

# BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET NEW JERSEY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
SUPPLEMENTARY DATA
AND INFORMATION

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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PART I

REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 and 2022



### **Independent Auditors' Report**

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council Borough of North Plainfield North Plainfield, New Jersey

### Report on the Audit of the Regulatory Basis Financial Statements

#### Opinions on Regulatory Basis Financial Statements

We have audited the regulatory basis financial statements of the various funds and the governmental fixed assets of the Borough of North Plainfield, New Jersey, ("Borough") which comprise the balance sheets as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balance for the years then ended, the statements of changes in fund balance, the statements of revenues and statements of expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### **Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting**

In our opinion, the accompanying regulatory basis financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the regulatory basis balance sheets of the Borough as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the regulatory basis statements of operations and changes in fund balances for the year then ended and the regulatory basis statements of revenue and statements of expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2023 and the related notes to the financial statements, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, State of New Jersey ("Division") described in Note 2.

#### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statements do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Borough as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, or its revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance thereof for the years then ended.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"), requirements prescribed by the Division, 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 and requirements are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Borough, 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.

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#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Borough on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the Division (regulatory basis), which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the Division. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Division. 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.

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 Borough'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.

#### Auditors' 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 auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, requirements prescribed by the Division, 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 aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, requirements prescribed by the Division, 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.

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- 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 Borough'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Borough'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.

## Report on Supplementary Information Required by the Division in Accordance with the Regulatory Basis of Accounting

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements. The information included in Part II – Supplementary Information – Regulatory Basis and Part V – General Comments and Recommendations, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Division and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Supplementary Information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### Report on Supplementary Information as Required by the Uniform Guidance and NJ OMB Circular 15-08

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance as required by the audit requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and NJ OMB Circular 15-08 *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid,* and related notes to the schedules of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedules of expenditures of federal awards, state financial assistance, and related notes are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial

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statements, or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedules of expenditures of federal awards, state financial assistance, and related notes are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 21, 2024 on our consideration of the Borough's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough'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 Borough's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Cranford, New Jersey

PKF O'Connor Davies LLP

June 21, 2024

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# CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

				LIABILITIES, RESERVES			
ASSETS	REF.	2023	2022	AND FUND BALANCE	REF.	2023	2022
Cash and Investments - Treasurer	A-4 \$	8,369,774.34 \$	7,319,265.71	Appropriation Reserves	A-3, A-13 \$	1,411,152.95 \$	1,353,892.29
Change Funds	A-5	700.00	700.00	Due to State of NJ- Sr. Cit. Ded.	A-17	6,215.38	5,448.71
	· <u></u>			Due to Outside Lienholders	A-18	15,548.10	30,566.39
		8,370,474.34	7,319,965.71	Reserve for Encumbrances	A-19	867,769.96	771,903.53
				Various Reserves	A-12	330,274.86	548,470.23
Receivables and Other Assets With				Accounts Payable			2,164.62
Full Reserves:				Tax Overpayments	A-15	160,076.28	610,207.39
Taxes Receivable	A-7	660,679.35	820,800.98	Prepaid Taxes	A-16	449,062.87	317,676.34
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-8	49,092.68	46,358.02	Local School Tax Payable			1,827.04
Property Acquired for Taxes (At					' <u></u>		
Assessed Valuation)	A-9	827,500.00	827,500.00		<u></u>	3,240,100.40	3,642,156.54
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-10	38,966.57	25,349.50		· <u> </u>		
Interfund Receivable			10,493.93				
				Reserve for Receivables	Reserve	1,576,238.60	1,730,502.43
	_	1,576,238.60	1,730,502.43	Fund Balance	A-1	5,130,373.94	3,677,809.17
Total Current Fund	_	9,946,712.94	9,050,468.14	Total Current Fund	_	9,946,712.94	9,050,468.14
Federal and State Grant Fund:				Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Cash and Investments	A-4	296.180.92	1,394,445.25	Reserve for State and Federal Grants:			
Federal and State Grants Receivable	A-22	278,177.90	90,402.31	Appropriated	A-24	291,714.77	250,099.83
				Unappropriated	A-25	140,074.49	1,212,650.74
				Reserve for Encumbrances	A-19	142,569.56	22,096.99
					_	<u> </u>	
Total Grant Fund		574,358.82	1,484,847.56	Total Grant Fund	_	574,358.82	1,484,847.56
	\$	10,521,071.76 \$	10,535,315.70		\$	10,521,071.76 \$	10,535,315.70

# CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE REGULATORY BASIS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED	REF.		2023		2022
Fund Balance Appropriated	A-1, A-2	\$	1,750,000.00	\$	1,600,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	A-2	•	6,532,386.63	•	5,292,390.76
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	A-2		832,186.19		297,367.98
Receipts from Current Taxes	A-2		63,518,163.14		60,774,935.16
Non-Budget Revenue	A-2		371,966.17		336,357.83
Other Credits to Income:					
Interfund Loan Returns	A-11		10,493.93		
Animal Control Statutory Excess			.,		10,533.38
Accounts Payable Cancelled	A-14		485.00		,
Tax Overpayments Cancelled	A-15		80,134.51		
Unexpended Balances of Appropriation Reserves	A-13		1,108,173.72		1,513,782.83
Total Revenues and Other Income		_	74,203,989.29		69,825,367.94
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER CHARGES		_			
Budget Appropriations:					
Operating:					
Salaries and Wages	A-3		14,104,205.00		13,437,965.00
Other Expenses	A-3		8,495,682.12		7,276,459.71
Capital Improvements	A-3		215,600.00		230,600.00
Municipal Debt Service	A-3		2,845,137.54		2,448,449.55
Statutory Expenditures	A-3		4,013,778.00		3,880,413.00
Deferred Charges- Emergency Authorization					160,000.00
Disallowed by Collector (Net)	A-17		1,491.66		4,784.85
Local District School Tax	A-21		33,142,094.00		32,589,426.00
County Taxes	A-20		8,153,538.30		7,645,492.83
Reclassification of Prior Year MRNA- Opioid Grant	A-11	-	29,897.90		
Total Expenditures		_	71,001,424.52		67,673,590.94
Excess in Revenue over Expenditures			3,202,564.77		2,151,777.00
Balance - January 1	Α	_	3,677,809.17		3,126,032.17
			6,880,373.94		5,277,809.17
Decreased by:					
Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	A-2	-	1,750,000.00		1,600,000.00
Balance - December 31	Α	\$_	5,130,373.94	\$	3,677,809.17

# CURRENT FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	ANTICIPATED 2023 <u>BUDGET</u>	APPROPRIATED BY N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87	REALIZED	EXCESS OR (DEFICIT)
Surplus Anticipated	A-1 \$	1,750,000.00		\$1,750,000.00	
Miscellaneous Revenues:					
Licenses:					
Alcoholic Beverages	A-10	20,000.00		24,254.00 \$	4,254.00
Other	A-10	50,000.00		84,054.00	34,054.00
Fees and Permits	A-10	280,000.00		349,374.37	69,374.37
Fines and Costs:	A 40	270 000 00		444.044.00	444 044 02
Municipal Court	A-10 A-10	270,000.00		414,041.03	144,041.03 49,225.61
Interest and Costs on Taxes Parking Meters	A-10 A-10	190,000.00 115,000.00		239,225.61 172,954.83	49,225.61 57,954.83
Interest on Investments and Deposits	A-10 A-10	50,000.00		105,656.87	57,954.63 55,656.87
Energy Receipts Tax	A-10 A-10	1,538,613.00		1,538,613.00	55,050.67
Municipal Relief Fund	A-10 A-12	80,260.02		80,260.02	
Uniform Construction Code	A-12 A-10	255,000.00		360.551.00	105,551.00
Cable Television Franchise Fee	A-10 A-10	175,000.00		164,600.04	(10,399.96)
EMS Fees	A-10	375,000.00		525,267.04	150,267.04
Uniform Fire Safety Act	A-10	32,945.00		91,226.98	58,281.98
Board of Education- SLEO III Police Salaries & Wages	A-10 A-10	207,200.00		139,081.25	(68,118.75)
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	A-11	125.86		125.86	(00,110.70)
Clean Communities	A-11 A-11	35,413.36		35,413.36	
Youth Service	A-11 A-11	5,000.00		5,000.00	
Safe and Secure Communities	A-11	48,600.00		48,600.00	
Recycling Tonnage Grant	A-11	17,215.19		17,215.19	
Body Armor Grant	A-11	3,631.30		3,631.30	
County of Somerset ARP- Affordable Housing	A-11	\$	50.000.00	50,000.00	
County of Somerset CDBG- CV3 Program	A-11	Ÿ	531,428.81	531,428.81	
Reserve for Debt Service - Villa Maria	A-12	346,547.04	221,1=2121	346,547.04	
CDBG Projects- Reserved	A-11	37,120.60		37,120.60	
American Rescue Plan Firefighter	A-11	54,000.00		54,000.00	
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	A-11	1,114,144.43		1,114,144.43	
Total Missallanasus Davanus	A 4	5 200 045 00	504 400 04	0.522.200.02	050 440 00
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	A-1	5,300,815.80	581,428.81	6,532,386.63	650,142.02
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	A-1, A-7, A-8	750,000.00		832,186.19	82,186.19
Subtotal General Revenues		7,800,815.80	581,428.81	9,114,572.82	732,328.21
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:					
Local Tax for Municipal purposes Including					
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	A-2, A-7	22,942,158.05		23,872,530.84	930,372.79
	,				
Budget Totals		30,742,973.85	581,428.81	32,987,103.66 \$	1,662,701.00
Non-Budget Revenues	A-1, A-10			371,966.17	
	\$	30,742,973.85		\$ 33,359,069.83	
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# CURRENT FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUES	REF.			
Allocation of Current Tax Collections:				
2023 Collections Prepaid Taxes Applied Tax Overpayments Applied State Share of Sr. Citizen's and	A-7 A-7 A-7	\$ 62,960,472.63 317,676.34 182,514.17		
Veteran's Deductions Allowed	A-7	 57,500.00	_	
Allocated to:	A-1		\$	63,518,163.14
Local District School Tax and County Taxes	A-7		_	41,295,632.30
				22,222,530.84
Add: Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	A-3		_	1,650,000.00
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget	A-2		\$_	23,872,530.84
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes: Delinquent Taxes Tax Title Liens	A-7 A-8 A-1	\$ 822,211.02 9,975.17	\$ <u>_</u>	832,186.19
Analysis of Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated: Insurance Reimbursements- Non-Health Gasoline Reimbursements Various Other Refunds Social Security/Payroll Tax Reimbursement Indirect Cost Reimbursement Residential Fee Reimbursement Reimbursements- Other Mayor's Office Reimbursements Court Reimbursements State Tax Administrative Fee Cancel Prior Year Checks FEMA Reimbursements Special Charge Reimbursements.	A-1	\$ 23,416.14 39,297.96 20,640.91 17,788.06 178,520.00 50,862.00 4,657.41 3,600.00 160.98 1,135.50 1,264.17 2,269.21 28,353.83	- \$_	371,966.17

					EXPENDED					
		2023	BUI	OGET AFTER		PAID OR				
		<u>BUDGET</u>	MC	<u>DIFICATION</u>		<u>CHARGED</u>	EN	CUMBERED	<u> </u>	<u>RESERVED</u>
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAPS"										
Department of Administration										
Salaries and Wages	\$	251,000.00	\$	251,000.00	\$	207,993.13			\$	43,006.87
Other Expenses	·	62,700.00		62,700.00	·	36,831.88	\$	815.01	·	25,053.11
Borough Council		•		•		•				,
Salaries and Wages		48,000.00		55,600.00		55,200.00				400.00
Other Expenses		4,000.00		4,000.00		2,961.04				1,038.96
Borough Clerk										
Salaries and Wages		154,000.00		154,000.00		91,343.43				62,656.57
Other Expenses		24,950.00		24,950.00		21,968.22		479.28		2,502.50
Annual Audit		45,000.00		45,000.00		30,881.86		14,118.14		
Historical Commission										
Salaries and Wages		3,100.00		3,100.00		2,791.02				308.98
Planning Board										
Salaries and Wages		1,500.00		5,500.00		2,771.38				2,728.62
Other Expenses		5,000.00		5,000.00		852.43		114.96		4,032.61
Board of Adjustment										
Salaries and Wages		1,500.00		1,500.00		250.43				1,249.57
Other Expenses		6,000.00		6,000.00		1,836.43		134.96		4,028.61
Municipal Court										
Salaries and Wages		335,500.00		345,500.00		335,066.06				10,433.94
Other Expenses		23,600.00		28,600.00		25,117.14		171.48		3,311.38
Borough Prosecutor										
Salaries and Wages		32,000.00		32,000.00		31,835.96				164.04

					EXPENDED						
				GET AFTER		PAID OR					
		<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>MO</u>	<u>DIFICATION</u>		CHARGED	<u>ENCUMBERED</u>			RESERVED	
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAPS" (Cont'd.)											
Public Defender											
Other Expenses	\$	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00	\$	4,000.00					
Office of Health, Housing & Property											
Salaries and Wages		187,000.00		187,000.00		172,701.35			\$	14,298.65	
Other Expenses		147,000.00		147,000.00		132,595.72	\$	11,819.87		2,584.41	
Dog Regulation											
Other Expenses		60,000.00		60,000.00		60,000.00					
Office of Recreation											
Salaries and Wages		250,700.00		250,700.00		227,167.57				23,532.43	
Other Expenses		32,000.00		32,000.00		30,499.60		1,471.41		28.99	
Maintenance of Parks											
Other Expenses		8,000.00		8,000.00		5,300.00				2,700.00	
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE											
Division of Assessments											
Salaries and Wages		108,000.00		108,000.00		104,959.69				3,040.31	
Other Expenses		6,900.00		9,400.00		8,077.90		40.00		1,282.10	
Reserve for Tax Appeals Pending		30,000.00		30,000.00		9,281.25				20,718.75	
Department of Finance											
Salaries and Wages		340,000.00		340,000.00		317,074.34				22,925.66	
Other Expenses		14,000.00		14,000.00		13,965.00		35.00			
Insurance											
Group Insurance for Employees		2,142,720.00		2,071,120.00		1,608,648.61		452,991.13		9,480.26	
Liability Insurance		1,015,000.00		1,015,000.00		1,014,304.60				695.40	
Division of Taxation											
Other Expenses		13,000.00		13,000.00		5,765.00		612.11		6,622.89	

			EXPENDED					
	2023 <u>BUDGET</u>	 JDGET AFTER ODIFICATION		PAID OR CHARGED	<u>EN</u>	CUMBERED	<u> </u>	RESERVED
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAPS" (Cont'd.)								
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE								
Department of Law								
Other Expenses	\$ 310,000.00	\$ 310,000.00	\$	265,009.49	\$	16,968.51	\$	28,022.00
Police								
Salaries and Wages	5,013,891.57	5,013,891.57		4,879,553.99				134,337.58
Salaries and Wages- American Rescue Plan 2021	1,114,144.43	1,114,144.43		1,114,144.43				
Other Expenses	68,275.00	68,275.00		37,616.01		30,658.99		
School Crossing Guards								
Salaries and Wages	179,000.00	179,000.00		172,552.40				6,447.60
Parking Enforcement								
Salaries and Wages	85,000.00	85,000.00		85,000.00				
DEPARTMENT OF FIRE								
PREVENTION AND PROTECTION								
Fire Protection								
Salaries and Wages	4,244,969.00	4,239,969.00		4,178,522.11				61,446.89
Other Expenses	65,800.00	70,800.00		56,192.62		14,509.63		97.75
Fire Hydrant Service	221,064.00	221,064.00		202,642.00		18,422.00		
Uniform Fire Code Safety Act								
(P.L. 1983 C. 383, 1984 CD)								
Salaries and Wages	12,000.00	12,000.00		11,999.78				0.22
Other Expenses	20,945.00	20,945.00		20,945.00				
Emergency Medical Services								
Other Expenses	38,000.00	38,000.00		36,885.68		1,114.32		

			EXPENDED				
	2023	<b>BUDGET AFTER</b>	PAID OR				
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>MODIFICATION</u>	<u>CHARGED</u>	<u>ENCUMBERED</u>	RESERVED		
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAPS" (Cont'd.)							
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS							
Streets and Roads							
Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,248,500.00	\$ 1,248,500.00	\$ 1,095,251.64		\$ 153,248.36		
Other Expenses	512,500.00	512,500.00	409,986.46	\$ 97,900.89	4,612.65		
Buildings and Grounds	404 000 00	444.000.00	444.000.05	00.400.07	4 004 00		
Other Expenses	121,000.00	141,000.00	114,289.65	22,488.37	4,221.98		
Vehicle Maintenance	204.044.00	00404400	100 010 00	04.040.00	05.050.70		
Other Expenses	284,614.00	284,614.00	168,046.26	91,216.98	25,350.76		
Engineering Services and Costs	40.000.00	22 222 22	57.047.00	4 005 00	0.40.00		
Other Expenses	40,000.00	60,000.00	57,247.00	1,905.00	848.00		
Office of Emergency Management							
Salaries and Wages	20,000.00	17,000.00	16,324.06		675.94		
Other Expenses	16,500.00	19,500.00	13,777.11	5,722.89			
UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE -							
APPROPRIATIONS - OFFSET BY							
DEDICATED REVENUES (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17):							
State Uniform Construction Code							
(N.J.S.A. 52:27D-120 et seq.)							
Salaries and Wages	205,000.00	205,000.00	163,500.86		41,499.14		
Other Expenses	29,000.00	31.500.00	28,042.03	525.84	2,932.13		
Unclassified:	_==,=====	2.,222.22			_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Celebration of Public Events	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00				
Electricity	400,000.00	400,000.00	338,652.24	29,685.00	31,662.76		
Telephone	70,000.00	70,000.00	47,084.19	3,867.41	19,048.40		
Water	30,000.00	30,000.00	26,475.97	2,036.42	1,487.61		
Natural Gas/Propane	70,000.00	70,000.00	23,704.60	4,450.00	41,845.40		
Gasoline	215,000.00	215,000.00	162,933.50	12,114.20	39,952.30		
Technology -Communications	87,200.00	87,200.00	80,793.26	6,406.74			

				EXPENDED	
	2023 <u>BUDGET</u>	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR <u>CHARGED</u>	ENCUMBERED	RESERVED
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAPS" (Cont'd.) Postage Unemployment Insurance Retirement Benefits	\$ 40,000.00 5,000.00 200,000.00	\$ 40,000.00 5,000.00 200,000.00	\$ 39,949.41 5,000.00 122,449.70	\$ 42.51	\$ 8.08 77,550.30
Total Operations Within "CAPS"	20,338,573.00	20,338,573.00	18,551,612.49	842,839.05	944,121.46
Contingent	10,000.00	10,000.00	4,378.65	811.91	4,809.44
Total Operations Incl. Contingent Within "CAPS"	20,348,573.00	20,348,573.00	18,555,991.14	843,650.96	948,930.90
DETAIL: Salaries and Wages Other Expenses (Including Contingent)  STATUTORY EXPENDITURES WITHIN "CAPS":	13,834,805.00 6,513,768.00	13,848,405.00 6,500,168.00	13,266,003.63 5,289,987.51	843,650.96	582,401.37 366,529.53
Contribution to: Social Security System (O.A.S.I.) Public Employees' Retirement System of N.J. Police and Firemen's Retirement System of N.J.	480,000.00 489,878.00 3,039,900.00	480,000.00 489,878.00 3,039,900.00	466,383.58 489,878.00 3,039,900.00 218.12		13,616.42
Defined Contribution Retirement Program	4,000.00	4,000.00	218.12		3,781.88
Total Statutory Expenditures  Municipal Within "CAPS"	4,013,778.00	4,013,778.00	3,996,379.70		17,398.30
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Within "CAPS"	24,362,351.00	24,362,351.00	22,552,370.84	843,650.96	966,329.20

	EXPENDED								
	2023		023 BUDGET AFTER			PAID OR			
		<u>BUDGET</u>	<b>MODIFICATION</b>			<u>CHARGED</u>	<b>ENCUMBERED</b>	RESERVED	
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"									
Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP)									
Other Expenses	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00				\$	1,000.00
NJDEP Fees									
Other Expenses		5,250.00		5,250.00	\$	5,250.00			
Insurance- Employee Group		357,280.00		357,280.00					357,280.00
Public Employees' Retirement System		22,741.00		22,741.00		22,741.00			
Police and Firemen's Retirement System of NJ		159,125.00		159,125.00		159,125.00			
Somerset County Recycling		200,000.00		200,000.00		200,000.00			
Board of Education- SLEO- Police Salaries & Wages		207,200.00		207,200.00		141,356.25			65,843.75
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS									
OFFSET BY REVENUES									
Body Armor Replacement Grant		3,631.30		3,631.30		3,631.30			
Clean Communities		35,413.36		35,413.36		35,413.36			
Drunk Driving Enforcement		125.86		125.86		125.86			
Youth Service		5.000.00		5.000.00		5.000.00			
Safe and Secure Communities		48,600.00		48,600.00		48,600.00			
Safe and Secure Communities - Match		511,183.00		511,183.00		511,183.00			
Reclycling Tonnage Grant		17,215.19		17,215.19		17,215.19			
American Rescue Plan Firefighter		54,000.00		54,000.00		54,000.00			
CDBG Projects		37,120.60		37,120.60		37,120.60			
County of Somerset ARP- Affordable Housing		01,120.00		50,000.00		50,000.00			
County of Somerset CDBG- CV3 Program				531,428.81		531,428.81			
Matching Funds for Grants		5,000.00		5,000.00		001,120.01			5,000.00
Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"		1,669,885.31		2,251,314.12		1,822,190.37			429,123.75
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DETAIL:									
Salaries and Wages		255,800.00		255,800.00		189,956.25			65,843.75
Other Expenses		1,414,085.31		1,995,514.12		1,632,234.12			363,280.00

				EXPENDED			
		2023 BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR CHARGED	ENCUMBERED	RESERVED	
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS -		<u>BODGET</u>	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	LINCOMBLICED	KESEKVED	
EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"		<b>450,000,00</b>	<b>4.50.000.00</b>	<b>A</b> 450 000 00			
Capital Improvement Fund Purchase of Capital Equipment		\$ 150,000.00 55,600.00	\$ 150,000.00 55,600.00	\$ 150,000.00 25.606.00	\$ 14,294.00	\$ 15,700.00	
Purchase of Shade Tree	_	10,000.00	10,000.00	175.00	9,825.00	Ψ 10,700.00	
Total Capital Improvement Fund - Excluded from "CAPS"	-	215,600.00	215,600.00	175,781.00	24,119.00	15,700.00	
Payment of Bond Principal		2,140,000.00	2,140,000.00	2,140,000.00			
Interest on Bonds		358,590.50	358,590.50	358,590.50			
Lease Payments - Somerset County	-	346,547.04	346,547.04	346,547.04			
Total Municipal Debt Service - Excluded from "CAPS"	-	2,845,137.54	2,845,137.54	2,845,137.54			
Total General Appropriations for Municipal							
Purposes Excluded from "CAPS"	-	4,730,622.85	5,312,051.66	4,843,108.91	24,119.00	444,823.75	
Subtotal General Appropriations		29,092,973.85	29,674,402.66	27,395,479.75	867,769.96	1,411,152.95	
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	-	1,650,000.00	1,650,000.00	1,650,000.00			
Total General Appropriations	-	\$ 30,742,973.85	\$ 31,324,402.66	\$ 29,045,479.75	\$ 867,769.96	\$ 1,411,152.95	
	REF.	A-2		Below	A, A-19	Α	
Adopted Budget	A-2		\$ 30,742,973.85				
Appropriated by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87	A-2		581,428.81				
			\$ 31,324,402.66				
Cash Disbursed	A-4			\$ 25,498,800.20			
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	A-2			1,650,000.00			
Federal and State Grants	A-23			1,896,679.55			
				\$ 29,045,479.75			
See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements							

