

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Board Meeting Attendance Record

Date: Sept. 23, 2025

Name	Please check the boxes that apply		
	Aitkin County Citizen	Aitkin County Employee	Company Representative – Please list
Chris Sutil		X	I.T.
John Welle		X	Hwy
Jeanne Schram		.	Aitkin Age
DJ Thompson		X	Land
MAURICE JORDON		✓	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



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Aitkin County, Minnesota

Presentation: Exit Conference
Year Ending December 31, 2024

Agenda

- Required Communications
- Internal Control
- Minnesota Legal Compliance
- Federal Single Audit
- Financial Results
- Key Issues/Summary





Required Communications



Required Communications

- See separate letter for communication required by various Statements on Auditing Standards
- Unmodified opinion on financial statements





Internal Controls



Internal Control

- Material Weaknesses – deficiencies in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement would not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis
 - Audit Adjustments
 - Financial Reporting Process



Internal Control (Continued)

- Significant Deficiencies - deficiencies in internal control that are less severe than material weaknesses, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance
 - Computer Risk Management
 - Segregation of Duties





Minnesota Legal Compliance



Minnesota Legal Compliance

- Auditors performed tests of County compliance and completed a 25-page check list related to procedures/guidelines required to be tested by the Minnesota Office of the State Auditor
 - 2024 Items:
 - Publishing of Claims
 - Ditch Special Revenue Fund





Federal Single Audit



Federal Single Audit

- Major Program: Highway Planning and Construction
 - Material Weakness:
 - None noted
 - Significant Deficiency:
 - None noted



