

Financial Statements
December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013

# City of Dunseith



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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

The Honorable Mayor, City Council and City Auditor City of Dunseith, North Dakota

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and we have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund (except as described below for the proprietary funds), and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Dunseith, North Dakota ("the City"), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1; this includes determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. Because of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Business-Type Activities and Each Major Proprietary Fund – All Years paragraph, however, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the business-type activities and each major proprietary fund.

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

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

# Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Business-Type Activities and Each Major Proprietary Fund – All Years

Because of the inadequacy of the accounting records for the major proprietary fund receipts, we were unable to form an opinion regarding the amounts at which these receipts are recorded and the allocation among the water, sewer and garbage funds in the accompanying statement of net position, statement of changes in net position and statement of cash flows for the years ending December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, for the business-type activities and each major proprietary fund financial statements.

Disclaimer of Opinion on Business-Type Activities and Each Major Proprietary Fund – All Years In our opinion, because of the significance of the matters discussed in the "Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Business-Type Activities and Each Major Propriety Fund – All Years" paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion to enable us to express, and we do not express, an opinion on the financial statements of the Business-Type Activities Each Major Propriety Funds for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013,.

### Basis for Qualified Opinion on General Fund – All Years

We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence about the receipts of the City's fines, forfeitures and penalties as of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013 recorded in the general fund. Consequently, we were unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts were necessary to the general fund in each of these years.

### **Qualified Opinion on General Fund – All Years**

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Qualified Opinion on General Fund – All Years" paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the previous paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the general fund information of the City of Dunseith, North Dakota as of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof, for the years then ended in conformity with the cash basis of accounting.

### **Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities - 2013**

We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence about the receipts of the City's fines, forfeitures and penalties recorded in governmental activities as of December 31, 2013. Consequently, we were unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts were necessary to the governmental activities as of December 31, 2013.

### **Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities - 2013**

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities – 2013" paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the previous paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the City of Dunseith, North Dakota as of December 31, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof, for the years then ended in conformity with the cash basis of accounting.

### **Unmodified Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the street fund, industrial development fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Dunseith, North Dakota, as of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, and the respective changes in financial position for the years then ended in accordance with the cash basis of accounting.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the City of Dunseith, North Dakota, as of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, and 2014, and the respective changes in financial position for the years then ended in accordance with the cash basis of accounting.

### **Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting; which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Other Matters**

### **Other Information**

We were engaged for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements as a whole. The budgetary comparison schedules are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and not a required part of the financial statements. Because of the significance of the matter described above in the "Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Business-Type Activities and Each Major Proprietary Fund – All Years", it is inappropriate to and we do not express an opinion on the supplementary information referred to above.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 14, 2022, on our consideration of City of Dunseith, North Dakota's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering City of Dunseith's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Bismarck, North Dakota

Esde Sailly LLP

March 14, 2022

		2017			
		vernmental Activities		iness-Type Activities	Total
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Internal balances	\$	741,623 15,224	\$	- (15,224)	\$ 741,623 -
Total Assets	\$	756,847	\$	(15,224)	\$ 741,623
Net Position (Deficit) Restricted for special purposes Streets Industrial revenue Social security Law enforcement Planning study Unrestricted	\$	237,079 146,030 37,214 31,119 15,923 289,482	\$	- - - - (15,224)	\$ 237,079 146,030 37,214 31,119 15,923 274,258
Total net position (deficit)	\$	756,847	\$	(15,224)	\$ 741,623
		vernmental Activities		2016 iness-Type activities	 Total
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Internal balances	\$	700,971 10,384	\$	(10,384)	\$ 700,971 -
Total Assets	\$	711,355	\$	(10,384)	\$ 700,971
Net Position (Deficit) Restricted for special purposes Streets Industrial revenue Social security Law enforcement Planning study Unrestricted	\$	198,959 140,755 40,179 30,999 15,879 284,584	\$	- - - - (10,384)	\$ 198,959 140,755 40,179 30,999 15,879 274,200
Total net position (deficit)	\$	711,355	\$	(10,384)	\$ 700,971

			2015				
		rernmental activities		ness-Type ctivities		Total	
		Clivities	A	ctivities		TOLAI	
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents Internal balances	\$	591,175 8,279	\$ 	- (8,279)	\$	591,175 -	
Total Assets	\$	599,454	\$	(8,279)	\$	591,175	
Net Position (Deficit) Restricted for special purposes Streets	\$	175,900	\$		\$	175,900	
Industrial revenue	Ş	87,211	Ą	-	Ą	87,211	
Social security		44,393		-		44,393	
Law enforcement		30,832		-		30,832	
Planning study		15,819		-		15,819	
Unrestricted		245,299		(8,279)		237,020	
Total net position (deficit)	\$	599,454	\$	(8,279)	\$	591,175	
				2014			
		rernmental activities		ness-Type ctivities		Total	
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	749,066	\$	-	\$	749,066	
Internal balances		71,052		(71,052)			
Total Assets	\$	820,118	\$	(71,052)	\$	749,066	
Net Position (Deficit) Restricted for special purposes							
Streets	\$	193,272	\$	-	\$	193,272	
Industrial revenue		148,136		-		148,136	
Social security		44,834		-		44,834	
Law enforcement		29,409 15,293		-		29,409 15,202	
Planning study Unrestricted		389,174		- (71,052)		15,293 318,122	
om estricted		303,174		(71,032)		310,122	
Total net position (deficit)	\$	820,118	\$	(71,052)	\$	749,066	

		2013			
	 vernmental Activities		ness-Type ctivities	Total	
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 877,222	\$	8,528	\$	885,750
Net Position					
Restricted					
Streets	\$ 145,542	\$	-	\$	145,542
Industrial revenue	241,973		-		241,973
Social security	44,558		-		44,558
Law enforcement	27,956		-		27,956
Planning study	14,760		-		14,760
Unrestricted	 402,433		8,528		410,961
Total net position	\$ 877,222	\$	8,528	\$	885,750

					Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position					
			<b>Program Receipts</b>			Primary Government				
			Operating	Capital						
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-Type				
Functions/Programs	Disbursements	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total			
Primary Government										

Primary Government							
Governmental activities							
General government	\$ 144,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (144,100)	\$ -	\$ (144,100)
Public safety	110,661	-	-	-	(110,661)	-	(110,661)
Streets and highways	 47,174	 -	 85,294	-	38,120	 =	 38,120
Total governmental activities	 301,935	 	 85,294	 	 (216,641)	 	 (216,641)
Business-type activities							
Water	46,394	39,616	-	-	-	(6,778)	(6,778)
Sewer	20,835	23,531	-	-	-	2,696	2,696
Garbage	 84,164	 83,406	 	 	 	 (758)	 (758)
Total business-type activities	 151,393	146,553		-	-	(4,840)	(4,840)
Total Primary Government	\$ 453,328	\$ 146,553	\$ 85,294	\$ -	(216,641)	(4,840)	(221,481)
General receipts							
Property taxes					45,127	-	45,127
Sales tax					68,998	-	68,998
Licenses, permits, and fees					3,555	-	3,555
State aid distribution					68,305	-	68,305
Fines, forfeitures and penalties					8,035	-	8,035
Interest					1,183	-	1,183
Rent/lease					9,854	-	9,854
Miscellaneous					57,076	 =	 57,076
Total general receipts					 262,133	 -	 262,133
Change in net position (deficit)					45,492	(4,840)	40,652
Net position (deficit) - January 1					711,355	(10,384)	700,971
Net position (deficit) - December 31					\$ 756,847	\$ (15,224)	\$ 741,623