# TRUST FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	REF.	2023	2022	LIABILITIES, RESERVES  AND FUND BALANCE	REF.	2023	2022
Trust Assessment Fund: Cash - Treasurer	B-2	\$\$	136,047.10	Trust Assessment Fund: Fund Balance	B-1 \$_	136,884.52 \$	136,047.10
Total Trust Assessment Fund		136,884.52	136,047.10	Total Trust Assessment Fund	_	136,884.52	136,047.10
Animal Control Fund: Cash-Treasurer	B-2	13,968.58	28,784.33	Animal Control Fund: Interfund Loans Due to State of NJ Reserve For Animal Control Expenditures	B-2 _	13,968.58	10,493.93 2.40 18,288.00
Total Animal Control Fund		13,968.58	28,784.33	Total Animal Control Fund	_	13,968.58	28,784.33
General Trust Fund: Cash - Treasurer	B-2	3,087,275.40	3,683,421.02	General Trust Fund: Restricted Accounts Various Reserves Encumbrances Payable	B-2, B-3 B-2	3,051,101.81 36,173.59	3,538,080.34 145,340.68
Total General Trust Fund		3,087,275.40	3,683,421.02	Total General Trust Fund	<del>-</del>	3,087,275.40	3,683,421.02
		\$ 3,238,128.50 \$	3,848,252.45		\$_	3,238,128.50 \$	3,848,252.45

# TRUST ASSESSMENT FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	REF.	-	2023	 2022		
Revenue						
Interest on Investments	B-2	\$_	837.42	\$ 524.71		
Fund Balance						
Balance - January 1	В	_	136,047.10	 135,522.39		
Balance - December 31	В	\$_	136,884.52	\$ 136,047.10		

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	REF.		2023	2022
Cash and Investments Grants Receivable Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:	C-2 C-9	\$	3,295,181.12 § 2,158,270.02	\$ 672,734.29 1,762,675.02
Funded	C-5		17,037,000.00	19,312,000.00
Unfunded	C-6		8,591,105.00	5,315,100.00
		\$	31,081,556.14	\$ 27,062,509.31
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE				
General Serial Bonds	C-10	\$	13,372,000.00	\$ 15,512,000.00
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-12		5,315,100.00	
Reserves for: Capital Improvement Fund	C-8		84,366.44	98,166.44
Encumbrances	C-7		1,423,036.41	1,410,668.73
Stormwater Improvements Improvement Authorizations:	C-13		15,000.00	
Funded	C-7		1,838,738.67	2,701,638.40
Unfunded	C-7		4,780,019.57	2,987,749.40
SCIA County Guaranteed Lease Revenue Bonds Payable	C-11		3,665,000.00	3,800,000.00
Fund Balance	C-1	_	588,295.05	552,286.34
		\$	31,081,556.14	\$ 27,062,509.31
Note:				
Bonds and Notes Authorized but Not Issued	C-14	\$	3,276,005.00	\$ 5,315,100.00

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	REF.	_	2023	2022
Balance - January 1	С	\$	552,286.34 \$	552,286.34
Increased by: Premium on Bond Anticipation Notes	C-2	_	36,008.71	
Balance - December 31	С	\$_	588,295.05 \$	552,286.34

# SEWER UTILITY FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	REF.	2023	2022	LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	REF.	2023	2022
Operating Fund: Cash Change Fund	D-5 \$ D-7	748,350.46 \$ 150.00	698,639.11 150.00	Operating Fund: Appropriation Reserves Reserve for Encumbrances	D-4, D-15 \$ D-16	190,973.27 \$ 581.46	182,874.87 4,094.81
	-	748,500.46	698,789.11	Sewer Rent Overpayments Accrued Interest on Outstanding Debt	D-17 D-18	10,781.21 27,391.57 229,727.51	5,154.64 20,743.13 212,867.45
Receivables With Full Reserves: Consumer Accounts Receivable	D-8	157,376.26	211,379.39	Reserve for Receivables Fund Balance	Reserve D-1	157,376.26 518,772.95	211,379.39 485,921.66
	-	157,376.26	211,379.39		<del>-</del>		
Total Operating Fund	-	905,876.72	910,168.50	Total Operating Fund	-	905,876.72	910,168.50
Capital Fund:				Capital Fund:			
Cash	D-5	2,279,200.46	1,209,301.58	Bond Anticipation Notes	D-23	1,725,000.00	
Grants Receivable	D-9	775,528.62	791,712.87	Serial Bonds Payable	D-12	4,418,000.00	4,653,000.00
Fixed Capital	D-13	7,386,911.82	7,316,986.83	Reserve for Encumbrances	D-16	90,635.96	472,041.59
Fixed Capital - Authorized and				Capital Improvement Fund	D-19	100,000.04	100,000.04
Uncompleted	D-14	3,424,061.69	3,015,986.68	Reserve for Amortization	D-20	3,864,579.75	3,424,716.51
·	·			Deferred Reserve for Amortization Improvement Authorizations	D-21	289,560.00	289,560.00
				Funded	D-22	809,069.05	823,816.18
				Unfunded	D-22	1,826,009.91	1,784,513.68
				Reserve for Grants Receivable	D-10	300,219.39	355,082.63
				Reserve for Debt Service	D-11	199,780.61	199,780.61
				Fund Balance	D-2	242,847.88	231,476.72
Total Capital Fund	-	13,865,702.59	12,333,987.96	Total Capital Fund	-	13,865,702.59	12,333,987.96
	\$	14,771,579.31 \$	13,244,156.46		\$ <sub>=</sub>	14,771,579.31 \$	13,244,156.46

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were Bonds and Notes Authorized but Not Issued in the amount of \$329,524.00 and \$1,831,900.48, respectively. (Exhibit D-24)

# SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE REGULATORY BASIS

### YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED	REF.	-	2023	2022
Fund Balance Sewer User Charges Interest on Delinquencies Interest on Investments Other Credits to Income:	D-3 D-3 D-3 D-3	\$	400,000.00 2,461,171.18 25,405.41 6,490.28	\$ 400,000.00 2,378,734.65 17,139.65 7,621.05
Adjustment for Accrued Interest Appropriation Reserves Lapsing	D-15	-	182,874.87	5,825.38 211,930.84
Total Revenues and Other Income		-	3,075,941.74	3,021,251.57
EXPENDITURES				
Budget Appropriations: Operating Debt Service Statutory Expenditures Adjustment for Accrued Interest	D-4 D-4 D-4 D-18		2,300,000.00 316,071.17 18,000.00 9,019.28	2,295,000.00 318,416.53 18,000.00
Total Expenditures		-	2,643,090.45	2,631,416.53
Excess in Revenue over Expenditures			432,851.29	389,835.04
FUND BALANCE				
Balance - January 1	D	-	485,921.66	496,086.62
Degraded by			918,772.95	885,921.66
Decreased by: Fund Balance Utilized	D-1	-	400,000.00	400,000.00
Balance - December 31	D	\$	518,772.95	\$ 485,921.66

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE-REGULATORY BASIS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	REF.	2023	2022
Balance - January 1	D	\$ 231,476.72	\$ 231,476.72
Increased by: Premium Received on Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes	D-5	11,371.16	
Balance - December 31	D	\$ 242,847.88	\$ 231,476.72

### SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.		2023 BUDGET		REALIZED	EXCESS
Operating Surplus Anticipated Sewer User Charges Interest on Delinquencies Interest on Investments	D-1 D-1,D-8 D-1,D-5 D-1,D-5	\$	400,000.00 2,218,000.00 15,000.00 1,071.17	\$	400,000.00 2,461,171.18 25,405.41 6,490.28	\$ 243,171.18 10,405.41 5,419.11
		\$_	2,634,071.17	\$_	2,893,066.87	\$ 258,995.70
	REF.		D-4		D-1	

### SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

							EXPENDED					
			2023	В	BUDGET AFTER		PAID OR					
			<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>MODIFICATION</u>		<u>CHARGED</u>	<u>E</u>	NCUMBERED	<u>RESERVED</u>			
Operating: Salaries and Wages Other Expenses PARSA - Regional Sewer		\$	210,000.00 90,000.00 2,000,000.00	\$	210,000.00 90,000.00 2,000,000.00	\$	205,109.72 12,644.99 1,890,690.56	\$	\$ 581.46	4,890.28 76,773.55 109,309.44		
Debt Service: Payment on Bond Principal Interest on Bonds and Notes			235,000.00 81,071.17		235,000.00 81,071.17		235,000.00 81,071.17					
Statutory Expenditures: Contribution to: Social Security System Unemployment Compensation Insurance		_	17,000.00 1,000.00		17,000.00 1,000.00	. <u>-</u>	17,000.00 1,000.00					
Total Sewer Utility Appropriations		\$_	2,634,071.17	\$	2,634,071.17	\$	2,442,516.44	\$	581.46 \$	190,973.27		
<u> </u>	REF.		D-3				Below		D-16	D		
	D-5 D-18					\$_	2,361,445.27 81,071.17					
See Accompanying Notes to Financial Stater	ments					\$ _	2,442,516.44	:				

# PAYROLL FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	REF.	_	2023		2022		
Cash	E-1	\$_	11,313.93	\$	8,487.12		
		\$_	11,313.93	\$	8,487.12		
		_		<b>-</b>			
<u>LIABILITIES</u>							
Flexible Spending Reserves	E-1	\$_	11,313.93	\$	8,487.12		
		\$_	11,313.93	\$	8,487.12		

# STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS REGULATORY BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Governmental Fixed Assets	_	2022	_	ADDITIONS		DELETIONS		2023
Building	\$	21,811,339.00					\$	21,811,339.00
Land Equipment		4,467,000.00 2,338,150.24	\$	82,380.00	\$	85,793.88		4,467,000.00 2,334,736.36
Furniture & fixtures Vehicles		3,424,828.22 5,382,310.75		44,438.00 134,000.00		46,000.00		3,469,266.22 5,470,310.75
Total Governmental Fixed Assets	\$	37,423,628.21	\$	260,818.00	- -\$	131,793.88	 \$	37,552,652.33
1000 00101111101100111100110010	* =	01,120,020.21	Ψ=	200,010.00	<b>=</b> ~ =	101,100.00	•	01,002,002.00
Investments in Governmental Fixed Assets	\$_	37,423,628.21					\$_	37,552,652.33

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 1: FORM OF GOVERNMENT

The Borough of North Plainfield operates as a Mayor-Council Plan E form of Borough Government. The Mayor is elected in a general election and serves a four-year term. The Mayor is the head of the municipal government. The Legislative function of government is performed by Borough Council consisting of seven members, each elected in a general election to terms of four years. At its annual reorganization meeting, the Council elects a President of the Council who shall preside at all its meetings. The Borough has adopted an administrative code, which provides for the delegation of a portion of executive responsibilities to an Administrator. The Borough Administrator is appointed by the Mayor and Council and carries out the Council's plans and orders. All Borough departments report to the Administrator, who is responsible for personnel policy and organization, interdepartmental coordination, budget planning and procurement of goods and services necessary to the Borough's operations.

#### Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### A. Reporting Entity

Except as noted below, the financial statements of the Borough of North Plainfield include every board, body, officer or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the Borough of North Plainfield, as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-5. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Borough of North Plainfield do not include the operations of the municipal library, which is a branch of the Somerset County Library System, and includable in that entity, the Board of Education, and volunteer first aid organizations and fire companies.

### B. <u>Description of Funds</u>

The accounting policies of the Borough conform to the accounting principles applicable to municipalities, which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Borough accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds:

<u>Current Fund</u> - Resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including Federal and State grant funds, except as otherwise noted.

<u>Trust Fund</u> - Receipts, custodianship and disbursement of funds in accordance with the purpose for which each reserve was created. These include the Trust Assessment, Animal Control, and General Trust Funds.

<u>General Capital Fund</u> - Resources, including Federal and State Grants in aid of construction, and expenditures for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired through the Current Fund, including the status of bonds and notes authorized for said purposes.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

### B. <u>Description of Funds (Cont'd)</u>

<u>Sewer Utility Fund</u> - Resources and expenditures for the operations and acquisition of capital facilities of the municipally owned Sewer Utility.

<u>Public Assistance Fund</u> - Receipt and disbursement of funds that provide assistance to certain residents of the Borough pursuant to Title 44 of New Jersey Statutes. The Borough has transferred all statutory responsibilities relating to the provision of Public Assistance to the County of Somerset.

<u>Payroll Fund</u> – Net salaries, certain payroll deductions and social security contributions of municipal and utility operations are deposited into various bank accounts of the Payroll Fund. A Payroll Fund does not exist under GAAP.

<u>General Fixed Assets</u> – The General Fixed Asset Account Group is used to account for fixed assets used in municipal operations, for control purposes. Infrastructure assets such as roads, sidewalks, etc. are not capitalized. General fixed assets acquired prior to 1985 are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost was not available. Assets acquired or constructed subsequent to 1985 are valued at historical cost. Contributed capital is valued at the estimated fair market value of the asset at the date of the contribution. No depreciation is recorded on general fixed assets.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standards-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. GASB's Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards and subsequent GASB pronouncements are recognized as U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for state and local governments. GAAP provides for the issuance of entity-wide financial statements along with the presentation of separate fund financial statements that differ from the organization of funds prescribed under the regulatory basis of accounting utilized by the Borough. The resultant presentation of financial position and results of operations in the form of financial statements is not intended to present the basic financial statement presentation required by GAAP.

### C. Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services ("DLGS") for its operating funds is generally a modified cash basis for revenue recognition and a modified accrual basis for expenditures. The operating funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. The accounting principles and practices prescribed for municipalities by the Division differ in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applicable to local government units. The most significant is the GAAP basis reporting of consolidated entity-wide financial statements on a full accrual basis, which are not presented in the accounting principles prescribed by the Division. Other more significant differences between GAAP and the regulatory basis followed by the Borough are as follows:

<u>Entity-Wide Financial Statements</u> – The regulatory basis of accounting followed by New Jersey municipal government does not require the presentation of entity-wide statements of financial position and activities. GAAP requires such a presentation, excluding only fiduciary funds.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

### C. Basis of Accounting (Cont'd)

<u>Component Units</u> – The regulatory basis for the establishment of the financial reporting entity is set forth in statute and does not include entities that may be considered to be component units under GAAP. GAAP requires the inclusion of component units in the financial reporting entity. The criteria for the inclusion of legally separate entities as component units of a primary government include the ability of the primary government to appoint a voting majority of the governing board of the entity, and the ability of the primary government to impose its will on the entity, the ability of the primary government to access the financial resources of the entity (or the responsibility of the primary government to assume obligations of the entity).

Revenues - Revenues are recorded as received in cash except for statutory reimbursements and grant funds, which are due from other governmental units. State and Federal grants, entitlements and shared revenues received for operating purposes are realized as revenues when anticipated in the Borough's budget. Receivables for property taxes and water and sewer consumer charges are recorded with offsetting reserves within the Current Fund and Sewer Utility Fund, respectively. Other amounts that are due to the Borough which are susceptible to accrual are recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves. These reserves are liquidated and revenues are recorded as realized upon receipt of cash. GAAP requires the recognition of revenues for general operations in the accounting period in which they become available and measurable, with the exception of water and sewer charges, which should be recognized in the period they are earned and become measurable.

Expenditures - For purposes of financial reporting, expenditures are recorded as "paid or charged" or "appropriation reserves". Paid or charged refers to the Borough's "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally, these expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with the encumbrance accounting system. Reserves for unliquidated encumbrances at the close of the year are reported as a cash liability. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures under GAAP. An appropriation reserve refers to unexpended appropriation balances at the close of the year. Appropriation reserves are automatically created and recorded as a cash liability, except for amounts, which may be cancelled by the governing body. Appropriation reserves are available until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred and not recorded in the preceding fiscal year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income.

Generally, unexpended balances of budget appropriations are not recorded as expenditures under GAAP.

For the purpose of calculating the results of Current Fund operations, the regulatory basis of accounting utilized by the Borough requires that certain expenditures be deferred, and raised as items of appropriation in budgets of succeeding years. These deferred charges include two general categories of over expenditures and emergency appropriations. Overexpenditures occur when expenditures recorded as "paid or charged" exceed available appropriation balances. Emergency appropriations occur when, subsequent to the adoption of a balanced budget, the governing body authorizes the establishment of additional appropriations based on unforeseen circumstances or for other special purposes as defined by statute. Overexpenditures and emergency appropriations are deducted from total expenditures in the calculation of operating results and are established as assets for Deferred Charges on the Current Fund balance sheet. GAAP does not permit the deferral of overexpenditures to succeeding budgets. In addition, GAAP

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

### C. Basis of Accounting (Cont'd)

does not recognize expenditures based on the authorization of an appropriation. Instead, the authorization of special purpose expenditures, such as the preparation of tax maps or revaluation of assessable real property, would represent the designation of fund balance.

New Jersey statutes require municipalities to provide annual funding to Free Public Libraries through the Current Fund Budget. Amounts paid on behalf of the Free Public Library or transferred to the custody of the Library's management are recorded as budgetary expenditures of the municipality, notwithstanding the fact that the Library is recognized as a separate entity for financial reporting purposes. Under GAAP, the Library would be recognized, as a "component unit" of the municipality, and discrete reporting of the Library's financial position and operating results would be incorporated in the municipality's financial statements. The Borough of North Plainfield is a member of the Somerset County Library System and does not provide funding to a Free Public Library.

The Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq.) requires that certain operating transfers between funds, transfers of anticipated operating surpluses between the Current Fund and Sewer Utility Fund, transfers from the Sewer Utility Operating Fund to the Sewer Utility Capital Fund (to finance capital projects) and transfers from the Current Fund to the Trust Funds or General Capital Fund are required to be included in Borough's annual budgets as budget appropriations. Expenditures are recorded upon the adoption of the budget for legally required transfers, and upon the determination of availability of funds for any discretionary transfers. Under GAAP, operating transfers are not recognized as expenditures.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> - The Borough has adopted written policies via employee contracts and municipal ordinances which set forth the terms under which an employee may accumulated earned, but unused, vacation and sick leave, establishes the limits on such accumulations and specifies the conditions under which the right to receive payment for such accumulations vests with the employee. The Borough records expenditures for payments of earned and unused vacation and sick leave in the accounting period in which the payments are made. GAAP requires that expenditures be recorded in the governmental (Current Fund) fund in an amount that would normally be liquidated with available financial resources, and that expenditures be recorded in the enterprise (Sewer Utility Fund) fund on a full accrual basis.

Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) - Financial reporting standards established by the DLGS exclude the financial information relating to a LOSAP program from the scope of the statutory audit. Accordingly, financial information relating to the Borough's LOSAP program, a deferred income program created pursuant to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code for the benefit of the members of the volunteer first aid and rescue squad, is not reported as part of the Borough's basic financial statements. As the LOSAP Plan's assets remain the property of the Borough until withdrawn by participants, GAAP requires that the Plan's financial information be included in the Borough's basic financial statements. See Note 18 regarding the availability of LOSAP Plan financial information.

<u>Property Acquired for Taxes</u> - Foreclosed property is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved. GAAP requires such property to be recorded in the general fixed asset account group at the lower of cost or fair market value.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

### C. <u>Basis of Accounting (Cont'd.)</u>

<u>Sale of Municipal Assets</u> - Cash proceeds from the sale of Borough owned property are reserved until utilized as an item of anticipated revenue in a subsequent year budget. Year-end balances of such proceeds are reported as a cash liability in the Current Fund. GAAP requires that revenue be recognized in the accounting period that the terms of sales contracts become legally enforceable.

<u>Interfunds</u> - Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves, which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the accounting period the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves. GAAP does not require the establishment of an offsetting reserve.

<u>Inventories of Supplies</u> - The cost of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the various balance sheets. GAAP requires recognition of the value of inventories of supplies of the Sewer Utility Fund.

Governmental Fixed Assets - Property and equipment purchased by the Current and the General Capital Funds are recorded within the respective funds as expenditures at the time of purchase and are not capitalized. Contributions in aid of construction are not capitalized within the various funds of the municipality. Depreciation on general fixed assets is not recorded as an operating expense within the funds or in the combined financial statements. GAAP does not require recognition of depreciation of these assets as an operating expense of the funds, but does require the recognition of depreciation of governmental fixed assets as a governmental operating expense in the entity-wide financial statements. New Jersey Administrative Code 5:30-5.6 established a mandate for fixed asset accounting by municipalities, effective December 31, 1985. All non-infrastructure fixed assets acquired by the Borough of North Plainfield are recorded at cost, if available or by other acceptable methods when historical cost data was not available.

<u>Utility Fixed Assets</u> - Infrastructure and equipment purchased by Sewer Utility Fund are recorded as expenditures and are also capitalized within the Sewer Utility Capital Fund at cost with an offsetting reserve for amortization, and are adjusted for disposition and abandonment. The amounts shown as utility fixed capital do not purport to represent reproduction costs or current value. Contributed assets are not capitalized. The balance in the Reserve for Amortization and Deferred Reserve for Amortization accounts in the Sewer Utility Capital Fund represent charges to operations for the costs of acquisitions of property, equipment and improvements. GAAP does not require the establishment of a reserve for amortization for utility fixed assets, but does require the recognition of depreciation of these assets as an operating expense of the utility. The provisions of New Jersey Administrative Code 5:30-5.6 also established a mandate for utility fund fixed asset accounting by municipalities. All non-infrastructure utility fixed assets acquired or constructed with utility financial resources are recorded at cost, if available or by other acceptable methods when historical cost data was not available.

#### Disclosures About Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

### C. <u>Basis of Accounting (Cont'd.)</u>

Cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments: The carrying amount approximates fair value because of the short maturity of those instruments.

Long-term debt: The Borough's long-term debt is stated at face value. The debt is not traded and it is not practicable to determine its fair value without incurring excessive cost. Additional information pertinent to the Borough's long-term debt is provided in Note 3 to the financial statements.