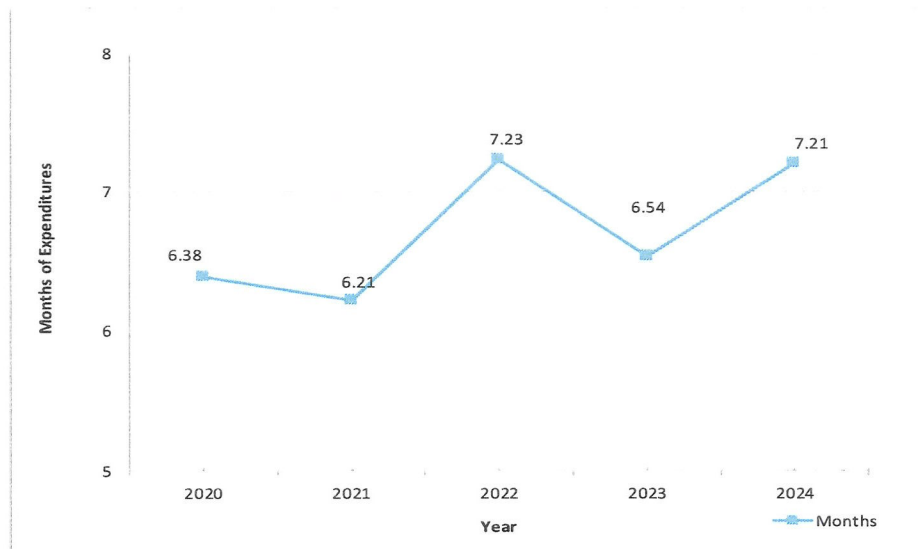


Financial Results



Financial Results

Months of Expenditures in Fund Balance – All Governmental Funds

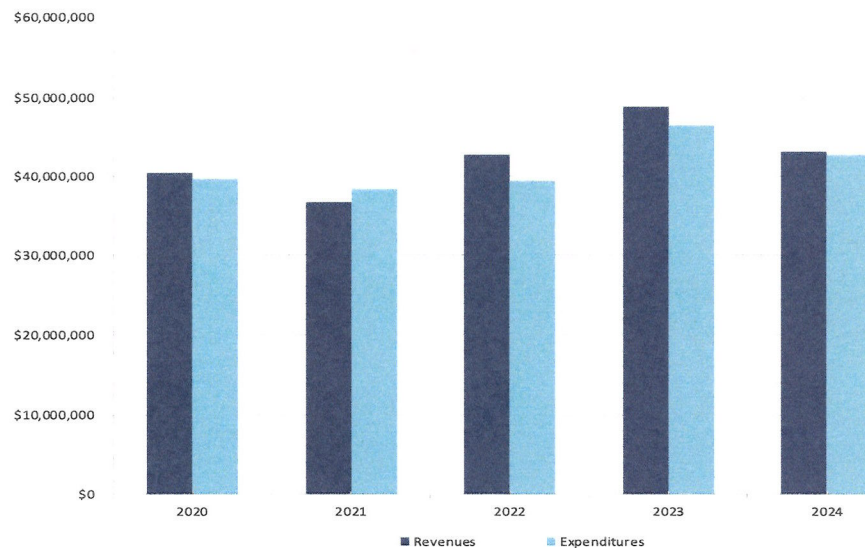


- Recommend no less than 3-5 months
- Increase from prior year
- This is “Unrestricted” fund balance
- All 5 years presented above the recommendation

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Expenditures	\$ 39,751,020	\$ 38,425,573	\$ 39,390,528	\$ 46,521,277	\$ 42,788,974
Fund Balance	21,150,087	19,895,789	23,740,652	25,336,975	25,710,450

Financial Results

Governmental Funds - Revenues and Expenditures

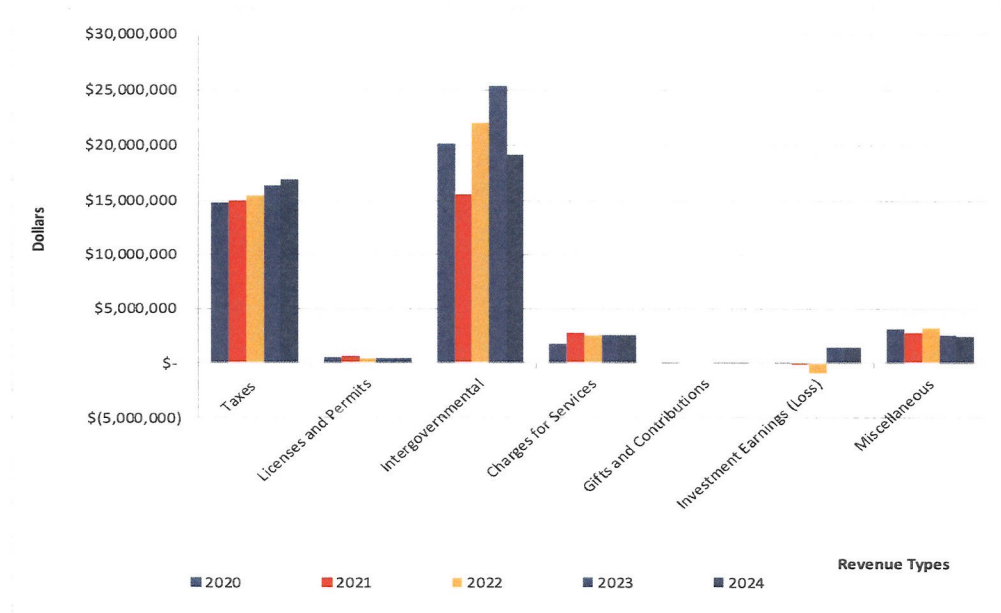


- Expenditures have exceeded revenues 1 out of 5 years
- 2024 revenues exceeded expenditures by approximately \$372,000
- Approximately \$5.7M decrease in revenues in 2024

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues	\$ 40,504,480	\$ 36,708,600	\$ 42,847,133	\$ 48,850,914	\$ 43,160,843
Expenditures	39,751,020	38,425,573	39,390,528	46,521,277	42,788,974

