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On the cover: View of recently renovated Union Station which serves as a major transportation hub for western Massachusetts.



View of Memorial Bridge and Connecticut River from Inside the top of the Campanile.

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Introductory Section



View of the Pagoda in City of Springfield's Forest Park.

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View of Bridge in City of Springfield's Beautiful Forest Park.

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THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Letter of Transmittal

December 18, 2017

To the Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Council and Citizens of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts:

At the close of each fiscal year, Massachusetts General Law (MGL) requires the City of Springfield to publish a complete set of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), and that are audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to that requirement, we hereby issue the **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)** of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

This report consists of management's representations concerning the finances of the City. Consequently, management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all of the information presented in this report. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the City has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the government's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the City's financial statements in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Because the cost of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, the City's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable rather than absolute assurance that the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP.

The City of Springfield's financial statements have been audited by Powers & Sullivan, LLC, a firm of licensed certified public accountants. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the City for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Powers & Sullivan, LLC concluded, based upon the audit, that there was a reasonable basis for rendering an unmodified opinion that the City's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. An "unmodified opinion" means that the Auditors have no significant reservation regarding information provided in the financial statements. The independent auditor's report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report.

The independent audit of the financial statements of the City was part of a broader, federally mandated "Single Audit" designed to meet the special needs of federal grantor agencies. The standards governing Single Audit engagements require the independent auditor to report not only on the fair presentation of the financial statements, but also on the audited government's internal controls and compliance with legal requirements, with

special emphasis on internal controls and legal requirements involving the administration of federal awards. These reports are available in the City of Springfield's separately issued Single Audit Report.

GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement that analysis and should be read in conjunction with it. The City's MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

Profile of the City

The City of Springfield is located in western Massachusetts along the east bank of the Connecticut River. Strategically Located, Springfield lies 90 miles west of Boston, 85 miles east of Albany, New York, 25 miles north of Hartford, Connecticut, 150 miles northeast of New York City, and 301 miles south of Montreal, Quebec, Canada. The City occupies a land area of approximately 33 square miles. The City is served by Bradley International Airport which is within 20 miles of downtown Springfield.

Settled in 1636, Springfield is the cultural, commercial, and healthcare center of western Massachusetts. Springfield was incorporated as a town in 1641 and as a City in 1852. In 2010, the City had a population of 153,060 making it the third largest City in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In 2009, Greater Springfield's population was estimated at 698,903. The City is governed by its Massachusetts Plan "A" charter, where voters elect a "strong" Mayor with broad powers to supervise City departments and to appoint their managers. A thirteen-member City Council serves as a Representative legislature.



The Springfield Metropolitan Area is one of the two metropolitan areas in Massachusetts – the other is Greater Boston. Historically the first Springfield in the New World, it is the largest city in Western New England, and the urban, economic, and cultural capital of Massachusetts' Connecticut River Valley, (colloquially known as the Pioneer Valley). It is the fourth largest city in New England (after Boston, Worcester and Providence). Springfield has several nicknames – The City of Firsts, because of its many innovations, The City of Homes, due to its attractive Victorian residential architecture.

The City of Springfield has played an important role throughout American history – founded on New England's most fertile soil, next to one of America's most significant rivers, Springfield is located midway between the major

North American ports of New York City, Boston, Albany, and Montreal. In 1777, Springfield's prime location led George Washington and Henry Knox to found the fledgling United States' National Armory at Springfield, which produced the first American musket in 1794, and later the famous Springfield rifle. From 1777 until its controversial closing during the Vietnam War, the Springfield Armory attracted skilled laborers to Springfield, making it the United States' longtime epicenter for precision manufacturing. Springfield residents produced many of America's most significant innovations, including the first American-English dictionary (1805, Merriam Webster); the first use of interchangeable parts and the assembly line in manufacturing, (1819, Thomas Blanchard; the first American horseless car, (1825, Thomas Blanchard;) the discovery and patent of vulcanized rubber, (1844, Charles Goodyear;) the first American, gasoline-powered car, (1893, Duryea Brothers); the first successful motorcycle company, (1901, "Indian"); America's first commercial radio station, (1921, WBZA from the Hotel Kimball); and most famously basketball, (1891, Dr. James Naismith).

Profile of Government

The City of Springfield is governed by its Massachusetts Plan "A" charter, where voters elect a "strong" Mayor with broad powers to supervise City departments and to appoint their managers. A thirteen-member City Council serves as a representative legislature. With the enactment of Chapter 169 of the Acts of 2004 and the appointment of the Springfield Finance Control Board (SFCB), the authority of the City's executive officers and the City Council over financial matters was largely pre-empted by that of the SFCB between 2004 and 2009. The SFCB was dissolved effective June 30, 2009, and authority over financial matters returned to local control.

The Mayor is elected for four years in November with the latest term starting in January 2016. The Mayor is the administrative head of the City and chairman ex-officio of the School Committee, the Board of Library Trustees, and the Board of Trust Fund Commissioners. The Mayor acts with the City Council and School Committee to carry out City business. The Mayor appoints his or her office staff, the City Solicitor, and the Assistant City Solicitor without City Council confirmation. The appointment of City Clerk, Director of Internal Audit, and members of the various boards and commissions, however, require City Council confirmation. The Mayor has the right to veto any order, resolution, or ordinance passed by the Council. However, a veto may be overturned by a two-thirds vote of all councilors. As the general administrator of all City departments, the Mayor is consulted by department heads pertaining to the City's welfare.

On January 9, 2009, the Commonwealth enacted Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008. This legislation included the creation of the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer (CAFO) position and the Office of Management and Budget, which is responsible for the overall budgetary and financial administration of the City. This department is under the control of the CAFO, who reports to the Mayor. The CAFO is appointed to a term no longer than three years. The CAFO is responsible for administering and supervising the City's financial services, which includes developing department's budgets, monitoring expenditures and implementing and maintaining uniform financial systems and control for all departments. The CAFO is also required to submit a four year financial plan and a five year capital plan to the Mayor and the City Council.

The City Council is primarily the legislative branch of the City government. As the legislative body, the Council confirms appointments made by the Mayor and appropriates all monies necessary to City operation. It can approve, disapprove, or reduce the amount of appropriations, but not add to the appropriation. The Council receives orders of recommendation by the Mayor and petitions from the public, and acts on them after committee study. The City Council also has the power to enact the Ordinances and other regulations. A majority of the City Council constitutes a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of all the members of the Council is necessary for the adoption of any motion resolution, or ordinance. In some instances, adoption by a two-thirds vote of the members is required by statute.

The City provides general governmental services for the territory within its boundaries including police and fire protection; disposal of garbage and rubbish, public education in grades K-12, including vocational technical

education at the high school level, street maintenance, parks and recreation facilities. The fire department operates eight stations. Springfield also provides a library system with a main library and seven branches. The Springfield Water and Sewer Commission provides water and sewer facilities for Springfield residents and five more surrounding communities.

Local Economy

Springfield is the regional employment center for Western Massachusetts, with a diverse and balanced mix of financial, manufacturing, commercial and service trade industries. The financial sector is characterized by a strong presence of insurance and regional banking operations that have continued to expand including Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company (headquartered in Springfield), Liberty Mutual, and TD Bank. Springfield also serves as the largest manufacturing employer in the region producing a wide range of precision-manufactured parts, medical devices, chemicals, paper and metal products, as well as home to the headquarters of Smith & Wesson and the new home to a \$95 million CRRC railcar facility.

The City has also invested heavily in education. In 2012, the City inaugurated a \$115 million new Putnam Vocational Technical High School. In 2013, the City completed major renovations to the Forest Park Middle School and now completed a new \$27.9 million Brookings Middle School to replace the former school which was heavily damaged by the June 1, 2011 Tornado. A new \$32 million science wing was also completed at Central High School.