Net (Disbursements) Receipts	and
Changes in Net Position	

								Changes in Net Position							
					Progra	am Receipts			Primary Government						
Functions/Programs	Disbursements		Disbursements		Disbursements			Operating Capital Charges for Grants and Grants and Services Contributions Contributions			vernmental Activities	Business-Type Activities		Total	
Primary Government Governmental activities															
General government	Ś	191,941	\$	_	\$	_	\$ -	\$	(191,941)	\$	_	\$	(191,941)		
Public safety	Y	111,311	Ţ	-	Ţ	_	-	Ţ	(111,311)	Y	_	Ţ	(111,311)		
Streets and highways		66,882		-		89,941	-		23,059		-		23,059		
Total governmental activities		370,134		-		89,941			(280,193)		-		(280,193)		
Business-type activities															
Water		36,500		36,096		-	-		-		(404)		(404)		
Sewer		22,777		22,944		-	-		-		167		167		
Garbage		84,504		82,636		-	-		-		(1,868)		(1,868)		
Total business-type activities		143,781		141,676		-			-		(2,105)		(2,105)		
Total Primary Government	\$	513,915	\$	141,676	\$	89,941	\$ -	_	(280,193)		(2,105)		(282,298)		
General receipts															
Property taxes									51,385		-		51,385		
Sales tax									68,998		-		68,998		
Licenses, permits, and fees									3,525		-		3,525		
State aid distribution									74,865		-		74,865		
Fines, forfeitures and penalties									7,251		-		7,251		
Interest									756		-		756		
Rent/lease									62,307		-		62,307		
Miscellaneous									123,007		-		123,007		
Total general receipts									392,094				392,094		
Change in net position (deficit)									111,901		(2,105)		109,796		
Net position (deficit) - January 1									599,454		(8,279)		591,175		
Net position (deficit) - December 31								\$	711,355	\$	(10,384)	\$	700,971		

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## Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position

					Changes in Net Position						
			Program Receipts		Primary Government						
			Operating	Capital							
5 /5	5:1	Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-Type	<b>-</b>				
Functions/Programs	Disbursements	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total				
Primary Government											
Governmental activities											
General government	\$ 173,221	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (173,221)	\$ -	\$ (173,221)				
Public safety	112,146	-	-	-	(112,146)	-	(112,146)				
Streets and highways	117,003	-	99,631	-	(17,372)	-	(17,372)				
Economic development	2,209	-	-	-	(2,209)	-	(2,209)				
Capital outlay	174,640	-	-	-	(174,640)	-	(174,640)				
Total governmental activities	579,219		99,631		(479,588)	<u> </u>	(479,588)				
Business-type activities											
Water	32,324	33,150	-	-	-	826	826				
Sewer	21,812	23,548	=	-	-	1,736	1,736				
Garbage	92,061	87,272				(4,789)	(4,789)				
Total business-type activities	146,197	143,970				(2,227)	(2,227)				
Total Primary Government	\$ 725,416	\$ 143,970	\$ 99,631	\$ -	(479,588)	(2,227)	(481,815)				
General receipts											
Property taxes					44,280	=	44,280				
Sales tax					71,058	-	71,058				
Licenses, permits, and fees					3,520	-	3,520				
State aid distribution					103,375	-	103,375				
Fines, forfeitures and penalties					9,071	-	9,071				
Interest					1,964	-	1,964				
Rent/lease					69,069	-	69,069				
Miscellaneous					21,587		21,587				
Total general receipts					323,924		323,924				
Transfers					(65,000)	65,000					
Change in net position (deficit)					(220,664)	62,773	(157,891)				
Net position (deficit) - January 1					820,118	(71,052)	749,066				
Net position (deficit) - December 31					\$ 599,454	\$ (8,279)	\$ 591,175				

### Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position

									Changes in Net Position						
					Progr	ram Receipts			Primary Government						
						perating	•	rating							
				narges for		rants and		ts and		vernmental		iness-Type			
Functions/Programs	Disk	oursements		Services	Cor	ntributions	Contri	butions		Activities		ctivities		Total	
Primary Government															
Governmental activities															
General government	\$	170,045	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	(170,045)	\$	-	\$	(170,045)	
Public safety		112,498		-		-		-		(112,498)		-		(112,498)	
Streets and highways		53,544		-		101,274		-		47,730		-		47,730	
Economic development		1,000		-		_		-		(1,000)		-		(1,000)	
Capital outlay		119,346		-		_		-		(119,346)		-		(119,346)	
Total governmental activities		456,433		-		101,274		-		(355,159)		-		(355,159)	
Business-type activities															
Water		57,466		38,984		-		-		-		(18,482)		(18,482)	
Sewer		91,380		26,041		-		-		-		(65,339)		(65,339)	
Garbage		87,469		91,710		-		-		-		4,241		4,241	
Total business-type activities		236,315		156,735		-				-		(79,580)		(79,580)	
Total Primary Government	\$	692,748	\$	156,735	\$	101,274	\$			(355,159)		(79,580)		(434,739)	
General receipts															
Property taxes										26,396		-		26,396	
Sales tax										71,058		-		71,058	
Licenses, permits, and fees										3,550		-		3,550	
State aid distribution										100,454		-		100,454	
Fines, forfeitures and penalties										12,533		-		12,533	
Interest										1,446		-		1,446	
Rent/lease										57,666		-		57,666	
Miscellaneous										24,952		-		24,952	
Total general receipts										298,055		-		298,055	
Change in net position										(57,104)		(79,580)		(136,684)	
Net position - January 1										877,222		8,528		885,750	
Net position (deficit) - December 31									\$	820,118	\$	(71,052)	\$	749,066	

### Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position

										Changes in Net Position						
					Progr	am Receipts				Primary Government						
Functions/Programs	Disbursements			narges for Services	G	perating rants and ntributions	Cap Grant Contrib	s and		vernmental Activities		ness-Type ctivities		Total		
Primary Government																
Governmental activities General government	\$	155,898	\$		\$		\$		\$	(155,898)	\$		\$	(155,898)		
Public safety	Ş	109,952	Ş	-	Ş	-	Ş	_	Ş	(109,952)	Ş	_	Ş	(109,952)		
Streets and highways		228,453		_		179,094		_		(49,359)		_		(49,359)		
Total governmental activities		494,303				179,094			-	(315,209)				(315,209)		
rotal governmental activities		13 1,303				173,031				(313,203)				(313)203)		
Business-type activities																
Water		35,087		40,568		-		-		-		5,481		5,481		
Sewer		24,406		23,926		-		-		-		(480)		(480)		
Garbage		77,385		86,249				-		-		8,864		8,864		
Total business-type activities		136,878		150,743		-				-		13,865		13,865		
Total Primary Government	\$	631,181	\$	150,743	\$	179,094	\$			(315,209)		13,865		(301,344)		
General receipts																
Property taxes										98,598		-		98,598		
Sales tax										71,058		-		71,058		
Licenses, permits, and fees										3,550		-		3,550		
State aid distribution										95,285		-		95,285		
Fines, forfeitures and penalties										20,030		-		20,030		
Interest										2,543		-		2,543		
Rent/lease										58,278		-		58,278		
Miscellaneous										17,973				17,973		
Total general receipts										367,315		-		367,315		
Change in net position (deficit)										52,106		13,865		65,971		
Net position (deficit) - January 1										825,116		(5,337)		819,779		
Net position - December 31									\$	877,222	\$	8,528	\$	885,750		

	 General	Streets		ndustrial velopment	Other ernmental	Gov	Total vernmental Funds
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds	\$ 282,323 15,224	\$	237,079	\$ 146,030 -	\$ 76,191 -	\$	741,623 15,224
Total Assets	\$ 297,547	\$	237,079	\$ 146,030	\$ 76,191	\$	756,847
Fund Balances Restricted Unassigned	\$ - 297,547	\$	237,079	\$ 146,030 -	\$ 84,256 (8,065)	\$	467,365 289,482
Total fund balances	\$ 297,547	\$	237,079	\$ 146,030	\$ 76,191	\$	756,847

