the seven accounts of the Minnesota Supplemental Investment Fund. For administering the plan, PERA receives two percent of employer contributions and twenty-five hundredths of one percent (0.25 percent) of the assets in each member's account annually.

Total contributions made by the City during the year were:

	Contribution Amount		Percentage of Covered Payroll		Required Rate
	Employee	Employer	Employee	Employer	
Elected Officials	\$ 1,440	\$ 1,440	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%

NOTE 15. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS AND INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

The following is a summary of the major components of deferred outflows and inflows as presented in the Statement of Net Position:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Related to Pensions	\$ 3,235,794	\$ 4,282,342
Related to OPEB	16,082	
Total	<u>\$ 3,251,876</u>	<u>\$ 4,282,342</u>

NOTE 16. COMMITMENTS

The City has the following projects in progress:

Project	Contract Amount	Remaining Commitment
2022 Street Improvements - Waite Ave	\$ 473,815	\$ 60,718
2022 Street Improvements - 2nd Ave S and Sunwood	727,470	21,127
2022 Street Improvements - 1st Ave S Alley	510,858	40,553
2024 Street Improvements - Phase 2	519,923	78,840
2024 Public Safety Facilities Project	62,125	46,594
2024 10TH Ave S Street Improvements	371,695	36,740

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NOTE 17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A on May 29, 2025, in the amount of \$30,060,000. The bond has an interest rate of 5.00% with final repayment on December 15, 2050. The bond was issued with the purpose of providing money to finance the Public Safety Facility construction project.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
DECEMBER 31, 2024

Fiscal Year Ending	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) Associated with the Employer (b)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and the State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) Associated with the Employer (a+b)	Employer's Covered Payroll (c)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll ((a+b)/c)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
<u>Pensions</u>							
<u>GERP</u>							
June 30, 2024	0.0306%	\$ 1,130,550	\$ 29,234	\$ 1,159,784	\$ 2,588,215	44.81%	89.08%
June 30, 2023	0.0304%	1,699,933	46,954	1,746,887	2,277,044	76.72%	83.10%
June 30, 2022	0.0259%	2,051,289	60,004	2,111,293	1,949,091	108.32%	76.67%
June 30, 2021	0.0243%	1,037,719	31,763	1,069,482	1,717,068	62.29%	87.00%
June 30, 2020	0.0236%	1,414,928	43,582	1,458,510	1,709,331	85.33%	79.06%
June 30, 2019	0.0231%	1,277,147	39,665	1,316,812	1,630,444	80.76%	80.23%
June 30, 2018	0.0231%	1,281,493	42,110	1,323,603	1,442,589	91.75%	79.53%
June 30, 2017	0.0223%	1,423,617	17,890	1,441,507	1,435,757	100.40%	75.90%
June 30, 2016	0.0214%	1,737,574	22,610	1,760,184	1,325,400	132.80%	68.91%
June 30, 2015	0.0223%	1,155,702		1,155,702	1,303,378	88.67%	78.19%
<u>PEPFP</u>							
June 30, 2024	0.0950%	1,249,887	47,645	1,297,532	1,315,564	98.63%	90.17%
June 30, 2023	0.1278%	2,206,940	88,865	2,295,805	1,618,663	141.83%	86.47%
June 30, 2022	0.1254%	5,456,913	238,428	5,695,341	1,531,381	371.91%	70.53%
June 30, 2021	0.1098%	847,540	38,124	885,664	1,300,580	68.10%	93.66%
June 30, 2020	0.1157%	1,525,050	35,950	1,561,000	1,305,922	119.53%	87.19%
June 30, 2019	0.1229%	1,308,395		1,308,395	1,297,126	100.87%	89.26%
June 30, 2018	0.1179%	1,256,693		1,256,693	1,154,287	108.87%	88.84%
June 30, 2017	0.1090%	1,471,630		1,471,630	1,121,553	131.21%	85.43%
June 30, 2016	0.1170%	4,695,414		4,695,414	1,124,159	417.68%	63.88%
June 30, 2015	0.1110%	1,261,220		1,261,220	1,012,580	124.56%	86.61%

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

Fiscal Year Ending	Statutorily Required Contribution (a)	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution (b)	Contribution Deficiency (Excess) (a-b)	Covered Payroll (d)	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b/d)
<u>Pensions</u>					
<u>GERP</u>					
12/31/2024	\$ 198,207	\$ 198,207	\$	\$ 2,642,769	7.50%
12/31/2023	182,245	182,245		2,429,933	7.50%
12/31/2022	157,140	157,140		2,095,196	7.50%
12/31/2021	137,169	137,169		1,828,919	7.50%
12/31/2020	132,117	132,117		1,762,032	7.50%
12/31/2019	124,326	124,326		1,657,959	7.50%
12/31/2018	120,208	120,208		1,602,780	7.50%
12/31/2017	108,187	108,187		1,442,503	7.50%
12/31/2016	101,440	101,440		1,352,532	7.50%
12/31/2015	99,153	99,153		1,322,038	7.50%
<u>PEPFP</u>					
12/31/2024	240,469	240,469		1,358,559	17.70%
12/31/2023	252,826	252,826		1,428,395	17.70%
12/31/2022	284,205	284,205		1,605,680	17.70%
12/31/2021	248,505	248,505		1,403,983	17.70%
12/31/2020	239,408	239,408		1,352,588	17.70%
12/31/2019	216,840	216,840		1,279,292	16.95%
12/31/2018	212,342	212,342		1,310,753	16.20%
12/31/2017	179,876	179,876		1,110,344	16.20%
12/31/2016	182,244	182,244		1,124,964	16.20%
12/31/2015	174,007	174,007		1,074,120	16.20%