Private educational institutions have also invested in Springfield. Cambridge College opened a new graduate studies satellite office with classrooms in downtown Springfield's Tower Square complex. Bay Path University opened a new online educational office and advisory center at 1350 Main Street, and in September 2016, the University of Massachusetts held a grand opening of its new UMass satellite center to be located at Tower Square.

The technology industry continues to experience sustained growth and through Springfield Technical Community College's nationally recognized expertise in technology education, Springfield is poised for future advances in information technology. Springfield is also home to a booming healthcare industry, led by Baystate Health which recently completed a \$300 million expansion that has also helped spur private medical office development in the neighborhoods surrounding its medical center. Mercy Medical Center recently opened the \$15 million Caritas Cancer Center as well as a new \$20 million medical office building at the corner of Carew and Chestnut Streets.

Industry and Commerce

Tourism continues to be a cornerstone of the City's economic health with tourism anchors like the Mass Mutual Convention Center and Arena, Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, Dr. Seuss Memorial Park, Springfield Quadrangle, Springfield Museums, the success of the Six Flags Amusement Park in nearby Agawam and The Big E in nearby West Springfield.

These cultural attractions are making new investments, including the Springfield Museums newest museum – the Amazing World of Dr. Seuss – an over \$7 million investment celebrating the birthplace and life of Springfield's own Theodor Geisel, Dr. Seuss. The museum opened in June, 2017, and throughout its first summer of being open contributed to an increase of 300% in visitation for the museums complex.

The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame recently completed a significant fundraising campaign, and is now moving forward on a \$25 million renovation that will kick off in January, 2018 to make it a state of the art facility with both structural and display upgrades.

The City is also host to the American Hockey League Springfield Thunderbirds. While AHL hockey has been in the City since its inception in 1936, last year was the first for the Thunderbirds – a new franchise with new local ownership. The team was rewarded on some of its new creative marketing efforts, and the City scored the largest attendance increase from the season previous to the Thunderbirds first season, earning them a handful of league awards. The hockey games have again become a popular event in the City, attracting thousands through the winter on weekend nights to downtown Springfield.



The largest economic development project in the City's history is nearing completion. MGM Springfield, a \$950 million mixed use entertainment complex, has been under construction since 2015 and expects to open in mid-2018. The project is creating 2,000 construction jobs as well as 3,000 permanent jobs. The project includes a new 250 room MGM four-star hotel, retail, restaurants, movie theatre, bowling alley, an outdoor public skating rink, and is also developing 54 units of offsite market rate residential within walking distance to the facility. The project expects to attract approximately 8 million visitors per year, and the City has instituted a number of measures to help attract those visitors to experience other attractions in Springfield.

One element that made MGM Springfield's project attractive was that of entertainment. Rather than building venues within the complex, MGM Springfield will utilize the City's existing venues – historic Symphony Hall, City Stage, and the MassMutual Center, to bring some of the activity in the casino out into downtown at these venues and to further promote visitors experiencing more of the City. MGM Springfield also in 2017 took over management of the MassMutual Center, a move that will also help strengthen the ability to attract conventions and first-class entertainment back to the City.

MGM Springfield's project site takes a 15-acre site that had been substantially surface parking lots, producing approximately \$600,000 in tax revenue and, when completed and open, will be providing annual tax and community benefit payments of \$25 million.

Technology

Springfield Technical Community College Technology Park provides 465,000 square feet of lease space for telecommunication technology-based and light manufacturing companies. Currently the Technology Park is home to over 20 tenant companies employing over 1,000 employees and with an incubator facility. Liberty Mutual, a Fortune 100 company, established a Customer Response Center at the site a few years ago. Their total investment was over \$3.5 million initially, and they expanded after having a positive experience with Springfield's

workforce. Liberty Mutual considers the operation one of their most competitive and efficient customer centers and is pleased with their ability to attract and retain qualified employees. The Park recently completed a \$9 million demolition and renovation project that attracted a new Charter school to the campus in 2015.

Complementing the City's existing technological infrastructure, the Commonwealth announced in 2010 the redevelopment of the former Tech High School into the state's new \$76 million data center. The center now houses virtually all of the state's electronic records. The local facility has generated about 70 full-time jobs and was completed in early 2013.

The City is making significant upgrades to its own technology as well and providing residents with assets like free Wi-Fi hotspots in various places downtown and plans to take the hotspots to public areas throughout the City.

In December 2011, Eversource opened New England's largest solar power facility in Springfield's Indian Orchard Business Park. Located on approximately 12 acres of rehabilitated Brownfields, the former Chapman Valve is leased for a term of 30 years to Eversource. The 2.3MW facility generates enough electricity for nearly 500 homes. Most recently, in October 2013, Eversource completed a third solar facility built on the capped landfill at 282 Cottage Street. The solar field contains close to 13,000 solar panels and generates 3.9 megawatts of electricity.

Manufacturing

Approximately 15% of the City is zoned for industrial uses; employment in the sector has increased primarily among small and start-up companies, and remains an important sector of Springfield's economy providing jobs and income for the City. Many of these smaller companies have located in Springfield to become part of the supply chain to larger projects.

In December 2013 Smith & Wesson Corporation and the City announced the company's decision to relocate their long barrel rifle business from Rochester, New Hampshire to Springfield resulting in the creation of 225 new jobs in Springfield. The company also committed to investing an additional \$63 million dollars into facility improvements and new technology over the next five years. The Commonwealth approved \$6 million in tax credits and the City approved a 5-year STA agreement resulting in \$600,000 in savings to the company. Smith & Wesson has enjoyed continued growth over the last five years and is actively engaged with Springfield's Putnam Vocational Technical High School and Springfield Technical Community College to create training programs for new machinists. Smith & Wesson donated \$250,000 for equipment needs in the new Putnam High School that formally opened in September, 2012.

Construction is nearing completion at CRRC on a \$95 Million railroad car manufacturing operation at the former Westinghouse site on Page Boulevard in East Springfield. The 220,000 square foot facility will also include test tracks, engineering, research & development. CRRC retained a historic Westinghouse building which it has repurposed as its administrative offices. The plant will provide 150 production jobs with possible expansion of up to 300 jobs, and production of cars begins in early 2018.



The City has also worked hard to assist smaller manufacturing shops prosper in Springfield. In 2012, the City worked to bring Nash Manufacturing from Holyoke to Springfield and assisted Custom Carbide in relocating to a larger building within the City. The City also attracted prominent roofing company Titan Roofing in 2013 to make a \$2 million investment in relocating its headquarters facility from Chicopee to Springfield. In 2014, the City continued these efforts by assisting in the relocation of Advance Welding into Springfield as well as the expansion of Dave's Trucking and Freedom Credit Union.

Recognizing the demand for new industrial land, in 2003 the City created the Springfield Smith & Wesson Industrial Park on 85 acres, next to the Smith & Wesson headquarters. The new park has the potential to produce 650,000 square feet of industrial, commercial and general office space and generate as many as 1,000 jobs. Grants in the amount of \$2.48 million from the Federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) and a Public Works Economic Development grant (PWED) was used to design and build the infrastructure in the park. The first investor was Performance Food Group (PFG) – a Fortune 500 company - purchased 35 acres and opened a 210,000 square foot facility in 2007. In 2012, F.W. Webb purchased 15 acres of the property for \$1 million from the Springfield Redevelopment Authority and built a 70,000 square foot facility with a showroom, opened in 2013.