	General	Streets		Industrial Development		Other ernmental	Total Governmental Funds		
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds	\$ 282,509 10,384	\$ 198,959 -	\$	140,755 -	\$	78,748 -	\$	700,971 10,384	
Total Assets	\$ 292,893	\$ 198,959	\$	140,755	\$	78,748	\$	711,355	
Fund Balances Restricted Unassigned	\$ - 292,893	\$ 198,959 -	\$	140,755 -	\$	86,813 (8,065)	\$	426,527 284,828	
Total fund balances	\$ 292,893	\$ 198,959	\$	140,755	\$	78,748	\$	711,355	

	 General	Streets		Industrial Development		Other ernmental	Total Governmental Funds		
Assets  Cash and cash equivalents  Due from other funds	\$ 242,973 8,279	\$	175,900 -	\$	87,211 -	\$ 85,091 -	\$	591,175 8,279	
Total Assets	\$ 251,252	\$	175,900	\$	87,211	\$ 85,091	\$	599,454	
Fund Balances Restricted Unassigned	\$ - 251,252	\$	175,900 -	\$	87,211	\$ 93,156 (8,065)	\$	356,267 243,187	
Total fund balances	\$ 251,252	\$	175,900	\$	87,211	\$ 85,091	\$	599,454	

	(	General	Streets		Industrial Development		Other ernmental	Total Governmental Funds		
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds	\$	326,187 71,052	\$	193,272 -	\$	148,136 -	\$ 81,471 -	\$	749,066 71,052	
Total Assets	\$	397,239	\$	193,272	\$	148,136	\$ 81,471	\$	820,118	
Fund Balances Restricted Unassigned	\$	- 397,239	\$	193,272 -	\$	148,136 -	\$ 89,536 (8,065)	\$	430,944 389,174	
Total fund balances	\$	397,239	\$	193,272	\$	148,136	\$ 81,471	\$	820,118	

### City of Dunseith Balance Sheets – Cash Basis Governmental Funds December 31, 2013

	 General	Streets		Industrial Development		Other ernmental	Total Governmental Funds		
Assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 410,110	\$	145,542	\$	241,973	\$ 79,597	\$	877,222	
Fund Balances Restricted Unassigned	\$ - 410,110	\$	145,542 -	\$	241,973 -	\$ 87,662 (8,065)	\$	475,177 402,045	
Total fund balances	\$ 410,110	\$	145,542	\$	241,973	\$ 79,597	\$	877,222	

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Statements of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances – Cash Basis Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2017

	General	Streets	Industrial Development	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts					
Taxes	\$ 111,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,425	\$ 114,125
Licenses, permits, and fees	3,555	=	-	-	3,555
Intergovernmental	68,305	85,294	=	=	153,599
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	8,035	-	-	-	8,035
Interest	724	=	459	=	1,183
Rent/lease	5,038	-	4,816	-	9,854
Miscellaneous	57,076	=	=	=	57,076
Total receipts	254,433	85,294	5,275	2,425	347,427
Disbursements					
General government	141,151	-	-	2,949	144,100
Public safety	108,807	-	-	1,854	110,661
Streets and highways	-	47,174	-	-	47,174
Total disbursements	249,958	47,174	-	4,803	301,935
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts over (under)					
Disbursements	4,475	38,120	5,275	(2,378)	45,492
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfers in	179	_	_	_	179
Transfers out	- -	_	_	(179)	(179)
Total other financing sources (uses)	179			(179)	-
Net change in fund balances	4,654	38,120	5,275	(2,557)	45,492
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Fund Balance - January 1	292,893	198,959	140,755	78,748	711,355
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 297,547	\$ 237,079	\$ 146,030	\$ 76,191	\$ 756,847

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Statements of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances – Cash Basis Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2016

	General	Streets	Industrial Development	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts					
Taxes	\$ 118,174	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,209	\$ 120,383
Licenses, permits, and fees	3,525	-	-	-	3,525
Intergovernmental	74,865	89,941	-	=	164,806
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	7,251	-	-	-	7,251
Interest	523	-	233	-	756
Rent/lease	8,996	-	53,311	-	62,307
Miscellaneous	123,007	-	-	-	123,007
Total receipts	336,341	89,941	53,544	2,209	482,035
Disbursements					
General government	185,243	-	-	6,698	191,941
Public safety	109,457	-	-	1,854	111,311
Streets and highways	-	66,882	-	-	66,882
Total disbursements	294,700	66,882	-	8,552	370,134
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts over (under)					
Disbursements	41,641	23,059	53,544	(6,343)	111,901
Net change in fund balances	41,641	23,059	53,544	(6,343)	111,901
Fund Balance - January 1	251,252	175,900	87,211	85,091	599,454
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 292,893	\$ 198,959	\$ 140,755	\$ 78,748	\$ 711,355

Statements of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances – Cash Basis Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2015

	<u>General</u>		Streets		Industrial Development		Other Governmental		Total Governmental Funds	
Receipts										
Taxes	\$ 10	06,141	\$	-	\$	-	\$	9,197	\$	115,338
Licenses, permits, and fees		3,520		-		-		-		3,520
Intergovernmental	10	03,375	g	99,631		-		-		203,006
Fines, forfeitures and penalties		9,071		-		-		-		9,071
Interest		1,533		-		431		-		1,964
Rent/lease		34,156		-		34,913		-		69,069
Miscellaneous		21,587		-						21,587
Total receipts	27	79,383	Ç	99,631		35,344		9,197		423,555
Disbursements										
General government	16	59,583		-		-		3,638		173,221
Public safety	11	L0,207		-		-		1,939		112,146
Streets and highways		-	11	17,003		-		-		117,003
Economic development		-		-		2,209		-		2,209
Capital outlay	17	74,640		-		-		-		174,640
Total disbursements	45	4,430	11	17,003		2,209		5,577		579,219
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts over (under)										
Disbursements	(17	75,047)	(2	17,372)		33,135		3,620		(155,664)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Transfers in	g	94,060		-		-		-		94,060
Transfers out	(6	55,000)		-		(94,060)		-		(159,060)
Total other financing sources (uses)		29,060				(94,060)				(65,000)
Net change in fund balances	(14	15 <i>,</i> 987)	(2	17,372)		(60,925)		3,620		(220,664)
Fund Balance - January 1	39	97,239	19	93,272		148,136		81,471		820,118
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 25	51,252	\$ 17	75,900	\$	87,211	\$	85,091	\$	599,454

Statements of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances – Cash Basis Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2014

	General	Streets	Industrial Development	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds	
Receipts						
Taxes	\$ 88,13		\$ -	\$ 9,317	\$ 97,454	
Licenses, permits, and fees	3,55		-	-	3,550	
Intergovernmental	100,45		-	-	201,728	
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	12,53		-	-	12,533	
Interest	82		623	-	1,446	
Rent/lease	33,84		23,817	-	57,666	
Miscellaneous	24,95		-		24,952	
Total receipts	264,29	101,274	24,440	9,317	399,329	
Disbursements						
General government	168,10	)5 -	_	1,940	170,045	
Public safety	109,12		-	3,369	112,498	
Streets and highways		- 53,544	-	-	53,544	
Economic development			1,000	-	1,000	
Capital outlay	119,34	-	, -	-	119,346	
Total disbursements	396,58		1,000	5,309	456,433	
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts over (under)						
Disbursements	(132,28	32) 47,730	23,440	4,008	(57,104)	
Dissursements	(102)20	17,750	23,110	1,000	(37)101)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Transfers in	119,41	.1 -	-	-	119,411	
Transfers out	,		(117,277)	(2,134)	(119,411)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	119,41	.1 -	(117,277)	(2,134)	-	
Net change in fund balances	(12,87	47,730	(93,837)	1,874	(57,104)	
Fund Balance - January 1	410,11	.0 145,542	241,973	79,597	877,222	
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 397,23	9 \$ 193,272	\$ 148,136	\$ 81,471	\$ 820,118	