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE CITY FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION'S
NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Measurement Date									
	December 31,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Service Cost	\$ 32,088	\$ 32,088	\$ 36,185	\$ 32,582	\$ 26,782	\$ 28,447	\$ 22,341	\$ 21,771	\$ 22,624	\$ 18,618
Interest	31,189	41,211	31,289	34,841	37,573	34,879	36,241	34,552	33,909	38,625
Change in Benefit Terms		28,250	117,056	90,625	42,082	149,515				
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	129,997	(188,384)	(15,063)	(78,696)	(15,628)	(166,268)	(26,019)	70,464	45,272	(38,070)
Benefit Payments	(160,400)			(284,300)			(122,784)	(75,600)	(104,900)	(98,344)
Net Change in Total Pension Liability	32,874	(86,835)	169,467	(204,948)	90,809	46,573	(90,221)	51,187	(3,095)	(79,171)
Total Pension Liability - Beginning of Year	567,928	654,763	485,296	690,244	599,435	552,862	643,083	591,896	594,991	674,162
Total Pension Liability - End of Year	\$ 600,802	\$ 567,928	\$ 654,763	\$ 485,296	\$ 690,244	\$ 599,435	\$ 552,862	\$ 643,083	\$ 591,896	\$ 594,991
Contributions - Employer & State	\$ 71,287	\$ 66,349	\$ 61,853	\$ 56,789	\$ 54,221	\$ 51,272	\$ 45,642	\$ 45,862	\$ 52,470	\$ 40,066
Net Investment Income	123,734	(149,707)	84,765	100,676	146,223	(30,944)	88,023	48,575	4,014	51,482
Benefit Payments	(160,400)			(284,300)			(122,784)	(75,600)	(104,900)	(98,344)
Administrative Expense		(962)	(1,039)	(893)	(981)	(974)	(912)	(985)	(863)	(2,380)
Other								1,932		
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	34,621	(84,320)	145,579	(127,728)	199,463	19,354	9,969	19,784	(49,279)	(9,176)
Total Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning of Year	919,234	1,003,554	857,975	985,703	786,240	766,886	756,917	737,133	786,412	795,588
Total Plan Fiduciary Net Position - End of Year	\$ 953,855	\$ 919,234	\$ 1,003,554	\$ 857,975	\$ 985,703	\$ 786,240	\$ 766,886	\$ 756,917	\$ 737,133	\$ 786,412
Fire Relief Association's Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ (353,053)	\$ (351,306)	\$ (348,791)	\$ (372,679)	\$ (295,459)	\$ (186,805)	\$ (214,024)	\$ (113,834)	\$ (145,237)	\$ (191,421)
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability (Asset)	158.76%	161.86%	153.27%	176.79%	142.81%	131.16%	138.71%	117.70%	124.54%	132.17%

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE CITY'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Measurement Date						
	December 31,						
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Service Cost	\$ 37,891	\$ 53,359	\$ 50,827	\$ 43,662	\$ 41,623	\$ 42,085	\$ 36,892
Interest	31,483	16,929	24,524	32,006	24,024	21,895	23,215
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(248,040)	(9,088)	(295,763)	1,403	453,591		
Changes in Assumptions	36,418	(133,098)	(13,324)	65,145	69,377	(17,916)	21,456
Benefit Payments	(51,643)	(59,065)	(90,810)	(83,208)	(65,497)	(53,570)	(15,601)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	(193,891)	(130,963)	(324,546)	59,008	523,118	(7,506)	65,962
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning of Year	765,288	896,251	1,220,797	1,161,789	638,671	646,177	580,215
Total OPEB Liability - End of Year	<u>\$ 571,397</u>	<u>\$ 765,288</u>	<u>\$ 896,251</u>	<u>\$ 1,220,797</u>	<u>\$ 1,161,789</u>	<u>\$ 638,671</u>	<u>\$ 646,177</u>
Covered Employee Payroll	<u>\$ 3,780,549</u>	<u>\$ 3,644,475</u>	<u>\$ 2,730,309</u>	<u>\$ 3,043,556</u>	<u>\$ 2,820,216</u>	<u>\$ 2,954,909</u>	<u>\$ 2,680,922</u>
Total OPEB Liability as a % of Covered Employee Payroll	<u>15.11%</u>	<u>21.00%</u>	<u>32.83%</u>	<u>40.11%</u>	<u>41.20%</u>	<u>21.61%</u>	<u>24.10%</u>

The City implemented GASB Statement No. 75 for the year ended December 31, 2017. Information for prior years is not available.

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. CHANGES IN PLAN PROVISIONS

A. GENERAL EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (GERP)

2024 Changes:

The workers' compensation offset for disability benefits was eliminated. The actuarial equivalent factors updated to reflect the changes in assumptions.