Financial Results

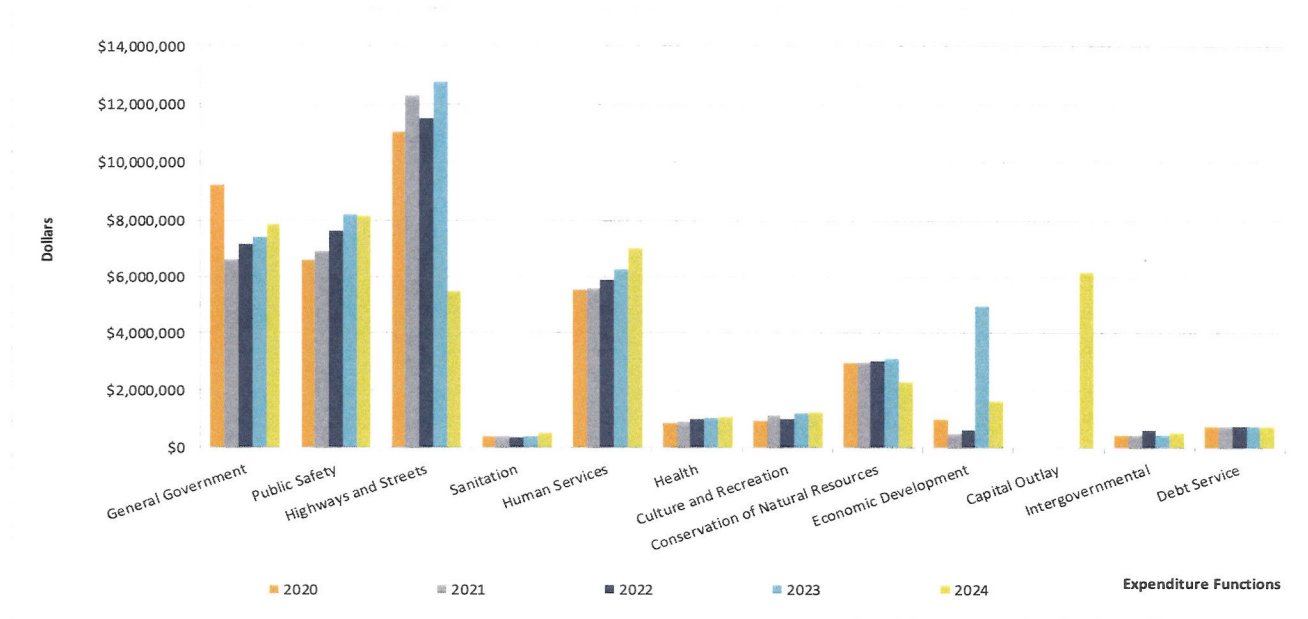
Revenues – All Governmental Funds



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Taxes	\$ 14,784,906	\$ 15,063,799	\$ 15,441,262	\$ 16,384,383	\$ 16,931,897
Licenses and Permits	521,172	630,994	475,719	469,512	480,975
Intergovernmental	20,131,425	15,551,705	21,973,374	25,400,416	19,164,246
Charges for Services	1,831,233	2,794,582	2,605,436	2,584,797	2,600,632
Gifts and Contributions	1,800	15,025	7,505	16,050	7,629
Investment Earnings (Loss)	106,554	(85,301)	(934,659)	1,425,606	1,490,090
Miscellaneous	3,127,390	2,737,796	3,278,496	2,570,150	2,485,374
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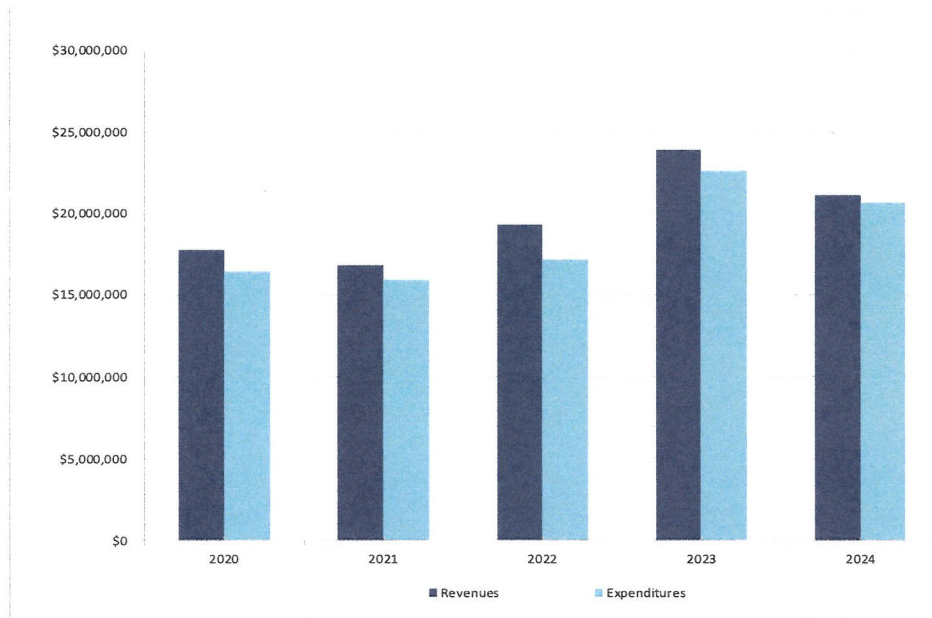
Expenditures – All Governmental Funds