Net Pension Liability and Pension Related Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources and Pension Expense - The requirements of GASB Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68" require governmental entities to record their distributive shares of net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and total pension related expense. Accounting principles applicable to municipalities, which have been prescribed by the Division, do not require the recording of these liabilities, deferrals and expenses, but do require the disclosure of these amounts. The audited financial information related to pensions is released annually by the State's Division of Pensions and Benefits and is required to be included as note disclosures in the financial statements. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.1(c)2, municipalities may use the most recent available audited GASB Statement No. 68 financial information published by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits. As of the date of the audit, the 2022 Public Employees' Retirement System Report and the 2022 Police and Firemen's Retirement System Report were the most recent reports available and therefore these years were disclosed accordingly. Refer to Note 12 for these disclosures

<u>Disclosures About OPEB Liabilities</u> – The Borough has included information relating to its allocated shares of net OPEB liabilities of the state sponsored, cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans in which it participates in Note 13 and the accompanying required supplementary information. GASB Statement No. 75 "Accounting and Financial Reporting Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions" has requirements similar to GASB Statement No. 68. The annual financial information related to postemployment benefits is released annually by the State's Division of Pensions and Benefits and is required to be included as note disclosures in the financial statements. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.1(c)2, municipalities may use the most recent available audited GASB Statement No. 75 financial information published by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits. As of the date of audit, the 2022 Report was the most recent report available and therefore information for that year was disclosed accordingly. Refer to Note 13 for these disclosures

#### Recent Accounting Standards

The Borough does not prepare its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The adoption of these new standards will not adversely affect the reporting on the Borough's financial condition.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

### C. <u>Basis of Accounting (Cont'd.)</u>

The GASB issued Statement No. 96, "Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements" in May 2020. This Statement provides guidance on accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements. The requirements of this Statement are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2022. The requirements of this Statement have been evaluated by the Borough and have been determined to be immaterial to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The GASB issued Statement No. 99, "Omnibus 2022" in April 2022. This Statement provides guidance on the requirements related to the extension of the use of LIBOR, accounting for SNAP distributions, disclosures of nonmonetary transactions, pledges of future revenues by pledging governments, clarification of certain provisions in Statement No. 34, as amended, and terminology updates related to Statement No. 53 and Statement No. 63 which are effective immediately upon issuance. Additionally, the Statement provides guidance related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs which are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2022. Lastly, the Statement provides guidance related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement No. 53 which is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2023. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

The GASB issued Statement No. 101, "Compensated Absences" in June 2022. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter. Management has not determined the impact of the Statement on the financial statements

The GASB issued Statement No. 102 "Certain Risk Disclosures" December 2023. This Statement defines a concentration as a lack of diversity related to an aspect of a significant inflow of resources or outflow of resources. A constraint is a limitation imposed on a government by an external party or by formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority. Concentrations and constraints may limit a government's ability to acquire resources or control spending. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, and all reporting periods thereafter. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

#### Comparative Data

Comparative data for the prior year has been presented in order to provide an understanding of changes on the Borough's financial position and operations. However, comparative data has not been presented in each of the statements since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 3 DEBT, DEBT SERVICE AND STATUTORY DEBT CONDITION

### A. Summary of Municipal Debt for Capital Projects

		<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>
Issued:				
General:				
Bonds	\$	13,372,000.00	\$	15,512,000.00
SCIA Revenue Bonds		3,665,000.00		3,800,000.00
Bond Anticipation Notes Sewer Utility:		5,315,100.00		
Bonds		4,418,000.00		4,653,000.00
Bond Anticipation Notes	_	1,725,000.00	•	
Total Debt Issued	_	28,495,100.00		23,965,000.00
Net Debt Issued	_	28,495,100.00	•	23,965,000.00
Authorized but Not Issued:				
General:				
Bonds & Notes		3,276,005.00		5,315,100.00
Sewer Utility Bonds & Notes	_	329,524.00		1,831,900.48
Total Authorized but				
Not Issued	_	3,605,529.00		7,147,000.48
Net Bonds & Notes Issued and Authorized but Not				
Issued	\$_	32,100,629.00	\$	31,112,000.48

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 3: DEBT, DEBT SERVICE AND STATUTORY DEBT CONDITION (CONT'D.)

### A. Summary of Municipal Debt for Capital Projects (Cont'd.)

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Borough's debt obligations are as follows:

	2023	2022
General Improvement Debt:		
\$14,416,000.00, General Improvement Bonds of 2015, due in installments of \$1,030,000.00 to \$1,106,000.00 through June 2027, interest at 3.000%	\$ 4,281,000.00	\$ 5,641,000.00
\$11,291,000.00, General Improvement Bonds of 2020, due in installments of \$1,136,000.00 to \$1,420,000.00 through April 2030, interest at 2.000%	9,091,000.00	9,871,000.00
\$3,800,000, County Guaranteed Lease Revenue Bonds of 2022, due in installments of \$205,000 to \$340,000 through February 2037, interest at 1.746% to 5.000%	3,665,000.00	3,800,000.00
\$5,315,100, Bond Anticipation Notes of 2023, maturing on November 27, 2024, interest at 4.750%	5,315,100.00	
Total General Improvement Debt	\$22,352,100.00	\$ 19,312,000.00
<u>Utility Debt:</u>		
\$1,864,000.00, Sewer Utility Bonds of 2015, due in installments of \$65,000.00 to \$95,000.00 through June 2035, interest at 3.000% to 3.500%	\$ 969,000.00	\$ 1,094,000.00
\$3,779,000.00, Sewer Utility Bonds of 2020, due in installments of \$179,000.00 to \$220,000.00 through April 2040, interest at 2.000%	3,449,000.00	3,559,000.00
\$1,725,000 Bond Anticipation Notes of 2023, maturing on November 27, 2024, interest at 4.750%	1,725,000.00	
Total Utility Debt	\$ 6,143,000.00	\$ 4,653,000.00
Total Debt Issued and Outstanding	\$28,495,100.00	\$ 23,965,000.00

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 3: DEBT, DEBT SERVICE AND STATUTORY DEBT CONDITION (CONT'D.)

#### B. Summary of Statutory Debt Condition - Annual Debt Statement

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of:

### <u>2023</u>

	Gross Debt	<u>Deductions</u>	Net Debt
Local School District Debt Sewer Utility Debt	\$ 2,931,000.00 6,472,524.00	\$ 2,931,000.00 6,472,524.00	
General Capital Debt	25,628,105.00	3,452.96	\$ 25,624,652.04
	\$ 35,031,629.00	\$ 9,406,976.96	\$ 25,624,652.04

Net Debt \$25,624,652.04 Divided by Equalized Valuation Basis per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-2 as amended \$2,205,473,594.67 = 1.162%

### **Equalized Valuation Basis**

2021 Equalized Valuation Basis of Real Property 2022 Equalized Valuation Basis of Real Property 2023 Equalized Valuation Basis of Real Property	\$ 2,028,562,593.00 2,224,575,447.00 2,363,282,744.00
Average Equalized Valuation	\$ 2,205,473,594.67
Borrowing Power Under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6 As Amended	
3 1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis Municipal Net Debt	\$ 77,191,575.81 25,624,652.04
Remaining Borrowing Power	\$ 51,566,923.77

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 3: DEBT, DEBT SERVICE AND STATUTORY DEBT CONDITION (CONT'D.)

B. S	ummary of Statutor	y Debt Condition - Annual Debt Stateme	nt (Cont'd)
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Calculation of "Self-Liquidating Purpose" Sewer Utility Per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-45

The calculation of "Self-Liquidating Purpose" for the Sewer Utility, per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-45 is as follows:

2023

Cash Receipts from Fees, Rents or Other

Charges for Year \$ 2,893,066.87

Deductions:

Operating & Maintenance Cost \$ 2,318,000.00

Debt Service Per Sewer Account 316,071.17

Total Deductions 2,634,071.17

Excess in Revenues \$ 258,995.70

As there is an excess in revenue, all Sewer Utility debt is deductible for debt statement purposes.

The foregoing debt information is in material agreement with the Annual Debt Statement filed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Deduction of Self-Liquidating Utility Debt for Statutory Net Debt (N.J.S.A. 40A:2-45)

The difference between the excess in revenues for debt statement purposes and the statutory cash basis for the Sewer Utility is as follows:

2023

Excess	in Revenues - Cash Basis (D-1)	432,851.29	
Add:	Adjustment for Accrued Interest		9,019.28
			441,870.57
Less:	Lapsed Reserves		182,874.87
Excess	in Revenues	\$	258.995.70

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 3: DEBT, DEBT SERVICE AND STATUTORY DEBT CONDITION (CONTD.)

C. Schedule of Annual Debt Service for Principal and Interest for Bonded Debt Issued and Outstanding at December 31, 2023

Calendar	Gen	<u>eral</u>		Sewer	· Utilit	Υ	
<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
0004	ф. 0.0 <del>7</del> 4.000.00	Φ	445 500 00	Φ 044 000 00	Φ.	75 000 00	Ф 0 400 400 00
2024	\$ 2,371,000.00	\$	445,523.20	\$ 244,000.00	\$	75,880.63	\$ 3,136,403.83
2025	2,485,000.00		386,653.15	250,000.00		70,367.56	3,192,020.71
2026	2,530,000.00		325,565.04	255,000.00		64,640.04	3,175,205.08
2027	2,576,000.00		252,416.21	260,000.00		69,726.29	3,158,142.50
2028	1,645,000.00		190,425.00	265,000.00		74,555.63	2,174,980.63
subtotal	11,607,000.00		1,600,582.60	1,274,000.00		355,170.15	14,836,752.75
2029-2033	4,150,000.00		470,250.00	1,430,000.00		274,146.89	6,324,396.89
2034-2038	1,280,000.00		105,000.00	1,274,000.00		105,347.50	2,764,347.50
2039-2041				440,000.00		8,800.00	448,800.00
Totals	\$ 17,037,000.00	\$	2,175,832.60	\$4,418,000.00	\$	743,464.54	\$24,374,297.14

#### Note 4: GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS

At December 31, 2022 and 2023, the Borough's governmental fixed assets consisted of:

		Balance					Balance
	De	ecember 31, 2022 Additions		Deletions		December 31, 2023	
Buildings	\$	21,811,339.00			 	\$	21,811,339.00
Land		4,467,000.00					4,467,000.00
Equipment		2,338,150.24	\$	82,380.00	\$ 85,793.88		2,334,736.36
Furniture & Fixtures		3,424,828.22		44,438.00			3,469,266.22
Vehicles		5,382,310.75		134,000.00	46,000.00		5,470,310.75
	\$	37,423,628.21	\$	260,818.00	\$ 131,793.88	\$	37,552,652.33

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

#### Note 5: DEFERRED COMPENSATION TRUST FUND

The Borough of North Plainfield Deferred Compensation Plan was established pursuant to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15B-1. The Plan is an arrangement whereby a public employer may establish a plan and permit its employees to voluntarily authorize a portion of their current salary to be withheld and invested in one or more the types of investments permitted under the governing regulations. The Borough has engaged a private contractor to administer the plan.

The Borough adopted a resolution on December 14, 1998 amending its plan in accordance with the amendments to Section 457 of the Code included in the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996. This legislation eliminated provisions of the law that required compensation, which was deferred under the Plan to remain assets of the employer. The Plan amendment specifies that Plan assets are held "for the exclusive benefit of Plan participants and their beneficiaries". Accordingly, the financial statements of the Plan are not included in the Borough's financial statements for periods ending subsequent to December 31, 1997.

#### Note 6: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED

Fund Balances at December 31, 2023 and 2022 that were appropriated and included as anticipated revenue in their own respective funds for the years ending December 31, 2023 and 2022 were as follows:

	JND BALANCE EMBER 31, 2023	UTILIZED IN UCCEEDING BUDGET
Current Fund	\$ 5,130,373.94	\$ 2,800,000.00
Sewer Utility Fund	518,772.95	400,000.00
	 JND BALANCE EMBER 31, 2022	UTILIZED IN UCCEEDING BUDGET
Current Fund	\$ 3,677,809.17	\$ 1,750,000.00
Sewer Utility Fund	485,921.66	400,000.00

### Note 7: DEFERRED CHARGES TO BE RAISED IN FUTURE BUDGETS

Certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of future years. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no deferred charges shown on the balance sheets of the various funds.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 8: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### Deposits

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in institutions located in New Jersey, which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or by any other agencies of the United States that insures deposits or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposit of public funds that exceed insurance limits to protect deposits from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et. seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Act. Public depositories include Savings and Loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and savings banks the deposits of which are federally insured.

All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five (5) percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds; or if the public funds deposited exceed 75 percent of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value equal to 100 percent of the amount exceeding 75 percent, to secure the deposits of governmental units.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.00. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the full amount of their deposits to the Governmental Units.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 8: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D.)

#### Deposits (Cont'd.)

An analysis of the Borough's cash, cash equivalents and investments at December 31, 2023 and 2022, by Fund/Category (Type) is as follows:

		2023	2022
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	Current	\$8,370,474.3	\$7,319,965.71
	Grant	296,180.92	2 1,394,445.25
	General Capital	3,295,181.12	2 672,734.29
	Trust	3,238,128.50	3,848,252.45
	Sewer Utility Operating	748,500.40	698,789.11
	Sewer Utility Capital	2,279,200.40	1,209,301.58
	Payroll	11,313.9	8,487.12
	Total Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$18,238,979.73	\$15,151,975.51
By Category (Type)			
(1)0)		2023	2022
	Cash & Cash Equivalents:	Amount	Amount
	Demand Accounts	\$18,238,129.73	\$15,151,125.51
	Change Funds	850.00	850.00
	Total Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$18,238,979.73	\$15,151,975.51

Based upon GASB criteria, the Borough considers cash in banks, investments in certificates of deposit and State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund as cash and cash equivalents. At December 31, 2023, the carrying amount of the Borough's deposits was \$18,238,979.73 and the bank balance was \$21,012,010.12. Of the bank balance, \$505,451.44 was covered by Federal depository insurance and \$20,351,128.22 was covered under the provisions of NJGUDPA. All deposits are carried at cost. \$155,430.46 held in agency and payroll accounts for the year ended December 31, 2023 are not covered by GUDPA. At December 31, 2022, the carrying amount of the Borough's deposits was \$15,151,975.51 and the bank balance was \$18,452,747.46. Of the bank balance, \$508,131.64 was covered by Federal depository insurance and \$17,816,769.92 was covered under the provisions of NJGUDPA. All deposits are carried at cost. \$127,845.90 held in agency and payroll accounts for the year ended December 31, 2022 are not covered by GUDPA.

Custodial Credit Risk – The Borough's deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depositor insurance and the deposits are: uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the depositor-government's

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 8: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D.)

#### Deposits (Cont'd.)

name. The deposit risk is that, in the event of a bank failure, the Borough's deposits may not be returned to it. The Borough's investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the Borough and are held by either: the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the Borough's name.

The investment risk is that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the Borough will not be able to recover the value of the investment or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The government does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, based upon the insured balances provided by the FDIC and NJGUDPA coverage, no amount of the Borough's bank balance was exposed to custodial risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk – This is the risk associated with the amount of investment the Borough has with any one issuer that exceeds 5 percent or more of its total investments. Investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government and investments in mutual funds, external investment pools, and other pooled investments are excluded from this requirement.

Credit Risk – GASB Statement No. 40 requires that disclosure be made as to the credit rating of all debt security investments except for obligations of the U.S. government or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government. This risk is that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Borough does not have an investment policy regarding Credit Risk. The Cash Management Fund is not rated.

Interest Rate Risk – This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Borough does not have a formal policy that limits investments maturities as a means of managing it exposure to fair value losses arising from interest rate fluctuations.

#### Investments

New Jersey statutes permit the Borough to purchase the following types of securities:

- 1. Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States:
- 2. Government money market mutual funds;
- 3. Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided such obligation bear a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor:
- 4. Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 8: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D.)

### Investments (Cont'd)

- 5. Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date of not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment in the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- 6. Local government investment pools;
- 7. Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1997, c. 281 (C.52:18A-90.4); or
- 8. Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities, if:
  - a. the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3);
  - b. the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
  - c. the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
  - d. the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c. 236 (C.19:9-41) and for which a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

#### Note 9: ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES

New Jersey statutes require that taxable valuation of real property be prepared by the Borough Tax Assessor as of October 1 in each year and filed with the County Board of Taxation by January 10 of the following year. Upon the filing of certified adopted budgets by The Borough, County and School District, the tax rate is struck by the board based on the certified amounts in each of the taxing districts for collection to fund the budgets. Pursuant to statute, this process is to be completed on or before May 3, with a completed duplicate of the tax rolls to be delivered to The Borough's Tax Collector on or before May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Tax bills are prepared and mailed by the Collector of Taxes of The Borough annually and set forth the final tax for the tax year. The bills contain a credit for preliminary amounts billed previously with the balance payable in equal installments on August 1st and November 1st of the tax year. In addition, the property owner receives a preliminary bill for the succeeding year based on one half of the prior year's tax. The preliminary payments are due and payable on February 1st and May 1st. The New Jersey statutes allow a grace period of 10 days for each payment period and The Borough granted this option to taxpayers. Taxes become delinquent if not paid on the installment dates and become subject to interest penalties of 8% to 18% of the amount delinquent, and if a delinquency (including interest) is in excess of \$10,000.00 and remains in arrears after December 31, an additional flat penalty of 6% may be charged against the delinquency. If taxes are delinquent on or after April 1st of the succeeding year, the delinquent amount is subject to "Tax Sale" which places a tax lien on the property allowing the holder to enforce the tax lien by collection or foreclosure. New Jersey property tax laws establish a tax lien on real estate as of January 1st of the current tax year even though the amount due is not known.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

#### Note 10: INTERFUND BALANCES

At December 31, 2023, the following interfund account receivable and payable balances are included on the balance sheets of the following funds:

	2	2023	2022			
	Due from	Due to	Due from	Due to		
<u>Fund</u>	Other Funds	Other Funds	Other Funds	Other Funds		
Current Fund Animal Control Fund			\$ 10,493.93	\$ 10,493.93		
Totals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,493.93	\$ 10,493.93		

#### Note 11: LEASES

#### Borough as a Lessee

The Borough is a lessee for leases of Borough police vehicles. The Borough acknowledges a lease obligation with an initial, collective value of \$15,000 or more. See below for detail.

At commencement of a lease, the Borough initially measures the lease obligation at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease obligation is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. Key estimates and judgements related to leases include how the Borough determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease payments.

The Borough uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the Borough uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.

The lease term includes the non-cancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease obligation are composed of fixed payments and any purchase option price that the Borough is reasonably certain to exercise. The Borough monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease obligation and will remeasure if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease obligation.

Effective October 17, 2023, the Borough entered into a lease–purchase agreement with Laurel Mountain Leasing and Financial Services for three police vehicles. The value of the leased vehicles was \$135,570.09, which includes an underwriting fee of \$2,464.44. The term of the lease is 23 months and the rate of interest on the unpaid lease balance is 7.535%. The agreement requires 23 monthly payments of \$6,481.18 commencing June 1, 2024 and contains an option for the Borough to purchase the vehicles at the conclusion of the lease period for \$1.00.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 11: LEASES (CONT'D)

Effective September 9, 2021, the Borough entered into a lease–purchase agreement with KS StateBank for three police vehicles. The value of the leased vehicles was \$103,893.89, which includes an underwriting fee of \$1,185.00. The term of the lease is 23 months and the rate of interest on the unpaid lease balance is 3.457%. The agreement requires 23 monthly payments of \$4,688.28 commencing April 1, 2022 and contains an option for the Borough to purchase the vehicles at the conclusion of the lease period for \$1.00.

Remaining payments required by the lease agreements at December 31, 2023 are as follows:

Year	Total	Principal	Interest	
2024	\$ 54,744.82	\$ 43,999.13	\$ 10,745.69	
2025	77,774.16	72,914.29	4,859.87	
2026	25,924.72	25,528.70	396.02	
Total	\$ 158,443.70	\$ 142,442.12	\$ 16,001.58	

#### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS

#### A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit pension plan as defined in GASB Statement No. 68. The Plan is administered by The New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits ("Division"). The more significant aspects of the PERS Plan are as follows:

Plan Membership and Contributing Employers- Substantially all full-time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, school district or public agency are enrolled in PERS, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pension fund or other jurisdiction's pension fund. Membership and contributing employers of the defined benefit pension plans consisted of the following at June 30, 2022:

	2022
Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	187,372
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits Active plan members	723 240,961
Total	429,056

Contributing Employers - 1,691

Significant Legislation – For State of New Jersey contributions to PERS, Chapter 1, P.L. 2010, effective May 21, 2010, required the State to resume making actuarially recommended contributions to the pension plan on a phased-in basis over a seven-year period beginning in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

Chapter 19, P.L. 2009, effective March 17, 2009, provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State Fiscal Year 2009. Such an employer will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of PERS, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets.

Pursuant to the provision of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, COLA increases were suspended for all current and future retirees of PERS.

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Borough's total payroll for all employees was \$15,390,898.76 and \$14,268,578.88, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, total PERS covered payroll was \$3,157,123.00 and \$3,139,600.00, respectively. Due to payroll system limitations, covered payroll refers to pensionable compensation, rather than total compensation, paid by the Borough to active employees covered by the Plan.

Specific Contribution Requirements and benefit provisions – The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A 43:15 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contributions are based on an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding or noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For fiscal year 2022, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarial determined amount.

Employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate. The annual employer contributions include funding for basic retirement allowances and noncontributory death benefits. Borough contributions are due and payable on April 1st in the second fiscal period subsequent to plan year for which the contributions requirements were calculated.

It is assumed that the local employers will contribute 100% of their actuarially determined contribution and 100% of their Non-Contributory Group Insurance Premium Fund (NCGIPF) contribution while the State will contribute 70% of its actuarially determined contribution and 100% of its NCGIPF contribution. The 70% contribution rate is the actual total State contribution rate paid in fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 with respect to the actuarially determined contribution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 for all State administered retirement systems.

In accordance with Chapter 98, P.L. 2017, PERS receives 21.02% of the proceeds of the Lottery Enterprise for a period of 30 years. Revenues received from lottery proceeds are assumed to be contributed to the System on a monthly basis.

The Borough's liability to PERS for the year ending December 31, 2023 and 2022 consisted of the following:

	 2023	2022
Total Regular Billing	\$ 551,039.00	\$ 512,619.00

The Borough recognizes liabilities to PERS and records expenditures for same in the fiscal period that bills become due

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Definition</u>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 21, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 21, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

A service retirement benefit of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tier 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to tier 3 and 4 members with 25 years or more of service credit before age 62 and tier 5 members with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the retirement age of his/her respective tier.

Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

A special funding situation exists for certain Local employers of PERS. The State of New Jersey, as a nonemployer, is required to pay the additional costs incurred by local employers under Chapter 366, P.L. 2001 an Chapter 133, P.L. 2001. The legislation established the Prosecutors Part of the PERS which provides enhanced retirement benefits for prosecutors enrolled in the PERS. The state is liable for the increased pension costs to a county that resulted from the enrollment of prosecutors in the Prosecutors Part. The special funding situation for chapter 133, P.L. 2001 is due to the State paying the additional normal cost related to benefit improvements from Chapter 133.

