

**CITY OF GERING**  
**Gering, Nebraska**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**And**  
**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

**September 30, 2022**

**CITY OF GERING**  
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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Honorable Mayor, City Council,  
And City Administrator  
City of Gering  
Gering, Nebraska

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Gering, Nebraska, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### *Opinions*

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Gering, Nebraska as of September 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and where applicable, cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### *Basis for Opinions*

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

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City'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 whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS 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 including examining on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City'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 our audit.

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information, on pages 4-11 and 53-58 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied

certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Other Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Gering's basic financial statements. The Other Supplementary Information as listed in the table of contents as pages 60-63 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Other Supplementary Information 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 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 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 GAAS. In our opinion, the Other Supplementary Information is 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 March 27, 2023 on our consideration of City of Gering'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 City of Gering'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 City of Gering's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Certified Public Accountants  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska

March 27, 2023

**CITY OF GERING**  
**Gering, Nebraska**

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)**

**September 30, 2022**

The management of the City of Gering, Nebraska (the City) offers readers of the City's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022. Please consider this discussion in conjunction with the additional information provided in the transactions, events and conditions reflected in the City's financial statements (beginning on page 12).

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- The assets of the City exceeded its liabilities at September 30, 2022, by \$72,897,213 (net position). Of this amount, \$30,614,708 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- As of September 30, 2022, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$12,402,217. This is a decrease of \$1,518,929 in comparison with the prior year.
- As of September 30, 2022, unassigned fund balance for governmental funds was \$2,174,892, or 44.4% of total general fund expenditures.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the City's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the City's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the City's net position changed during the year ended September 30, 2022. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the City include general administrative services, public safety, streets and highways, planning and zoning, parks and recreation, cemetery, library, and self-insurance. The business-type activities of the City include electric, water, wastewater, sanitation utilities, golf course, leasing corporation and civic center.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 12-15 of this report.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

**FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the City can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds.

**Governmental funds** - Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the City's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and government-wide activities.

The City maintains fifteen individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the General fund, the KENO fund, the Streets fund, the LB 840 fund and the Downtown Development fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of the nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 16-21 of this report.

**Proprietary funds** - The City maintains two different types of proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City uses enterprise funds to account for its electric, water, wastewater and sanitation utilities in addition to the golf course, leasing corporation and civic center. Internal service funds are used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the City's various functions. The City uses internal service funds to account for its self-funding health insurance. Because the self-funding services predominantly benefit governmental rather than business-type functions, they have been included within the governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for all of the enterprise funds.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 22-27 of this report.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 28-51 of this report.



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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

**OTHER INFORMATION**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the City's budget. The City adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund and all other governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General, KENO, Streets, LB840 and Downtown Development major funds to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the City, assets exceeded liabilities by \$72,897,213 at September 30, 2022.

By far the largest portion of the City's net position (44.2 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, improvements, utility plant, infrastructure, and machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the City's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

**City of Gering**  
**Condensed Statement of Net Position**  
**September 30, 2022 and 2021**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Current and other assets	\$ 16,990,037	\$ 18,526,777	\$ 20,054,691	\$ 21,800,625	\$ 37,044,728	\$ 40,327,402
Capital assets	11,725,520	10,820,272	31,404,448	31,122,263	43,129,968	41,942,535
Other noncurrent assets	3,830,228	1,359,108	4,198,827	-	8,029,055	1,359,108
Total assets	32,545,785	30,706,157	55,657,966	52,922,888	88,203,751	83,629,045
Current liabilities	1,542,413	869,439	1,320,854	1,824,961	2,863,267	2,694,400
Long-term liabilities outstanding	1,113,898	1,205,925	10,675,340	11,278,238	11,789,238	12,484,163
Total liabilities	2,656,311	2,075,364	11,996,194	13,103,199	14,652,505	15,178,563
Deferred inflow of resources	694,704	3,126,730	-	-	694,704	3,126,730
Net assets						
Net investment in capital assets	11,725,520	10,820,272	20,511,835	21,892,263	32,237,355	32,712,535
Restricted	5,469,640	5,174,122	4,575,510	2,870,360	10,045,150	8,044,482
Unrestricted	12,040,281	9,289,119	18,574,427	15,277,616	30,614,708	24,566,735
Total net position	\$ 29,235,441	\$ 25,283,513	\$ 43,661,772	\$ 40,040,239	\$ 72,897,213	\$ 65,323,752

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

At September 30, 2022, the City is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net position, for the government as a whole.

**City of Gering**  
**Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets**  
**September 30, 2022 and 2021**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 2,380,214	\$ 2,468,266	\$ 17,657,920	\$ 16,201,305	\$ 20,038,134	\$ 18,669,571
Operating grants and contributions	26,663	1,110,114	-	-	26,663	1,110,114
Capital grants and contributions	888,628	899,266	-	225,000	888,628	1,124,266
General revenues:						
Property taxes	1,406,056	2,366,911	-	-	1,406,056	2,366,911
Sales and use tax	2,060,320	1,991,289	-	-	2,060,320	1,991,289
Other taxes	442,570	-	-	-	442,570	-
Intergovernmental	1,922,105	1,586,013	-	-	1,922,105	1,586,013
Investment income (loss)	(95,466)	57,542	(169,672)	71,457	(265,136)	128,997
Gain (loss) from sale of assets	42,500	(14,285)	13,000	(136,933)	55,500	(151,218)
Miscellaneous	464,433	1,419,313	598,821	801,429	1,063,254	2,220,744
Payment received from loan	-	293,133	-	-	-	293,135
Total revenues	<u>9,538,023</u>	<u>12,177,562</u>	<u>18,100,069</u>	<u>17,162,258</u>	<u>27,638,094</u>	<u>29,339,822</u>
Expenses:						
General government	3,093,092	2,753,664	-	-	3,093,092	2,753,664
Public safety	2,262,006	2,178,403	-	-	2,262,006	2,178,403
Public works	1,337,086	1,297,362	-	-	1,337,086	1,297,362
Public health	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	3,079,410	2,851,171	-	-	3,079,410	2,851,171
Economic development	304,290	2,235,436	-	-	304,290	2,235,436
Interest on long-term debt	20,739	121,018	-	-	20,739	121,018
Electric	-	-	5,749,376	5,572,202	5,749,376	5,572,202
Water	-	-	1,309,550	1,377,405	1,309,550	1,377,405
Wastewater	-	-	1,058,058	1,015,193	1,058,058	1,015,193
Sanitation	-	-	2,696,077	2,581,173	2,696,077	2,581,173
Golf	-	-	977,652	802,665	977,652	802,665
Leasing Corp	-	-	213,867	221,743	213,867	221,743
Civic Center	-	-	679,581	499,862	679,581	499,862
Total expenses	<u>10,096,621</u>	<u>11,437,052</u>	<u>12,684,161</u>	<u>12,070,243</u>	<u>22,780,782</u>	<u>23,507,297</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets before transfers	(558,598)	740,510	5,415,908	5,092,015	4,857,312	5,832,525
Transfers in (out)	1,794,375	1,823,950	(1,794,375)	(1,823,950)	-	-
Increase (decrease) in net assets	<u>1,235,777</u>	<u>2,564,460</u>	<u>3,621,533</u>	<u>3,268,065</u>	<u>4,857,312</u>	<u>5,832,525</u>
Prior period adjustment (Note 19)	2,716,151	-	-	-	2,716,151	-
Net assets, October 1	<u>25,283,513</u>	<u>22,719,053</u>	<u>40,040,239</u>	<u>36,772,174</u>	<u>65,323,750</u>	<u>59,491,227</u>
Net assets, September 30	<u>\$ 29,235,441</u>	<u>\$ 25,283,513</u>	<u>\$ 43,661,772</u>	<u>\$ 40,040,239</u>	<u>\$ 72,897,213</u>	<u>\$ 65,323,752</u>

**CITY OF GERING**  
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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES**

Governmental activities increased the City's net position by a total of \$1,235,777. Key elements in this increase follows:

- Receipt of American Rescue Plan funds in the amount of \$719,278.
- Increased property and sales tax revenues of \$518,285.

**BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES**

Business-type activities increased the city's net position by \$3,621,533. Key elements in this increase follows:

- Electric, water, wastewater and sanitation revenues were all over budgeted amounts.
- Additional reduced expenses in all business type funds from delayed capital improvements due to pandemic shut down and logistical delays.

**FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS**

As noted earlier, the City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

The focus of the City's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the City's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of September 30, 2022, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$12,402,217, a decrease of \$1,518,929 in comparison with the prior year. This decrease was largely due to moving the activity and cash of the health self insurance plan from the general fund to a separate internal service fund.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At September 30, 2022, the unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$2,174,892. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare the unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. The unassigned fund balance represents 44.4 percent of total general fund expenditures.

The fund balance of the City's general fund decreased by \$992,997 during fiscal year 2022. This decrease was largely due to transferring of the cash of the health self insurance plan from the general fund to a separate internal service fund.

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**Gering, Nebraska**

**MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**

The City's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the electric system, water system, wastewater system and landfill/sanitation collections department amounted to \$16,140,654, \$886,505, \$1,355,396 and \$178,165 respectively, at September 30, 2022. Unrestricted net position of the leasing corporation fund and civic center fund amounted to \$455,538 and \$58,876 respectively. Factors concerning the finances of these funds have already been addressed in the discussion of the City's business-type activities.

**GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

Variances between actual general fund revenues and expenditures and the final budget include:

- \$42,321 negative variance in property taxes.
- \$200,274 positive variance in sales tax receipts.
- \$49,511 positive variance in building permit revenue.
- \$78,771 positive variance in charges for services revenue.
- \$440,987 positive variance in payroll and benefit expense.
- \$76,972 negative variance in general fund operating expense.

**CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**CAPITAL ASSETS**

The City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of September 30, 2022, was \$43,129,970 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, streets, storm sewers, electric plant, and water and sewer plant.

**City of Gering**  
**Capital assets (net of depreciation)**  
**September 30, 2022 and 2021**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Land	\$ 835,698	\$ 829,498	\$ 2,921,578	\$ 2,836,020	\$ 3,757,276	\$ 3,665,518
Construction in progress	93,182	86,290	1,084,273	1,268,178	1,177,455	1,354,468
Buildings and improvements	9,166,044	8,520,886	7,221,551	7,373,667	16,387,595	15,894,553
Equipment and vehicles	1,630,598	1,383,598	2,720,510	2,154,828	4,351,108	3,538,426
Utility systems		-	17,456,536	17,489,570	17,456,536	17,489,570
Total	\$ 11,725,522	\$ 10,820,272	\$ 31,404,448	\$ 31,122,263	\$ 43,129,970	\$ 41,942,535

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**MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

Major capital asset events during 2022 included the following:

- Landfill/Sanitation Fund – purchase new Dozer \$332,024
- Landfill/Sanitation Fund – purchase new Tractor \$444,965
- Wastewater Fund – completion of sewer line replacement, railroad right of way \$249,959
- Wastewater Fund – sewer camera replacement \$99,208
- Streets Fund – purchase new street sweeper \$227,342
- Streets Fund – chip seal project \$499,969
- General Fund/Police Dept – replace 3 patrol vehicles \$92,483
- Downtown Development Fund – replace 3 HVAC units Civic Center \$45,000
- Downtown Development Fund – completion of Civic Center remodel \$373,463

Additional information on the City’s capital assets can be found in Note 5 of the notes to the financial statements on pages 41-42 of this report.

**LONG-TERM DEBT**

At September 30, 2022, the City of Gering had total debt outstanding of \$9,304,630. This amount represents bonds secured by specified revenue sources (i.e., revenue bonds).

Additional information on the City's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 of the notes to the financial statements on pages 42-44 of this report.

