# MANDAN PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT MANDAN, NORTH DAKOTA

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

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LIST OF OFFICIALS DECEMBER 31, 2024

Wade Meschke Board President

Miles Mehlhoff Vice President

Jennifer Froehlich Commissioner

Stan Scott Commissioner

Layn Mudder Commissioner

Cole Higlin Director



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Park Board Mandan Parks and Recreation District Mandan, North Dakota

# **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District, Mandan, North Dakota as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Mandan Parks and Recreation District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District 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.

#### Emphasis of Matter

Change in Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the District adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 100 *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

The Park District implemented GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences* in the year ended December 31, 2024. GASB Statement No. 101 enhances the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting for compensated absences. The adoption of GASB 101 resulted in no adjustment to beginning net position.

#### Correction of Error

As described in Note 11 to the financial statements, restatements have been made to adjust beginning net position. Our opinions are not modified in respect to this matter.

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Mandan Parks and Recreation District'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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether
  due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks.
   Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and
  disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of

expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District'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 Mandan Parks and Recreation District'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 budgetary comparison information, and the notes to the budgetary comparison schedule 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.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the list of officials 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 June 4, 2025, on our consideration of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District'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 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 District'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 the Mandan Parks and Recreation District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C. BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

June 4, 2025

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# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2024

	P	rimary Governme	nt	
	Governmental	Business	_	Foundation
ASSETS:	Activities	Activities	Total	Component Unit
Current assets:				
Cash and investments	\$ 5,828,350	\$ 493,118	\$ 6,321,468	\$ 54,161
Accounts receivable	1,111,451	-	1,111,451	-
Lease interest receivable	10,682	-	10,682	-
Taxes receivable	69,328	-	69,328	-
Contributions receivable	314,900	-	314,900	145,600
Prepaid expenses	80,098	-	80,098	-
Leases receivable	175,119		175,119	
Total current assets	7,589,928	493,118	8,083,046	199,761
Non-current assets:				
Contributions receivable, net of current portion	1,102,224	_	1,102,224	258,469
Lease receivable, net of current portion	3,629,858	_	3,629,858	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	59,203,662	3,546,174	62,749,836	_
Total non-current assets:		<u> </u>	67,481,918	259.460
Total non-current assets.	63,935,744	3,546,174	07,401,910	258,469
Total assets	71,525,672	4,039,292	75,564,964	458,230
LIABILITIES:				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	476,374	3,756	480,130	_
Retainage payable	216,727	0,700	216,727	_
Salaries and benefits payable	30,090	863	30,953	_
Unearned revenue	47,727	66,611	114,338	
Interest payable	32,021	271	32,292	- -
Total current liabilities:	802,939	71,501	874,440	
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Long-term liabilities				
Due within one year				
Compensated absences payable	31,554	-	31,554	-
Long term debt	908,783	250,000	1,158,783	-
Due after one year				
Compensated absences payable	153,379	4,733	158,112	-
Long term debt	7,880,641		7,880,641	
Total liabilities	9,777,296	326,234	10,103,530	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:				
Leases	4,385,526		4,385,526	
NET POOLEION				
NET POSITION:	E0 40= = 4 :	0.000 :=:	FO (00 00=	
Net investment in capital assets Restricted:	50,197,511	3,296,174	53,493,685	-
Special purposes	281,563	-	281,563	458,230
Capital projects	1,765,754	-	1,765,754	· -
Unrestricted	5,118,022	416,884	5,534,906	
Total net position	\$ 57,362,850	\$ 3,713,058	\$ 61,075,908	\$ 458,230

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

		Program Revenues						Revenue Net Positio		oundation ponent Unit		
		Charges for		ting Grants		pital Grants	Governm		Busine	,,		
Functions/Programs Primary Government	Expenses	<u>Services</u>	and Co	ontributions_	and	Contributions	Activiti	ies	Activ	<u>vities</u>	Total	
Governmental Activities: Culture and recreation Debt Service	\$ 7,291,791	\$ 3,853,932	\$	95,115	\$	7,019,571	\$ 3,67	6,827			\$ 3,676,827	
Interest and service charges	275,042						(27	5,042)			(275,042)	
Total Governmental Activities	7,566,833	3,853,932		95,115		7,019,571	3,40	1,785			3,401,785	
Business-type Activities Raging Rivers Waterpark Total Business-type Activities	781,282 781,282	820,227 820,227		<u>-</u>						38,945 38,945	38,945 38,945	
Total Primary Government	\$ 8,348,115	\$ 4,674,159	\$	95,115	\$	7,019,571	3,40	1,785		38,945	3,440,730	
Component Unit	\$ 222,048	\$ -	\$	-	\$	62,218						\$ (159,830)
	General Reven	ues										
		xes, levied for gen	eral purpo	ses			2,71	6,264		-	2,716,264	-
		xes, levied for spe						8,087		-	418,087	-
		xes, levied for cap	oital improv	/ement			61	8,774		-	618,774	-
	Sales tax Intergovernme	ontal					1 22	5,163		58,226	58,226 1,335,163	-
	Investment ea						,	7,430		20,886	328,316	1,703
	Miscellaneous	0						1,295		-	91,295	16,360
	Transfers							0,000)		50,000		 -
	Total general rev	enues					5,43	7,013	1	129,112	5,566,125	 18,063
	Change in net po	sition					8,83	8,798	1	168,057	9,006,855	(141,767)
	Net position, begi	inning of year, as	previously	stated			47,52	6,824	3,5	545,001	51,071,825	 599,997
	Correction of erro	or - see note 11					99	7,228			997,228	 -
	Net position, begi	inning of year, res	tated				48,52	4,052	3,5	545,001	52,069,053	 599,997
	Net position - end	d of year					\$ 57,36	2,850	\$ 3,7	713,058	\$ 61,075,908	\$ 458,230

# BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Major Funds							
		General	C	onstruction		lonmajor vernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Assets:	¢.	1 470 F24	¢		¢		ф	1 470 504
Cash and cash equivalents - board designated	\$	1,479,524	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,479,524
Cash and cash equivalents - restricted		- 0.400.750		-		660,067		660,067
Investments		3,188,759		-		-		3,188,759
Investments - restricted		-		500,000		-		500,000
Accounts receivable		340,538		726,948		43,965		1,111,451
Due from other funds		271,924		-		-		271,924
Lease interest receivable		10,682		-		-		10,682
Taxes receivable		50,060		-		19,268		69,328
Contributions receivable		404,744		969,233		43,147		1,417,124
Prepaid expenses		80,098		-		-		80,098
Lease receivable		3,804,977						3,804,977
Total assets	\$	9,631,306	\$	2,196,181	\$	766,447	\$	12,593,934
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable	\$	83,280	\$	362,402	\$	30,692	\$	476,374
Retainage payable		-		216,727		-		216,727
Salaries and benefits payable		30,090		-		-		30,090
Due to other funds		<u>-</u>		271,924		-		271,924
Unearned revenue		47,727						47,727
Total liabilities		161,097		851,053		30,692		1,042,842
Deferred inflows of resources:								
Delinquent property taxes		50,060		-		19,268		69,328
Contributions receivable		404,744		969,233		43,147		1,417,124
Leases		4,385,526						4,385,526
Total deferred inflows of resources		4,840,330		969,233		62,415		5,871,978
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources		5,001,427		1,820,286		93,107		6,914,820
Fund balances:  Nonspendable for:								
Prepaid expenses Restricted for:		80,098		-		-		80,098
Special purpose		_		_		281,563		281,563
Capital projects		404,744		375,895		391,777		1,172,416
Assigned		1,313,544		-		-		1,313,544
Unassigned		2,831,493		_		-		2,831,493
Total fund balances		4,629,879		375,895		673,340		5,679,114
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$	9,631,306	\$	2,196,181	\$	766,447	\$	12,593,934
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# RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2024

Total Governmental Funds Balance

\$ 5,679,114

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

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

Cost of capital assets 77,882,342 Less accumulated depreciation and amortization (18,678,680)

Net capital assets 59,203,662

Certain revenues will be collected after year-end, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are reported as deferred inflows of resources or are not recognized in the funds.

Delinquent property taxes 69,328 Long-term contributions receivable 1,417,124

Long-term liabilities not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not included in the funds. Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds, but rather is recognized as an expenditure when due. All liabilities (both current and long-term) are reported in the statement of net position.

Balances at December 31, 2024 are:

Interest payable (32,021)
Compensated absences (184,933)
Lease liability (95,380)
Notes payable (4,303,752)
General obligation bonds payable (705,000)
Revenue bonds payable (1,790,000)
Special assessments (1,895,292)

Total (9,006,378)

Net position of governmental activities \$ 57,362,850

MANDAN PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	General	Park's Share of Special Assessments (Formerly Major)	Construction	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues: Taxes Intergovernmental	\$ 2,713,196 745,729		\$ 517,434	\$ 1,032,808 72,000	\$ 3,746,004 1,335,163
Charges for services Investment earnings	3,402,052 275,595			31,665 31,835	3,433,717 307,430
Grants Leases	420.215		698,101		698,101 420.215
Donations Miscellaneous	85,115		4,642,555 31,224	10,000	4,737,670 91,295
Total revenues	7,699,498	1	5,889,314	1,180,783	14,769,595
Expenditures: Current: Culture and recreation	5.331.543	,	71.641	27.558	5.430.742
Capital outlay	126,746	•	7,539,425	767,506	8,433,677
Debt service: Principal retirement	586,677		,	321,825	908,502
Interest and fiscal charges Service charges	161,193			128,128 2,289	289,321 2,289
Total expenditures	6,206,159	1	7,611,066	1,247,306	15,064,531
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,493,339		(1,721,752)	(66,523)	(294,936)
Other financing sources (uses): Proceeds from special assessments debt Transfers in Transfers out	- 420,274 (206,997)	1 1 1	- 72,844 (357,533)	55,548 134,170 (112,758)	55,548 627,288 (677,288)
Total other financing sources (uses)	213,277		(284,689)	76,960	5,548
Net change in fund balances	1,706,616		(2,006,441)	10,437	(289,388)
Fund balance - January 1, as previously stated Changes within the financial reporting entity - see note 11	2,923,263	152,586 (152,586)	2,382,336	510,317 152,586	5,968,502
Fund balance - January 1, restated	2,923,263	1	2,382,336	662,903	5,968,502
Fund balance - December 31	\$ 4,629,879	· •	\$ 375,895	\$ 673,340	\$ 5,679,114

See Notes to the Financial Statements - 10 -

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

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds (289,388)Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because: Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period. Capital asset additions 8.433.677 Current year depreciation (1,722,887)Current year amortization (69,731)Total 6,641,059 Governmental funds do not report donated capital assets as expenditures or revenue. However, in the statement of activities, donations of capital assets are recorded as capital contributions. 1.950.815 Governmental funds report the entire net sales price (proceeds) from sale of an asset as revenue because it provides current financial resources. In contrast, the Statement of Activities reports only the gain or loss on the sale of the assets. Thus the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the net book value of the asset disposed. (6,738)Some revenues reported on the statement of activities are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds since they do not represent available resources to pay current expenditures. Net change in taxes receivable 7,121 Net change in contributions receivable (271,901)Total (264,780)The proceeds of debt issuances are reported as financing sources in governmental funds and thus contribute to the change in fund balance. In the statement of net position, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount by which debt proceeds exceeded repayment of debt. Principal payment on bonds payable, special assessments and lease liability 908,502 Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt (55,548)Total 852,954 Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Net change in compensated absences (61,701)Net change in interest payable 16,577 \$ 8,838,798 Change in net position

# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Raging Rivers Waterpark		
Assets:			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	493,118	
Noncurrent			
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		3,546,174	
Total Assets		4,039,292	
Liabilities: Current liabilities			
Accounts payable		3,756	
Salaries and benefits payable		863	
Interest payable		271	
Unearned revenue		66,611	
Long-term liabilities		,	
Due within one year			
Revenue bonds payable		250,000	
Due after one year		,	
Compensated absences		4,733	
Total Liabilities		326,234	
		,	
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets		3,296,174	
Unrestricted		416,884	
Total Net Position	\$	3,713,058	

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

	ging Rivers Vaterpark
Operating Revenues	
Charges for services	\$ 820,227
Operating Expenses	
Salaries and benefits	294,093
Fees and other service charges	19,318
Utilities	64,796
Improvements	22,923
Dues and memberships	499
Supplies and maintenance	145,780
Repairs and maintenance	18,885
Depreciation	154,360
Miscellaneous	 57,366
Total Operating Expenses	 778,020
Income (Loss) from Operations	42,207
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	
Sales taxes	58,226
Investment earnings	20,886
Debt service	
Interest	(2,167)
Service charges	(1,095)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	75,850
Net Income (Loss) Before Transfers and Capital Contributions	118,057
Transfers In	 50,000
Change in Net Position	168,057
Net Position, Beginning of Year	 3,545,001
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 3,713,058

