CITY OF CASSELTON CASSELTON, NORTH DAKOTA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

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CITY OF CASSELTON LIST OF OFFICIALS DECEMBER 31, 2015

CITY COUNCIL

<u>Office</u>

Lee Anderson
Edward McConnell
Joan Carvell
Mike Eberhardt
Kent Buss
Charlie Francis
Fred Wangler

Mayor

EMPLOYEES

Sheila Klevgard Del Losing City Auditor City Attorney

Harold J. Rotunda

Certified Public Accountant

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

City Council City of Casselton Casselton, North Dakota

I have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and aggregate remaining fund information of City of Casselton as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, 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 modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1; this includes determining that the modified 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

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

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 in 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, I 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.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Casselton as of December 31, 2015, and the changes in modified cash basis financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis of Accounting

I draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. My opinion is not modified with respect to that matter.

Other Matters

Management has omitted the management discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information 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. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Casselton's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Activity is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basis financial statements.

The Schedule of Activity is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basis financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the Schedule of Activity is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basis financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued reports dated March 31, 2016, on my considerations of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on my 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 my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

West Fargo, North Dakota

March 31, 2016

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CITY OF CASSELTON STATEMENT OF NET POSITION- MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2015

ASSETS	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,480,695.34	533,859.07	4,014,554.41
Non-current assets:			
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	14,222,131.30	1,666,001.26	15,888,132.56
Total Assets	17,702,826.64	2,199,860.33	19,902,686.97
LIABILITIES			
Non-current Liabilities			
Due within one year:			
Bonds payable Notes payable	955,000.00	70,000.00	1,025,000.00
Notes payable Due after one year:	58,363.07		58,363.07
Bonds payable	9,341,551.00	540,000,00	0.001.774.00
Notes payable	377,609.94	540,000.00	9,881,551.00
	377,007.94		377,609.94
Total Liabilities	10,732,524.01	610,000.00	11,342,524.01
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	3,489,607.29	1,056,001.26	4,545,608.55
Restricted for:	-,,	1,000,001.20	-,545,006.55
Capital projects	749,318.92		749,318.92
Debt service	2,235,063.29	-	2,235,063.29
Unrestricted	496,313.13	533,859.07	1,030,172.20
Total Net Position	6,970,302.63	1,589,860.33	8,560,162.96