**City of Gering**  
**Outstanding Long-Term Debt**  
**September 30, 2022 and 2021**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Notes payable	\$ 819,630	\$ 1,057,258	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 819,630	\$ 1,057,258
Revenue bonds	-	-	8,485,000	9,230,000	8,485,000	9,230,000
Total	\$ 819,630	\$ 1,057,258	\$ 8,485,000	\$ 9,230,000	\$ 9,304,630	\$ 10,287,258

**ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES**

- The increase in the City’s property tax base provided by real growth is estimated at 1.96%, with an actual increase in valuation from the prior year of approximately \$40.7 million.
- For the 2023 budget, the projection for sales tax was budgeted at a 11.9% increase to more align with actual receipts in the most recent years.
- Franchise fees revenues were increased due to the 5 year settlement agreement with ALLO Communications.
- Budgeted transfers from enterprise funds to government funds remained the same due to funds being aligned and becoming more self-sustaining.

Various utility rates were increased for the 2023 budget year. The residential and commercial water, wastewater and sanitation collection rates were increased as well as various landfill fees. In addition, the stormwater flat surcharge amount was increased. Electric rates for all users remained the same as last year. The rate increases implemented are necessary to fund debt service, capital expenditures, infrastructure investment, to cover the cost of inflation and to cover the cost of unfunded Federal mandates.

All of these factors were considered in preparing the City’s budget for the 2023 fiscal year.

**CITY OF GERING**  
**Gering, Nebraska**

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) – (CONTINUED)**

**September 30, 2022**

**REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the City of Gering, Finance Department, P.O. Box 687, Gering, NE 69341.

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>	<u>Eliminations</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current assets				
Cash	\$ 6,254,360	\$ 4,866,218	\$ -	\$ 11,120,578
Cash - County Treasurer	61,085	-	-	61,085
Investments	4,179,969	6,207,818	-	10,387,787
Net Receivables				
Property and sales tax	757,725	-	-	757,725
Accounts and grants	154,158	1,745,674	-	1,899,832
Unbilled receivables	-	1,122,186	-	1,122,186
Interest	10,474	15,668	-	26,142
Notes receivable	3,001,123	-	-	3,001,123
Prepaid expense	-	25,000	-	25,000
Inventory	15,287	968,839	-	984,126
Total current assets	<u>14,434,181</u>	<u>14,951,403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,385,584</u>
Restricted assets				
Cash and certificates of deposit	2,555,856	5,103,288	-	7,659,144
Total restricted assets	<u>2,555,856</u>	<u>5,103,288</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,659,144</u>
Noncurrent assets				
Investments	2,477,320	4,198,827	-	6,676,147
Nondepreciable	928,880	4,005,850	-	4,934,730
Depreciable (net)	10,796,640	27,398,598	-	38,195,238
Total capital assets	<u>14,202,840</u>	<u>35,603,275</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,806,115</u>
Other long-term assets				
Due from other funds	40,671	-	(40,671)	-
Economic development real estate	1,352,908	-	-	1,352,908
Total other long-term assets	<u>1,393,579</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(40,671)</u>	<u>1,352,908</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 32,586,456</u>	<u>\$ 55,657,966</u>	<u>\$ (40,671)</u>	<u>\$ 88,203,751</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,366,535	\$ 315,224	\$ -	\$ 1,681,759
Sales tax payable	3,166	73,869	-	77,035
Energy assistance payments	-	46,759	-	46,759
Accrued payroll expense	10,621	9,013	-	19,634
Accrued wages	86,520	78,242	-	164,762
Accrued interest	20,435	62,747	-	83,182
Current portion of long-term debt	55,136	735,000	-	790,136
Total current liabilities	<u>1,542,413</u>	<u>1,320,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,863,267</u>
Noncurrent liabilities				
Customer deposits	-	527,516	-	527,516
Compensated absences	349,404	233,653	-	583,057
Landfill closure costs	-	2,123,500	-	2,123,500
Due to other funds	-	40,671	(40,671)	-
Long-term debt	764,494	7,750,000	-	8,514,494
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>1,113,898</u>	<u>10,675,340</u>	<u>(40,671)</u>	<u>11,748,567</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>2,656,311</u>	<u>11,996,194</u>	<u>(40,671)</u>	<u>14,611,834</u>

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Eliminations	Total
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES</b>				
Unavailable revenue - ALLO settlement	57,204	-	-	57,204
Unavailable revenue - notes receivable	637,500	-	-	637,500
Total deferred inflow of resources	<u>694,704</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>694,704</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt	11,725,520	20,511,835	-	32,237,355
Restricted	-	-	-	-
Community betterment	1,452,078	-	-	1,452,078
Economic development	1,356,469	-	-	1,356,469
Public safety	342,782	-	-	342,782
Road maintenance and improvements	879,755	-	-	879,755
American Rescue Plan	1,438,556	-	-	1,438,556
Debt covenants	-	485,000	-	485,000
Landfill closure/post closure	-	2,123,500	-	2,123,500
New landfill	-	1,967,010	-	1,967,010
Unrestricted	12,040,281	18,574,427	-	30,614,708
Total net position	<u>29,235,441</u>	<u>43,661,772</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,897,213</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>	<u>\$ 32,586,456</u>	<u>\$ 55,657,966</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 88,203,751</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

Functions/programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
Primary government				
Governmental activities				
General government	\$ (3,093,092)	\$ 84,712	\$ 10,258	\$ 719,278
Public safety	(2,262,006)	124,908	12,205	-
Public works	(1,337,086)	108,511	-	169,350
Culture and recreation	(3,079,410)	2,062,083	-	-
Economic development	(304,290)	-	4,200	-
Interest expense	(20,739)	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>(10,096,623)</u>	<u>2,380,214</u>	<u>26,663</u>	<u>888,628</u>
Business-type activities				
Electric	(5,749,376)	9,321,991	-	-
Water	(1,309,550)	1,940,599	-	-
Wastewater	(1,058,058)	1,402,816	-	-
Sanitation	(2,696,077)	3,833,784	-	-
Golf	(977,652)	673,828	-	-
Leasing Corp.	(213,867)	-	-	-
Civic Center	(679,581)	484,902	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>(12,684,161)</u>	<u>17,657,920</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ (22,780,784)</u>	<u>\$ 20,038,134</u>	<u>\$ 26,663</u>	<u>\$ 888,628</u>

General revenues

Taxes

Property taxes, levied for general purposes

Property taxes, levied for public safety

Sales tax

Other taxes

Intergovernmental

Gain (loss) on sale of assets

Interest income

Miscellaneous

Total general revenues

Net transfers in (out)

CHANGE IN NET POSITION

NET POSITION, beginning of year, as originally stated

PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT (NOTE 19)

NET POSITION, beginning of year, as restated

NET POSITION, end of year

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Net (Expense) Revenue and  
Changes in Net Position  
Primary Government

Governmental Activities	Business type Activities	Eliminations	Total
\$ (2,278,844)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,278,844)
(2,124,893)	-	-	(2,124,893)
(1,059,225)	-	-	(1,059,225)
(1,017,327)	-	-	(1,017,327)
(300,090)	-	-	(300,090)
(20,739)	-	-	(20,739)
<u>(6,801,118)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,801,118)</u>
-	3,572,615	-	3,572,615
-	631,049	-	631,049
-	344,758	-	344,758
-	1,137,707	-	1,137,707
-	(303,824)	-	(303,824)
-	(213,867)	-	(213,867)
-	(194,679)	-	(194,679)
<u>-</u>	<u>4,973,759</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,973,759</u>
<u>(6,801,118)</u>	<u>4,973,759</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,827,359)</u>
1,104,427	-	-	1,104,427
301,629	-	-	301,629
2,060,320	-	-	2,060,320
442,570	-	-	442,570
1,922,105	-	-	1,922,105
42,500	13,000	-	55,500
(95,466)	(169,672)	-	(265,138)
464,435	598,821	-	1,063,256
<u>6,242,520</u>	<u>442,149</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,684,669</u>
<u>1,794,375</u>	<u>(1,794,375)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
1,235,777	3,621,533	-	4,857,310
<u>25,283,513</u>	<u>40,040,239</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>65,323,752</u>
<u>2,716,151</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,716,151</u>
<u>27,999,664</u>	<u>40,040,239</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,039,903</u>
<u>\$ 29,235,441</u>	<u>\$ 43,661,772</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 72,897,213</u>

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	General Fund	Keno Fund	Street Fund
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash	\$ 1,201,024	\$ -	\$ 235,024
Cash - County Treasurer	49,208	-	-
Investments	733,492	1,156,687	635,025
Receivables			
Property and sales tax	356,066	-	166,047
Accounts and grants	127,770	17,388	9,000
Interest	1,699	1,818	850
Notes receivable	-	-	-
Inventory	15,287	-	-
Due from other funds	40,671	-	-
Restricted assets			
Cash and certificates of deposit	<u>571,478</u>	<u>349,994</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,096,695</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,525,887</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,045,946</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 82,408	\$ 73,809	\$ 25,270
Accrued state and sales tax	-	-	-
Accrued wages	68,125	-	14,307
Accrued payroll expense	8,501	-	1,777
Total liabilities	<u>159,034</u>	<u>73,809</u>	<u>41,354</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES</b>			
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	116,800	-	-
Unavailable revenue - ALLO settlement	57,204	-	-
Unavailable revenue - notes receivable	-	-	-
Total deferred inflow of resources	<u>174,004</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Restricted			
Community betterment	-	1,452,078	-
Economic development	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-
Road maintenance and improvements	-	-	879,755
American Rescue Plan	-	-	-
Nonspendable	15,287	-	-
Committed			
Debt service	-	-	-
Economic development	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-
Road maintenance and improvements	-	-	124,837
Cemetery operations and improvements	573,478	-	-
Downtown development	-	-	-
Tourism and recreation	-	-	-
Assigned			
Capital improvements	-	-	-
Unassigned	2,174,892	-	-
Total fund balances	<u>2,763,657</u>	<u>1,452,078</u>	<u>1,004,592</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,096,695</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,525,887</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,045,946</u></b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

	LB 840 Fund	Downtown Development Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$	469,179	348,482	\$ 2,537,193	\$ 4,790,902
	-	3,614	8,263	61,085
	445,020	380,804	2,228,710	5,579,738
	95,995	57,597	82,020	757,725
	-	-	-	154,158
	601	513	3,542	9,023
	1,082,861	40,675	1,877,587	3,001,123
	-	-	-	15,287
	-	-	-	40,671
	-	-	1,634,384	2,555,856
\$	<u>2,093,656</u>	<u>831,685</u>	<u>8,371,699</u>	<u>16,965,568</u>
\$	1,636	685,900	\$ 399,788	\$ 1,268,811
	-	-	3,166	3,166
	-	-	4,088	86,520
	-	-	343	10,621
	<u>1,636</u>	<u>685,900</u>	<u>407,385</u>	<u>1,369,118</u>
	-	-	19,106	135,906
	-	-	-	57,204
	1,082,861	40,675	1,877,587	3,001,123
	<u>1,082,861</u>	<u>40,675</u>	<u>1,896,693</u>	<u>3,194,233</u>
	-	-	-	1,452,078
	1,009,159	-	347,310	1,356,469
	-	-	342,782	342,782
	-	-	-	879,755
	-	-	1,438,556	1,438,556
	-	-	-	15,287
	-	-	679,611	679,611
	-	-	133,854	133,854
	-	-	426,792	426,792
	-	-	-	124,837
	-	-	-	573,478
	-	105,110	-	105,110
	-	-	885,060	885,060
	-	-	1,813,656	1,813,656
	-	-	-	2,174,892
	<u>1,009,159</u>	<u>105,110</u>	<u>6,067,621</u>	<u>12,402,217</u>
\$	<u>2,093,656</u>	<u>831,685</u>	<u>8,371,699</u>	<u>16,965,568</u>

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

TOTAL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ 12,402,217

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet. 11,725,520

Real estate held for future economic development purposes is not a current financial resource and, therefore, is not reported in the funds. 1,352,908

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain services to individual funds. These assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the statement of net position. 2,444,735

Deferred inflow of resources in governmental fund financials for property taxes and notes receivable is shown as revenue for government wide financials. 2,499,529

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.