2023 Changes:

An additional one-time direct state aid contribution of \$170.1 million will be contributed to the Plan on October 1, 2023.

The vesting period of those hired after June 30, 2010, was changed from five years of allowable service to three years of allowable service.

The benefit increase delay for early retirements on or after January 1, 2024, was eliminated.

A one-time, non-compounding benefit increase of 2.5 percent minus the actual 2024 adjustment will be payable in a lump sum for calendar year 2024 by March 31, 2024.

2022 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2021 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2020 Changes:

Augmentation for current privatized members was reduced to 2.0% for the period July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023 and 0.0% after. Augmentation was eliminated for privatizations occurring after June 30, 2020.

2019 Changes:

The employer supplemental contribution was changed prospectively, decreasing from \$31.0 million to \$21.0 million per year. The State's special funding contribution was changed prospectively, requiring \$16.0 million due per year through 2031.

2018 Changes:

The augmentation adjustment in early retirement factors is eliminated over a five-year period starting July 1, 2019, resulting in actuarial equivalence after June 30, 2024.

Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. CHANGES IN PLAN PROVISIONS (Cont'd)

A. GENERAL EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (GERP) (Cont'd)

2018 Changes: (Cont'd)

Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.

Contribution stabilizer provisions were repealed.

Postretirement benefit increases were changed from 1.00 percent per year with a provision to increase to 2.50 percent upon attainment of 90.00 percent funding ratio to 50.00 percent of the Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment, not less than 1.00 percent and not more than 1.50 percent, beginning January 1, 2019.

For retirements on or after January 1, 2024, the first benefit increase is delayed until the retiree reaches normal retirement age; does not apply to Rule of 90 retirees, disability benefit recipients, or survivors.

Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

2017 Changes:

The State's contribution for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund equals \$16,000,000 in 2017 and 2018, and \$6,000,000 thereafter.

The Employer Supplemental Contribution for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund changed from \$21,000,000 to \$31,000,000 in calendar years 2019 to 2031. The state's contribution changed from \$16,000,000 to \$6,000,000 in calendar years 2019 to 2031.

2016 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes:

On January 1, 2015 the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund was merged into the General Employees Fund, which increased the total pension liability by \$1.1 billion and increased the fiduciary plan net position by \$892 million. Upon consolidation, state and employer contributions were revised; the State's contribution of \$6.0 million, which meets the special funding situation definition, was due September 2015.

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEFPF)

2024 Changes:

The State contribution of \$9 million per year will continue until the earlier of 1) both the Police & Fire Plan and the State Patrol Retirement Fund attain 90% funded status for three consecutive years (on an actuarial value of assets basis) or 2) July 1, 2048. The contribution was previously due to expire after attaining a 90% funded status for one year.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. CHANGES IN PLAN PROVISIONS (Cont'd)

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEPFP) (Cont'd)

2024 Changes: (Cont'd)

The additional \$9 million contribution will continue until the Police & Fire Plan is fully funded for a minimum of three consecutive years on an actuarial value of assets basis, or July 1, 2048, whichever is earlier. This contribution was previously due to expire upon attainment of fully funded status on an actuarial value of assets basis for one year (or July 1, 2048 if earlier).

2023 Changes:

Additional one-time direct state aid contribution of 19.4 million will be contributed to the Plan on October 1, 2023.

Vesting requirement for new hires after June 30, 2014, was changed from a graded 20-year vesting schedule to a graded 10-year vesting schedule, with 50 percent vesting after five years, increasing incrementally to 100% after 10 years.

A one-time, non-compounding benefit increase of 3.0 percent will be payable in a lump sum for calendar year 2024 by March 31, 2024.

Psychological treatment is required effective July 1, 2023, prior to approval for a duty disability benefit for a psychological condition relating to the member's occupation.

The total and permanent duty disability benefit was increased, effective July 1, 2023.

2022 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2021 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2020 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2019 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2018 Changes:

Postretirement benefit increases were changed to 1.00 percent for all years, with no trigger.

An end date of July 1, 2048 was added to the existing \$9.0 million state contribution.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. CHANGES IN PLAN PROVISIONS (Cont'd)

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEPFP) (Cont'd)

2018 Changes: (Cont'd)

New annual state aid will equal \$4.5 million in fiscal years 2019 and 2020, and \$9.0 million thereafter until the plan reaches 100 percent funding, or July 1, 2048, if earlier.

Member contributions were changed from 10.80 percent to 11.30 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2019 and 11.80 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2020.

Employer contributions were changed from 16.20 percent to 16.95 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2019 and 17.70 percent of pay, effective January 1, 2020.

Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.

Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.

Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

2017 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2016 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes:

The post-retirement benefit increase to paid after attainment of the 90 percent funding threshold was changed, from inflation up to 2.5 percent, to a fixed rate of 2.5 percent.

C. CITY OF WAITE PARK'S FIREMAN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION

2024 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2023 Changes:

Benefit levels increased from \$4,200 to \$4,400 during the measurement period.

2022 Changes:

Benefit levels increased from \$3,300 to \$4,200 during the measurement period.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. CHANGES IN PLAN PROVISIONS (Cont'd)

C. CITY OF WAITE PARK'S FIREMAN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION (Cont'd)

2021 Changes:

Benefit levels increased from \$2,900 to \$3,300 during the measurement period.

2020 Changes:

Benefit levels increased from \$2,700 to \$2,900 during the measurement period.

2019 Changes:

Benefit levels increased from \$2,100 to \$2,700 during the measurement period.

2018 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2017 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2016 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

D. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN NOT ADMINISTERED IN A TRUST

2024 Changes:

Retiree premiums were updated to current levels.

2023 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2022 Changes:

Retiree premiums were updated to current levels.

2021 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 1. CHANGES IN PLAN PROVISIONS (Cont'd)

D. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN NOT ADMINISTERED IN A TRUST (Cont'd)

2020 Changes:

Retiree premiums were updated to current levels.

2019 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2018 Changes:

Retiree premiums were updated to current levels.

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS

A. GENERAL EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (GERP)

2024 Changes:

Rates of merit and seniority were adjusted, resulting in slightly higher rates.

Assumed rates of retirement were adjusted as follows: increase the rate of assumed unreduced retirements, slight adjustments to Rule of 90 retirement rates, and slight adjustments to early retirement rates for Tier 1 and Tier 2 members.

Minor increase in assumed withdrawals for males and females.

Lower rates of disability.

Continued use of Pub-2010 general mortality table with slight rate adjustments as recommended in the most recent experience study.

Minor changes to form of payment assumptions for male and female retirees.

Minor changes to assumptions made with respect to missing participant data.

2023 Changes:

The investment return assumption and single discount rate were changed from 6.5 percent to 7.00 percent.

2022 Changes:

The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2020 to Scale MP-2021.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

A. GENERAL EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (GERP) (Cont'd)

2021 Changes:

The investment return and single discount rates were changed from 7.50 percent to 6.50 percent, for financial reporting purposes.

The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2019 to Scale MP-2020.

2020 Changes:

The price inflation assumption was decreased from 2.50% to 2.25%.

The payroll growth assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.

Assumed salary increase rates were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The net effect is assumed rates that average 0.25% less than previous rates.

Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The changes result in more unreduced (normal) retirements and slightly fewer Rule of 90 and early retirements.

Assumed rates of termination were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The new rates are based on service and are generally lower than the previous rates for years 2-5 and slightly higher thereafter.

Assumed rates of disability were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The change results in fewer predicted disability retirements for males and females.

The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 General Mortality table, with adjustments. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 disabled annuitant mortality table to the PUB-2010 General/Teacher disabled annuitant mortality table, with adjustments.

The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2018 to Scale MP-2019.

The assumed spouse age difference was changed from two years older for females to one year older.

The assumed number of married male new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 35% to 45%. The assumed number of married female new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 15% to 30%. The corresponding number of married new retirees electing the Life annuity option was adjusted accordingly.

2019 Changes:

The mortality projection scale was changed from MP-2017 to MP-2018.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

A. GENERAL EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (GERP) (Cont'd)

2018 Changes:

The mortality projection was changed from MP-2015 to MP-2017.

The assumed benefit increase was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.25 percent per year.

2017 Changes:

The combined service annuity (CSA) loads were changed from 0.8 percent for active members and 60 percent for vested and non-vested deferred members. The revised CSA loads are now 0.0 percent for active member liability, 15.0 percent for vested deferred member liability and 3.0 percent for non-vested deferred member liability.

The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.0 percent per year for all years to 1.0 percent per year through 2044 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter.

2016 Changes:

The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed for 1.0 percent per year through 2035 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter to 1.0 percent per year for all years.

The assumed investment return was changed from 7.9 percent to 7.5 percent. The single discount rate was changed from 7.9 percent to 7.5 percent.

Other assumptions were changed pursuant to the experience study dated June 30, 2015. The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth, and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.50 percent for inflation.

2015 Changes:

The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.0 percent per year through 2030 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter to 1.0 percent per year through 2035 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter.

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEPFP)

2024 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2023 Changes:

The investment return assumption was changed from 6.5 percent to 7.00 percent.

The single discount rate changed from 5.4 percent to 7.0 percent.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEPFP) (Cont'd)

2022 Changes:

The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2020 to Scale MP-2021.

The single discount rate changed from 6.5% to 5.4%.

2021 Changes:

The investment return and single discount rates were changed from 7.50 percent to 6.50 percent, for financial reporting purposes.

The inflation assumption was changed from 2.50 percent to 2.25 percent.

The payroll growth assumption was changed from 3.25 percent to 3.00 percent.

The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 Public Safety Mortality table. The mortality improvement scale was changed from MP-2019 to MP-2020.

The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 healthy annuitant mortality table (with future mortality improvement according to Scale MP-2019) to the Pub-2010 Public Safety disabled annuitant mortality table (with future mortality improvement according to Scale MP-2020).

Assumed rates of salary increase were modified as recommended in the July 14, 2020 experience study. The overall impact is a decrease in gross salary increase rates.

Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the July 14, 2020 experience study. The changes result in slightly more unreduced retirements and fewer assumed early retirements.

Assumed rates of withdrawal were changed from select and ultimate rates to service-based rates. The changes result in more assumed terminations.

Assumed rates of disability were increased for ages 25-44 and decreased for ages over 49. Overall, proposed rates result in more projected disabilities.

