# ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable County Judge and Commissioners' Court of Van Zandt County Canton, Texas

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Van Zandt County, Texas, (the "County"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Van Zandt County, Texas' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Van Zandt County, Texas' 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; this includes 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.

## Auditors' Responsibility

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



An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Van Zandt County, Texas, as of September 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, and pension information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

## Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Van Zandt County, Texas' basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Pattillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 26, 2019, on our consideration of Van Zandt County, Texas' 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 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 Van Zandt County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Waco, Texas June 26, 2019



#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

Our discussion and analysis of Van Zandt County's financial performance provides an overview of the County's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018. Please read it in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which begin on page 10.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the County exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$12,841,337 (net position). Of this amount, \$4,179,291 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The County's total net position increased by \$1,998,858, due to the \$1,342,516 increase in property tax revenue. This increase was due to an increase in the property tax rate for the current year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$5,979,899, an increase of \$2,621,487 in comparison with the prior year. The County has fund balance available for spending at the County's discretion as unassigned fund balance is \$2,521,958.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund totaled \$2,313,050.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The discussion and analysis are intended to service as introduction to the County's basic financial statements. The County'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 themselves.

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

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the County's assets, liabilities, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources, with the difference between the four reported as *net position*. Over time, increases and decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net positions 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).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the County 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 County include general government, judicial, health and welfare, public safety, highways and bridges, sanitation, conservation and culture and recreation. The County had no business-type activities.

**Fund financial statements.** A *fund* is a group of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County, 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 County can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary 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 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 a government'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 governmental activities.

The County maintained 38 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 Road and Bridge Funds precincts #1-4, and Debt Service, all 6 of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other 32 governmental funds are combined in a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in the report.

*Fiduciary funds*. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

**Notes to the financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is necessary to acquire a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents required supplementary information concerning Van Zandt County, Texas' progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. It also includes budgetary information for the General Fund and Road and Bridge Funds.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information on pensions and budgetary comparisons.

#### **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net position of the County's governmental activities increased from \$10,842,479 to \$12,841,337. Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislations, or other legal requirements – was \$4,179,291 as of September 30, 2018.

The net position of the County increased by \$1,998,858 in fiscal year 2018, as opposed to a decrease of \$416,425 in fiscal year 2017. Total assets increased \$1,819,250 when compared to fiscal year 2017. The main factor that caused this increase was the tax year 2017 tax rate was increased by .03 cents. This generated approximately \$630,000 in revenue. Only .01 cent was included in the expense budget and it was specifically earmarked to raise correctional officer and deputy positions salaries at the Van Zandt County Jail. The increases were to allow the salaries to be more competitive with surrounding counties and try to prevent the turnover rate. The additional .02 cents were to increase the fund balance.

TABLE 1 VAN ZANDT COUNTY, TEXAS NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities				
		2018		2017	
Current and other assets	\$	9,748,763	\$	7,742,355	
Capital assets	_	10,146,227	_	10,333,385	
Total assets	_	19,894,990	_	18,075,740	
Deferred outflows of resources		480,126		1,926,964	
Current liabilities		3,063,962		3,112,368	
Non current liabilities	_	3,994,730	_	5,884,001	
Total liabilities	_	7,058,692	_	8,996,369	
Deferred inflows		475,087		163,856	
Net position					
Net invested in capital assets		5,125,117		4,913,211	
Restricted		3,536,929		4,387,877	
Unrestricted	_	4,179,291	_	1,541,391	
Total net position	\$	12,841,337	\$	10,842,479	

TABLE 2 VAN ZANDT COUNTY, TEXAS CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities				
		2018		2017	
Revenues:	·-				
Charges for services	\$	5,015,843	\$	4,312,515	
Operating grants and contributions		688,958		1,310,337	
General revenue:					
Property taxes		15,398,438		14,055,922	
Miscellaneous		252,427		418,594	
Gain on sale of capital assets		149,053		-	
Insurance recoveries		-		110,849	
Interest income		136,505		54,847	
Total revenues		21,641,224		20,263,064	
Expenses:					
General government		4,158,482		3,664,342	
Judicial		2,610,294		2,702,820	
Public safety		5,694,387		5,895,377	
Health and welfare		121,389		204,297	
Highways and bridges		6,556,457		7,738,581	
Culture and recreation		134,900		124,947	
Conservation		88,674		85,725	
Sanitation		63,763		78,029	
Interest on long-term debt		214,020		185,372	
Total expenses		19,642,366		20,679,489	
Change in net position		1,998,858	(	416,425)	
Net position beginning of year	_	10,842,479	_	11,258,904	
Net position end of year	\$	12,841,337	\$	10,842,479	

#### THE COUNTY'S FUNDS

As the County completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on pages 12 - 13) reported a combined fund balance of \$5,979,899 which represents a \$2,621,487 increase from the previous year.

Over the course of the year, the Commissioners' Court amended the County's budget several times. These amendments fall into two categories. The first category includes amendments and supplemental appropriations that were approved shortly after the beginning of the year and reflect the actual beginning balances (versus the amounts that were estimated in September of 2017.) Also, the second category was the Commissioners' Court approving several changes in appropriations to prevent budget overruns.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

## **Capital Assets**

	Governmental Activities							
		2018		2017				
Land	\$	514,749	\$	514,749				
Buildings and improvements		2,564,265		2,834,919				
Machinery and equipment		2,224,581		1,725,837				
Infrastructure		4,842,632		5,257,880				
Total	\$	10,146,227	\$	10,333,385				

At the end of 2018, the County had approximately \$10,146,227 (net of accumulated depreciation) invested in a broad range of capital assets, including buildings and equipment, transportation equipment, and administrative and maintenance buildings and equipment.

Major additions to capital assets for the fiscal year were as follows:

- 15 Chevrolet Tahoes for \$535,770
- 2018 Motor Grader for \$239,900

#### **Debt**

	Governmental Activities						
		2018	2017				
Certificates of obligation	\$	3,987,000	\$	4,994,000			
Notes payable		1,034,110		426,174			
Compensated absences		398,109		469,263			
Total	\$	5,419,219	\$	5,889,437			

At year-end, the County had \$1,034,110 in notes payable for various County equipment and vehicles. The County issued \$810,891 in new debt and paid \$202,955 in principal payments for the year. The County also had \$3,987,000 of Certificates of Obligation outstanding at year-end. The County paid in principal payments of \$1,007,000 on these obligations in fiscal year 2018.

#### GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The County's General Fund balance of \$2,345,630 reported on pages 12 and 13 differs from the General Fund's budgetary fund balance of \$761,872 . The primary reason for the difference was the County staying under budgeted expenditures by \$1,005,798 . The County also collected \$666,733 more in revenues than were budgeted for FY 2018.

The County budget is prepared in accordance with financial policies approved by the Commissioners' Court, and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The budget is prepared by the Budget Officer and approved by the Commissioners' Court. The approved budget is used as a management control device during the year, and appropriations are set at the expenditure line item level. Budgetary transfers between departments must be approved by the Commissioners' Court.

As confirmed by recent U.S. Census figures, Van Zandt has experienced a population growth of 4.8% since 2010.

Accordingly, the requirements for services to citizens, in addition to ongoing unfunded mandates from the state and federal governments, have increased substantially while revenue options available to County government continue to be severely limited. Even state-authorized increases to fees such as court costs are usually tied to dedicated funds to be turned over to the state with any local retainage dedicated and not available to the County for General Fund expenditures.

The County continues to experience an increase in expenditures for federal mandates related to elections; and increased expenditures for state mandates relating to the reporting of case management. The increasing cost of materials and fuel continue to erode the purchase power of Road and Bridge precincts and law enforcement.

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

The County's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2019 budget and tax rates. The officials will take additional steps of reductions and increasing revenues as much as possible, although the County also expects expenditures grow, but at a smaller pace than the increase in revenue.

For fiscal year 2019 the County has total resources of \$24,094,850. The property tax rate is \$.615847 and includes a \$.10 special road tax. The fiscal year 2019 budget will raise additional property taxes of \$867,726.

#### CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the County Auditor's office, at 121 East Dallas, Room 102, Canton, Texas 75103.





## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

	Primary Government
	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,987,875
Receivables (net of allowance for doubtful accounts)	2,588,792
Prepaids	5,690
Net pension asset	166,406
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation):	
Land	514,749
Buildings	2,564,265
Machinery and equipment	2,224,581
Infrastructure	4,842,632
Total capital assets	10,146,227
Total assets	19,894,990
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	480,126
Total deferred outflows of resources	480,126
LIABILITIES	<del></del>
Accounts payable	954,419
Accrued liabilities	386,202
Accrued interest payable	113,099
Due to other governments	185,753
Long-term debt:	105,755
Due within one year	1,424,489
Due in more than one year	3,994,730
Total liabilities	7,058,692
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	475,087
Total deferred inflows of resources	475,087
NET POSITION	<u></u>
Net investment in capital assets	5,125,117
Restricted for:	3,123,117
Road and bridge	1,743,589
Court technology and security	72,911
Records management	581,593
Judicial	61,498
Public safety	261,948
Law library	56,182
Conservation	14,680
Economic development	254,328
Historical commission	7,110
Voter registration	16
Disaster relief	43,293
Debt service	439,781
Unrestricted	4,179,291
Total net position	\$12,841,337



## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

# FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

				Progran	n Rev	venues Operating		et (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Primary Government
				Charges for		Grants and		overnmental
Functions/Programs		Expenses		Services		Contributions		Activities
<b>Primary Government:</b>		•						
Governmental activities:								
General government	\$	4,158,482	\$	900,358	\$	246,170	\$(	3,011,954)
Judicial		2,610,294		2,001,933		149,367	(	458,994)
Public safety		5,694,387		457,675		65,492	(	5,171,220)
Health and welfare		121,389		=		59,429	(	61,960)
Highways and bridges		6,556,457		1,430,213		168,500	(	4,957,744)
Cultural and recreation		134,900		9,161		-	(	125,739)
Conservation		88,674		-		-	(	88,674)
Sanitation		63,763		216,503		-		152,740
Interest on long-term debt		214,020	_		_		(	214,020)
Total primary government	\$	19,642,366	\$	5,015,843	\$ <u></u>	688,958	(	13,937,565)
		eral revenues:						
		operty taxes						15,398,438
		vestment earning	•					136,505
		ain on sale of ass	ets					149,053
		her						252,427
		Fotal general rev	enues	3				15,936,423
	Cha	nge in net positio	on					1,998,858
	Net	position - beginn	ning o	f year				10,842,479
	Net	position - end of	year				\$ <u></u>	12,841,337

## **BALANCE SHEET**

## GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

# FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

		General		Road and Bridge Precinct #1		Road and Bridge Precinct #2		Road and Bridge Precinct #3
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables (net of allowance of uncollectibles):	\$	2,898,947	\$	348,559	\$	750,911	\$	705,986
Accounts		1,675,850		8,016		9,853		8,373
Property Taxes		503,139		44,733		58,536		52,361
Due from other governments		16,880		-		-		-
Prepaid and other assets  Due from other funds		5,690		-		-		-
Due from other funds		155,446	-	<del>-</del>	_		_	<del>-</del>
Total assets		5,255,952	_	401,308	_	819,300	_	766,720
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable		558,034		28,906		121,976		89,027
Accrued Liabilities		311,283		16,141		13,797		13,873
Due to other governments		185,753		-		-		-
Due to other funds		3,835	-		_		_	
Total liabilities	_	1,058,905	_	45,047	_	135,773		102,900
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Unavailable revenue - fines		1,415,867		-		-		-
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	_	435,550	_	39,924	_	45,537	_	45,645
Total deferred inflows of resources		1,851,417	_	39,924	_	45,537	_	45,645
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable:								
Prepaid expenditures		5,690		-		-		-
Restricted for:				21 6 227		627.000		610.175
Road and bridge		-		316,337		637,990		618,175
Court technology and security Records management		-		-		-		-
Judicial		-		-		-		_
Public safety		_		-		_		_
Debt service		-		-		-		-
Law library		-		-		-		-
Conservation		-		-		-		-
Economic development		-		-		-		-
Historical commission		-		-		-		-
Voter registration								
Disaster relief		-		-		-		-
Assigned for subsequent year's budget Unassigned		26,890 2,313,050		-		-		-
-	_		-		_	<u>-</u>	_	
Total fund balances		2,345,630	_	316,337	_	637,990	_	618,175
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of	Φ.	E 055 050	Ф	401 200	¢.	010 200	Ф	766 700
resources, and fund balances	\$ <u></u>	5,255,952	\$_	401,308	\$_	819,300	\$	766,720

	Road and Bridge Precinct #4	D	ebt Service Fund	(	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds
\$	483,945	\$	490,344	\$	1,309,183	\$	6,987,875
	7,866		-		49,627		1,759,585
	44,121		58,701		_		761,591
	<u>-</u>		_		50,736		67,616
	-		-		-		5,690
_	-		3,835	_			159,281
_	535,932		552,880	_	1,409,546		9,741,638
	67,858		-		88,618		954,419
	14,064		-		17,044		386,202
	-		-		-		185,753
_				_	155,446		159,281
_	81,922			_	261,108		1,685,655
							1,415,867
	39,981		53,580		_		660,217
_	39,981		53,580	_		٠	2,076,084
_	57,701			_		•	2,070,001
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	-		-		-		5,690
	-		-		-		1,572,502
	-		-		72,911		72,911
	-		-		581,593		581,593
	-		-		61,498		61,498
	-		-		261,948		261,948
	-		499,300		-		499,300
	-		-		56,182		56,182
	-		-		14,680		14,680
	-		-		254,328		254,328
	-		-		7,110		7,110
					16		16
	-		-		43,293		43,293
	414,029		-	(	205,121)		26,890 2,521,958
-						•	
_	414,029		499,300	_	1,148,438	•	5,979,899
\$_	535,932	\$	552,880	\$ <u>_</u>	1,409,546	\$	9,741,638



# RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

## FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (page 10) are different because:

Total fund balances governmental funds (page 13)	\$	5,979,899
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.		10,146,227
The net pension asset is not an available resource and, therefore, is not reported in the funds.		166,406
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue in the governmental funds balance sheet.		2,076,084
Interest payable on long-term debt does not require current financial resources. Therefore interest payable is not reported as a lability in the governmental funds balance sheet.	(	113,099)
Deferred outflows of resources represent the consumption of net position that are applicable to a future reported period.		480,126
Deferred inflows of resources are an acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period.	(	475,087)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet.	<u>(</u>	5,419,219)
Net position of governmental activities	\$	12,841,337

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

		General		Road and Bridge Precinct #1		Road and Bridge Precinct #2		Road and Bridge Precinct #3
REVENUES								
Property taxes	\$	10,017,681	\$	579,665	\$	698,279	\$	589,652
Property taxes - special road tax		-		428,542		654,023		664,394
Permits, licenses and fees		2,536,249		253,434		670,653		265,801
Investment earnings		65,185		9,301		17,688		10,349
Intergovernmental revenues		325,510		1,207		1,207		1,207
Other revenues and fees		197,427	_	156	_	150,285	_	19,954
Total revenues		13,142,052	_	1,272,305	_	2,192,135	_	1,551,357
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government		3,081,659		-		-		-
Judicial		2,457,342		-		-		-
Public safety		4,863,433		-		-		-
Conservation		82,067		-		-		-
Highways and bridges		38,749		1,376,346		2,018,525		1,268,365
Cultural and recreation		133,782		-		-		-
Sanitation		64,727		-		-		-
Health and welfare		120,661		-		-		-
Capital outlay		565,525		92,000		80,027		200,900
Debt service:								
Principal retirement		124,082		37,211		19,308		-
Interest and fiscal charges	_	10,712	_	149	_	783	_	
Total expenditures	_	11,542,739	_	1,505,706	_	2,118,643	_	1,469,265
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over (under) expenditures	_	1,599,313	<u>(</u>	233,401)	_	73,492	_	82,092
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Capital lease proceeds		543,903		-		-		157,900
Insurance recoveries		9,108		-		2,381		-
Sale of capital assets		12,239		24,126		1,455		84,577
Transfers in		46,972		269,386		2,407		-
Transfers out	(	247,817)	(	16,029)	(	16,944)	(	10,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)		364,405	_	277,483	(	10,701)	_	232,477
Net change in fund balances		1,963,718		44,082		62,791		314,569
Fund balances, Beginning		381,912	_	272,255	_	575,199	_	303,606
Fund balances, Ending	\$	2,345,630	\$_	316,337	\$	637,990	\$_	618,175

	Road and Bridge recinct #4	Se	Debt rvice Fund	(	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	G	Total overnmental Funds
\$	567,976 431,375	\$	767,275	\$	-	\$	13,220,528 2,178,334
	248,325		_		961,587		4,936,049
	8,598		7,761		17,623		136,505
	1,207		-		723,297		1,053,635
	282		-		45,576		413,680
	1,257,763		775,036		1,748,083		21,938,731
	1,237,703		772,030	_	1,7 10,003		21,930,731
	_		_		732,324		3,813,983
	_		_		124,143		2,581,485
	-		-		614,794		5,478,227
	-		-		6,000		88,067
	953,640		-		-		5,655,625
	-		-		-		133,782
	-		-		-		64,727
	-		-		-		120,661
	36,000		-		-		974,452
	22 220		1 007 000				1 200 020
	22,338		1,007,000		-		1,209,939
	3,741		152,194	_	<del>-</del>	_	167,579
	1,015,719		1,159,194	_	1,477,261	_	20,288,527
	242,044	(	384,158)	_	270,822		1,650,204
	109,088		-		-		810,891
	-		-		-		11,489
	21,465		-		5,041		148,903
	300,860		-		260,790		880,415
(	10,000)		-	(	579,625)		(880,415)
	421,413			(	313,794)		971,283
	663,457	(	384,158)	(	42,972)		2,621,487
(	249,428)	_	883,458		1,191,410		3,358,412
\$	414,029	\$	499,300	\$		\$	5,979,899



## RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Amounts report for governmental activities in the statement of activities (page 11) are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	2,621,487
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activitie the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation in the current period exceeded capital outlay for County owned assets.	1	
Expenditures for capital assets Less: current year depreciation	(	1,033,452 1,209,271)
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net position.	d (	11,339)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are no reported as revenues in the governmental funds.	t	
Property taxes Court fines	(	424) 56,215
Grant revenue  Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financia	1	740,782)
resources, and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.  Compensated absences Pension cost	(	71,154 174,257)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued; whereas the amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	1 , t	
Repayment of long-term liabilities Issuance of long-term debt	(	1,209,955 810,891)
Interest expense reported in the statement of activities does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	1 <u>(</u>	46,441)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ <u></u>	1,998,858

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$5,335,657
Total assets	5,335,657
LIABILITIES	
Due to other agencies and individuals	5,335,657
Total liabilities	\$ 5,335,657

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2018** 

#### I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## A. Reporting Entity

Van Zandt County (the County) is a public corporation and political subdivision of the state of Texas. The Commissioners' Court, which is made up of four commissioners and County Judge, is the general governing body of the County in accordance with Article 5, Paragraph 18 of the Texas Constitution. The County provides the following services as authorized by the statutes of the State of Texas: general government (e.g., tax collection), judicial (courts, juries, district attorney, etc.) public safety (sheriff, constables, jails and community supervision, etc.), health and welfare (assistance to indigents, veteran services, etc.), highways and bridges, cultural and recreation, conservation, and sanitation.

The accounting and reporting policies of the County relating to the funds included in the accompanying basic financial statements conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) applicable to state and local governments. Generally accepted accounting principles for local governments include those principles prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in the publication entitled *State and Local Governments – Audit and Accounting Guide* and by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (when applicable). The more significant accounting policies of the County are described below.

The basic financial statements are prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*, which requires the government-wide financial statements to be prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus. The County's statement of net position includes both noncurrent assets and noncurrent liabilities of the County. In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reflects depreciation expense on the County's capital assets, including infrastructure.

For financial reporting purposes, based on standards established by GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, and GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*, these financial statements present the County (the primary government) and its component units. Component units generally are legally separate entities for which a primary government is financially accountable. Financial accountability ordinarily involves meeting both of the following criteria; the primary government appoints the voting majority of its board and the primary government is able to impose its will upon the potential component unit, or there is a possibility that the potential component unit may provide specific financial benefits or impose specific financial burdens on the primary government. Under these standards, the County has no component units which are required to be reported, discretely or blended, in combination with the primary government.

#### Government-wide Financial Statements

The **government-wide financial statements** include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Government-wide statements report, except for County fiduciary activity, information on all of the activities of the County. The effect of interfund transfers has been removed from the government-wide statements, but continues to be reflected on the fund statements. Governmental activities are supported mainly by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and charges for services.

#### B. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this measurement focus, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Fines and forfeitures are recognized when they have been assessed and adjudicated and earned. Grants are recognized as revenue when all applicable eligibility requirements imposed by the provider are met.

The Statement of Activities reflects the degree to which the direct expenses of the County's programs are offset by those programs' revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program or function. Program revenues for governmental activities include those generated from general government, judicial, public safety, highways and bridges, cultural and recreation, and sanitation. Taxes and other items not properly included in program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Separate fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. The General Fund, the Road and Bridge Funds, and the Debt Service Fund are classified as major governmental funds. Each major fund is reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements. Non-major funds include Special Revenue funds. The combined amounts for these funds are reflected in a single column in the Fund Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances. Detailed statements for all non-major funds are presented within Combining Schedules.

#### Fund-Level Financial Statements

**Fund level financial statements** are reported using current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis, revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The County considers revenues as available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year ends. Expenditure generally are recorded when a fund liability is incurred; however, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when a payment is due.

Property tax revenues, the County's primary revenue source, is susceptible to accrual and is considered available to the extent of delinquent taxes collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal period. Grant and entitlement revenues are also subject to accrual. Encumbrances are used during the year and any liquidated items expire at year end.

Governmental funds are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus. This means that only current assets, current liabilities, and current deferred outflows/inflows of resources are generally included on their balance sheet. Their reported fund balance (net current assets and current deferred outflows of resources) is considered a measure of "available spending resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and current deferred outflows of resources. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

The County's accounts are organized and operated on the basis of funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, fund equity, revenues and expenses or expenditures. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, although the latter are excluded from the government-wide statements.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

- The **General Fund** is the general operating fund of the County and is always classified as a major fund. The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include property taxes, permits, licenses and fees, intergovernmental revenues and investment earnings. Primary expenditures are for general government, judicial, public safety, health and welfare, conservation, highways and bridges, cultural and recreation and sanitation.
- The Road and Bridge Special Revenue Funds account for the activities associated with the building, maintaining, or improving roads, highways, and bridges within the County, including maintenance of road and bridge facilities. Major revenue sources include property taxes and charges for services.
- The **Debt Service Fund** is used to account for the payment of the County's debt. Major revenue sources are from property taxes.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund type:

• The **Agency Funds** are used to account for assets that the County holds on behalf of others as their agent.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Amounts reported as program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

# C. <u>Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Fund Balance</u>

1. Deposits and Investments

The County's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and Texas Local Government Investment Pool, and MBIA Municipal Investors.

Investments for the County are reported at fair value. The State Treasurer's Investment Pool and MBIA Municipal Investors operate in accordance with appropriate state laws and regulations. The reported value of the pool is the same as the fair value of the pool shares.

## 2. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the noncurrent portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

Advance between funds, are reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectables. Trade amounts receivable in excess of 180 days comprise the trade accounts receivable allowance for uncollectables. The property tax receivable allowance is equal to 29 percent of outstanding property taxes as of September 30, 2018.

Property taxes are levied on October 1 and attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Statements are mailed on October 1, or as soon thereafter as possible, and are due upon receipt. All unpaid taxes become delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the following year.

## 3. Prepaid Items

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. The fund financial statements are offset by a reservation of fund balance which indicates they do not represent "available spendable resources." Prepaids are accounted for using the consumption method. Under the consumption method, prepaids are recorded as expenditures when they are used.

## 4. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads and bridges) are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets such as equipment are defined as assets with a cost of \$5,000 or more and estimated useful lives in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at historical costs if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value, which is the price that would be paid to acquire an assets with equivalent service potential at the acquisition date.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings	20-50
Improvements	5-50
Machinery and equipment	5-20

#### 5. Compensated Absences

The County allows full time regular employees to accumulate unused vacation time, based on years of service, to a maximum of 20 days and unused sick time to a maximum of 60 days. Employees may also accumulate compensatory time up to a maximum of 30 days (60 days for law enforcement officers). Upon termination, vacation leave and compensatory time computed under these provisions will be paid to the employees if two weeks' written notice is given. Accumulated sick leave is not paid upon termination, but will be paid only upon illness while in the employment of the County. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements.

The regular workweek is based on 40 hours actually worked. Overtime, unless required to be paid by Federal statutes, is accumulated as compensatory (comp) time and earned at time and half for non-exempt employees and at straight time for exempt employees. Comp time is accumulated and either taken off or paid at the employee's current rate of pay on termination, resignation, retirement or death.

#### 6. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities under governmental activities in the statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method which approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

#### 7. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The County had the following items that qualify for reporting in this category.

- Changes in actuarial assumptions and other inputs for pension This difference is deferred and recognized over the estimated average remaining lives of all members determined as of the measurement date.
- Pension contributions after measurement date These contributions are deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section of deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to the future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has the following types of items that qualify for reporting in this category.

- Unavailable revenue is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. These
  amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the
  amounts become available.
- Difference in expected and actual pension experience This difference is deferred and recognized over the estimated average remaining lives of all members determined as of the measurement date.
- Difference in projected and actual earnings on pension assets This difference is deferred and amortized over a closed five-year period.

#### 8. Estimates

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

#### 9. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability (asset), deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expenses, information about the Fiduciary Net Position of the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) and additions to/deductions from TCDRS's Fiduciary Net Position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TCDRS. For this purpose, plan contributions are legally due. Benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### 10. Net Position Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the County will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted – net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the County's policy to consider restricted – net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position is applied.

#### 11. Fund Balance Flow Assumption

Sometimes the County will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the County's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

#### 12. Fund Balance Classification

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 County 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: This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Nonspendable items are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.

- Restricted: This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or, (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed: This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by board resolution of the Commissioners' Court, the County's highest level of decision making authority. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Commissioners' Court removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action that was employed when the funds 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.
- Assigned: This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the County's intent to be used for specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent is determined by the Commissioners' Court or County Auditor.
- Unassigned: This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund.
  The unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other
  governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of assigned fund balance
  amounts.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the County considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the County considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds.

#### 13. Equity Classification

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

# II. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# A. <u>Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position</u>

The governmental fund balance sheet includes reconciliations between fund balance – total governmental funds and net position – governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. One element of that reconciliation explains the "Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue in the governmental funds balance sheet." The detail of the \$2,076,084 difference is as follows:

Property taxes	\$ 660,217
Court receivables	1,415,867
Net adjustment to increase net change in fund balances -	
total governmental funds to arrive at change in net	
position of governmental activities	\$ 2,076,084

Another element of that reconciliation explains that "long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet." The detail of this \$ 5,419,219 difference is as follows:

Certificates of obligation payable	\$(	3,987,000)
Notes payable obligations	(	1,034,110)
Compensated absences	(	398,109)
Net adjustment to reduce fund balance - total		
governmental funds to arrive at net position		
governmental activities	\$(	5,419,219)

Another element of that reconciliation states that "capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet." The detail of this \$ 10,146,227 difference is as follows:

Beginning balance of capital assets, net of depreciation	\$	10,333,385
Capital asset additions, net of retirements		1,022,113
Depreciation of capital assets, current year	(	1,209,271)
	\$	10,146,227

# B. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Government Fund Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-Wide Statement of Activities

The government fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance includes a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances – total governmental funds and changes in net position of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation indicates that "governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense." The detail of this \$ 175,819 difference is as follows:

Capital outlay	\$	1,033,452
Depreciation expense	(	1,209,271)
Net adjustment to decrease net changes in fund		
balances - total governmental funds to arrive at		
changes in net position of governmental activities	\$ <u>(</u>	175,819)

#### III. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### A. Expenditures Over Appropriations

Data processing (\$6,448); Sheriff department (\$275). Both departments are in the general fund. These overages were funded with greater than anticipated revenues.

#### **B.** Deficit Fund Balance

VOICES Grant, Juvenile Probation, ETCOG Residential Grant, and Van Tornado Assistance funds have a deficit fund balance of (\$10,263), (\$177,145), (\$2,032), (\$15,681), respectively. The County plans to cover these deficits with either transfers or greater revenues than expenditures.

#### IV. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

#### **Deposits and Investments**

Cash and investments as of September 30, 2018 consist of and are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Statement of net position:		
Primary government		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,987,875
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,987,875
•	-	
Cash on hand	\$	4,703
Checking and savings account		1,032,192
External investment pools		5,950,980
	\$	6,987,875

All deposits are held in the County's main depository or subdepository bank except funds held in trust by the Justice of the Peace offices number 1 and 4, and Auto Registration, which are not under a subdepository contract.

As of September 30, 2018, the County had the following cash equivalents:

Investment Type	Net	Asset Value	Weighted Average Maturity (Days)
TexPool	\$	5,185,135	28
MBIA Class		765,845	50
Total fair value	\$	5,950,980	

The Public Funds Investment Act (Government Code Chapter 2256) contains specific provisions in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate policies. Among other things, it requires the County to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return, (6) maximum allowable stated maturity of portfolio investments, (7) maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio, (8) investment staff quality and capabilities, and (9) bid solicitation preferences for certificates of deposit. Statutes authorize the County to invest in (1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, certain U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas; (2) certificates of deposits, (3) certain municipal securities, (4) money market savings accounts, (5) repurchase agreements, (6) bankers acceptances, (7) Mutual Funds, (8) investment pools, (9) guaranteed investment contracts, and (10) common trust test procedures related to investment practices as provided by the Act. The County is in substantial compliance with the requirements of the Act and with local policies.

TexPool and Texas Class have a redemption notice period of one day and may redeem daily. The investment pool's authority may only impose restrictions on redemptions in the event of a general suspension of trading on major securities markets, general banking moratorium or national state of emergency that affects the pool's liquidity.

*Interest Rate Risk.* In accordance with its investment policy, the County manages its exposure to declines in fair market values by limiting the average dollar-weighted maturity of its portfolio to a maximum of 365 days.

Custodial Credit Risk. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. State statutes require that all deposits in financial institutions be fully collateralized by U.S. Government obligations, those of its agencies and instrumentalities, or direct obligations of Texas or its agencies instrumentalities that have a fair value of not less than the principal amount of deposits. As of September 30, 2018, the carrying value of the County's deposit balance was fully collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution in the County's name of by FDIC insurance.

*Credit Risk*. It is the County's policy, as defined in the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, to limit its investments to investment types with an investment quality rating not less than A or its equivalent by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

The State Comptroller of Public Accounts exercised oversight responsibility over TexPool. Oversight includes the ability to significantly influence operations, designation of management and accountability for fiscal matters. Additionally, the State Comptroller has established an advisory board composed of both participants in TexPool and other persons who do not have a business relationship with TexPool. The Advisory Board members review the investment policy and management fee structure. Finally, TexPool is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's. As a requirement to maintain the rating weekly portfolio, information must be submitted to Standard & Poor's, as well as the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts for review.

The County also invests in Municipal Investors Service Corporation (MBIA), Texas Class. MBIA Texas Class is organized in conformity with the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, and the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. These two Acts provide for the creation of public funds investment pools and authorize eligible governmental entities to invest their public funds and funds under their control through the investment pools. MBIA is currently rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's and has an investment objective of achieving and maintaining a stable net asset value of \$1.00 per share.

### Receivables

Receivables as of year-end for the government's individual major funds and nonmajor funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectable accounts, are as follows:

		General		Road & Bridge		Debt Service		Nonmajor Funds		Total
Receivables:										
Taxes	\$	704,575	\$	280,249	\$	82,202	\$	-	\$	1,067,026
Accounts		14,418,647		34,108			_	49,627	_	14,502,382
Gross receivables		15,123,222		314,357		82,202	_	49,627	_	15,569,408
Less: allowance for										
uncollectibles	(	12,944,233)	(	80,498)	(	23,501)	_		(	13,048,232)
Net total receivables	\$	2,178,989	\$	233,859	\$	58,701	\$_	49,627	\$_	2,521,176

### **Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2018, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance		0 0		Decreases		Ending Balance	
Governmental Activities:								
Capital assets, not being depreciated:								
Land	\$	514,749	\$	_	\$	-	\$	514,749
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	_	514,749	_	<del>-</del>		-		514,749
Capital assets, being depreciated:								
Buildings and improvements		7,788,798		-		-		7,788,798
Machinery and equipment		9,001,890		1,033,452	(	782,420)		9,252,922
Infrastructure		8,311,778	_	-		-		8,311,778
Total capital assets being depreciated	_	25,102,466	_	1,033,452	(	782,420)	_	25,353,498
Less accumulated depreciation:								
Buildings and improvements	(	4,953,879)	(	270,654)		-	(	5,224,533)
Machinery and equipment	(	7,276,053)	(	523,369)		771,081	(	7,028,341)
Infrastructure	(	3,053,898)	(	415,248)		-	(	3,469,146)
Total accumulated depreciation	(	15,283,830)	(	1,209,271)		771,081	(	15,722,020)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		9,818,636	(	175,819)	(	11,339)	_	9,631,478
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	10,333,385	\$ <u>(</u>	175,819)	\$ <u>(</u>	11,339)	\$	10,146,227

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 322,840
Public safety	183,069
Highways and bridges	 703,362
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 1,209,271

# **Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers**

The composition of interfund balances of as September 30, 2018, is as follows:

## **Due to/from other funds:**

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	 Amount
General Fund Debt Service	Nonmajor Funds General Fund	\$ 155,446 3,835
		\$ 159,281

	 Road & Bridge Nonmajor					
	General	1-4		Governmental		 Total
Transfer out:						
General	\$ -	\$	-	\$	247,817	\$ 247,817
Road & Bridge 1-4	40,000		-		12,973	52,973
Nonmajor governmental	 6,972		572,653			 579,625
Total transfers	\$ 46,972	\$	572,653	\$	260,790	\$ 880,415

#### **Long-Term Liabilities**

The County has issued certificates of obligation in prior years for the construction and purchase of capital assets. The proceeds were used to construct a jail, improve county infrastructure and purchasing buildings for county use. The County has also entered into financing contracts or notes with Government Capital Finance Corporation and Texas Bank & Trust for the purchase of capital assets such as computer systems, road and bridge equipment, and law enforcement vehicles. Outstanding certificates of obligation and notes as of September 30, 2018 are comprised of the following issues:

Certificates of Obligation: Name	 Original Issue Amount	Maturity Date	Interest Rate		Current Balance
Series 2004 Combination Tax and Revenue					
Certificates of Obligation	\$ 1,500,000	2/15/2019	4.65%	\$	140,000
Series 2008 Certificates of Obligation	6,375,000	4/30/2023	3.39%		2,485,000
Series 2010 Certificates of Obligation	4,099,000	12/15/2020	3.02%	_	1,362,000
				\$_	3,987,000
Notes Payable:	Original				
	Issue	Maturity	Interest		Current
Name	 Amount	Date	Rate		Balance
Governmental Capital Corporation - Contract #6851	\$ 150,000	12/5/2019	3.20%	\$	62,575
Governmental Capital Corporation - Contract #6235	149,105	12/5/2019	3.20%		68,218
Governmental Capital Corporation - Contract #7555	150,000	12/30/2020	3.22%		114,764
Governmental Capital Corporation - Contract #8009	543,903	12/15/2021	3.06%		543,903
Governmental Capital Corporation - Contract #8143	157,900	3/28/2023	4.29%		157,900
Promissory Note	109,116	2/15/2021	3.85%	_	86,750
				\$_	1,034,110

#### **Changes in Long-Term Liabilities**

Long-term liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2018, was as follows:

		Beginning						Ending		Due Within
		Balance		Additions		Reductions		Balance		One Year
Governmental activities										
Certificates of obligation	•	4,994,000	\$	_	•	1.007.000	\$	3.987.000	\$	1,045,000
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Notes/Leases		426,174		810,891		202,955		1,034,110		299,867
Compensated absences		469,263	_	323,297		394,451	_	398,109	_	79,622
Total governmental activity										
Long-term liabilities	\$	5,889,437	\$_	1,134,188	\$	1,604,406	\$_	5,419,219	\$	1,424,489

For the governmental activities, compensated absences are generally liquidated by the General Fund and Road & Bridge funds.

#### <u>Debt Service Requirements</u>

Debt service requirements for certificates of obligation are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal	 Interest	Re	Total quirements
2019	\$ 1,045,000	\$ 121,985	\$	1,166,985
2020	934,000	89,467		1,023,467
2021	963,000	59,273		1,022,273
2022	515,000	35,426		550,426
2023	 530,000	 17,967		547,967
Total	\$ 3,987,000	\$ 324,118	\$	4,311,118

Debt Service requirements for notes are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal		Interest	Re	Total quirements
2019	\$ 299,867	\$	32,584	\$	332,451
2020	302,918		23,218		326,136
2021	221,845		14,230		236,075
2022	175,193		7,236		182,429
2023	34,287		1,471		35,758
	 _	_	_		
Total	\$ 1,034,110	\$	78,739	\$	1,112,849

#### V. RISK MANAGEMENT

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The County's risk management program encompasses various means of protecting the County against loss by obtaining property, casualty, liability and other coverage through participation in the Texas Association of Counties – County Government Risk Management Pool, a public entity risk pool. The County pays an annual premium for its coverage. As claims are filed, the County pays the applicable deductible amount and the risk pool pays the additional amounts over the deductible, up to the applicable limit of liability. As of September 30, 2018, the County had not liability for unpaid claims or adjustments under policies carried with the risk pool. During the year ended September 30, 2018, there was no reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year. There were no settlements in the prior three fiscal years, which exceeded insurance coverage carried by the County.

As of October 1, 2004, employees of the County were covered by a health insurance plan. All premiums were paid to a licensed insurer. The plan was authorized by Article 3.51-2, Texas Insurance Code and was documented by contractual agreement.

#### VI. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, many constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

There are currently claims and lawsuits pending against the County. It is the opinion of the County Attorney and County Staff that there is no pending litigation against the County that, if decided against the County, would have material adverse effect upon the operations of the County.

#### VII. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

#### **Plan Description**

Van Zandt County participates in a nontraditional defined benefit pension plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System ("TCDRS"). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide agent, multiple-employer, public employee retirement system consisting of nontraditional defined benefit pension plans. TCDRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that can be obtained at www.tcdrs.org.

All full and part-time non-temporary employees participate in the plan, regardless of the number of hours they work in a year. Employees in a temporary position are not eligible for membership.

**Benefits Provided**. TCDRS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits for all eligible employees. Benefit terms are established by the TCDRS Act. The benefit terms may be amended as of January 1, each year, but must remain in conformity with the Act.

Members can retire at ages 60 and above with eight or more years of service, with 20 years of service regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after eight years of service, but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by their employer.

Benefit amounts are determined by the sum of the employee's contribution to the plan, with interest, and employer-financed monetary credits. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the governing body of the employer within the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be expected to be adequately financed by the employer's commitment to contribute. By law, employee accounts earn 7% interest. At retirement, death or disability, the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions and the employer-financed monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

#### <u>Plan Membership</u>

At the December 31, 2017 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	136
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	313
Active employees	235
	684

#### **Contributions**

The contribution rates for employees in TCDRS are either 4%, 5%, 6%, or 7% of employee gross earnings, as adopted by the employer's governing body. Participating employers are required to contribute at actuarially determined rates to ensure adequate funding for each employer's plan. Under the state law governing TCDRS, the contribution rate for each entity is determined annually by the actuary and approved by the TCDRS Board of Trustees. The replacement life entry age actuarial cost method is used in determining the contribution rate. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to fund benefits in an orderly manner for each participate over his or her career so that sufficient funds are accumulated by the time benefit payments begin, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Employees for the County were required to contribute 7% of their annual gross earnings during the fiscal year. The contribution rates for the County were 7.43% and 7.76% in calendar years 2017 and 2018, respectively. The County's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended September 30, 2018, were \$556,336 and were equal to the required contributions.

#### Net Pension Asset of the County

The County's Net Pension Asset (NPA) was measured as of December 31, 2017, and the Total Pension Liability (TPL) used to calculate the Net Pension Asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

#### Actuarial Assumptions

The Total Pension Liability in the December 31, 2017 actuarial evaluation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation 2.75% per year Overall payroll growth 3.25% per year

Investment rate of return 8.0%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) for the County are considered to be substantively automatic. Therefore, an annual 100% CPI cost-of-living adjustment is included in the actuarial valuation. Each year, the County may elect an ad-hoc COLA for retirees.

Mortality rates for active members, retirees, and beneficiaries were based on the following:

Depositing members 90% of the RP-2014 Active Employee Mortality Table for males

and 90% of the RP-2014 Active Employee Mortality Table for females, projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate scale after

2014.

Service retirees, beneficiaries

and non-depositing members

130% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for males and 110% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate scale

after 2014.

Disabled retirees 130% of the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table for

males and 115% of the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110% of the MP-2014

Ultimate scale after 2014.

Updated mortality assumptions were adopted in the actuarial valuation of December 31, 2017. All other actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability as of December 31, 2017, were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2016.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 8.0%. The pension plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the TCDRS Board of Trustees.

The long-term expected rate of return on TCDRS is determined by adding inflation to expected long-term real returns, and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and information below are based on January 2018 information for a 10-year time horizon. The valuation assumption for long-term expected return is re-assessed at a minimum of every four years, and is set based on a 30-year time horizon; the most recent analysis was performed in 2017. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Benchmark	Target Allocation (1)	Geometric Real Rate of Return (Expected minus Inflation) (2)
US Equities	Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market Index	11.50%	4.55%
Private Equity	Cambridge Associates Global Private Equity & Venture Capital Index (3)	16.00%	7.55%
Global Equities	MSCI World (net) Index	1.50%	4.85%
International Equities - Developed	MSCI World Ex USA (net) Index	11.00%	4.55%
International Equities - Emerging Markets	MSCI Emerging Markets (net) Index	8.00%	5.55%
Investment-Grade Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	3.00%	75.00%
Strategic Credit	FTSE High-Yield Cash-Pay Capped Index	8.00%	4.12%
Direct Lending	S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index	10.00%	8.06%
Distressed Debt	Cambridge Associates Distressed Securities Index (4)	2.00%	6.30%
REIT Equities	67% FTSE NAREIT Equity REITs Index + 33% S&P Global REIT (net) Index	2.00%	4.05%
Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs)	Alerian MLP Index	3.00%	6.00%
Private Real Estate Partnerships	Cambridge Associates Real Estate Index (5)	6.00%	6.25%
Hedge Funds	Hedge Fund Research, Inc. (HFRI) Fund of Funds Composite Index	18.00%	4.10%

<sup>(1)</sup> Target asset allocation adopted at the April 2018 TCDRS Board meeting.

#### Discount Rate

The discount rates used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 8.1%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the employee and employer contributions will be made at the rates specified in the statute. Based on that assumption, the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

<sup>(2)</sup> Geometric real rates of return equal the expected return minus the assumed inflation rate of 1.95%, per Cliffwater's 2018 capital market assumptions.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes vintage years 2006-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes vintage years 2005-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

<sup>(5)</sup> Includes vintage years 2007-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

#### Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset)

	Increase (Decrease)					
	To	otal Pension	Pla	an Fiduciary	N	et Pension
		Liability	Net Position		Liab	oility (Asset)
		(a)		(b)		(a) - (b)
Balance at 12/31/2016	\$	26,863,604	\$	25,446,198	\$	1,417,406
Changes for the year:						
Service cost		906,342		-		906,342
Interest on total pension liability (1)		2,188,341		-		2,188,341
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	(	53,732)		-	(	53,732)
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs		99,350		-		99,350
Refund of contributions	(	159,836)	(	159,836)		-
Benefit payments	(	1,376,823)	(	1,376,823)		-
Administrative expenses		-	(	19,042)		19,042
Member contributions		-		506,244	(	506,244)
Net investment income		-		3,706,326	(	3,706,326)
Employer contributions		-		537,372	(	537,372)
Other (2)			(	6,787)		6,787
Balance at 12/31/2017	\$	28,467,246	\$	28,633,652	\$ <u>(</u>	166,406)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> Reflects the change in the liability due to the time value of money. TCDRS does not charge fees or interest.

The required schedule of changes in the County's net pension liability (asset) and related ratios immediately following the notes to the financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 8.10%, as well as what the Van Zandt County net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (7.10%) or 1 percentage point higher (9.10%) than the current rate.

	Current						
	1% Decrease 7.1%			scount Rate 8.1%	1% Increase 9.1%		
Total manaion liability	Φ.		Φ		Φ.		
Total pension liability Fiduciary net position	\$	31,876,836 28,633,652	\$	28,467,246 28,633,652	\$	25,585,426 28,633,652	
Net pension liability/(asset)	\$	3,243,184	\$(	166,406)	\$(	3,048,226)	

<sup>(2)</sup> Relates to allocation of system-wide items.

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position is available in a separately-issued TCDRS financial report. The report may be obtained on the Internet at www.tcdrs.org

# <u>Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related</u> to Pensions

For the year ended September 30, 2018, the County recognized pension expense of \$731,339. At September 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	O	eferred outflows Resources	]	Deferred Inflows Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$	-	\$	95,042
Changes in actuarial assumptions		66,233		-
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings		-		380,045
Contributions made subsequent to the measurement date		413,893		
Total	\$	480,126	\$	475,087

Country contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$413,893 are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension asset in the year ending September 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended		
September 30,		
2019	\$	113,987
2020		112,154
2021	(	301,836)
2022	(	333,159)

#### VIII. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On December 4, 2018, the County closed on Public Finance Act Contract No. 8498 for the purpose of financing a motor grader for \$221,910.



# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE COUNTY'S NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

<b>Measurement Date December 31</b>	2014	2015	2016	2017
Total Pension Liability				
Service cost Interest on total pension liability Effect of plan changes Effect of assumption changes or inputs Effect of economic/demographic (gains) or losses Benefit payments/refunds of contributions	\$ 782,515 1,820,701 - ( 51,704) ( 1,220,569)	\$ 796,066 1,932,289 ( 98,883) 267,104 ( 136,245) ( 1,307,127)	\$ 981,737 2,044,552 - ( 177,662) ( 1,461,724)	\$ 906,342 2,188,343 - 99,350 ( 53,732) ( 1,536,659)
Net change in total pension liability	1,330,943	1,453,204	1,386,903	1,603,644
Total pension liability, beginning	22,692,554	24,023,497	25,476,701	26,863,604
Total pension liability, ending (a)	\$ 24,023,497	\$ 25,476,701	\$ 26,863,604	\$ 28,467,248
<b>Fiduciary Net Position</b>				
Employer contributions Member contributions Investment income net of investment expenses Benefit payments/refunds of contributions Administrative expenses Other	\$ 552,153 453,117 1,557,818 ( 1,220,569) ( 18,133) ( 1,752)	\$ 580,642 498,099 ( 24,407) ( 1,307,127) ( 17,320) 13,222	\$ 564,398 497,579 1,772,702 ( 1,461,724) ( 19,257) 134,251	\$ 537,372 506,244 3,706,326 ( 1,536,659) ( 19,042) ( 6,785)
Net change in fiduciary net position	1,322,634	( 256,891)	1,487,949	3,187,456
Fiduciary net position, beginning	22,892,506	24,215,140	23,958,249	25,446,198
Fiduciary net position, ending (b)	\$ 24,215,140	\$ 23,958,249	\$ 25,446,198	\$ 28,633,654
Net pension liability/(asset), ending = (a)-(b)	\$ <u>( 191,643)</u>	\$ 1,518,452	\$ 1,417,406	\$ <u>( 166,406)</u>
Fiduciary net position as a % of total pension liability	100.80%	94.04%	94.72%	100.58%
Pensionable covered payroll	\$ 6,473,107	\$ 7,115,698	\$ 7,108,278	\$ 7,222,134
Net pension liability (asset) as a % of covered payroll	-2.96%	21.34%	19.94%	-2.30%

#### **Notes to the Schedule:**

This schedule will present 10 years of information once it is accumulated.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Fiscal Year Ended September 30	D	ctuarially etermined ontribution	Actual Employer ontribution	 Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	 Pensionable Covered Payroll	Actual Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll
2014	\$	552,153	\$ 552,153	\$ -	\$ 6,473,107	8.5%
2015		559,065	559,065	-	6,781,850	8.2%
2016		563,702	563,705	-	7,032,802	8.0%
2017		545,832	545,832	-	7,215,223	7.6%
2018		556,336	556,336	-	7,250,803	7.7%

#### NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Val	luation	Timing

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated each December 31, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

**Actuarial Cost Method** Entry Age

Amortization Method Level percentage of payroll, closed

**Remaining Amortization Period** 11.8 years (based on contribution rate calculated in 12/31/2017 valuation)

**Asset Valuation Method** 5-year smoothed market

**Inflation** 2.75%

Salary Increases Varies by age and service. 4.9% average over career including inflation.

**Investment Rate of Return** 8.00%, net of administrative and investment expenses, including inflation

**Retirement Age**Members who are eligible for service retirement are assumed to commence receiving benefit payments based on age. The average age at service retirement for

recent retirees is 61.

Mortality 130% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for males and 110% of the

RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110%

of the MP-2014 Ultimate scale after 2014.

Changes in Assumptions and Method 2015: New inflation, mortality and other assumptions

2016: New mortality assumptions

**Changes in Plan Provisions** 2015: No changes in plan provisions

2016: No plan changes

2017: New Annuity Purchase Rates for benefits earned after 2017

Note: This schedule is required to have 10 years of information, but the information prior to 2014 is not available.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL FUND**

# DETAILED SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Variance With

		Budget Original	Budget Final	Actual			Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES							
Property Taxes:							
Taxes - current	\$	9,636,021	\$ 9,636,021	\$	9,646,194	\$	10,173
Taxes - delinquent		190,000	190,000		207,252		17,252
Penalty and collection fees		140,000	 140,000	_	164,235	_	24,235
Total Property Taxes	_	9,966,021	 9,966,021		10,017,681	_	51,660
Fees of Office:							
County judge		500	500		2,356		1,856
County sheriff		60,000	60,000		64,003		4,003
County clerk fees		330,000	330,000		388,466		58,466
County library fees		9,000	9,000		9,161		161
Tyler eagle internet		18,000	18,000		17,048	(	952)
Tax assessor-collector		482,000	482,000		525,579		43,579
Child safety-tax office		80,000	80,000		80,552		552
District attorney		8,000	8,000		6,701	(	1,299)
District clerk		112,500	112,500		144,281		31,781
Justice of the peace		118,600	118,600		146,317		27,717
Constable		19,500	19,500		30,908		11,408
Probation		100	100		4	(	96)
County Court at law		165,000	165,000		226,176		61,176
Jury fees		15,200	15,200		18,072		2,872
District court		160,000	160,000		220,924		60,924
Justice court		321,000	321,000		374,637		53,637
Legal fees/reimbursements		124,000	124,000		133,405		9,405
Citizens collection station		56,500	58,870		68,543		9,673
Inmate telephone revenue		40,000	 40,000	_	79,116	_	39,116
Total fees		2,119,900	 2,122,270		2,536,249	_	413,979
Intergovernmental Revenues:							
Intergovernmental revenues	_	225,187	 325,510		325,510	_	
Total Intergovernmental Revenues		225,187	 325,510		325,510	_	
Investment Earnings:							
Depository interest		10,030	 10,030		65,185	_	55,155
Total Investment Earnings	_	10,030	 10,030	_	65,185	_	55,155
Other Revenues and Fees:							
Rentals		7,200	7,200		10,500		3,300
Lease-adult probation		2,000	2,000		2,003		3
Tax sale excess proceeds		-	-		7,057		7,057
Other revenues		37,000	41,238		177,129		135,891
Open records request	_	1,050	 1,050		738	(	312)
Total Other Revenues and Fees		47,250	 51,488		197,427	_	145,939
Total Revenues	\$	12,368,388	\$ 12,475,319	\$	13,142,052	\$	666,733

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### GENERAL FUND

# DETAILED SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Variance With

		Budget Original		Budget Final	Actual			Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
EXPENDITURES		Originar		1 mai		7 Ictuar	_	(Tregutive)	
General Government:									
County judge	\$	146,361	\$	146,658	\$	142,470	\$	4,188	
Human Resources		60,912	·	61,350		60,331	·	1,019	
County clerk		313,419		316,771		282,429		34,342	
Elections		118,417		115,065		79,211		35,854	
Non-department		408,625		397,152		329,948		67,204	
Contracts		694,523		702,402		681,716		20,686	
Veterans		8,365		8,365		8,356		9	
Collection department		51,008		51,008		47,874		3,134	
County auditor		279,637		279,637		232,863		46,774	
County treasurer		106,680		106,681		104,772		1,909	
Tax collector		311,273		311,273		306,349		4,924	
Data processing		593,017		603,017		568,400		34,617	
Public buildings		210,397	_	242,412		236,940	-	5,472	
Total General Government	_	3,302,634	_	3,341,791	_	3,081,659	=	260,132	
Judicial System:									
County court		12,571		12,571		6,204		6,367	
Juvenile county court		8,700		8,700		6,397		2,303	
District courts		557,516		557,516		461,172		96,344	
Adult district court		468,000		468,000		445,927		22,073	
Juvenile district court		2,500		2,500		-		2,500	
County court at law		400,837		406,134		338,569		67,565	
District clerk		239,864		239,864		232,634		7,230	
Justices of the peace		420,867		420,867		398,567		22,300	
District attorney	_	580,307	_	580,307	_	567,872	-	12,435	
Total Judicial System		2,691,162	_	2,696,459		2,457,342	_	239,117	
Public Safety:									
Constables		247,057		248,799		228,958		19,841	
Adult probation		1,300		1,300		246		1,054	
Sheriff's department		2,382,037		2,626,814		2,464,701		162,113	
Jail		2,238,537		2,322,357		2,132,723		189,634	
Department of public safety	_	38,056	_	38,056	_	36,805	_	1,251	
Total Public Safety	_	4,906,987	_	5,237,326	_	4,863,433	=	373,893	
Conservation:									
Extension service		86,307		86,307		82,067	-	4,240	
Total Conservation	\$	86,307	\$	86,307	\$	82,067	\$	4,240	

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION GENERAL FUND DETAILED SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

ror	Budget Original		Budget Final	 Actual	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
EXPENDITURES (Cont'd)							
Culture and Recreation:							
County free library	\$ 109,606	\$	109,606	\$ 109,209	\$	397	
Office	 19,130		25,130	 24,573	_	557	
Total Culture and Recreation	 128,736		134,736	 133,782		954	
Highways and Bridges:							
Support	 39,689		39,689	 38,749		940	
Total Highways and Bridges	 39,689		39,689	 38,749	_	940	
Sanitation:							
Collection	 63,981		66,351	 64,727		1,624	
Total Sanitation	 63,981		66,351	 64,727		1,624	
Health & Welfare							
Indigent health	40,886		40,886	39,226		1,660	
Office	 176,490		176,490	 81,435		95,055	
Total Health & Welfare	 217,376		217,376	 120,661		96,715	
Capital Outlay:							
Data processing	-		-	6,448	(	6,448)	
Public buildings	5,000		-	-		-	
Constable pct. 1	36,000		5,244	-		5,244	
Jail	31,000		31,000	14,899	,	16,101	
Sheriff department	 150,000	_	543,903	 544,178	(	275)	
Total Capital Outlay	\$ 222,000	\$	580,147	\$ 565,525	\$	14,622	

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

EXPENDITURES (Cont'd)		Budget Original		Budget Final		Actual	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
Em Emericans (cont d)									
Debt Service:									
Principal	\$	179,068	\$	132,706	\$	124,082	\$	8,624	
Interest		19,887	_	15,649		10,712		4,937	
Total Debt Service	_	198,955	_	148,355		134,794		13,561	
Total Expenditures	_	11,857,827	_	12,548,537		11,542,739		1,005,798	
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		510,561	(	73,218)		1,599,313		1,672,531	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Capital lease proceeds		263,000		656,903		543,903	(	113,000)	
Insurance proceeds		1,050		1,050		9,108		8,058	
Sale of capital assets		-		-		12,239		12,239	
Transfers in		40,000		39,849		46,972		7,123	
Transfers out	(	244,624)	(	244,624)	(	247,817)	(	3,193)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	59,426	_	453,178		364,405	(	88,773)	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		569,987		379,960		1,963,718		1,583,758	
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING		381,912	_	381,912		381,912		<u>-</u>	
FUND BALANCE, ENDING	\$	951,899	\$	761,872	\$	2,345,630	\$	1,583,758	

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - ROAD AND BRIDGE - PRECINCT 1 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE 11	LAKI	Budget Original	Budget Final			Actual	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
REVENUES									
Property Taxes:									
Taxes - current	\$	557,990	\$	557,990	\$	558,154	\$	164	
Taxes - delinquent		11,000		11,000		12,001		1,001	
Penalty/interest	_	8,000		8,000		9,510		1,510	
Total Property Taxes:	_	576,990		576,990		579,665		2,675	
Property taxes - special road tax:									
Taxes - special road tax - current		419,000		419,000		416,695	(	2,305)	
Taxes - special road tax - delinquent		-		5,616		5,866		250	
Penalty/interest - special road tax		1,000		5,570		5,981		411	
Total Property taxes - special road tax		420,000		430,186		428,542	(	1,644)	
Intergovernmental Revenues:									
Intergovernmental revenues	_	_		1,207		1,207			
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	_			1,207		1,207			
Permits, Licenses and Fees:									
Other Fees		253,250		254,130		253,434	(	696)	
Total Permits, Licenses and Fees		253,250		254,130		253,434	(	696)	
Investment Earnings:								<u>-</u>	
Depository interest		1,500		8,598		9,301		703	
Total Investment Earnings		1,500	-	8,598		9,301	-	703	
Other Revenue:		<del>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </del>							
Other misc. revenue		_		_		156		156	
Total Other Revenue	_					156		156	
Total Revenues	_	1,251,740		1,271,111		1,272,305		1,194	
EXPENDITURES	_	1,201,7.0		1,271,111		1,272,888		1,17.	
Current:									
Highways and bridges		1,115,565		1,396,747		1,376,346		20,401	
Total Highways and Bridges	_	1,115,565		1,396,747		1,376,346		20,401	
Capital Outlay:		1,113,303		1,370,717		1,570,510		20,101	
Equipment		40,000		95,500		92,000		3,500	
	_	40,000		95,500		92,000		3,500	
Total Capital Outlay	_	40,000	_	93,300		92,000	_	3,300	
Debt Service: Principal payments		27 249		37,211		27 211			
Interest and fiscal charges		37,248 112		149		37,211 149		-	
					_				
Total Debt Service	_	37,360		37,360		37,360		22.001	
Total Expenditures	_	1,192,925		1,529,607	_	1,505,706		23,901	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		58,815	(	258,496)	(	233,401)		25,095	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Sale of capital assets		-		24,126		24,126	,	-	
Transfers in	,	-	,	269,215	,	269,386	(	171)	
Transfers out	<u>(</u>	10,000)	(	16,029)	(	16,029)			
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(	10,000)		277,312		277,483	(	171)	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		48,815		18,816		44,082		25,266	
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING	_	272,255	_	272,255		272,255		-	
FUND BALANCE, ENDING	\$	321,070	\$	291,071	\$	316,337	\$	25,266	

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - ROAD AND BRIDGE- PRECINCT 2 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE TE	LAK E	Budget Original	P.IVI	Budget Final		Actual	F	ariance With inal Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES		<u> </u>						
Tax Revenue:								
Taxes - current	\$	672,000	\$	672,000	\$	672,366	\$	366
Taxes - delinquent		13,000		13,000		14,457		1,457
Penalty/interest	_	10,000	_	10,000		11,456	_	1,456
Total Property Taxes:	_	695,000	_	695,000		698,279		3,279
Property taxes - special road tax:								
Taxes - special road tax - current		640,000		640,000		635,903	(	4,097)
Taxes - special road tax - delinquent		-		-		8,972		8,972
Penalty/interest - special road tax	_	2,000	_	2,000		9,148		7,148
Total Property taxes - special road tax Intergovernmental Revenues:	_	642,000	_	642,000		654,023		12,023
Intergovernmental revenues			_	1,207		1,207		-
Total Intergovernmental Revenues Permits, Licenses and Fees:	_		_	1,207	_	1,207		-
Other fees		290,445		655,795		670,653		14,858
Total Permits, Licenses and Fees	_	290,445	_	655,795		670,653		14,858
Investment Earnings:	_	<u> </u>	_		_	<u> </u>		1.,000
Depository interest	_	2,000	_	2,000		17,688		15,688
Total Investment Earnings	_	2,000	_	2,000		17,688		15,688
Other Revenues:								
Donations	_	=	_	150,000		150,285		285
Total Other Revenues			_	150,000		150,285		285
Total Revenues  EXPENDITURES  Current:	_	1,629,445	=	2,146,002	_	2,192,135		46,133
Highways and bridges		1,614,596		2,328,893		2,018,525		310,368
Total Highways and Bridges		1,614,596		2,328,893		2,018,525		310,368
Capital Outlay:			_		-			
Capital outlay	_	78,000	_	80,027		80,027		-
Total Capital Outlays Debt Service:	=	78,000	_	80,027		80,027		<del>-</del>
Principal payments		19,617		19,617		19,308		309
Interest and fiscal charges	_	845	_	845		783		62
Total Debt Service	_	20,462	_	20,462		20,091		371
Total Expenditures	_	1,713,058	_	2,429,382		2,118,643		310,739
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(	83,613)	(	283,380)	_	73,492		356,872
Insurance recoveries		-		-		2,381		2,381
Sale of capital assets				-		1,455		1,455
Transfers in		175,000		177,407	,	2,407	(	175,000)
Transfers out	(_	10,000)	(	10,000)	(	16,944)	(	6,944)
Total Other Financing Source (Uses)	_	165,000	_	167,407	(	10,701)	(	178,108)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		81,387	(	115,973)		62,791		178,764
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING	.—	575,199	_	575,199	_	575,199		
FUND BALANCE, ENDING	\$	656,586	\$_	459,226	\$	637,990	\$	178,764

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - ROAD AND BRIDGE - PRECINCT 3 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

								riance With
								nal Budget
		Budget		Budget			Positive	
DELIENTEG		Original		Final		Actual	()	Negative)
REVENUES								
Tax Revenue:	¢	567 500	\$	567.500	ď	567,770	ф	270
Taxes - current Taxes - delinquent	\$	567,500 11,000	Э	567,500 11,000	\$	12,208	\$	1,208
Penalty/interest		8,000		8,000		9,674		1,674
Total Property Taxes:		586,500	-	586,500	-	589,652		3,152
Property taxes - special road tax:	_	200,200		200,200	_	20,002		0,102
Taxes - special road tax - current		648,000		648,000		646,026	(	1,974)
Taxes - special road tax - delinquent		-		-		9,095	`	9,095
Penalty/interest - special road tax		2,000		2,000		9,273		7,273
Total Property taxes - special road tax	· ·	650,000		650,000		664,394		14,394
Intergovernmental Revenues:								
Intergovernmental revenues		-		1,207		1,207		-
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	· <del></del>	-		1,207		1,207	-	-
Permits, Licenses and Fees:								
Other fees		248,500		256,500		265,801		9,301
Total Permits, Licenses and Fees		248,500		256,500	_	265,801		9,301
Investment Earning:								
Depository interest		1,500		1,500		10,349		8,849
Total Investment Earning		1,500		1,500		10,349		8,849
Other Revenue:								
Donations		-		18,500		18,500		-
Other misc. revenue						1,454		1,454
Total Other Revenue				18,500		19,954		1,454
Total Revenues	_	1,486,500		1,514,207	_	1,551,357		37,150
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
Highways and bridges		1,390,007		1,441,214	_	1,268,365		172,849
Total Highways and Bridges		1,390,007		1,441,214		1,268,365		172,849
Capital Outlay:								
Equipment		50,000		204,400		200,900		3,500
Total Capital Outlay	_	50,000		204,400	_	200,900		3,500
Total Expenditures		1,440,007		1,645,614		1,469,265		176,349
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		46,493	(	131,407)		82,092		213,499
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Capital lease proceeds		-		157,900		157,900		-
Sale of capital assets		-		-		84,577		84,577
Transfers out	(	10,000)	(	10,000)	(	10,000)		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(	10,000)		147,900	_	232,477		84,577
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		36,493		16,493		314,569		298,076
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING		303,606		303,606		303,606		
FUND BALANCE, ENDING	\$	340,099	\$	320,099	\$	618,175	\$	298,076

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - ROAD AND BRIDGE - PRECINCT 4 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

							,	Variance With
		D 1		D 1 .				Final Budget
		Budget		Budget			Positive	
DEVENHER		Original	_	Final		Actual	_	(Negative)
REVENUES								
Tax Revenue:	ď	£46 £00	¢	£46 £00	ď	£46,909	Φ	200
Taxes - current	\$	546,500	\$	546,500	\$	546,898	\$	398
Taxes - delinquent Penalty/interest		11,000 7,500		11,000 7,500		11,759 9,319		759 1,819
Total Property Taxes:	-	565,000	_	565,000	_	567,976	_	2,976
Property taxes - special road tax:	_	303,000	_	303,000	_	307,970	_	2,970
Taxes - special road tax - current		420,000		420,000		419,449	(	551)
Taxes - special road tax - delinquent		-20,000				5,905	(	5,905
Penalty/interest - special road tax		4,000		4,000		6,021		2,021
Total Property taxes - special road tax	-	424,000	_	424,000	-	431,375	_	7,375
Intergovernmental Revenues:	-	,	_	,,,,,,	_	10 1,0 10	_	.,,
Intergovernmental revenues		_		1,207		1,207		_
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	_	-	_	1,207	-	1,207	_	-
Permits, Licenses and Fees:			_		-			
Other fees		246,686		246,686		248,325		1,639
Total Permits, Licenses and Fees		246,686	_	246,686		248,325	-	1,639
Investment Earning:	_		_		-		_	
Depository interest		1,800		1,800		8,598		6,798
Total Investment Earning		1,800		1,800		8,598		6,798
Other Revenue:								
Other misc, revenue		_		_		282		282
Total Other Revenues		-	_	-		282	_	282
Total Revenues		1,237,486		1,238,693		1,257,763		19,070
EXPENDITURES							_	
Current:								
Highways and bridges		862,849		1,140,326		953,640		186,686
Total Highway and Bridges		862,849		1,140,326		953,640		186,686
Capital Outlay:								
Equipment		-		38,000		36,000		2,000
Total Capital Outlay		-	_	38,000		36,000	_	2,000
Debt Service:								
Principal payments		-		25,684		22,338		3,346
Interest and fiscal charges		-		3,741		3,741		-
Total Debt Service	_			29,425	-	26,079	_	3,346
Total Expenditures	-	862,849	_	1,207,751	_	1,015,719	_	192,032
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	_	374,637	_	30,942		242,044	_	211,102
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	_	27.,027	_	50,7.2	-	2 .2,0	_	211,102
Capital lease proceeds		_		109,088		109,088		_
Sale of caital assets		_		20,010		21,465		1,455
Transfers in		-		300,860		300,860		_
Transfers out	(	10,000)	(	10,000)	(	10,000)		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(	10,000)	_	419,958	_	421,413	_	1,455
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		364,637		450,900	-	663,457		212,557
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING	(	249,428)	(	249,428)	(	249,428)		
FUND BALANCE, ENDING	\$	115,209	\$	201,472	\$	414,029	\$	212,557

#### NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

#### **Budgetary Information**

The Commissioners' Court adopted an "appropriated budget" for the General Fund and Road and Bridge Precincts #1-4, which is included in the Special Revenue Funds. The County is required to present the adopted and final amended budgeted revenue and expenditures for each of these funds. The County compares the final amended budget to actual revenue and expenditures.

The following procedures are followed in establishing the budget:

- 1. Prior to September 1, the County prepares a budget for the next succeeding fiscal year beginning October 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. The budget is prepared on the GAAP basis of accounting.
- 2. Public meetings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 3. The budget is then legally enacted through adoption by the Commissioners' Court. Once a budget is approved, it can only be amended at the function and fund level by approval of a majority of the members of the Court. Amendments are presented to the Court at its regular meetings. Each amendment must have Court approval. As required by law, such amendments made before the fact, are reflected in the official minutes of the Court, and are not made after fiscal year-end. Because the County has a policy of careful budgetary control, several amendments were necessary during the year. However, none of these were significant.
- 4. Each budget is controlled at the revenue and expenditure function/object level. Budgeted amounts are as amended by the Court. All budget appropriations lapse at year-end.
- 5. Encumbrances for goods or purchased services are documented by purchase orders or contracts. Under Texas law, appropriations lapse at September 30, and encumbrances outstanding at that time are to be either canceled or appropriately provided for in the subsequent year's budget. The County had no outstanding end-of-year encumbrances.



# COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

	Law Library	Records anagement		Building Security	District Attorney Check Collection	
ASSETS						
Cash and investments	\$ 56,220	\$ 568,014	\$	8,849	\$	14,525
Receivables (net of allowance of uncollectibles)						
Accounts	2,870	24,186		2,568		11
Due from other Governments	 -	 <u>-</u>	_			
Total Assets	 59,090	 592,200	_	11,417		14,536
LIABILITIES AND						
FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	3,349	10,258		885		86
Accrued liabilities	-	349		2,030		121
Due to other funds	 	 	_	-		
Total Liabilities	 3,349	 10,607		2,915		207
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Fund Balances:						
Restricted:						
Court technology and security	_	-		8,502		-
Records management	_	581,593		-		-
Judicial	_	-		-		14,329
Public safety	-	-		-		<u>-</u>
Law library	55,741	-		-		-
Conservation	-	-		-		-
Economic development	-	-		-		_
Historical commission	-	-		-		_
Voter registration	-	-		-		-
Disaster relief	-	-		-		-
Unassigned	 -	 	_	-		
Total Fund Balances	 55,741	 581,593	_	8,502		14,329
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 59,090	\$ 592,200	\$	11,417	\$	14,536

District Attorney applemental		LEOSE	]	Bullet Proof Vest Grant		Lonestar Library Grant		Justice Court Fechnology		Chapter 19	Jı	ustice Court Building Security
\$ 10,052	\$	18,725	\$	-	\$	441	\$	51,323	\$	16	\$	11,629
-		-		-		-		1,271		-		313
 10,052		18,725				441	_	52,594	_	16	_	11,942
 10,032		18,725		<del>-</del>	_	441	_	32,394	_	10	_	11,942
289		-		-		-		2		-		125
 963		-	_	<u>-</u>	_	<u>-</u>	_	-	_	-	_	<u>-</u>
 1,252			_		_		_	2	_		_	125
-		-		-		-		52,592		-		11,817
-		-		-		-		-		-		-
8,800		18,725		-		-		_		_		_
-		10,723		-		441		-		-		-
_		_		<u>-</u>		-		_		_		_
-		_		-		-		_		-		_
-		-		-		-		-		-		-
-		-		-		-		-		16		-
-		-		-		-		-		-		-
 		-	_	-	_	-	_	-	_	-	_	
 8,800	_	18,725	_		_	441	_	52,592	_	16	_	11,817
\$ 10,052	\$	18,725	\$		\$	441	\$_	52,594	\$_	16	\$	11,942

# COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

Lagrana		nty Road Funds		Asset Forfeiture		Abatement Officer		omeland Security
ASSETS	Φ.		ф	65 O 4 6	Ф	171 100	Φ.	
Cash and investments	\$	-	\$	65,946	\$	171,138	\$	-
Receivables (net of allowance of uncollectibles)						17.750		
Accounts  Due from other Governments		-		-		17,750		-
Due from other Governments			_	<del>-</del>	_			
Total Assets			_	65,946	_	188,888		
LIABILITIES AND								
FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable		-		3,781		3,550		-
Accrued liabilities		-		1,254		3,229		-
Due to other funds			_		_			
Total Liabilities			_	5,035	_	6,779		
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Fund Balances:								
Restricted:								
Court technology and security		-		-		-		-
Records management		-		-		-		-
Judicial		-		-		-		-
Public safety		-		60,911		182,109		-
Law library		-		-		-		-
Conservation		-		-		-		-
Economic development		-		-		-		-
Historical commission		-		-		-		-
Voter registration		-		-		-		-
Disaster relief		-		-		-		-
Unassigned		-	-	-	_	-		
Total Fund Balances			_	60,911	_	182,109		
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	-	\$	65,946	\$	188,888	\$	-

	VOICES Grant	d Waste Grant	Historical Commission		Capital rojects Roads Precinct #1		pplemental ıardianship		County Child Abuse		Appellate Justice
\$	-	\$ 203	\$ 8,05	7 \$	-	\$	30,340	\$	7,344	\$	1,270
	- -	 -			<u>-</u>		180	_	68		410
_		 203	8,05	<u>7</u>			30,520	_	7,412		1,680
	1,219 1,169 7,875	 - - -	94 - 	7 	- - -		- - -	_	- - -		1,260 - -
	10,263	 	94	<u>7</u> _				_			1,260
	-	-	-		-		-		-		-
	_	_	_		-		30,520		7,412		420
	-	203	-		-		-		-		-
	-	-	-		-		-		-		-
	-	-	-		-		-		-		-
	-	-	-	0	-		-		-		-
	=	-	7,11 -	U	-		=		=		=
	-	-	-		<u>-</u>		_		-		-
(	10,263)	 					-	_		_	
(	10,263)	 203	7,11	0	<u>-</u>	_	30,520	_	7,412		420
\$		\$ 203	\$ 8,05	<u>7</u> \$_		\$	30,520	\$_	7,412	\$	1,680

# COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

		Little Hope Soil  Juvenile Water Supply Conservation  Probation Grant District		nservation	ETCOG Residential Grant				
ASSETS									
	\$	-	\$	-		\$	14,680	\$	-
Receivables (net of allowance of uncollectibles) Accounts		-		-			-		-
Due from other Governments	_						<u> </u>		
Total Assets	_	<u>-</u>					14,680		
LIABILITIES AND									
FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities:		62.227							
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities		62,327		-			-		-
Due to other funds		5,359		-			-		2.022
Due to other lunds	_	109,459			_				2,032
Total Liabilities	_	177,145			_				2,032
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES									
Fund Balances:									
Restricted:									
Court technology and security		-		-			-		-
Records management		-		_			-		-
Judicial		-		-			-		-
Public safety		-		_			-		-
Law library		-		_			-		-
Conservation		-		-			14,680		-
Economic development		-		-			-		-
Historical commission		-		-			-		-
Voter registration		-		-			-		-
Disaster relief		-		-			-		-
Unassigned	(	177,145)			_			(	2,032)
Total Fund Balances	<u>(</u>	177,145)					14,680	(	2,032)
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$		\$	-	_	\$	14,680	\$	

Co	Victim ordinator Grant	Ē	oital Credit conomic velopment		Van Tornado ssistance	FEMA Dec 2015 Storm			FEMA April 2016 Storm	Contribution Relief Fund			Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
\$	-	\$	254,328	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	16,083	\$	1,309,183	
	- 7,758		- -		15,768		-	_	27,210	_	- -		49,627 50,736	
	7,758		254,328		15,768			_	27,210		16,083		1,409,546	
	540		-		-		-		-		-		88,618	
	2,570		-		-		-		-		-		17,044	
	4,631				31,449		-	_	<u>-</u>	_		_	155,446	
	7,741				31,449			_					261,108	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		72,911	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		581,593	
	17		-		-		-		-		-		61,498	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		261,948	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		56,182	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		14,680	
	-		254,328		-		-		-		-		254,328	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		7,110	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		16	
	-		-		-		-		27,210		16,083		43,293	
	-			(	15,681)		-	_	<u>-</u>	_		(	205,121)	
	17		254,328	(	15,681)				27,210		16,083		1,148,438	
\$	7,758	\$	254,328	\$	15,768	\$		\$_	27,210	\$	16,083	\$	1,409,546	

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

DEVENIEG		Law Library		Records anagement		Building Security		District Attorney Check Collection
REVENUES	\$	22.222	Ф	200.061	¢.	20,000	Ф	1.500
,	<b>&gt;</b>	33,323	\$	289,961	\$	29,888	\$	1,598
Intergovernmental Investment earnings		737		- 9,977		-		- 155
-						-		133
Other		1,200			_			
Total Revenues		35,260		299,938		29,888		1,753
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government		1,390		402,532		51,891		4,770
Judicial		28,127		45,689		-		-
Public safety		-		-		-		-
Conservation		-				-		
Total Expenditures		29,517		448,221		51,891		4,770
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OVER REVENUE	S							
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		5,743	(	148,283)	(	22,003)	(	3,017)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		-		-		26,500		-
Transfers out		-		-		-		-
Sale of capital assets		<del>-</del>						
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		<del>-</del>				26,500		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		5,743	(	148,283)		4,497	(	3,017)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING		49,998		729,876		4,005		17,346
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$	55,741	\$	581,593	\$	8,502	\$	14,329

A	District Attorney Supplemental LEOSE		Bullet Proof Vest Grant		Lonestar Library Grant			Justice Court Technology	Chapter 19		J	ustice Court Building Security	
\$	22,500 55	\$	- 9,766 -	\$	- - -	\$	- 34 -	\$	14,596 - 527	\$	623	\$	3,585
	22,555	_	9,766	_		_	34	_	15,123	-	623	_	3,699
	25,609 - -		- - 9,116		- - -		- - -		- - -		623		1,512 - -
	25,609	_	9,116	_		_	<del>-</del>	_	<del>-</del>	-	623	<u>-</u>	1,512
(	3,054)		650		-		34		15,123		-		2,187
	- - -		- - -		5,430		- - -	_	- - -	-	- - -	_	- - -
	<u>-</u>			_	5,430	_	<u>-</u>	_	<u>-</u>	-		_	<u>-</u>
(	3,054)		650		5,430		34		15,123		-		2,187
	11,854	_	18,075	(	5,430)	_	407	_	37,469	-	16	_	9,630
\$	8,800	\$	18,725	\$		\$_	441	\$_	52,592	\$	16	\$_	11,817

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

		County Road Funds	I	Asset Forfeiture		Abatement Officer	Homeland Security		
REVENUES									
Permits, licenses and fees	\$	-	\$	34,913	\$	205,020	\$	-	
Intergovernmental		-		-		-		-	
Investment earnings		-		946		1,121		-	
Other							_		
Total Revenues				35,859	_	206,141			
EXPENDITURES									
Current:									
General government		-		49,121		-		-	
Judicial		-		-		-		-	
Public safety		-		6,409		123,654		-	
Conservation				-			_		
Total Expenditures				55,530		123,654			
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OVER REVENUE	S								
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		-	(	19,671)		82,487		-	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Transfers in		434		-		-		303	
Transfers out		-	(	6,500)		-		-	
Sale of capital assets	_	-	_	5,041		-	_	-	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		434	(	1,459)				303	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		434	(	21,130)		82,487		303	
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	(	434)		82,041		99,622	(	303)	
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$		\$	60,911	\$	182,109	\$		

VOICES Grant		Solid Waste Grant		Historical Commission		Proje	Capital ects Roads ecinct #1	oplemental ardianship	County Child Abuse		Appellate  Justice	
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 4,280	\$	1,657	\$	4,695
	44,398		=		- 116		-	381		- 74		-
	-		-		1,860		-	-				-
-			<del>-</del>		1,000		<del>-</del>	 <del>-</del>	_	<u> </u>		<del>-</del>
	44,398		_		1,976		-	4,661		1,731		4,695
_	,				<u>,                                     </u>			 ,		<u>,                                     </u>		,
	_		_		4,111		_	1,556		_		_
	44,447		-		-		-	-		-		5,880
	-		-		-		-	-		-		-
-			-		-		-	 -				
=	44,447				4,111			 1,556		-		5,880
(	(49)		-	(	2,135)		-	3,105		1,731	(	1,185)
	<u>-</u>		-		-	(	- 172)	-		-		- -
_	_						- <u>-</u>	 	_	-		
_	<u>-</u>					(	172)	 		<u>-</u>		
(	(49)		-	(	2,135)	(	172)	3,105		1,731	(	1,185)
<u>(</u>	10,214)		203		9,245		172	 27,415		5,681		1,605
\$ <u>(</u>	(10,263)	\$	203	\$	7,110	\$	-	\$ 30,520	\$	7,412	\$	420

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

	Juvenile Probation			Little Hope Water Supply Grant	_	Soil Conservation District	ETCOG Residential Grant	
REVENUES								
Permits, licenses and fees	\$	288,132	\$		\$	-	\$	-
Intergovernmental		17,937		97,944		-		3,875
Investment earnings		-		-		205		-
Other	_	42,516			_			
Total Revenues	_	348,585		97,944	_	205		3,875
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government		_		97,944		_		4,230
Judicial		_		-		_		-
Public safety		475,615		_		_		_
Conservation		-		_		6,000		-
	_	_		<del>.</del>	_	<u> </u>		
Total Expenditures	_	475,615		97,944	_	6,000		4,230
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OVER REVENUI	70							
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(	127,030)		-	(	5,795)	(	355)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		200,000		_		3,000		_
Transfers out		-		_		-		_
Sale of capital assets		_		_		-		-
•	_				_			
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	200,000			_	3,000		-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		72,970		-	(	2,795)	(	355)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	<u>(</u>	250,115)			_	17,475	(	1,677)
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$ <u>(</u>	177,145)	\$		\$ <u></u>	14,680	\$ <u>(</u>	2,032)

Victim Coordinator Grant		Capital Credit Economic Development		Van Tornado Assistance			FEMA Dec 2015 Storm	FEMA April 2016 Storm		(	Contribution Relief Fund		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
\$	38,450	\$	49,939 - 3,215 -	\$	- 166,821 - -	\$	- - - -	\$	320,949	\$	- - - -	\$	961,587 723,297 17,623 45,576	
_	38,450		53,154		166,821	_	-		320,949	_	12		1,748,083	
	51,035 - - -		36,000 - - -		- - - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		732,324 124,143 614,794 6,000	
	51,035		36,000		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	_	<u>-</u>		1,477,261	
(	12,585)		17,154		166,821		-		320,949		-		270,822	
	12,584		- - -	(	12,539 278,743)	(	- 471) -	(	293,739)	_	- - -	(	260,790 579,625) 5,041	
	12,584			(	266,204)	(	471)	(	293,739)	_	<u>-</u>	(	313,794)	
(	1)		17,154	(	99,383)	(	471)		27,210		-	(	42,972)	
	18		237,174		83,702	_	471			_	16,083		1,191,410	
\$	17	\$	254,328	\$ <u>(</u>	15,681)	\$	-	\$	27,210	\$_	16,083	\$	1,148,438	



# OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DEBT SERVICE FUND DETAILED SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Budget Original	Budget Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Tax Revenue:				
Taxes - current	\$ 775,651	\$ 775,651	\$ 725,426	\$( 50,225)
Taxes - delinquent	20,000	20,000	25,551	5,551
Penalty/interest	10,000	10,000	16,298	6,298
Total Tax Revenue	805,651	805,651	767,275	( 38,376)
Investment Earning:				
Depository interest	2,500	2,800	7,761	4,961
Total Investment Earnings	2,500	2,800	7,761	4,961
Total Revenues	808,151	808,451	775,036	( 33,415)
EXPENDITURES				
Debt Service:				
Principal payments	1,007,000	1,007,000	1,007,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	151,894	151,894	151,894	=
Debt service fees		300	300	
Total Debt Service	1,158,894	1,159,194	1,159,194	<u> </u>
Total Expenditures	1,158,894	1,159,194	1,159,194	
Net change in fund balance	( 350,743)	( 350,743)	( 384,158)	( 33,415)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING	883,458	883,458	883,458	
FUND BALANCE, ENDING	\$ 532,715	\$ 532,715	\$ 499,300	\$ <u>(</u> 33,415)

# COMBINING BALANCE SHEET ALL AGENCY FUNDS

### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

		District Clerk		County Clerk		Sheriff		District Attorney
ASSETS Cash and Cash equivalents	\$	2,701,032	\$	607,508	\$	88,886	\$	119,086
Total Assets	<u> </u>	2,701,032	<u> </u>	607,508	Ψ	88,886	<u> </u>	119,086
		2,701,032	_	007,308		00,000		119,000
LIABILITIES  Due to other agencies and individuals		2,701,032		607,508		88,886		119,086
Total Liabilities	\$	2,701,032	\$	607,508	\$	88,886	\$	119,086

CSCD		Juvenile Probation	 ax Assessor/ Collector		Justice of the Peace		Constable		Total Agency Funds		
\$ 958,486	\$_	24,497	\$ 800,377	\$_	30,256	\$_	5,529	\$_	5,335,657		
 958,486	_	24,497	 800,377	_	30,256	_	5,529	_	5,335,657		
 958,486		24,497	 800,377	_	30,256	_	5,529		5,335,657		
\$ 958,486	\$	24,497	\$ 800,377	\$	30,256	\$	5,529	\$	5,335,657		











### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

Honorable County Judge and Members of the Commissioners' Court Canton, Texas

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, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Van Zandt County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Van Zandt County, Texas' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2019.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Van Zandt County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the 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 Van Zandt County, Texas' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Van Zandt County, Texas' 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 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 or deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Van Zandt County, Texas' financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. 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*.

### Van Zandt County, Texas' Response to Findings

Patillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P.

Van Zandt County, Texas' response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Responses. Van Zandt County, Texas' response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Waco, Texas

June 26, 2019

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

#### YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Findings Relating to the Financial Statements
Which Are Required to be Reported in
Accordance with Generally Accepted
Auditing Standards:

Finding 2017-001 – Segregation of Duties – JP #3

Criteria: In a limited size office, complete segregation of duties is difficult to

achieve. Processes can be put in place that when followed in a prescribed

order, help to mitigate fraud risk.

**Condition:** With regards to disbursements, the Clerk prepares the checks and presents

them to the elected official for review and signature. The elected official then returns the checks to the clerk for the second signature and the clerk mails the check. The clerk is also responsible for preparing the bank reconciliation. As a result, fraud risk is increased as the person preparing the checks should not distribute the checks and reconcile the bank statement. Checks could potentially be altered and concealed due to the

lack of supervisory controls.

Cause: The JP #3 office has not setup procedures for the month end closing

process that have proper segregation of duties.

**Effect:** Increased risk of fraud or error.

**Recommendation:** The clerk should sign checks first and then give them to the elected official

for review and signature. The elected official should then seal the checks in envelopes and distribute. The signed checks should not be returned to the clerk who prepared them. The elected official should also receive the unopened bank statement and review the transactions for appropriateness.

The elected official should review the reconciliation upon completion.

Responsible Official's

**Response:** The JP#3 office has set up procedures for month end closing. The clerk

prepares the checks first and then they are forwarded to the elected official for review and signature. The elected official signs the check and then seals the envelope and distributes. The elected official opens the bank statements and reviews. The statement is handed to the clerk who prepares the reconciliation and upon completion the elected official reviews the

reconciliation.

**Current Status:** We consider this matter resolved.

### Finding 2017-002 – Segregation of Duties – Sheriff's Office

**Criteria:** Incompatible duties should be segregated in order to mitigate fraud risk.

**Condition:** Improper segregation of duties was noted as the same employee is

responsible for preparing and mailing cash disbursements and reconciling the bank statements. This employee also has access to blank check stock

and is an authorized signer on the bank accounts.

Cause: The Sheriff's Office has not set up procedures for the month end closing

process that have proper segregation of duties.

**Effect:** Increased risk of fraud or error.

**Recommendation:** To improve controls, the employee who prepares the checks and has

custody of the blank check stock should not have signature authority. Also, another employee should be responsible for reviewing signed checks along with their supporting documentation and should distribute them. Unopened bank statements should be received by the elected official for opening and review of the activity for appropriateness. The statement can then be forwarded to the employee responsible for preparing the bank reconciliation. Once complete, the bank reconciliations should be reviewed

and approved by the elected official.

Responsible Official's

**Response:** The Sheriff's office has set up procedures for month end closing. The

administrative assistant for the jail retrieves all funds from a locked drop box and prepares the deposit on a daily basis. The administrative assistant for the Sheriff's office is responsible for reconciling all bank statements and preparing the necessary checks. The Sheriff receives the unopened bank statement and reviews the transactions before it is reconciled by the Sheriff's administrative assistant. Once the checks have been prepared, the Sheriff's administrative assistant gives them to the authorized signors with an addressed envelope to be sealed and mailed by the signor. The check is not returned to the administrative assistant. Neither assistant is an authorized signor on the checking account. A copy of the reconciled

statement is forwarded to the County Auditor each month.

**Current Status:** We consider this matter resolved.

### Finding 2017-003 – Purchase Order System and Budget Compliance

<u>Criteria:</u> The purpose of the purchase order system is to give the County means for

overseeing the warrant process to ensure that the expenditures of any department do not exceed the budget appropriation for the department, which is outlined in Texas Local Government Code Section 111.092.

**Condition:** Expenditures exceeded appropriations in some County departments.

Purchase orders were approved for which no budget appropriation was

available and no amendment was obtained.

Cause: The County does not have a procedure in place to decline payment for

expenditures that would exceed the current budgeted amount.

**Effect:** The County has not adhered to their written budget policies.

**Recommendation:** All departments should obtain purchase orders when required by policy.

Purchase orders should not be issued and approved unless an unexpected balance remains in the line item to which the department is requesting the purchase be charged. Budget amendments, including line item transfers, should be prepared and approved by Commissioners' Court prior to the purchase order being approved. All County departments should evaluate each potential purchase carefully to ensure its absolute necessity for the operations of the County and forego unnecessary spending of taxpayer money in order to reduce expenditures and improve County's finances.

Responsible Official's

**Response:** County Auditor's Office agrees with recommendation.

**Current Status:** We consider this matter resolved.