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General Government	\$ 9,243,692	\$ 6,619,045	\$ 7,139,703	\$ 7,415,074	\$ 7,887,774
Public Safety	6,597,503	6,897,173	7,613,726	8,208,338	8,166,958
Highways and Streets	11,031,613	12,305,378	11,492,581	12,793,414	5,520,455
Sanitation	398,877	388,321	368,592	394,642	527,007
Human Services	5,532,839	5,579,136	5,873,835	6,249,411	7,028,673
Health	854,230	888,213	971,176	1,019,080	1,083,841
Culture and Recreation	950,157	1,133,129	981,922	1,204,330	1,250,102
Conservation of Natural Resources	2,959,077	2,973,064	2,999,939	3,084,409	2,295,474
Economic Development	985,591	482,378	595,063	4,969,482	1,630,253
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	6,166,235
Intergovernmental	455,617	419,081	624,272	452,509	507,275
Debt Service	741,824	740,655	729,719	730,588	724,927
Total	\$ 39,751,020	\$ 38,425,573	\$ 39,390,528	\$ 46,521,277	\$ 42,788,974

Financial Results

General Fund Revenues and Expenditures

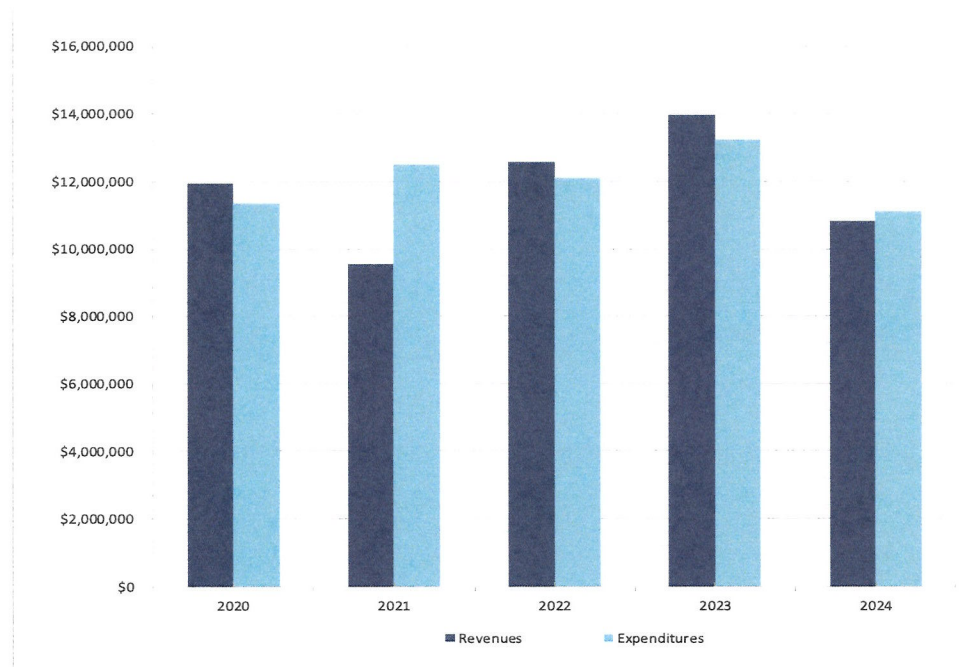


- Revenues in excess of expenditures in all years presented
- Both revenues and expenditures decreased from prior year