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

	ging Rivers /aterpark
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Receipts from customers and users Payments to employees Payments to suppliers Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 804,608 (295,376) (328,978) 180,254
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities Taxes	 58,226
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities Purchase of capital assets Principal paid on capital debt Interest paid on capital debt Service charges paid on capital debt Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	 (27,078) (250,000) (2,439) (1,095) (280,612)
Cash Flows from Non-capital and Related Financing Activities Transfers in Net Cash Provided (Used) by Non-capital and Related Financing Activities	 50,000 50,000
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Interest receipts	 20,886
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	28,754
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	 464,364
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 493,118
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to	\$ 42,207
net cash provided (used) by operating activities  Depreciation expense (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable Increase (decrease) in salaries and benefits payable Increase (decrease) in compensated absences Increase (decrease) in accounts payable Increase (decrease) in unearned revenue Total adjustments	 154,360 919 (2,537) 1,254 589 (16,538) 138,047
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 180,254

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2024

#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District, Mandan, North Dakota, have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

# **Reporting Entity**

In accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, reporting entity's financial statements should include all component units over which that component unit (oversight unit) exercises oversight responsibility. Criteria used to determine a potential component unit include: is it legally separate, does it have separate corporate powers, who appoints the governing board, is there fiscal dependency, can the oversight unit impose its will, and is there a financial benefit/burden relationship.

Based upon the criteria set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, the Mandan Parks and Recreation Foundation, Inc. is a component unit. A majority of the board members of the Foundation are board members or management of the Park District. These financial statements include the financial information of the Park District and its component unit, the Mandan Parks and Recreation Foundation, Inc., which is shown as a discrete component unit. The activity of this component unit is recorded in a separate column to emphasize that it is legally separate from the District.

Mandan Parks and Recreation Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) entity having separate legal standing from the Park District. The mission of the Foundation is: to construct, improve, and maintain park and recreational facilities and programs within the City of Mandan; to make facilities as accessible and inclusive as possible for persons with disabilities; and, to not discriminate against any person based on race, color, religion, national origin, or sex. The Park Board appointed the original Foundation Board members, and the Foundation Board fills its own vacancies thereafter. There is no fiscal dependence by the organization on the Park District. The Park District provides administrative services to the Foundation, and the Park District does not charge for these services. The Foundation is a fundraising entity for the Park District.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government, Mandan Parks and Recreation District and discretely presented component unit. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the Park District. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, user fees and charges, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

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The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Park District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

# Fund Financial Statements:

The fund financial statements provide information about the Park District's funds. Separate statements for each fund category-governmental and proprietary-are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

The Park District reports the following major governmental funds:

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

Construction Fund. This fund was established to account for the financial resources to be used for current and future projects that will take place. It includes contributions received by the Park District for construction of the Rodeo Arena, Memorial Ballpark, and Mandan Tennis Center.

The Park District reports the following major enterprise fund:

Raging Rivers Waterpark Fund. This fund accounts for activities of the Raging Rivers Waterpark. This includes the operations and debt service functions.

#### **Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting**

Government-wide and Proprietary Financial Statements. The government-wide and proprietary financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide and proprietary financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Park District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied.

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Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The Park District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. All revenues are considered to be susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the Park District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the Park District's policy to first apply cost reimbursement grant resources to such programs, and then to general revenues.

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

# **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, savings accounts, and highly liquid short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

#### Investments

Investments are recorded at market value. North Dakota state statute authorizes Park District's to invest their surplus funds in: a) bonds, treasury bills and notes, or other securities that are a direct obligation of, or an 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 of the type listed above, c) certificates of deposit fully insured by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation of the state, or obligations of the state.

#### **Contributions Receivable**

Unconditional promises to give are recognized as revenues or gains in the period received as assets, decreases of liabilities, or expenses depending on the form of the benefits received. Conditional promises to give are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Unconditional promises expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of expected future cash flows. The cash flows are discounted at a discount rate commensurate with the risks involved, at the date the promise was made. The rates used range from 3.60% to 4.29% at year end. When considered necessary, an allowance is recorded

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based on management's estimate of collectability including such factors as prior collection history, type of contribution, and the nature of fund-raising activity.

# **Capital Assets**

Capital assets include plant and equipment. Assets are reported in the governmental activities column and the business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Assets are also reported in the proprietary fund statements. Capital assets are defined by the Park District as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more. Such assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets is not capitalized.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	50
Building Improvements	20
Land Improvements	20-30
Furniture and Equipment	5
Vehicle and Machinery	5
Software	10

#### Leases - Lessee

The determination of whether an arrangement contains a lease is made at inception by evaluating whether the arrangement conveys the right to use an identified asset and whether the Park District has control of the right to use asset. Control includes the right to obtain present service capacity and the right to determine the nature and manner of use of the underlying asset, as specified in the contract.

Leases with an initial lease term of more than 12 months, or that contain an option to purchase that the Park District is reasonably certain to exercise, are recognized based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. In cases where the implicit rate is not readily determinable, the Park District uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the lease commencement date. The Park District has made an accounting policy election to use a risk free rate based on US Treasury Tbill rate as of the lease commencement. The Park District accounts for lease agreements with lease and non-lease components together as a single lease component for all underlying classes of assets.

The Park District continues to record rent expense for short term leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Short term leases have a term of 12 months or less at lease commencement and do not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the Park District is reasonably certain to exercise.

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The depreciable life of assets and leasehold improvements are limited by the expected lease term unless there is a transfer of title or purchase option reasonably certain of exercise.

The Park District's lease agreements do not include any material residual value guarantees or restrictive covenants.

#### Leases - Lessor

The Park District is a lessor for noncancellable leases for the use of buildings and facilities. The Park District recognizes a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources in the financial statements.

At the commencement of a lease, the Park District initially measures the lease receivable at the present value of payments expected to be received during the lease term.

Subsequently, the lease receivable is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments received. The deferred inflow of resources is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease receivable, adjusted for lease payments received at or before the lease commencement date. Subsequently, the deferred inflow of resources is recognized as revenue over the life of the lease term.

Key estimates and judgments include how the Park District determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease receipts to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease receipts.

- The Park District uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases. The Park District has made an accounting policy election to use a risk free rate based on US Treasury T-bill rate as of the lease commencement.
- The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease receipts included in the measurement of the lease receivable is composed of fixed payments from the lessee.

The Park District monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease, and will remeasure the lease receivable and deferred inflows of resources if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease receivable.