City of Dunseith

Statements of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances – Cash Basis Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2013

	General	Streets	Industrial Development	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts					
Taxes	\$ 159,379	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,277	\$ 169,656
Licenses, permits, and fees	3,550	-	-	-	3,550
Intergovernmental	95,285	179,094	=	-	274,379
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	20,030	-	-	-	20,030
Interest	1,610	-	933	-	2,543
Rent/lease	35,616	-	22,662	-	58,278
Miscellaneous	17,973				17,973
Total receipts	333,443	179,094	23,595	10,277	546,409
Disbursements					
General government	152,783	-	=	2,585	155,368
Public safety	107,815	-	-	2,137	109,952
Streets and highways	· -	228,453	-	-	228,453
Capital outlay	530	· -	-	-	530
Total disbursements	261,128	228,453	-	4,722	494,303
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts over (under)					
Disbursements	72,315	(49,359)	23,595	5,555	52,106
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfers in	2,350	-	-	-	2,350
Transfers out	-	-	-	(2,350)	(2,350)
Total other financing sources (uses)	2,350		-	(2,350)	-
Net change in fund balances	74,665	(49,359)	23,595	3,205	52,106
Fund Balance - January 1	335,445	194,901	218,378	76,392	825,116
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 410,110	\$ 145,542	\$ 241,973	\$ 79,597	\$ 877,222

Statements of Net Position – Cash Basis
Proprietary Funds
December 31, 2017 and 2016

		20	17		
	Water	 Sewer	G	arbage	Total prietary Funds
Assets Current Assets Due from other funds	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ 6,583	\$	13,553	\$ 20,136
Liabilities Due to other funds	\$ 35,360	\$ 	\$		\$ 35,360
Net Position (Deficit) Unrestricted	 (35,360)	6,583		13,553	 (15,224)
Total Liabilities and Net Position (Deficit)	\$ 	\$ 6,583	\$	13,553	\$ 20,136
		20	16		
	Water	Sewer		arbage	Total prietary Funds
Assets Current Assets Due from other funds	\$ _	\$ 3,887	\$	14,311	\$ 18,198
Liabilities Due to other funds	\$ 28,582	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 28,582
Net Position (Deficit) Unrestricted	(28,582)	3,887		14,311	(10,384)
Total Liabilities and Net Position (Deficit)	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ 3,887	\$	14,311	\$ 18,198

Statements of Net Position— Cash Basis
Proprietary Funds
December 31, 2015, 2014, and 2013

	2015								
		Water		Sewer		arbage	Pro	Total prietary Funds	
Assets Current Assets Due from other funds	\$	_	\$	3,720	\$	16,179	\$	19,899	
Liabilities  Due to other funds	\$	28,178	\$		\$		\$	28,178	
Net Position (Deficit) Unrestricted		(28,178)		3,720		16,179		(8,279)	
Total Liabilities and Net Position (Deficit)	\$		\$	3,720	\$	16,179	\$	19,899	
				20	)14				
		Water		Sewer		arbage	Pro	Total prietary Funds	
Assets Current Assets Due from other funds	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	-	\$	20,968	\$	20,968	
Liabilities  Due to other funds	\$	79,004	\$	13,016	\$		\$	92,020	
Net Position (Deficit) Unrestricted		(79,004)		(13,016)		20,968		(71,052)	
Total Liabilities and Net Position (Deficit)	\$		\$		\$	20,968	\$	20,968	
				20	)13				
		Water		Sewer		Garbage	Pro	Total prietary Funds	
Assets Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	- 52,323	\$	8,528 8,199	\$	8,528 60,522	
Total Assets	\$	-	\$	52,323	\$	16,727	\$	69,050	
Liabilities  Due to other funds	\$	60,522	\$		\$		\$	60,522	
Net Position (Deficit) Unrestricted		(60,522)		52,323		16,727		8,528	
Total Liabilities and Net Position (Deficit)	\$		\$	52,323	\$	16,727	\$	69,050	

Statements of Changes in Net Position – Cash Basis
Proprietary Funds
Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017									
		Water		Sewer		Garbage		Total oprietary Funds		
Operating Receipts										
Charges for services	\$	39,616	\$	23,531	\$	83,406	\$	146,553		
Operating Disbursements Wages and benefits Power and utilities Chemicals		18,233 6,438 6,252		18,233 2,202 -		- - -		36,466 8,640 6,252		
Supplies Equipment Contracted services		2,672 10,373		400		- - 84,164		2,672 10,773 84,164		
Other		2,426				-		2,426		
Total operating disbursements		46,394		20,835		84,164		151,393		
Change in net position (defict)		(6,778)		2,696		(758)		(4,840)		
Net Position (Defict) - January 1		(28,582)		3,887		14,311		(10,384)		
Net Position (Defict) - December 31	\$	(35,360)	\$	6,583	\$	13,553	\$	(15,224)		
					016	Garbage	Total Proprietary Funds			
		water		sewer		arvage		rulius		
Operating Receipts Charges for services	\$	36,096	\$	22,944	\$	82,636	\$	141,676		
Operating Disbursements Wages and benefits Power and utilities Chemicals Supplies Equipment Contracted services Other		18,141 6,441 5,665 3,673 1,575 - 1,005		18,141 2,660 - - 1,976 - -		- - - - 84,504 -		36,282 9,101 5,665 3,673 3,551 84,504 1,005		
Total operating disbursements		36,500		22,777		84,504		143,781		
Change in net position (defict)		(404)		167		(1,868)		(2,105)		
Net Position (Defict) - January 1		(28,178)		3,720		16,179		(8,279)		
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Statements of Changes in Net Position – Cash Basis Proprietary Funds Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

	2015							
	Water		Sewer		Garbage		Total Proprietary Funds	
Operating Receipts Charges for services	\$	33,150	\$	23,548	\$	87,272	\$	143,970
-	<u> </u>	33,233	<u> </u>	20,0 .0	<u> </u>	07,272	<u> </u>	2 10,57 0
Operating Disbursements Wages and benefits		17,676		17,676				35,352
Power and utilities		6,417		2,727		-		9,144
Chemicals		4,598		2,727		- -		4,598
Supplies		3,321		_		-		3,321
Equipment		-		1,409		-		1,409
Contracted services		-		-		92,061		92,061
Other		312						312
Total operating disbursements		32,324		21,812		92,061		146,197
Operating (Loss) Income		826		1,736		(4,789)		(2,227)
Other Financing Sources								
Transfers in		50,000		15,000				65,000
Change in net position (defict)		50,826		16,736		(4,789)		62,773
Net Position (Defict) - January 1		(79,004)		(13,016)		20,968		(71,052)
Net Position (Defict) - December 31	\$	(28,178)	\$	3,720	\$	16,179	\$	(8,279)
	2014							Tatal
	Water		Sewer		Garbage		Total Proprietary Funds	
Operating Receipts								
Charges for services	\$	38,984	\$	26,041	\$	91,710	\$	156,735
Operating Disbursements								
Wages and benefits		16,944		16,944		-		33,888
Power and utilities		6,413		3,258		-		9,671
Chemicals		3,956		-		-		3,956
Supplies		29,460		-		-		29,460
Equipment		-		71,178		- 87,469		71,178
Contracted services Other		693		<u>-</u>		67,409		87,469 693
Total operating disbursements		57,466		91,380		87,469		236,315
Change in net position (defict)		(18,482)		(65,339)		4,241		(79,580)
Net Position (Defict) - January 1		(60,522)		52,323		16,727		8,528
Net Position (Defict) - December 31	\$	(79,004)	\$	(13,016)	\$	20,968	\$	(71,052)

Statements of Changes in Net Position – Cash Basis
Proprietary Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2013