The Chicopee River Business Park, shared by Springfield and Chicopee, is ready for development and continues to be marketed by both cities and the Western Massachusetts Economic Development Corporation. The first tenant was Prima North America, an industrial laser company. Since its opening in 2003, the company expanded its building to 86,000 square feet. A new privately developed solar park has been developed on the property that provides the City with approximately \$40,000 per year in new taxes. The following table summarizes tax increment financing agreements the City has relative to its economic development effort.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Year Certified</u>
CNR MA Corporation	TIF	2015
Falvey Linen Supply Inc & East Springfield Realty LLC	TIF	2015
Silverbrick	HDIP	2015
Amasdave, LLC dba Dave's Truck Repair, Inc.	TIF	2014
Freedom Credit Union	TIF	2014
Kielb Welding Enterprises, Inc. dba Advance Welding	TIF	2014
Latino Food Distributors, Inc. / 90 Meat Outlet, LLC	TIF	2013
Nash Manufacturing & Grinding Services Inc.	STA	2013
Titan Roofing, Inc.	TIF	2013
F. W Webb Company and RAM Construction LLC	TIF	2011
Titeflex Corporation	TIF	2010
Springfield Riverfront Development Corp.	TIF	2002

Housing Development

The City released in 2013 a new market rate housing study for both downtown and the South End. The report, completed by national expert Zimmerman/Volk Associates, showed a strong market interest in downtown housing rental units for market rate tenants. The City was a significant voice in the Gateway Cities movement which has resulted in new tax credits for market rate housing development. Other significant housing developments throughout the City include the continuing tornado rebuilding in Maple High/Six Corners, including a major investment in single family housing along the Central Street corridor. New York developers Silverbrick Group purchased the former “Morgan Square Apartments” in the summer of 2014 for \$9 million and have completed a \$6 million renovation of the 265 units, bringing them back to premier market rate status. The newly named “Silverbrick Lofts” is building off of the new energy downtown including the redevelopment of Union Station, the expansion of colleges, and the MGM Springfield complex.

Higher Education

Higher education is available in Springfield at American International College, Springfield College, Western New England University and School of Law, Cambridge College and Springfield Technical Community College. In addition, the main campuses of the University of Massachusetts (UMass-Amherst), Amherst College, Hampshire College, Mount Holyoke College, Smith College, Bay Path University, Elms College and Westfield State University are located in nearby communities.

In 2010, UMass-Amherst established a presence in the City's downtown with the UMASS Amherst Design Center, which is home base for approximately 20 studio design projects in Springfield for the past two years. In September 2014, UMASS Amherst opened a new UMass satellite center at Tower Square in downtown Springfield to significantly expand the University's presence in Western Massachusetts.

Enrollment at Springfield's institutions of higher education includes approximately 19,000 full and part-time students. During the past several years, all four of these colleges have upgraded and expanded their facilities to accommodate student needs and remain competitive. In addition, a number of construction projects are underway or in the planning stages at these institutions.

Healthcare and Social Assistance

Baystate Health Systems is one of the largest employers in Western Massachusetts with approximately 10,000 employees in the region, of which an estimated 8,700 work in Springfield. In recent years, Baystate Health Systems was named one of the “Top 100 Most Highly Integrated Healthcare Networks” in the U.S. by Verispan for the eighth consecutive year and one of “America’s Best Hospitals” by U.S. News and World Report. Baystate Health Systems recently completed a nearly \$300 million expansion of the Baystate Medical Center in Springfield. The project expanded the largest medical facility in Western Massachusetts with a new eight story, 600,000 square foot building. The expansion provided 200 construction jobs plus permanent employment for 50 doctors and 500 staff members.

Leisure and Hospitality

Tourism has sprouted new investment in hotels as well. On Dwight Street, the City’s economic development office worked closely with the new owner of an aging former Holiday Inn, utilizing a City and HUD sponsored Section 108 loan to assist in completion of a full renovation of the building and rebranding to a “La Quinta Inn & Suites.” Project investment was over \$3.5 million and the newly branded hotel, La Quinta, opened in 2012 and is just blocks away from Union Station, a long dormant train station that has been transformed into an intermodal transit center.

The Hampton Inn & Suites opened in 2016 after a \$4 million investment in the new 87-room hotel in the South End of Springfield. A 99-room Holiday Inn Express & Suites, long in development for several years, has begun to restart construction with a target opening date of early 2018. Other hotels have also taken notice in Springfield’s expanding tourism industry, with reported interests from Home2Hilton Suites, Main Street Hospitality, and a hotel component to the redevelopment of the former Paramount Theater.

All of this is in addition to the construction of 250 rooms at MGM Springfield, slated to be complete in mid-2018. This hotel will be Springfield’s first four-star hotel, and will help serve as a catalyst to attract additional conventions and meetings.

Hotel Inventory

<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Square Feet</u>	<u>Number of Rooms</u>
Sheraton	375,000	325
Marriott	192,000	265
Hilton Garden Inn	82,589	143
Hampton Inn & Suites	58,403	87
LaQuinta	152,488	180
Total	860,480	1,000

Source: City of Springfield Economic Development Department.

Government Projects

Springfield Union Station opened in June, 2017 after a \$95 million renovation of the historic facility. The building had been shuttered for 44 years, and is now an intermodal transit center. With a new 377-parking structure and attached bus berths for both intra-city and intercity bus service, the new Union Station will make travelling through Springfield very easy.



New in 2018 will be commuter rail to Hartford and New Haven, CT, adding frequent rail service to both of these cities. This will also give the ability for the rider to purchase a ticket in Union Station in Springfield and be connected all the way to New York City via commuter and Metro North rail. The renovation of the station has already won awards, including a Preservation Massachusetts award for best before and after.

The State has and continues to be a strong partner and advocate in the

disaster recovery efforts of the City as it continues to recover from the June 2011 tornado and October 2011 snow storm. The tornado, estimated to cost the City a total of \$89 million in damages, most of which has been reimbursed by FEMA, impacted two schools and the local armory, which was being used as a community center, along with various emergency protective measures such as police, fire and code enforcement support. The Elias Brookings Elementary School was a three story, 85-year old school directly in the path of the tornado. Based on the need to update the building to current codes and standards, and the fact that enrollment was higher than the current school could accommodate, the decision was made to build a new school for the neighborhood, as opposed to repairing the damaged building. The MSBA approved the \$27 million project and will provide 100% eligible cost reimbursement to the City which began construction in 2013 and is now complete.

In addition to the Brookings project, the Mary Dryden Elementary School lost an entire wing of the building as a result of the tornado. The MSBA approved the rebuilding of the wing at a cost of approximately \$15 million, and will provide 100% eligible cost reimbursement to the City.

The City was also awarded nearly \$22 million in CDBG-Disaster Recovery funds in 2013. Further, Springfield won a \$16 million grant from HUD for Disaster Resiliency, the funding of which is being spent on a host of projects including a new backup power facility for Baystate Medical Center, and a new hydro power facility in the Six Corners neighborhood.

Financial Overview

Within 170 days after the annual organization of the City government (which is ordinarily in early January), the Mayor is required to submit a budget of proposed expenditures for the fiscal year beginning on July 1. The City Council may make appropriations for the recommended purposes and may reduce or reject any item. Without a recommendation of the Mayor, the Council may not make any appropriation for a purpose not included in the proposed budget, except by a two-thirds vote in case of a failure of the Mayor to recommend an appropriation for such a purpose within 7 days after a request from the City Council. The Council may not increase any item without the recommendation of the Mayor (except as provided by legislation, subject to local acceptance, under which the school budget or regional school district assessment can be increased upon recommendation of the school committee or regional district school committee and by two-thirds vote of the council, provided that such increase does not cause the total annual budget to exceed property tax limitations). If the Council fails to act on any item of the proposed budget within 45 days, that item takes effect. If the Mayor does not make a timely budget submission, provision is made for preparation of a budget by the Council. Provision is also made for supplementary appropriations upon recommendation of the Mayor.