# **Compensated Absences**

Full-time employees are entitled to annual vacation benefits at the start of their employment. Vacation benefits are earned from eight to eighteen hours per month depending on tenure with the Park District. Employees are allowed to carryover a maximum of 240 hours of vacation as of March 31st of each year. Upon termination of employment, employees will be paid for vacation benefits that have accrued. Vested or accumulated leave for governmental funds is reported as a liability in the government-wide financial statements.

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The Park District accounts for compensated absences using a days-used approach. This approach consists of gathering the historical usage of compensated absences used to determine both a liability related to leave to be used as time off and leave to be settled in cash upon termination of employment. Salary-related employer payments are included in the calculation of the compensated absence liability.

# **Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net position.

#### **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisitions, construction, or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the board or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

#### **Interfund Transactions**

Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except reimbursements, are reported as operating transfers.

# **Fund Balance Classifications**

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report aggregate amounts for five classifications of fund balances based on the constraints imposed on the use of these resources. The non-spendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form – noncurrent receivables and prepaids; or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

The spendable portion of the fund balance comprises the remaining four classifications: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Restricted – This classification reflects the constraints imposed on resources either (a) externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – These amounts can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal resolutions or ordinances of the park board – the Park District's highest level of decision making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Park District removed the specified use by taking the same type of action

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imposing the commitment. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned – This classification reflects the amounts constrained by the Park District's "intent" to be used for special purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. The park board and director have the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. The internal "Vision" fund is an example of this. Assigned fund balances include all remaining amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds, other than the General Fund, that are not classified as non-spendable and are neither restricted nor committed.

*Unassigned* – This fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, the Park District's preference is to first use restricted resources, then unrestricted resources – committed, assigned, and unassigned – in order as needed.

#### **Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources in the fund financial statements consists of amounts for which asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, such amounts are measurable but not available and include uncollected taxes, uncollected contribution receivables, and lessor lease agreements. Deferred inflows of resources related to lessor lease agreements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the lives of the related leases.

#### **Use of Estimates**

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

# **Revenue Recognition - Taxes**

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on the assessed property on January 1. A five percent reduction is allowed if paid by February 15. Penalty and interest are added March 15 if the first half of the taxes has not been paid. Additional penalties are added October 15, if not paid.

Taxes are collected by the county and usually remitted monthly to the District. Property tax revenue in the governmental funds is recognized in compliance with National Council of Government Accounting (NCGA) Interpretation 3, "Revenue Recognition – Property Taxes". This interpretation states that property tax revenue is recorded when it becomes available. Available means when due, or past due and receivable within the current period and collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Such time thereafter shall not exceed 60 days. Property tax revenue is

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recorded as revenue in the year the tax is levied in the government – wide financial statements. Property taxes are limited by state laws. All district tax levies are in compliance with state laws.

#### **Unearned Revenue**

Unearned revenue in the General Fund consists of gift card revenues, prepaid rent, and prepaid golf passes. Unearned revenue in the Raging Rivers fund consists of season passes and captains day passes paid in advance for the following season.

# **Change in Accounting Principle**

The Park District implemented GASB Statement No.100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, during the year ended December 31, 2024. GASB Statement No.100 enhances the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections.

The adoption of GASB 100 resulted in the reclassification of the Park's Share of Special Assessments fund from a major program in December 31, 2023 to a nonmajor program for the year ended December 31, 2024. See note 11 for further details.

The adoption also resulted in the presentation of an error correction for the year ended December 31, 2023. See note 11 for further details regarding the error correction.

The Park District implemented GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences* in the year ended December 31, 2024. GASB Statement No. 101 enhances the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting for compensated absences. The adoption of GASB 101 resulted in no adjustment to beginning net position.

#### **NOTE 2 DEPOSITS**

In accordance with North Dakota Statutes, the Park District maintains deposits at depository banks designated by the governing board. All 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 the 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 the 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 revenues or supported by the full faith and credit of the issuing entity, and bonds issued by another state of the United States or such other securities approved by the banking board.

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At December 31, 2024, the Park District's carrying amount of deposits were as follows:

	Carryin	Carrying Value				
Cash						
Bank Accounts	\$2,631,484					
Petty Cash	1,225	2,632,709				
Investments						
Certificates of Deposit		3,688,759				
Total		\$6,321,468				

The Park District's bank balances, including governmental funds were \$6,666,496. Of the bank balances, \$2,463,660 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance, and \$4,202,836 was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institutions' agent not in the Park District's name.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Park District does not have a limit on the amount the Park District may invest in any one issuer.

# **NOTE 3 CAPITAL ASSETS**

		Beginning				
		Balance				
	(Restated)		Additions	Deletions	Balance	
Governmental Activities:						
Capital assets, not being depreciated:						
Land	\$	6,376,938	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,376,938	
Construction in progress		2,621,172	5,706,870	(2,442,238)	5,885,804	
Total capital assets not being depreciated		8,998,110	5,706,870	(2,442,238)	12,262,742	
Capital assets, being depreciated:						
Land improvements		14,779,738	3,384,586	-	18,164,324	
Buildings		35,895,580	3,065,638	(53,039)	38,908,179	
Building improvements		2,428,127	151,027	-	2,579,154	
Furniture and equipment		2,486,108	329,605	(84,854)	2,730,859	
Vehicles and machinery		2,873,290	255,218	(97,503)	3,031,005	
Software		81,875	, <u>-</u>	-	81,875	
Leased land		51,275	_	-	51,275	
Leased equipment		307,325	_	(234,396)	72,929	
Total capital assets being depreciated		58,903,318	7,186,074	(469,792)	65,619,600	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for:						
Land improvements		6,171,488	522,224	_	6,693,712	
Buildings		5,478,701	742,097	(23,338)	6,197,460	
Building improvements		792,561	123,132	(20,000)	915,693	
Furniture and equipment		2,185,680	123,125	(84,854)	2,223,951	
Vehicles and machinery		2,378,461	211,024	(54,252)	2,535,233	
Software		78,018	1,284	-	79,302	
Leased land		18,858	501	_	19,359	
Leased equipment		179,135	69,231	(234,396)	13,970	
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization		17,282,902	1,792,618	(396,840)	18,678,680	
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		41,620,416	5,393,456	(72,952)	46,940,920	
Governmental capital assets, net	\$	50,618,526	\$11,100,326	\$(2,515,190)	\$ 59,203,662	

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Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the governmental activities of the District as follows:

Governmental Activities  Culture and Recreation				\$	1	,792,6	618	
		Beginning Balance		Additions		Deletions		Ending Balance
Enterprise Activities	_							
Capital assets, not being depreciated: Land	\$	653,400	\$		\$		\$	653,400
Total capital assets not being depreciated		653,400						653,400
Capital assets, being depreciated: Land improvements Buildings Building improvements and equipment Vehicles and machinery Total capital assets being depreciated		794,825 1,574,721 1,776,442 11,620 4,157,608		- 7,991 9,087 7,078		- - - -		794,825 1,574,721 1,794,433 20,707 4,184,686
Less accumulated depreciation for: Land improvements Buildings Building improvements and equipment Vehicles and machinery Total accumulated depreciation		32,881 472,415 620,636 11,620 1,137,552	3. 95	5,494 1,496 5,311 1,059 4,360		- - - -		59,375 503,911 715,947 12,679 1,291,912
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		3,020,056	(127	7,282)				2,892,774

# **NOTE 4 LEASES**

Enterprise capital assets, net

# Lessee

The Park District has entered into lessee lease agreements to lease a copier, golf carts and golf course land. Annual payments range from \$2,864 - \$59,310 and the leases will terminate at various dates ranging from 2025 - 2089.

3,673,456 \$ (127,282) \$ - \$ 3,546,174

Following is the total lease expense for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Amortization expense by class of underlying asset	
Land	\$ 501
Equipment	69,231
Total amortization expense	69,732
Interest on lease liabilities	6,649
Total	\$ 76,381

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# Lessor

The Park District has entered into lessor lease agreements to lease gymnasium space, a cell phone tower site, a stock car race track facility, a sports complex, and a tennis center. These leases consist of annual rent payments ranging from \$14,500-\$275,712 and the leases will terminate at various dates ranging from 2024 – 2043.

Following is the total lease-related revenue for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Lease Revenue		
Building		\$ 420,215
Total Lease Rever	nue	420,215
Interest Revenue		31,883
	Total	\$ 452,098

Following is a schedule by years of future minimum rental receipts required under the lease:

For the Year Ending			Total
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Receipts
2025	\$ 175,119	\$ 125,593	\$ 300,712
2026	181,141	119,571	300,712
2027	187,371	113,341	300,712
2028	168,534	107,178	275,712
2029	174,337	101,375	275,712
2030 - 2034	965,966	412,594	1,378,560
2035 - 2039	1,144,119	234,441	1,378,560
2040 - 2044	808,390	41,724	850,114
Total	\$ 3,804,977	\$ 1,255,817	\$ 5,060,794

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# **NOTE 5 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities.

Governmental Activities	Balance - January 1	Additions	Reductions	Balance - December 31	Due Within One Year
Compensated Absences* Lease liability Notes payable*** General Obligation Bond Payable Revenue Bonds Payable**	\$ 123,232 165,613 4,828,772 805,000 1,845,000	\$ - - - - -	\$ (61,701) 70,233 525,020 100,000 55,000	\$ 184,933 95,380 4,303,752 705,000 1,790,000	\$ 31,554 11,495 482,712 100,000 65,000
Special Assessments Payable	1,997,993	55,548	158,249	1,895,292	249,576
Total long-term liabilities	\$ 9,765,610	\$ 55,548	\$ 846,801	\$ 8,974,357	\$ 940,337
Business-type Activities	Balance - January 1	Additions	Reductions	Balance - December 31	Due Within One Year
Compensated Absences* 2021 Revenue Bonds Payable**	\$ 4,763 500,000	\$ - -	\$ 30 250,000	\$ 4,733 250,000	\$ - 250,000
Total long-term liabilities	\$ 504,763	\$ -	\$ 250,030	\$ 254,733	\$ 250,000

<sup>\*</sup> The change in compensated absences is shown as a net change.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Total net revenue pledges for fiscal year 2024 were \$305,000. For fiscal year 2024, principal and interest paid by the Park District on the bonds was \$385,513. Total interest and principal remaining to be paid as of December 31, 2024 is \$2,896,406 payable through May 2043.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Notes payable include a \$3,722,189 note payable for the Tennis Center with annual payments of \$273,661. These annual payments are being funded through the leasing of the Tennis Center to the Mandan Tennis Center, LLC at a cost of \$273,661 per year.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Outstanding debt (excluding compensated absences) at December 31, 2024 consists of the following issues:

#### **Governmental Activities**

<b>Notes</b>	Day	ah	lo:
notes	Pav	ab	ıe:

\$313,363 Note dated February 1, 2012 for major repairs to the Mandan Community Center Pool Area, due in annual payments of \$23,844, which includes interest at 1.7% through February 1, 2026.	\$	46,498
\$4,000,000 Note dated August 5, 2022 for the construction of the tennis center, due in annual payments of \$273,661, which includes interest at 3.215% through December 10, 2042.	3	,722,189

\$2,000,000 Note dated August 5, 2022 for the construction of the rodeo arena due in annual payments of \$321,669, which includes interest at 3.01% through August 5, 2029.

535,065

Total \$ 4,303,752

#### **Bonds Payable:**

\$1,845,000 revenues bonds issued July 14, 2023 to finance a new Park Maintenance Shop, due in annual installments of \$55,000 to \$135,000 through May 1, 2043; interest at 3.80% to 4.75%.

\$1,790,000

\$1,000,000 general obligation bonds issued October 1, 2021 to pay off City special assessments, due in annual installments of \$95,000 to \$105,000 through May 1, 2031; interest at 0.375% to 1.25%.

705,000

Total \$ 2,495,000

#### **Special Assessments:**

Special assessments dated over various years from 2015 to 2024. The maturities vary per issue and extend through 2037. The interest rates vary from 0.00 to 4.37%.