CITY OF CASSELTON STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES- MOI YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015		Charges for Ol	evenues	venue & Changes in Net Assets Governmental Activities
	Expenses	Services and	d Commission	
Governmental activities:	250.25			(422,260.35)
General government	422,260.35			(174,415.16)
Public safety	174,415.16		160,847.77	(27,679.10)
Highways and streets	188,526.87		,	(204,579.55)
Economic development	204,579.55			
Economic and I	2 202 20			(478,282.28)
Capital outlays	478,282.28			(315,941.96)
Debt service	315,941.96			
Deat service				
	. 704 006 17	-	160,847.77	(1,623,158.40)
Total Governmental Activities	1,784,006.17			
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Business-type activities	410 946 70	489,471.08		69,624.38
Water	419,846.70 127,968.31	239,090.51		111,122.20
Sewer		210,141.34		40,831.41
Garbage	169,309.93	5,250.00		150.00
Meter deposits	5,100.00	3,200.00		(25.02)
1	17 (25.02			(17,635.03)
Capital outlay	17,635.03			(20,087.50)
Debt service	20,087.50			(54,792.08)
Depreciation- Unallocated	54,792.08			212.20
-	01472055	943,952.93	-	129,213.38
Total Business-type activities	814,739.55	<i>y</i> , <i>z</i> , <i>y</i> =		
	2,598,745.72	943,952.93	160,847.77	(1,493,945.02)
Total	2,390,743.72	, ,		m.4-1
		Governmental	Business-type	Total (1,493,945.02)
		(1,623,158.40)	129,213.38	(1,493,743.02)
Net expense				
C				
General Revenues		105.50		632,495.50
Taxes:		632,495.50		215,942.99
Property taxes		215,942.99		943,078.74
Sales taxes		943,078.74		-
Special assessments				314,629.16
Licenses and permits		314,629.16		37,168.61
State aid		37,168.61		** * COO OO
Interest income		553,603.30) 62,077.0	.5
Oher revenue			0 62,077.€	2,758,995.93
Total General Revenues		2,696,918.3	0 62,077.0	,,,,,,
Total General Revenues			9 (180,933.0)9) -
Transfers in (out)		180,933.0	9 (100,755.	<i>57)</i>
Transfers III (out)		. 254 (02 0	10,357.	92 1,265,050.91
Change in Net Position		1,254,692.9	10,557	
Change in Net 1 officer		# #1 F COO 1	1,579,503.	03 7,295,112.14
Net Position- January 1		5,715,609.1	1,577,505.	
Net rosmon- samany		6,970,302.	1,589,860	.95 8,560,163.05
Net Position- December 31		0,970,302.	10 1,000,000	
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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CITY OF CASSELTON BALANCE SHEET- GOVERNMENT DECEMBER 31, 2015	AL FUNDS- MC	DDIFIED CASH B STREET #19	ASIS STREET #25	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds	34,106.85	674,977.68	-	2,771,610.28 374,504.35	3,480,694.81 374,504.35
Total Assets	34,106.85	674,977.68	-	3,146,114.63	3,855,199.16
LIABILITIES					
Due to other funds			255,263.07	119,241.28	374,504.35
Total liabilities	-	-	255,263.07	119,241.28	374,504.35
FUND BALANCE Restricted for Capital Projects Restricted for Debt Service Restricted for other purposes Unassigned	24 106 06	674,977.68	-	749,318.92 1,560,085.61 836,710.10	749,318.92 2,235,063.29 836,710.10
- mooigned	34,106.85		(255,263.07)	(119,241.28)	(340,397.50)
Total fund balance	34,106.85	674,977.68	(255,263.07)	3,026,873.35	3,480,694.81
Total liabilities and fund balance	34,106.85	674,977.68	-	3,146,114.63	3,855,199.16

CITY OF CASSELTON RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2015

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds

3,480,694.81

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in governmental funds

Cost of capital assets
Less accumulated depreciation
Net capital assets

17,199,019.41 2,976,888.11

14,222,131.30

Long-term liabilities applicable to the District's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. All liabilities- both current and long-term are reported in the statement of net assets.

Bonds payable	(5,770,000.00)
SRF Notes payable	(4,526,551.00)
Notes payable	(435,973.01)

Total Net Position of Governmental Activities

6,970,302.10

CITY OF CASSELTON STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES- GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS- MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

				OTHER	TOTAL
		STREET #19	STREET #25	GOVERNMENTAL	GOVERNMENTAL
	GENERAL			FUNDS	FUNDS
Property taxes	224.060.00				
Sales taxes	234,069.88			398,425.62	632,495.50
Special Assessments		-		215,942.99	215,942.99
Intergovernmental	204 127 00	241,655.63	~	701,423.11	943,078.74
Interest	284,127.99		-	191,348.94	475,476.93
Charges for services	37,168.61			-	37,168.61
Other	9 105 (0			392,560.39	392,560.39
	8,105.62		-	152,937.29	161,042.91
Total Revenues	562 472 10	041 655 60			
	563,472.10	241,655.63	-	2,052,638.34	2,857,766.07
Current:					
General government	292,395.71			100.01	
Public safety	150,915.16			129,864.64	422,260.35
Highways and streets	150,715.10			23,500.00	174,415.16
Economic development				188,526.87	188,526.87
as a comment		-		204,579.55	204,579.55
Capital outlays			505.020.06		
Debt Service			505,939.96	136,033.55	641,973.51
Principal		215 000 00			
Interest expense		215,000.00	-	778,190.04	993,190.04
1,		22,018.75	-	308,923.21	330,941.96
Total Expenditures	443,310.87	237,018.75	£05.020.06	1 860 41-11	
•	773,510.07	237,016.73	505,939.96	1,769,617.86	2,955,887.44
Excess revenues (expenditures)	120,161.23	4,636.88	(505,020,06)	202.022.12	
(T	120,101.23	4,030.88	(505,939.96)	283,020.48	(98,121.37)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in	29,239.35			0.65 (0.1.)	
Transfers out	(149,253.30)	-	-	365,434.14	394,673.49
Bond proceeds	(117,233.30)	-	777 700 00	(64,487.10)	(213,740.40)
•		-	777,780.00	-	777,780.00
Total other financing sources and u	(120,013.95)		777 700 00	200 0 1= 0 1	
and a survey and a	(120,013.73)	-	777,780.00	300,947.04	958,713.09
Net change in fund balances	147.28	4,636.88	271 040 04	700 o cm ==	
	117.20	4,030.88	271,840.04	583,967.52	860,591.72
Fund Balance- January 1	33,959.57	670,340.80	(507 102 11)	0.440.00*.00	
	55,757.51	070,540.00	(527,103.11)	2,442,905.83	2,620,103.09
Fund Balance- December 31	34,106.85	674,977.68	(255.262.07)	2.006.000.5-	
	J 1,100.0J	077,977.00	(255,263.07)	3,026,873.35	3,480,694.81