As a result of an initiative law adopted in November 1980, school committees are no longer autonomous with respect to school expenditures for current purposes. The school budget is limited to the total amount appropriated

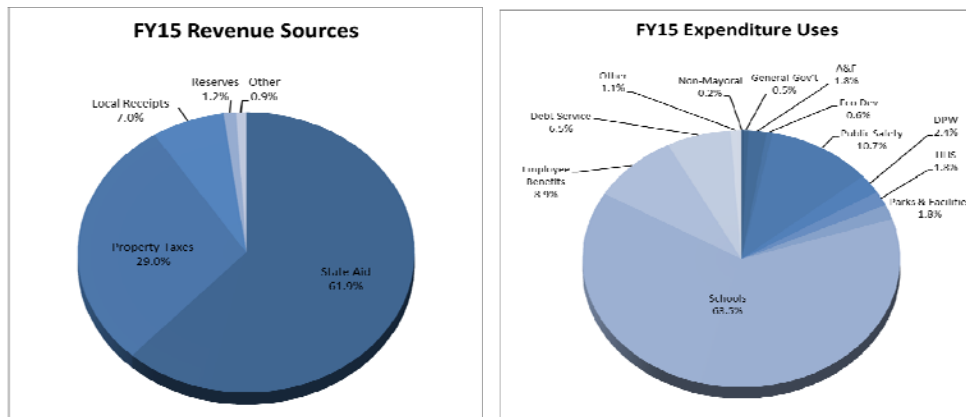
by the city council, but the school committee retains full power to allocate the funds appropriated. City department heads are generally required to submit their budget requests to the Mayor in January. This does not apply to the school department, which must submit its requests in time for the Mayor to include them in his submission to the council. State and county assessments, abatements in excess of overlays, principal and interest not otherwise provided for, and final judgments are included in the tax levy whether or not included in the budget. Revenues are not required to be set forth in the budget but estimated non-tax revenues are taken into account by the assessors in fixing the tax levy.

Budget Highlights

Fiscal Year 2015 – The Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 is \$581,922,838. This represents a 1.8% increase over the FY14 Adopted Budget and a 1.7% increase from the FY14 Revised Budget. Fiscal Year 2015 marks an upswing for the City’s finances with a second consecutive year of increases to the City’s assessed property valuations, budgeted State Aid, local receipt estimates, and reduced reliance on reserves.

Costs, however, continue to increase with the need to support legal and contractual obligations, employee salaries and benefits, and other city-wide fixed costs. The City has also been strategically addressing the structural deficit by reducing the use of reserves to fund operating expenses. Through the annual planning process of building the City’s four-year Multi Year Financial Plan and amassing department budget requests, the City contended with a \$21.8 million deficit. The City’s goals for the FY15 budget process were threefold. The first step was solving for a \$21.8 million deficit due to rising salaries, benefits, contractual costs and stagnant projected revenue. Second was to reduce our reliance on one-time revenue to solve for the budget gap. Finally, with these limited resources, provide strategic investments to the City. In addition, budgets were analyzed and presented based on departmental programs. This is the first time the City has budgeted on a programmatic basis, allowing for more data-driven decision making. By analyzing and presenting departmental funding in this manner, programs are clarified improving expenditure prioritization. The City’s resources are allocated to the programs that deliver the greatest benefits to the community.

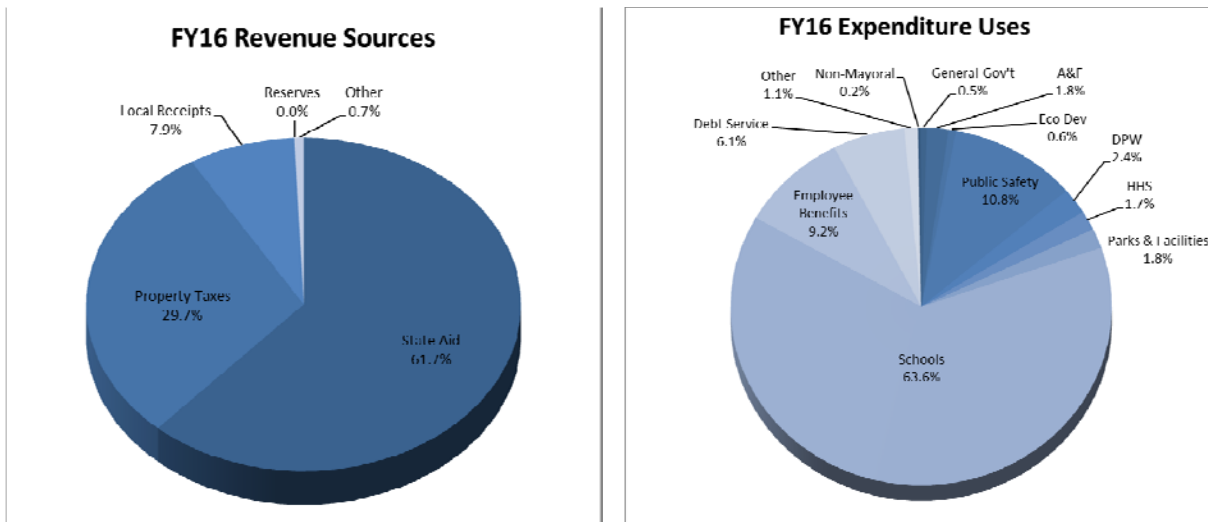
FY15 Sources & Uses



Fiscal Year 2016 – The Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 is \$594,911,803. This represents a 2.2% increase over the FY15 Adopted Budget and a -4% decrease from the FY15 Revised Budget. Notably, FY16 is the first year since FY08 that City has been able to balance its budget without the use of supplemental reserve funds. Costs, however, continue to increase with the need to support legal and contractual obligations, employee salaries and benefits, and other city-wide fixed costs. Through the annual planning process of building the City’s four-year Multi Year Financial Plan, amassing department budget requests and with consideration of projected casino revenue, the City contended with a \$14.5M deficit. The administrative goals for the FY16 budget process were three-fold: first, solving for a \$14.5M deficit that was created due to rising salaries, benefits, contractual costs as well as stagnant projected revenue; second, balancing the budget while reducing reliance on one-time

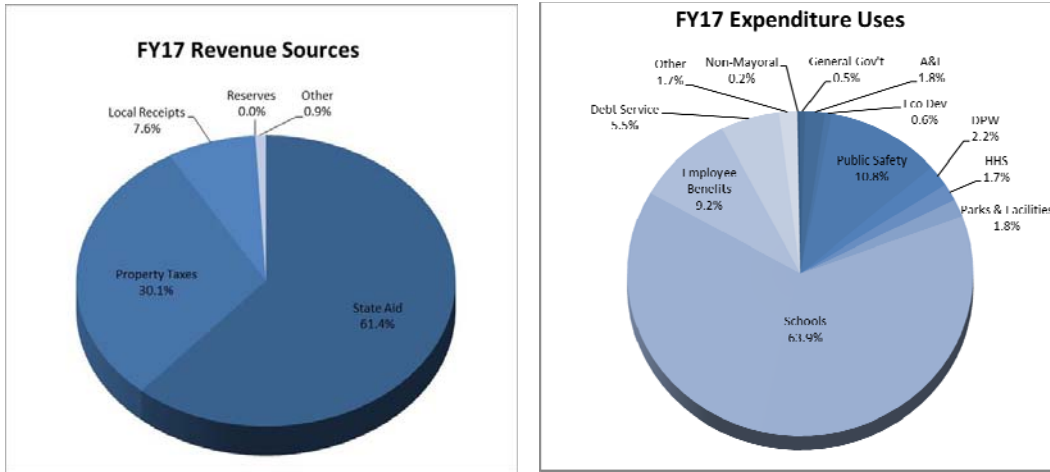
revenue; and finally, with limited resources, providing strategic investments to the City in the areas of public safety and education. As part of closing the budget gap, budgets were analyzed and presented based on departmental programs. For the second year, the City has budgeted on a programmatic basis, allowing for more data-driven decision making. By analyzing and presenting departmental funding in this manner, programs are clarified improving expenditure prioritization. Allocating the City's resources to the programs that deliver the greatest benefits to the community has been made possible by program-based budgeting.