At June 30, 2022, the PERS reported a net pension liability of \$15,219,184,920.00 for its Non-State Employer Member Group. The Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability for the Non-State Employer Member Group that is attributable to the Borough was \$6,134,680.00 or 0.0406502362%, which was an increase of 0.0002347770% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

At December 31, 2022, the Borough's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS were from the following sources, if GASB Statement No. 68 was recognized:

		Deferred		Deferred
		Outflows		Inflows
	<u>of</u>	Resources	<u>of</u>	Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	44,277.00	\$	39,046.00
Changes of assumptions		19,007.00		918,605.00
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings				
on pension plan investments		253,909.00		
Changes in proportion		272,713.00		340,270.00
Borough contributions subsequent to the measurement date		512,619.00		
	\$	1,102,525.00	\$	1,297,921.00

\$512,619.00 is reflected above as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Borough contributions subsequent to the measurement date. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions would be recognized in pension expense on the GAAP basis as follows:

Year ended	
December 31,	Amount
2023	\$ (451,824.00)
2024	(331,913.00)
2025	(204,120.00)
2026	280,228.00
2027	(386.00)
Total	\$ (708,015.00)

Actuarial Assumptions- The total pension liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	June 30, 2022
Inflation rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary increases:	2.75 - 6.55%
	based on years of service

7.00%

Investment rate of return

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

#### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 in the following table:

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		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
US Equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.60%
High Yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.10%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%
	100.00%	

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability – the following presents the net pension liability of PERS calculated using the discount rates as disclosed below as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	At 1%	At Current	At 1%
	Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	Increase (8.00%)
PERS	\$ 7,948,013.00	\$ 6,134,680.00	\$ 4,687,630.00

*Plan Fiduciary Net Position* – The plan fiduciary net position for PERS, including the State of New Jersey, at June 30, 2022 was \$32,568,122,309.00. The portion of the Plan Fiduciary Net Position that was allocable to the Local (Non-State) Group at June 30, 2022 was \$25,810,084,045.00.

#### Additional Information

Collective balances at June 30, 2022 are as follows:

Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$ 1,660,772,008.00
Collective deferred inflows of resources	3,236,303,935.00
Collective net pension liability- Local Group	15,219,184,920.00
Borough's Proportion	0.0406502362%

Collective pension expense for the Local Group for the measurement period ended June 30, 2022 was \$1,032,778,934.00. The average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members is 5.04, 5.13, 5.16, 5.21, 5.63, 5.48, 5.57, 5.72 and 6.44 years for 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

#### State Contribution Payable Dates

Chapter 83, P.L. 2016 requires the State to make pension contributions on a quarterly basis: at least 25% by September 30, at least 50% by December 31, at least 75% by March 31, and at least 100% by June 30. As such, contributions are assumed to be made on a quarterly basis with the first contribution 15 months after the associated valuation date.

Local employer's contributions are expected to be paid on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 21 months after the associated valuation date.

#### Receivable Contributions

The Fiduciary Net Position (FNP) includes Local employers' contributions receivable as reported in the financial statements provided by the Division of Pensions and Benefits. In determining the discount rate, the FNP at the beginning of each year does not reflect receivable contributions as those amounts are not available at the beginning of the year to pay benefits. The receivable contributions for the year ended June 30, 2022 are \$1,288,683,017.00

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

#### B. POLICE AND FIREMEN'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Police and Firemen's Retirement System is a cost-sharing, multiple employer defined benefit pension plan as defined in GASB Statement No. 68. The Plan is administered by The New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (Division). The more significant aspects of the PFRS Plan are as follows:

Plan Membership and Contributing Employers- Substantially all full-time county and municipal police and firemen and state firemen or officer employees with police powers appointed after June 30, 1944 are enrolled in PFRS Membership and contributing employers of the defined benefit pension plans consisted of the following at June 30, 2022:

	2022
Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	47,518
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	60
Active plan members	42,188
Total	89,766

Contributing Employers – 582

Significant Legislation - For State of New Jersey contributions to PFRS, Chapter 1, P.L. 2010, effective May 21, 2010, required the State to resume making actuarially recommended contributions to the pension plan on a phased-in basis over a seven-year period beginning in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012.

In accordance with Chapter 98, P.L. 2017, PFRS receives 1.2% of the proceeds of the Lottery Enterprise for a period of 30 years. Revenues received from the lottery proceeds are assumed to be contributed to the System on a monthly basis.

Consistent with Chapter 83, P.L. 2016, it is assumed that the State will make pension contributions in equal amounts at the end of each quarter. It is assumed the Local employers' contributions are expected to be received on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 21 months after the associated valuation date.

Pursuant to the provision of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, COLA increases were suspended for all current and future retirees of PFRS.

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Borough's total payroll for all employees was \$15,390,898.76 and \$14,268,578.88, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, total PFRS covered payroll was \$9,300,081.00 and \$8,785,884.00, respectively. Due to payroll system limitations, covered payroll refers to pensionable compensation, rather than total compensation, paid by the Borough to active employees covered by the Plan.

Specific Contribution Requirements and benefit provisions - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contributions rate increased from 8.5% of annual compensation to 10.0% in October 2011. Employer contribution amounts are based on an

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

#### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

actuarially determined rate. The annual employer contributions include funding for basic retirement allowances and noncontributory death benefits.

The Borough's liability to PFRS for the year ending December 31, 2023 and 2022 consisted of the following:

2023 2022
Total Regular Billing \$ 3,212,351.00 \$ 3,090,699.00

The Borough recognizes liabilities to PFRS and records expenditures for same in the fiscal period that bills become due.

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. PFRS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for disability benefits, which vest after 4 years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Definition</u>

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to May 21, 2010
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 21, 2010 and prior to June 28 2011
- 3 Members who were eligible on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

At June 30, 2022, the PFRS reported a net pension liability of \$13,483,472,009.00 for its Non-State, Non-Special Funding Situation Employer Member Group. The Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability for the Non-State Non-Special Funding Situation Employer Member Group was \$27,201,685.00, or 0.2376449300% which was a decrease of 0.0047068062% from its proportion, measured as of June 30, 2021. The pension liability for the June 30, 2022 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

At December 31, 2023 the Borough would have reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS from the following sources, if GASB Statement No. 68 was recognized:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows	Inflows
	of Resources	of Resources
Differences between expended and actual experience	\$ 1,231,221.00	\$ 1,666,473.00
Changes of assumptions	74,549.00	3,424,155.00
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings		
on pension plan investments	2,490,875.00	
Changes in proportion	503,987.00	1,197,546.00
Borough contributions subsequent to the measurement date	3,090,699.00	
	\$ 7,391,331.00	\$ 6,288,174.00

\$3,090,699.00 is reflected above as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Borough contributions subsequent to the measurement date. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions would be recognized in pension expense on the GAAP basis as follows, if GASB 68 was recognized:

Year ended	
December 31,	Amount
2023	\$ (1,379,640.00)
2024	(999,488.00)
2025	(1,050,702.00)
2026	1,538,955.00
2027	(94,568.00)
Thereafter	(2,099.00)
Total	\$ (1,987,542.00)

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

Actuarial Assumptions - The total collective pension liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

June 30, 2022

Inflation rate:

Price 2.75%
Wage 3.25%
Salary Increases: 3.25 - 16.25%
based on years of service

basea on years or

Investment rate of return 7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Employee mortality table with a 105.6% adjustment for males and 102.5% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Retiree Below-Median Income Weighted mortality table with a 96.7% adjustment for males and 96.0% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. For beneficiaries (contingent annuitants), the Pub-2010 General Retiree Below-Median Income Weighted mortality table was used, unadjusted, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 152.0% adjustment for males and 109.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plans' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

June 30, 2022

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
US Equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.60%
High Yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.10%
Invetsment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%
	100.00%	

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability as of June 30, 2022 was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability – The following presents the net pension liability of PFRS calculated using the discount rates as disclosed above as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	At 1% Decrease	At	Current Discount	At 1% Increase
	(6.00%)		Rate (7.00%)	(8.00%)
PFRS	\$ 43,966,165.00	\$	27,201,685.00	\$22,116,518.00

Plan Fiduciary Net Position – The plan fiduciary net position for PFRS at June 30, 2022 was 29,092,209,711.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

#### Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

#### Additional information

Collective Local Group balances at June 30, 2022 are as follows:

Collective deferred outflows of resources \$ 2,163,793,985.00 Collective deferred inflows of resources 2,805,919,463.00 Collective net pension liability 13,483,472,009.00

Borough's Proportion 0.2376449300%

Collective pension expense (benefit) for the Local Group for the measurement period ended June 30, 2022 was (\$742,955,825.00). The average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members is 6.22, 6.17, 5.90, 5.92, 5.73, 5.59, 5.58, 5.53 and 6.17 years for 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

#### State Contribution Payable Dates

Chapter 83, P.L. 2016 requires the State to make pension contributions on a quarterly basis: at least 25% by September 30, at least 50% by December 31, at least 75% by March 31, and at least 100% by June 30. As such, contributions are assumed to be made on a quarterly basis.

Local employer's contributions are expected to be paid on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 21 months after the associated valuation date.

#### Receivable Contributions

The Fiduciary Net Position (FNP) includes Local employers' contributions receivable as reported in the financial statements provided by the Division of Pensions and Benefits. In determining the discount rate, the FNP at the beginning of each year does not reflect receivable contributions as those amounts are not available at the beginning of the year to pay benefits. The receivable contributions for the year ended June 30, 2022 are \$0.00.

### Special Funding Situation

Under N.J.S.A 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation and state is treated as a non-employer entity. The non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the Borough as of June 30, 2022 for PFRS is 0.2376449300%. The non-employer contributing entities' contribution for the year ended June 30, 2022 was \$602,694.00. The State's proportionate share of net pension liability attributable to the Borough as of June 30, 2022 was \$4,841,102.00.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 12: PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (CONT'D)

#### C. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLAN

The Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (DCRP) is a multiple employer defined contribution plan as defined in GASB Statement No. 68. The Plan is administered by The New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (Division). The Division has selected Prudential Financial to manage the DCRP on its behalf. The more significant aspects of the DCRP are as follows:

Plan Membership and Contributing Employers- Enrollment in the DCRP is required for state or local officials, elected or appointed on or after July 1, 2007; employees enrolled in PFRS or PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PFRS or PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PFRS or PERS after May 21, 2010, who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tier 4 or tier 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

Contribution Requirement and Benefit Provisions - State and local government employers contribute 3% of the employees' base salary. Active members contribute 5.5% of base salary.

Eligible members are provided with a defined contribution retirement plan intended to qualify for favorable Federal income tax treatment under IRC Section 401(a), a noncontributory group life insurance plan and a noncontributory group disability benefit plan. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employee contributions shall immediately become and shall at all times remain fully vested and non-forfeitable. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employer contributions shall be vested and non-forfeitable on the date the participant commences the second year of employment or upon his or her attainment of age 65, while employed by an employer, whichever occurs first.

For the year ended December 31, 2023 the Borough's total payroll for all employees was \$15,390,898.76. Total DCRP covered payroll was \$174,489.00. Covered payroll refers to all compensation paid by the Borough to active employees covered by the Plan. The Borough and employee contributions to the DCRP for the year ended December 31, 2022 were \$5,234.67 and \$9,596.90, respectively.

#### D. EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

The contribution policy is set by laws of the State of New Jersey and contributions are required by active members and participating employers. Plan members and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation, with the amount of contributions by the State of New Jersey contingent upon the annual Appropriations Act. As defined, the various retirement systems require employee contributions based on 7.50% for PERS, 10% for PFRS and 5.5% for DCRP of employees' base wages.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

# Note 13: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS OTHER THAN PENSION PLANS – HEALTH CARE BENEFITS

State of New Jersey's Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan Description - The State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) is a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. The plan meets the definition of an equivalent arrangement as defined in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions; therefore, assets are accumulated to pay associated benefits. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the "State"), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the Division) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), which can be found at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us./treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml">https://www.state.nj.us./treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml</a>.

Benefits Provided - The Plan provides medical and prescription drug coverage to retirees and their dependents of the employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L. 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer.

Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Contributions - Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

# Note 13: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS OTHER THAN PENSION PLANS – HEALTH CARE BENEFITS (CONT'D)

responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

Plan Membership and Contributing Employers

Plan membership and contributing employers/non-employers consisted of the following at June 30,

		June 30, 2022
	Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	33,684
	Active plan members	65,360
	Total	99,044
	Contributing employers	590
2022:	Contributing nonemployers	1

*Nonspecial Funding Situation* - The State of New Jersey's Total OPEB Liability for nonspecial funding situation was \$12,775,785,891.00 at June 30, 2022.

Components of Net OPEB Liability - The components of the collective net OPEB liability for Local Government Retired Employees Plan, including the State of New Jersey, is as follows:

	 June 30, 2022
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 16,090,925,144.00
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (Deficit)	(58,670,334.00)
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 16,149,595,478.00
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Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage	
of the Total OPEB Liability	-0.36%

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

# Note 13: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS OTHER THAN PENSION PLANS – HEALTH CARE BENEFITS (CONT'D)

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs – The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. These actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to 2021 in the measurement:

June 30, 2022	

Inflation rate

2.50%

Salary increases\*:

Public Employees' Retirement Systems (PERS)

Rate for all future years 2.75% to 6.55%

based on years of service

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Rate for all future years

3.25% to 16.25% based on years of service

Mortality:

PERS Pub-2010 general classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational

mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021

PFRS Pub-2010 general classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational

mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021

Preretirement and postretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General classification headcount-weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2021 scale.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of the PFRS and PERS experience studies prepared for July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018 and July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018 respectively.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

Discount Rate - The discount rate for June 30, 2022 was 3.54%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer GO 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

<sup>\*</sup> Salary increases are based on years of service within the respective plan.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

# Note 13: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS OTHER THAN PENSION PLANS – HEALTH CARE BENEFITS (CONT'D)

Sensitivity of the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate and healthcare cost trend rate - The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.54%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.54%) than the current rate:

	At 1%	At Current		At 1%
	Decrease	D	iscount Rate	Increase
	(2.54%)		(3.54%)	(4.54%)
Borough's proportionate share of				
the net OBEB liability	\$ 28,071,130	\$	24,215,923	\$ 21,114,049

Sensitivity of the State's Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - The following presents the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022, calculated using the healthcare trend rate as disclosed above as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

		At Current	
	At 1%	Healthcare	At 1%
	Decrease	Trend Rate	Increase
Borough's proportionate share of			
the net OBEB liability	\$ 20,543,097	\$ 24,215,923	\$ 28,919,779

Changes in Proportion- The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 7.82, 7.82, 7.87, 8.05, 8.14, and 8.04 years for the 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017 amounts, respectively.

Special Funding Situation - The State of New Jersey's Total OPEB Liability for special funding situation was \$3,373,809,587.00 at June 30, 2022.

Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan, there is no net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

# Note 13: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS OTHER THAN PENSION PLANS – HEALTH CARE BENEFITS (CONT'D)

nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is associated with the local participating employer. The participating employer is required to record in their financial statements, as an expense and corresponding revenue, their proportionate shore of the OPEB expense allocated to the State of New Jersey under the special funding situation.

The amounts of the State's Non-employer OPEB Liability that are attributable to employees and retirees of the Borough of North Plainfield was \$24,215,923.00 (118 members) at June 30, 2022. These allocated liabilities represent 0.717762% of the State's total Nonemployer OPEB Liability for June 30, 2022. The OPEB Expense attributed to the Borough was (\$3,971,920.00) at June 30, 2022.

#### Note 14: ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION BENEFITS

The code of the Borough of North Plainfield sets forth the terms under which an employee may accumulate unused benefits for sick leave, compensatory time, and vacations. Currently, employees are eligible upon normal retirement to receive a termination payment for unused sick leave, at current pay rates, equal to one-half (1/2) the value of accumulated and unused sick leave up to ninety (90) days, plus five-sixths (5/6) the value of each full day of accumulated and unused sick leave in excess of ninety (90) days, up to and including the one hundred eightieth (180th) day.

The Borough maintains up-to-date records of each employee's status relating to earned and unused sick and vacation pay. It is estimated that the cost at December 31, 2023 and 2022 of such unpaid sick, compensatory and vacation pay would approximate \$4,117,038.50 and \$4,060,362.57. These amounts represent the current value of all accumulations, as limited by the Borough Code for sick pay, and is not intended to portray amounts that would be recorded under GAAP. The Borough has not discounted the total based upon a study of utilization by employees separating from service.

Neither has it excluded the accumulations of any employees based upon the likelihood that the right to receive termination payments for such accumulations will vest with the employees. The amount that the valuation reported above would be reduced under either of the methodologies permitted under GAAP has not been determined. Expenditures for payment of accrued sick and vacation benefits are recorded in the period in which payments are made as part of the current year's operating budget appropriations.

#### Note 15: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Borough manages its insurable risks with its participation in the Garden State Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. This fund provides for a pooling of self-retained risks of insurable losses, as well as cost effective excess insurance coverage.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 15: RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

#### Summary of Risk Management Program

The GSMJIF provides the following coverages to its participants:

- 1. Workers Compensation
- 2. General Liability
- 3. Automobile Liability
- 4. Employment Practices Liability/Public Officials Liability
- 5. Property Damage/APD

Information relating to the GSMJIF, including annual budgets and audited financial statements, is available at <a href="http://www.gsmjif.com">http://www.gsmjif.com</a>.

#### Note 16: LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTIONS

The Borough may provide for long-term tax exemptions, as authorized and permitted by New Jersey State Statutes. N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq. sets forth the criteria and mechanism by which property taxes can and are abated. During 2023 and 2022 the Borough had not provided tax abatements to any taxpayer for any property.

#### Note 17: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

As at the date of this report, the Borough had various litigations pending. The majority of the cases pending or threatened are defended and/or covered through the Borough's insurance coverages and risk management plan. Based upon all available information, the Borough does not believe that there are any legal matters pending which, in the event of an adverse or unfavorable outcome, would have a material impact upon the Borough's financial position.

#### Contractual Commitments:

As of December 31, 2023, the Borough was a party to various construction contracts and commitments that totaled \$1,423,036.40 in its General Capital Fund and \$90,635.96 in its Sewer Utility Capital Fund.

### Note 18: LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP) - UNAUDITED

The Borough of North Plainfield Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) is a qualified plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 457(e) and P.L. 1997, c.388, as amended by P.L. 2001, c.272. The Borough established the LOSAP Program for the Volunteer Fire Company and the Volunteer First Aid Organization. LOSAP provides for fixed annual contributions to a deferred income account for volunteer firefighters and rescue squad members who meet specified service criteria. LOSAP shall provide for annual contribution to each eligible member that meets the criteria as provided in the enacting LOSAP ordinance. The Borough of North Plainfield sponsors LOSAP through an annual award appropriated through the municipal budget. The LOSAP Program is subject to an annual review in accordance with AICPA standards for attestation engagements. LOSAP review reports are available in the office of the Borough Clerk during scheduled working hours.

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Note 19: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Borough has evaluated subsequent events occurring after December 31, 2023. through the date of June 21, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued and identified no material financial transactions through the issuance of the audit.

### PART II

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – REGULATORY BASIS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 and 2022

**CURRENT FUND** 

#### CURRENT FUND

### SCHEDULE OF CURRENT FUND CASH AND INVESTMENTS - ${\tt COLLECTOR-TREASURER}$

#### YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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	REF. CURRENT F		UND			L AND STATE NT FUND			
Balance - December 31, 2022	A			\$	7,319,265.71		-	\$	1,394,445.25
Increased by Receipts:									
Petty Cash Returned	A-6	\$	400.00						
Taxes Receivable	A-7		63,782,683.65						
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-8		9,975.17						
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-10		4,580,866.19						
Interfund	A-11, A-23		12,954,681.56			\$	75,381.96		
Various Reserves	A-12		1,229,669.46						
Prepaid Taxes	A-16		385,270.30						
State of NJ Sr. Citizen's & Vet. Deductions	A-17		56,775.01						
Various Other Payables	A-18		626,423.57						
Federal and State Grants Receivable	A-22						496,253.22		
Federal and State Grants Unappropriated	A-25			_			67,802.02	-	
					83,626,744.91				639,437.20
					90,946,010.62				2,033,882.45
Decreased by Diaburgements:					00,010,010.02				2,000,002.10
Decreased by Disbursements: Budget Appropriations	A-3		25,498,800.20						
Petty Cash Advanced	A-3 A-6		400.00						
Interfund	A-11, A-23		12,974,085.53			1	,737,701.53		
Various Reserves	A-11, A-23		1,021,057.77				,707,701.00		
Appropriation Reserves	A-12 A-13		1,017,622.10						
Accounts Payable	A-14		1,679.62						
Tax Overpayments	A-15		123,689.86						
Various Other Payables	A-18		641,441.86						
County Taxes	A-20		8,153,538.30						
Local District School Tax	A-21		33,143,921.04	_				_	
					82,576,236.28				1,737,701.53
Balance - December 31, 2023	А			\$	8,369,774.34			\$	296,180.92
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#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	- -		ANCE ER 31, 2022	LANCE BER 31, 2023
Tax Collector Clerk Municipal Court Health Officer Public Works Department Police Department Construction Office		\$	150.00 50.00 300.00 50.00 50.00 50.00	\$ 150.00 50.00 300.00 50.00 50.00 50.00
		\$	700.00	\$ 700.00
<u>Ref.</u>		,	Α	A

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#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF PETTY CASH FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Ref.	
Balance - December 31, 2022	Α	\$ -
Increased by: Petty Cash Advanced	A-4	400.00
Decreased by: Petty Cash Returned	A-4	 400.00
Balance - December 31, 2023	Α	\$ -

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY $\underline{\text{YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023}}$

<u>YEAR</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	TAX LEVY 2023	ADDED BY COLLECTOR	COLLECTIONS I	BY CASH 2023	STATE SHARE OF SR. CIT & VET. DEDUCTIONS	TAX OVER - PAYMENTS APPLIED	TRANSFER TO TAX TITLE LIENS	REMITTED OR CANCELLED	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
2022	\$ 820,800.98 820,800.98	\$_	1,491.66 1,491.66	\$	822,211.02 822,211.02				\$	81.62 81.62
2023	\$	64,280,654.46	\$	317,676.34	62,960,472.63 \$	57,500.00 \$	182,514.17 \$	12,709.83 \$	89,183.76	660,597.73
Total	\$ 820,800.98 \$	64,280,654.46 \$	1,491.66 \$	317,676.34 \$	63,782,683.65 \$	57,500.00 \$	182,514.17 \$	12,709.83 \$	89,183.76 \$	660,679.35
Ref.	A	Reserve	A-17	A-2, A-16	A-2, A-4	A-2, A-17	A-2, A-15	A-8	Reserve	A
Analysis of 2023 Property Tax Levy:										
Tax Yield:	Ref.									
General Purpose Added Taxes (54:4-63.1 et seq.)	\$	64,233,710.56 46,943.90								
			\$	64,280,654.46						
Tax Levy:										
Local District School Tax (Abstract) County Tax (Abstract) County Library Tax (Abstract) County Open Space Tax (Abstract) Added County Tax	A-2, A-21 \$ A-2, A-20 A-2, A-20 A-2, A-20 A-2, A-20	33,142,094.00 6,578,326.64 913,198.86 657,933.01 4,079.79								
Local Tax for Mun. Purposes (Abstract) Add: Additional Tax Levied 6% Penalty	A-2	22,942,158.05 28,081.61 14,782.50	\$	41,295,632.30						
				22,985,022.16						
			\$	64,280,654.46						

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	
Balance - December 31, 2022	А	\$ 46,358.02
Increased by: Transfers from Taxes Receivable	A-7	12,709.83
		59,067.85
Decreased by: Cash Receipts	A-4	9,975.17
Balance - December 31, 2023	A	\$ 49,092.68

Exhibit A-9

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED FOR TAXES (AT ASSESSED VALUATION) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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 Balance - December 31, 2023 and 2022
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 \$ 827,500.00