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

CITY OF CASSELTON RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Net Change in Fund Balances- Total Governmental Funds

860,591.72

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

Governmental funds report capital outlay 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 year.

Current year capital outlay Current year depreciation expense

521,742.96

358,051.73

163,691.23

Repayment of long-term debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.

(777,780.00) 1,008,190.04

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

1,254,692.99

CITY OF CASSELTON STATEMENT OF NET POSITION- MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUNDS

PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2015	Water &Sewer	Sanitation	Total
ASSETS Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents	311,929.62	221,930.07	533,859.69
Noncurrent assets Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	1,666,001.26		1,666,001.26
Total Assets	1,977,930.88	221,930.07	2,199,860.95
LIABILITIES Non-current Liabilities Due within one year: Bonds payable Due after one year:	70,000.00		70,000.00
Bonds payable	540,000.00		540,000.00
Total liabilities	610,000.00	-	610,000.00
NET POSITION Net investment in capital assets Restricted for: Capital projects Debt service	1,056,001.26		1,056,001.26 - -
Unrestricted	311,929.62	221,930.07	533,859.69
Total net position	1,367,930.88	221,930.07	1,589,860.95

CITY OF CASSELTON STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION- MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2015

OPERATING REVENUE	Water &Sewer	Sanitation	Total
Charges for services	733,811.59	210,141.34	943,952.93
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Salaries and benefits	124,523.27	91,430.66	215,953.93
Professional fees	-		·
Insurance	-		-
Contract services Electricity	318,020.12	48,988.84	367,008.96
Supplies	21,088.01	1,739.70	22,827.71
Repairs and maintenance	26,989.32	24,696.13	51,685.45
Office expense	51,694.37	1.001.06	51,694.37
Telephone	4,157.84	1,921.36	6,079.20
Depreciation	54,792.08		- 54.702.00
Miscellaneous	6,442.08	533.24	54,792.08
	0,442.00	333.24	6,975.32
Total operating expenses	607,707.09	169,309.93	777,017.02
Operating income (loss)	126,104.50	40,831.41	166,935.91
NON-OPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSE)			
Bond proceeds	-		
Interest income	_		-
Grant income	*		_
Interest expense	(20,087.50)		(20,087.50)
Capital outlay	(17,635.03)		(17,635.03)
Other	19,619.07	42,458.56	62,077.63
Total non-operating rev (exp)	(18,103.46)	42,458.56	24,355.10
Income (loss) before transfers	108,001.04	83,289.97	191,291.01
Transfers in	83,250.83	<u></u>	83,250.83
Transfers out	(180,893.95)	(83,289.97)	(264,183.92)
Change in net position	10,357.92	-	10,357.92
Net Position- January 1	1,357,572.96	221,930.07	1,579,503.03
Net Position- December 31	1,367,930.88	221,930.07	1,589,860.95

CITY OF CASSELTON STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS- MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPIETARY FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