FY16 Sources & Uses



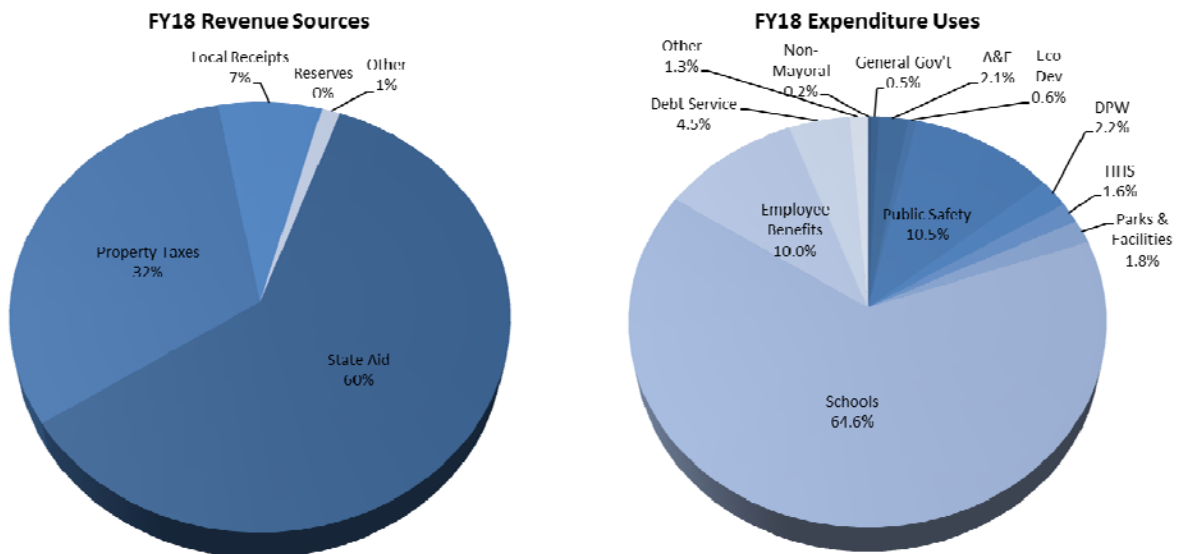
Fiscal Year 2017 – The Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 is \$616,807,963. This represents a 3.7% increase over the FY16 Adopted Budget. Notably, FY17 is the second year in a row that City has been able to balance its budget without the use of supplemental reserve funds. Costs, however, continue to increase with the need to support legal and contractual obligations, employee salaries and benefits, namely our pension obligation, along with other city-wide fixed costs. Through the annual planning process of building the City's four-year Multi Year Financial Plan, amassing department budget requests and with consideration of projected casino revenue, the City contended with a \$16.7M deficit. As always, the administrative goals for the FY17 budget process were three-fold: first, solving for a \$16.7M deficit that was created due to rising salaries, benefits, contractual costs as well as stagnant projected revenue; second, balancing the budget while reducing reliance on one-time revenue; and finally, with limited resources, providing strategic investments to the City in the areas of public safety and education. As part of closing the budget gap, budgets were analyzed and presented based on departmental programs. The City continues to analyze and budget on a programmatic basis, allowing for more data-driven decision making. By analyzing and presenting departmental funding in this manner, programs are clarified improving expenditure prioritization. Allocating the City's resources to the programs that deliver the greatest benefits to the community has been made possible by program-based budgeting.

FY17 Sources & Uses



Fiscal Year 2018 – The FY18 Adopted Budget totals \$628,819,202, which represents a 1.9% increase over the FY17 Adopted Budget. FY18 marks the third consecutive year that the City has been able to balance its budget without the use of supplemental reserve funds. The City’s assessed property valuations, budgeted State Aid, and local receipt estimates, continue to increase. However, this is offset by the need to support legal and contractual obligations, employee salaries and benefits, and other city-wide fixed costs. This year a \$28.9 million gap was identified upon review of all departmental budget requests. All budget decisions have been carefully evaluated using a three-pronged approach: revenue increases, expenditure reductions, and strategic offsets to alternate funding sources. In addition, budgets have been analyzed and presented based on departmental programs, allowing for more data-driven decision-making.

FY18 Sources & Uses



Long Term Financial Planning

The City's Chief Administrative and Financial Officer and Office of Management and Budget prepare a 4-year forecast and update it annually. The instrument provides an initial roadmap of the City's financial future, aids in planning for upcoming budget years, and provides stakeholders with information about the upcoming challenges facing the City. The City engages in the planning process to illustrate how budget and operational decisions today impact the City in the future. The process and the final report helps the City understand and think through budget decisions. By knowing the projected gap in the future, the City is required to make decisions that may not have an immediate impact but will help alleviate future budgetary gaps. The plan outlines and explores the environment the City operates in (the nationwide economic situation, upcoming issues, and the state economy) and the environment's impact on the City's future.

	FISCAL 2016 ACTUAL	FISCAL 2017 ADOPTED	FISCAL 2018 MYFP - PROJECTED	FISCAL 2019 MYFP - PROJECTED	FISCAL 2020 MYFP - PROJECTED	FISCAL 2021 MYFP - PROJECTED
SPENDING ASSUMPTIONS						
Administration and Finance Division	10,343,232	13,025,718	12,841,195	13,098,019	13,359,979	13,627,179
Development Division	3,472,561	3,868,681	3,946,054	6,024,975	6,145,475	6,268,384
General Government Division	3,420,480	3,172,818	3,514,077	3,584,359	3,656,046	3,729,167
Non-Mayoral Division	1,394,053	1,391,514	1,419,344	1,447,731	1,476,686	1,506,219
Health and Human Services Division	9,393,201	10,641,495	10,854,325	11,071,411	11,292,840	11,518,696
Public Safety Division	62,023,119	66,392,461	69,122,461	70,504,910	71,915,009	73,353,309
Public Works Division	13,531,097	13,340,665	14,384,047	14,671,728	14,965,162	15,264,465
Parks & Facilities Division	10,616,247	10,933,366	11,152,033	11,375,074	11,602,575	11,834,627
School Department	387,807,273	391,176,970	407,492,148	423,255,547	439,690,758	456,830,903
Debt	36,183,041	34,070,027	32,724,190	34,330,189	30,281,354	29,371,905
Health Insurance & Fringe	25,641,207	26,803,851	28,914,980	30,768,499	32,749,217	34,865,993
Pensions*	28,319,804	30,244,288	34,645,425	39,469,884	42,612,675	46,006,889
Other Spending	7,592,958	8,499,106	9,316,861	9,002,502	9,192,673	9,387,488
TOTAL	599,738,273	613,560,960	640,327,141	668,604,828	688,940,449	713,565,225
REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS						
Property Taxes	174,932,849	185,958,317	192,220,757	197,126,276	202,154,433	207,308,294
Local Receipts	45,327,467	46,680,481	40,830,481	40,830,481	40,830,481	40,830,482
State Aid	366,840,842	375,422,162	383,979,380	392,151,693	401,268,095	410,828,498
Reserves	350,184	-	-	-	-	-
Net School Spending	9,513,484	-	-	-	-	-
Other Financing Sources	494,238	-	-	-	-	-
Casino Revenue	7,000,000	5,500,000	4,000,000	19,922,857	20,742,857	20,742,857
TOTAL	604,459,064	613,560,960	621,030,618	650,031,308	664,995,867	679,710,131
SURPLUS / (GAP)	4,720,790	0	(19,296,523)	(18,573,520)	(23,944,583)	(33,855,094)

As with any large organization long-term liabilities are continually evaluated and help drive decisions on current year services.

- Property Tax Limitations** - From 1996 to 2000 Springfield's tax levy was up against its 2.5 percent levy ceiling, limiting the City's ability to increase property taxes. Since 2004, the City increased its room between the tax levy and the tax ceiling through additional economic development and higher assessed values. In 2011, Springfield's assessed values decreased by 2.1 percent and, in 2012, decreased by an additional 1.1 percent. Although a lesser decline than originally expected was encountered in FY12, the City made an effort to reduce property taxes for the majority of businesses and residents. FY17 was the first year in many that the City's tax levy was not restricted by the levy ceiling.