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues	\$ 17,701,249	\$ 16,758,977	\$ 19,290,039	\$ 23,908,364	\$ 21,138,889
Expenditures	16,376,125	15,868,708	17,170,690	22,664,523	20,688,098

Financial Results

Road and Bridge Fund Revenues and Expenditures

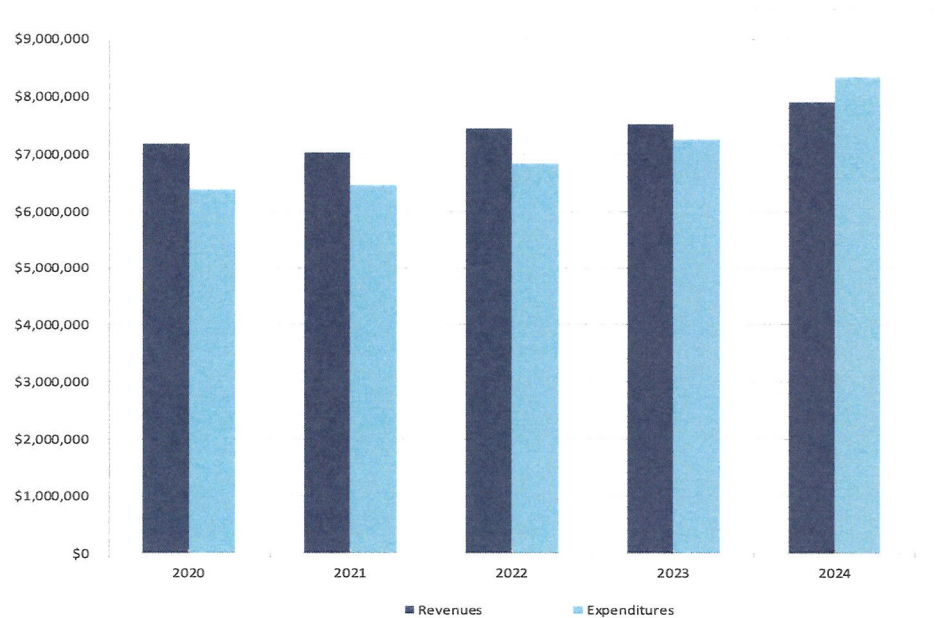


- Timing of when revenues received can make this fund fluctuate more
- Expenditures exceeded revenues in 2024

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues	\$ 11,941,367	\$ 9,530,689	\$ 12,592,137	\$ 13,959,501	\$ 10,821,089
Expenditures	11,366,004	12,501,632	12,108,757	13,233,866	11,108,717

Financial Results

Human Services Fund Revenues and Expenditures

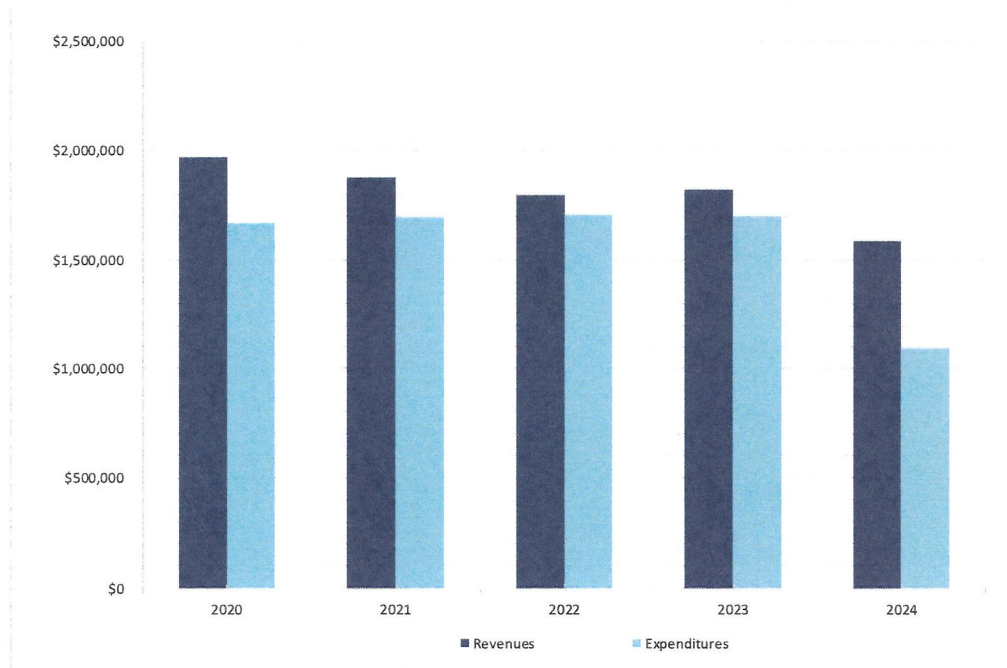


- Expenditures in excess of revenues by approximately \$428,000
- Revenues have exceeded expenditures in 4 out of 5 years presented
- Approximately \$1,100,000 increase in expenditures

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues	\$ 7,195,494	\$ 7,033,397	\$ 7,452,211	\$ 7,530,072	\$ 7,908,110
Expenditures	6,383,352	6,464,182	6,842,093	7,262,456	8,336,421

Financial Results

Trust Fund Revenues and Expenditures



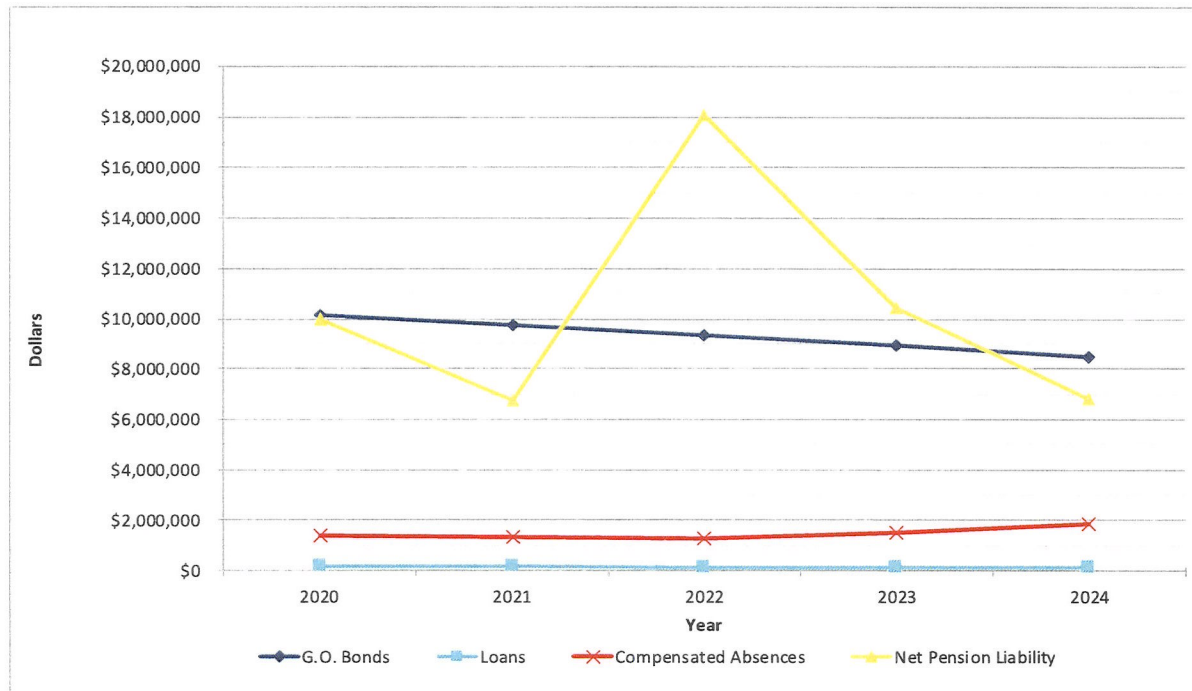
- Revenues in excess of expenditures in all years presented
- Fluctuations due to nature of the fund