Due within one year:

Interest payable	\$	20,434
Notes payable		55,136

Due in more than one year:

Notes payable	764,494
Compensated absences	349,404

(1,189,468)

TOTAL NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 29,235,441

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	General Fund	Keno Fund	Street Fund
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$ 1,896,307	\$ -	\$ -
Sales tax	378,652	-	307,345
Intergovernmental and grants	768,365	-	1,345,553
Charges for services	396,538	1,761,961	9,000
Interest income	(19,467)	(24,818)	(8,409)
Other revenue	125,143	-	7,735
Total revenues	<u>3,545,538</u>	<u>1,737,143</u>	<u>1,661,224</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current			
General government	1,103,832	-	-
Public safety	2,563,405	-	-
Public works	106,197	-	1,035,619
Culture and recreation	1,100,723	1,773,371	-
Economic development	-	-	-
Capital outlay	20,097	-	818,153
Debt service			
Principal	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>4,894,254</u>	<u>1,773,371</u>	<u>1,853,772</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(1,348,716)</u>	<u>(36,228)</u>	<u>(192,548)</u>
OTHER FINANCE SOURCES (USES)			
Payments received from loan	-	-	-
Insurance proceeds	-	-	-
Operating transfers in	2,600,643	-	-
Operating transfers out	(2,244,924)	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>355,719</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(992,997)	(36,228)	(192,548)
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	<u>3,756,654</u>	<u>1,488,306</u>	<u>1,197,140</u>
FUND BALANCES, end of year	<u>\$ 2,763,657</u>	<u>\$ 1,452,078</u>	<u>\$ 1,004,592</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

LB 840 Fund	Downtown Development Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Eliminations	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 19,611	\$ 102,735	\$ 462,162	\$ -	\$ 2,480,815
294,412	227,191	852,720	-	2,060,320
-	-	723,478	-	2,837,396
-	-	212,715	-	2,380,214
7,153	(4,193)	(29,078)	-	(78,812)
31,435	-	43,640	-	207,953
<u>352,611</u>	<u>325,733</u>	<u>2,265,637</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,887,886</u>
625	760,075	653,338	-	2,517,870
-	-	34,745	-	2,598,150
-	-	-	-	1,141,816
-	-	275,836	-	3,149,930
309,221	-	36,409	-	345,630
-	527,000	212,527	-	1,577,777
166,850	-	69,586	-	236,436
-	-	62,005	-	62,005
<u>476,696</u>	<u>1,287,075</u>	<u>1,344,446</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,629,614</u>
<u>(124,085)</u>	<u>(961,342)</u>	<u>921,191</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,741,728)</u>
255,293	-	55,422	-	310,715
-	-	67,712	-	67,712
-	252,386	213,181	(886,210)	2,180,000
-	(135,625)	(841,289)	886,210	(2,335,628)
<u>255,293</u>	<u>116,761</u>	<u>(504,974)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>222,799</u>
131,208	(844,581)	416,217	-	(1,518,929)
<u>877,951</u>	<u>949,691</u>	<u>5,651,404</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,921,146</u>
<u>\$ 1,009,159</u>	<u>\$ 105,110</u>	<u>\$ 6,067,621</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 12,402,217</u>

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ (1,518,929)

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the  
Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated  
useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense  
exceeds capital outlay in the current period. 856,548

Proceeds reported from the sale of assets are reported as revenue at the fund level.  
However, only the difference between proceeds and the carrying value of the assets is  
reported as gain or loss in the Statement of Activities. 42,500

Payments on debt are expenditures in the funds, but a debt payment decreases  
long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. 236,436

Deferred inflow of resources in governmental fund financials for property taxes  
and notes receivable is shown as revenue for government wide financials. (901,562)

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of  
current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in  
governmental funds:

Accrued compensated absences	34,783
Accrued interest	41,266

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain  
services to individual funds. 2,444,735

CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 1,235,777

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Business-type Activities			
	Electric Fund	Water Fund	Wastewater Fund	Sanitation Fund
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,183,078	\$ -	\$ 576,658	\$ -
Investments	5,283,529	208,642	397,932	295,562
Accounts receivable, net	972,242	271,921	137,488	293,126
Unbilled receivables	727,655	174,462	85,097	134,972
Interest receivables	11,134	563	839	3,064
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	25,000
Inventory	752,885	147,624	26,270	-
Restricted cash	434,946	368,397	59,500	4,225,510
Total current assets	<u>12,365,469</u>	<u>1,171,609</u>	<u>1,283,784</u>	<u>4,977,234</u>
Noncurrent assets				
Investments	2,992,161	151,174	225,356	816,191
Capital assets				
Nondepreciable	284,113	86,560	115,520	1,014,737
Depreciable (net)	5,220,566	9,635,920	3,633,021	2,999,377
Due from other funds	1,200,000	-	-	-
Total noncurrent assets	<u>9,696,840</u>	<u>9,873,654</u>	<u>3,973,897</u>	<u>4,830,305</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 22,062,309</u>	<u>\$ 11,045,263</u>	<u>\$ 5,257,681</u>	<u>\$ 9,807,539</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 76,500	\$ 26,858	\$ 32,107	\$ 83,062
Sales tax payable	56,026	2,272	8,233	-
Energy assistance payments	46,759	-	-	-
Accrued payroll expenses	2,582	1,177	1,177	2,713
Accrued wages	22,148	10,127	10,127	23,227
Accrued interest	-	19,893	4,074	1,103
Current portion long-term debt	-	253,150	51,850	145,000
Total current liabilities	<u>204,015</u>	<u>313,477</u>	<u>107,568</u>	<u>255,105</u>
Noncurrent liabilities				
Customer deposit	432,684	77,897	-	-
Accrued compensated absences	64,390	7,554	38,526	79,645
Landfill closure costs	-	-	-	2,123,500
Due to other funds	-	-	-	1,200,000
Long-term debt	-	3,751,600	768,400	-
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>497,074</u>	<u>3,837,051</u>	<u>806,926</u>	<u>3,403,145</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>701,089</u>	<u>4,150,528</u>	<u>914,494</u>	<u>3,658,250</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	5,220,566	5,717,730	2,928,291	1,745,614
Restricted				
Debt covenants	-	290,500	59,500	135,000
Landfill closure/post closure	-	-	-	2,123,500
New landfill	-	-	-	1,967,010
Unrestricted	16,140,654	886,505	1,355,396	178,165
Total net position	<u>21,361,220</u>	<u>6,894,735</u>	<u>4,343,187</u>	<u>6,149,289</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>	<u>\$ 22,062,309</u>	<u>\$ 11,045,263</u>	<u>\$ 5,257,681</u>	<u>\$ 9,807,539</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Business-type Activities					Governmental Activities
Golf Fund	Leasing Fund	Civic Fund	Eliminations	Totals	Internal Service
\$ -	\$ 106,482	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,866,218	\$ 1,463,458
-	-	22,153	-	6,207,818	687,951
16,984	-	53,913	-	1,745,674	-
-	-	-	-	1,122,186	-
17	-	51	-	15,668	1,450
-	-	-	-	25,000	-
42,060	-	-	-	968,839	-
-	-	14,935	-	5,103,288	-
<u>59,061</u>	<u>106,482</u>	<u>91,052</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,054,691</u>	<u>2,152,859</u>
-	-	13,945	-	4,198,827	389,600
1,803,584	-	701,336	-	4,005,850	-
567,258	4,006,709	1,335,747	-	27,398,598	-
-	427,404	-	(1,627,404)	-	-
<u>2,370,842</u>	<u>4,434,113</u>	<u>2,051,028</u>	<u>(1,627,404)</u>	<u>35,603,275</u>	<u>389,600</u>
<u>\$ 2,429,903</u>	<u>\$ 4,540,595</u>	<u>\$ 2,142,080</u>	<u>\$ (1,627,404)</u>	<u>\$ 55,657,966</u>	<u>\$ 2,542,459</u>
\$ 68,763	\$ -	\$ 27,934	\$ -	\$ 315,224	\$ 97,724
4,086	-	3,252	-	73,869	-
-	-	-	-	46,759	-
1,364	-	-	-	9,013	-
12,613	-	-	-	78,242	-
-	37,677	-	-	62,747	-
-	285,000	-	-	735,000	-
<u>86,826</u>	<u>322,677</u>	<u>31,186</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,320,854</u>	<u>97,724</u>
2,000	-	14,935	-	527,516	-
43,538	-	-	-	233,653	-
-	-	-	-	2,123,500	-
427,404	40,671	-	(1,627,404)	40,671	-
-	3,230,000	-	-	7,750,000	-
<u>472,942</u>	<u>3,270,671</u>	<u>14,935</u>	<u>(1,627,404)</u>	<u>10,675,340</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>559,768</u>	<u>3,593,348</u>	<u>46,121</u>	<u>(1,627,404)</u>	<u>11,996,194</u>	<u>97,724</u>
2,370,842	491,709	2,037,083	-	20,511,835	-
-	-	-	-	485,000	-
-	-	-	-	2,123,500	-
-	-	-	-	1,967,010	-
(500,707)	455,538	58,876	-	18,574,427	2,444,735
<u>1,870,135</u>	<u>947,247</u>	<u>2,095,959</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,661,772</u>	<u>2,444,735</u>
<u>\$ 2,429,903</u>	<u>\$ 4,540,595</u>	<u>\$ 2,142,080</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 55,657,966</u>	<u>\$ 2,542,459</u>

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Business-type Activities			
	Electric Fund	Water Fund	Wastewater Fund	Sanitation Fund
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 9,321,991	\$ 1,940,599	\$ 1,402,816	\$ 3,833,784
Miscellaneous income	103,745	11,096	6,877	78,767
Total operating revenues	<u>9,425,736</u>	<u>1,951,695</u>	<u>1,409,693</u>	<u>3,912,551</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>				
Cost of sales	3,667,006	-	-	-
Personnel services	991,087	525,477	456,735	1,160,210
Operating materials/supplies	95,378	53,504	34,142	34,424
Operating expenses	671,946	345,229	346,584	1,021,031
Depreciation and amortization	323,959	339,164	211,139	473,899
Total operating expenses	<u>5,749,376</u>	<u>1,263,374</u>	<u>1,048,600</u>	<u>2,689,564</u>
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<u>3,676,360</u>	<u>688,321</u>	<u>361,093</u>	<u>1,222,987</u>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>				
Interest income	(123,129)	(7,226)	(7,927)	(30,735)
Interest expense	-	(46,176)	(9,458)	(6,513)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>(123,129)</u>	<u>(53,402)</u>	<u>(17,385)</u>	<u>(37,248)</u>
<b>INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OPERATING TRANSFERS</b>	<u>3,553,231</u>	<u>634,919</u>	<u>343,708</u>	<u>1,185,739</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Gain (loss) from sale of assets	-	-	-	13,000
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	-
Operating transfers (out)	(2,213,038)	-	-	-
Total operating transfers	<u>(2,213,038)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,000</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	1,340,193	634,919	343,708	1,198,739
<b>NET POSITION, beginning of year</b>	<u>20,021,027</u>	<u>6,259,816</u>	<u>3,999,479</u>	<u>4,950,550</u>
<b>NET POSITION, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 21,361,220</u>	<u>\$ 6,894,735</u>	<u>\$ 4,343,187</u>	<u>\$ 6,149,289</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Business-type Activities					Governmental Activities
Golf Fund	Leasing Fund	Civic Fund	Eliminations	Totals	Internal Service
\$ 673,828	\$ -	\$ 484,902	\$ -	\$ 17,657,920	\$ -
32,627	363,795	1,914	-	598,821	2,003,734
<u>706,455</u>	<u>363,795</u>	<u>486,816</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,256,741</u>	<u>2,003,734</u>
-	-	-	-	3,667,006	-
475,913	-	-	-	3,609,422	-
132,427	-	-	-	349,875	-
298,418	1,675	592,289	-	3,277,172	1,492,345
70,894	109,928	87,292	-	1,616,275	-
<u>977,652</u>	<u>111,603</u>	<u>679,581</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,519,750</u>	<u>1,492,345</u>
<u>(271,197)</u>	<u>252,192</u>	<u>(192,765)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,736,991</u>	<u>511,389</u>
27	37	(719)	-	(169,672)	(16,654)
-	(102,264)	-	-	(164,411)	-
<u>27</u>	<u>(102,227)</u>	<u>(719)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(334,083)</u>	<u>(16,654)</u>
<u>(271,170)</u>	<u>149,965</u>	<u>(193,484)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,402,908</u>	<u>494,735</u>
-	-	-	-	13,000	-
283,038	-	135,625	(283,038)	135,625	2,200,000
-	-	-	283,038	(1,930,000)	(250,000)
<u>283,038</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135,625</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,781,375)</u>	<u>1,950,000</u>
11,868	149,965	(57,859)	-	3,621,533	2,444,735
<u>1,858,267</u>	<u>797,282</u>	<u>2,153,818</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,040,239</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ 1,870,135</u>	<u>\$ 947,247</u>	<u>\$ 2,095,959</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 43,661,772</u>	<u>\$ 2,444,735</u>

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Electric Fund	Water Fund	Wastewater Fund	Sanitation Fund
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Cash received from customers	\$ 9,131,677	\$ 1,860,393	\$ 1,405,918	\$ 3,757,752
Cash received from other sources	103,745	11,096	6,877	78,767
Cash payments to suppliers of goods and services	(4,260,145)	(390,785)	(566,045)	(912,055)
Cash payments to employees	<u>(987,266)</u>	<u>(524,593)</u>	<u>(464,520)</u>	<u>(1,155,056)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>3,988,011</u>	<u>956,111</u>	<u>382,230</u>	<u>1,769,408</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Operating loans (out)/in	883,768	(404,011)	-	-
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	-
Operating transfers out	<u>(2,213,038)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	<u>(1,329,270)</u>	<u>(404,011)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Payments for capital assets	(347,963)	(58,672)	(403,438)	(1,036,444)
Payments on long-term debt	-	(269,750)	(55,250)	(140,000)
Interest payments	<u>-</u>	<u>(47,683)</u>	<u>(9,767)</u>	<u>(7,557)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	<u>(347,963)</u>	<u>(376,105)</u>	<u>(468,455)</u>	<u>(1,184,001)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Purchases of investments	(5,694,095)	(359,816)	(569,203)	(1,099,362)
Interest income	<u>(102,296)</u>	<u>(7,333)</u>	<u>(8,681)</u>	<u>(33,617)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>(5,796,391)</u>	<u>(367,149)</u>	<u>(577,884)</u>	<u>(1,132,979)</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH</b>	(3,485,613)	(191,154)	(664,109)	(547,572)
CASH, beginning of year	<u>8,103,637</u>	<u>559,551</u>	<u>1,300,267</u>	<u>4,773,082</u>
<b>CASH &amp; RESTRICTED CASH, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 4,618,024</u>	<u>\$ 368,397</u>	<u>\$ 636,158</u>	<u>\$ 4,225,510</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities</b>				
Operating income (loss)	\$ 3,676,360	\$ 688,321	\$ 361,093	\$ 1,222,987
<b>Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:</b>				
Depreciation and amortization expense	323,959	339,164	211,139	473,899
(Increase) decrease in assets:				
Accounts receivable	(111,817)	(67,510)	(21,391)	(39,205)
Unbilled revenue	(47,138)	2,448	23,512	(36,827)
Inventory	58,342	(7,292)	(1,397)	-
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:				
Accounts payable	115,843	15,240	(183,922)	5,400
Sales tax payable	6,292	(11,235)	981	-
Accrued wages	4,967	2,259	1,052	2,219
Accrued payroll expenses	428	258	89	221
Customer deposit	(37,651)	(3,909)	-	-
Accrued compensated absences	(1,574)	(1,633)	(8,926)	2,714
Landfill closure costs	-	-	-	138,000
Total adjustments	<u>311,651</u>	<u>267,790</u>	<u>21,137</u>	<u>546,421</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ 3,988,011</u>	<u>\$ 956,111</u>	<u>\$ 382,230</u>	<u>\$ 1,769,408</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Golf Fund	Leasing Fund	Civic Fund	Eliminations	Totals
\$ 673,053	\$ -	\$ 449,680	\$ -	\$ 17,278,473
32,627	363,795	1,914	-	598,821
(439,022)	(1,675)	(1,050,414)	-	(7,620,141)
<u>(470,645)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,602,080)</u>
<u>(203,987)</u>	<u>362,120</u>	<u>(598,820)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,655,073</u>
(82,595)	(135,940)	-	-	261,222
283,038	-	135,625	(283,038)	135,625
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>283,038</u>	<u>(1,930,000)</u>
<u>200,443</u>	<u>(135,940)</u>	<u>135,625</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,533,153)</u>
(38,945)	224,852	-	-	(1,660,610)
-	(280,000)	-	-	(745,000)
<u>(2,666)</u>	<u>(104,995)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(172,668)</u>
<u>(41,611)</u>	<u>(160,143)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,578,278)</u>
-	-	(14,817)	-	(7,737,293)
10	40,445	(770)	-	(112,242)
<u>10</u>	<u>40,445</u>	<u>(15,587)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,849,535)</u>
(45,145)	106,482	(478,782)	-	(5,305,893)
<u>45,145</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>493,716</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,275,398</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 106,482</u>	<u>\$ 14,934</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,969,505</u>
<u>\$ (271,197)</u>	<u>\$ 252,192</u>	<u>\$ (192,765)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,736,991</u>
70,894	109,928	87,292	-	1,616,275
(2,082)	-	(39,269)	-	(281,274)
-	-	-	-	(58,005)
<u>(14,296)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,357</u>
6,119	-	(458,125)	-	(499,445)
1,307	-	2,022	-	(633)
2,653	-	-	-	13,150
230	-	-	-	1,226
-	-	2,025	-	(39,535)
2,385	-	-	-	(7,034)
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>138,000</u>
<u>67,210</u>	<u>109,928</u>	<u>(406,055)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>918,082</u>
<u>\$ (203,987)</u>	<u>\$ 362,120</u>	<u>\$ (598,820)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,655,073</u>

## CITY OF GERING

### Gering, Nebraska

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2022

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The City of Gering, Nebraska, is a municipality located in Scotts Bluff County. It operates as a Council-Mayor form of government. The City Council is composed of eight (8) council members and a mayor elected at-large by the citizens.

The financial statements of the City are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Financial Reporting Entity - The basic financial statements report on the government as a whole. They include the City of Gering, Nebraska, and its component units.

#### City of Gering Leasing Corporation

The City of Gering Leasing Corporation was formed in 1989 to provide tax-exempt financing for various construction projects of the City. The City management and governing body exercise complete financial control over the City of Gering Leasing Corporation. Its activities are for the sole benefit of the City.

The services provided by the City of Gering Leasing Corporation are so intertwined with the City that the City of Gering Leasing Corporation is in substance the same as the City is reported as a part of the City and blended into the City's financial statements as part of the proprietary funds.

#### Community Development Agency

The Community Development Agency was created by the Mayor and City Council to provide for redevelopment of various areas within the City. Although it is legally separate from the City, the sole purpose of this Agency is to provide for City redevelopment. The funding source for the Agency is Tax Increment Financing tax revenue that is remitted to the City and passed on to TIF developers and bondholders.

#### Community Redevelopment Authority

The Community Redevelopment Authority was created by the Mayor and City Council to provide for redevelopment of various areas within the City. Although it is legally separate from the City, the sole purpose of this Authority is to provide for City redevelopment. There currently is no funding source for the Authority.

The City has determined the Community Development Agency and Community Redevelopment Authority to be a blended component units. The City Council appoints the majority of the governing board of these organizations and these organizations almost exclusively exist to benefit the City. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations and thus are presented as such and included in governmental funds of the City.

### Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole and report using the economic resource measurement focus on the accrual basis of accounting. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods and services.

**CITY OF GERING**  
**Gering, Nebraska**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**  
**September 30, 2022**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

**Government-wide Financial Statements (Continued)**

In the statement of net position, both the governmental and business-type activities are presented in a consolidated basis, which recognizes all long-term assets, receivables, and long-term debt and obligations. Net position is reported in three categories invested in capital assets net of related debt, restricted net position, and unrestricted net position.

The Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the City's governmental functions and business-type activities. The net costs of each governmental function are also supported by general government revenues (taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, etc.). The statement of activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues and by operating and capital grants, if any. Program revenues must be directly associated with a governmental function or business-type activity.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual government funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements as applicable.

**Fund Financial Statements** - Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses.

**Fund Types** - The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of the financial position and changes in the financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income.

**Governmental Funds:**

**General Fund** - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is always considered to be a major fund.

**Special Revenue Funds** - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than trusts for individuals, private organizations, or other governments or for major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

**Debt Service Funds** - Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of funds for the payment of principal, interest, and related costs on general long-term debt.

**Capital Project Funds** - Capital Project Funds are used to accumulate resources to be used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities.



**CITY OF GERING**  
**Gering, Nebraska**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**  
**September 30, 2022**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

**Fund Types - (Continued)**

**Proprietary Funds:**

**Enterprise Funds** - Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability and/or other purposes.

**Internal Service Funds** – Internal Service Funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or fund to other departments or funds of the City, or to other governmental units on a cost-reimbursement basis.

Funds are organized into two major categories: governmental and proprietary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the City or it meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures of the individual governmental or enterprise funds are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and
- b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined, or
- c. Management has elected to classify one or more governmental or enterprise funds as major for consistency in reporting from year to year, or because of public interest in the fund's operations.

The major funds reported by the City are described below:

**Governmental Funds:**

**General Fund** – as previously described.

**Keno Fund** - is a special revenue fund used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for community betterment.

**Street Fund** – is a special revenue fund used to account for receipts and disbursements attributed to maintenance and improvement of the City streets and other City infrastructure.

**LB840 Fund** – is a special revenue fund that accounts for the revenues and expenditures made for the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act for the City. This Act sunsets in March 2030.

**Downtown Development Fund** – is a special revenue fund that accounts for revenues and expenditures for the downtown district of the City.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

**Proprietary Funds:**

**Electric Fund** – is financed primarily by user charges, and accounts for the construction and operation of the municipal electric distribution system and related facilities.

**Water Fund** - is financed primarily by user charges, and accounts for the construction and operation of the municipal water system and related facilities.

**Wastewater Fund** – is financed primarily by user charges, this fund accounts for the construction and operation of the municipal sewer system and related facilities.

**Sanitation Fund** – is financed primarily by user charges, this fund accounts for the municipal sanitation collection and disposal process and construction and operation of related facilities.

**Golf Fund** – is financed primarily by user charges, this fund accounts for the use, operations, and maintenance of the City’s golf course.

**Leasing Corporation Fund** – is used to account for leasing of acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary fund types).

**Civic Center Fund** – is financed primarily by user charges, this fund accounts for the use, operations, and maintenance of the City’s operation of the Civic Center facility.

The Golf Fund, Leasing Corporation Fund, and Civic Center Fund have not met the criteria for presentation in the fund financial statements as major enterprise funds. However, because of the activity of the funds, community interest, and perceived importance, the City has elected to present these funds as major enterprise funds in the fund financial statements.

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

Measurement focus is a term used to describe “how” transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to “when” revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements, regardless of the measurement focus.