\$ 1,895,292

# **Business-type Activities:**

#### **Revenue Bonds:**

\$995,000 Revenue Refunding Bonds of 2021 due in annual installments of \$245,000 to \$250,000 through May 1, 2025; interest at 0.4% to 0.65%. \$ 250,000

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The annual requirements to amortize the outstanding debt are as follows:

\$1,228,597

Total

\$4,303,752

			Government	tal Activities		
	Notes F	Payable	GO Bond	s Payable	Revenues Bo	nds Payable
Year	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 482,712	\$ 136,461	\$ 100,000	\$ 6,938	\$ 65,000	\$ 75,795
2026	413,233	121,330	100,000	6,188	70,000	73,230
2027	165,035	108,626	100,000	5,437	70,000	70,544
2028	170,202	103,459	100,000	4,438	75,000	67,734
2029	176,127	97,553	100,000	3,188	75,000	64,828
2030 - 2034	971,762	396,542	205,000	2,594	420,000	276,325
2035 - 2039	1,143,603	224,702	-	-	515,000	178,047
2040 - 2044	781,078	39,924	-	-	500,000	49,091
2045 - 2049	-	-	-	-	-	-
2050 - 2054	-	-	-	-	-	-
2055 - 2059	-	-	-	-	-	-
2060 - 2064	-	-	-	-	-	-
2065 - 2069	-	-	-	-	-	-
2070 - 2074	-	-	-	-	-	-
2075 - 2079	-	-	-	-	-	-
2080 - 2084						

\$ 705,000

\$ 28,783 \$1,790,000

\$855,594

			Governme	ntal Activities		
	Special Ass	essments	Lease	Liability	To	otal
Year	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 249,576	\$ 33,421	\$ 11,495	\$ 6,169	\$ 594,728	\$ 206,917
2026	143,287	30,850	12,075	5,589	347,110	190,196
2027	143,287	28,279	12,684	4,980	357,886	180,611
2028	143,287	25,708	12,844	4,342	363,971	169,911
2029	143,287	23,137	207	18,793	1,596,969	694,254
2030 - 2034	686,943	262,225	308	18,692	1,658,911	421,441
2035 - 2039	385,625	15,425	459	18,541	1,281,537	107,556
2040 - 2044		-	685	18,315	685	18,315
2045 - 2049	-	-	1,021	17,979	1,021	17,979
2050 - 2054	_	-	1,520	17,480	1,520	17,480
2055 - 2059	-	-	2,266	16,734	2,266	16,734
2060 - 2064	-	-	3,376	15,624	3,376	15,624
2065 - 2069	-	-	5,028	13,972	5,028	13,972
2070 - 2074	-	-	7,493	11,507	7,493	11,507
2075 - 2079	-	-	11,162	7,838	11,162	7,838
2080 - 2084			12,757	2,446	12,757	2,446
	\$1,895,292	\$ 419,045	\$ 95,380	\$ 199,001	\$6,246,420	\$2,092,781

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	Business-Type Activities			
	Revenue Bonds Payable			
Year	Principal Interest			
2025	\$ 250,000	\$ 2,438		
	\$ 250,000	\$ 2,438		

#### **NOTE 6 TRANSFERS**

The following is a reconciliation between transfers in and transfers out as reported in the basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Transfers in	Transfers out	
General fund	\$ 420,274	\$	206,997
Construction fund	72,844		357,533
Nonmajor funds	134,170		112,758
Raging Rivers fund	50,000		_
Total	\$ 677,288	\$	677,288

Transfers were made for the following purposes:

General fund transfers out was to nonmajor governmental funds to cover negative cash balances and fund various construction projects. Transfers in were for other funds' share of loan payments and to cover repairs and replacement costs.

Construction fund transfers were to move funds for construction projects to the general fund to pay for loan payments on those construction projects.

Transfers into the Raging Rivers fund were for Raging Rivers assets funded by the nonmajor governmental funds.

# **NOTE 7 RISK MANAGEMENT**

Mandan Parks and Recreation District is exposed to various risks of loss relating 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 the state and over 2,000 political subdivisions. The Mandan Parks and Recreation District pays an annual premium to NDIRF for its general liability, automobile, and inland marine insurance coverage. The coverage by NDIRF is limited to losses of one million dollars per occurrence for general liability and automobile and \$4,114,710 for inland marine.

Mandan Parks and Recreation District also participates in the North Dakota Fire and Tornado Fund and the State Bonding Fund. The Park District pays an annual premium to the Fire and

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Tornado Fund to cover property damage to buildings 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 State Bonding Fund currently provides the Park District with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 for its employees. The State Bonding Fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage.

Mandan Parks and Recreation District has workers compensation with the Workforce Safety and Insurance and purchases commercial insurance for employee health and accident insurance.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### **NOTE 8 PENSION PLAN**

Mandan Parks and Recreation District participates in the City of Mandan pension plan, which provides pension benefits for all of its full-time employees through a defined contribution plan. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. Effective January 1, 2014, employees are eligible to participate after reaching age 19 and may enroll immediately upon hire. City ordinance requires that the employee contribute at least 2% of the employee's base salary each month. These employee contributions are invested in the City of Mandan Deferred Compensation Plan. Participating employees are immediately 100% vested in the employee's contributions. The Park District's contribution of 8% for each participating employee is invested in the City of Mandan North Dakota Retirement Plan and Trust. Participating employees vest in the employer contributions made on the employee's behalf as follows:

Upon completion of one year of service – 25% Upon completion of two years of service – 50% Upon completion of three years of service – 75% Upon completion of four years of service – 100%

Employees are entitled to their vested account balance. Employees may elect to receive their account balance in a lump sum, lump sum direct rollover, or periodic distribution. The Park District's contributions and related interest forfeited by employees who leave employment before becoming fully vested are allocated to eligible plan participants who are employed on the last day of the plan year.

The Park District's required and actual contribution for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$133,865.

The Park District's employee contribution for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$113,936.

The City of Mandan issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and the required supplementary information for the City's pension plan. That report can be obtained by writing to the City of Mandan, 205 2nd Ave. NW, Mandan, North Dakota 58554.

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# NOTE 9 CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE

Contributions receivable consist of unconditional promises to give from individuals, businesses, and private foundations. These contributions are restricted for various construction projects and paying off the related debt once completed. At December 31, 2024, the contributions receivable in the governmental funds are detailed as follows:

# Governmental Activities

General Fund:	
All Seasons Arena	\$ 30,000
Starion Sports Complex	422,500
Soccer Complex	37,500
Park's Share of Special Assessments Fund:	
Softball Parking Lot	50,000
Construction Fund:	
Rodeo Arena	812,500
Memorial Ballpark	242,107
Tennis Center	72,550
Less: Discount	(250,033)
Total	\$ 1,417,124
Component Unit	
Rodeo Arena	\$ 425,000
Tennis Center	500
Undesignated	30,000
Less: Discount	(51,431)
Total	\$ 404,069

Contributions receivable are due according to the following schedule:

Receivable in less than one year	\$ 460,500
Receivable in one to five years	1,022,910
Receivable in more than five years	337,783
Total	\$ 1,821,193

Unconditional promises to give due in more than one year are reflected at the present value of estimated future cash flows using a discount rate ranging from 3.60% to 4.29%. The unamortized discount for promises due in more than one year was \$301,464 at December 31, 2024.