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues	\$ 1,972,783	\$ 1,880,669	\$ 1,798,477	\$ 1,823,220	\$ 1,592,762
Expenditures	1,674,299	1,697,337	1,710,252	1,706,727	1,099,442



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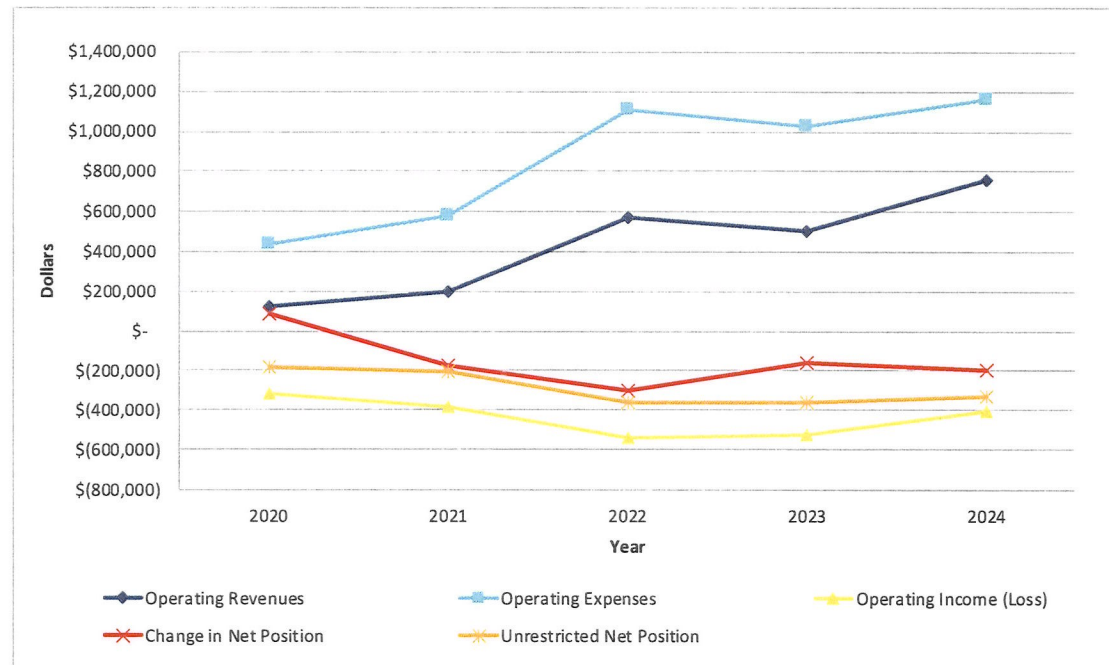
County Indebtedness – Governmental Activities



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
G.O. Bonds	\$ 10,164,025	\$ 9,755,519	\$ 9,347,569	\$ 8,930,122	\$ 8,498,369
Loans	158,358	169,875	144,247	115,747	147,998
Compensated Absences	1,374,666	1,340,420	1,271,325	1,512,965	1,857,154
Net Pension Liability	9,961,164	6,761,892	18,089,317	10,437,627	6,807,264

Financial Results

Long Lake Conservation Center



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Operating Revenues	\$ 125,165	\$ 199,011	\$ 569,697	\$ 502,009	\$ 755,758
Operating Expenses	440,767	582,515	1,109,101	1,026,702	1,160,321
Operating Income (Loss)	(315,602)	(383,504)	(539,404)	(524,693)	(404,563)
Change in Net Position	84,155	(173,610)	(297,600)	(158,575)	(197,029)
Unrestricted Net Position	(184,894)	(200,483)	(361,827)	(360,896)	(331,471)





Key Issues/Summary



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- Overall consistent with prior years
- Accounting Standards Implemented
 - GASB No. 101 – Compensated Absences. The implementation had no material impact



Thank you to all for allowing us to serve you!

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