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	ACCRUED <u>IN 2023</u>	COLLECTED	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
Licenses:						
Alcoholic Beverages	A-2		\$	24,254.00 \$	24,254.00	
Other	A-2			84,054.00	84,054.00	
Fees and Permits	A-2			349,374.37	349,374.37	
Municipal Court - Fines and Costs	A-2	\$	25,349.50	427,658.10	414,041.03	38,966.57
Interest and Costs on Taxes	A-2			239,225.61	239,225.61	
Parking Meters	A-2			172,954.83	172,954.83	
Interest on Investments and Deposits	A-2			105,656.87	105,656.87	
Uniform Construction Code	A-2			360,551.00	360,551.00	
Cable Television Franchise Fees	A-2			164,600.04	164,600.04	
EMS Fees	A-2			525,267.04	525,267.04	
State and Federal Grants and Aid:						
Energy Receipts Tax	A-2			1,538,613.00	1,538,613.00	
Uniform Fire Safety Act	A-2			91,226.98	91,226.98	
Board of Education- SLEO III Police Sal. & Wages	A-2	_		139,081.25	139,081.25	
Total Anticipated Miscellaneous Revenues		_	25,349.50	4,222,517.09	4,208,900.02	38,966.57
Miscellaneous Revenues Not Anticipated	A-2	_		371,966.17	371,966.17	
		\$_	25,349.50 \$	4,594,483.26 \$	4,580,866.19	38,966.57
	REF.		Α	Reserve	A-4	А

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	<u>INCREASE</u>	DECRE	BALANCE <u>DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>	
Federal and State Grant Fund			\$ 1,896,679.55	\$ 1,896	3,679.55	
Animal Control Fund		\$ 10,493.93	14,126.60	24	4,620.53	
Other Trust Fund			4,337,830.39	4,337	7,830.39	
General Capital Fund			3,240,480.88	3,240	0,480.88	
Sewer Operating Fund			2,250,119.57	2,250	0,119.57	
Sewer Capital Fund			1,234,848.54	1,234	4,848.54	_
		\$ 10,493.93	\$ 12,974,085.53	\$ 12,984	4,579.46 \$	_
	Ref.	А	A-4	Belo	ow A	
Cash Receipts Cash Receipts- Prior Year Animal Control	A-4			\$ 12,944	4,187.63	
Statutory Excess Prior Year MRNA- Opioid Grant	A-1, A-4 A-1 Above			29	0,493.93 9,897.90 4,579.46	

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF VARIOUS RESERVES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	1	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	INCREASES	[	DECREASES	D	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
SPENDING RESERVES	•					_	_
Maintenance of Free Public Library with State Aid	\$	19,676.12	\$ 373.00			\$	20,049.12
Police Special Duty		80,442.88	1,057,299.77	\$	1,015,370.25		122,372.40
Fire Special Duty		4,812.24	875.28		5,687.52		
Reserve for Debt Service- Villa Maria		350,000.00			346,547.04		3,452.96
Master Plan		13,278.97					13,278.97
Energy Receipts Tax			10,635.44				10,635.44
Municipal Relief Act 2022	_	80,260.02	 160,485.97		80,260.02		160,485.97
	_ \$	548,470.23	\$ 1,229,669.46	\$	1,447,864.83	\$	330,274.86
	REF.	Α	Below		Below		Α
Cash Receipts Cash Disbursements Reserves for Use in 2023 Municipal Budget	A-4 A-4 A-2		\$ 1,229,669.46	\$	1,021,057.77 426,807.06		
			\$ 1,229,669.46	\$	1,447,864.83		

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF 2022 APPROPRIATION RESERVES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	AMOUNT							
		BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2022			PAID OR	BALANCE		
	-	ENCUMBERED	RESERVED	AFTER MODIFICATION	CHARGED	LAPSED		
APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN "CAPS"								
Department of Administration								
Salaries and Wages		\$	50,821.00	\$ 50,821.00		\$ 50,821.00		
Other Expenses	\$	174.00	3,389.78	3,563.78	\$ 46.26	3,517.52		
Borough Council	Ψ	174.00	3,309.70	3,303.70	Ψ 40.20	3,317.32		
Other Expenses			1,014.38	1,014.38	117.59	896.79		
Borough Clerk			1,014.30	1,014.30	117.59	030.79		
Salaries and Wages			19.407.42	19,407.42		19.407.42		
Other Expenses		1,511.51	8,087.74	9,599.25	1.431.51	8,167.74		
Annual Audit		20,183.14	0,007.74	20,183.14	20,183.14	0,107.74		
Historical Commission		20, 100.14		20,100.14	20,100.14			
Salaries and Wages			462.50	462.50		462.50		
Other Expenses			1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Planning Board			1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Salaries and Wages			1,099.35	1,099.35		1.099.35		
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Other Expenses		177.00	3,498.85	3,675.85	177.00	3,498.85		
Board of Adjustment			400.00	400.00		400.00		
Salaries and Wages		00.00	460.33	460.33	00.00	460.33		
Other Expenses		20.00	5,271.35	5,291.35	20.00	5,271.35		
Municipal Court			00 400 54	00 400 54		00 400 54		
Salaries and Wages		0.074.00	22,462.54	22,462.54	0.454.05	22,462.54		
Other Expenses		3,074.20	938.98	4,013.18	2,151.05	1,862.13		
Office of Health, Housing, & Property			0.040.00	0.040.00		0.040.00		
Salaries and Wages		007.00	6,013.89	6,013.89	007.00	6,013.89		
Other Expenses		307.88		307.88	307.88			
Office of Recreation			40.050.00	40.050.00		40.050.00		
Salaries and Wages		0.005.04	18,652.83	18,652.83	0.044.00	18,652.83		
Other Expenses		8,635.04	4,514.32	13,149.36	8,211.68	4,937.68		
Maintenance of Parks		0.000.00		0.000.00	0.000.00			
Other Expenses		8,000.00		8,000.00	8,000.00			
Division of Assessments			0.400.07	0.400.07		0.400.07		
Salaries and Wages		00.00	2,432.37	2,432.37	00.00	2,432.37		
Other Expenses		93.26	2,425.55	2,518.81	93.26	2,425.55		
Reserve for Tax Appeals Pending			23,050.00	23,050.00		23,050.00		

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF 2022 APPROPRIATION RESERVES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

				AMOUNT			
		BALANCE - DECEM	MBER 31, 2022	AFTER	AFTER PAID OR		
	EN	CUMBERED	RESERVED	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	LAPSED	
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Department of Finance							
Salaries and Wages		\$	6,120.45	\$ 6,120.45		\$ 6,120.45	
Other Expenses	\$	35.00	2,958.74	2,993.74	\$ 35.00	2,958.74	
Insurance							
Group Insurance for Employees		384,308.68	247,569.22	631,877.90	384,308.68	247,569.22	
Liability Insurance		7,666.00	17,487.12	25,153.12	25,153.12		
Division of Taxation							
Other Expenses			2,991.29	2,991.29		2,991.29	
Department of Law							
Other Expenses		19,000.00	27,410.69	46,410.69	18,287.50	28,123.19	
Police		,	,	•	,	,	
Salaries and Wages			52,565.10	52,565.10	32,397.47	20,167.63	
Other Expenses		26,191.01	197.46	26,388.47	24,930.49	1,457.98	
School Crossing Guards		., .		.,	,	,	
Salaries and Wages			14,665.62	14,665.62		14,665.62	
Parking Enforcement			,	,		,	
Salaries and Wages			8,870.97	8,870.97		8,870.97	
Fire Protection			2,2.2.2.	2,2:2:2:		2,0: 2:2:	
Salaries and Wages			170,860.49	170,860.49	169,049.21	1.811.28	
Other Expenses		9,588.18	1,088.69	10,676.87	9,602.99	1,073.88	
Fire Hydrant Service		18,385.63	1,000.00	18,385.63	18,385.63	.,	
Uniform Fire Code Safety Act		,		,	,		
Salaries and Wages			0.22	0.22		0.22	
Other Expenses		200.00	1,239.49	1,439.49	1,201.25	238.24	
Emergency Medical Services							
Other Expenses		9,161.73	59.38	9,221.11	7,567.02	1,654.09	
Streets and Roads							
Salaries and Wages			55,849.04	55,849.04		55,849.04	
Other Expenses		52,437.86	14,166.48	66,604.34	42,331.26	24,273.08	
Buildings and Grounds							
Other Expenses		13,738.49	4,287.06	18,025.55	9,255.89	8,769.66	
Vehicle Maintenance		00.040.00	470.40	00 407 40	CO 040 FO	0.400.00	
Other Expenses Engineering Services and Costs		68,949.02	178.16	69,127.18	60,018.52	9,108.66	
Other Expenses			25,595.00	25,595.00		25,595.00	
Office of Emergency Management			25,555.00	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Salaries and Wages			749.39	749.39		749.39	
Other Expenses		9,263.44	1.17	9,264.61	9,262.53	2.08	
State Uniform Construction Code		-,		-,	-,		
Salaries and Wages			39,980.21	39,980.21		39,980.21	
Other Expenses		25.00	3,047.79	3,072.79	25.00	3,047.79	

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF 2022 APPROPRIATION RESERVES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

				AMOUNT		
	_	BALANCE - DECE	MBER 31, 2022	AFTER	PAID OR	BALANCE
		ENCUMBERED	RESERVED	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	LAPSED
Electricity	\$	35,742.89 \$	20,290.91	\$ 56,033.80 \$	20,848.69 \$	35,185.11
Telephone		3,134.99	31,925.67	35,060.66	3,042.16	32,018.50
Water		2,408.40	1,787.81	4,196.21	2,122.68	2,073.53
Natural Gas/Propane		13,484.98	21,998.15	35,483.13	11,694.69	23,788.44
Gasoline		12,001.34	1,983.44	13,984.78	10,187.73	3,797.05
Technology - Communications		4,434.79	5.51	4,440.30	4,434.79	5.51
Postage			6,727.16	6,727.16		6,727.16
Retirement Benefits			220,546.21	220,546.21	79,453.79	141,092.42
Contingent		511.83	5,142.62	5,654.45	4,442.40	1,212.05
Contribution to:						
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	-		33,747.24	33,747.24		33,747.24
Total Reserves Within "CAPS"	-	732,845.29	1,217,097.13	1,949,942.42	988,777.86	961,164.56
APPROPRIATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"						
Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP)						
Other Expenses			3,000.00	3,000.00		3,000.00
NJDEP Fees						
Other Expenses			2,625.00	2,625.00		2,625.00
COAH Rehabilitation						
Other Expenses			10,000.00	10,000.00		10,000.00
Board of Education - SLEO - Police Salaries & Wages			98,077.50	98,077.50		98,077.50
Matching Funds Grant			694.66	694.66		694.66
Purchase of Capital Equipment		29,058.24	22,398.00	51,456.24	18,844.24	32,612.00
Purchase of Shade Tree	-	10,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00	
Total Reserves Excluded from "CAPS"	·-	39,058.24	136,795.16	175,853.40	28,844.24	147,009.16
Total Appropriation Reserves	\$ _	771,903.53 \$	1,353,892.29	\$ 2,125,795.82 \$	1,017,622.10 \$	1,108,173.72
	REF.	Α	Α		A-4	A-1

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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	REF.			
Balance - December 31, 2022	Α			\$ 2,164.62
Decreased by: Cash Disbursements Canceled	A-4 A-1	\$	1,679.62 485.00	 2,164.62
Balance - December 31, 2023	Α			\$ 
				Exhibit A-15
	CURRENT FUND			
	SCHEDULE OF TAX OVERPAYMEN	ITS		
	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 202	23		
	REF.			
Balance - December 31, 2022	А			\$ 610,207.39
Decreased by:				
Cash Disbursements	A-4	\$	123,689.86	
Cancellations	A-1		80,134.51	
Applied to Current Year Taxes R			182,514.17	
Reclassified to Prepaid Taxes	A-16		63,792.57	
				 450,131.11
Balance - December 31, 2023	А			\$ 160,076.28

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF PREPAID TAXES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.		
Balance - December 31, 2022	Α		\$ 317,676.34
Increased by: Collections Overpayments Applied	A-4 A-16	\$ 385,270.30 63,792.57	 449,062.87 766,739.21
Decreased by: Applied to 2023 Taxes Receivable	A-7		317,676.34
Balance - December 31, 2023	Α		\$ 449,062.87

Exhibit A-17

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF DUE TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY SENIOR CITIZENS' AND VETERANS' DEDUCTIONS

#### (CHAPTER 129, P.L. 1976) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF. Balance - December 31, 2022 Α 5,448.71 Increased by: Collections A-4 56,775.01 Deductions Disallowed by Tax Collector: 2023 Tax 1,491.66 A-1, A-7 58,266.67 63,715.38 Decreased by: Deductions per 2023 Tax Duplicate: Senior Citizens 12,000.00 A-7 Veterans 44,000.00 A-7 Deductions Allowed by Tax Collector: 2023 Tax A-7 1,500.00 57,500.00 Balance - December 31, 2023 Α 6,215.38

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF VARIOUS OTHER PAYABLES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	<u>INCREASES</u>		<u>DECREASES</u>		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
State of NJ-Various Fees			\$ 19,060.00	\$	19,060.00		
Outside Lien Holders	\$	30,566.39	607,363.57		622,381.86	\$	15,548.10
	\$	30,566.39	\$ 626,423.57	\$_	641,441.86	\$_	15,548.10
	REF.	Α	A-4		A-4		Α

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	CURRENT <u>FUND</u>	FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND
Balance - December 31, 2022	Α	\$ 771,903.53	\$ 22,096.99
Increased by: Charges to:			
Grant Appropriation Reserves 2023 Budget Appropriations	A-24 A-3	867,769.96	142,569.56
Subtotals		1,639,673.49	164,666.55
Decreased by:	A 42	774 002 52	
Transferred to Appropriation Reserves Transferred to Grant Appropriated Reserves	A-13 A-24	771,903.53	22,096.99
Balance - December 31, 2023	Α	\$ 867,769.96	\$ 142,569.56

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TAXES PAYABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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Balance - December 31, 2022	Α		\$ -
Increased by:			
2023 Levy:			
County Tax	A-1, A-2, A-7	\$ 6,578,326.64	
County Library Tax	A-1, A-2, A-7	913,198.86	
County Open Space Preservation	A-1, A-2, A-7	657,933.01	
Added Taxes (R.R. 54:4-63.1 et seq.)	A-1, A-2, A-7	4,079.79	
,			 8,153,538.30
Decreased by:			
Payments	A-4		8,153,538.30
Balance - December 31, 2023	Α		\$ -

Exhibit A-21

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

#### REF.

Balance - December 31, 2022	Α	\$ 1,827.04
Increased by: 2023 Levy	A-1, A-2, A-7	33,142,094.00 33,143,921.04
Decreased by: Payments	A-4	33,143,921.04
Balance - December 31, 2023	А	\$ -

## GRANT FUND SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

			2023 BUDGET		TRANSFERRED FROM STATE &	
		BALANCE	REVENUE	COLLECTED	FEDERAL GRANTS	BALANCE
<u>GRANT</u>	DEC	EMBER 31, 2022	REALIZED	2023	UNAPPROPRIATED	DECEMBER 31, 2023
FEMA - Assistance to Firefighters	\$	56,474.22		\$ 39,120.77		\$ 17,353.45
Body Armor Fund		\$	3,631.30		\$ 3,631.30	
Clean Communities Program			35,413.36		35,413.36	
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund			125.86		125.86	
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021			1,114,144.43		1,114,144.43	
Firemens' Share Grant		7,506.42				7,506.42
Recycling Tonnage			17,215.19		17,215.19	
Safe and Secure Grant		150.00	48,600.00	48,735.00		15.00
Somerset County Drug Alliance Program		17,021.67		7,879.99		9,141.68
Somerset County Youth Services Commission			5,000.00		5,000.00	
NJ Clean Fleet Grant		7,250.00				7,250.00
Radon Awareness Grant		2,000.00				2,000.00
ARP- Firefighters Grant			54,000.00			54,000.00
County ARP- Affordable Housing			50,000.00			50,000.00
CDBG Projects			37,120.60		37,120.60	
County-CDBG-CV3 Program			531,428.81	400,517.46		130,911.35
	\$	90,402.31 \$	1,896,679.55	\$ 496,253.22	\$ 1,212,650.74	\$ 278,177.90
REF.		Α	A-23	A-4	A-25	А

## GRANT FUND SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE/PAYABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		BA <u>DECEME</u>	LANCE BER 31,		<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>	BALA <u>DECEMBE</u>	
Due to Current Fund		\$			\$ 3,136,089.59	\$ 3,136,089.59	\$	
		\$		-	\$ 3,136,089.59	\$ 3,136,089.59	\$	
	REF.		Α		Below	Below	A	
Cash Disbursements Cash Receipts Opioid Grant Funds Received by Current Fund 2023 Grant Revenues Transfers from 2023 Budget Grant Expenditures Paid by Current Grant Expenditures Refunded	A-4 A-4, A-25 A-3, A-22 A-24 A-24 A-24				\$ 1,737,701.53 72,272.47 1,293,718.12 32,397.47	\$ 3,109.49 72,272.47 1,896,679.55 1,164,028.08		
·					\$ 3,136,089.59	\$ 3,136,089.59		

### $\begin{array}{c} \text{GRANT FUND} \\ \text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS - APPROPRIATED} \\ \underline{\text{YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023}} \end{array}$

GRANT/AID PROGRAM	ALANCE MBER 31, 2022	RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES DECEMBER 31, 2022	<u>!</u>	TRANSFERRED FROM 2023 <u>BUDGET</u>	PAID OR <u>CHARGED</u>		<u>REFUNDS</u>	RESERVE ENCUMBRA DECEMBER	ANCES	BALANCI DECEMBER 3	
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Fund	\$ 8,128.50								\$	8	3,128.50
Assistance to Firefighters Grant	56,914.96			\$	39,12		9	3	3,932.60	13	3,861.59
Assistance to Firefighters Match	4,305.34				4,30	5.34					
Body Armor Fund	1,890.17			3,631.30	2,33	9.26					3,960.31
Body Worn Camera Grant	9,732.16	20,383.44			20,13	9.90				9	9,975.70
Clean Communities Act	26,000.45			35,413.36	28,40	5.28				33	3,008.53
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	9,060.41	395.50		125.86	22,67	4.24 \$	32,397.47		19,305.00		
Fire Fighters Grant-2007	30,881.44									30	),881.44
Historic Preservation	23,590.00									23	3,590.00
Municipal Court Adjudication Act	13,340.13				2,02	0.00				11	1,320.13
NJDEP Recycling Tonnage Grant	8,580.93			17,215.19	15,15	7.28			8,000.00	2	2,638.84
Safe & Secure Grant				48,600.00	48,60	0.00					
Safe & Secure Grant Match				511,183.00	511,18	3.00					
Somerset County Drug Alliance Program	17,012.07	539.95			17,14	0.27					411.75
Somerset County Historic Preservation	1,312.30									1	1,312.30
Youth Services Commission	8,950.97			5,000.00	3,66	9.44				10	),281.53
NJ Clean Fleet Grant	29,000.00									29	9,000.00
Radon Awareness Grant	1,400.00									1	1,400.00
ARP- Firefighters Grant				54,000.00	45	1.50			51,809.50	1	1,739.00
CDBG Projects				37,120.60						37	7,120.60
CDBG-CV3 Program				531,428.81	432,48	3.26			59,522.46	39	9,423.09
County ARP- Affordable Housing				50,000.00	16,33	8.54				33	3,661.46
	\$ 250,099.83	\$ 22,096.99	_\$_	1,293,718.12 \$	1,164,02	8.08 \$	32,397.47	S1	12,569.56 \$	291	1,714.77
REF.	Α	A-19		A-23	A-23		A-23	A-19		Α	
Adopted budget Appropriated by NJSA 40A:4-87			\$	712,289.31 581,428.81							
A-3			\$	1,293,718.12							

## GRANT FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS- UNAPPROPRIATED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

<u>GRANTS</u>		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022		COLLECTED 2023		APPROPRIATED 2023	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
American Rescue Plan Body Armor Fund Recycling Tonnage Grant Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Clean Communities Somerset County Youth Services Community CDBG Projects Opioid Grant	nission	\$ 1,114,144.43 3,631.30 17,215.19 125.86 35,413.36 5,000.00 37,120.60	\$	6,984.56 18,676.88 178.71 39,720.60 2,241.27	\$	1,114,144.43 3,631.30 17,215.19 125.86 35,413.36 5,000.00 37,120.60	\$ 6,984.56 18,676.88 178.71 39,720.60 2,241.27
		\$ 1,212,650.74	\$ _	140,074.49	\$	1,212,650.74	\$ 140,074.49
	Ref.	Α		Below		A-22	Α
Grant Fund Cash Receipts Due from Current Fund	A-4 A-23		\$_	67,802.02 72,272.47	<u>-</u>		
			\$ _	140,074.49 Above	:		

#### TRUST FUND

#### TRUST FUNDS SCHEDULE OF CASH AND RESERVE ACTIVITY YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF.	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	INCREASES	DECREASES	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
В	\$ 136,047.10	\$ 837.42		\$ 136,884.52
B B	28,784.33 (10,493.93)	9,977.94 24,620.53	\$ 24,793.69 14,126.60	13,968.58
B B	2.40 18,288.00	9,980.34	2.40 14,299.76	13,968.58
B B	3,538,080.34 145,340.68 3,683,421.02	2,437,299.25 36,173.59 2,473,472.84	2,924,277.78 145,340.68 3,069,618.46	3,051,101.81 36,173.59 3,087,275.40
	\$ 3,837,756.12	\$ 2,484,290.60	\$ 3,083,918.22	\$ 3,238,128.50 B
_	B B B B	REF.         DECEMBER 31, 2022           B         \$ 136,047.10           B         28,784.33           B         (10,493.93)           B         2.40           B         18,288.00           B         3,538,080.34           B         145,340.68           3,683,421.02           \$ 3,837,756.12	REF.         DECEMBER 31, 2022         INCREASES           B         \$ 136,047.10         \$ 837.42           B         28,784.33         9,977.94           B         (10,493.93)         24,620.53           B         2.40         9,980.34           B         18,288.00         9,980.34           B         3,538,080.34         2,437,299.25           B         145,340.68         36,173.59           3,683,421.02         2,473,472.84           \$ 3,837,756.12         \$ 2,484,290.60	REF.         DECEMBER 31, 2022         INCREASES         DECREASES           B         \$ 136,047.10         \$ 837.42           B         28,784.33         9,977.94         \$ 24,793.69           B         (10,493.93)         24,620.53         14,126.60           B         2.40         2.40           B         18,288.00         9,980.34         14,299.76           B         3,538,080.34         2,437,299.25         2,924,277.78           B         145,340.68         36,173.59         145,340.68           3,683,421.02         2,473,472.84         3,069,618.46           \$ 3,837,756.12         \$ 2,484,290.60         \$ 3,083,918.22

### ANIMAL CONTROL FUND RESERVE: Footnote: R.S. 4:19-15.11

<sup>&</sup>quot; ...... there shall be transferred from such special account to the general funds of the municipality any amount then is such special account which is in excess of the total amount paid into such special account during the last two fiscal years next preceding."