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17
	Levy Calculation	Levy Calculation	Levy Calculation	Levy Calculation	Levy Calculation	Levy Calculation	Levy Calculation
Prior Year Levy Limit	170,824,032	171,233,218	169,400,199	167,408,833	172,959,829	176,123,213	181,910,553
Increase levy 2.5%	4,270,601	4,280,830	4,235,005	4,185,221	4,323,996	4,403,080	4,547,764
Subtotal	175,094,633	175,514,048	173,635,204	171,594,053	177,283,825	180,526,293	186,458,317
Certified New Growth	3,482,214	4,526,534	5,868,281	5,796,076	3,893,490	5,047,901	4,966,608
Potential Levy Limit	178,576,847	180,040,582	179,503,485	177,390,129	181,177,315	185,574,194	191,424,925
Assessed Values	68,489,287	6,776,007,950	6,696,353,300	6,918,393,170	7,044,928,510	7,276,422,120	7,657,956,080
Levy Ceiling	171,223,218	169,400,199	167,408,833	172,959,829	176,123,213	181,910,553	191,448,902
FY Levy Limit	171,223,218	169,400,199	167,408,833	172,959,829	176,123,213	181,910,553	191,424,925
Lost Revenue	(7,353,629)	(10,640,384)	(12,094,652)	(4,430,300)	(5,054,102)	(3,663,641)	-
Total lost to date FY12-FY16: \$43M							

State Aid - The Commonwealth reduced state aid (Unrestricted General Government Aid) to Springfield by 30% since FY08. Chapter 70 Aid continues to grow, however, so do our education expenses including the City's required contribution and the non-School eligible spending cost for transportation. Because the City's budget is reliant on State Aid for 60% of our revenues, our budget follows the same economic cycles experienced by the State.



- **Personnel** - One of the largest costs in the City's budget is personnel. The City is able to manage these costs through strict control mechanisms such as the Personnel Review Committee. This Committee reviews every hire, backfill, and promotion prior to filling a vacancy and frequently drives a re-examination and modernization of departmental structures as part of its review. Department heads must justify and/or reaffirm the need for every position when a vacancy occurs. Union positions make up the majority of the City's FTEs along with the need to address their annual contractual pay increases.

CITY TOTAL FTEs									
FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
1,557.9	1,433.2	1,410.3	1,298.8	1,208.3	1,242.2	1,288.2	1,324.3	1,356.3	1,380.7

- **Benefits** - Prior to Fiscal Year 2007, the City's health insurance costs were increasing at a rate of 18 percent annually. The City became the first community to join the Group Insurance Commission (GIC). The GIC purchases health insurance for 265,000 state employees and retirees and has significant purchasing power. Over the last number of years, GIC premiums increased at an average 5% annually which is significant growth but much more controlled than under the previous situation.
- **Retirement** - Retirement benefits for local and state employees are uniform across the Commonwealth. Until July 2009, Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws required municipalities to fully fund their retirement

liability by 2028. The Commonwealth's Fiscal Year 2010 budget included an extension of this requirement to 2030, and further modifications to 2040 were adopted in FY11. The City must revalue its schedule every 2 years and adjust the schedule accordingly. Springfield's most recent actuarial valuation estimated the City's unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) at \$827.4 million as of January 1, 2016. Our funded status is 26.2%.

- **Other Post-Employment Benefits** - In addition to providing pension benefits, the City provides health, dental, vision and life insurance to retired employees and their survivors, in accordance with Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The City's OPEB unfunded actuarial accrued liability is estimated at \$974.9 million based on the most recent actuarial valuation. In order to fully fund this liability in 30 years, as it does with retirement, the City would have to appropriate approximately \$66.7 million on an annual basis. We currently fund approximately 39.7% of this amount.
- **Debt Service and Capital Needs** - The City has a \$850.1 million Capital Improvement Plan that identifies major equipment and construction needs over the next five years. Due to previous deferred maintenance and the number of facilities and parks, the City has significant capital needs.

Awards

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Springfield for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. This was the sixth consecutive year that the City has achieved this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements. A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

Distinguished Budget Award

The GFOA awarded a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the City of Springfield for its budget document for fiscal year 2017. This was the ninth consecutive year the City has received this prestigious award. The GFOA established the Distinguished Budget Award in 1984 to encourage and assist state and local governments to prepare budget documents of the very highest quality that reflect both the guidelines established by the National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting and the GFOA's recommended practices on budgeting and then to recognize individual governments that succeed in achieving that goal. A Budget Presentation Award is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current FY2018 budget will meet the criteria to be eligible for a tenth award.

Acknowledgements

The preparation of both the CAFR and the Annual Budget would not have been possible without the efficient and dedicated services of the City Comptroller's office and the Office of Management and Budget.

Likewise, we wish to thank every City department both Management and staff whose cooperation and assistance made these financial and budget goals possible and contributed to making the annual budget process and annual fiscal year-end close a success.

Credit must also be given to the Mayor and City Council for their unfailing support for maintaining the highest standards of professionalism in the management of the City of Springfield's finances.

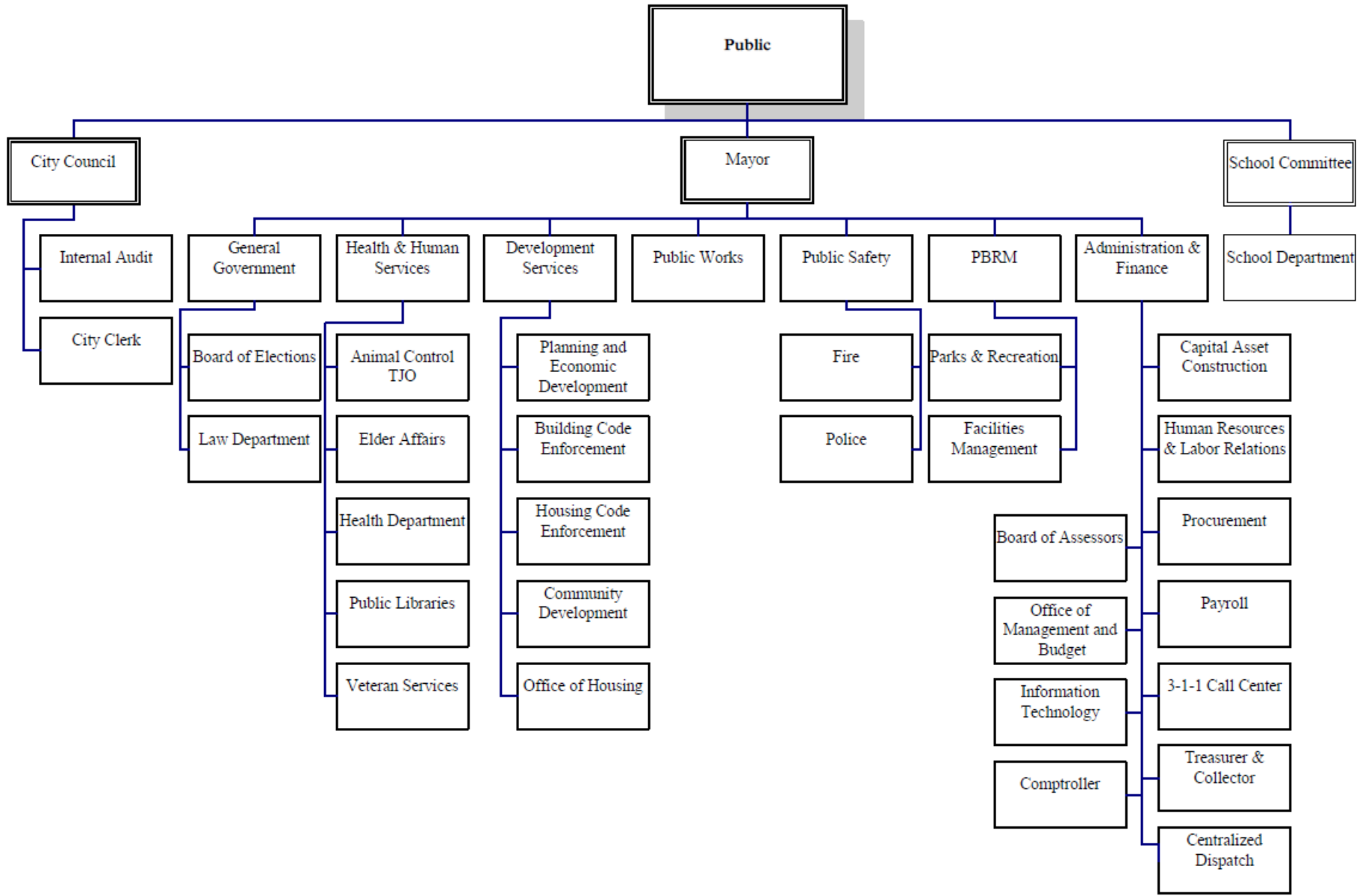
Patrick S. Burns	City Comptroller
Lindsay Hackett	Budget Director
Joanne Raleigh	Deputy Comptroller
Antoinette Basile	Sr. Financial Accountant
Beth Gokey	Financial Accountant
Maria Lopez-Santiago	Business Process Coordinator
Sharolyn Vickers	Financial Accountant
Xianhong Zheng	Financial Accountant
Leslie Labonte	Office Manager
Diane Jendrysik	Senior Account Clerk