	2013							
		Water	Sewer		Garbage		Total Proprietary Funds	
Operating Receipts								
Charges for services	\$	40,568	\$	23,926	\$	86,249	\$	150,743
Operating Disbursements								
Wages and benefits		14,732		14,732		-		29,464
Power and utilities		5,863		2,462		-		8,325
Chemicals		5,700		-		-		5,700
Supplies		5,128		-		-		5,128
Equipment		3,340		7,212		-		10,552
Contracted services		-		-		77,385		77,385
Other		324		-		-		324
Total operating disbursements		35,087		24,406		77,385		136,878
Change in net position (defict)		5,481		(480)		8,864		13,865
Net Position (Defict) - January 1		(66,003)		52,803		7,863		(5,337)
Net Position (Defict) - December 31	\$	(60,522)	\$	52,323	\$	16,727	\$	8,528

Statements of Cash Flows – Cash Basis
Proprietary Funds
Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017								
	Water		Sewer		Garbage		Total Proprietary Funds		
Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees	\$	39,616 (28,161) (18,233)	\$	23,531 (2,602) (18,233)	\$	83,406 (84,164) -	\$	146,553 (114,927) (36,466)	
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		(6,778)		2,696		(758)		(4,840)	
Noncapital Financing Activities Interfund borrowing		6,778		(2,696)		758_		4,840	
Change in Cash and cash equivalents		-		-		-		-	
Cash and cash equivelants balance - January 1		-						-	
Cash and cash equivalents balance - December 31	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	
				20	)16				
		Water		Sewer		Garbage		Total Proprietary Funds	
Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees	\$	36,096 (18,359) (18,141)	\$	22,944 (4,636) (18,141)	\$	82,636 (84,504) -	\$	141,676 (107,499) (36,282)	
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		(404)		167		(1,868)		(2,105)	
Noncapital Financing Activities Interfund borrowing		404		(167)		1,868		2,105	
Change in Cash and cash equivalents		-		-		-		-	
Cash and cash equivelants balance - January 1		-		-		<u>-</u>		-	
Cash and cash equivalents balance - December 31	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	

# City of Dunseith Statements of Cash Flows – Cash Basis

Proprietary Funds Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

	2015								
	Water	Sewer	Garbage	Total Proprietary Funds					
Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees	\$ 33,150 (14,648) (17,676)	\$ 23,548 (4,136) (17,676)	\$ 87,272 (92,061)	\$ 143,970 (110,845) (35,352)					
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	826	1,736	(4,789)	(2,227)					
Noncapital Financing Activities Interfund borrowing Transfers from other funds	(50,826) 50,000	(16,736) 15,000	4,789 	(62,773) 65,000					
Net cash provided by (used for) noncapital financing activities	(826)	(1,736)	4,789	2,227					
Change in Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-	-					
Cash and cash equivelants balance - January 1	_		_						
Cash and cash equivalents balance - December 31	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					
		2014							
	Water	Vater Sewer Ga		Total Proprietary Funds					
Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees	\$ 38,984 (40,522) (16,944)	\$ 26,041 (74,436) (16,944)	\$ 91,710 (87,469)	\$ 156,735 (202,427) (33,888)					
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	(18,482)	(65,339)	4,241	(79,580)					
Noncapital Financing Activities Interfund borrowing	18,482	65,339	(12,769)	71,052					
Change in Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	(8,528)	(8,528)					

Cash and cash equivelants balance - January 1

Cash and cash equivalents balance - December 31

8,528

Statements of Cash Flows – Cash Basis Proprietary Funds Year Ended December 31, 2013

	2013								
		Water		Sewer		Garbage		Total oprietary Funds	
Operating Activities									
Receipts from customers	\$	40,568	\$	23,926	\$	86,249	\$	150,743	
Payments to suppliers		(20,355)		(9,674)		(77,385)		(107,414)	
Payments to employees		(14,732)		(14,732)				(29,464)	
Net cash provided by (used for)									
operating activities		5,481		(480)		8,864		13,865	
Noncapital Financing Activities									
Interfund borrowing		(5,481)		(52,323)		(8,199)		(66,003)	
Change in Cash and cash equivalents		-		(52,803)		665		(52,138)	
Cash and cash equivelants balance - January 1				52,803		7,863		60,666	
Cash and cash equivalents balance - December 31	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,528	\$	8,528	

### Note 1 - Principal Business Activity and Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The City of Dunseith operates under a City commission form of government. As described below, the financial statements of the City have not been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The City maintains its accounting records on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Also, records are not maintained for the general fixed assets account group and the general long-term debt account group. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

### **Reporting Entity**

The City's financial statements include all funds for which the City is financially accountable.

The City is a primary government because it is a special-purpose government that has a separately elected governing body, is legally separate, and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. Additionally, the City is not included in any other governmental reporting entity.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. The City is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and is either:

- able to impose its will on that organization or
- there is potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose financial burdens on the City. The City may be financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on the City.

No component units were combined with the City's financial report.

### **Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The goal of government-wide financial statements is to present a broad overview of government's finances. The basic statements that form the government-wide financial statements are the statement of net position and the statement of activities. Governmental activities, which are normally financed through taxes and intergovernmental receipts, are reported separately from business-type activities, which are normally financed through user fees and charges for goods or services.

The statement of activities reports gross direct disbursements by function reduced by program receipts. This results in a measurement of net receipts or disbursements for each of the government's activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts are directly associated with the function or business-type activity and include 1) charges for services and 2) operating or capital grants and contributions that are restricted to a particular function. Tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

Separate financial statements are prepared for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

#### **Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures**

In 2010, the City of Dunseith adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions", which provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on governmental fund balance more transparent. The City classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

- Nonspendable includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.
- Restricted includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally
  imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or
  enabling legislation.
- Committed includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally
  imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority and
  does not lapse at year-end.
- Assigned includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund Balance may be assigned by management.
- Unassigned includes positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

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

### **Equity Classifications**

### **Government-wide Statements**

Equity is classified as net position and is displayed in two components:

Restricted net position – Consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by (a) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (b) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position – All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted".

### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Governmental fund and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the financial resources measurement focus and the cash basis. Under this method, receipts are recognized only when the City receives cash, and expenditures are recognized only when the City disburses cash.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

**General Fund** – For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the general fund is a major governmental fund that is the general operating fund of the City. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**Streets Fund** - For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the streets fund is a major governmental fund in which the City accounts for cash receipts and disbursements relating to upkeep of City streets for the City and surrounding townships in this fund.

**Industrial Development Fund** – For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the industrial development fund is a major governmental fund in which, in conjunction with the reimbursement fund, the City accounts for cash receipts and disbursements relating to the rental agreement with Turtle Mountain Corporation.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

**Water Fund** - For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the water fund is a major proprietary fund in which the City accounts for cash receipts and disbursements relating to the furnishing of water service to residents of the City.

**Sewer Fund** – For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the water fund is a major proprietary fund in which the City accounts for cash receipts and disbursements relating to the furnishing of sewer service to residents of the City.

**Garbage Fund** - For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the water fund is a major proprietary fund in which the City accounts for cash receipts and disbursements relating to the furnishing of garbage service to residents of the City.

Amounts reported as program receipts include the following: amounts received from those who purchase, use, or directly benefit from a program; amounts received from parties outside the City that are restricted to one or more specific programs; and earnings on investments that are legally restricted for a specific program. Receipts that do not meet the previous criteria are reported as general receipts, including all taxes.

Proprietary funds report operating receipts and disbursements separately from nonoperating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services or producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating receipts of the City's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating disbursements for enterprise funds include the costs of sales and services and administrative disbursements. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating receipts and disbursements.

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

### **Basis of Accounting**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., receipts and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., disbursements and other financing uses) in net current assets.

All funds of the City are accounted for using the cash basis of accounting. Under the cash basis of accounting, receipts is recognized when received rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. The cash basis of accounting is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **Interfund Transactions**

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as receipts or disbursements. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for disbursements initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as disbursements in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of disbursements in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

### **Property Taxes**

Property taxes levied and due are recognized as receipts when collected within the current period.