<u>Year</u>	Amount
2021 2022	\$ 9,118.00 10,045.37
Statutory Maximum	\$ 19,163.37
Animal Control Balance - December 31, 2023	\$ 13,968.58

### TRUST - OTHER FUND SCHEDULE OF ESCROW FUND DEPOSITS AND RESERVES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	DEC	BALANCE EMBER 31, 2022		INCREASE	 DECREASE	DEC	BALANCE CEMBER 31, 2023
Trust - Other Fund:							
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	\$	163,508.99	\$	6.774.08	\$ 33,362.62	\$	136,920.45
Small Cities Repayment Fund	•	98,741.82	•	6,941,90	1.516.56	·	104,167,16
Federal and County Forfeiture Funds		104,690.57		5,856.43	,		110,547.00
Special Events Deposits		12,884.76		15,595.57	22,220.02		6,260.31
Performance Bonds and Escrow Deposits		105,463.88		62,594.36	76,474.84		91,583.40
Redemption and Premium Received at Tax Sale		2,038,923.60		1,949,162.79	2,429,700.00		1,558,386.39
Accumulated Absences		210,857.87		100.00	, ,		210,957.87
Uniform Fire Safety Act Penalties		4.15					4.15
Parking Offenses Adjudication Act		18,410.93		4,642.00	3,591.00		19,461.93
Public Defender Fees		16,312.26		9,781.51	12,000.00		14,093.77
3rd Party Contracts-Uniform Construction							
Code Fire and Subcode		14,324.99					14,324.99
Recreation Activities		105,538.29		366,982.55	305,821.14		166,699.70
Uniform Fire Code Enforcement							
And Dedicated Penalties (P.L 1991, Ch. 489)		9,915.18		4,406.55	7,108.90		7,212.83
Police Recovered Funds		43,252.02		461.51	19,334.39		24,379.14
Gifts for Library/Vermuele		1,195.63					1,195.63
Storm Trust		212,716.41					212,716.41
Police Off-Duty		120,602.61					120,602.61
Credit Card Fees (POAA Court Fees)		4,811.88		4,000.00	6,845.81		1,966.07
Fire Penalty		20,601.00					20,601.00
COAH- Non- Residential		235,323.50			 6,302.50		229,021.00
Total Trust - Other Fund	\$	3,538,080.34	\$	2,437,299.25	\$ 2,924,277.78	\$	3,051,101.81
F	REF.	B-2		B-2	B-2		B-2

**GENERAL CAPITAL FUND** 

#### SCHEDULE OF GENERAL CAPITAL FUND CASH AND INVESTMENTS-TREASURER YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.		
Balance - December 31, 2022	С		\$ 672,734.29
Increased by: Premium Received on Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes Bond Anticipation Notes Proceeds Reserve for Stormwater Improvements	C-1 C-12 C-13	\$ 36,008.71 5,315,100.00 15,000.00	5,366,108.71 6,038,843.00
Decreased by: Interfund Disbursements	C-4	2,743,661.88	2,743,661.88
Balance - December 31, 2023	С		\$ 3,295,181.12

#### ANALYSIS OF GENERAL CAPITAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022
Capital Impro	able incumbrances	\$ 588,295.05 (2,158,270.02) 1,423,036.41 84,366.44 15,000.00	\$ 552,286.34 (1,762,675.02) 1,410,668.73 98,166.44
ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS		
12-03	General Improvements Various Capital Improvements: iv) Bldgs & Grounds - Various	18,615.39	18,615.39
14-07	Various Capital Improvements: v) Roads and Safety Improvements vii) Stormwater maintenance ix) COAH Housing Rehab	17,018.47 2,453.32 10,038.75	10,851.37 2,453.32 10,038.75
15-06	Various Capital Improvements: vi) Stormwater maintenance	32,000.00	32,000.00
16-10	Various Capital Improvements: iv) Roads & Safety Improvements	34,025.40	34,025.40
17-12	Various Capital Improvements: iv) Roads & Safety Improvements v) Public Works vi) Storm Mintenance vii) COAH Rehab- Friends/Carpenter	33,697.18 4,400.00 11,340.63 23,829.04	42,947.29 4,400.00 14,240.63 23,829.04
18-08	i) Police Equipment iv) Road & Safety Improvements vi) Storm Maintenance vii) COAH Rehab	9.89 47,413.97 34,860.64 50,550.00	9.89 152,315.89 59,860.34 51,000.00
19-04	Various Capital Improvements: i) Fire Department Equipment iii) Streets & Roads iv) Road & Safety Improvements vi) Stormwater Improvements vii) COAH Rehabilitations	1,157.76 185,014.50 49,602.50 44,601.25	4,583.91 185,014.50 1,007.85 49,602.50 44,601.25
20-08	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Technology iv) Buidling and Grounds v) Road Safety and Improvements vi) Public Works vii) Storm Water Improvements viii) Vermuele Improvements ix) Section 20 Expenses	534.40 8,909.66 97,860.27 2,180.00 83,865.08 25,934.68 296,297.68	534.40 65,777.38 495,442.90 441,907.47 16,534.24 83,865.08 23,509.43 296,297.68

### ANALYSIS OF GENERAL CAPITAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

ORD. <u>NO.</u>	_IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS (Cont'd.)			ALANCE BER 31, 2023	<u>DEC</u>	BALANCE EMBER 31, 2022
21-13	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police		\$	5,711.00	\$	(62,789.00)
	ii) Technology			10,000.00		500.00
	iii) Fire Department Equipment			242.29		(244,297.11)
	iv) Office of Emergency Management			5.05		(66,594.95)
	v) Building and Grounds			344,734.29		(101,974.09)
	vi) Road Safety and Improvements			326,074.13		(529,322.61)
	vii) Road Safety and Improvements					(189,640.67)
	viii) Road Safety and Improvements			74,863.75		(6,597.50)
	ix) Public Works			17,948.00		(101,023.00)
	x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance			111,947.50		72.50
	xi) Miscellaneous			19,861.25		(1,958.75)
	xii) Section 20 Expenses			594,000.00		28,300.00
22-04	Various Capital Improvements:					
	i) Police			116,000.00		5,600.00
	ii) Technology			10,000.00		500.00
	iii) Fire Department Equipment			8,245.34		(57,346.00)
	iv) Office of Emergency Management			0.49		(43,862.84)
	v) Building and Grounds			284,572.25		15,500.00
	vi) Road Safety and Improvements			5,370.64		(907,201.29)
	vii) Road Safety and Improvements			311,251.21		442,500.00
	vii) Road Safety and Improvements			1,945.00		6,000.00
	viii) Public Works			6,130.33		(14,742.79)
	ix) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance			182,100.00		9,100.00
	x) Miscellaneous			26,200.00		1,200.00
	xi) COAH Housing Rehabiliation			72,300.00		2,400.00
	xii) Section 20 Expenses			493,300.00		24,700.00
23-14	Various Capital Improvements:					
	i) Police			4,333.00		
	ii) Police			(61,698.87)		
	iii) Technology			476.00		
	iv) Fire Department			(1,124,660.27)		
	v) Office of Emergency Management			(29,384.60)		
	vi) Buildings and Grounds			18,571.00		
	vii) Road Safety and Improvements			364,675.00		
	viii) Public Works			13,095.00		
	ix) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance			9,525.00		
	x) Miscellaneous			1,190.00		
	xi) Section 20 Expenses			7,619.00		
			\$	3 205 101 12	•	672,734.29
			Ψ	3,295,181.12	\$	
) Donotos D	oficit or Doduction	Ref.		С		С

## GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022		<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>	DEC	BALANCE CEMBER 31, 2023
Due from Current Fund		\$ -	\$	3,282,347.55	\$ 3,282,347.55	\$	-
	REF.	С		Below	Below		С
Cash Disbursements Improvement Authorizations Capital Improvement Fund Grants Deposited to Current Fund	C-2 C-7 C-8 C-9		\$	2,743,661.88 56,810.67 150,000.00 331,875.00	\$ 3,282,347.55		
			\$	3,282,347.55	\$ 3,282,347.55		
		GENERAL CAI SCHEDULE OF DEFEF FUTURE TAXATI YEAR ENDED DEC	RRED ION -	CHARGES TO FUNDED			Exhibit C-5
		RI	EF.				
Balance - December 31, 2022			С			\$	19,312,000.00
Decreased by: Serial Bonds Payments County Lease Revenue Bonds Payme	nts		-10 -11		\$ 2,140,000.00 135,000.00		2,275,000.00
Balance - December 31, 2023			С			\$	17,037,000.00

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

					1A	NALYSIS OF BALANCE	
ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	2023 <u>AUTHORIZED</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023	BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES	<u>EXPENDED</u>	UNEXPENDED BALANCE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS
21-13	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Technology iii) Fire Department Equipment iv) Office of Emergency Management v) Building and Grounds vi) Road Safety and Improvements vii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Sourie Works x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance xi) Miscellaneous xii) Section 20 Expenses	\$ 68,500.00 9,500.00 244,700.00 66,600.00 463,800.00 796,100.00 190,000.00 95,200.00 133,300.00 114,200.00 23,800.00 565,700.00	\$	68,500.00 9,500.00 244,700.00 66,600.00 463,800.00 796,100.00 190,000.00 95,200.00 133,300.00 114,200.00 23,800.00 565,700.00	\$ 68,500.00 9,500.00 244,700.00 66,600.00 463,800.00 796,100.00 190,000.00 95,200.00 133,300.00 114,200.00 23,800.00 565,700.00		
22-04	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Technology iii) Fire Department Equipment iv) Office of Emergency Management v) Building and Grounds vi) Road Safety and Improvements vii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Public Works x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance xi) Miscellaneous xii) COAH Housing Rehabiliation xiii) Section 20 Expenses	110,400.00 9,500.00 76,100.00 47,600.00 309,500.00 1,000,900.00 77,500.00 119,000.00 47,600.00 180,900.00 23,800.00 47,600.00 493,300.00		110,400.00 9,500.00 76,100.00 47,600.00 309,500.00 1,000,900.00 77,500.00 119,000.00 47,600.00 180,900.00 23,800.00 47,600.00 493,300.00	110,400.00 9,500.00 76,100.00 47,600.00 309,500.00 1,000,900.00 77,500.00 119,000.00 47,600.00 180,900.00 23,800.00 47,600.00 493,300.00		
23-14	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Police iii) Technology iv) Fire Department v) Office of Emergency Management vi) Buildings and Grounds vii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Public Works ix) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance x) Miscellaneous xi) Section 20 Expenses	\$	86,667.00 64,286.00 9,524.00 1,238,095.00 33,333.00 471,429.00 744,100.00 261,905.00 190,475.00 23,810.00 152,381.00	86,667.00 64,286.00 9,524.00 1,238,095.00 33,333.00 471,429.00 744,100.00 261,905.00 190,475.00 23,810.00	\$	\$ 61,698.87 1,124,660.27 29,384.60	86,667.00 2,587.13 9,524.00 113,434.73 3,948.40 471,429.00 744,100.00 261,905.00 190,475.00 23,810.00 152,381.00
		\$ 5,315,100.00 \$	3,276,005.00 \$	8,591,105.00	\$ 5,315,100.00 \$	1,215,743.74 \$	2,060,261.26
	REF.	С	C-7	С	C-12	C-3	Below
					·	nent Authorizations - Unfunded \$	4,780,019.57
					Less: Unexpended Proceeds of I		(2,719,758.31)
						Above \$	2,060,261.26

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD. NO.	ORDINA DATE	ANCE	BALANCE-DECEN	MBER 31, 2022 UNFUNDED	2022 ENCUMBRANCES	2023 AUTHORIZED	2023 ENCUMBRANCES	PAID OR CHARGED	REFUNDS	BALANCE-DECE FUNDED	EMBER 31, 2023 UNFUNDED
<u></u>					<u></u>					<u></u>	
12-03 Various Capital Improvements: v) Roads & Safety Improvements	4/23/12 \$	1,240,000.00 \$	18,615.39							\$ 18,615.39	
14-07 Various Capital Improvements: v) Roads & Safety Improvements vii) Stormwater maintenance ix) COAH Housing Rehab	9/8/14 9/8/14 9/8/14	2,132,000.00 50,000.00 25,000.00	10,851.37 2,453.32 10,038.75		\$ 17,019.33		\$	10,852.23		17,018.47 2,453.32 10,038.75	
15-06 Various Capital Improvements: vi) Stormwater maintenance	4/27/15	32,000.00	32,000.00							32,000.00	
16-10 Various Capital Improvements: iv) Roads & Safety Improvements	6/13/16	1,040,000.00	34,025.40							34,025.40	
17-12 Various Capital Improvements: iv) Roads & Safety Improvements v) Public Works - Various Equipment vi) Stormwater maintenance vii) COAH - Rehab-Friends/Carpenter	6/26/17 6/26/17 6/26/17 6/26/17	1,064,000.00 255,000.00 20,000.00 25,000.00	42,947.29 4,400.00 14,240.63 23,829.04		1,887.92			11,138.03 2,900.00		33,697.18 4,400.00 11,340.63 23,829.04	
18-08 Various Capital Improvements: i) Police Dept Equipment Improvements iv) Roads & Safety Improvements v) Public Works - Various Equipment vi) Stormwater maintenance vii) COAH - Rehab-Friends/Carpenter	6/25/18 6/25/18 6/25/18 6/25/18 6/25/18 6/25/18	37,275.00 565,250.00 1,115,475.00 236,250.00 66,000.00 55,000.00	9.89 152,315.89 59,860.34 51,000.00		11,857.25		\$ 607.25 1,705.00	11,250.00 103,196.92 24,999.70 450.00		9.89 47,413.97 34,860.64 50,550.00	
19-04 Various Capital Improvements: i) Fire Department Equipment ii) Buildings & Grounds iii) Streets & Roads iv) Road & Safety Improvements vi) Stormwater Improvements vii) COAH Rehabilitations viii) Demolition of Hazardous Property	5/20/19 5/20/19 5/20/19 5/20/19 5/20/19 5/20/19 5/20/19	852,000.00 330,000.00 1,359,000.00 11,000.00 71,500.00 55,000.00 27,500.00	4,583.91 185,014.50 1,007.85 49,602.50 44,601.25		4,660.10 63,590.41		3,426.15 7,471.40	4,660.10 56,119.01 1,007.85		1,157.76 185,014.50 49,602.50 44,601.25	
20-08 Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Technology iii) Fire Department Equipment iv) Buildings & Grounds v) Road & Safety Improvements vi) Public Works vii) Stormwater Improvements viii) Vermuele Improvements ix) Section 20 Expenses	9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20 9/23/20	365,000.00 147,000.00 163,000.00 590,000.00 2,439,000.00 215,000.00 100,000.00 40,000.00 300,000.00	534.40 65,777.38 495,442.90 441,907.47 16,534.24 83,865.08 23,509.43 296,297.68		182,708,42 6,293,77 4,230,45 19,417,46 121,444,37		182,708.42 1,580.75 264,187.81 440,095.71 14,883.84	61,580.74 4,230.45 152,812.28 121,076.13 1,650.40		534.40 8,909.66 97,860.27 2,180.00 83,865.08 25,934.68 296,297.68	

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD.	ORDINANCE		BALANCE-DECEM	BER 31, 2022	2022	2023	2023	PAID OR		BALANCE-DECEM	BER 31, 2023
NO.	DATE	AMOUNT	FUNDED	UNFUNDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AUTHORIZED	ENCUMBRANCES	CHARGED	REFUNDS	FUNDED	UNFUNDED
21-13 Various Capital Improvements:											
i) Police	10/12/21 \$	72,000.00	\$	5,711.00						\$	5,711.00
ii) Technology	10/12/21	10,000.00 \$	500.00	9,500.00					\$	500.00	9,500.00
iii) Fire Department Equipment	10/12/21	257,000.00		402.89	3,349.90		\$	3,510.50			242.29
iv) Office of Emergency Management	10/12/21	70,000.00		5.05							5.05
v) Building and Grounds	10/12/21	487,000.00		361,825.91	16,227.62		\$ 3,400.00	29,919.24			344,734.29
vi) Road Safety and Improvements	10/12/21	836,000.00		266,777.39	337,693.54			278,396.80			326,074.13
vii) Road Safety and Improvements	10/12/21	850,000.00		359.33			11,157.50	46,012.50 \$	56,810.67		
viii) Road Safety and Improvements	10/12/21	100,000.00		88,602.50			2,500.00	11,238.75			74,863.75
ix) Public Works	10/12/21	140,000.00		32,277.00	104,643.00		118,972.00				17,948.00
x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance	10/12/21	120,000.00	72.50	114,200.00				2,325.00			111,947.50
xi) Miscellaneous	10/12/21	25,000.00		21,841.25				1,980.00			19,861.25
xii) Section 20 Expenses	10/12/21	594,000.00	28,300.00	565,700.00						28,300.00	565,700.00
22-04 Various Capital Improvements:											
i) Police	7/11/22	116,000.00	5,600.00	110,400.00						5,600.00	110,400.00
ii) Technology	7/11/22	10,000.00	500.00	9,500.00						500.00	9,500.00
iii) Fire Department Equipment	7/11/22	80,000.00		18,754.00	61,246.00			71,754.66			8,245.34
iv) Office of Emergency Management	7/11/22	50,000.00		3,737.16	44,438.00			48,174.67			0.49
v) Building and Grounds	7/11/22	325,000.00	15,500.00	309,500.00			1,892.75	38,535.00			284,572.25
vi) Road Safety and Improvements	7/11/22	1,051,000.00		93,698.71	407,535.94		182,346.35	313,517.66			5,370.64
vii) Road Safety and Improvements	7/11/22	520,000.00	442,500.00	77,500.00				208,748.79		233,751.21	77,500.00
viii) Road Safety and Improvements	7/11/22	125,000.00	6,000.00	119,000.00			45,874.12	77,180.88			1,945.00
ix) Public Works	7/11/22	50,000.00		32,857.21			32,819.88				37.33
x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance	7/11/22	190,000.00	9,100.00	180,900.00				3,007.00		6,093.00	180,900.00
xi) Miscellaneous	7/11/22	25,000.00	1,200.00	23,800.00						1,200.00	23,800.00
xii) COAH Housing Rehabiliation	7/11/22	50,000.00	2,400.00	47,600.00						2,400.00	47,600.00
xiii) Section 20 Expenses	7/11/22	518,000.00	24,700.00	493,300.00						24,700.00	493,300.00
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23-14 Various Capital Improvements: i) Police	0/05/00	91.000.00			9	04 000 00				4 000 00	00 007 00
	9/25/23				;	,	04.040.07			4,333.00	86,667.00
ii) Police	9/25/23	67,500.00				67,500.00	64,912.87			470.00	2,587.13
iii) Technology	9/25/23	10,000.00				10,000.00	00 704 00	4 555 004 04		476.00	9,524.00
iv) Fire Department	9/25/23	1,700,000.00				1,700,000.00	30,764.26	1,555,801.01			113,434.73
v) Office of Emergency Management	9/25/23	35,000.00				35,000.00	8,230.35	22,821.25		10 ==1 00	3,948.40
vi) Buildings and Grounds	9/25/23	495,000.00				495,000.00	3,500.00	1,500.00		18,571.00	471,429.00
vii) Road Safety and Improvements	9/25/23	1,108,775.00				1,108,775.00				364,675.00	744,100.00
viii) Public Works	9/25/23	275,000.00				275,000.00				13,095.00	261,905.00
ix) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance	9/25/23	200,000.00				200,000.00				9,525.00	190,475.00
x) Miscellaneous	9/25/23	25,000.00				25,000.00				1,190.00	23,810.00
xi) Section 20 Expenses	9/25/23	160,000.00				160,000.00				7,619.00	152,381.00
		\$	2,701,638.40 \$	2,987,749.40	1,410,668.73	4,167,275.00	\$ 1,423,036.41 \$	3,282,347.55 \$	56,810.67 \$	1,838,738.67 \$	4,780,019.57
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Conital Insurance Triand		REF. C-8	C	С	C	162 000 00	C	C-4	C-4	С	С
Capital Improvement Fund					;	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,					
Grants Receivable		C-9 C-6				727,470.00					
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Unfunded	1	C-6				3,276,005.00					
					\$	4,167,275.00					

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.				
Balance - December 31, 2022	С			\$	98,166.44
Increased by: 2023 Budget Appropriation	C-4				150,000.00 248,166.44
Decreased by: Appropriated to Finance Improvement Authorization	C-7				163,800.00
Balance - December 31, 2023	С			\$	84,366.44
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	REF.				
Balance - December 31, 2022	С			\$	1,762,675.02
Increased by: 2023 Grants Awarded: NJDOT - (Ord. 23-14) DCA-LEAP (Ord. 23-14)	C-7 C-7	\$	327,470.00 400,000.00		727,470.00
Decreased by: Grants Received	C-4				2,490,145.02 331,875.00
Balance - December 31, 2023	С			\$	2,158,270.02
Analysis of Balance:					
Federal Transportation Grant (Ord. 14-07) NJDOT (Ord. 18-08) NJDOT (Ord. 19-04) NJDOT (Ord. 20-08) NJDOT (Ord. 21-13) NJDOT (Ord 22-04) NJDOT (Ord 23-14) DCA-LEAP (Ord. 23-14)				\$ -	65,750.00 171,000.00 308,000.00 347,925.02 427,500.00 110,625.00 327,470.00 400,000.00

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF GENERAL SERIAL BONDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

MATURITIES	OF BONDS
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<u>ISSUE</u>	DATE OF ISSUE	ORIGINAL <u>ISSUE</u>	OUTSTAND DATE		INTEREST <u>RATE</u>	BALANCE EMBER 31, 2022	<u>DECREASE</u>	<u>DE</u>	BALANCE CEMBER 31, 2023
General Improvement Bonds	06/05/15	\$ 14,416,000.00	6/1/2024 6/1/2025 6/1/2026 6/1/2027	\$ 1,030,000.00 1,060,000.00 1,085,000.00 1,106,000.00	3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 3.000%	\$ 5,641,000.00	\$ 1,360,000.00	\$	4,281,000.00
General Improvement Bonds	12/08/20	11,291,000.00	4/1/2024 4/1/2025 4/1/2026 4/1/2027 4/1/2028 4/1/2029 4/1/2030	1,136,000.00 1,215,000.00 1,230,000.00 1,250,000.00 1,420,000.00 1,420,000.00	2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000%	9,871,000.00	780.000.00		9,091,000.00
			11 11 2000	1,120,000.00	REF.	\$ 15,512,000.00 C	\$ 2,140,000.00 C-5	\$	13,372,000.00 C

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF SCIA COUNTY GUARANTEED LEASE REVENUE BONDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

#### MATURITIES OF BONDS

	DATE OF	ORIGINAL	<u>OUTSTAN</u>	OF BONDS - <u>DEC. 31, 2023</u>	INTEREST		BALANCE				BALANCE
<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	DECE	MBER 31, 2022	<u></u>	<u>ECREASE</u>	<u>DECEI</u>	MBER 31, 2023
Somerset County Improvement Authority	02/24/22	\$ 3,800,000.00	2/15/2024	\$ 205,000.00	1.746%						
County Guaranteed Lease Revenue Bonds			2/15/2025	210,000.00	2.017%						
			2/15/2026	215,000.00	2.161%						
			2/15/2027	220,000.00	2.000%						
			2/15/2028	225,000.00	5.000%						
			2/15/2029	235,000.00	5.000%						
			2/15/2030	250,000.00	5.000%						
			2/15/2031	260,000.00	5.000%						
			2/15/2032	275,000.00	5.000%						
			2/15/2033	290,000.00	4.000%						
			2/15/2034	300,000.00	4.000%						
			2/15/2035	315,000.00	4.000%						
			2/15/2036	325,000.00	4.000%						
			2/15/2037	340,000.00	4.000%						
						\$	3,800,000.00	\$	135,000.00	\$	3,665,000.00
						\$	3,800,000.00	\$	135,000.00	\$	3,665,000.00
					REF.		С		C-5		С