The City’s basis of accounting for governmental funds is the modified cash basis, which is a basis of accounting other than US GAAP. Under US GAAP, transactions are recorded in the accounts when revenues are earned and liabilities are incurred. Under the modified cash basis, transactions are recorded when cash is received or disbursed.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Basis of Presentation (Continued)**

**Measurement Focus** - In the government-wide statements, both governmental and business-type activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund financial statements.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the “current financial resources” measurement focus, as applied to the modified accrual basis of accounting, is used as appropriate:

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

In the business-type fund financial statements and government-wide statement of net positions and statement of activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus, as applied to the accrual basis of accounting, is used as appropriate:

The proprietary funds and government-wide statements utilize an “economic resources” measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent, financial or nonfinancial) associated with their activities are reported. Proprietary fund equity is classified as net position.

**Basis of Accounting**

**Government-wide Financial Statements** – The governmental fund financial statements are presented using a modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible with the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days as of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt claims and judgements are recorded only when payment is due.

The government-wide statement of net position and statement of activities and the business-type fund financial statements are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing or related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

Equity Classifications

Government-Wide Financial and Proprietary Fund Statements - Equity is classified as net position and is displayed in three components as follows:

- a. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position - Consists of net position with constraints placed on its use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position - All other assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets, net of related debt.”

It is the City’s policy to first use restricted net position prior to the use of the unrestricted net position when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

Governmental Fund Statements - Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance, and may distinguish between “Nonspendable”, “Restricted”, “Committed”, “Assigned” and “Unassigned” components.

Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures – The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

Nonspendable - amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in a spendable form (such as inventories and prepaid amounts) or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted - amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constraints imposed by external providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), or imposed by constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the City Council. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the council removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that has employed when fund were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Equity Classifications (Continued)

Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures (Continued)

Assigned - amounts that are constrained by the City's intent to be used for a specified purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent can be expressed by the City Clerk, Utility Superintendent, or through the City Council delegating this responsibility to the City Clerk through a budgetary process.

Unassigned - amounts that are available for any purpose; these amounts can be reported only in the City's General Fund.

Restricted Assets - The City would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources, and then assigned resources, as appropriated opportunities arise, but reserve the right to selectively spend unassigned resources to defer the use of these other classified funds

Fixed Assets

Government-Wide Statements

Capital Assets – which include property, plant, and equipment and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide statements. Capital assets are defined as assets that have initial useful lives that extend beyond a single reporting period. Capital assets are stated at cost or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated assets, which are recorded at their fair values when donated. The city utilizes a minimum capitalization threshold of \$5,000 for non-infrastructure capital assets and a threshold of \$50,000 for infrastructure capital assets.

As permitted by GASB Statement No. 34, the City has elected to capitalize governmental fund type infrastructure, consisting primarily of street improvements, on a prospective basis. Consequently, except for proprietary fund types, the financial statements do not include infrastructure prior to October 1, 2003 with the exception of significant street projects.

Major expenditures for property and those which substantially increased useful lives are capitalized. Maintenance, repairs, and minor renewals are expensed when incurred. When fixed assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, their costs and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and resulting gains or losses are included in income.

Depreciation has been provided using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings	25 – 40 years
Improvements	10 – 40 years
Equipment and vehicles	3 – 10 years
Infrastructure	10 – 50 years

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Fixed Assets (Continued)**

**Fund Financial Statements**

**Capital Assets** – Arising from cash transactions acquired for use in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition. Capital assets acquired for use in proprietary fund operations are accounted for the same as in the government-wide statements.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents** – Includes cash on hand and cash in banks including certificates of deposit. As of September 30, 2022, there were no cash equivalents.

**Receivables**

**Government-Wide Statements** – Consist of all revenues earned at year end and not yet received. Principal receivable balances for the governmental activities are for accounts receivable, grants receivable, property taxes, loans, sales taxes, and interest.

Business-type activities report utilities, unbilled utilities, interest, grants, and capital lease receivable as their major receivables.

**Fund Financial Statements** – Consist of all revenue accruals such as property, sales, and use taxes, since they are usually measurable and available in 60 days.

**Unbilled Utility Revenue** - Billings for electric, water and sewer revenues are rendered on a monthly basis. Unbilled electric, water and sewer revenues, representing estimated consumer usage for the period between the last billing and the end of the year, have been recorded and are included in accounts receivable.

**Inventory** – Recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value, using the first-in first-out method. Inventories consist of expendable supplies and repair parts and are recorded on the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary fund statements. In the governmental funds, inventory is recorded as an expenditure when purchased.

**Restricted Assets** – Includes cash and certificates of deposit that are restricted as to its use. The primary restricted assets are related to debt and landfill closure costs and related liabilities. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the City's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as needed.

**Long-Term Debt** – Consists of notes payable, revenue bonds, general obligation bonds, and capital leases. Long-term debt for governmental funds is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. Debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources, and payment of principal and interest are reported as expenditures.

**Compensated Absences** – Recorded as long-term liabilities in the government-wide statements. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report only the liability payable from expendable available financial resources, while the proprietary funds report the liability as it is incurred.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

Revenues

Program Revenues – In the statement of activities, revenues that are derived directly from each activity or from parties outside the City taxpayers are reported as program revenues. The City has the following program revenues in each activity:

General Government	Licenses, permits, and use fees for recreational property.
Public Works	Commercial tax shared by the State; capital grants for highway allocations.
Culture and Recreation	Rental income, recreation fees, concession sales, and specific donations.
Economic Development	Licenses, permits and application fees.

All other governmental revenues are reported as general. All taxes are classified as general revenue even if restricted for a specific purpose.

Operating Revenues and Expenses – In the proprietary funds revenues and expenses result from providing services and producing and delivering goods and/or services. They also include all revenues and expenses not related to capital and related financing, noncapital financing, or investing activities.

Expenditures – Classified by function for both governmental and business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. In the fund financial statements, expenditures are classified by character (current, capital outlay, and debt service) in the governmental funds as operating and nonoperating in the proprietary funds. Proprietary fund inventory costs are reported in the period when inventory items are used rather than in the period purchased.

Interfund Activity – Reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursement, or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market, or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expense. Reimbursement are when one fund incurs a cost, charge the appropriate benefiting fund, and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

Deferred Inflows of Resources – In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position or balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The City has several items that qualify for reporting in this category and are reported in the governmental fund balance sheet. The unavailable revenues are from property taxes and notes receivable that are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

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

Sales & Use Tax – The city presently levies a 7% sales tax on taxable sales within the City. The sales tax is collected by the Nebraska Department of Revenue and remitted to the City in the month following receipt. The Nebraska Department of Revenues receives the sales tax approximately one month after collection by vendors. The sales tax is recorded in the Special Revenue Fund and used for budgeted appropriations.

**Implementation of Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

GASB Statement No. 87, Leases, was implemented by the City for the year ended September 30, 2022. GASB 87 establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principal that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying assets. Under the new guidance, lessees are required to recognize lease liabilities and intangible right-to-use assets and lessors are required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. For all leases with terms longer than 12 months, leases will be classified as either financing or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the Statements of Activities. The implementation of GASB 87 resulted in no changes to beginning net position or fund balance.

**NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

State Statute 14-563 R.R.S., 1943 authorizes funds of the City to be invested in “securities of the United States, the State of Nebraska, metropolitan city, county in which such metropolitan city is located or school district of such city, in the securities of municipally owned and operated public utility property and plants of such city, or in the same manner as funds of the State of Nebraska are invested, except that the city treasurer may purchase certificates of deposit from and make time deposits in banks selected as depositories of City funds”. Additionally, State Statute 15-847 R.R.S., 1943 requires banks either to give bonds or to pledge government securities (types of which are specifically identified in the Statutes) to the city treasurer in the amount of the City’s deposits. The Statutes allow pledged securities to be reduced by the amount of the deposit, which is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Cash is stated at cost, which approximates fair value. The City’s cash deposits, including certificates of deposits, are with institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and other collateral. At September 30, 2022, the City’s deposits and investments were fully insured by FDIC insurance or collateralized by pledged securities.

The City’s cash and cash equivalents include units of participation in the short-term investment pool of the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT). NPAIT is a special purpose government established under Nebraska statute. The investment pool or trust is not registered and is not rated for credit risk. The City limits its interest rate risk by investing only in the short-term pools, which consists primarily of government agency or government securitized investments with maturities of less than one year.



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**NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

Cash and Equity in Pooled Cash Management Account - At September 30, 2022, the City’s cash and pooled investments, recorded at fair market value consisted of the following:

Cash and cash equivalents:	
Bank accounts	\$ 4,669,180
Negotiable certificates of deposit	9,768,597
Cash on hand	<u>2,507</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 14,440,284</u>
Cash with Scotts Bluff County Treasurer	61,805
Restricted cash	7,684,165

The City has invested funds in the Invesco Government Money Market Fund and the Royal Bank of Canada Government Money Market Fund. These funds invest exclusively in high-quality, short-term, U.S. dollar-denominated money market instruments that consist of U.S. Government securities collateralized by U.S. Government obligations.

Investments:	
NPAIT	\$ 146,091
Government agencies securities	999,129
Nonnegotiable certificates of deposit	8,107,194
Money market funds	<u>12,150,958</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 21,403,372</u>

**Custodial Credit Risk** – custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure a bank or other counterparty, the City would not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities in the possession of a third party. As noted above, State Statutes 15-847 R.R.S, 1943 covers this risk.

**Credit Risk** – credit risk is the risk that a bank or other counterparty defaults on its principal and/or interest payments owed to the City.

**Interest Rate Risk** – interest rate risk is the risk that the value of deposits and investments will decrease as a result of a rise in interest rates.

Investments Managed by Trustee - The City’s Pension Trust Funds are administered by trustees. At September 30, 2022 Pension Trust Funds managed by a trustee consisted of the following:

	<u>Fire</u>	<u>Police</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual Funds	\$ <u>74,568</u>	\$ <u>2,093,867</u>	\$ <u>5,523,345</u>	\$ <u>7,691,780</u>

Fair Value Measurement - The City categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the assets.

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**NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

Assets and liabilities are classified in one of the following categories:

Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. All of the City's certificate of deposits, as shown above as of September 30, 2022 are categorized as level 2 investments and generally include United States Treasury securities, United States agencies, obligations, and negotiable certificates of deposits. Investments in negotiable certificates of deposits are carried at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. The City's deposits in the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust is measured at the net asset value per share provided by the pool which approximates fair value, as the pool is considered a 2a-7-like pool in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission regulations.

**NOTE 3 – RESTRICTED CASH**

Restricted cash in governmental funds consists of cash as follows:

American Rescue Plan		
	The City received ARPA funds to cover necessary expenditures due to the public health emergency with respect to the pandemic.	\$ 1,438,556
City Cemetery		
	Cash received for the sole purpose of perpetual care of the City cemetery.	533,812
KENO Community Betterment		
	The City received KENO funds from operations for the sole purpose of Community Betterment.	349,994
USDA Rural Electric Loan Program		
	The City received USDA Rural Economic Development loans for local economic development projects.	195,828
City Park		
	Cash donated by the public specifically to be used for the improvement of the City's Northfield Park.	36,427
City Library		
	Cash donated by the public specifically to be used for the improvement of the City library.	1,239
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	Total governmental funds restricted cash	\$ <u>2,555,856</u>

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**NOTE 3 – RESTRICTED CASH (CONTINUED)**

Restricted cash in business-type funds consists of cash as follows:

Customer Deposits		
Cash required to be used solely for the purpose of refunding Civic Center event deposits held.	\$	14,935
Customer Deposits		
Cash required by statute to be used solely for the purpose of refunding utility deposits held.		512,843
Debt Retirement		
Cash required held by debt instrument for the sole purpose of debt retirement.		485,000
Landfill Closure Costs		
Cash required by regulation to be set aside solely for the purpose of sanitation landfill closure and postclosure costs.		2,123,500
New Landfill Joint Sinking		
Cash required by resolution to be set aside solely for the purpose of siting a new landfill		<u>1,967,010</u>
Total business-type funds restricted cash	\$	<u>5,103,288</u>

The City received American Rescue Plan funds in the amount of \$1,438,556 to cover necessary expenditures due to the public health emergency with respect to the pandemic. As of September 30, 2022, the City has not spent any of these funds but has restricted the full amount in restricted cash. The City does anticipate using these funds for eligible expenditures within the period of performance required.

**NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at September 30, 2022, consist of the following:

Fund	Taxes	Accounts and Grants	Accrued Interest
General	\$ 362,614	\$ 127,770	\$ 1,705
Special Revenue	402,735	26,388	7,328
Enterprise	-	1,830,690	15,668
Internal Service	-	-	1,441
Gross Receivables	\$ 765,349	\$ 1,984,848	\$ 26,142
Allowance for Uncollectibles	<u>(7,624)</u>	<u>(85,016)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Receivables	<u>\$ 757,725</u>	<u>\$ 1,899,832</u>	<u>\$ 26,142</u>

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**NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)**

Economic Development Program loans receivable at September 30, 2022 consist of the following:

	Balance October 1, 2021	Additions (Awards)	Credits & Refinancing	Principal Payments	Balance September 30, 2022
LB 840 Loans Receivable	\$ 717,980	\$ 63,309	\$ -	\$ 204,987	\$ 576,302
LB840 Forgivable Loans Receivable	423,000	140,467	175,661	50,306	337,500
Interest free USDA Loan Receivable	573,750	-	-	48,125	525,625
Forgivable Loans Receivable	300,000	-	-	-	300,000
CDBG Revolving Loans Receivable	9,118	-	1,757	7,361	-
TIF Loans Receivable	1,102,881	-	(193,749)	34,935	1,261,695
Total Economic Development Loans Receivable	<u>\$ 3,126,729</u>	<u>\$ 203,776</u>	<u>\$ (16,331)</u>	<u>\$ 345,714</u>	<u>\$ 3,001,122</u>

**NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2022, was as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Reclassifications	Balance September 30, 2022
<b><u>Governmental Activities</u></b>					
Land	\$ 829,498	\$ 6,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 835,698
Buildings and improvements	6,229,847	601,902	27,992	-	6,803,758
Equipment and vehicles	5,991,032	511,513	136,596	-	6,365,949
Infrastructure	8,302,720	499,969	-	-	8,802,689
Construction in progress	86,290	78,618	71,726	-	93,182
	<u>21,439,387</u>	<u>1,698,202</u>	<u>236,314</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,901,276</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	10,619,115	721,228	164,589	-	11,175,754
Net capital assets	<u>\$ 10,820,272</u>	<u>\$ 976,974</u>	<u>\$ 71,725</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,725,522</u>

	Balance October 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Reclassifications	Balance September 30, 2022
<b><u>Business-Type Activities</u></b>					
Land	\$ 2,921,578	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,921,578
Buildings and improvements	11,338,593	568,355	-	3,063,672	11,906,948
Utility systems	36,800,492	459,136	-	(441,621)	37,259,628
Equipment and vehicles	14,538,084	969,316	286,564	(2,622,051)	15,220,836
Construction in progress	1,182,620	613,330	711,677	-	1,084,273
	<u>66,781,367</u>	<u>2,610,137</u>	<u>998,241</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,393,263</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	35,659,105	1,616,275	286,565	-	36,988,815
Net capital assets	<u>\$ 31,122,262</u>	<u>\$ 993,862</u>	<u>\$ 711,676</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 31,404,448</u>

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**NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)**

Depreciation expense was recorded to activities as follows:

Governmental Activities		
General Government	\$	68,154
Public Safety		117,923
Public Works		367,374
Culture and Recreation		167,777
	\$	<u>721,228</u>
Business-Type Activities		
Electric	\$	323,959
Water		339,164
Wastewater		211,139
Sanitation		473,899
Golf		70,894
Leasing Corp.		109,928
Civic Center		87,292
	\$	<u>1,616,275</u>

**NOTE 6 – LONG-TERM DEBT**

Long-term debt payable at September 30, 2022, is as follows:

	Issue	Due	Interest	Balance		Balance		
	Date	Date	Rate	October 1,	Payments	September 30,	Current	Long-Term
				2021		2022		
<b><u>Governmental activities</u></b>								
Note payable	9/30/17	9/30/22	0.00%	\$ 166,851	\$ 166,851	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Note payable	6/27/17	12/1/32	7.00%	871,177	51,547	819,630	55,136	764,494
Note payable	3/29/07	12/15/21	7.00%	15,453	15,453	-	-	-
Note payable	11/12/08	6/15/23	5.50%	3,777	3,777	-	-	-
Total governmental activities				\$ 1,057,258	\$ 237,628	\$ 819,630	\$ 55,136	\$ 764,494
<b><u>Business-type activities</u></b>								
Bond payable	4/17/12	9/30/23	0.35% - 2.75%	\$ 285,000	\$ 140,000	\$ 145,000	\$ 145,000	\$ -
Bond payable	7/15/21	12/15/36	0.30% - 2.00%	4,274,500	269,750	4,004,750	253,150	3,751,600
Bond payable	7/15/21	12/15/36	0.30% - 2.00%	875,500	55,250	820,250	51,850	768,400
Bond payable	1/31/18	12/15/37	1.6%-1.70%	3,285,000	155,000	3,130,000	160,000	2,970,000
Bond payable	6/14/16	12/15/24	0.06% - 1.70%	510,000	125,000	385,000	125,000	260,000
Total business-type activities				\$ 9,230,000	\$ 745,000	\$ 8,485,000	\$ 735,000	\$ 7,750,000
Total government-wide				\$ 10,287,258	\$ 982,628	\$ 9,304,630	\$ 790,136	\$ 8,514,494

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**NOTE 6 – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)**

Maturities during the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

Years Ended September 30,	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2023	\$ 55,136	\$ 56,437	\$ 735,000	\$ 160,555	\$ 790,136	\$ 216,992
2024	58,922	52,651	595,000	150,146	653,922	202,797
2025	63,259	48,313	600,000	142,965	663,259	191,278
2026	67,765	43,808	475,000	136,091	542,765	179,899
2027	72,592	38,981	485,000	129,580	557,592	168,561
2028-2032	448,146	109,718	2,540,000	519,916	2,988,146	629,634
2033-2037	53,810	1,892	2,815,000	222,630	2,868,810	224,522
2038-2042	-	-	240,000	8,760	240,000	8,760
	<u>\$ 819,630</u>	<u>\$ 351,800</u>	<u>\$ 8,485,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,470,644</u>	<u>\$ 9,304,630</u>	<u>\$ 1,822,443</u>

Compensated absences liability at September 30, 2022 are as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2021	Additions	Reductions	Balance September 30, 2022
<u>Governmental activities</u>				
Compensated absences	\$ 384,186	\$ 92,737	\$ 127,519	\$ 349,404
	<u>\$ 384,186</u>	<u>\$ 92,737</u>	<u>\$ 127,519</u>	<u>\$ 349,404</u>
<u>Business-type activities</u>				
Compensated absences	\$ 240,687	\$ 42,377	\$ 49,411	\$ 233,653
	<u>\$ 240,687</u>	<u>\$ 42,377</u>	<u>\$ 49,411</u>	<u>\$ 233,653</u>
Total government-wide	<u>\$ 624,873</u>	<u>\$ 135,114</u>	<u>\$ 176,930</u>	<u>\$ 583,057</u>

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**NOTE 6 – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)**

**Direct Borrowing and Direct Placement Debt**

The City has outstanding bond debt from direct borrowing and direct placement related to business activities of the Leasing Corporation for the Stadium and Quad Plex in the amount of \$3,130,000. The debt is secured by specific real estate.

The City has outstanding notes from direct borrowing and direct placement related to government activities for the Cobblestone Tax Increment Financing project in the amount of \$819,630. This debt is secured by specific real estate and personal guarantees.

There are various bonds issued for tax increment financing projects within the City. These bonds are limited obligations payable exclusively from taxes levied against certain property in specified areas. These bonds are not general obligations of the CDA or the City, and are not included in the City’s financial statements. The accumulation of resources to pay these bonds is accounted for in the nonmajor funds of the City’s financial statements.

**NOTE 7 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS, LOANS, AND TRANSACTIONS**

**Transfers** – Used to (1) move revenues from the fund that collects them to the fund that the budget requires to expend them, (2) move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to a debt service fund, and (3) use unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

	Transfers In		Transfers Out
General Fund	\$ 2,600,644	\$	2,244,924
Downtown Development Fund	252,386		135,625
Nonmajor Funds	213,181		841,287
Internal Service Funds	2,200,000		250,000
Electric Fund	-		2,213,038
Golf Fund	283,038		-
Civic Center Fund	135,625		-
Total Transfers	<u>\$ 5,684,874</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5,684,874</u>

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**NOTE 7 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS, LOANS, AND TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)**

Loans – Make loans from one fund to another for various purposes the following schedule summarizes interfund loans as of September 30, 2022.

The City’s Electric Fund made a loan to the Sanitation Fund for the purpose of purchasing equipment at the landfill. Repayment of this loan will be made as repayment resources become available. 1,200,000

The City’s Leasing Corp Fund made a loan to the Golf Fund to payoff an interfund capital lease recorded in the Golf Fund. 427,404

The City’s General Fund made a loan to the Leasing Corp Fund to meet short-term cash shortages experienced by the Leasing Corp Fund. 40,671

Transactions – The City is committed under intra-entity lease agreements with the City of Gering Leasing Corporation for lease of the municipal golf course along with the Stadium and Quadplex ballfield. The terms of the leases specify that lease payments will consist of a total of all payments due to or payable on behalf of the Leasing Corporation for building bonds payable through September 30, 2038. The lease is recorded as lease expense in both the Golf Fund and General Fund and Lease Revenue in the Leasing Corporation Fund. All transactions from this agreement have been eliminated on the financial statements except the remaining debt.

The following schedule summarizes the current and futures years required payments under lease.

September 30,	Golf Fund Lease	General Fund Lease	Total
2023	\$ 125,000	\$ 160,000	\$ 285,000
2024	130,000	160,000	290,000
2025	130,000	165,000	295,000
2026	-	170,000	170,000
2027	-	175,000	175,000
2028-2031	-	750,000	750,000
2031-2038	-	1,550,000	1,550,000
	<u>\$ 385,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,130,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,515,000</u>



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**NOTE 7 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS, LOANS, AND TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)**

Elimination of current year interfund activity is as follows:

Fund Financial Statements	
Governmental Funds	
Statement of net position	
Due to from governmental funds	40,671
Statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance	
Net fund transfers between governmental funds	886,210
Proprietary Funds	
Statement of Net Position	
Due to and from between proprietary funds	1,627,404
Statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position	
Net fund transfers between enterprise funds	283,038
Government-Wide Financial Statements	
Statement of Net Position	
Due from and to between governmental activities and business-type activities	40,671
Statement of Activities	
Fund transfers between governmental and proprietary funds	1,930,000

**NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The City has established a self-funded health care plan for the benefit of eligible City employees and their eligible dependents. The plan provides reimbursement for covered charges incurred as a result of medically necessary treatment for illness or injury. The City purchases commercial insurance of claims in excess of coverage provided by the fund. At September 30, 2022, the City's maximum liability was \$45,000 per employee annually under the plan.