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy J. Plante
Chief Administrative & Financial Officer

Organizational Chart



Directory of Officials

Mayor

Domenic J. Sarno

City Council

Orlando Ramos, Ward 8 (President)

Justin Hurst, At Large (Vice President)	Adam Gomez, Ward 1
Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3	E. Henry Twiggs, Ward 4
Marcus J. Williams, Ward 5	Kenneth E. Shea, Ward 6
Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7	Kateri Walsh, At Large
Thomas Ashe, At Large	Michael A. Fenton, Ward 2
Timothy J. Rooke, At Large	Bud L. Williams, At Large

School Committee

Mayor Domenic J. Sarno (Chairman)

Attorney Peter Murphy, District 4 (Vice-Chair)	Rosa Perez, District 1
Barbara Gresham, District 2	Denise Hurst, At Large
Christopher Collins, District 3	Norman Roldan, At Large

Appointed City Executive Branch

Chief Administrative and Financial Officer	Timothy J. Plante
Comptroller	Patrick S. Burns
Budget Director	Lindsay Hackett
Director of Internal Audit	Yong Ju No
Treasurer/Collector	Stephen Lonergan
Chairman of the Board of Assessors	Richard J. Allen
City Clerk	Anthony I. Wilson, Esq



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Financial Section



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View of Court Square, Downtown Springfield, MA from the Campanile.

Financial Section

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and the City Council
City of Springfield, Massachusetts

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 (except for the Springfield Contributory Retirement System which is as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016), 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 did not audit the financial statements of the Springfield Redevelopment Authority and the Springfield Museums Corporation, which represent 100% of the assets, net position, and revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Springfield Redevelopment Authority and the Springfield Museums Corporation, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. 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 of material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of other auditors, 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 aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, as of June 30, 2017 (except for the Springfield Contributory Retirement System which is as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016), 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 required supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, 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 of Springfield's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual fund statements, and statistical section, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

The introductory and statistical sections, as listed in the table of contents, have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 18, 2017, on our consideration of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City of Springfield, Massachusetts' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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December 18, 2017

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

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As management of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, we offer readers of these financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City of Springfield for the year ended June 30, 2017. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in this report.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the authoritative standard setting body that provides guidance on how to prepare financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Users of these financial statements (such as investors and rating agencies) rely on the GASB to establish consistent reporting standards for all governments in the United States. This consistent application is the only way users (including citizens, the media, legislators and others) can assess the financial condition of one government compared to others.

Governments must adhere to GASB pronouncements in order to issue their financial statements in conformity with GAAP. The users of financial statements also rely on the independent auditor's opinion. If the City's financial statements have significant departures from GAAP the independent auditor may issue a modified opinion or a disclaimer (where no opinion is given). These types of opinions may have an adverse effect on the City's bond rating and our ability to borrow money at favorable interest rates. The financial statements of the primary government have received an unmodified auditor's opinion.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City of Springfield's basic financial statements. These basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The government-wide financial statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the City as a whole. The fund financial statements focus on the individual components of the City government, reporting the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. Both presentations (government-wide and fund) allow the user to address relevant questions, broaden the basis of comparison and enhance the City's accountability. An additional part of the basic financial statements are the notes to the financial statements. The report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

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

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

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

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, education, public works, health and welfare, culture and recreation, community development activity associated with the Union Station project, and interest. The business-type activities consist of the City's trash collection activities.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

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

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

The City adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The City reports the General Fund as a major fund that is presented separately in the governmental fund financial statements. The remaining non-major funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

Proprietary funds. The City maintains two types of proprietary funds.

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The City uses an enterprise fund to account for its trash activities. The trash enterprise fund is not intended to be self-supporting and required a substantial subsidy from the general fund of \$3.3 million and \$4 million in 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among various functions. The City uses this fund to account for risk financing activities related to self-insured dental and eye care services, the fully insured health care plan, and a motor pool for gas and auto supplies operated by the Department of Public Works.

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

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

Financial Highlights

- The City's government-wide assets and deferred outflows of resources were less than its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the recent year by \$416 million and \$1.8 million for governmental activities and business-type activities, respectively.
- At the close of the current year, the City of Springfield's general fund reported an ending fund balance of \$94.9 million, an increase of \$11.3 million over the prior year. Total fund balance represents 13.4% of total general fund expenditures. \$67.6 million of this total amount is unassigned and available for appropriation at the City's discretion. The remaining portions of the general fund balance, \$27.3 million, are restricted and assigned to school funding, required reserves, and carryover encumbrances.
- The City issued \$47.4 million of new governmental long-term debt for various projects during the year and along with \$22.6 million of lump-sum payments from the Massachusetts School Building Authority refunded \$48.5 million of school debt originally issued in 2007. The current refunding of the debt will save the City \$3.8 million of future debt service over the life of the new bonds.
- GASB Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pensions Plans*, was implemented this year. This standard added Note disclosures and Required Supplemental Information for the City's OPEB Trust fund. Its sister standard, GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment benefits Other Than Pensions*, is required to be implemented in FY2018. This standard will affect the financial statements themselves by requiring the City to record its OPEB assets, liabilities, and deferred financial statement elements for the first time.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. Key components of the City's activities are presented below.

Governmental Activities

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assets:		
Current assets.....	\$ 243,838,969	\$ 248,341,140
Noncurrent assets (excluding capital).....	9,824,555	28,660,117
Capital assets, non depreciable.....	48,018,083	32,612,497
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.....	<u>593,824,715</u>	<u>614,121,216</u>
Total assets.....	<u>895,506,322</u>	<u>923,734,970</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions.....	<u>53,010,999</u>	<u>62,836,096</u>
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities (excluding debt).....	71,347,315	77,534,874
Noncurrent liabilities (excluding debt).....	1,073,583,299	1,019,314,736
Current debt.....	24,096,988	56,148,225
Noncurrent debt.....	<u>195,440,746</u>	<u>187,425,834</u>
Total liabilities.....	<u>1,364,468,348</u>	<u>1,340,423,669</u>
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets.....	445,205,624	464,426,535
Restricted.....	22,574,550	18,121,346
Unrestricted.....	<u>(883,731,201)</u>	<u>(838,399,784)</u>
Total net position.....	<u>\$ (415,951,027)</u>	<u>\$ (355,851,903)</u>

Governmental net position of \$445.2 million reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, infrastructure, and machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although the investment in its capital assets is reported net of its 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.