Assumed percent married for active female members was changed from 60 percent to 70 percent. Minor changes to form of payment assumptions were applied.

2020 Changes:

The mortality projection was changed from MP-2018 to MP-2019.

2019 Changes:

The mortality projection was changed from MP-2017 to MP-2018.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEPFP) (Cont'd)

2018 Changes:

The mortality projection was changed from MP-2016 to MP-2017.

2017 Changes:

Assumed salary increases were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2016 experience study. The net effect is proposed rates that average 0.34 percent lower than the previous rates.

Assumed rates of retirement were changed, resulting in fewer retirements.

The combined service annuity (CSA) load was 30 percent for vested and non-vested deferred members. The CSA has been changed to 33 percent for vested members and 2 percent for non-vested members.

The base mortality table for healthy annuitants was changed from the RP-2000 fully generational table to the RP-2014 fully generational table (with a base year of 2006), with male rates adjusted by a factor of 0.96. The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale AA to Scale MP-2016. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2000 disabled mortality table to the mortality tables assumed for healthy retirees.

Assumed termination rates were decreased to 3.0 percent for the first three years of service. Rates beyond the select period of three years were adjusted, resulting in more expected terminations overall.

Assumed percentage of married female members was decreased from 65 percent to 60 percent.

Assumed age difference was changed from separate assumptions for male members (wives assumed to be three years younger) and female members (husbands assumed to be four years older) to the assumption that males are two years older than females.

The assumed percentage of female members electing joint and survivor annuities was increased.

The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent for all years to 1.00 percent per year through 2064 and 2.50 percent thereafter.

The single discount rate was changed from 5.60 percent per annum to 7.50 percent per annum.

2016 Changes:

The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.0 percent per year through 2037 and 2.5 percent thereafter to 1.0 percent per year for all future years.

The assumed investment return was changed from 7.9 percent to 7.5 percent.

The single discount rate changed from 7.90 percent to 5.60 percent.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE PLAN (PEPFP) (Cont'd)

2016 Changes: (Cont'd)

The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth, and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.50 percent for inflation.

2015 Changes:

The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.0 percent per year through 2030 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter to 1.0 percent per year through 2037 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter.

C. CITY OF WAITE PARK'S FIREMAN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION

2024 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2023 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2022 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2021 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2020 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2019 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2018 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2017 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

C. CITY OF WAITE PARK'S FIREMAN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION (Cont'd)

2016 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

2015 Changes:

There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

D. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN NOT ADMINISTERED IN A TRUST

2024 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 4.05% to 3.77% based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates.

Healthcare trend rates were reset to reflect updated cost increase expectations.

Medical per capita claims costs were updated to reflect recent experience.

The expected retirement age changed from 53 to 55 for Police employees and 61 to 62 for Non-Police employees.

Withdrawal, mortality, and salary increase rates were updated from the rates used in the 7/1/2022 PERA General Employees Plan valuation to the rates used in the 2023 experience study.

2023 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 1.84% to 4.05% based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates.

2022 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 2.00% to 1.84% based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates.

Healthcare trend rates were reset to reflect updated cost increase expectations.

Medical per capita claims costs were updated to reflect recent experience.

Withdrawal, mortality, and salary increase rates were updated from the rates used in the 7/1/2020 PERA General Employees Plan and 7/1/2020 PERA Police & Fire Plan valuations to the rates used in the 7/1/2022 valuations.

The retirement age assumption for Non-Police employees was changed from 60 to 61 to reflect recent experience.

The inflation assumption was changed from 2.25% to 2.50% based on an updated historical analysis of inflation rates and forward-looking market expectations.

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 2. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS (Cont'd)

D. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN NOT ADMINISTERED IN A TRUST (Cont'd)

2021 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 2.75% as of 12/31/2019 to 2.00% as of 12/31/2020 based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates as of each measurement date.

2020 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 3.71% as of 12/31/2018 to 2.75% as of 12/31/2019 based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates as of each measurement date.

Healthcare trend rates were reset to reflect updated cost increase expectations, including the repeal of the Affordable Care Act's Excise Tax on high-cost health insurance plans.

Medical per capita claims costs were updated to reflect recent experience.

Withdrawal, mortality, and salary increase rates were updated from the rates used in the 7/1/2018 PERA General Employees Plan and 7/1/2018 PERA Police & Fire Plan valuations to the rates used in the 7/1/2020 valuations.

The inflation assumption was changed from 2.50% to 2.25% based on an updated historical analysis of inflation rates and forward-looking market expectations.

2019 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 3.31% as of 12/31/2017 to 3.71% as of 12/31/2018 based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates as of each measurement date.