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During the year, the City carried commercial insurance for general liability, public officials' liability, property coverage, workers' compensation coverage, commercial excess liability coverage, and the crime and blanket bond coverage insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

**NOTE 9 – ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION**

The City is subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. The City's policy is to accrue environmental and cleanup-related costs of a noncapital nature when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and when the amount can be reasonably estimated. Although it is not possible to quantify with any degree of certainty the potential impact of the City's continuing compliance efforts, management believe any future remediation or other compliance-related costs will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or reported results of operations of the City.

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**NOTE 10 - CONTINGENCIES**

**Self-Insurance** – The City operates a self-insured medical insurance plan for dental and health insurance for its employees. The City has contracted with a third-party administrator to provide claims processing services. In addition, the City has purchased a stop-loss policy covering all claims in excess of \$45,000 per year, per claim. The City retains risk of loss for all claims up to the stop-loss amount. As of September 30, 2022, cumulative contributions and revenues in excess of claims and expense were \$2,541,009, which the City has designated for payment of future claims.

**Federal and State Grants** – In the normal course of operations, the City receives grant funds from various federal and state agencies. The grant programs are subject to audit by agents of the granting authority, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting funds. Any liabilities for reimbursement which may arise as the result of these audits are not believed to be material.

**Unemployment Insurance** - The City does not pay Nebraska Unemployment Tax, but instead operates on a reimbursable basis. The City must reimburse the State for actual benefit charges as they are incurred. Based on prior experience, the City believe claims of this nature, if any, will be immaterial.

**NOTE 11 – RETIREMENT PLANS**

**General** - The City sponsors a defined contribution plan which covers substantially all general city employees. Under the terms of the plan, an employee must be age 21 or older and have completed one year of continuous service and have not attained the age of 64. Participating employees are required to contribute 6% of their earnings. The City then makes a matching contribution to the plan on their behalf. An additional voluntary contribution can be made by employees to the plan to the extent allowed under the Internal Revenue Code, currently an additional 10%. The City will contribute an amount equal to an employee's voluntary contribution, not to exceed 6% of the employee's compensation. Employees are 100% vested in the plan after completing 5 years of service, reaching normal retirement age (65), meeting the requirements for early retirement date, becoming totally disabled, or deceased, whichever occurs first. Contributions to the general city employee retirement plan were \$175,865 and \$181,003 by the City and plan participants, respectively. There are 58 participants in the plan.

**Police** - Police officers are covered by a defined contribution plan sponsored by the City. Participants in the plan are required to contribute 7.0% of their salary to the plan, which is matched by a 7.0% contribution from the City. Employees are fully vested after 7 whole years of service. Contributions to the police retirement plan were \$83,870 and \$84,863 by the City and plan participants, respectively. There are 18 participants in the plan.

**Fire Fighters** - Fire fighters are covered by a defined contribution plan sponsored by the City. Eligible employees are required to contribute 6.5% of their salary to the plan, which the City then matches at the rate of 13% of the participant's salary. Employees are 40% vested after 4 whole years of service and an additional 10% per year following until fully vested after completion of 10 years of service. A participant's normal retirement age is the date he attains age 55 and completes 21 years of service. Nebraska State statutes govern the coverage afforded to participants under this plan. Contributions to the fire fighters employee retirement plan were \$10,177 and \$5,663 by the City and plan participants, respectively. There is 1 participant in the plan.

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NOTE 12 - COMMITMENTS

The City has entered into a supply agreement with the City of Mitchell to provide solid waste collection and disposal services effective through January 31, 2025.

The City has entered into a supply agreement with the City of Bayard to provide solid waste collection and disposal services effective through December 31, 2025.

The City has entered into a supply agreement with the City of Lyman to provide solid waste collection and disposal services effective through February 28, 2027.

The City has entered into a supply agreement with the City of Scottsbluff to provide solid waste disposal services effective for the life of the currently existing Gering landfill.

Construction – The City is party to two contracts for the demolition, upgrade and replacement of the ballpark electrical substation located near 13<sup>th</sup> and J Streets. The City will use cash equity of the Electric Fund to fund the construction project.

	<u>Contract Amount</u>	<u>Paid Through 09/30/2022</u>	<u>Obligation Pending</u>	<u>Expected Completion</u>
Electric Fund				
Engineering	\$ 264,000	\$ 213,856	\$ 50,144	June 2023
Materials	1,053,108	-	1,053,108	June 2023
Construction	<u>856,830</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>856,830</u>	June 2023
Total Contractual Commitment	<u>\$ 2,173,938</u>	<u>\$ 213,856</u>	<u>\$ 1,960,082</u>	

Construction – The City is party to four contracts for construction of pickleball courts, sidewalk and parking near Geil Elementary School on 17<sup>th</sup> Street. The City will use cash equity of the KENO Fund to fund the construction project.

	<u>Contract Amount</u>	<u>Paid Through 09/30/2022</u>	<u>Obligation Pending</u>	<u>Expected Completion</u>
KENO Fund				
Engineering	\$ 5,965	\$ -	\$ 5,965	Sept 2023
Lighting	56,000	-	56,000	Sept 2023
Construction	<u>489,126</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>489,126</u>	Sept 2023
Total Contractual Commitment	<u>\$ 551,091</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 551,091</u>	

NOTE 13 – ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The City of Gering, Nebraska’s Electric Department purchases most of its electricity for resale to customers from Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska and Western Area Power Administration.

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**NOTE 14 – LANDFILL CLOSURE COSTS**

State and federal laws and regulations required the City to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. Although closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the City reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as an operating expense in each period base on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. The \$2,123,500 reported as landfill closure and postclosure cost liability at September 30, 2022, represents the cumulative amount reported to date on an amount that will satisfy the expected liability at the expected closure date in the year 2026. The estimated cost of closure and postclosure were re-estimated for current costs and current standards to \$2,123,500 as of September 30, 2022. Actual postclosure costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

The City does an annual survey to determine the amount of remaining airspace or capacity. Then the remaining life of the landfill is calculated based on historical volumes of waste received. As of September 30, 2022, it was calculated that the landfill has a minimum of four years left. This number could change if the amount of waste received is significantly higher or lower than historical averages.

**NOTE 15 – FUND BALANCES AND NET POSITION**

**Governmental Funds** – The City has requirements to restrict certain balances of funds for specified future use. These restrictions are generally the result of laws, regulations, or contracts. Additionally, the City has assigned certain balances for specified future use. These assignments are generally the result of the governing body’s inventions. Remaining nete fund balances not restricted or assigned are unassigned. The following schedule presents restrictions to and assignments of fund balance in governmental fund financial statements.

	General Fund	Keno Fund	Street Fund	LB 840 Fund	Downtown Development Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Restricted for:</b>							
Specified use by law or regulation	\$ -	\$ 1,452,078	\$ 879,755	\$ 1,009,159	\$ -	\$ 2,128,648	\$ 5,469,640
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,452,078</b>	<b>\$ 879,755</b>	<b>\$ 1,009,159</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,128,648</b>	<b>\$ 5,469,640</b>
<b>Nonspendable for:</b>							
Inventory	\$ 15,287	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,287
<b>Committed for:</b>							
Cemetery perpetual care	\$ 573,478	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 573,478
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-	426,792	426,792
Road maintenance	-	-	124,837	-	-	-	124,837
Economic development/Tourism	-	-	-	-	105,110	1,018,914	1,124,024
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	679,611	679,611
<b>Total committed funds</b>	<b>\$ 573,478</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 124,837</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 105,110</b>	<b>\$ 2,125,317</b>	<b>\$ 2,928,742</b>
<b>Assigned for:</b>							
Capital projects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,813,656	\$ 1,813,656
<b>Total assigned funds</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,813,656</b>	<b>\$ 1,813,656</b>

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**NOTE 15 – FUND BALANCES AND NET POSITION (CONTINUED)**

Business-Type Funds – The City has requirements to restrict certain balances of funds for specified future use. These restrictions are generally the result of laws, regulations, or contracts. The remaining net position is unrestricted. The following schedule presents restrictions to and assignments of fund balances in the governmental fund financial statements.

	Electric Fund	Water Fund	Wastewater Fund	Sanitation Fund	Civic Fund	Total
Restricted for:						
Debt retirement	\$ -	\$ 290,500	\$ 59,500	\$ 135,000	\$ -	\$ 485,000
Landfill closure/post closure	-	-	-	2,123,500	-	2,123,500
New landfill	-	-	-	1,967,010	-	1,967,010
Total restricted funds	\$ -	\$ 290,500	\$ 59,500	\$ 4,225,510	\$ -	\$ 4,575,510

**NOTE 16 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REAL ESTATE**

The City acquires real property for the purpose of providing suitable locations and incentive for potential new commercial businesses to establish or relocate business operations within the City’s economic area. As of September 30, 2022, the City holds two properties for this purpose at a total cost of \$1,352,908.

**NOTE 17 - PROPERTY TAXES**

The tax levies are certified by the County Board on or before October 15th. Real estate taxes are due on December 31st and attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1st following the levy date and become delinquent in two equal installments on May 1st and September 1st. Personal property taxes are due December 31st and become delinquent on May 1st and September 1st following the levy date.

Property taxes levied for 2021-2022 are recorded as revenue when expected to be collected within 60 days after September 30, 2022. Prior-year levies were recorded using these same principles, and remaining receivables are re-evaluated annually. Property taxes expected to be collected after 60 days are recorded as deferred revenue on the fund balance sheets.

The 2021 tax levy, for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, was \$1,767,985 with a tax rate per \$100 valuation of 0.342697 for general levy. The assessed value upon which the 2021 general levy was based was \$515,903,075.

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**NOTE 18 – TAX ABATEMENTS**

As of September 30, 2022, the City provided tax abatements through the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) program. The Tax Increment Financing Law allows for the increased property taxes generated by the improvement of blighted property to be used to pay for the financing of community redevelopment/TIF projects. The statutes for community redevelopment/TIF are found in Neb. Rev. Stat. SS 18-2101 through 18-2150. The City must declare the area as substandard, blighted, and in need of redevelopment. The City is required to prepare a development plan. TIF bonds may be issued for the acquisition of property, site preparation, and public improvements. An agreement is entered into between the City and the Developer and a base valuation is established. The base property valuation remains assessable to all taxing entities. Any increase in value and resulting taxes are used to pay off the debt incurred for the redevelopment project. The project must not exceed a 15-year period. Currently, the City has Developer TIF bonds that extend through December 31, 2036. For the year ended September 30, 2022, the City abated \$51,197 in property tax revenue under the tax increment financing program.

**NOTE 19 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT**

The City previously reported long-term non-forgivable loans receivable as deferred inflows of resources. The City believes they should have only reported the forgivable loans receivable as deferred inflows. The amount of the non-forgivable loans reported as deferred inflows in the prior year was \$2,489,284. In addition, the City re-amortized two TIF non-forgivable notes receivable to reconcile with actual property tax collections resulting in a prior year adjustment of \$226,867.

**NOTE 20 – DEFICIT FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION**

The Golf Fund carries a deficit unrestricted net position of \$500,707 primarily as a result of a long-term lease obligation to the Leasing Corporation Fund.

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**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 1,910,033	\$ 1,910,033	\$ 2,148,932	\$ 238,899
Intergovernmental	588,226	588,226	608,651	20,425
Local	4,833,098	4,833,098	3,140,466	(1,692,632)
Total revenues	<u>7,331,357</u>	<u>7,331,357</u>	<u>5,898,049</u>	<u>(1,433,307)</u>
Expenditures:				
General government	3,117,588	3,117,588	3,308,383	(190,795)
Public safety - Police and Fire	2,955,025	2,955,025	2,624,381	330,644
Public works - Other	100,316	100,316	107,923	(7,607)
Culture and recreation	1,092,381	1,092,381	1,098,156	(5,775)
Total expenditures	<u>7,265,310</u>	<u>7,265,310</u>	<u>7,138,843</u>	<u>126,467</u>
Excess revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>66,047</u>	\$ <u>66,047</u>	(1,240,794)	\$ <u>(1,306,840)</u>
Fund balances, October 1			<u>3,890,334</u>	
Fund balances, September 30			\$ <u>2,649,540</u>	

See accompanying notes.



**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)**  
**KENO FUND**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Local	\$ 1,555,500	\$ 1,555,500	\$ 1,768,475	\$ 212,975
Total revenues	<u>1,555,500</u>	<u>1,555,500</u>	<u>1,768,475</u>	<u>212,975</u>
Expenditures:				
Community development	<u>2,278,100</u>	<u>2,278,100</u>	<u>1,773,370</u>	<u>504,730</u>
Total expenditures	<u>2,278,100</u>	<u>2,278,100</u>	<u>1,773,370</u>	<u>504,730</u>
Excess revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>(722,600)</u>	\$ <u>(722,600)</u>	(4,895)	\$ <u>717,705</u>
Fund balances, October 1			<u>1,495,695</u>	
Fund balances, September 30			\$ <u><u>1,490,800</u></u>	

See accompanying notes.

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)  
STREETS FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 382,000	\$ 382,000	\$ 407,079	\$ 25,079
Intergovernmental	1,195,384	1,195,384	1,673,396	478,012
Local	1,500	1,500	13,969	12,469
Total revenues	<u>1,578,884</u>	<u>1,578,884</u>	<u>2,094,444</u>	<u>515,560</u>
Expenditures:				
Public works - Streets	<u>2,105,025</u>	<u>2,105,025</u>	<u>1,850,013</u>	<u>255,013</u>
Total expenditures	<u>2,105,025</u>	<u>2,105,025</u>	<u>1,850,013</u>	<u>255,013</u>
Excess revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>(526,141)</u>	\$ <u>(526,141)</u>	244,431	\$ <u>770,573</u>
Fund balances, October 1			<u>779,284</u>	
Fund balances, September 30			\$ <u>1,023,715</u>	

See accompanying notes.

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**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)**  
**LB 840 FUND**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 319,611	\$ 19,611
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-
Local	92,127	92,127	304,142	212,015
Total revenues	<u>392,127</u>	<u>392,127</u>	<u>623,753</u>	<u>231,626</u>
Expenditures:				
Economic Development	1,589,629	1,589,629	476,697	1,112,932
Total expenditures	<u>1,589,629</u>	<u>1,589,629</u>	<u>476,697</u>	<u>1,112,932</u>
Excess revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>(1,197,502)</u>	\$ <u>(1,197,502)</u>	147,056	\$ <u>1,344,558</u>
Fund balances, October 1			<u>777,604</u>	
Fund balances, September 30			\$ <u>924,660</u>	

See accompanying notes.

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 282,333	\$ 282,333
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-
Local	522,316	522,316	256,973	(265,343)
Total revenues	<u>522,316</u>	<u>522,316</u>	<u>539,306</u>	<u>16,990</u>
Expenditures:				
Downtown Development	645,357	645,357	1,422,700	(777,343)
Total expenditures	<u>645,357</u>	<u>645,357</u>	<u>1,422,700</u>	<u>(777,343)</u>
Excess revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ <u>(123,041)</u>	\$ <u>(123,041)</u>	(883,394)	\$ <u>(760,353)</u>
Fund balances, October 1			<u>979,537</u>	
Fund balances, September 30			\$ <u>96,143</u>	

See accompanying notes.

**CITY OF GERING**  
**Gering, Nebraska**

**NOTES TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES**

**September 30, 2022**

**NOTE 1 – BUDGET AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING**

The City follows the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the accompanying financial statements:

1. Prior to September 1, the City Clerk submits to the City Council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to September 20, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.
4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for the General, Special Revenue and Proprietary Funds.
5. Budgets are prepared using the cash basis of accounting which is a basis not consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
6. The City Administrator is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund; however, any revision that alters total expenditures of any fund requires approval of council and a public hearing.
7. All appropriations lapse at year end.

**NOTE 2 - RECONCILIATION OF BUDGET BASIS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES TO GAAP**

Revenues and expenditures presented on a non-GAAP budget basis of accounting differ from the revenues and expenditures presented in accordance with GAAP because of the different treatment of accruals. A reconciliation for the year ended September 30, 2022, which discloses the nature and amount of the adjustments necessary to convert the actual GAAP data to the budgetary basis, is presented below:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Keno Fund</u>	<u>Streets Fund</u>	<u>LB 840 Fund</u>	<u>Downtown Development Fund</u>
Net change in fund balances:					
Balance on a GAAP basis	\$ (992,997)	\$ (36,228)	\$ (192,548)	\$ 131,208	\$ (844,581)
Basis differences (accruals occur because the cash basis of accounting use for budgeting differs from the modified accrual basis of accounting prescribed for governmental fund	<u>(247,797)</u>	<u>31,333</u>	<u>436,979</u>	<u>15,848</u>	<u>(38,813)</u>
Balance on a budget basis	\$ <u>(1,240,794)</u>	\$ <u>(4,895)</u>	\$ <u>244,431</u>	\$ <u>147,056</u>	\$ <u>(883,394)</u>

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**OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Sales Tax Fund	Economic Development Fund	CDBG Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Sinking Fund
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash	\$ -	\$ 83,922	\$ 91,482	\$ 353,334	\$ 777,304
Cash - County Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	109,786	-	397,833	756,411
Receivables					
Property and sales tax	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	-	146	-	535	1,019
Notes receivable	-	984,292	-	893,295	-
Restricted assets					
Cash and certificates of deposit	-	195,828	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,373,974</b>	<b>\$ 91,482</b>	<b>\$ 1,644,997</b>	<b>\$ 1,534,734</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,091	\$ 18,222
Accrued state and sales tax	-	-	-	-	-
Accrued wages	-	-	-	-	-
Accrued payroll expense	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	72,091	18,222
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES</b>					
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	-	-	-	-	-
Unavailable revenue - notes receivable	-	984,292	-	893,295	-
Total deferred inflow of resources	-	984,292	-	893,295	-
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>					
Restricted for					
Economic development	-	255,828	91,482	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	342,782
American Rescue Plan	-	-	-	-	-
Committed					
Debt service	-	-	-	679,611	-
Economic development	-	133,854	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-
Tourism and recreation	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned					
Capital improvements	-	-	-	-	1,173,730
Total fund balances	-	389,682	91,482	679,611	1,516,512
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,373,974</b>	<b>\$ 91,482</b>	<b>\$ 1,644,997</b>	<b>\$ 1,534,734</b>

Tourism Fund	RV Park Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Public Safety Fund	Special Projects Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
\$ 394,924	\$ 66,916	\$ 424,759	\$ 241,083	\$ 103,469	\$ 2,537,193
-	-	-	8,263	-	8,263
350,796	46,490	414,669	152,725	-	2,228,710
38,398	-	-	43,622	-	82,020
469	64	558	205	546	3,542
-	-	-	-	-	1,877,587
-	-	-	-	1,438,556	1,634,384
<u>\$ 784,587</u>	<u>\$ 113,470</u>	<u>\$ 839,986</u>	<u>\$ 445,898</u>	<u>\$ 1,542,571</u>	<u>\$ 8,371,699</u>
\$ 1,679	\$ 3,721	\$ 304,075	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 399,788
-	3,166	-	-	-	3,166
3,077	1,011	-	-	-	4,088
244	99	-	-	-	343
<u>5,000</u>	<u>7,997</u>	<u>304,075</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>407,385</u>
-	-	-	19,106	-	19,106
-	-	-	-	-	1,877,587
-	-	-	19,106	-	1,896,693
-	-	-	-	-	347,310
-	-	-	-	-	342,782
-	-	-	-	1,438,556	1,438,556
-	-	-	-	-	679,611
-	-	-	-	-	133,854
-	-	-	426,792	-	426,792
779,587	105,473	-	-	-	885,060
-	-	535,911	-	104,015	1,813,656
<u>779,587</u>	<u>105,473</u>	<u>535,911</u>	<u>426,792</u>	<u>1,542,571</u>	<u>6,067,621</u>
<u>\$ 784,587</u>	<u>\$ 113,470</u>	<u>\$ 839,986</u>	<u>\$ 445,898</u>	<u>\$ 1,542,571</u>	<u>\$ 8,371,699</u>



**CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA  
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

	Sales Tax Fund	Economic Development Fund	CDBG Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Sinking Fund
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,832	\$ -
Sales tax	638,120	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental and grants	-	-	4,200	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-
Interest income	-	(1,147)	-	(5,559)	(8,704)
Other revenue	-	-	-	20,762	3,000
Total revenues	<u>638,120</u>	<u>(1,147)</u>	<u>4,200</u>	<u>181,035</u>	<u>(5,704)</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Current					
General government	-	-	-	177,481	7,627
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	-	-
Economic development	-	31,602	4,807	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	117,272
Debt service					
Principal	-	-	-	69,586	-
Interest	-	-	-	62,005	-
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>31,602</u>	<u>4,807</u>	<u>309,072</u>	<u>124,899</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>					
	<u>638,120</u>	<u>(32,749)</u>	<u>(607)</u>	<u>(128,037)</u>	<u>(130,603)</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Payments received on loan	-	55,422	-	-	-
Insurance proceeds	-	-	-	-	-
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	-	44,924
Operating transfers out	(841,289)	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(841,289)</u>	<u>55,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,924</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>					
	(203,169)	22,673	(607)	(128,037)	(85,679)
<b>FUND BALANCES, beginning of year</b>					
	<u>203,169</u>	<u>367,009</u>	<u>92,089</u>	<u>807,648</u>	<u>1,602,191</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES, end of year</b>					
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 389,682</u>	<u>\$ 91,482</u>	<u>\$ 679,611</u>	<u>\$ 1,516,512</u>

Tourism Fund	RV Park Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Public Safety Fund	Special Projects Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,449	\$ 294,881	\$ -	\$ 462,162
214,600	-	-	-	-	852,720
-	-	-	-	719,278	723,478
2,660	210,055	-	-	-	212,715
(4,116)	(659)	(4,796)	(1,718)	(2,379)	(29,078)
6,045	437	-	-	13,396	43,640
<u>219,189</u>	<u>209,833</u>	<u>(3,347)</u>	<u>293,163</u>	<u>730,295</u>	<u>2,265,637</u>
-	-	304,075	-	164,155	653,338
-	-	-	34,745	-	34,745
196,415	73,598	-	-	5,823	275,836
-	-	-	-	-	36,409
-	-	-	90,038	5,217	212,527
-	-	-	-	-	69,586
-	-	-	-	-	62,005
<u>196,415</u>	<u>73,598</u>	<u>304,075</u>	<u>124,783</u>	<u>175,195</u>	<u>1,344,446</u>
<u>22,774</u>	<u>136,235</u>	<u>(307,422)</u>	<u>168,380</u>	<u>555,100</u>	<u>921,191</u>
-	-	-	-	-	55,422
-	-	-	-	67,712	67,712
168,257	-	-	-	-	213,181
-	-	-	-	-	(841,289)
<u>168,257</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>67,712</u>	<u>(504,974)</u>
191,031	136,235	(307,422)	168,380	622,812	416,217
<u>588,556</u>	<u>(30,762)</u>	<u>843,333</u>	<u>258,412</u>	<u>919,759</u>	<u>5,651,404</u>
<u>\$ 779,587</u>	<u>\$ 105,473</u>	<u>\$ 535,911</u>	<u>\$ 426,792</u>	<u>\$ 1,542,571</u>	<u>\$ 6,067,621</u>



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## 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

To the Honorable Mayor, City Council  
And City Administrator  
City of Gering, Nebraska

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Gering, Nebraska, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Gering's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2023.

### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the 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 may exist that have not been identified.

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Gering, Nebraska's financial statements are free of 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 financial reports. 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*.

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

*Contryman Associates PC*

Certified Public Accountants  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska

March 27, 2023