1 EAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015			
,	Water &Sewer	Sanitation	Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from customers	722 011 50	210 141 24	
Payments to suppliers	733,811.59 (428,391.74)	210,141.34	943,952.93
Payments to employees		(77,879.27)	(506,271.01)
Other receipts	(124,523.27)	(91,430.66)	(215,953.93)
omer receipts	19,619.07	42,458.56	62,077.63
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	200,515.65	83,289.97	283,805.62
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING	ACTIVITIES		
Transfers to other funds	83,250.83		00.070.00
Transfers from other funds	(180,893.95)	(82.280.07)	83,250.83
Tamasa Nome Tunas	(100,093.93)	(83,289.97)	(264,183.92)
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	(97,643.12)	(83,289.97)	(180,933.09)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED F.	INANCING ACTIV	/ITIEC	
Purchase of capital assets	(17,635.03)	THES	(17.625.00)
Principal paid on capital debt	(65,000.00)	-	(17,635.03)
Interest paid on capital debt	(20,087.50)		(65,000.00)
Debt proceeds	(20,087.30)	-	(20,087.50)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(102,722.53)	_	(102,722.53)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			(****,**=1.00)
Interest and dividends	-		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	-	-	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	150.00	-	150.00
Cash and cash equivalents- January 1	311,779.62	221,930.07	533,709.69
Cash and cash equivalents- December 31	211 020 62	221 020 05	
Cass and Cass equivalents December 31	311,929.62	221,930.07	533,859.69
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash p	rovided		
by operating activities:	· o · raoa		
Operating income (loss)	126,104.50	40,831.41	166 025 01
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net ca	120,101.50	40,031.41	166,935.91
(used) by operating activities:	_		
Depreciation expense	54,792.08	_	54 702 09
Change in assets and liabilities:	-		54,792.08
Refundable deposits	_		
Miscellaneous receipts (expense)	19,619.07	42,458.56	62,077.63
Net cash provided by operating activities	200,515.65	83,289.97	283,805.62
	,		203,003.02

CITY OF CASSELTON
CASSELTON, NORTH DAKOTA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the City of Casselton (City) have been prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting. The modified cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the City's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of the City. The City has considered all potential component units for which the City is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the City such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the City.

Based on these criteria, there are no component units.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Government-wide statements: The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the City'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: Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity, Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenses/expenditures. Funds are organized into two major categories: governmental and proprietary. The City currently has no fiduciary funds.

The City reports the following major governmental fund types:

General Fund. The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the City and always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all activities except those legally or administratively required to be accounted for in other funds.

Street #25 fund. The Flood Control fund is used to record the capital activity for the project.

Street #19 fund. The Flood Control fund is used to record the capital activity for the project.

The City reports the following major enterprise funds:

Water and sewer- accounts for operating activities of the City's water and sewer utility services.

Sanitation- accounts for operating activities of the City's sanitation services

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements. In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus, within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting as defined below.

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus, as applied to the modified cash basis of accounting, is used as appropriate.

All governmental funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements presents sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

The proprietary fund utilizes an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net assets (or cost recovery), financial position and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent, financial or nonfinancial) associated with their activities are reported. Proprietary fund equity is classified as net assets.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, activities are presented using a modified cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes assets, liabilities, net assets/fund equity, revenues and expenditures when they result from cash transactions with a provision for depreciation in the government-wide statements. This basis is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

If the City utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financial statements would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

Operating income reported in proprietary fund financial statements includes revenues and expenses related to the primary, continuing operations of the fund. Principal operating revenues for proprietary funds are charges to customers for sales or services. Principal operating expenses are the costs of providing goods or services and include administrative expenses and depreciation of capital assets. Other revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating in the financial statements.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City 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 City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, and then by general revenues.

D. Budgets

Based upon available financial information and requests by the city council, the auditor prepares the City budget. The budget is prepared for the general, special revenue, and debt service funds on the modified cash basis of accounting. The budget includes the proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end.

City taxes must be levied by the governing board on or before October 7. The taxes levied must be certified to the County auditor by October 10. The governing body of the City may amend its tax levy and budget for the current fiscal year on or before the tenth day of October of each year, but the certification must be filed with the County auditor by October 10. The current budget, except for property taxes, may be amended during the year for any revenues and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared.

E. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market accounts and certificates of deposits with maturity of less than 90 days. Investments consist of certificates of deposits, with a maturity date in excess of 90 days, stated at cost.

F. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Net estimated historical cost was used to value the majority of assets acquired prior to January 1, 2003. Prior to January 1,2003, governmental funds infrastructure assets were not capitalized. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market 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 of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Property, plant, and equipment of the City is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

ASSETS

YEARS

Permanent Buildings 50
Vehicles and equipment 10

G. 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 assets. Bond premiums, discounts and issuance costs are recognized in the current period since the amounts are not material.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums, discounts and issuance costs in the current period. The face amount of the debt is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

H. Fund Balance

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 - inventories; 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 city council—the City's highest level of decision making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the council removes the specified use by taking the same type of action 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 City's "intent" to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The council has the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. 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 City's preference is to first use restricted resources, then unrestricted resources-committed, assigned, and unassigned-in order as needed.

The council has not set a General Fund minimum fund balance.

I. Interfund Transactions

In the governmental fund statements, 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 transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers. In the government-wide financial statements, interfund transactions have been eliminated.

J. Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the Other comprehensive basis of accounting (OCBOA) used by the City requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures; accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2: LEGAL COMPLIANCE - BUDGETS

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The Council did not amend the City budget for 2015.

EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS

Expenditures did not exceed budget in the general fund. No remedial action is required by the City.

NOTE 3 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

In accordance with North Dakota Statutes, the City maintains deposits at the 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 institution 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 deposit not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes bills, notes, or bonds issued by the United State government, its agencies or instrumentalities, all bonds and notes guaranteed by the United States government, Federal Land Bank bonds, notes, warrants, and 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, instrumentalities, or by any City, 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 body and bonds issued by another state of the United States, or such other securities approved by the banking board.

At December 31, 2015, the City's carrying amount of deposits was \$4,014,555. Of the bank balances, \$500,000 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance. The remaining balance of \$3,514,555 was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the government's name.

Credit Risk

State statutes authorize the City to invest in: (1) 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. (2) 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. (3) Certificates of Deposit fully insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation or the state. (4) Obligations of the state.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The City does not have a limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

NOTE 4: PROPERTY TAXES

Taxes receivable represents the past five years of uncollected current and delinquent taxes. No allowance has been established for uncollectible taxes receivable.

The County treasurer acts as and agent to collect property taxes levied in the County for all taxing authorities. Any material tax collections are distributed after the end of each month.

Property taxes are levied as of January 1. The property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1 and may be paid in two installments. The first installment includes one-half of the real estate taxes and all the special assessments and the second installment is the balance of the real estate taxes. The first installment is due by March 1 and the second installment is due by October 15. A 5% discount on property taxes is allowed if all taxes and special assessments are paid by February 15. After the due dates, the bill becomes delinquent and penalties are assessed.

Most property owners choose to pay property taxes and special assessments in a single payment on or before February 15 and receive the discount on the property taxes.

NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2015:

1	Balance			Balance
	Jan 1	Increases	Decreases	December 31
Government activities Construction in progress Infrastructure Bldgs and Improvements Vehicles & Equipment Total	5,698,513 8,916,609 1,412,324 648,830 16,677,276	521,743 521,743		5,220,256 8,916,609 1,412,324 649,830 17,199,019
Less accumulated deprecial Infrastructure Buildings & Improve Vehicles & Equip Total Accumulated Dep	1,195,786 884,901 538,149	300,257 35,497 22,298 358,052		1,496,043 920,398 560,447 2,976,888
Total net	14,058,440			14,222,131
Business-type activities Construction in progress Bldgs and Improvements Vehicles & Equipment Total				1,733,141 1,079,655 219,505 3,032,301
Less accumulated deprecian Infrastructure Buildings & Improve Vehicles & Equipment Total	ation for:	30,689 2,153 21,950 54,792		259,971 1,062,427 43,901 1,366,299
Total net	1,720,794			1,666,002

Depreciation Expense was charged to functions/programs of the City as follows: Governmental Activities:

General government	24,463
Public safety	11,034
Public works	22,298
Infrastructure	300,257
Total	358,052