2018 Changes:

The discount rate was changed from 3.81% as of 12/31/2016 to 3.31% as of 12/31/2017 based on updated 20-year municipal bond rates as of each measurement date.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and Investments	\$ 870,590	\$ 1,505,509	\$ 2,376,099
Receivables			
Delinquent Taxes		12,666	12,666
Due from Other Governments		3,708	3,708
	<u>\$ 870,590</u>	<u>\$ 1,521,883</u>	<u>\$ 2,392,473</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ 124,915	\$ 2,040	\$ 126,955
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Unavailable Revenue			
Delinquent Taxes		12,666	12,666
Fund Balance			
Restricted			
Tax Increment	507,439		507,439
Loan Program	2,301		2,301
Debt Service		1,507,177	1,507,177
Assigned			
Capital Outlay	4,491		4,491
Park Land Development	132,464		132,464
Fund Operations	98,980		98,980
Total Fund Balance	<u>745,675</u>	<u>1,507,177</u>	<u>2,252,852</u>
	<u>\$ 870,590</u>	<u>\$ 1,521,883</u>	<u>\$ 2,392,473</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance			

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total
REVENUES				
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 1,116,412	\$	\$ 1,116,412
Tax Increments	294,650			294,650
Special Assessments		63,160		63,160
Fines and Forfeitures	5,012			5,012
Miscellaneous				
Investment Income	29,556	67,438		96,994
Contributions and Donations	78,843			78,843
Refunds and Reimbursements	20,268			20,268
Total Revenues	<u>428,329</u>	<u>1,247,010</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,675,339</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Public Safety	3,970			3,970
Culture and Recreation	83,520			83,520
Economic Development	253,915			253,915
Debt Service				
Principal		1,175,000		1,175,000
Interest and Other Charges		468,795		468,795
Capital Outlay				
Culture and Recreation	15,860			15,860
Economic Development	8,276			8,276
Total Expenditures	<u>365,541</u>	<u>1,643,795</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,009,336</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	62,788	(396,785)		(333,997)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers In		459,180		459,180
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>62,788</u>	<u>62,395</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>125,183</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS ORIGINALLY STATED	2,473,764	1,444,782	1,340,968	5,259,514
Adjustment - Changes within Reporting Entity	<u>(1,790,877)</u>		<u>(1,340,968)</u>	<u>(3,131,845)</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS RESTATED	<u>682,887</u>	<u>1,444,782</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,127,669</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 745,675</u>	<u>\$ 1,507,177</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 2,252,852</u>

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - SPECIAL REVENUE
 DECEMBER 31, 2024

	2002 DTED Rehabilitation Grant (203)	Park Land Development (205)	Charitable Gambling (207)	Drug Forfeiture (212)	DWI Forfeiture (213)	Forfeitures (211, 214)
ASSETS						
Cash and Investments	\$ 2,301	\$ 132,464	\$ 98,980	\$ 2,456	\$ 1,587	\$ 448
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE						
Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fund Balance						
Restricted						
Tax Increment Loan Program	2,301					
Assigned						
Capital Outlay				2,456	1,587	448
Park Land Development		132,464				
Fund Operations			98,980			
Total Fund Balance	2,301	132,464	98,980	2,456	1,587	448
Total Liabilities And Fund Balance	\$ 2,301	\$ 132,464	\$ 98,980	\$ 2,456	\$ 1,587	\$ 448

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - SPECIAL REVENUE
 DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Tax Increment District No. 2 (271)	Tax Increment District No. 2-1 (272)	Tax Increment District No. 3-1 (273)	Total
ASSETS				
Cash and Investments	\$ 245,199	\$ 369,859	\$ 17,296	\$ 870,590
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 727	\$ 113,681	\$ 10,507	\$ 124,915
Fund Balance				
Restricted				
Tax Increment	244,472	256,178	6,789	507,439
Loan Program				2,301
Assigned				
Capital Outlay				4,491
Park Land Development				132,464
Fund Operations				98,980
Total Fund Balance	<u>244,472</u>	<u>256,178</u>	<u>6,789</u>	<u>745,675</u>
Total Liabilities And Fund Balance	<u>\$ 245,199</u>	<u>\$ 369,859</u>	<u>\$ 17,296</u>	<u>\$ 870,590</u>

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - SPECIAL REVENUE
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	2002 DTED Rehabilitation Grant (203)	Park Land Development (205)	Charitable Gambling (207)	Drug Forfeiture (212)	DWI Forfeiture (213)	Forfeitures (211, 214)
REVENUES						
Tax Increments	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fines and Forfeitures				3,394	1,618	
Miscellaneous						
Investment Income	93	5,636	3,522	85	59	18
Contributions and Donations		836	78,007			
Refunds and Reimbursements						
Total Revenues	93	6,472	81,529	3,479	1,677	18
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
Public Safety			2,178	1,023	769	
Culture and Recreation			83,520			
Economic Development						
Capital Outlay						
Culture and Recreation		15,860				
Economic Development						
Total Expenditures	0	15,860	85,698	1,023	769	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	93	(9,388)	(4,169)	2,456	908	18
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS ORIGINALLY STATED	2,208	141,852	103,149		679	430
Adjustment - Changes within Reporting Entity						
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS RESTATED	2,208	141,852	103,149	0	679	430
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 2,301	\$ 132,464	\$ 98,980	\$ 2,456	\$ 1,587	\$ 448