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD.  NO. IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	DATE OF ORIGINAL <u>ISSUE</u>	AMOUNT OF ORIGINAL <u>ISSUE</u>	DATE OF ISSUE	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	LANCE BER 31, 2022	<u>INCREASE</u>	DEC	BALANCE EMBER 31, 2023
<ul><li>21-13 Various Capital Improvements</li><li>22-04 Various Capital Improvements</li></ul>	11/28/2023 11/28/2023	\$ 2,771,400.00 2,543,700.00	11/28/2023 11/28/2023	11/27/2024 11/27/2024	4.750% 4.750%	 	\$ 2,771,400.00 2,543,700.00	\$	2,771,400.00 2,543,700.00
						\$ -	\$ 5,315,100.00	\$	5,315,100.00
					REF.	С	C-2		С

## GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance - December 31, 2022	С	\$ -
Increased by: Cash Receipts	C-2	 15,000.00
Balance - December 31, 2023	С	\$ 15,000.00

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT NOT ISSUED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	<u>]</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	2023 <u>AUTHORIZATIONS</u>	BONDS ANTICIPATION NOTES ISSUED	į	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023
	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Technology iii) Fire Department Equipment iv) Office of Emergency Management v) Building and Grounds vi) Road Safety and Improvements vii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Road Safety and Improvements ix) Public Works x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance xi) Miscellaneous xii) Section 20 Expenses	\$	68,500.00 9,500.00 244,700.00 66,600.00 463,800.00 796,100.00 190,000.00 95,200.00 133,300.00 114,200.00 23,800.00 565,700.00	\$	68,500.00 9,500.00 244,700.00 66,600.00 463,800.00 796,100.00 190,000.00 95,200.00 133,300.00 114,200.00 23,800.00 565,700.00	-	
22-04	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Technology iii) Fire Department Equipment iv) Office of Emergency Management v) Building and Grounds vi) Road Safety and Improvements vii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Road Safety and Improvements ix) Public Works x) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance xi) Miscellaneous xii) COAH Housing Rehabiliation xiii) Section 20 Expenses		110,400.00 9,500.00 76,100.00 47,600.00 309,500.00 1,000,900.00 77,500.00 119,000.00 47,600.00 180,900.00 23,800.00 47,600.00 493,300.00		110,400.00 9,500.00 76,100.00 47,600.00 309,500.00 1,000,900.00 119,000.00 47,600.00 180,900.00 23,800.00 47,600.00 493,300.00		
23-14	Various Capital Improvements: i) Police ii) Police iii) Technology iiv) Fire Department v) Office of Emergency Management vi) Buildings and Grounds vii) Road Safety and Improvements viii) Public Works ix) Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance x) Miscellaneous xi) Section 20 Expenses	. \$	5,315,100.00	64,286.00 9,524.00 1,238,095.00 33,333.00 471,429.00 744,100.00 261,905.00 190,475.00 23,810.00 152,381.00	5,315,100.00	\$ 	86,667.00 64,286.00 9,524.00 1,238,095.00 33,333.00 471,429.00 744,100.00 261,905.00 190,475.00 23,810.00 152,381.00
	REF		C	C-7	C-12	= *-	C

**SEWER UTILITY FUND** 

# SEWER UTILITY FUND SCHEDULE OF SEWER UTILITY CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS COLLECTOR - TREASURER YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	OPERAT	ING FUND	CAPITAL FUND		
Balance - December 31, 2022	D		\$ 698,639.11		\$ 1,209,301.58	
Increased by Receipts: Premium on Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes Interest on Delinquencies Interest Earned on Deposits Consumer Accounts Receivable	D-2 D-3 D-3 D-8	\$ 25,405.41 6,490.28 2,461,171.18		\$ 11,371.16		
Overpayments Bond Anticipation Notes Issuance Grants Receivable	D-17 D-23 D-9	5,626.57		1,725,000.00 166,184.25		
			2,498,693.44		1,902,555.41	
Decreased by Disbursements: Budget Appropriations Appropriation Reserves Accrued Interest on Bonds Improvement Authorizations	D-4 D-15 D-18 D-22	2,361,445.27 4,094.81 83,442.01	3,197,332.55	832,656.53	3,111,856.99	
			2,448,982.09		832,656.53	
Balance - December 31, 2023	D		\$ 748,350.46		\$ 2,279,200.46	

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### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND ANALYSIS OF SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL CASH YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, <u>2023</u>		DE	BALANCE ECEMBER 31, 2022
Grant R Grant R Grant R Grant R Capital I Reserve	eceivable Ord. #14-08 eceivable Ord. #18-09 eceivable Ord. #19-05 eceivable Ord. #22-05 eceivable Ord. #23-15 improvement Fund e for Encumbrances e for Debt Service alance	\$	(208,224.69) (142,917.99) (84,974.32) (39,192.23) (150,000.00) 100,000.04 90,635.96 199,780.61 242,847.88	\$	(208,224.69) (142,917.99) (84,974.32) (513.24) 100,000.04 472,041.59 199,780.61 231,476.72
ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS				
00-12 06-14 07-08 14-08 19-05 20-09 21-14 22-05 23-15	Various Improvements Sanitary Repair Program Sanitary Repair Program Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction Sanitary Sewer Improvements and Repairs Sanitary Sewer Improvements		(533.00) (175.00) (200.00) (364.00) 279,196.31 328,059.12 356,009.91 1,159,251.86 150,000.00		(533.00) (175.00) (200.00) (364.00) 208,244.80 380,534.77 (5,486.32) 60,611.61
		\$	2,279,200.46	\$	1,209,301.58
REF.			D		D

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### SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF.

Balance - December 31, 2023 and 2022 D \$ 150.00

Exhibit D-8

### SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND SCHEDULE OF CONSUMER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF.

Balance - December 31, 2022 D \$ 211,379.39

Increased by:

2023 Billings for Sewer Rents Reserve 2,407,168.05

2,618,547.44

Decreased by:

Collections D-3, D-5 2,461,171.18

Balance - December 31, 2023 D \$ 157,376.26

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF GRANTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	
Balance -December 31, 2022	D	\$ 791,712.87
Increased by: CDBG Award	D-10	150,000.00
		941,712.87
Decreased by: Grant Receipts	D-5	 166,184.25
Balance -December 31, 2023	D	\$ 775,528.62
Analysis of Balance - December 31, 2023:		
CDBG - Ord. #14-07 CDBG - Ord. #16-11 CDBG - Ord. #18-09 CDBG - Ord. #19-05 CDBG - Ord. #22-05 CDBG - Ord. #23-15		\$ 208,224.69 100,219.39 142,917.99 134,974.32 39,192.23 150,000.00
		\$ 775,528.62

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR GRANTS RECEIVABLE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Balance - December 31, 2022	<u>REF.</u> D	\$ 355,082.63
Increased by: CDBG Award	D-9	 150,000.00
		505,082.63
Decreased by: Transfer to Reserve for Amortization	D-20	 204,863.24
Balance - December 31, 2023	D	\$ 300,219.39
Analysis of Balance:		
CDBG - Ord. #16-11 CDBG - Ord. #19-05 CDBG - Ord. #23-15		\$ 100,219.39 50,000.00 150,000.00
		\$ 300,219.39

Exhibit D-11

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR DEBT SERVICE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF.

Balance - December 31, 2023 and 2022 D <u>\$ 199,780.61</u>

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF GENERAL SERIAL BONDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

### MATURITIES OF BONDS

<u>ISSUE</u>	DATE OF <u>ISSUE</u>	AMOUNT OF ORIGINAL ISSUE	OUTS DECEME DATE	TANDIN	NG	INTEREST RATE	BALANCE MBER 31, 2022	<u>DECREASED</u>	DEC	BALANCE EMBER 31, 2023
Sewer Utility Bonds	6/5/2015	\$ 1,864,000.00	6/1/2024 6/1/2025 6/1/2026 6/1/2027 6/1/2028 6/1/2029 6/1/2030 6/1/2031 6/1/2032 6/1/2033 6/1/2034 6/1/2035	\$	65,000.00 70,000.00 70,000.00 75,000.00 80,000.00 80,000.00 85,000.00 90,000.00 90,000.00 94,000.00	3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 3.125% 3.125% 3.250% 3.375% 3.500% 3.500% 3.500%	\$ 1,094,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$	969,000.00
Sewer Utility Bonds	12/8/2020	3,779,000.00	4/1/2024 4/1/2025 4/1/2026 4/1/2027 4/1/2028 4/1/2030 4/1/2031 4/1/2032 4/1/2033 4/1/2034 4/1/2035 4/1/2036 4/1/2037 4/1/2038 4/1/2039 4/1/2040		179,000.00 180,000.00 185,000.00 185,000.00 190,000.00 195,000.00 200,000.00 210,000.00 210,000.00 220,000.00 220,000.00 220,000.00 220,000.00 220,000.00 220,000.00	2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000%	3,559,000.00	110,000.00		3,449,000.00
							\$ 4,653,000.00	\$ 235,000.00	\$	4,418,000.00
						REF.	D	D-20		D

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	
Balance - December 31, 2022	D	\$ 7,316,986.83
Increased by: Transferred from Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted	D-14	69,924.99
Balance - December 31, 2023	D	\$ 7,386,911.82

# SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL AUTHORIZED AND UNCOMPLETED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	( DATE	ORDINANCE <u>AMOUNT</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER 31,2022	2023 <u>AUTHORIZATIONS</u>	2023 COMPLETED	BALANCE DECEMBER 31,2023
93-13b/ 96-22	Construction of Sanitary Sewer - Farragut Place	09/27/93	\$ 38,500.00	\$ 5,241.72		\$ 5,241.72	
14-08	Sanitary Sewer Replacement	09/08/14	474,275.00	7,953.61		7,953.61	
16-11	Various Sewer Improvements	06/13/16	786,000.00	44,152.35		44,152.35	
18-09	Sanitary Sewer Repairs	06/25/18	706,245.00	12,577.31		12,577.31	
19-05	Sanitary Sewer and Repair Program	05/20/19	1,197,000.00	548,237.00			\$ 548,237.00
20-08	Sanitary Sewer Repairs	09/22/20	1,377,000.00	652,099.40			652,099.40
21-14	Sanitary Sewer Repairs	10/12/21	648,000.00	642,513.68			642,513.68
22-05	Various Sewer Improvements	06/27/22	1,242,000.00	1,103,211.61			1,103,211.61
23-15	Various Sewer Improvements	10/26/23	478,000.00		\$ 478,000.00		478,000.00
				\$ 3,015,986.68	\$ 478,000.00	\$ 69,924.99	\$ 3,424,061.69
		REF.		D	D-22	D-13	D

Exhibit D-15

# SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND SCHEDULE OF 2022 APPROPRIATION RESERVES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		BALANCE ENCUMBERED DECEMBER 31, 2022 DECEMBER 31, 2022		PAID OR <u>CHARGED</u>		BALANCE <u>LAPSED</u>	
Operating:							
Salaries and Wages		\$ 14,158.47				\$	14,158.47
Other Expenses		67,283.88	\$	4,094.81	\$ 4,094.81		67,283.88
PARSA- Regional Sewer		 101,432.52			 		101,432.52
		\$ 182,874.87	\$	4,094.81	\$ 4,094.81	\$	182,874.87
	REF.	D		D, D-16	D-5		D-1

### SEWER UTILITY FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	OPERATING <u>FUND</u>	CAPITAL <u>FUND</u>
Balance - December 31, 2022	D	\$ 4,094.81	\$ 472,041.59
Increased by: Charges to Improvement Authorizations Charges to 2023 Budget	D-22 D-4	581.46	90,635.96
		4,676.27	562,677.55
Decreased by:			
Transferred to Improvement Authorizations	D-22		472,041.59
Transferred to 2022 Appropriation Reserves	D-15	4,094.81	
Balance - December 31, 2023	D	\$ 581.46	\$ 90,635.96

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF SEWER RENT OVERPAYMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	REF.	
Balance - December 31, 2022	D	\$ 5,154.64
Increased by: Cash Collections	D-5	5,626.57
Balance - December 31, 2023	D	\$ 10,781.21

# SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF ACCRUED INTEREST ON OUTSTANDING DEBT YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

			REF.			
Balance - Decemb	per 31, 2022		D			\$ 20,743.13
Increased by: 2023 Budget App Fund Balance	oropriation		D-4 D-1		\$ 81,071.17 9,019.28	90,090.45
Decreased by: Interest Paid Balance - Decemb	per 31, 2023		D-5 D			\$ 83,442.01 27,391.57
Analysis of Balance Principal Balance December 31, 20		Interest Rate	From	<u>To</u>	Period	Amount
Bond Anticipation	Notes			_		
\$ 1,725,000	0.00	4.750%	11/28/2023	12/31/2023	33 days	\$ 7,510.94
2020 Sewer Bond	<u>s</u>					
\$ 179,000 180,000 370,000 190,000 390,000 200,000 205,000 420,000 215,000 1,100,000	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000% 2.000%	10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023 10/31/2023	12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023	3 months.	895.00 900.00 1,850.00 950.00 1,950.00 1,000.00 1,025.00 2,100.00 1,075.00 5,500.00
\$ 3,449,000	0.00					\$ 17,245.00
2015 Sewer Bond \$ 280,000 155,000 80,000 85,000 369,000 \$ 969,000	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	3.000% 3.125% 3.250% 3.375% 3.500%	12/1/2023 12/1/2023 12/1/2023 12/1/2023 12/1/2023	12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023 12/31/2023	1 month 1 month 1 month 1 month 1 month	\$ 700.00 403.65 216.67 239.06 1,076.25 2,635.63 27,391.57

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF.

Balance - December 31, 2023 and 2022 D \$ 100,000.04

Exhibit D-20

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REF. Balance - December 31, 2022 D \$ 3,424,716.51 Increased by: Bonds Paid by Operating Budget 235,000.00 D-12 \$ Transfer from Reserve for Grants Receivable D-10 204,863.24 439,863.24 Balance - December 31, 2023 D \$ 3,864,579.75

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	DATE OF ORDINANCE	BALANCE MBER 31, 2022	BALANCE MBER 31, 2023
96-22	Sewers-Farragut Place	09/27/93	\$ 5,241.72	\$ 5,241.72
99-13	Purchase of Sewer Truck	08/14/99	73.28	73.28
18-09	Sanitary Sewer Improvements	06/25/18	184,245.00	184,245.00
19-05	Sanitary Sewer Improvements	05/20/19	 100,000.00	 100,000.00
			\$ 289,560.00	\$ 289,560.00
		REF.	D	D

#### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD.  NO. IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	ORDI DATE	NANCE AMOUNT	 BALANCE - DEC FUNDED	X 31, 2022 UNFUNDED		CEMBER 31, 2022 NCUMBRANCES	,	2023 AUTHORIZATIONS	2023 EXPENDED		MBER 31, 2023 UMBRANCES	 BALANCE - DECI	R 31, 2023 UNFUNDED
NO. IMITIOVEMENT BEGON! HON	<u>BATE</u>	AMOONT	TONDED	ON ONDED	_	NOOMBRANCEO	-	AO MORIZATIONO	<u>EXI ENDED</u>	LINC	OMBIGAROLO	TONDED	ON ONDED
19-05 Sanitary Sewer and Repair Program	05/20/19	\$ 1,197,000.00	\$ 208,244.80		\$	339,992.20			\$ 269,040.69			\$ 279,196.31	
20-09 Sanitary Sewer Improvements	09/22/20	1,377,000.00	554,959.77			131,449.39			233,152.32	\$	90,635.96	362,620.88	
21-14 Sanitary Sewer Improvements	10/12/21	648,000.00		\$ 642,513.68					286,503.77				\$ 356,009.91
22-05 Various Sewer Improvements	06/27/22	1,242,000.00	60,611.61	1,142,000.00		600.00			43,959.75			17,251.86	1,142,000.00
23-15 Various Sewer Improvements	10/26/23	478,000.00					\$	478,000.00				150,000.00	328,000.00
			\$ 823,816.18	\$ 1,784,513.68	\$	472,041.59	\$	478,000.00	\$ 832,656.53	\$	90,635.96	\$ 809,069.05	\$ 1,826,009.91
		REF.	D	D		D, D-16		Below	D-5		D-16	D	D
Bonds and Notes Authoriz Grants Receivable	zed But Not Issued	D-24 D-9					\$	328,000.00 150,000.00					
		Above					\$	478,000.00					

#### BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

### SCHEDULE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD.  NO. IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	DATE OF ORIGINAL <u>ISSUE</u>	ORI	OUNT OF IGINAL SSUE	DATE OF ISSUE	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	ALANCE BER 31, 2022	INCREASED	<u>DE</u>	BALANCE CEMBER 31, 2023
21-14 Various Sewer Improvements	11/28/23	\$ 58	583,000.00	11/28/2023	11/27/2024	4.75%		\$ 583,000.00	\$	583,000.00
22-05 Various Sewer Improvements	11/28/23	1,1	142,000.00	11/28/2023	11/27/2024	4.75%	 	 1,142,000.00		1,142,000.00
							\$ 	\$ 1,725,000.00	\$	1,725,000.00
						REF.	D	D-5		D

### SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT NOT ISSUED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

ORD. <u>NO.</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION		BALANCE EMBER 31, 2022	2023 <u>AUTHORIZED</u>	ID ANTICIPATION IOTES ISSUED	GRANT <u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DE</u>	BALANCE ECEMBER 31, 2023
00-12 06-14 07-08 14-08	Sewer Improvements Sanitary Repair Program Sanitary Repair Program Sanitary Sewers		\$ 533.00 175.00 200.00 364.00				\$	533.00 175.00 200.00 364.00
20-09 21-14 22-05	Sanitary Repair Program Sanitary Repair Program Sewer Improvements		62,253.25 626,375.23 1,142,000.00		\$ 583,000.00 1,142,000.00	\$ 62,001.25 43,375.23		252.00
23-15	Sewer Improvements		 	\$ 328,000.00	 	 		328,000.00
			\$ 1,831,900.48	\$ 328,000.00	\$ 1,725,000.00	\$ 105,376.48	\$	329,524.00
		REF.	D	D-22	D-23	D-9		D

See Independent Auditors' Report

### **PAYROLL FUND**

### ANALYSIS OF PAYROLL FUND CASH YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	 2023	2022
Other Accounts: Flexible Spending Reserve	\$ 11,313.93	\$ 8,487.12
	\$ 11,313.93	\$ 8,487.12
REF.	E	E

PART III

**SINGLE AUDIT** 

YEAR ENDED DECEMEBER 31, 2023



# 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 Auditors' Report**

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council Borough of North Plainfield North Plainfield, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey ("Division"), the regulatory basis financial statements of the Borough of North Plainfield ("Borough") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 21, 2024 in which we expressed an adverse opinion on the conformity of the statements with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America due to the differences between those principles and the financial reporting provisions of the Division.

### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Borough'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 Borough's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Borough'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.

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

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Borough'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* and by the Division.

### **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 Borough'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 Borough's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Cranford, New Jersey

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

June 21, 2024

Robert Provost, CPA

Steel E Provato

Registered Municipal Accountant, No. 582



# Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program and Report on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance and NJ OMB Circular 15-08

### **Independent Auditors' Report**

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council North Plainfield Borough North Plainfield, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

### Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

We have audited the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, New Jersey's ("Borough",) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB Compliance Supplement and New Jersey State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Borough's major federal and state programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. The Borough's major federal and state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Borough complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the year ended December 31, 2023.

### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States ("*Government Auditing Standards*"); the audit requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance") and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* Our responsibilities under those standards, the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Borough and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Borough's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council North Plainfield Borough North Plainfield, New Jersey

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### Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Borough's federal and state programs.

### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Borough's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than that resulting from error; as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Non-compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Borough's compliance with the requirements of each major federal and state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 Borough's compliance with the compliance
  requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered
  necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Borough's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit
  in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and
  report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and New
  Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Borough's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion
  is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council North Plainfield Borough North Plainfield, New Jersey

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### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal or state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Cranford, New Jersey

PKF O'Connor Davies LLP

June 21, 2024

Robert Provost, CPA

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Registered Municipal Accountant No. 582

#### SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	FEDERAL ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER	STATE PROGRAM <u>CODE</u>	PROGRAM NAME	AWARD AMOUNT	EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL <u>AWARDS</u>	PASSED- THROUGH TO SUB-RECIPIENTS
Direct Programs: U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Federal FEMA Firefighters Grant (SAFER) Federal FEMA Firefighters Grant (SAFER) Disaster Grant- Public Assistance Emergency Management Performance Grant Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security	97.083 97.083 97.036 97.042	2020 2022 2023 2023	Federal FEMA Firefighters Grant (SAFER) Federal FEMA Firefighters Grant (SAFER) Disaster Grant- Public Assistance Emergency Management Performance Grant	\$ 13,861.59 43,053.37 2,269.21 10,000.00	\$ 13,861.59 25,259.18 2,269.21 10,000.00 51,389.98	
Department of Health and Human Services Low Income Household Water Assistance Program Total Department of Health and Human Services	93.499	2023	Low Income Household Water Assistance Program	4,038.54	4,038.54 4,038.54	
U.S. Department of the Treasury: COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds - Firefighter Grant COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds - Affordable Housing Total U.S. Department of Treasury	21.027 21.027 21.027	022-8030-100-687 022-8030-100-687 022-8030-100-687	COVID-19 ARP State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds COVID-19 ARP State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds COVID-19 ARP State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	1,114,144.43 54,000.00 50,000.00	1,114,144.43 451.50 16,338.54 1,130,934.47	
Indirect Programs: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development: Pass through County of Somerset, NJ Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2021 Program Year 2022 Program Year 2023- CV3 Program Total Community Development Block Grants Entitlement Cluster	14.218 14.218 14.218	2021 2022 2023	Community Development Block Grant- Program Year 2021 Community Development Block Grant- Program Year 2022 Community Development Block Grant- CV3 Program	65,000.00 100,000.00 531,428.81	59,513.68 43,959.75 432,483.26 535,956.69	
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards					\$ 1,722,319.68	\$ -

See accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

### SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

State of New Jersey Department / Program Title	Grant Number/State Loan Number	Grant Period	Grant Award	2023 Expenditures	Cummulative Expenditures	
Department of Community Affairs						
Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) Implementation Grant	I-2023-10	2023	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	
Total Department of Community Affairs	1-2020-10	2020	Ψ 400,000.00	400,000.00	400,000.00	
Pass Through County of Somerset						
Municipal Alliance	082-2000-100-044-09	2020	13,158.09	2,575.76	13,158.09	
Municipal Alliance	082-2000-100-044-09	2021	9,177.98	8,160.75	9,177.98	
Municipal Alliance	082-2000-100-044-09	2022	9,849.98	6,403.76	9,438.23	
Body Worn Camera's	N/A	2021	40,760.00	20,139.90	30,984.30	
Municipal Court Adjudication	N/A	2023	2,020.00	2,020.00	2,020.00	
Total Pass Through County of Somerset				39,300.17	64,778.60	
Department of Law and Public Safety						
Safe & Secure Communities Act	066-1020-100-232-07	2023	48.600.00	48.600.00	48,600.00	
Body Armor Replacement	066-1020-718-001-08	2022	3.446.37	2.339.26	3,117.36	
Drunk Driving Enforcement	N/A	2018	21,068.96	21,068.96	21,068.96	
Drunk Driving Enforcement	N/A	2020	6,340.64	1,605.28	2,205.88	
Total Department of Law and Public Safety			2,2	73,613.50	74,992.20	
·						
Department of Environmental Protection	040 4000 705 004 00	0000	00.700.00	00.405.00	00 405 00	
Clean Communities Program Recycling Tonage Grant	042-4900-765-004-09 042-4900-752-001	2023 2022	39,720.60 21,413.43	28,405.28 7,580.93	28,405.28 21,413.43	
Recycling Tonage Grant	042-4900-752-001	2022	18,676.88	7,560.95 7,576.35	7,576.35	
Total New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection	042-4900-732-001	2023	10,070.00	43,562.56	57,395.06	
rotal New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection				+0,002.00	01,000.00	
Department of Human Services						
Youth Services Commission	N/A	2020	5,000.00	208.57	5,000.00	
Youth Services Commission	N/A	2021	5,000.00	3,460.87	4,718.47	
Total Department of Human Services				3,669.44	9,718.47	
Department of Transportation						
Improvements to Various Roads-Various	078-6320-480	2022	442,500.00	208,748.79	233,751.21	
Total Department of Transportation				208,748.79	233,751.21	
Grand Total				\$ 768,894.46	\$ 840,635.54	

## BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY

# NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

#### NOTE 1: GENERAL

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance present the activity of all federal awards and state assistance programs of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, New Jersey. The Borough of North Plainfield is defined in Note 2(A) to the financial statements. All federal awards and state financial assistance received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal awards and state assistance passed through other government agencies are included on the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance.