Business-type Activities:

 Water and Sewer
 32,842

 Sanitation
 21,950

 Total
 54,792

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities - During the year ended December 31, 2015, the following changes occurred in liabilities reported in long-term debt:

Payable		Payable	Due Within
2014	Increases Decreases	2015	One Year
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES			
Bonds Payable 6,350,000	580 , 000	5,770,000	590,000
SRF Notes 4,113,771	777,780 365,000	4,526,551	365 , 000
Notes payable 499,163	63,190	435,973	65,941
TOTAL 10,962,934	777,780 1,008,190	10,962,934	
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES			
SRF Notes 675,000 TOTAL 675,000	65,000 65,000	610,000 610,000	70,000
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BONDS PAYABLE

Bonds payable consist of the following:

			Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Balance Outstanding
GOVERNMENTAL A	CTIVITI	ES			
Refunding imp	bonds-	2007	05/01/2022	3.875-4.35%	1,420,000
Refunding imp	bonds-	2011	05/01/2024	3.0-4.8%	660,000
Refunding imp	bonds-	2012	05/01/2019	1.0-2.9%	220,000
Refunding imp	bonds-	2012	05/01/2026	1.0-3.5%	410,000
Refunding imp	bonds-	2013	05/01/2028	1.0-3.5%	3,060,000
Total					5,770,000

BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

There are a number of limitations and restrictions contained in the various bond indentures. The City is in compliance with all significant limitations and restrictions.

Special Assessment bonds are paid directly from debt service sinking funds. Special assessments are certified annually in amounts sufficient to pay debt service requirements. Whenever all special assessments appropriated and collected for a special assessment district are insufficient to pay principal and interest then due on special assessment improvement bonds issued against such improvement district, the city is required to levy a deficiency levy upon all taxable property in the City.

SRF NOTES PAYABLE

The City obtained financing from the State of North Dakota's State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) to finance improvements to the City's utility systems. Details relative to the outstanding notes payable are shown below:

	Maturity	Interest	Balance
	Date	Rate	Outstanding
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES			
Water treatment bonds-1997	09/01/2017	2.5%	190,000
Refunding improvement-2014	10/01/2028	2.5%	1,490,000
Water treatment bonds-2004	09/01/2032	2.5%	650,000
Water treatment bonds-2004	09/01/2029	2.5%	2,196,551
Total			4,526,551
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES			
Water treatment bonds-2004	09/01/2023	2.5%	610,000
Total			610,000

The Water Treatment Revenue Bonds of 2015 is currently in progress. The total bond authorized by the State is \$3,455,000. The actual draws at December 31, 2015 were \$1,693,771.

NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable due in semi-annual installments of \$16,000, including interest at 4.50%, through October 2024. Note used for tax increment.	245,768
Notes payable due in semi-annual installments of \$52,380, including interest at 4.50%, through October 2019. Note used for tax increment.	190,205
Total	435,973

The annual long-term debt service requirements for bonds payable, as of December 31, 2015, are as follows:

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ending	Bonds Paya	ble	SRF Notes	Payable
December 31	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2016	590,000	163,138	365,000	118,850
2017	590,000	149,433	365,000	110,575
2018	595 , 000	135,055	285,000	102,075
2019	605,000	119,654	295,000	95,875
2020	550,000	103,610	300,000	89,450
2021-2025	2,035,000	305,235	1,625,000	345,775
2026-2030	805,000	40,556	1,201,555	125,600
2031-2032			90,000	2,700
TOTAL	5,770,000	1,016,681	4,526,551	990,900
2016			70,000	15,250
2017			75,000	13,500
2018			75,000	11,625
2019			75,000	9,750
2020			75,000	7 , 875
2021-2023			240,000	12,000
TOTAL			610,000	70,000

NOTE 7.DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The following fund balances had deficits at December 31, 2015:

Ind Park 15,803 Will be eliminated with bonds.

Street #23 3,348 Will be eliminated with bonds.

Langer 602 Will be eliminated with bonds.

Levee imp 244 Will be eliminated with taxes/transfers.