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - SPECIAL REVENUE
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	(Currently Major) Public Safety Facility Sales and Use Tax (223)	Tax Increment District No. 2 (271)	Tax Increment District No. 2-1 (272)	Tax Increment District No. 3-1 (273)	Total
REVENUES					
Tax Increments	\$	\$	\$ 271,216	\$ 23,434	\$ 294,650
Fines and Forfeitures					5,012
Miscellaneous					
Investment Income		10,252	9,279	612	29,556
Contributions and Donations					78,843
Refunds and Reimbursements		20,268			20,268
Total Revenues	<u>0</u>	<u>30,520</u>	<u>280,495</u>	<u>24,046</u>	<u>428,329</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Public Safety					3,970
Culture and Recreation					83,520
Economic Development		3,509	228,625	21,781	253,915
Capital Outlay					
Culture and Recreation					15,860
Economic Development		8,276			8,276
Total Expenditures	<u>0</u>	<u>11,785</u>	<u>228,625</u>	<u>21,781</u>	<u>365,541</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>0</u>	<u>18,735</u>	<u>51,870</u>	<u>2,265</u>	<u>62,788</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS ORIGINALLY STATED	1,790,877	225,737	204,308	4,524	2,473,764
Adjustment - Changes within Reporting Entity	<u>(1,790,877)</u>				<u>(1,790,877)</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS RESTATED		<u>225,737</u>	<u>204,308</u>	<u>4,524</u>	<u>682,887</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 244,472</u>	<u>\$ 256,178</u>	<u>\$ 6,789</u>	<u>\$ 745,675</u>

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - DEBT SERVICE
 DECEMBER 31, 2024

	\$4,720,000 G.O. Improvement Bonds of 2013B (324)	\$2,275,000 G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds of 2016A (326)	\$9,505,000 G.O. Improvement Bonds of 2016B (327)	\$5,115,000 G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds of 2018A (328)	Total
ASSETS					
Cash and Investments	\$ 181,464	\$ 415,608	\$ 880,476	\$ 27,961	\$ 1,505,509
Receivables					
Delinquent Taxes	3,412	2,279	6,975		12,666
Due from Other Governments	975	682	2,051		3,708
	<u>185,851</u>	<u>418,569</u>	<u>889,502</u>	<u>27,961</u>	<u>1,521,883</u>
Total Assets	\$ 185,851	\$ 418,569	\$ 889,502	\$ 27,961	\$ 1,521,883
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$ 510	\$ 510	\$ 510	\$ 510	\$ 2,040
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Unavailable Revenue					
Delinquent Taxes	3,412	2,279	6,975		12,666
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>3,412</u>	<u>2,279</u>	<u>6,975</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,666</u>
Fund Balance					
Restricted					
Debt Service	181,929	415,780	882,017	27,451	1,507,177
	<u>185,851</u>	<u>418,569</u>	<u>889,502</u>	<u>27,961</u>	<u>1,521,883</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance	\$ 185,851	\$ 418,569	\$ 889,502	\$ 27,961	\$ 1,521,883

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - DEBT SERVICE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	\$4,720,000 G.O. Improvement Bonds of 2013B (324)	\$2,275,000 G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds of 2016A (326)	\$9,505,000 G.O. Improvement Bonds of 2016B (327)	\$5,115,000 G.O. Tax Abatement Bonds of 2018A (328)	Total
REVENUES					
Property Taxes	\$ 288,199	\$ 206,961	\$ 621,252	\$	\$ 1,116,412
Special Assessments	63,160				63,160
Miscellaneous					
Investment Income	12,215	17,214	35,590	2,419	67,438
Total Revenues	<u>363,574</u>	<u>224,175</u>	<u>656,842</u>	<u>2,419</u>	<u>1,247,010</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Debt Service					
Principal	400,000	150,000	315,000	310,000	1,175,000
Interest and Other Charges	31,205	39,555	252,155	145,880	468,795
Total Expenditures	<u>431,205</u>	<u>189,555</u>	<u>567,155</u>	<u>455,880</u>	<u>1,643,795</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(67,631)	34,620	89,687	(453,461)	(396,785)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers In				459,180	459,180
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(67,631)</u>	<u>34,620</u>	<u>89,687</u>	<u>5,719</u>	<u>62,395</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>249,560</u>	<u>381,160</u>	<u>792,330</u>	<u>21,732</u>	<u>1,444,782</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 181,929</u>	<u>\$ 415,780</u>	<u>\$ 882,017</u>	<u>\$ 27,451</u>	<u>\$ 1,507,177</u>

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under)
	Original	Final		Final Budget
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Property	\$ 9,798,882	\$ 9,798,882	\$ 10,188,653	\$ 389,771
Gravel	150,000	150,000	111,455	(38,545)
Franchise	445,000	445,000	437,910	(7,090)
Total Taxes	10,393,882	10,393,882	10,738,018	344,136
Sales Tax			7,538	7,538
Tax Increment			708	708
Special Assessments			58,241	58,241
Licenses and Permits	144,525	144,525	311,933	167,408
Intergovernmental				
Police and Fire Aid	290,000	290,000	437,472	147,472
Highway Maintenance Aid	32,000	32,000	36,805	4,805
Other Grants and Aids	544,979	544,979	916,954	371,975
Total Intergovernmental	866,979	866,979	1,391,231	524,252
Charges for Services				
General Government	21,350	21,350	26,475	5,125
Public Safety	170,500	170,500	336,628	166,128
Culture and Recreation	384,246	384,246	334,573	(49,673)
Total Charges for Services	576,096	576,096	697,676	121,580
Fines and Forfeitures	59,900	59,900	81,870	21,970
Miscellaneous				
Investment Income	20,000	20,000	220,401	200,401
Contributions and Donations	14,000	14,000	35,107	21,107
Refunds and Reimbursements	85,000	85,000	131,937	46,937
Event Reimbursements	105,000	105,000	101,649	(3,351)
Other	3,200	3,200	35,746	32,546
Total Miscellaneous	227,200	227,200	524,840	297,640
Total Revenues	12,268,582	12,268,582	13,812,055	1,543,473
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General Government				
Mayor and Council	55,835	55,835	147,075	91,240
Administrative and Finance	1,698,593	1,698,593	1,691,231	(7,362)
Elections	36,925	36,925	37,573	648
Other	106,754	106,754	37,474	(69,280)
Total General Government	1,898,107	1,898,107	1,913,353	15,246

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under)
	Original	Final		Final Budget
EXPENDITURES (Cont'd)				
Current (Cont'd)				
Public Safety				
Police	\$ 4,392,185	\$ 4,392,185	\$ 3,227,645	\$ (1,164,540)
Fire	878,135	878,135	744,566	(133,569)
Other	385,765	385,765	396,543	10,778
Total Public Safety	<u>5,656,085</u>	<u>5,656,085</u>	<u>4,368,754</u>	<u>(1,287,331)</u>
Public Works				
Streets and Highways	1,893,473	1,893,473	2,008,863	115,390
Sanitation				
Garbage and Other Refuse	504,260	504,260	430,215	(74,045)
Weed Control	69,790	69,790	76,230	6,440
Total Sanitation	<u>574,050</u>	<u>574,050</u>	<u>506,445</u>	<u>(67,605)</u>
Culture and Recreation	946,117	946,117	1,040,568	94,451
Total Current	<u>10,967,832</u>	<u>10,967,832</u>	<u>9,837,983</u>	<u>(1,129,849)</u>
Debt Service				
Principal	54,850	54,850	84,196	29,346
Interest and Other Charges	5,000	5,000	4,999	(1)
Total Debt Service	<u>59,850</u>	<u>59,850</u>	<u>89,195</u>	<u>29,345</u>
Capital Outlay				
General Government	104,500	104,500	46,662	(57,838)
Public Safety	138,400	138,400	330,129	191,729
Public Works	1,300,000	1,300,000	2,100,490	800,490
Culture and Recreation			39,835	39,835
Total Capital Outlay	<u>1,542,900</u>	<u>1,542,900</u>	<u>2,517,116</u>	<u>974,216</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>12,570,582</u>	<u>12,570,582</u>	<u>12,444,294</u>	<u>(126,288)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(302,000)	(302,000)	1,367,761	1,669,761
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers In			760,000	760,000
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	2,000	2,000	24,713	22,713
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>784,713</u>	<u>782,713</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ (300,000)</u>	<u>\$ (300,000)</u>	2,152,474	<u>\$ 2,452,474</u>
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR			<u>6,769,939</u>	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR			<u>\$ 8,922,413</u>	

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COMPLIANCE SECTION

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON MINNESOTA LEGAL COMPLIANCE

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Waite Park
Waite Park, Minnesota

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Waite Park, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 25, 2025.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the City failed to comply with the provisions of the contracting-bid laws, depositories of public funds and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, miscellaneous provisions, and tax increment financing sections of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Cities*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65, insofar as they relate to accounting matters. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding the City's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions, insofar as they relate to accounting matters.

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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August 25, 2025

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

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Waite Park
Waite Park, Minnesota

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Waite Park, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 25, 2025.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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*.

City's Response to Findings

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

Purpose of this Report

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

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August 25, 2025

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

I. FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDITED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT
AUDITING STANDARDS

FINDING: 2024-001 AUDITOR PREPARED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Condition: The City does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements and the related notes being audited. However, based on the degree of complexity and level of detail needed to prepare the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), the City has requested the auditors to prepare them.

Criteria: The preparation of the financial statements and the related notes are the responsibility of management.

Cause: There are a limited number of office employees and resources available to allow for the adequate preparation of the financial statements and related notes by the City.

Effect: This could result in a material misstatement to the financial statements and related notes that would not be prevented, or detected and corrected as a result of the City's current internal control.

Recommendation: The City should continue to request the assistance to draft the financial statements and related notes and thoroughly review these financial statements after they have been prepared so the City can take responsibility for them.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP):
Explanation of Disagreement with Audit Finding:
None

Actions Planned in Response to Finding:
The City is aware of this; however, due to significant cost and a limited number of employees, it is in the City's best financial interest to contract for the preparation of the financial statements.

Official Responsible for Ensuring CAP:
Karla Virnig, Finance Director

Planned Completion Date for CAP:
December 31, 2025

Plan to Monitor Completion of CAP:
City Council

CITY OF WAITE PARK, MINNESOTA

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

<u>Finding Reference</u>	<u>Finding Title</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Year Finding Initially Occurred</u>	<u>If not corrected, Provide Planned Corrective Action or Other Explanation</u>
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Financial Statement Findings:

2023-001	Auditor Prepared Financial Statements	Not Corrected	2021	See current year finding 2024-001
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Minnesota Legal Compliance Findings:

None