All real estate is assessed as of the current value on February 1 of each year. Property taxes are attached as an enforceable lien on the real estate and become due on January 1 of the year following the assessment date. A 5% reduction of the taxes is allowed if the taxes are paid in full by February 15. Penalty and interest are added on March 1 if the first half of the taxes are not paid. Additional penalty and interest are added October 15 to those taxes which are not paid. Taxes are collected by the County and remitted monthly to the City.

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The City maintains cash pools that are used by substantially all City funds. The City considers cash equivalents to be money market accounts and certificates of deposit with original maturities of 3 months or less.

### Note 2 - Cash Deposits

In accordance with North Dakota Statutes, the City maintains deposits at the depository banks designated by the governing board. All such depositories are members of the Federal Reserve System.

Deposits must either be deposited with the Bank of North Dakota or in other financial institutions situated and doing business within the state. Deposits, other than with Bank of North Dakota, must be fully insured or bonded. In lieu of a bond, a financial institution may provide a pledge of securities equal to 110% of the deposits not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes bills, notes, or bonds issued by the United States government, its agencies or instrumentalities, all bonds and notes guaranteed by the United States government, Federal land bank bonds, bonds, notes warrants, certificates of indebtedness, insured certificates of deposit, shares of investment companies registered under the Investment Companies Act of 1940, and all other forms of securities issued by State of North Dakota, its boards, agencies or instrumentalities or by any county, city, township, school district, park district, or other political subdivision of the state of North Dakota, whether payable from special receipts or supported by the full faith and credit of the issuing body and bonds issued by another state of the United States or such other securities approved by the banking board.

At December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the City's carrying amount of pooled deposits was \$741,623, \$700,971, \$591,175, \$749,066, and \$885,750, respectively. The bank balances, \$250,000 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance each with the remaining balances collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the government's name.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

The City does not have a formal policy that limits investment maturities. However, the City does limit the maturities of certificates of deposit to less than one year as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### **Credit Risk**

The City may invest idle funds as authorized in North Dakota Statutes, as follows:

- a) Bonds, treasury bills and notes, or other securities that are a direct obligation insured or guaranteed by, the treasury of the United States, or its agencies, instrumentalities, or organizations created by an Act of Congress.
- b) Securities sold under agreements to repurchase written by a financial institution in which the underlying securities for the agreement to repurchase are the type listed above.
- c) Certificates of Deposit fully insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation.
- d) Obligations of the state.

As of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, the City held certificates of deposit in the amount of \$410,063, \$404,080, \$400,000, \$338,804 and \$337,557, respectively. The certificates of deposit all mature in less than one year and are considered deposits and are included in the above amounts of total deposits.

### Note 3 - Interfund Receivables/Payables

The following is a summary of interfund receivables (due from other funds) and payables (due to other funds) as of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013:

Year ending December 31, 2017:

Due To General Fund Sewer Fund Sewer Fund 6,583 6					Water Fund		Total
Sewer Fund Garbage Fund         6,583 13,553 13,553         6,583 13,553         13,553 13,553         13,553 13,553         13,553 13,553         13,553 13,553         13,553 13,553         2,536,560         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 3,887         3,887				ċ	15 224	¢	15 22/
Garbage Fund         13,553         13,553           Year ending December 31, 2016:         Water Fund         Total           Due To				Ą		Ą	
\$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 35,360         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 3,887         3,827         3,229         3,229         3,229         3,229         3,2							
Due To         Fund         Total           General Fund         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384           Sewer Fund         3,887         3,887           Garbage Fund         14,311         14,311           Year ending December 31, 2015:           Water Fund         Fund         Total           Due To         \$ 8,279         \$ 8,279           Sewer Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         \$ 28,178         \$ 28,178           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Fund         Fund         Total           Due To         Water Fund         Total				\$	35,360	\$	35,360
Fund         Total           Due To         \$ 10,384         \$ 10,384         \$ 3,887         3,887         3,887         3,887         3,887         3,887         3,887         3,887         14,311         14,311         14,311         14,311         14,311         14,311         14,311         14,311         10,384         \$ 28,582         28,582	Year ending December 31, 2016:						
Due To       \$ 10,384       \$ 10,384         Sewer Fund       3,887       3,887         Garbage Fund       14,311       14,311         Year ending December 31, 2015:         Water Fund       Total         General Fund       \$ 8,279       \$ 8,279         Sewer Fund       3,720       3,720         Garbage Fund       16,179       16,179         Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Fund       \$ Sewer Fund         Water Fund       \$ 28,178       \$ 28,178         Due To				,			
General Fund       \$ 10,384       \$ 10,384         Sewer Fund       3,887       3,887         Garbage Fund       14,311       14,311         Year ending December 31, 2015:         Water Fund       Total         General Fund       \$ 8,279       \$ 8,279         Sewer Fund       3,720       3,720         Garbage Fund       16,179       16,179         Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Fund       Sewer Fund         Fund       Total	Due Te				Fund		Total
Sewer Fund         3,887         3,887         14,311         14,31				\$	10 384	\$	10 384
Garbage Fund         14,311         14,311           Year ending December 31, 2015:         Water Fund         Total           Due To General Fund Sewer Fund Garbage Fund         \$ 8,279         \$ 8,279           Garbage Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Sewer Fund         \$ 28,178           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Fund         Total				Y		Y	
Year ending December 31, 2015:           Water Fund         Total           Due To         \$8,279         \$8,279           Sewer Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Sewer Fund         Total           Due To         Fund         Total							
Due To         Fund         Total           General Fund         \$ 8,279         \$ 8,279           Sewer Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Fund         Sewer Fund           Due To         Fund         Total				\$	28,582	\$	28,582
Due To         Fund         Total           General Fund         \$ 8,279         \$ 8,279           Sewer Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Sewer Fund         Sewer Fund           Due To         Fund         Total	Year ending December 31, 2015:						
Due To         Fund         Total           General Fund         \$ 8,279         \$ 8,279           Sewer Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Sewer Fund         Sewer Fund           Due To         Fund         Total				,	<b>M M M M M M M M M M</b>		
Due To       \$ 8,279       \$ 8,279         Sewer Fund       3,720       3,720         Garbage Fund       16,179       16,179         Year ending December 31, 2014:       Water Sewer Fund       Sewer Fund       Total         Due To       Total       Total							Total
Sewer Fund         3,720         3,720           Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           \$ 28,178         \$ 28,178           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Sewer Fund Fund Total           Due To         Fund Total	Due To				T dila		Total
Garbage Fund         16,179         16,179           \$ 28,178         \$ 28,178           Year ending December 31, 2014:         Water Sewer Fund Fund Total           Due To         Total	General Fund			\$	8,279	\$	8,279
Year ending December 31, 2014:  Water Sewer Fund Fund Total  Due To							
Year ending December 31, 2014:  Water Sewer Fund Fund Total  Due To	Garbage Fund				16,179		16,179
Water Sewer Fund Fund Total Due To				\$	28,178	\$	28,178
Due To Fund Fund Total	Year ending December 31, 2014:						
Due To		١	Vater	9	Sewer		
			Fund		Fund		Total
GENERALFUND S STUD S STUD S STUD		۲	E0 026	Ļ	12.016	۲.	71.052
Garbage Fund 20,968 20,968		ې 		۶ 	15,010	ې 	
\$ 79,004 \$ 13,016 \$ 92,020		\$	79,004	\$	13,016	\$	92,020

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Year ending December 31, 2013:

	Water Fund	Total
Due To Sewer Fund Garbage Fund	\$ 52,323 8,199	\$ 52,323 8,199
	\$ 60,522	\$ 60,522

The above receivables/payables are the result of the recurring deficit spending from the different funds. The above receivables/payables will be repaid by future receipts generated from these funds.

#### Note 4 - Commitments

In January 2020, the City entered into a contract to provide police services to the City for 2020 in the amount of \$143,355. In 2021, the City started its own police department.

#### Note 5 - Risk Management

The City of Dunseith is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

In 1986 state agencies and political subdivisions of the State of North Dakota joined together to form the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDIRF), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for over 2,000 state agencies and political subdivisions. The City pays an annual premium to NDIRF for its general liability, auto, and inland marine insurance coverage. The coverage by NDIRF is limited to losses of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

The City also participates in the North Dakota Fire and Tornado Fund. The agency pays an annual premium to the Fire and Tornado Fund to cover property damage to building and personal property. Replacement cost coverage is provided by estimating replacement cost in consultation with the Fire and Tornado Fund. The Fire and Tornado Fund is reinsured by a third party insurance carrier for losses in excess of one million dollars per occurrence during a 12 month period.

The City participates in the North Dakota Worker's Compensation Bureau, an Enterprise Fund of the State of North Dakota. The Bureau is a state insurance fund and a "no fault" insurance system covering the state's employers and employees financed by premiums assessed to employers. The premiums are available for the payment of claims to employees injured in the course of employment.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year and settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in the past five fiscal years.

#### Note 6 - Deficit Fund Balances

Deficit fund balances for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013, are as follows:

Fund	 2017	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013
Water Fund	\$ 35,360	\$ 28,582	\$ 28,178	\$ 79,004	\$ 60,522
Sewer Fund	-	-	-	13,016	-

The City plans to eliminate the deficit balance in the Water Fund by transferring additional funds from the General Fund to the Water Fund in 2021 to eliminate the deficit.

The City's Sewer Fund had a deficit balance as of December 31, 2014. The deficit was eliminated through a transfer from the General Fund during the year ended December 31, 2015. No further action is necessary for this deficit.

#### Note 7 - Excess of Disbursements over Budget

The City's disbursements exceeded budget by the following amounts:

Fund	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013
General Fund Streets Fund	\$ 44,180 -	\$ 210,360 28,503	\$ 154,350	\$ 40,058 160,453

The above disbursements exceeding budget we covered by either excess receipts or cash reserves.

#### Note 8 - Transfers

The following is a reconciliation between transfers in and transfers out as reported in the basic financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013:

	Tr	ansfer In	Tra	nsfer Out
2017 General fund Other governmental funds	\$	179 -	\$	- 179
	\$	179	\$	179
2015				
General fund Water Sewer	\$	94,060 50,000 15,000	\$ 	65,000 - -
	\$	159,060	\$	159,060
2014				
General fund Industrial revenue Other governmental funds	\$	119,411 - -	\$	- 117,277 2,134
	\$	119,411	\$	119,411
2013				
General fund Other governmental funds	\$	2,350 <u>-</u>	\$	- 2,350
	\$	2,350	\$	2,350

### Note 9 - Related Party Transactions

During the year ended December 31, 2016, 2015, 2014 and 2013, the City donated \$12,000, \$12,000, \$15,000 and \$13,000, respectively to the Dunseith Community Nursing Home.



Supplementary Information December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013

# City of Dunseith

Budgetary Comparison Schedules – Cash Basis General Fund

Year Ended	December	31,	2017
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Receipts	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Taxes Licenses, permits, and fees Intergovernmental Fines, forfeitures and penalties Interest Rent/lease Miscellaneous Total receipts	\$ 91,000 3,650 99,500 10,000 1,000 5,000 27,500 237,650	\$ 111,700 3,555 68,305 8,035 724 5,038 57,076 254,433	\$ 20,700 (95) (31,195) (1,965) (276) 38 29,576 16,783
Disbursements			
General government Public safety Total disbursements	140,520 120,000 260,520	141,151 108,807 249,958	(631) 11,193 10,562
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(22,870)	4,475	27,345
Other Financing Sources Transfer in		179	179
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (22,870)	4,654	\$ 27,524
Fund balance - January 1		292,893	
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 297,547	

Budgetary Comparison Schedules – Cash Basis General Fund

Year Ended	December	31,	2016
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	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Receipts			
Taxes Licenses, permits, and fees Intergovernmental Fines, forfeitures and penalties Interest Rent/lease Miscellaneous Total receipts	\$ 86,000 3,650 99,500 15,000 500 5,000 26,500 236,150	3,525 74,865 7,251 523 8,996 123,007	\$ 32,174 (125) (24,635) (7,749) 23 3,996 96,507 100,191
Disbursements			
General government Public safety Total disbursements	130,520 120,000 250,520	109,457	(54,723) 10,543 (44,180)
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(14,370	) 41,641	56,011
Other Financing Sources Transfer in			
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (14,370	<u>)                                    </u>	\$ 56,011
Fund balance - January 1		251,252	
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 292,893	

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Cash Basis General Fund

Year Ended December 31, 2015

Receipts	•	ginal and al Budget	Actual Amounts		Variance with Final Budget	
Taxes Licenses, permits, and fees Intergovernmental Fines, forfeitures and penalties Interest Rent/lease Miscellaneous Total receipts	\$	86,000 3,650 79,500 20,000 2,000 35,000 16,500 242,650	\$	106,141 3,520 103,375 9,071 1,533 34,156 21,587 279,383	\$	20,141 (130) 23,875 (10,929) (467) (844) 5,087 36,733
Disbursements		_				
General government Public safety Capital outlay Total disbursements		125,070 119,000 - 244,070		169,583 110,207 174,640 454,430		(44,513) 8,793 (174,640) (210,360)
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(1,420)		(175,047)		(173,627)
Other Financing Sources Transfer In Transfer out		<u>-</u>		94,060 (65,000)		94,060 (65,000)
Total Other Financing Uses				29,060		29,060
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	(1,420)		(145,987)	\$	(144,567)
Fund balance - January 1				397,239		
Fund Balance, December 31			\$	251,252		

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Cash Basis General Fund Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Original ar Final Budg		Variance with Final Budget
Receipts			
Taxes Licenses, permits, and fees Intergovernmental Fines, forfeitures and penalties Interest Rent/lease Miscellaneous Total receipts	62,5 20,0	550     3,550       500     100,454       500     12,533       500     823       500     33,849       500     24,953	(100) (1
Disbursements			
General government Public safety Capital outlay Total disbursements	125,2 117,0 242,2	000 109,129 - 119,346	7,871 (119,346)
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(21,5	580) (132,282	(110,702)
Other Financing Sources Transfer In		<u>-</u> 119,41:	1 119,411
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (21,5	(12,87)	\$ 8,709
Fund balance - January 1		410,110	<u>)                                    </u>
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 397,239	<u>)                                    </u>

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Cash Basis General Fund

Year Ended	December	31,	2013
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Receipts	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Taxes Licenses, permits, and fees Intergovernmental Fines, forfeitures and penalties Interest Rent/lease Miscellaneous Total receipts	\$ 71,000 3,650 52,500 20,000 3,000 40,000 12,500 202,650	\$ 159,379 3,550 95,285 20,030 1,610 35,616 17,973 333,443	\$ 88,379 (100) 42,785 30 (1,390) (4,384) 5,473 130,793
Disbursements			
General government Public safety Capital outlay Total disbursements	109,730 111,240 100 221,070	152,783 107,815 530 261,128	(43,053) 3,425 (430) (40,058)
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(18,420)	72,315	90,735
Other Financing Sources Transfer out		2,350	2,350
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (18,420)	74,665	\$ 93,085
Fund balance - January 1		335,445	
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 410,110	

Budgetary Comparison Schedules – Cash Basis Street Fund Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

		2017	
	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Receipts			
Intergovernmental	\$ 100,100	\$ 85,294	\$ (14,806)
Disbursements			
Streets and highways	88,500	47,174	41,326
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	\$ 11,600	38,120	\$ 26,520
Fund balance - January 1		198,959	
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 237,079	
		2016	
	Original and Final Budget	2016 Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Receipts		Actual	
Receipts Intergovernmental		Actual	
·	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Final Budget
Intergovernmental	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Final Budget
Intergovernmental  Disbursements	\$ 100,100	Actual Amounts \$ 89,941	Final Budget \$ (10,159)
Intergovernmental  Disbursements  Streets and highways  Excess of Receipts	\$ 100,100 88,500	Actual Amounts \$ 89,941 66,882	\$ (10,159) 21,618

Budgetary Comparison Schedules – Cash Basis Street Fund

Year Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

		2015	
	Original and Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Receipts			
Intergovernmental	\$ 100,450	\$ 99,631	\$ (819)
Disbursements			
Streets and highways	88,500	117,003	(28,503)
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	\$ 11,950	(17,372)	\$ (29,322)
Fund balance - January 1		193,272	
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 175,900	
		2014	
	Original and Final Budget	2014  Actual  Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Receipts	_	Actual	
Receipts Intergovernmental	_	Actual	
·	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Final Budget
Intergovernmental	Final Budget	Actual Amounts	Final Budget
Intergovernmental Disbursements	\$ 100,450	Actual Amounts \$ 101,274	Final Budget \$ 824
Intergovernmental  Disbursements  Streets and highways  Excess of Receipts	\$ 100,450 83,000	Actual Amounts \$ 101,274 53,544	\$ 824 29,456

Budgetary Comparison Schedules – Cash Basis Street Fund

Year Ended December 31, 2013

	Original and Final Budget	2013 Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
Receipts			
Intergovernmental	\$ 80,450	\$ 179,094	\$ 98,644
Disbursements			
Streets and highways	68,000	228,453	(160,453)
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	\$ 12,450	(49,359)	\$ (61,809)
Fund balance - January 1		194,901	
Fund Balance, December 31		\$ 145,542	

#### Note 1 - Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

#### **Budgetary Information**

The City auditor prepares an annual City budget on the cash basis. The budget is prepared by fund, function and activity, and includes information on the past year, current year estimates and requested appropriations for the next year. The City's governing board holds a public hearing where any City taxpayer may testify in favor or against any proposed disbursements or tax levies. After the budget hearing and on or before October 1, the board adopts the final budget. The final budget is sent to the county auditor by October 10.

No disbursement shall be made or liability incurred in excess of the appropriation except for transfers as authorized by North Dakota Century Code Section 40-40-15. The budget may be amended during the year for any receipts and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared except no amendment changing the taxes levied can be made after October 10. At year end, the balance of each appropriation becomes a part of the unappropriated fund balance, except for a special appropriation that does not lapse until the work is completed.

#### Note 2 - Special Revenue Budgeting Basis

The City does not prepare a budget for the following specific special revenue funds: industrial development, juvenile counseling, housing project, water project, and economic development agency program funds. Therefore, the City has omitted these funds from its combined budget vs. actual statement.



Additional Reports
December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, and 2013
City of Dunseith



## Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor, City Council, and City Auditor City of Dunseith, North Dakota

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Dunseith, North Dakota, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014 and 2013 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Dunseith's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2022. Our report included an explanatory paragraph describing the other comprehensive basis of accounting used by the City. We did not express an opinion on the proprietary major funds and the fines, forfeitures and permits in the general fund because of a scope limitation due to inadequacy of receipt records.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of Dunseith's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Dunseith's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Dunseith'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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses have been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2017-001, 2017-002, 2017-003, 2017-004, and 2017-005 to be material weaknesses.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Dunseith's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the city's 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*.

#### The City of Dunseith's Response to Findings

The City's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The City of Dunseith's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

#### **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.

Bismarck, North Dakota

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#### **Findings - Financial Statement Audit**

## 2017-001 Cash Accounts Material Weakness

Criteria: This cash account is in the City's name and the City has right to this funds, thus the City is required to report the activity in its accounting records. A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for recording and processing entries significant to the financial statements.

Condition: The Industrial account was not recorded in the City's accounting records. This would not have been identified as a result of the City's existing internal controls, and therefore resulted in a material misstatement of the City's financial statements.

Cause: The purpose of this account was limited in nature, thus not recorded by management.

Effect: Material cash, receipts, and disbursements were omitted from the City's accounting records. If they are not being recorded there is no way for the council to be able to monitor the activity that takes place in these accounts.

Recommendation: Any cash account in the City's name should be recorded on the City's accounting records. Any federal grant listing the City as the "grantee", should be monitored and the related activity should be recorded in the City's accounting records.

*Response*: The nature of this account has changed and management will post the audit adjustments to record the amounts in the City's accounting records.

# 2017-002 Material Journal Entries Material Weakness

*Criteria*: A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for recording and processing entries material to the financial statements.

Condition: During the course of our engagement, we proposed material audit adjustments that would not have been identified as a result of the City's existing internal controls, and therefore could have resulted in a material misstatement of the City's financial statements.

Cause: The City does not have an internal control system designed to identify all necessary adjustments.

Effect: This control deficiency could result in a misstatement to the financial statements that would not be prevented or detected.

Recommendation: A thorough review and reconciliation of accounts in each fund should take place prior to the beginning of the audit. This review should be done at both the accounting staff and accounting supervisor levels.

Response: The City will make an effort to review and reconcile all accounts in future years.

## 2017-003 Segregation of Duties Material Weakness

*Criteria*: A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to its completion.

Condition: The City has a lack of segregation of duties in certain areas due to a limited staff.

Cause: The City has limited staff.

Effect: Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the City's ability to detect fraudulent activity and potential misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements in a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned function.

Recommendation: All accounting functions should be reviewed to determine if additional segregation is feasible and to improve efficiency and effectiveness of financial management of the City. Additionally, we recommend that the City Council reviews unopened bank statements prior to the City auditor reconciling them.

*Response*: At the present time the City has implemented mitigating controls where feasible given its limited staff. Due to cost constraints, there will be no further administrative employees added.

## 2017-004 Financial Statement Preparation and Related Footnote Disclosures Material Weakness

*Criteria*: A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for required financial statement reporting and disclosures in the notes to the financial statements.

Condition: The City of Dunseith does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements and related notes to the financial statements being audited. As auditors, we were requested to draft the financial statements and the related notes to the financial statements.

*Cause*: Management has not attended training to enhance their knowledge of financial statement reporting and disclosures in the notes to the financial statements.

Effect: This could result in material omissions in the financial statements and a lack of required disclosures in the notes to the financial statements that would not be prevented or detected by management.

Recommendation: It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations.

*Response*: Management of the City of Dunseith will assess the risk and make timely recommendations to the Council on a method to handle the deficiency.

## 2017-005 Receipts Allocation, Tracking, and Reconciliation Material Weakness

*Criteria*: The City should maintain detailed customer records of balances owed, payments applied to balances, and the allocation of the payments between each fund. They City should also reconcile cash deposits to receipts recorded.

Condition: The City of Dunseith does not maintain detailed customer payment records for the water, sewer, and garbage fund payments for the auditor to trace payments for allocation between funds. The City does not keep records of customer balances owed and payments that have been applied to bills. In addition, the City does not verify that cash deposited agrees to receipts recorded.

Cause: The City does not have a set accounting record system for recording and tracking customer payments. The City maintains a manual ledger system for all accounting records; therefore detailed record keeping is not consistently maintained or as accurate as other methods. The system in place is not maintained for long-term or detailed purposes.

Effect: This could result in misallocation between funds and potentially result in negative fund balances. It could result in the City not collecting all payments due to them and could also result in fraudulent activity.

Recommendation: The City should set up and maintain customer payment records for easy recall of non-payment, allocation of payment to receipts source, and receipt batch. The system set up by the City can be either a manual or computerized tracking system, as long as the information obtained can be traced back to what is recorded in the general ledger.

*Response*: The City is in the process of installing remote read water meters, and is obtaining estimates for a computer, along with Black Mountain Software.