City special 99,846 Will be eliminated with taxes/transfers.

Street #25 255,263 Will be eliminated with bonds/transfers.

NOTE 8. DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE

Fund equity in the various funds has been designated for the following purposes:

Designated for Debt Service \$2,235,063

NOTE 9: RISK MANAGEMENT

The City 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 City pays an annual premium to NDIRF for its general liability and automobile insurance coverage. The coverage by NDIRF is limited to losses of one million dollars per occurrence.

The State Bonding Fund currently provides the City with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 for its employees. The State Bonding fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage.

The City has workers compensation with the Workforce, Safety and Insurance and purchases commercial insurance for personal property, building, inland marine, and boiler and machinery.

NOTE 10: TRANSFERS

The City transfers operating revenues between funds. A schedule of the transfers is on page 30.

NOTE 11: RETIREMENT PLAN

The City has a tax sheltered annuity plan under Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan covers substantially all full-time employees. Under the plan, the City contributes an amount equal to 9% of the participants' compensation. The City's contribution to the plan for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 was \$24,472 and \$24,091, respectively.

CITY OF CASSELTON					
SHEDULE OF ACTIVITY	BEGINNING			TRANSFERS	ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2015	BALANCE	REVENUES	EXPENSES	IN (OUT)	BALANCE
GENERAL	33,959.57	563,472.10	443,310.87	(120,013.95)	34,106.85
STREETS	· -	175,891.76	188,262.87	12,371.11	0.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	5,583.73	24,662.50	22,224.63	(8,021.60)	**
CITY SPECIALS	(79,657.36)	76,898.43	97,087.45		(99,846.38)
SPECIALS DEFICIENCY	4,428.49	,	,		4,428.49
RETIREMENT	2,633.15	24,700.47	24,471.75	(2,861.87)	0.00
EMERGENCY	11,405.53	3,869.13	264.00		15,010.66
FORESTRY	12,883.47	16,880.62	14,325.14		15,438.95
ASH TREE	10,558.74	10,336.00	4,893.62		16,001.12
JOB AUTHORITY	1,977.08	9,366.82	10,000.00		1,343.90
SALES TAX	146,647.69	215,942.99	185,226.66	(26,917.75)	150,446.27
TOWER RENT	15,304.60	2,904.00	,	(18,208.60)	
FIRE DEPARTMENT	4,179.02	21,508.79	23,500.00	(10,20000)	2,187.81
MAJOR EQUIPMENT	300,000.00	_1,0005	11,965.64	8,330.00	296,364.36
MOSQUITO SPRAYER	23,950.89	10,336.00	11,342.50	3,55000	22,944.39
CDLF LOANS	27,289.20	4,808.69	9,352.89		22,745.00
TOURISM	36.83	1,000.05	7,552.07		36.83
CEMETARY	2,428.66	12,312.79	12,500.00		2,241.45
LIBRARY	4,218.87	38,051.03	36,707.00		5,562.90
FORESTRY DEPOSIT	9,800.00	900.00	3,400.00		7,300.00
DEBT SERVICE- SRF	88,500.00	700.00	3,400.00		88,500.00
FLOOD CONTROL 2008	624,589.47	161,095.22	142,550.00		643,134.69
STREET/SEW/WAT 19	670,340.80	241,655.63	237,018.75		674,977.68
STREET SEWER #24	181,589.12	124,040.00	47,000.00		258,629.12
LAGOON LAND 97-1	101,307.12	22,872.90	103,462.50	80,589.60	230,029.12
STREET SEWER #25	325,849.14	339,240.47	308,639.00	80,389.00	356,450.61
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	359,839.30	339,240.47	14,479.86	209,793.70	555,153.14
STREET REPAIR 2011	15,688.67	5,229.56	14,479.80	209,793.70	20,918.23
INDUSTRIAL PARK TIF	97,874.12	112,618.60	91,363.00		119,129.72
CASELTON INN	21,826.27	32,000.00	32,000.00		21,826.27
LEVEE IMPROVEMENT	(34,245.46)	18,710.95	3,663.94	18,954.70	(243.75)
TIF- MAPLE RIVER GRAIN	52,559.02	143,408.38	114,779.01	10,934.70	81,188.39
STREET SEWER #25	154,548.04	243,744.39	184,921.24		213,371.19
STREET #23	553.77	31,041.24	34,943.16		(3,348.15)
INDUSTRIAL PARK SEWER	(0.00)	31,041.24	15,803.00		(15,803.00)
STREET- LANGER	(0.00)		601.89		(601.89)
WATER COLLECTION SS#24	139,643.94	1,200.00	001.09		140,843.94
STREET SEWER #25	(527,103.11)	777,780.00	505,939.96		(255,263.07)
SAFE ROUTES SCHOOL	53,029.56	33,027.12	27,455.34		58,601.34
QUIET ZONE IMP 2011	(142,607.72)	135,039.49	(7,568.23)		
FLOOD CONTROL MAINT	(142,007.72)	133,039.49	(7,308.23)	26,917.75	(0.00) 26,917.75
WATER	69,704.34	493,774.40	437,481.73	(56,292.67)	69,704.34
SEWER	109,190.28	239,090.51	127,968.31	(111,122.20)	· ·
SANITATION	221,930.07	252,599.90	169,309.93	(83,289.97)	109,190.28 221,930.07
SEWER SURCHARGE	120,000.00	232,333.30	107,307.73	(03,209.97)	
METER DEPOSITS	12,785.00	5,250.00	5,100.00		120,000.00
PETTY CASH	12,783.00	3,230.00	3,100.00	-	12,935.00
WATER TOWER RESERVE	100.00	15,315.75	85,087.50	69,771.75	100.00
WALLK TOWER RESERVE		15,515.75	05,007.50	09,771.73	_
TOTAL	3,153,812.78	4,641,576.63	3,780,834.91		4,014,554.50
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CITY OF CASSELTON SCHEDULE OF TRANSFERS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	TRANSFER IN	TRANSFER OUT
GENERAL STREET	29,239.35 12,371.11	149,253.30
TOWER RENT SALES TAX	12,571.11	18,208.60 26,917.75
PENSION MAJOR EQUIPMENT	8,330.00	2,861.87
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STREET SEWER 25	218,270.98	8,477.28
LAGOON LAND 97-1 LEVEE IMPROVEMENT	80,589.60 18,954.70	
FLOOD CONTROL SOCIAL SECURITY	26,917.75	9 021 60
SOCIAL SECURITY		8,021.60
WATER SEWER SANITATION	13,479.08	69,771.75 111,122.20 83,289.97
WATER TOWER RESERVE	69,771.75	•

TOTAL 477,924.32 477,924.32

CITY OF CASSELTON

REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS
DECEMBER 31, 2015

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Harold J. Rotunda

Certified Public Accountant

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

Independent Auditor's Report

City Council
City of Casselton
Casselton, North Dakota

I 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, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Casselton as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated March 31, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. I did identify one deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that I consider to be a significant deficiency (2015-1).

Compliance and Other Matters

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

City's Response to Findings

City of Casselton's response to the finding identified in my audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. City of Casselton's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the result 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.

Harold Rotunda, CPA March 31, 2016

CITY OF CASSELTON SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements		
Type of Report Issued?		
Governmental Activities Major Funds Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unmod	dified dified dified
Internal Control over financial reporting: Material weaknesses identified? Significant deficiencies identified not	Yes <u>X</u>	
Considered to be material weaknesses? \underline{X} Noncompliance material to financial statements	Yes	No
Noted?	Yes <u>X</u>	No
Section II- Financial Statement Findings		
Finding No. 2015-1		
<u>Condition</u>		

The limited number of staff prevents a proper segregation of duties.

<u>Criteria</u>

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.

Effect

Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the City's ability to detect 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 functions.

CITY OF CASSELTON SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Recommendation

While I recognize that the City office staff may not be large enough to permit complete segregation of duties in all respects for an effective system of internal accounting control, all accounting functions should be reviewed to determine if additional segregation is feasible and to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the City.

Client Response

At the present time, the City has segregated the duties of all key accounting personnel in the most efficient manner possible, given its limited staff. Due to cost constraints, there will be no further administrative employees added.