Management estimates an allowance for uncollectible pledges to be \$0 at December 31, 2024.

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#### **NOTE 10 TAX ABATEMENTS**

A tax abatement is defined as a reduction in tax revenues that results from an agreement between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forgo tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled and (b) the individual or entity promises to tax a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments to the citizens of those governments.

Mandan Parks and Recreation District and political subdivisions within Morton County can negotiate property tax abatement agreements with individuals and various commercial entities/businesses. Morton County and the political subdivisions within have the following types of tax abatement agreements with various individuals and commercial entities at December 31, 2024.

The Park District will state individually the parties who received a benefit of the reduction in taxes of 20% or greater when compared to the total reduction of taxes for all tax abatement programs.

# **New and Expanding Business**

Allows for incentive in the form of property tax exemption, payments in lieu of taxes, or a combination of both, to qualifying business. (N.D.C.C. § 40-57-1)

# **Property Tax Exemption**

Certain single family, condominium, & townhouse residential properties, (N.D.C.C. § 57-02-08(35) & (42)), allows for newly constructed homes, excluding land, to be exempt for up to two years, up to a maximum of \$75,000 of the home's value.

#### **Property Tax Exemption for Improvements**

Improvements made to existing commercial and residential buildings, (N.D.C.C. Ch. 57-02.2), allows for value added resulting from the improvements made to the property to be exempt from assessment and taxation for up to five years from the date of the commencement of making the improvements.

# **Tax Increment Financing**

Allows for providing a property tax exemption to provide assistance in a development or urban renewal area for the development of commercial or industrial property or for the elimination and prevention of the development or spread of slums and blight, (N.D.C.C § 40-58-20).

# **Renaissance Zone Property Tax Exemption**

This incentive is to encourage the purchase, lease, rehabilitation, or historical preservation or renovation of properties within the zone. Allows commercial and residential properties located within a renaissance zone to be exempt for up to five years (N.D.C.C. Ch. 40-63).

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# **Religious Organization Exemption**

All buildings owned by any religious corporation or organization and used exclusively for religious purposes of the organization that meet state requirements of (N.D.C.C. § 57-02-09) are eligible for property tax incentives.

# **Blind Exemption**

Residential homes owned and occupied by an individual who is blind shall be exempt up to \$160,000 of the building value. Homes that are owned by a spouse of a blind person shall also be exempt within the limits of this exemption as long as the blind person resides in the home.

# Wheelchair Exemption

Residential homes owned and occupied by a permanently and total disabled person who is permanently confined to use of a wheelchair is eligible for an exemption of up to \$100,000 of the true and full value of fixtures, buildings, and improvements. Land is taxable.

Total reduction in property tax revenue due to tax abatements is as follows:

	Prope	rty tax exemption
Property tax exemption program		in 2024
New and expanding business	\$	13,257
Remodeling exemption - commercial		5,341
Residential new construction		1,376
Renaissance zone		28,420
Total	\$	48,394

No party received a benefit of the reduction in taxes that exceeded 20% of the total exemptions listed above.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2024

#### **NOTE 11 RESTATEMENTS**

The Park District adjusted the December 31, 2024 financial statements as follows:

	Governmental Funds					
	Park's Share					
			of Special			
			Assessments	Other		
	General	Construction	(Formerly	Governmental		Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Major)	Funds	Total	Activities
Net Position / Fund Balance, as previously reported	\$2,923,263	\$2,382,336	\$ 152,586	\$ 510,317	\$5,968,502	\$47,526,824
Changes within						
reporting entity	-	-	(152,586)	152,586	-	-
Correction of errors:						
Record in correct period						997,228
	\$2,923,263	\$2,382,336	\$ -	\$ 662,903	\$5,968,502	\$48,524,052

- Changes within the reporting entity represent funds changing between major and nonmajor funds from the prior year.
- An error correction was recorded for capital assets additions from prior years that were not recorded. This resulted in an increase in capital assets and net position (net investment in capital assets) of \$997,228.

#### **NOTE 12 FUND BALANCE**

#### **Minimum Fund Balance**

The Mandan Parks and Recreation District's policy is to keep a minimum unrestricted cash balance of 35% of general fund operating expenses, which is approximately \$2,172,156 based on 2024 general fund expenses. In order to deficit spend below 35%, a roll-call vote of Park Commissioners is required.

# **NOTE 13 NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

GASB Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*, requires entities to disclose critical information about their exposure to risks due to certain concentrations or limitations that could lead to financial distress or operational challenges. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024.

GASB Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*, provides guidance on the following accounting matters:

 continues the requirement that the basic financial statements be preceded by management's discussion and analysis (MD&A),

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2024

- continues the requirement that the proprietary fund statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position continue to distinguish between operating nonoperating revenues and expenses,
- requires governments to present budgetary comparison information using a single method
  of communication RSI, along with variance between original and final budget amounts
  and variances between final budget and actual amounts.

GASB Statement No. 104, *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets*, establishes requirements for certain types of capital assets to be disclosed separately in the capital assets note. These items include disclosing separately lease assets, intangible right-to-use assets, subscription assets and intangible assets. In addition, additional disclosures will be required for capital assets held for sale. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025. Earlier application is encouraged.

Management has not yet determined what effect these statements will have on the Park District's financial statements.

# **NOTE 14 COMMITMENTS**

The Park District has a baseball complex project in progress as of December 31, 2024. The project has an expected total cost of \$5,048,697 and has a remaining estimated cost to complete of \$493,149.

The Park District has a boat ramp project in progress as of December 31, 2024. The project has an expected total cost of \$1,563,957 and has a remaining estimated cost to complete of \$233,701.

# **NOTE 15 DUE TO / DUE FROM**

The due to and due from other funds as of December 31, 2024 are for the purpose of funding cash overdrafts. The amounts are as follows:

Fund	Due to	Due from
General fund	\$ -	\$ 271,924
Construction fund	271,924	
Total	\$ 271,924	\$ 271,924

#### **NOTE 16 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

No significant events occurred subsequent to the Park District's year end. Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 4, 2025, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued.

# BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance	
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ 2,447,200	\$ 2,531,900	\$ 2,713,196	\$ 181,296	
Intergovernmental	525,000	525,000	745,729	220,729	
Charges for services	2,771,400	2,380,800	3,361,489	980,689	
Interest	60,000	60,000	248,253	188,253	
Leases	-	321,400	420,215	98,815	
Donations	88,200	35,000	47,615	12,615	
Miscellaneous	424,900	27,700	57,596	29,896	
Total revenues	6,316,700	5,881,800	7,594,093	1,712,293	
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Culture and recreation	6,303,800	5,620,283	5,331,543	288,740	
Capital outlay	-	-	126,746	(126,746)	
Debt service:					
Principal	-	504,000	586,677	(82,677)	
Interest		180,700	161,193	19,507	
Total expenditures	6,303,800	6,304,983	6,206,159	98,824	
Excess of revenues under expenditures	12,900	(423,183)	1,387,934	1,811,117	
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in/out		(359,700)	272,634	(632,334)	
Total other financing sources (uses)		(359,700)	272,634	(632,334)	
Excess of revenues and other sources					
over (under) expenditures	\$ 12,900	\$ (782,883)	1,660,568	\$ 1,178,783	
Fund balance - January 1			2,354,050		
Fund balance - December 31			\$ 4,014,618		

# NOTES TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

#### **NOTE 1 BUDGETS**

The park board adopts a budget on the modified accrual basis, which is generally accepted in the United States of America. The budget is presented for the general fund and major special revenue funds. The board is required to present the adopted and final amended budgeted receipts and disbursements for the fund.

The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- On or before August 10th of the preceding fiscal year, the Park District prepares a preliminary budget for the next succeeding year beginning January 1st. The preliminary budget includes a detailed breakdown of the estimated revenues and appropriations.
- The final budget must be submitted to the county auditor no later than October 10th.
- The governing board may amend the budget during the year for any revenue and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared. The budget amendments must be approved by the board and the approval must be noted in the proceedings of the board.
- All annual appropriations lapse at year-end.

The actual expenditures were over budget on certain line items but, as a whole, actual expenditures were less than budgeted expenditures and no remedial action is anticipated.

#### NOTE 2 BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

To provide a meaningful comparison of the District's actual results compared to the budgeted results, the Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances-Budget and Actual are prepared on the District's budgetary basis. Under the District's budgetary basis of accounting, revenues are budgeted on the accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures are also budgeted on the accrual basis.

NOTES TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

# **Budgeted Inflows and Outflows**

Listed below is a reconciliation between the revenues and expenditures as presented in the District's Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance and the budgetary inflows and outflows presented in the District's general fund budget.

	Ge	neral Fund
Sources/Inflows of resources		
Actual revenues (budgetary basis) presented on the budgetary comparison schedule	\$	7,594,093
<u>Difference - budget to GAAP</u> Vision fund revenues included in the fund statements but not on the budget statement due to the implementation of GASB 84.		105,405
Total revenue as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Government Funds.	\$	7,699,498
Actual other financing sources (budgetary basis) presented on the budgetary comparison schedule	\$	272,634
<u>Difference - budget to GAAP</u> Vision fund other financing sources included in the fund statements but not on the budget statement due to the implementation of GASB 84.		(59,357)
Total other financing souces as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Government Funds.	\$	213,277
Uses/outflows of resources		
Actual expenditures and transfers (budgetary basis) presented on the budgetary comparison schedule	\$	6,206,159
<u>Difference - budget to GAAP</u> Vision fund expenditures included in the fund statements but not on the budget statement due to the implementation of GASB 84.		
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	\$	6,206,159



# 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

Park Board Mandan Parks and Recreation District Mandan, North Dakota

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Mandan Parks and Recreation District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 4, 2025.

# Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Mandan Parks and Recreation District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Mandan Parks and Recreation District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Mandan Parks and Recreation District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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 were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and a significant deficiency.

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. We consider deficiencies 2024-001 and 2024-002 described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be material weaknesses.

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. We consider deficiency 2024-003 described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be a significant deficiency.

# **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

# Mandan Parks and Recreation District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Mandan Parks and Recreation District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Mandan Parks and Recreation District's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

# **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.

BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C. BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

June 4, 2025

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

# 2024-001: Preparation of Financial Statements

#### Criteria

An appropriate system of internal control requires the Park District to prepare financial statements in compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Condition

The Park District's personnel prepare periodic financial information for internal use that meets the needs of management and the board. However, the organization currently does not prepare financial statements, including accompanying note disclosures, as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Park District has elected to have the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and notes.

#### Cause

The Park District elected to not allocate resources for the preparation of the financial statements.

#### **Effect**

There is an increased risk of material misstatement to the organization's financial statements.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the Park District consider the additional risk of having the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and note disclosures and consider preparing them in the future. As a compensating control the Park District should establish an internal control policy to document the annual review of the financial statements and schedules and to review a financial statement disclosure checklist.

#### **Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions**

The accounting manager reviews the audit report each year to make sure the financial statements and note disclosures are a fair presentation for the Park District.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

# 2024-002: Proposition of Journal Entries

#### Criteria

The Park District is required to maintain internal controls at a level where underlying support for general ledger accounts can be developed and a determination can be made that the general ledger accounts are properly reflected in accordance with GAAP.

# Condition

During our audit, material adjusting entries to the financial statements were proposed in order to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Material journal entries were made to adjust pledge receivables to correct balance as of December 31, 2024, correct prepaid expenses, record lease entries, to record prior period adjustment to capital assets, and to tie beginning fund balances to the prior year's auditor's report.

#### Cause

The Park District's internal controls have not been designed to address the specific training needs required of its personnel to identify the adjustments necessary to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

#### **Effect**

The Park District's financial statements were materially misstated prior to adjustments detected as a result of audit procedures.

#### Recommendation

Accounting personnel will need to determine the proper balance in each general ledger account prior to the audit.

#### **Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions**

The Park District is aware of and understands the necessary adjusting entries. It is management's decision to continue to ask the auditors to compute and report lease activity per GASB 87 requirements. In addition, the Park District will record pledge receivables at their stated amounts, and leave the present value calculations for the auditors to compute and report for financial statement presentation.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

# 2024-003: Segregation of Duties

#### Criteria

A proper system of internal control has the proper segregation of duties between authorization, custody, record keeping and reconciliation.

#### Condition

There is not a system in place for accounting duties to be properly segregated between authorization, custody, record keeping and reconciliation.

#### Cause

The Park District is subject to size and budget constraints limiting the number of personnel within the accounting department.

#### **Effect**

The design of internal control over financial reporting could adversely affect the ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the Park District review their internal controls over the accounting functions to determine if additional procedures can be implemented that are cost effective. The board should constantly be aware of this condition. Compensating controls that mitigate the related risks could be (or are) provided through appropriate oversight of the performance of these functions and review of the financial reports by individuals with knowledge of current operations and accounting principles.

# **Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions**

The Park District is aware of the limitations and will add controls where feasible.