### NOTE 2: BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey which differ in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applicable to local government units. This regulatory basis of accounting is described in Note 2(C) to Borough of North Plainfield's financial statements.

### NOTE 3: RELATIONSHIP TO GENERAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unless specifically noted, the amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with amounts reported in Borough of North Plainfield's financial statements.

### NOTE 4: RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS

Unless specifically required, the amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state financial reports, where required.

### NOTE 5: INDIRECT COST RATE

The Borough of North Plainfield has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed by the Uniform Guidance and has not charged any indirect costs to its funded programs.

### BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Section 1 - Summary of Auditors' Results

### **Financial Statements**

Type of report the auditor issued on the financial statements:	Unmodified (OCBOA) - Regul	latory Basis		
Internal Control over financial reporting:				
1) Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	X	No
2) Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		Yes	X	None reported
Noncompliance material to basic financial statements noted?		Yes	Х	No
Federal Awards				
Internal Control over major federal programs:				
1) Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	X	No
2) Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		Yes	X	None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs:	Unmodified			
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?		Yes	Х	No
Identification of major federal programs:				
A.L. Number	Name of F	ederal Program c	r Cluster	<u> </u>
21.027	COVID-19 Coronavirus	State and Local F	riscal Recovery Funds	_
21.027	COVID-19 Coronavirus S	State and Local Fi Firefighter Grant	scal Recovery Funds -	_
21.027	COVID-19 Coronavirus S	State and Local F ffordable Housing		<u> </u>
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs:			\$750,000.00	<u>—</u>
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		Yes	X	No

### BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

### **State Financial Assistance**

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs:			\$750,000.00	_
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		Yes	X	_No
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major state programs:	Unmodified	_		
nternal Control over major programs:				
1) Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	X	_No
2) Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		Yes	X	_None reported
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with NJOMB Circular Letter 15-08 as applicable?		Yes	X	_No
dentification of major State programs:				
GMIS Number(s)	Name of	State Pro	gram	<del>_</del>
I-2023-10	Local Efficiency Achievement F	Program (L	EAP) Implementation Grant	_
				_
				_
				_

### BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

### Section II - Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance related to the general-purpose financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with chapter 5.18 of Government Auditing Standards.

Significant Deficiency(ies)/Material Weaknesses
None noted.
<u>Noncompliances</u>
None noted.
Section III - Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs
This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to the audit o major federal and state programs, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200 and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08.
Significant Deficiency(jes)/Material Weaknesses:
None noted.
Noncompliance:
None noted.

**PART IV** 

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

YEAR ENDED DECEMEBER 31, 2023

### COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS - ALL FUNDS <u>DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022</u>

ASSETS AND DEFERRED CHARGES		CURRENT <u>FUND</u>	TRUST <u>FUND</u>	GENERAL CAPITAL <u>FUND</u>	SEWER <u>UTILITY FUND</u>	PAYROLL <u>FUND</u>	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	MEMORANDUM ONLY TOTALS DECEMBER 31,2023	MEMORANDUM ONLY TOTALS DECEMBER 31,2022
Cash and Investments	\$	8,666,655.26 \$	3,238,128.50 \$	3,295,181.12 \$	3,027,700.92 \$	11,313.93	\$	18,238,979.73 \$	15,151,975.51
Accounts Receivable: State & Federal Grants Receivable Taxes, Assessments, Liens &		278,177.90		2,158,270.02	775,528.62			3,211,976.54	2,644,790.20
Utility Charges Interfund Receivable		709,772.03			157,376.26			867,148.29	1,078,538.39 10,493.93
Other Accounts Receivable Property Acquired for Taxes at		38,966.57						38,966.57	25,349.50
Assessed Valuation Fixed Assets - General		827,500.00				\$	37,552,652.33	827,500.00 37,552,652.33	827,500.00 37,423,628.21
Fixed Capital - Utility Fixed Capital - Authorized and					7,386,911.82	Ψ	37,332,032.33	7,386,911.82	7,316,986.83
Uncompleted - Utility					3,424,061.69			3,424,061.69	3,015,986.68
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation: General Capital Fund	_			25,628,105.00				25,628,105.00	24,627,100.00
	\$ _	10,521,071.76 \$	3,238,128.50 \$	31,081,556.14 \$	14,771,579.31 \$	11,313.93	37,552,652.33 \$	97,176,301.97 \$	92,122,349.25

### COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS - ALL FUNDS <u>DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022</u>

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	CURRENT FUND	TRUST <u>FUND</u>		GENERAL CAPITAL <u>FUND</u>	SEWER UTILITY FUND	PAYROLL <u>FUND</u>	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	MEMORANDUM ONLY TOTALS DECEMBER 31,2023	MEMORANDUM ONLY TOTALS DECEMBER 31,2022
Bonds, Notes and Loans Payable			\$	22,352,100.00 \$	6,143,000.00		\$	28,495,100.00 \$	23,965,000.00
Prepaid Taxes, Assessments, Utility Charges and Licenses Tax, Assessment, Lien, License and	\$ 449,062.87							449,062.87	317,676.34
Utility Charge Overpayments	160,076.28				10,781.21			170,857.49	615,362.03
Appropriation Reserves Reserve for Encumbrances/	1,411,152.95				190,973.27			1,602,126.22	1,536,767.16
Accounts Payable	1,010,339.52 \$	36,173.59	)	1,423,036.41	91,217.42			2,560,766.94	2,828,310.95
Other Liabilities	15,548.10				27,391.57 \$	11,313.93		54,253.60	59,799.04
Due to State of NJ- Sr. and Vet. Deduct.	6,215.38							6,215.38	5,448.71
Amts. Pledged to Specific Purposes	762,064.12	3,065,070.39	)	99,366.44	100,000.04			4,026,500.99	5,765,755.62
Improvement Authorizations Interfund Payable				6,618,758.24	2,635,078.96			9,253,837.20	8,297,717.66 10,493.93
Investments in General Fixed Assets School Tax Payable Reserve for Amortization of Costs of Fixed Capital Acquired or						;	\$ 37,552,652.33	37,552,652.33	37,423,628.21 1,827.04
Authorized Reserve for Certain Assets Acquired					4,353,920.36			4,353,920.36	3,914,057.12
or Receivables & Inventories	1,576,238.60				457.595.65			2.033.834.25	2,296,964.45
Fund Balance	 5,130,373.94	136,884.52	<u> </u>	588,295.05	761,620.83			6,617,174.34	5,083,540.99
	\$ 10,521,071.76 \$	3,238,128.50	\$	31,081,556.14 \$	14,771,579.31 \$	11,313.93	\$ 37,552,652.33 \$	97,176,301.97	92,122,349.25

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - CURRENT FUND

Revenue and Other	Year 2023		Year 2022			
Income Realized	<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>	
Fund Balance Utilized Miscellaneous - From Other Than	\$ 1,750,000.00	2.36	\$	1,600,000.00	2.29	
Local Property Tax Levies Collection of Delinquent Taxes	8,103,639.96	10.92		7,153,064.80	10.24	
and Tax Title Liens	832,186.19	1.12		297,367.98	0.43	
Collection of Current Tax Levy	63,518,163.14	85.60		60,774,935.16	87.04	
Total Revenue and Other Income	74,203,989.29	100.00		69,825,367.94	100.00	
<u>Expenditures</u>						
Budget Expenditures:						
Municipal Purposes	29,674,402.66	41.80		27,433,887.26	40.54	
County Taxes	8,153,538.30	11.48		7,645,492.83	11.30	
Local School Taxes	33,142,094.00	46.68		32,589,426.00	48.15	
Other Expenditures	31,389.56	0.04		4,784.85	0.01	
Total Expenditures	 71,001,424.52	100.00		67,673,590.94	100.00	
Excess in Revenues/						
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance	3,202,564.77			2,151,777.00		
Fund Balance January 1	3,677,809.17			3,126,032.17		
	6,880,373.94			5,277,809.17		
Less: Utilization as Anticipated						
Revenue	 1,750,000.00			1,600,000.00		
Fund Balance December 31	\$ 5,130,373.94		\$	3,677,809.17		

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND

Revenue and Other	Year 2023				Year 2022			
Income Realized		<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>		
Fund Balance Utilized	\$	400,000.00	13.00	\$	400,000.00	13.24		
Collection of Sewer Rents	•	2,461,171.18	80.02	•	2,378,734.65	78.73		
Miscellaneous - From Other Than		, - , -			, ,			
Water and Sewer Rents		214,770.56	6.98		242,516.92	8.03		
		_						
Total Revenue and Other Income		3,075,941.74	100.00		3,021,251.57	100.00		
Expenditures								
Budget Expenditures:								
Operating		2,300,000.00	87.02		2,295,000.00	87.22		
Debt Service		316,071.17	11.96		318,416.53	12.10		
Deferred Charges and								
Statutory Expenditures		18,000.00	0.68		18,000.00	0.68		
Adjustment for Accrued Interest		9,019.28	0.34					
Total Expenditures		2,643,090.45	100.00		2,631,416.53	100.00		
Excess in Revenues/								
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance		432,851.29			389,835.04			
Fund Delenes January 4		405 004 00			400,000,00			
Fund Balance January 1		485,921.66			496,086.62			
		918,772.95			885,921.66			
Less:								
Fund Balance Utilized		400,000.00			400,000.00			
Fund Balance December 31	\$	518,772.95		\$	485,921.66			

### COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF TAX RATE INFORMATION

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Tax Rate:	<u>\$4.25</u>	<u>\$4.08</u>	<u>\$4.03</u>
Apportionment of Tax Rate:			
Municipal	\$1.52	\$1.44	\$1.42
County (Inc. Library / Open Space Taxes)	0.54	0.50	0.49
Local School	2.19	2.14	2.12
Assessed Valuation:			
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2023	\$ 1,511,906,758.00	
2022		\$ 1,519,882,385.00
2021		

Note: Under the provisions of Chapter 128, L. 1976 (R.S. 54:4-46.1), the Somerset County Board of Taxation estimated the amount of approved Veterans' and Senior Citizens' tax deductions, etc. to be \$57,500. for the year 2023.

### COMPARISON OF TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTION CURRENTLY

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future tax levies.

V	Taulow	Cash	Percentage of
<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Collections</u>	Collection
2023	\$ 64,280,654.46	\$ 63,335,648.97	98.53%
2022	62,107,084.41	60,774,935.16	97.86%
2021	61,874,222.75	60,646,510.98	98.02%
2020	60,902,845.59	59,426,459.05	97.58%
2019	59,588,285.52	58,549,749.36	98.26%

\$ 1,534,440,811.00

### **DELINQUENT TAXES AND TAX TITLE LIENS**

This tabulation includes a comparison, expressed in percentage, of the total of delinquent taxes and tax title liens, in relation to the tax levies of the last five years.

<u>Year</u>	Amount of <u>x Title Liens</u>	<u>Del</u>	Amount of inquent Taxes	Total <u>Delinquent</u>	Percentage of <u>Tax Levy</u>
2023	\$ 49,092.68	\$	660,679.35	\$ 709,772.03	1.10%
2022	46,358.02		820,800.98	867,159.00	1.40%
2021	42,847.94		706,646.65	749,494.59	1.21%
2020	35,467.58		718,229.05	753,696.63	1.24%
2019	32,255.82		748,952.03	781,207.85	1.31%

### PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY TAX TITLE LIEN LIQUIDATION

The value of property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens on December 31, on the basis of the last assessed valuation of such properties was as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2023	\$ 827,500.00
2022	827,500.00
2021	827,500.00
2020	827,500.00
2019	827,500.00

### COMPARISON OF SEWER UTILITY BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Billings</u>		*Collections
2023	\$ 2,407,168.05	\$	2,461,171.18
2022	2,390,602.00		2,378,734.65
2021	2,404,828.86		2,464,502.96
2020	2,337,237.71		2,268,182.39
2019	2,322,832.44		2,332,498.81

### COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FUND BALANCE

				Utilized in
		Balance		Budget of
	<u>Year</u>	 December 31	Su	<u>icceeding Year</u>
Current Fund	2023	\$ 5,130,373.94	\$	2,800,000.00
	2022	3,677,809.17		1,750,000.00
	2021	3,126,032.17		1,600,000.00
	2020	3,124,357.61		2,000,000.00
	2019	3,422,544.01		1,500,000.00
Sewer Utility				
Operating Fund	2023	\$ 518,772.95	\$	400,000.00
	2022	485,921.66		400,000.00
	2021	496,086.62		400,000.00
	2020	543,888.35		400,000.00
	2019	512,175.79		400,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>Includes collections of prior unpaid balances.

### OFFICIALS IN OFFICE AND SURETY BONDS

The following officials were in office as at December 31, 2023:

 AMOUNT

 OF

 NAME
 TITLE

 BOND

Lawrence La Ronde Mayor

Frank "Skip" Stabile Council President
Aimee Corzo Council Vice President

Suezette Given Councilperson
Steven McIntyre Councilperson
Everett Merrill Councilperson
Keiona R. Miller Councilperson
Wendy Schaefer Councilperson

Michele Irby-Garry, CMR

David E. Hollod, P.E.

Patrick DeBlasio, CPA

Acting Borough Clerk

Business Administrator

Chief Financial Officer

Kathleen Intravartolo Tax Collector \$ 1,000,000.00

Jodi Mack, CMCA Municipal Court Administrator 1,000,000.00

Eric Martin Bernstein, Esq. Borough Attorney

Francesco Taddeo, Esq. Magistrate 1,000,000.00

Barbara Flaherty Assessor
Raymond J. Stine, Esq. Prosecutor
Wlliam Eaton Fire Chief
William G. Parenti Police Chief

Public Employees' Dishonesty Blanket Bond issued by Fidelity & Deposit, Co. covers Borough employees not required to have individual bonds in the sum \$1,000,000.

Position Bonds listed above issued by Fidelity & Deposit Co.

The Municipal Court Bond meets the minimum and suggested coverage levels promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services.

PART V

GENERAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
YEAR ENDED DECEMEBER 31, 2023

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

### Contracts and Agreements Required to be Advertised per (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4)

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4, as amended, states "Every contract or agreement, for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the cost or the contract price whereof is to be paid with or out of public funds not included within the terms of Section 3 of this act, shall be made or awarded only by the Governing Body of the contracting unit after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other law. No work, materials or supplies shall be undertaken, acquired, or furnished for a sum exceeding in the aggregate the amount set forth in, or the amount calculated by the Governor pursuant to (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3c), except by contract or agreement."

It is pointed out that the Borough Council has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the threshold set for the fiscal year and, where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the opinion of the Borough Attorney should be sought before a commitment is made.

The bidding threshold for the period under audit is \$44,000.00 in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3c based on the appointment of a qualified purchasing agent.

Notwithstanding N.J.S.A. 40:11-3a, P.L. 2005, Chapter 51 and N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, known as the "Pay to Play Law", provides that a municipality is prohibited from executing any contract in excess of \$17,500.00, on or after January 1, 2006, to a business entity that made certain reportable contributions to any municipal committee of a political party if a member of that party is in office as a member of the governing body of the municipality when the contract is awarded unless proposals or qualifications are solicited through a fair and open process.

It is further noted that contracts between \$17,500.00 and the municipal bidding threshold, known as "window contracts", can be issued by resolution of the governing body without competitive bidding if a non-fair and open process is implemented which prohibits reportable contributions by the business entity. This procedure has been implemented by the Borough.

The minutes indicate that bids were requested by public advertising for all required purchases.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories of materials and supplies or related work or labor, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

The minutes indicate that proposals were solicited for "Professional Services" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A:20-5.

It is also noted that certain contracts were awarded under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12, New Jersey State purchasing contracts.

### Purchases, Contracts or Agreements Not Required to be Advertised (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1)

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1 states, "Except contracts which require the performance of professional services, all contracts or agreements which do not require public advertising for bids and the estimated cost or price exceeds fifteen percent of the bid threshold or \$6,600.00, at least two quotations as to the cost or price, whenever practicable, shall be solicited by the contracting agent, and the contract or agreement shall be made with and awarded to the lowest responsible bidder."

Reference is made to the Local Public Contract Guidelines and Local Public Contract Regulations promulgated by the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

### Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Other Municipal Charges

N.J.S.A. 54:4-47, as amended, provides the method for authorizing interest and the maximum rate to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The Governing Body adopted the following resolution in January 2023 authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes, assessments, and utility bills:

"WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-66 regulates the due dates for the payment of taxes and assessments, and

WHEREAS, Chapter 105, P.L. 1965, amending R.S. 54:4-67 authorizes the municipalities to provide a grace period not exceeding ten (10) days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the Collector is hereby authorized to allow a period of ten (10) days grace from the installment due date before charging interest; after ten (10) days, interest reverts back to the due date, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rate of interest to be charged for the payment of taxes or assessments or sewer and water utility bills, when they become delinquent, shall be at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency, and eighteen percent (18%) per annum in the excess of \$1,500.00 and an additional penalty of six percent (6%) on any delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 for the prior year.

Tests of the Tax Collector's records indicate that interest was collected in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing ordinance.

### **Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens**

A tax sale was held on October 3, 2023 and was complete.

#### Revenues

Receipts from licenses, fees, fines, and costs, etc., for all departments, including the Municipal Court, were checked to the records maintained to the extent deemed necessary. No exceptions were noted.

### **Payment of Claims**

The examination did not and could not determine the character of services rendered for which payment had been made or for which reserves had been set up, nor could it determine the character, proper price or quantity of materials supplied for which claims had been passed. Authorization for payment of claims is delegated to the Chief Financial Officer and bill lists are submitted to the Borough Council for approval and recorded as a supplement to the official minutes.

### **Purchase Order System and Encumbrance System**

The Borough's budgetary operation is on a full encumbrance system with the exception of payrolls and other direct costs. All purchases are made directly by the purchasing department or subsequently confirmed on an emergency basis. Tests of the system disclosed no exceptions. Blanket orders and other outstanding encumbrances were reviewed at the close of the year, and adjustments and cancellations were made where appropriate to reflect actual commitments outstanding for budgetary control.

### Cybersecurity

As part of its overall risk management, the Borough reviews security measures in place relating to its Information Technology (IT), including the use of specialized assessments. With the ever-increasing challenges relating to cybersecurity, each organization determines what particular assessment or combination of assessments best fits its information security strategy. We suggest management continue to assess risks related to cybersecurity along with utilization of specialized assessments, which would also include a periodic reporting mechanism to those charged with governance.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

### New Jersey Comptroller's Report on Sick and Vacation Leave Policies

On July 7, 2022, the Office of the New Jersey Comptroller ("Comptroller") issued a report regarding its review of "Sick and Vacation Leave Policies in New Jersey Municipalities". In the report, the Comptroller reviewed the sick and vacation leave policies of 60 municipalities against laws enacted by the New Jersey State Legislature in 2007 and 2010. The results of the report found that numerous policies of the municipalities reviewed were considered non-compliant by the Comptroller with the applicable laws. The impact of the 2007 and 2010 laws regarding leave policies and how they are incorporated and implemented into collective bargaining agreements, individual contracts and municipal codes can be complicated and difficult to implement. The Borough of North Plainfield was not included as part of the Comptroller's review. However, given the instances of non-compliance noted in the Comptroller's report, we suggest that the Borough review its current policies and practices with its municipal labor attorney to ensure compliance with the applicable New Jersey State Statutes.

### **General Capital Fund**

There exist several old grant receivable balances within the General Capital Fund in which no collection activity has occurred in recent years. We suggest the outstanding General Capital grants receivables be reviewed for their collectability and proper disposition of these outstanding grant receivables occur.

### **Sewer Utility Capital Fund**

There exist several old grant receivable balances within the Sewer Utility Capital Fund in which no collection activity has occurred in recent years. We suggest the outstanding Sewer Utility Capital grants receivables be reviewed for their collectability and proper disposition of these outstanding grant receivables occur.

### **Corrective Action Plan**

In accordance with regulations promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services, all municipalities are required to prepare and submit to the Division of Local Government Services a Corrective Action Plan with regard to audit deficiencies. This plan must be approved by formal resolution of the Governing Body and submitted within 60 days from the date the audit is received. There were no findings in the prior year.

### **Miscellaneous**

A statutory report on the operations of the Municipal Court was prepared as part of our examination and copies filed with the New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts, the Division of Local Government Services, the Municipal Court, and the Borough Clerk.

Revenue and receipts were established and verified as to source and amount only insofar as the local records permitted.

A statutory report summarizing collections of Dog License Fees and remittances of State Registration Fees was prepared and filed with the New Jersey Department of Health and the Division of Local Government Services.

A separate report on the operations of the Uniform Construction Code Office was also prepared and filed with the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services.

A copy of this report was filed with the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services.

A summary or synopsis of this report was prepared for publication and filed with the Borough Clerk.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- None

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

We shall be pleased to confer with the members of the Borough Council on questions that might arise with respect to any matters in this report.

We wish to express our appreciation for the assistance and courtesies rendered by the Borough officials and employees during the course of our examination.

Cranford, New Jersey June 21, 2024

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PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP