

**CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS**  
**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

ROSTER OF CITY OFFICIALS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Mayor ..... Rhonda Williams  
Mayor Pro-Tem..... Christina Porath  
Council Member..... Keith Chitwood  
Council Member..... Colby Collinworth  
Council Member..... David Sturgeon  
Council Member..... Tammy Crosswhite  
City Secretary ..... Edie Sims

FINANCIAL SECTION



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Honorable Mayor and Members of the  
City Council City of Blue Ridge, Texas

Members of the Council:

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, the discretely presented component units and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Blue Ridge, Texas (City), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

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

### **Auditor's 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.

## Independent Auditor's Report – Continued

### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, the discretely presented component units and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Blue Ridge, Texas as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Other Matters**

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information 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 the City's basic financial statements as a whole. The schedules identified in the table of contents as other supplementary information are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The other supplementary information schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and related 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. 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.

*Jax, Byrd + Company, P.C.*

July 16, 2024  
Dallas, Texas

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
(Required Supplementary Information)



CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
 MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
 YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

This section of the City of Blue Ridge, Texas annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the City's financial performance during the year ended September 30, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the City's basic financial statements, which follow this section.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

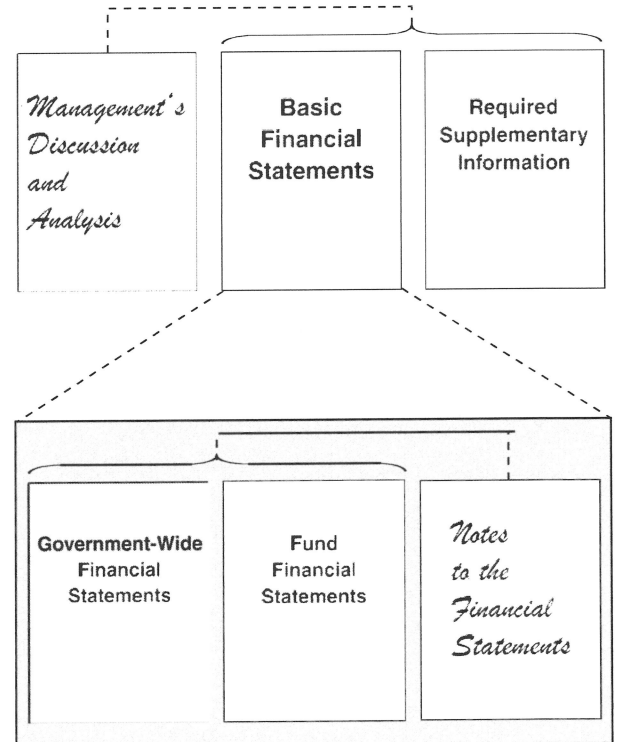
- The City's total combined net position was \$ 3,057,703 at September 30, 2023.
- During the year, the City's governmental activities expenses were \$ 50,734 less than the \$ 1,323,120 generated in taxes and other revenues. Revenues of the business-type activities were \$ 94,675 less than the expenses incurred.
- The General Fund reported a deficit fund balance this year of \$ 15,935.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This annual report consists of three parts—management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the City:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the City's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the government, reporting the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
- The governmental funds statements tell how general government services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.
- Proprietary fund statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities the government operates like businesses, such as utility services.
- Fiduciary fund statements, if any, provide information about the financial relationships in which the City acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others, to whom the resources in question belong.

**Figure A-1, Required Components of the City's Annual Financial Report**



The basic financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the basic financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the basic financial statements. Figure A-1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.



**CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the City's basic financial statements, including the portion of the City government they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis explains the structure and contents of each of the statements.

**Figure A-2. Major Features of the City's Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

<i>Type of Statements</i>	<b>Government-wide</b>	<b>Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Fund Statements</b>	
	Entire Agency's government (except fiduciary funds) and the Agency's component units	The activities of the city that are not proprietary or fiduciary	<b>Proprietary Funds</b> Activities the city operates similar to private businesses: self insurance	<b>Fiduciary Funds</b> Instances in which the city is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources
<i>Scope</i>				
<i>Required financial statements</i>	• Statement of net assets	• Balance sheet	• Statement of net assets	• Statement of fiduciary net assets
	• Statement of activities	• Statement of revenues, expenditures & changes in fund balances	• Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets • Statement of cash flows	• Statement of changes in fiduciary net assets
<i>Accounting basis and measurement focus</i>	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
<i>Type of asset/liability information</i>	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; the Agency's funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
<i>Type of inflow/outflow information</i>	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

**Government-wide Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the City as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net assets includes all of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the City's net position and how they have changed. Net position—the difference between the City's assets and liabilities—is one way to measure the City's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the City, one needs to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the City's tax base and population.

The government-wide financial statements of the City include the governmental activities. Most of the City's basic services are included here, such as Police and fire protection, public works, community development and general administration. Property taxes, fees, fines, and intergovernmental support - including grants - finance most of these activities.

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**Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the City's most significant funds—not the City as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the City uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Some funds are required by State law and by bond covenants.
- The City Council establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain taxes and grants.

The City has the following kinds of funds:

- Governmental funds—Most of the City's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information on the subsequent page that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.
- Proprietary funds—Services for which the City charges customers a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds, like the government-wide statements, provide both long-term and short-term financial information. We use internal service funds to report activities that provide supplies and services for the City's other programs and activities.

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The City's combined net position was \$ 3,057,703 at September 30, 2023.

**Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Cash and Investments	\$ 20,960	\$ (5,928)	\$ 104,614	\$ 123,992	\$ 125,574	\$ 118,064
Receivable and other assets	322,582	259,498	281,126	275,820	603,708	535,318
Restricted cash	25,929	-	199,049	267,676	224,978	267,676
Capital Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	852,279	537,170	3,756,972	3,861,504	4,609,251	4,398,674
Total Assets	<u>1,221,750</u>	<u>790,740</u>	<u>4,341,761</u>	<u>4,528,992</u>	<u>5,563,511</u>	<u>5,319,732</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>21,366</u>	<u>11,775</u>	<u>21,907</u>	<u>7,944</u>	<u>43,273</u>	<u>19,719</u>
Current liabilities	276,182	94,906	499,530	519,653	775,712	614,559
Noncurrent liabilities	823,744	516,656	922,661	979,490	1,746,405	1,496,146
Total liabilities	<u>1,099,926</u>	<u>611,562</u>	<u>1,422,191</u>	<u>1,499,143</u>	<u>2,522,117</u>	<u>2,110,705</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>12,671</u>	<u>14,125</u>	<u>14,293</u>	<u>15,934</u>	<u>26,964</u>	<u>30,059</u>
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	45,574	36,588	2,780,267	2,836,462	2,825,841	2,873,050
Debt Retirement/Bond Covenants	79,550	4,008	34,914	27,931	114,464	31,939
Unrestricted	5,395	136,232	112,003	157,466	117,398	293,698
Total net position	<u>\$ 130,519</u>	<u>\$ 176,828</u>	<u>\$ 2,927,184</u>	<u>\$ 3,021,859</u>	<u>\$ 3,057,703</u>	<u>\$ 3,198,687</u>

Of the City's net assets, \$ 2,825,841 (92%) reflects its investment in capital assets (land, buildings, equipment and infrastructure), net of any related debt used to acquire the assets that is outstanding. The City uses these assets to provide services to its citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the City's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Total assets increased \$ 243,779 during the year. Unrestricted Cash and Investments increased \$7,510. Total liabilities increased 14% from the 2022 totals.

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**CHANGE IN NET ASSETS**

The following table presents the changes in net position for the government-wide financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023.

	Changes in Net Position					
	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Revenues:						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 30,774	\$ 2,352	\$ 591,078	\$ 601,228	\$ 621,852	\$ 603,580
Grant Revenues	376,767	15,000	5,000	298,560	381,767	313,560
General Revenues:						
Taxes	615,104	562,196	-	-	615,104	562,196
Investment earnings	68	68	106	218	174	286
Miscellaneous	302,218	401,355	88,759	216,613	390,977	617,968
Total Revenues	<u>1,324,931</u>	<u>980,971</u>	<u>684,943</u>	<u>1,116,619</u>	<u>2,009,874</u>	<u>2,097,590</u>
Expenses:						
Governmental Activities						
Administration	1,230,074	865,938	-	-	1,230,074	865,938
Public works	93,146	18,727	-	-	93,146	18,727
Debt Service	9,521	18,513	-	-	9,521	18,513
Parks and recreation	3,007	2,099	-	-	3,007	2,099
Fire Protection	17,361	15,666	-	-	17,361	15,666
Health and Welfare	11,705	11,235	-	-	11,705	11,235
Municipal Court	-	1,800	-	-	-	1,800
Mayor and City Council	6,426	605	-	-	-	605
Business-type activities						
Water and Wastewater Utility	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>779,618</u>	<u>1,049,978</u>	<u>779,618</u>	<u>1,049,978</u>
Total expenses	<u>1,371,240</u>	<u>934,583</u>	<u>779,618</u>	<u>1,049,978</u>	<u>1,364,814</u>	<u>934,583</u>
Increase (decrease in net position)	(46,309)	46,388	(94,675)	66,641	(140,984)	113,029
Other revenues and financing sources (uses)						
Transfers	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(46,309)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250</u>
Increase (decrease) in net position	<u>(46,309)</u>	<u>46,388</u>	<u>(94,675)</u>	<u>66,891</u>	<u>(140,984)</u>	<u>113,279</u>
Net position - October 1	<u>176,828</u>	<u>130,440</u>	<u>3,021,859</u>	<u>2,954,968</u>	<u>3,198,687</u>	<u>3,085,408</u>
Net position - September 30	<u>\$ 130,519</u>	<u>\$ 176,828</u>	<u>\$ 2,927,184</u>	<u>\$ 3,021,859</u>	<u>\$ 3,057,703</u>	<u>\$ 3,198,687</u>

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES**

The City's total governmental activities revenues were \$ 1,324,931. 45% of the City's revenue comes from taxes and franchise fees. Taxes include property taxes, sales taxes and utility franchise fees. Approximately 2% of revenue is generated through charges for services, which includes rental, licenses and permits. The remaining 53% is comprised of other miscellaneous sources including grants.

The total cost of all governmental activities programs and services was \$ 1,371,240. General Administration comprised 89% of the City's expenses. Public Works, which includes street maintenance and related activities represents 6% of the expenses. Debt Service, Fire protection and Health and Welfare activities (5%) represent the remaining large expenses to the City.

**BUSINESS –TYPE ACTIVITIES**

Business-type activities include the water and wastewater utility. The overall operation of the utilities was similar to prior years.

The water and wastewater utility's expenses exceeded its revenues by \$ 94,675. The utility provides water and wastewater services to the residents of the City.

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported total ending fund balances of \$63,615. Four percent (-25%) of the total ending fund balance or \$(15,935) constituted unassigned general fund balance, which is considered available for appropriation. The remaining fund balance, \$79,550 was restricted for debt service.

The City's governmental funds total expenditures and other uses exceeded revenues and other resources in the current period by \$50,734. The expenses for the funds increased \$696,701 compared to expenses in the prior period. The increase in expenses is due primarily to the costs associated with downtown revitalization.

Proprietary Funds – The proprietary funds - enterprise funds - are used to account for activities that are supported by charges for services rendered and are operated like a business. In the enterprise fund, the operating revenues exceeded the operating expenses by \$130,031.

The fund expensed \$58,509 for debt interest and fees. After recording transactions, the enterprise fund net position decreased \$94,675 over last year.

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**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

General Fund revenues earned were \$ 473,368 more than the final amended budget.

General Fund expenditures were more than final budgeted amounts. The difference was primarily due to the downtown revitalization expenditures.

**Capital Assets**

Capital Assets – The City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities at September 30, 2023 amounted to \$ 4,609,251 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets included land, buildings and improvements, vehicles, equipment and infrastructure. Additional information on the City's capital assets can be found in the notes to the basic financial statements following this analysis.

**Capital Assets**

	<u>Governmental</u>		<u>Business-Type</u>		<u>Total Primary</u>	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Non- depreciable Asset						
Land	\$ 325,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 31,079	\$ 31,079	\$ 356,079	\$ 66,079
Depreciable Assets						
Buildings & Improvements	228,562	209,662	-	-	228,562	209,662
Equipment	149,145	120,780	126,610	98,245	275,755	219,025
Vehicles	69,562	40,963	49,540	49,540	119,102	90,503
Infrastructure/Distribution	<u>1,112,301</u>	<u>1,107,790</u>	<u>5,436,406</u>	<u>5,407,150</u>	<u>6,548,707</u>	<u>6,514,940</u>
Total Capital Assets	<u>1,884,570</u>	<u>1,514,195</u>	<u>5,643,635</u>	<u>5,586,014</u>	<u>7,528,205</u>	<u>7,100,209</u>
Less Accumulated depreciation	<u>1,032,291</u>	<u>977,025</u>	<u>1,886,663</u>	<u>1,724,511</u>	<u>2,918,954</u>	<u>2,701,536</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 852,279</u>	<u>\$ 537,170</u>	<u>\$ 3,756,972</u>	<u>\$ 3,861,503</u>	<u>\$ 4,609,251</u>	<u>\$ 4,398,673</u>

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**Long-Term Obligations**

The City's long-term obligations included bonds and other financing products totaling \$ 1,796,200 at September 30, 2023. Additional information on the City's long-term obligations can be found in the notes to the basic financial statements following this analysis.

**Long-Term Obligations**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Bonds	\$ 460,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,410,000	\$ 1,500,000
Other debt payable	359,495	9,780	26,705	25,041	386,200	34,821
	<u>\$ 819,495</u>	<u>\$ 509,780</u>	<u>\$ 976,705</u>	<u>\$ 1,025,041</u>	<u>\$ 1,796,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,534,821</u>

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

The annual budget is developed to provide efficient, effective, and economic uses of the City's resources, as well as a means to accomplish the highest priority objectives. Through the budget, the City Council and administration set the direction of the City, allocate its resources and establish its priorities.

The City annually reviews all of its fees as part of the budget adoption process. Fees for general government, as well as user charges for the utilities are evaluated and, if needed, adjusted to meet the needs of the operations of the systems. The budget is adopted and a tax rate is approved to meet the demands of the budget. For 2023, rates set for fees and taxes are similar to the current year.

**REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances, and to demonstrate the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Edie Sims, City Secretary.



**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**City of Blue Ridge**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	Primary Government			Component Units
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	4A/4B Corporations
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and Investments	\$ 20,960	\$ 104,614	\$ 125,574	\$ 600,310
Accounts receivable, Net	-	35,832	35,832	-
Property Taxes Receivable, Net	10,436	-	10,436	-
Sales Tax Receivable	44,724	-	44,724	-
Franchise Tax Receivable	10,609	-	10,609	-
Due from other funds	237,576	40,000	277,576	-
Due from Other Governments	-	183,608	183,608	16,155
Restricted Cash	25,929	199,049	224,978	-
Capital Assets, Net:				
Nondepreciable	325,000	31,079	356,079	52,588
Depreciable	527,279	3,725,893	4,253,172	234,263
Net Pension Assets	19,237	21,686	40,923	-
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>1,221,750</u>	<u>4,341,761</u>	<u>5,563,511</u>	<u>903,316</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred Resources Outflows - Pension	20,132	20,366	40,498	-
Deferred Resources Outflows - OPEB	1,235	1,541	2,776	-
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<u>21,366</u>	<u>21,907</u>	<u>43,273</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts payable	57,722	216,961	274,683	2,836
Accrued Wages and Related Payables	106,309	-	106,309	-
Accrued interest payable	-	9,019	9,019	-
Due to other governments	-	-	-	7,550
Due to other funds	112,151	165,425	277,576	-
Customer Deposits	-	42,566	42,566	600
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Due within one year:				
Due in more than one year	83,044	54,044	137,088	17,246
Compensated absences	723,661	922,661	1,646,322	87,842
OPEB Liability	12,790	6,728	19,518	-
OPEB Liability	4,249	4,787	9,036	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>1,099,926</u>	<u>1,422,191</u>	<u>2,522,117</u>	<u>116,074</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred Resources Inflows - Pension	8,133	9,175	17,308	-
Deferred Resources Inflows - OPEB	4,538	5,118	9,656	-
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<u>12,671</u>	<u>14,293</u>	<u>26,964</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	45,574	2,780,267	2,825,841	270,394
Restricted for:				
Economic Development	-	-	-	240,082
Community Development	-	-	-	235,421
Debt service	79,550	34,914	114,464	-
Unrestricted	5,395	112,003	117,398	41,346
<b>Total net position</b>	<u>\$ 130,519</u>	<u>\$ 2,927,184</u>	<u>\$ 3,057,703</u>	<u>\$ 787,242</u>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Program Activities	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			Component Units 4A/4B Corporations
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Primary Government		
						Business-type Activities	Total	
Governmental activities:								
Administration	\$ 1,230,074	\$ 30,774	\$ 376,767	\$ -	\$ (822,533)	\$	\$ (822,533)	\$ -
Public Works	93,146	-	-	-	(93,146)		(93,146)	-
Debt Service	9,521	-	-	-	(9,521)		(9,521)	-
Parks and recreation	3,007	-	-	-	(3,007)		(3,007)	-
Fire Protection	17,361	-	-	-	(17,361)		(17,361)	-
Health and Welfare	11,705	-	-	-	(11,705)		(11,705)	-
Mayor and City Council	6,426	-	-	-	(6,426)		(6,426)	-
<b>Total governmental activities</b>	<u>1,371,240</u>	<u>30,774</u>	<u>376,767</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(963,699)</u>		<u>(963,699)</u>	<u>-</u>
Business-type activities:								
Water and Wastewater	721,109	532,569	5,000	-		\$ (183,540)	\$ (183,540)	-
<b>Total business-type activities</b>	<u>721,109</u>	<u>532,569</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>(183,540)</u>	<u>(183,540)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total primary government</b>	<u>\$ 2,092,349</u>	<u>\$ 563,343</u>	<u>\$ 381,767</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(963,699)</u>	<u>\$ (183,540)</u>	<u>\$ (1,147,239)</u>	<u>-</u>
COMPONENT UNITS:								
Economic Development Corporation	\$ 46,242	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				\$ (46,242)
Community Development Corporation	53,521	-	-	-				(53,521)
<b>Total component units</b>	<u>\$ 99,763</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>				<u>\$ (99,763)</u>
General revenues:								
Property Taxes					\$ 360,015	\$ -	\$ 360,015	\$ -
Sales taxes / Franchise Taxes					255,089	-	255,089	203,245
Investment Income					68	106	174	275
Miscellaneous income					302,218	88,759	390,977	26,600
<b>Total general revenues</b>					<u>917,390</u>	<u>88,865</u>	<u>1,006,255</u>	<u>230,120</u>
<b>Change in net position</b>					(46,309)	(94,675)	(140,984)	130,357
Net position - October 1 (Beginning)					176,828	3,021,859	3,198,687	656,885
Net position - September 30 (Ending)					<u>\$ 130,519</u>	<u>\$ 2,927,184</u>	<u>\$ 3,057,703</u>	<u>\$ 787,242</u>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	General	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and investments	\$ 20,960	\$ -	\$ 20,960
Receivables:			
Property taxes	9,985	1,448	11,433
Less: allowance for Uncollectible	(890)	(107)	(997)
Sales Taxes	44,724	-	44,724
Franchise Fees	10,609	-	10,609
Due from other funds	158,025	79,551	237,576
Due from Other Governments	25,929.00	-	25,929
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 269,342</b>	<b>\$ 80,892</b>	<b>\$ 350,234</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 57,722	\$ -	\$ 57,722
Accrued wages and Related Payables	106,309	-	106,309
Due to other funds	112,151	-	112,151
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>276,182</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>276,182</b>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>			
Deferred Property taxes	9,095	1,342	10,437
Total deferred inflows of resources	9,095	1,342	10,437
<b>Fund balances:</b>			
<b>Restricted for:</b>			
Debt Service	-	79,550	79,550
<b>Unassigned:</b>	(15,935)	-	(15,935)
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>(15,935)</b>	<b>79,550</b>	<b>63,615</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 269,342</b>	<b>\$ 80,892</b>	<b>\$ 350,234</b>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
 TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
 September 30, 2023

Total fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	63,615
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore not reported in the balance sheet		852,279
Other assets are not available to pay current period expenditures and therefore are not deferred in the fund and recognized as revenue in the statement of activities		10,437
Deferred Resource Outflows related to pension expense		20,132
Deferred Resource Outflows related to OPEB		1,235
Deferred Resource Inflows related to pension expense		(8,133)
Deferred Resource Inflows related to OPEB		(4,538)
Net Pension Asset (Liability) is not recorded in the funds		19,237
Noncurrent Liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds as follows:		
Notes Payable		(346,705)
Bonds Payable		(460,000)
Compensated Absences		(12,790)
Net OPEB Liability		(4,249)
Net position of governmental activities-statement of net position	\$	130,519

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	General	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 282,662	\$ 75,542	\$ 358,204
Sales Taxes/Franchise taxes	255,089	-	255,089
Investment earnings	68	-	68
Licenses and permits	30,774	-	30,774
Grant Income	376,767	-	376,767
Miscellaneous	302,218	-	302,218
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>1,247,578</u>	<u>75,542</u>	<u>1,323,120</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
<b>Current:</b>			
Administration	1,485,066	-	1,485,066
Public works	114,094	-	114,094
Debt Service	51,763	-	51,763
Fire Protection	4,800	-	4,800
Health and Welfare	11,705	-	11,705
Mayor and City Council	6,426	-	6,426
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>1,673,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,673,854</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures</b>	<u>(426,276)</u>	<u>75,542</u>	<u>(350,734)</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>			
Proceeds of debt	<u>300,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300,000</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	300,000	-	300,000
Net change in fund balances	(126,276)	75,542	(50,734)
Fund balances - October 1 (Beginning)	<u>110,341</u>	<u>4,008</u>	<u>114,349</u>
<b>Fund balances - September 30 (Ending)</b>	<u>\$ (15,935)</u>	<u>\$ 79,550</u>	<u>\$ 63,615</u>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
 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, 2023

Net change in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ (50,734)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital asset cost is allocated over the estimated useful life and reported as depreciation in the statement of activities	(55,266)
Capital outlay costs are not expensed in the current year and are reclassified to capital assets	317,979
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds	1,811
Issuance of debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal consumes current financial resources:	
Debt issued is not recognized in the SOA	(300,000)
Debt principal payments are not recognized in the SOA	42,242
Changes in pension liability and related deferred resources inflows and outflows	12,599
Changes in the OPEB liability and related deferred resources inflows and outflows	<u>(11,348)</u>
Change in net position - statement of activities	<u>\$ (46,309)</u>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
September 30, 2023

	Water Wastewater Utility
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash and investments	\$ 104,614
Services Receivable	35,832
Due from Other Funds	40,000
Due from Other Governments	183,608
	<u>364,054</u>
Restricted Assets	
Cash and investments	199,049
Noncurrent assets:	
Non-depreciable Capital Assets	31,079
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	3,725,893
Net Pension Asset	21,686
Total noncurrent assets	<u>3,778,658</u>
Total Assets	<u>4,341,761</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred outflow - pension	20,366
Deferred outflow - OPEB	1,541
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources	<u>21,907</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	216,961
Accrued interest payable and other accrued liabilities	9,019
Debt Payable - Due Within One Year	54,044
Net OPEB Liability	4,787
Due to Other Funds	165,425
Compensated Absences	6,728
Total Current liabilities	<u>456,964</u>
Current Liabilities (Payable from Restricted Assets)	
Customer Deposits	<u>42,566</u>
Total Current Liabilities (Payable from Restricted Assets)	42,566
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Debt Payable - Due within more than one year	922,661
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>922,661</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,422,191</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred inflow - pensions	9,175
Deferred inflow - OPEB	5,118
Total Deferred Inflow of Resources	<u>14,293</u>
Net Position	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	2,780,267
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	34,914
Unrestricted	<u>112,003</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 2,927,184</u>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	<u>Water Wastewater Utility</u>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>	
Utility Sales	\$ 521,715
Reconnects and other fees	69,363
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<u>591,078</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>	
Payroll	127,946
Maintenance and supplies	67,179
Operations	225,748
Utilities	36,419
Professional fees	52,666
Other expenses	48,999
Depreciation	162,152
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<u>721,109</u>
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<u>(130,031)</u>
<b>NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):</b>	
Interest and fee expense	(58,509)
Investment earnings	106
Miscellaneous revenue	88,759
Grant Proceeds	5,000
<b>Total non-operating revenues (expenses)</b>	<u>35,356</u>
<b>Income before capital contributions and transfers</b>	<u>(94,675)</u>
Change in net position	(94,675)
Fund balances - October 1 (Beginning)	<u>3,021,859</u>
<b>Fund balances - September 30 (Ending)</b>	<u><u>\$ 2,927,184</u></u>

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**City of Blue Ridge**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	Water Wastewater Utility
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>	
Cash received from customers	\$ 591,617
Cash paid to employees	(122,286)
Cash paid for goods and services	(446,738)
<b>Net cash provided (used) by operating activities</b>	<u>22,593</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:</b>	
Miscellaneous Revenues Received	88,759
Transfers between funds	(40,000)
<b>Net cash provided (used in) by non-capital financing activities</b>	<u>48,759</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>	
Interest expense paid	(58,509)
Debt principal payments	(76,699)
Proceeds of debt	28,365
Purchase of capital assets	(57,620)
Grant Proceeds	5,000
<b>Net cash provided (used in) capital and related financing activities</b>	<u>(159,463)</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>	
Interest received	106
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>	<u>106</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(88,005)
Cash and cash equivalents, October 1 (Beginning)	391,668
Cash and cash equivalents, September 30 (Ending)	<u>\$ 303,663</u>
 Classified as:	
Current	\$ 104,614
Restricted	199,049
	<u>\$ 303,663</u>
 <b>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:</b>	
Operating Income (loss)	\$ (130,031)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation expense	162,152
Change in Assets and Liabilities:	
(Increase) decrease in assets:	
Services Receivables	16,517
Due to/from	7,261
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	
Accounts payable	(22,596)
Accrued expenses	5,660
Pension liability	2,573
OPEB liability	(2,965)
Total adjustments	<u>152,624</u>
Net cash provided (used in) by operating activities	<u>\$ 22,593</u>

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CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Financial Reporting Entity

As defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) that are established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, as well as its component units, which are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as appointment of a voting majority of the component unit board, and either a) the ability to impose will by the primary government, or b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government.

The accompanying financial statements present the City of Blue Ridge, Texas (City), the primary government, and its component units. The financial data of the component units are included in the City's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the City.

Discretely Presented Component Unit

Blue Ridge Economic Development Corporation (4A) – The City's residents authorized the creation of the Blue Ridge Economic Development Corporation, a not-for-profit organization. The Blue Ridge Economic Development Corporation was created to finance economic development within the City.

Blue Ridge Community Development Corporation (4B) – The City's residents authorized the creation of the Blue Ridge Community Development Corporation, a not-for-profit organization. The Blue Ridge Community Development Corporation was created to finance community development within the City.

Basic Financial Statements

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34 – *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*, the basic financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements (Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities) report on the City and its component units as a whole, excluding fiduciary activities. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. All activities, both governmental and business-type, are reported in the government-wide financial statements using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, which includes long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The government-wide financial statements focus more on the sustainability of the City as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period.

Generally, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. Net inter-fund activity and balances between governmental activities and business-type activities are shown in the government-wide financial statements.

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies(Continued)

The government-wide Statement of Net Assets reports all financial and capital resources to the City (excluding fiduciary funds). It is displayed in a format of assets less liabilities equal net assets, with the assets and liabilities shown in order of their relative liquidity. Net assets are required to be displayed in three components: 1) invested in capital assets, net of related debt, 2) restricted, and 3) unrestricted. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt is capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Restricted net assets are those with constraints placed on their use by either: 1) external imposition by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or 2) imposition by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. All net assets not otherwise classified as restricted are shown as unrestricted. Generally, the City would first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

The government-wide Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which both direct and indirect expenses of the various function and programs of the City are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or identifiable activity. Indirect expenses for administrative overhead are allocated among the functions and activities using a full cost allocation approach and are presented separately to enhance comparability of direct expenses between governments that allocate direct expenses and those that do not. Interest on general long-term debt is not allocated to the benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a particular function or program and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or program. Taxes, unrestricted investment income and other revenues not identifiable with particular functions or programs are included as general revenues. The general revenues support the net costs of the functions and programs not covered by program revenues.

Also part of the basic financial statements are fund financial statements for governmental funds and proprietary funds. The focus of the fund financial statements is on major funds, as defined by GASB Statement No. 34. Although this reporting model sets forth minimum criteria for determination of major funds (a percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of fund category and of the governmental and enterprise funds combined), it also gives governments the option of displaying other funds as major funds. Other non-major funds are combined in a single column on the fund financial statements.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* – The City’s primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The City reports the following major enterprise funds:

The *Water/Wastewater Utility Fund* accounts for the operation of the City’s water and wastewater utility, a self-supporting activity, which renders services on a user charge basis to residents and businesses located in and outside of the City.

In addition, the city reports the following fund types:

Debt Service Fund — This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of long-term debt principal, interest, and fees.

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies(Continued)

*Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting*

The governmental fund financial statements are prepared on a current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting. To conform to the modified accrual basis of accounting, certain modifications must be made to the accrual method. These modifications are outlined below:

1. Revenue is recorded when it becomes both measurable and available. The City considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year- end. Revenue considered susceptible to accrual includes: property taxes, sales and use taxes, licenses, fees and permits, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, fines, forfeits and penalties, and interest.
2. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Principal and interest on general long-term debt are recorded as fund liabilities when due or when amounts have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payments to be made early in the following year.
3. Disbursements for the purchase of capital assets providing future benefits are considered expenditures. Bond proceeds are reported as another financing source.

With this measurement focus, operating statements present increases and decreases in net current assets and unreserved fund balance as a measure of available spendable resources.

This is the traditional basis of accounting for governmental funds and also is the manner in which these funds are normally budgeted. This presentation is deemed most appropriate to: 1) demonstrate legal and covenant compliance, 2) demonstrate the sources and uses of liquid resources, and 3) demonstrate how the City's actual revenues and expenditures conform to the annual budget. Since the governmental funds financial statements are presented on a different basis than the governmental activities column of the government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is provided immediately following each fund statement. These reconciliations briefly explain the adjustments necessary to transform the fund financial statements into the governmental activities column of the government-wide financial statements.

The proprietary funds financial statements are prepared on the same basis (economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting) as the government-wide financial statements. Therefore, most lines for the total enterprise funds on the proprietary funds financial statements will directly reconcile to the business-type activities column on the government-wide financial statements. Because the enterprise funds are combined into a single business-type activities column on the government-wide financial statements, certain inter-fund activities between these funds are eliminated in the consolidation for the government-wide financial statements, but are included in the fund columns in the proprietary financial statements.

Proprietary Enterprise funds account for operations where the intent of the City is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges and space rentals. Under GASB Statement No. 34, enterprise funds are also required for any activity whose principal revenue sources meet any of the following criteria: 1) any activity that has issued debt backed solely by the fees and charges of the activity, 2) if the cost of providing services for an activity, including capital costs such as depreciation or debt service, must legally be recovered through fees and charges, or 3) it is the policy of the City to establish activity fees or charges to recover the cost of providing services, including capital costs.

On the proprietary funds financial statements, operating revenues are those that flow directly from the operations of the activity, i.e. charges to customers or users who purchase or use the goods or services of that activity. Operating expenses are those that are incurred to provide those goods or services. Non-operating revenues and

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies(Continued)

expenses are items such as investment income and interest expense that are not a result of the direct operations of the activity.

Cash and Investments

The City pools available cash from all funds for the purpose of increasing income through investment activities. Investments in U.S. government and agency securities are carried at fair value based on market prices. The City's investment in the Texas Local Government Pool (Tex-Pool) are carried at fair value based on the value of each participating dollar as provided by Tex-Pool. Interest income, which includes changes in fair value, on investments is allocated to all funds.

For purposes of the basic financial statements, the City considers cash equivalents to be highly liquid short-term investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and mature within three months of the date they are acquired. Cash and cash equivalents include the City's cash and investment pool deposit balances.

Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds of the City's bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted on the Statement of Net Assets – Proprietary Funds, because they are maintained in separate bank accounts and their use is limited by applicable debt covenants.

Capital Assets

Under GASB Statement No. 34, all capital assets, whether owned by governmental activities or business-type activities, are recorded and depreciated in the government-wide financial statements. No long-term capital assets or depreciation are shown in the governmental funds financial statements.

Capital assets, including public domain infrastructure (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and other assets that are immovable and of value only to the City) are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$ 1,000 and an estimated useful life greater than one year. Capital assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Major improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as the projects are constructed. Capital

assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Building, Structures, and Improvements	20-50 years
Utility Plant	10-40 years
Equipment Including Vehicles	5-20 years
Infrastructure	15-100 years

Capital assets transferred between funds are transferred at their net book value (cost less accumulated depreciation), as of the date of the transfer.

CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Pension Plan

Full-time City employees are members of the Texas Municipal Retirement System (System). The City's policy is to fund all pension costs accrued; such costs to be funded are determined annually as of April 1 by the System's actuary.

Fund Balances

Governmental funds utilize a fund balance presentation for equity. Fund balance is categorized as non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned.

*Non-spendable fund balance* – represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not spendable form (such as inventory or prepaids) or legally required to remain intact (such as notes receivable or principal of a permanent fund).

*Restricted fund balance* – represents amounts with external constraints placed on the use of these resources (such as debt covenants, grantors, other governments, etc.) or imposed by enabling legislation. Restrictions may be changed or lifted only with the consent of resource providers.

*Committed fund balance* – represents amounts that can only be used for specific purposes imposed by a formal action of the City's highest level of decision-making authority, the City Council. Committed resources cannot be used for any other purpose unless the City Council removes or changes the specific use by taking the same formal action that imposed the constraint originally.

*Assigned fund balance* – represents amounts the City intends to use for specific purposes as expressed by the City Council or an official delegated the authority. The City Council has delegated the authority to assign fund balances to the Mayor.

*Unassigned fund balance* – represents the residual classification for the general fund or deficit balances in other funds.

In circumstances where an expenditure is to be made for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications, the order in which resources will be expended is as follows: restricted fund balance, followed by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and lastly, unassigned fund balance.

The following schedule provides information about the specific fund balance classification by fund:

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Totals
Restricted:			
Debt Service	\$ -	\$ 79,550	\$ 79,550
Unassigned	(15,935)	-	(15,935)
Totals	\$ (15,935)	\$ 79,550	\$ 63,615

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A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies(Continued)

Budgetary Principles

The City is required by law to adopt an annual budget on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of its fiscal year. General Fund must have a legally adopted budget. From the effective date of the budget, the amounts stated therein as proposed expenditures become appropriations to the various City departments. Throughout the fiscal year, the budget was amended to add supplementary appropriations. All amendments to the budget which change the total appropriation amount for any department require City Council approval and all increases in appropriations must be accompanied by an increase in revenue sources of a like amount to maintain a balanced budget. The City Council has the authority to change individual budget line items within a department as long as the total department's appropriation amount is not changed.

GASB Statement No. 34 requires that budgetary comparison statements for the General Fund and other major special revenue funds with legally adopted budgets be presented in the basic financial statements as required supplementary information. These statements must display original budget, amended budget and actual results (on a budgetary basis).

Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied by October 1, in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the October 1 levy date. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties and interest ultimately imposed. Property tax revenues are considered available when collected within the current period, or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Property taxes are prorated between maintenance and debt service based on rates adopted for the year of the levy. Allowances for uncollectable within the General Fund is based upon historical experience in collecting property taxes. Section 33.05, Property Tax Code, requires the tax collector for the City to cancel and remove from the delinquent tax rolls a tax on real property that has been delinquent for more than 20 years or a tax on personal property that has been delinquent for more than 10 years. Delinquent taxes meeting this criteria may not be canceled if litigation concerning these taxes is pending.

The City levied taxes within the City at \$ 0.366936 to fund general operations and \$ 0.105311 for the retirement of obligation bonds. The tax was levied on property valued for tax purposes in the amount of \$ 95,892,409.

Revenue Recognition for Utility Funds

Revenue is recorded in the period in which services are provided. As such, revenue is recorded as billed to customer on a monthly basis.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. As such, actual result could differ from those estimates.



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B. Cash and Investments

The City's funds are deposited and invested under the terms of a depository agreement. The agreement requires the depository to pledge approved securities in an amount significant to protect the City's day-to-day balances. The pledge is waived only to the extent of the dollar amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance. At September 30, 2023, all City cash deposits were covered by FDIC insurance or by pledged collateral held by the City or the depository in the City's name. The City's deposits appear to have been properly secured throughout the fiscal year.

The City's investment policies and types of investments are governed by the Public Funds Investment Act. The Act requires specific training, reporting and establishment of local policies. The City appears to have been in substantial compliance with the requirements of the Act.

State statutes and local policy authorize the City to invest in the following types of investment goods:

- a. obligations of the U.S. or its agencies or instrumentalities,
- b. obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies,
- c. obligations guaranteed by the U.S. or State of Texas or their agencies or instrumentalities,
- d. obligations of other states, agencies or political subdivisions having a national investment rating of "A" or greater,
- e. guaranteed or secured certificates of deposit issued by a bank domiciled in the State of Texas, or
- f. fully collateralized repurchase agreements.

GASB Statement No. 40 requires a determination as to whether the City was exposed to the following specific investment risks at year end and if so, the reporting of certain related disclosures:

a. Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The ratings of securities by nationally recognized agencies are designed to give an indication of credit risk. At year end, the City was not significantly exposed to credit risk.

b. Custodial Credit Risk

Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the City's name.

Investment securities are exposed to custodial risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the City's name. At year end, the City was exposed to custodial credit risk.

c. Concentration of Credit Risk

This risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. At year end, the City was not exposed to concentration of credit risk.

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B. Cash and Investments (Continued)

d. Interest Rate Risk

This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the City was not exposed to interest rate risk.

e. Foreign Currency Risk

This is the risk that exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the City was not exposed to foreign currency risk.

C. Capital Assets

Capital asset activities for the year ended September 30, 2023, were as follows:

	Balance 9/30/2022	Transfers	Additions	Decreases	Balance 9/30/2023
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Non depreciable assets					
Land	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 290,000	\$ -	\$ 310,000
Construction in progress	15,000				15,000
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>35,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>290,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>325,000</u>
Depreciable Assets:					
Infrastructure	1,107,790	-	4,511	-	1,112,301
Buildings and Improvements	209,662	-	18,900	-	228,562
Equipment	120,780	-	28,365	-	149,145
Vehicles	40,963	-	28,599	-	69,562
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>1,479,195</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>80,375</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,559,570</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Infrastructure	724,774	-	22,594	-	747,368
Buildings and Improvements	161,981	-	7,509	-	169,490
Equipment	68,048	-	12,602	-	80,650
Vehicles	22,222	-	12,561	-	34,783
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>977,025</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,266</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,032,291</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>502,170</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,109</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>527,279</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 537,170</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 315,109</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 852,279</u>

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C. Capital Assets (Continued)

	Balance 9/30/2022	Transfers	Additions	Retirements	Balance 9/30/2023
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>					
Non depreciable assets					
Land	\$ 31,079	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,079
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-	-
Total capital assets not being depreciated	31,079	-	-	-	31,079
Depreciable Assets:					
Infrastructure	5,407,150	29,256	-	-	5,436,406
Equipment	98,245	28,365	-	-	126,610
Vehicles	49,540	-	-	-	49,540
Total capital assets being depreciated	5,554,935	57,621	-	-	5,612,556
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Infrastructure	1,668,569	-	141,568	-	1,810,137
Equipment	37,364	-	15,630	-	52,994
Vehicles	18,578	-	4,954	-	23,532
Total accumulated depreciation	1,724,511	-	162,152	-	1,886,663
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	3,830,424	57,621	(162,152)	-	3,725,893
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 3,861,503	\$ 57,621	\$ (162,152)	\$ -	\$ 3,756,972

Depreciation expenses were charged to functions/programs of the City as follows:

Governmental activities:

Administration	\$ 2,687
Public Works	37,011
Public Safety	12,561
Parks & Recreation	3,007
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 55,266

Business-type activities

Water and Wastewater Utility	162,152
Total depreciation expense- business-type activities	\$ 162,152

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D. Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations reported in the government-wide financial statements for the current fiscal year:

	Balance 9/30/2022	Additions Increases	Reductions Decreases	Balance 9/30/2023	Due Within One Year
<b>Governmental activities:</b>					
Compensated absences	\$ 9,198	\$ 3,592	\$ -	\$ 12,790	\$ -
John Deere Finance	582	-	(582)	-	-
Simmons Bank	-	28,365	(1,660)	26,705	4,044
Cap Tex Bank	-	320,000	-	320,000	39,000
Certificates of Obligation	500,000	-	(40,000)	460,000	40,000
Totals - Governmental Type Activities	<u>\$ 509,780</u>	<u>\$ 351,957</u>	<u>\$ (42,242)</u>	<u>\$ 819,495</u>	<u>\$ 83,044</u>

	Balance 9/30/2022	Issued	Decrease	Balance 9/30/2023	Due Within One Year
<b>Business-type activities:</b>					
Bonds	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ (50,000)	\$ 950,000	\$ 50,000
Simmons Bank	-	28,365	(1,660)	26,705	4,044
Government Capital Corporation	25,041	-	(25,041)	-	-
Business-type activities					
Totals - Business Type Activities	<u>\$ 1,025,041</u>	<u>\$ 28,365</u>	<u>\$ (76,701)</u>	<u>\$ 976,705</u>	<u>\$ 54,044</u>

Bonds

Governmental Activities:

At year end, the City had outstanding the following obligation bonds for acquisition and construction of capital improvements in the City. Tax and revenue bonds have been issued for governmental activities.

Tax and revenue bonds are direct obligations and pledge the revenues of the system to the retirement of the debt. The following bond issues are outstanding at year end:

Description	Interest Rate	Outstanding
City of Blue Ridge, Texas Combination Tax & Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2018	3.37%	\$ 460,000

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D. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Debt Service requirements of the governmental obligation bonds and notes are as follows:

Year Ending September 30:	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2024	83,044	34,162
2025	85,420	30,410
2026	87,697	26,498
2027	94,992	22,373
2028	98,305	18,057
2029 - 2033	<u>357,247</u>	<u>30,557</u>
	<u>\$ 806,705</u>	<u>\$ 162,057</u>

Business-Type Activities:

At year end, the City had outstanding the following obligation bonds for acquisition and construction of capital improvements in the City. Revenue bonds have been issued for proprietary activities.

Revenue bonds are direct obligations and pledge the revenues of the system to the retirement of the debt. The following bond issues are outstanding at year end:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
City of Blue Ridge, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bond Series 2022	1.77% %	\$ 950,000
Total		<u>\$ 950,000</u>

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D. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Debt service requirements of the revenue bonds listed above are as follows:

Year Ending September 30:	Principal	Interest
2024	50,000	17,258
2025	50,000	16,373
2026	55,000	15,443
2027	55,000	14,470
2028	55,000	13,496
2029 - 2033	295,000	52,171
2034 - 2038	275,000	25,886
2039 - 2043	115,000	4,558
Totals	\$ 950,000	\$ 159,655

Compliance with Debt Covenants

There are various limitations and restrictions contained in the City's bond obligations. The City believes they are in compliance with all significant limitations and restrictions.

Loans Payable

Governmental Activities:

In May, 2023 the City took out a loan with Simmons Bank to purchase a mini excavator with an interest rate of 6.1% and a maturity date of April 10, 2029. Terms of the agreement require monthly payments of \$ 946.67. The initial payment was due May 10, 2023. At September 30, 2023 the principal balance was \$ 53,410. One half of this note is to be funded by the general fund and one half is to be funded by the water & sewer fund.

Payee / Purpose	Interest Rate	Outstanding Balance
Simmons Bank	6.10%	\$ 26,705

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D. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Business Type Activities:

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Debt requirements to maturity of the notes payable are as follows:

Year Ending September 30:	Principal	Interest
2024	4,044	1,636
2025	4,420	1,260
2026	4,697	983
2027	4,992	688
2028	5,305	375
2029 - 2033	3,247	66
Totals	\$ 26,705	\$ 5,008

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E. Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation – The City is party to a lawsuit related to claims of wastewater discharges. The City will vigorously defend its position and no liability can be anticipated.

F. Pension Plan

Plan Description

The City participates as one of several plans in the nontraditional, joint contributory, hybrid defined benefit pension plan administered by the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). TMRS is an agency created by the State of Texas and administered in accordance with the TMRS Act, Subtitle G, Title 8, Texas Government Code (the TMRS Act) as an agent multiple-employer retirement system for municipal employees in the State of Texas. The TMRS Act places the general administration and management of the System with a six-member Board of Trustees. Although the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoints the Board, TMRS is not fiscally dependent on the State of Texas. TMRS’s defined benefit pension plan is a tax-qualified plan under Section 401 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. TMRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that can be obtained at [www.tmr.com](http://www.tmr.com).

All eligible employees of the City are required to participate in TMRS.

Benefits Provided

TMRS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Benefit provisions are adopted by the governing body of the City, within the options available in the state statutes governing TMRS.

At retirement, the benefit is calculated as if the sum of the employee’s contributions, with interest and the City- financed monetary credits with interest were used to purchase an annuity. Members may choose to receive their retirement benefit in one of seven payments options. Members may also choose to receive a portion of their benefit as a Partial Lump Sum Distribution in an amount equal to 12, 24, or 36 monthly payments, which cannot exceed 75% of the member’s deposits and interest.

The plan provisions are adopted by the governing body of the City, within the options available in the state statutes governing TMRS. Plan provisions for the City were as follows:

Employee deposit rate	7%
Matching ratio (City to employee)	1 to 1
Years required for vesting	5
Service retirement eligibility	Minimum age 60 with 5 years of service Any age with 20 years of service
Updated service credits	0%
Annuity increase (to retirees)	0% of CPI Repeating



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F. Pension Plan (Continued)

Employees covered by benefit terms

At the December 31, 2022 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

	Plan Year	
	2022	2021
Retirees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	1	1
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	5	4
Active employees	6	6
	12	11

Contributions

The contribution rates for employees in TMRS are either 5%, 6%, or 7% of employee earnings, and the city matching percentages are either 100%, 150%, or 200%, both as adopted by the governing body of the city. Under the state law governing TMRS, the contribution rate for each city is determined annually by the actuary, using the Entry Age Normal (EAN) actuarial cost method. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Employees for the City were required to contribute 7% of their annual gross earnings during the fiscal year. The contribution rates for the City were 2.06% and 1.98% in calendar year 2020 and 2022, respectively. The City's contributions to TMRS for the year ended September 30, 2022 were \$ 4,658 and were equal to the required contributions.

Net Pension Liability

The City's Net Pension Liability (NPL) was measured as of December 31, 2022, and the Total Pension Liability (TPL) used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions

The Total Pension Liability in the December 31, 2020 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflations	2.50% per year
Overall payroll growth	3.50% to 11.50% including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	6.75%

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F. Pension Plan (Continued)

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for active members are based on the PUB (10) mortality tables with the Public Safety table was used for males and the General Employee table used for females. Mortality rates for healthy retirees and beneficiaries are based on the Gender-distinct 2020 Municipal Retirees of Texas mortality tables. The rates for actives, healthy retirees, and beneficiaries are projected on a fully generational basis by Scale UMP to account for future mortality improvements. For disabled annuitants, the same mortality tables for healthy retirees is used with a 4-year set-forward for males and a 3-year set-forward for females. In addition, a 3.50% and 3% minimum mortality rate is applied, for males and females respectively, to reflect the impairment for younger members who become disabled. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis by Scale UMP to account for future mortality improvements subject to the floor.

Actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2020, valuation was based on the results of actuarial experience studies. The experience study in TMRS was for the four-year period from December 31, 2014 through December 31, 2018. They were adopted in 2020 and first used in December 31, 2020 actuarial valuation. Healthy post-retirement mortality assumption for annuity purchase rates is based on a Mortality Experience Investigation Study covering 2009 through 2011, and dated December 31, 2013. These assumptions were first used in the December 31, 2013 valuation, along with a change to the Entry Age Normal (EAN) actuarial cost method. Assumptions are reviewed annually. No additional changes were made for the 2020 valuation.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 6.75%. The pension plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the TMRS Board of Trustees. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with an emphasis on both capital appreciation as well as the production of income, in order to satisfy the short-term and long-term funding needs of TMRS.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)</u>
Global Equity	35.00%	7.70%
Core Fixed Income	6.00%	4.90%
Non-Core Fixed Income	20.00%	8.70%
Other Public & Private Markets	12.00%	8.10%
Real Estate	12.00%	5.80%
Hedge Funds	5.00%	6.90%
Private Equity	10.00%	11.80%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

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F. Pension Plan (Continued)

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 6.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at the rates specified in statute. Based on that assumption, the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Pension was projected to be available to make all projected future payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investment was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources

Deferred inflows for pension amounts are (1) contributions made from the measurement date of the plan to the current fiscal year end and will be recognized in the subsequent fiscal year end and (2) the difference between projected and actual investment earnings that are amortized as a component of pension expense on a closed basis over a five-year period beginning with the period in which the difference occurred.

As a component of implementing GASB Statement No. 68, a deferred inflow is recorded in the government-wide Statement of Net Position and fund level financials for the propriety Statement of Net Position for the difference in projected and actual experience in the actuarial measurement of the total pension liability not recognized in the current year. The amount is amortized over a period of years determined by the Plan actuary. The differences are amortized over the average remaining service life of all participants in the respective pension plan and recorded as a component of pension expense beginning with the period in which they are incurred.

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F. Pension Plan (Continued)

Changes in the Net Pension Liability

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a) - (b)
Balance at 12/31/2021	\$ 205,534	\$ 280,740	\$ (75,206)
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	27,958	-	27,958
Interest (on the Total Pension liability)	14,760	-	14,760
Change in benefit terms	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	(3,161)	-	(3,161)
Changes in assumptions	-	-	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,678)	(1,678)	-
Contribution - employer	-	5,786	(5,786)
Contribution - employee	-	19,669	(19,669)
Net investment income	-	(20,215)	20,215
Administrative expense	-	(177)	177
Other	-	212	(212)
	-	-	-
Net changes	<u>37,879</u>	<u>3,595</u>	<u>34,284</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 243,413</u>	<u>\$ 284,335</u>	<u>\$ (40,922)</u>

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability of the City, calculated using the discount rate of 6.75%, as well as what the City's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage Blue Ridge lower (5.75%) or 1-percentage Blue Ridge higher (7.75%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate 5.75%	Current Single Rate Assumption 6.75%	1% Increase in Discount Rate 7.75%
City's net pension liability (Asset)	\$ <u>10,131</u>	\$ <u>(40,922)</u>	\$ <u>(80,632)</u>

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F. Pension Plan (Continued)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position is available in a separately-issued TMRS financial report. That report may be obtained on the Internet at [www.tmrs.com](http://www.tmrs.com).

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

For the year ended September 30, 2023, the City recognized pension expense of \$ 5,913. The calculation and amount is provided in the GRS Reporting Package. At September 30, 2023, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 6,238	\$ -
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	841	4,822
Changes in actuarial assumptions		95
Differences between projected and actual investment earnings	31,332	12,387
Total	<u>\$ 38,411</u>	<u>\$ 17,304</u>

\$ 6,238 reported as deferred outflow of resources related to pensions resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reductions of the net pension liability for the year ending September 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Measurement Year Ended December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2023	\$ (206)
2024	3,818
2025	4,073
2026	7,205
2027	(21)
Thereafter	-
Total	<u>\$ 14,869</u>

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G. Post-Employment Benefits Plan

Plan Description

Texas Municipal Retirement System (“TMRS”) administers a defined benefit group-term life insurance plan known as the Supplemental Death Benefits Fund (“SDBF”). This is a voluntary program in which participating member cities may elect, by ordinance, to provide group-term life insurance coverage for their active members, including or not including retirees. Employers may terminate coverage under and discontinue participation in the SDBF by adopting an ordinance before November 1 of any year to be effective the following January 1. The City has elected to participate in the SDBF for its active members including retirees. As the SDBF covers both active and retiree participants, with no segregation of assets, the SDBF is considered to be an unfunded single- employer OPEB plan (i.e. no assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75) for City reporting.

Benefits Provided

The death benefit for active employees provides a lump-sum payment approximately equal to the employee’s annual salary (calculated based on the employee’s actual earnings, for the 12-month period preceding the month of death). The death benefit for retirees is considered as other postemployment benefit (“OPEB”) and is a fixed amount of \$ 7,500.

At the December 31, 2022 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Membership \*

Number of

- Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	1
- Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	1
- Active employees	6
	6
- Total	8
	8

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G. Post-Employment Benefits Plan (Continued)

Contributions

The member city contributed to the SDBF at a contractually required rate as determined by an annual actuarial valuation. The rate is equal to the cost of providing one-year term life insurance. The funding policy for the SDBF program is to assure that adequate resources are available to meet all death benefit payments for the upcoming year. The intent is not to pre-fund retiree term life insurance during employees' entire careers.

Contributions are made monthly based on the covered payroll of employee members of the participation member city. The contractually required contribution rate is determined annually for each city. The rate is based on the mortality and service experience of all employees covered by the SDBF and the demographics specific to the workforce of the city. There is a one-year delay between the actuarial valuation that serves as the basis for the employer contribution rate and the calendar year when the rate goes into effect. The funding policy of this plan is to assure that adequate resources are available to meet all death benefit payments for the upcoming year.

The retiree portion of contribution rates to the SDBF for the City was 0.00% in both calendar years 2020 and 2022. The contribution rates for the city were 0.36% and 0.28% in calendar year 2022 and 2023, respectively. The City's contributions to the SDBF for the year ended September 30, 2023 were \$ 780 and were equal to the required contributions.

Total OPEB Liability

The City's Total OPEB Liability (TOL) was measured as of December 31, 2020 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions

The Total OPEB Liability in the December 31, 2020 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.50% per year
Salary increases	3.50% to 11.50% including inflation
Discount rate	2.75%
Retiree's share of benefit-related costs	\$ -
Administrative expenses	All administrative expenses are paid through the Pension Trust and accounted for under GASB Statement No. 68.
Mortality rates - service retirees	2020 Municipal Retirees of Texas Mortality Tables. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP.

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G. Post-Employment Benefits Plan (Continued)

Mortality rates - disabled retirees

2020 Municipal Retirees of Texas Mortality Tables with a 4 year set forward for males and 3 year set-forward for females. In addition , a 3.5% and 3% minimum mortality rate will be applied to reflect the impairment for young members who become disabled for males and females, respectively. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis by Scale UMP to account for future mortality improvements subject to the floors.

Note: The actuarial assumption used in the December 31, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2018.

The discount rate used to measure the Total OPEB Liability was 2.75% and was based on the Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index" rate as of December 31, 2020.

Changes in Total OPEB Liability

	2022
Total OPEB Liability - beginning of year	\$ 14,628
Changes for the year	
Service Cost	1,321
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	274
Changes of benefit terms	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(1,261)
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	(5,111)
Benefit payments **	(815)
Net Changes	(5,592)
Total OPEB Liability - end of year	\$ 9,036



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G. Post-Employment Benefits Plan (Continued)

*Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate*

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the City, calculated using the discount rate of 2.75%, as well as what the City's total OEPB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (1.75%) or 1 percentage-point higher (3.75%) that the current rate:

	1 % Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
	3.05%	4.05%	5.05%
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 10,875	\$ 9,036	\$ 7,638

*OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB*

For the year ended September 30, 2023, the City recognized OPEB expense of \$ 383. At September 30, 2023, the City reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	\$ 5,219
Changes in assumptions and other inputs	2,290	4,437
Contributions made subsequent to measurement date	337	-
Total	\$ 2,627	\$ 9,656

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G. Post-Employment Benefits Plan (Continued)

The \$ 337 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will reduce the Total OEPB Liability during the year ending September 30, 2023. The other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OEPB expense as follows:

		Net deferred outflows (inflows) of resources
2023	\$	(1,514)
2024		(1,038)
2025		(1,197)
2026		(1,592)
2027		(1,173)
Thereafter		<u>(852)</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>(7,366)</u></u>

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The City purchases commercial insurance to provide coverage of their associated risks. There has been no significant change in insurance coverage from the previous year, and there were no settlements exceeding insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

H. Restricted Assets

The City maintains restricted assets in the proprietary fund for the following identified purposes. The customer deposit accounts reflect balances available for refund of customer deposits.

Customer Deposits	\$	76,753
Impact Fees		7,400
Revenue Holding		5,001
ARPA Fund		74,980
Encumbered Revenue		24,301
USDA Reserve		1
Reserve Revenue		<u>10,613</u>
	\$	<u><u>199,049</u></u>

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I. Interfund Activity

Interfund Transfers

The following funds had end of year transfers in and out as follows:

<u>Transfer From</u>	<u>Transfer To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Water/Wasterwaer	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>

Interfund Receivables and Payables

The following funds had end of year receivables and payables as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	\$ 158,025	General	\$ 112,151
Debt Service	79,551	Debt Service	-
Water/Wastewater	<u>40,000</u>	Water/Wastewater	<u>165,425</u>
	<u>\$ 277,576</u>		<u>\$ 277,576</u>

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J. Blue Ridge Economic and Community Development Corporation

The City of Blue Ridge Economic Development Corporation (“EDC”) and Community Development Corporation (“CDC”) is financed with the City transferring 1/2 of sales tax receipts each month. This has voter approval and is to be used for direct assistance to prospects and continued development of infrastructure.

a) Deposits and Investments

Statement of net position:  
Restricted Cash

\$ - 0 -

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The Public Funds Investment Act does not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for deposits or investments, other than the following provision for deposits: the Public Funds Investment Act requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental unites by pledging securities in an undivided collateral held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least the bank balance less FDIC insurance at all times. The EDC’s cash was insured at First National Bank, and the EDC is currently in compliance with the Public Investment Act.

b) Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the period ended September 30, 2023 was as follows:

	Balance 9/30/2021	Transfers	Additions	Decreases	Balance 9/30/2022
<b>Non-depreciable Assets:</b>					
<b>Land</b>	\$ 52,588	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 52,588
<b>Total</b>	52,588				52,588
<b>Capital assets being depreciated:</b>					
Buildings & Improvements	\$ 271,892	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 271,892
Equipment	45,246	-	7,700	-	52,946
Total capital assets being depreciated	317,138	-	7,700	-	324,838
<b>Less accumulated depreciation for:</b>					
Buildings & Improvements	\$ 76,496	\$ -	\$ 11,063	\$ -	\$ 87,559
Equipment	754	-	2,262	-	3,016
Total accumulated depreciation	\$ 77,250	\$ -	\$ 13,325	\$ -	\$ 90,575
<b>Total capital assets being depreciated, net</b>	\$ 239,888	\$ -	\$ (5,625)	\$ -	\$ 234,263
<b>4 A component unit capital assets, net</b>	\$ 292,476	\$ -	\$ (5,625)	\$ -	\$ 286,851

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J. Blue Ridge Economic and Community Development Corporation(Continued)

c) Long-term Obligations

The following is a summary of changes in long term obligation reported in the government-wide financial statements for the year ending September 30, 2023.

	<u>Beginning Balances</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Decreased</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
<b>Economic Development</b>					
Loans Payable	\$ <u>121,559</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(16,471)</u>	\$ <u>105,088</u>	\$ <u>17,246</u>

Loans

The EDC secured funding for a development project building from American National Bank of Texas in two notes. The first note financed the construction of a commercial building and totaled \$ 200,000. The note requires monthly payments of \$ 1,517.43 for 186 months at 4.83% interest. The note matures in February 2028.

The second loan with American National Bank of Texas financed improvements to the commercial building and totaled \$ 50,277. The note requires monthly payments of \$ 287.84 for 180 months at 4.15% interest. The note matures in July 2027.

Debt service requirements on the note are as follows:

<u>Year ending 30-Sep</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total Requirements</u>
2023	17,246	4,417	21,663
2024	18,058	3,605	21,663
2025	18,910	2,755	21,665
2026	19,800	1,863	21,663
2027	21,482	931	22,413
2028 - 2032	<u>9,592</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>9,710</u>
	<u>\$ 105,088</u>	<u>\$ 13,689</u>	<u>\$ 118,777</u>

d) Litigation

Blue Ridge Development Corporation is not aware of any pending or threatened litigation at fiscal year-end.

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K. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated all events or transactions that occurred after September 30, 2023 up through July 16, 2024, the date the financial statements were issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

City of Blue Ridge  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 342,185	342,185	\$ 282,662	\$ (59,523)
Sales Taxes/Franchise Fees	401,000	401,000	255,089	(145,911)
Investment Earnings	-	-	68	68
Licenses and Permits	20,000	20,000	30,774	10,774
Grant Income	-	-	376,767	376,767
Miscellaneous	11,025	11,025	302,218	291,193
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>774,210</u>	<u>774,210</u>	<u>1,247,578</u>	<u>473,368</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
Administration	603,804	603,804	1,485,066	(881,262)
Public Works	97,600	97,600	114,094	(16,494)
Parks And Recreation	200	200	-	200
Mayor and City Council	2,300	2,300	6,426	(4,126)
Fire Protection	26,200	26,200	4,800	21,400
Health and Welfare	12,000	12,000	11,705	295
Debt Service	62,106	62,106	51,763	10,343
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>804,210</u>	<u>804,210</u>	<u>1,673,854</u>	<u>(869,644)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(30,000)</u>	<u>(30,000)</u>	<u>(426,276)</u>	<u>(396,276)</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Proceeds of debt	-	-	300,000	300,000
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	-	-	300,000	300,000
Net change in fund balances	(30,000)	(30,000)	(126,276)	(96,276)
Fund balances/Equity, beginning of the year	110,341	110,341	110,341	-
Fund balances/Equity, End of the year	<u>\$ 80,341</u>	<u>\$ 80,341</u>	<u>\$ (15,935)</u>	<u>\$ (96,276)</u>



**City of Blue Ridge**  
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
 TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TMRS)  
 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS  
 LAST NINE FISCAL YEARS (PREVIOUS YEARS ARE NOT AVAILABLE)

	Measurement Year 2022	Measurement Year 2021	Measurement Year 2020	Measurement Year 2019	Measurement Year 2018	Measurement Year 2017	Measurement Year 2016	Measurement Year 2015	Measurement Year 2014
<b>Total Pension Liability</b>									
Service cost	\$ 27,958	\$ 27,314	\$ 25,281	\$ 23,762	\$ 21,087	\$ 17,884	\$ 16,687	13,411	14,821
Interest (on the Total Pension Liability)	14,760	12,448	10,499	9,704	8,320	7,754	7,380	6,593	5,879
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	(3,161)	(1,337)	2,878	(10,982)	(5,448)	(15,875)	(5,889)	2,001	(3,729)
Change of assumptions	-	-	-	(675)	-	-	-	4,749	-
Benefits payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,678)	(7,297)	(14,301)	(7,277)	(2,328)	(3,628)	(22,844)	(3,628)	(8,523)
<b>Net Change in Total Pension Liability</b>	<b>37,879</b>	<b>31,128</b>	<b>24,357</b>	<b>14,532</b>	<b>21,631</b>	<b>6,135</b>	<b>(4,666)</b>	<b>23,126</b>	<b>8,448</b>
<b>Total Pension Liability - Beginning</b>	<b>205,534</b>	<b>174,406</b>	<b>150,049</b>	<b>135,517</b>	<b>113,886</b>	<b>107,751</b>	<b>112,417</b>	<b>89,291</b>	<b>80,843</b>
<b>Total Pension Liability - Ending</b>	<b>\$ 243,413</b>	<b>\$ 205,534</b>	<b>\$ 174,406</b>	<b>\$ 150,049</b>	<b>\$ 135,517</b>	<b>\$ 113,886</b>	<b>\$ 107,751</b>	<b>\$ 112,417</b>	<b>\$ 89,291</b>
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>									
Contributions - employer	\$ 5,786	\$ 5,477	\$ 4,572	\$ 4,305	\$ 3,295	\$ 2,355	\$ 504	22	(12)
Contributions - employee	19,669	19,490	17,984	16,650	14,880	13,505	13,022	11,434	12,076
Net investment income	(20,215)	30,331	15,829	26,090	(4,718)	17,797	8,727	179	6,369
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(1,678)	(7,297)	(14,301)	(7,277)	(2,328)	(3,628)	(22,844)	(3,628)	(8,523)
Administrative expense	(177)	(140)	(103)	(148)	(92)	(92)	(98)	(109)	(66)
Other	212	1	(4)	(4)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)
<b>Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>	<b>3,595</b>	<b>47,862</b>	<b>23,977</b>	<b>39,616</b>	<b>11,032</b>	<b>29,932</b>	<b>(694)</b>	<b>7,893</b>	<b>9,839</b>
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning</b>	<b>280,741</b>	<b>232,879</b>	<b>208,901</b>	<b>169,285</b>	<b>158,253</b>	<b>128,321</b>	<b>129,015</b>	<b>121,122</b>	<b>111,283</b>
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Ending</b>	<b>\$ 284,336</b>	<b>\$ 280,741</b>	<b>\$ 232,878</b>	<b>\$ 208,901</b>	<b>\$ 169,285</b>	<b>\$ 158,253</b>	<b>\$ 128,321</b>	<b>\$ 129,015</b>	<b>\$ 121,122</b>
<b>Net Pension (Asset) Liability - Ending</b>	<b>\$ (40,923)</b>	<b>\$ (75,207)</b>	<b>\$ (58,472)</b>	<b>\$ (58,852)</b>	<b>\$ (33,768)</b>	<b>\$ (44,367)</b>	<b>\$ (20,570)</b>	<b>(16,598)</b>	<b>(31,831)</b>
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of Total Pension Liability</b>	<b>116.81%</b>	<b>136.59%</b>	<b>133.53%</b>	<b>139.22%</b>	<b>124.92%</b>	<b>138.96%</b>	<b>119.09%</b>	<b>114.76%</b>	<b>135.65%</b>
<b>Covered Employee Payroll</b>	<b>\$ 280,982</b>	<b>\$ 278,430</b>	<b>\$ 256,921</b>	<b>\$ 237,862</b>	<b>\$ 212,572</b>	<b>\$ 192,923</b>	<b>\$ 186,029</b>	<b>163,344</b>	<b>172,516</b>
<b>Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Total Pension Liability</b>	<b>-14.56%</b>	<b>-27.01%</b>	<b>-22.76%</b>	<b>-24.74%</b>	<b>-15.89%</b>	<b>-23.00%</b>	<b>-11.06%</b>	<b>-10.16%</b>	<b>-18.45%</b>

EXHIBIT B-2  
continued

**City of Blue Ridge**  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TMRS)  
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS (UNAUDITED)  
LAST NINE FISCAL YEARS (PREVIOUS YEARS NOT AVAILABLE)

Plan Year	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$ 5,786	\$ 5,477	\$ 4,572	\$ 4,305	\$ 3,295	\$ 2,355	\$ 505	\$ 22	\$ (12)
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	5,786	5,477	4,572	4,305	3,295	2,355	505	22	(12)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Covered payroll	\$ 280,982	\$ 278,430	\$ 256,921	\$ 237,862	\$ 212,572	\$ 192,923	\$ 186,029	\$ 163,344	\$ 172,516
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	2.06%	1.97%	1.78%	1.81%	1.55%	1.22%	0.27%	0.01%	-0.01%

**Notes to Schedule of Contributions**

Valuation Date:

Notes

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of December 31 and become effective in January 13 months later

**Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates:**

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization Method	Level Percentage of Payroll, Closed
Remaining Amortization Period	14 years
Asset Valuation Method	10 Year smoothed market; 12% soft corridor
Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	3.50% to 11.50% including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	6.75%
Retirement Age	Experienced-based table of rates that are specific to the City's plan of benefits. Last updated for the 2019 valuation pursuant to an experience study of the period 2014 - 2018.
Mortality	Post-retirement: 2019 Municipal Retirees of Texas Mortality Tables. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP. Pre-retirement: PUB(1) mortality tables, with the Public Safety table used for males and the General Employee table used for females. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP.

**Other Information**

Notes

There were no benefit changes during the year.

Note: Years will continue to be added until there are 10 years of comparison

**City of Blue Ridge**  
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION OPEB  
 TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TMRS)  
 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN OPEB LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS  
 LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS (PREVIOUS YEARS ARE NOT AVAILABLE)

Measurement Year	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total OPEB Liability - beginning of year	\$ 14,628	\$ 18,308	\$ 15,096	\$ 12,818	\$ 17,693	\$ 16,003
Changes for the year						
Service Cost	1,321	1,281	976	547	553	444
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	274	371	425	479	591	608
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(1,261)	(5,069)	(112)	(525)	(5,007)	-
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	(5,111)	544	2,180	2,158	(799)	908
Benefit payments **	(815)	(807)	(257)	(381)	(213)	(270)
Net Changes	<u>(5,592)</u>	<u>(3,680)</u>	<u>3,212</u>	<u>2,278</u>	<u>(4,875)</u>	<u>1,690</u>
Total OPEB Liability - end of year	<u>\$ 9,036</u>	<u>\$ 14,628</u>	<u>\$ 18,308</u>	<u>\$ 15,096</u>	<u>\$ 12,818</u>	<u>\$ 17,693</u>
Covered Payroll	\$ 280,982	\$ 278,430	\$ 256,921	\$ 237,862	\$ 212,572	\$ 192,923
Total OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered payroll	3.22%	5.25%	7.13%	6.35%	6.03%	9.17%

Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) administers a defined benefit group-term life insurance plan known as the Supplemental Death Benefits Fund (SDBF). The SDBF covers both active and retiree benefits with no segregation of assets, and therefore doesn't meet the definition of a trust under GASB Statement 75 (i.e., no assets are accumulated for OPEB to pay retirement benefits) and as such the SC+DBF is considered an unfunded OPEB plan.

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect the effect of changes in the discount rate each period. The following are the discount rates used each period.

<b>2017</b>	3.31%
<b>2018</b>	3.71%
<b>2019</b>	2.75%
<b>2020</b>	2.00%
<b>2021</b>	1.84%
<b>2022</b>	4.05%

\*\* Due to the SDBF being considered an unfunded OPEB plan under GASB 75, benefit payments are treated as being equal to the employer's yearly contributions for retirees.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**City of Blue Ridge**  
**BALANCE SHEET - COMPONENT UNIT**  
**BLUE RIDGE ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS**  
**SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	<u>EDC &amp; CDC</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and investments	\$ 600,310
Due from other governments	16,155
Capital Assets, Net:	
Nondepreciable	52,588
Depreciable	<u>234,263</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ <u><u>903,316</u></u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 2,836
Due to Other Governments	7,550
Customer Deposits	600
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Due within one year:	17,246
Due in more than one year	<u>87,842</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b><u>116,074</u></b>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	270,394
Restricted for:	
Economic Development	240,082
Community Development	235,421
Unrestricted	<u>41,346</u>
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ <u><u>787,243</u></u></b>

**City of Blue Ridge**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,**  
**AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**BLUE RIDGE ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

	<u><b>EDC &amp; CDC</b></u>
<b>Revenues:</b>	
Sales Taxes	\$ 203,245
Rental Income	<u>26,600</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	229,845
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>Current:</b>	
Community Development	53,521
Economic Development	<u>46,242</u>
<b>Total expenses</b>	99,763
<b>NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	130,082
Investment income	<u>275</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	275
Net Change in Net Position	130,357
Net Position - October 1 (Beginning)	<u>656,885</u>
Net Position - September (Ending)	<u><u>\$ 787,242</u></u>