An additional portion of the net position of \$22.6 million represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of *unrestricted net position* resulted in a \$883.7 million deficit mainly relating to the cumulative effect of recording \$744.1 million of governmental net pension liabilities and \$305.5 million of governmental other postemployment benefit (OPEB) liabilities through June 30, 2017.

Net position decreased by \$60.1 million in 2017 as compared to a decrease of 62.8 million in 2016. Contributing to the current year decrease are the following factors; the \$32.7 million increase in the liability for other postemployment benefits and the increase of \$33 million in the net pension liability and related deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources.

Operating grant revenues increased by approximately \$21 million and this is mainly due to State on-behalf payments for teacher retirement benefits that increased by \$13.3 million over the prior year, and for other increases in educational State aid. Capital grants have started to decline as the school construction projects are nearly complete.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Program revenues:		
Charges for services.....	\$ 39,350,696	\$ 34,921,873
Operating grants and contributions.....	488,898,185	467,921,940
Capital grants and contributions.....	7,759,281	14,989,533
General Revenues:		
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	186,737,092	176,798,970
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	14,676,929	13,397,189
Penalties and interest on taxes.....	1,355,037	1,587,998
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs.....	36,440,603	34,943,018
Unrestricted investment income.....	2,338,896	989,345
Payments in lieu of taxes.....	2,109,803	1,489,346
Chapter 121A - excise payments in lieu of taxes.....	6,592,119	7,598,317
Other revenues.....	19,282	582,428
Total revenues.....	<u>786,277,923</u>	<u>755,219,957</u>
Expenses:		
General government.....	56,754,950	59,794,804
Public safety.....	140,788,834	133,631,995
Education.....	570,421,173	547,408,081
Public works.....	30,622,701	30,294,896
Health and welfare.....	9,672,059	9,823,540
Culture and recreation.....	26,372,799	21,575,179
Community development - union station.....	202,630	2,904,953
Interest.....	8,255,720	8,540,037
Total expenses.....	<u>843,090,866</u>	<u>813,973,485</u>
Excess (Deficiency) before transfers.....	<u>(56,812,943)</u>	<u>(58,753,528)</u>
Transfers.....	<u>(3,286,181)</u>	<u>(4,042,175)</u>
Change in net position.....	<u>(60,099,124)</u>	<u>(62,795,703)</u>
Net position - beginning.....	<u>(355,851,903)</u>	<u>(293,056,200)</u>
Net position - ending.....	<u>\$ (415,951,027)</u>	<u>\$ (355,851,903)</u>

Financial notes related to governmental activities:

- Charges for services represent 5% of governmental activities resources. The City can exercise more control over this category of revenue than any other. Fees charged for services rendered that are set by the City are included in this category.
- Operating and capital grants and contributions accounted for 62% of the governmental activities resources. Most of these resources apply to education operations. These resources offset costs within the school department in addition to their General Fund operating budget.
- Property and excise taxes are a significant revenue source for the City's governmental activities. They comprised 26% of current resources.

- Other taxes and other revenues comprised a total of 6% of the governmental activity's resources. Other revenues consist mainly of grants and contributions and investment income earned on the City's deposits.
- Education is by far the largest governmental activity of the City. Approximately \$572.7 million in expenses were recorded in 2017. After accounting for \$462.2 million in program revenues, an additional \$111.6 million in taxes and other revenues were needed to cover its 2017 operating expenses. Approximately \$56.7 million of a pension contribution made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on-behalf of Springfield teachers has been recorded as an expense and operating grant revenue.
- Public safety, general government, and public works are the second, third, and fourth largest activities of the City. Approximately \$119.7 million, \$23.8 million, and \$24.4 million, respectively, of taxes and other revenues were needed to cover their 2017 operating expenses.

Business-type Activities. Business-type activities decreased the City's net position by \$1.4 million during 2017. These activities consist of the Trash enterprise fund.

Trash fund business-type activities assets and deferred outflows of resources were less than total liabilities by \$1.8 million at the close of 2017. The net investment in capital assets of \$677,000 relates to the acquisition of capital assets through capital lease financing. Unrestricted net position amounted to a deficit of \$2.5 million. The general fund subsidized the activities in the amount of \$3.3 million in 2017 and \$4 million in 2016. Operating and depreciation expenses amounted to \$9.1 million and \$9.4 million, respectively.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assets:		
Current assets.....	\$ 2,779,909	\$ 3,266,662
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.....	1,079,368	1,641,439
Total assets.....	<u>3,859,277</u>	<u>4,908,101</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions....	<u>322,650</u>	<u>318,092</u>
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities (excluding debt).....	59,074	279,672
Non-current liabilities (excluding debt).....	5,527,718	4,545,667
Current debt.....	199,519	364,963
Noncurrent debt.....	202,552	402,071
Total liabilities.....	<u>5,988,863</u>	<u>5,592,373</u>
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets.....	677,297	874,405
Unrestricted.....	<u>(2,484,233)</u>	<u>(1,240,585)</u>
Total net position.....	<u><u>\$ (1,806,936)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (366,180)</u></u>

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Program revenues:		
Charges for services.....	\$ 4,370,792	\$ 4,278,954
Expenses:		
Trash.....	<u>9,097,729</u>	<u>9,352,645</u>
Excess (Deficiency) before transfers.....	(4,726,937)	(5,073,691)
Transfers.....	<u>3,286,181</u>	<u>4,042,175</u>
Change in net position.....	(1,440,756)	\$ (1,031,516)
Net position - beginning.....	<u>(366,180)</u>	<u>665,336</u>
Net position - ending.....	\$ <u>(1,806,936)</u>	\$ <u>(366,180)</u>

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

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

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

As of the end of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of approximately \$159.2 million, an increase of approximately \$41 million from the prior year. The overall increase is primarily due positive budgetary results of operations in the general fund and prior year capital project spending that was funded in 2017 through the issuance of long term bonds. Also driving the change in the non-major funds fund balances are timing differences between the expenditures that are reimbursable under various grant programs and the actual receipt of the reimbursements.

General Fund

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$67.6 million, while total fund balance was \$94.9 million. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents approximately 10% of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents approximately 13.4% of that same amount. The General fund balance increased by \$11.3 million from the prior year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The City of Springfield adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget. Actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues by \$2.2 million and actual expenditures, including carryovers, were less than budgeted amounts by \$6.3 million. The City carried over \$21 million in appropriations to 2018.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

In previous years, the City had been approved to receive school construction assistance on various school construction projects under a program managed by the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA). Under the terms of this program, the City was required to incur general obligation debt financing for the full costs of the particular school construction project. The MSBA then provided annual grant distributions to the City and such reimbursements were meant to offset the annual debt service costs as the City repaid the bonds. During fiscal year 2017, the City entered into a debt refinancing transaction in which the City was able to retire \$48.5 million of school construction debt that carried an average interest rate of 5%. To complete this transaction, the MSBA accelerated the remaining \$22.6 million worth of reimbursements to the City. The City then received refinancing bonds totaling \$24 million at an average interest rate of 3.5%.

The City also issued \$47.4 million of new debt for various City projects and made scheduled principal payments of \$24.3 million.

Major capital assets are funded by the issuance of long-term debt or grant reimbursements. The City capitalized a total of \$44 million of expenditures during 2017. These capitalized costs represent approximately \$35.2 million of building improvements consisting mainly of door, window and roof replacements across the school district, the new senior center, the school lunch food service center and the ECOS center; \$3.9 million of vehicle, machinery and equipment costs for public safety and public works purposes; and \$4.9 million of infrastructure upgrades throughout the City.

Outstanding long-term debt of the general government, as of June 30, 2017, totaled approximately \$211 million, including unamortized premiums of \$11 million.

Please refer to notes 4, 6, 7, and 8 to the financial statements for further discussion of the major capital asset and debt activity.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Springfield's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer or the City Comptroller at 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA 01103.

Basic Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

	Primary Government			Component Units	
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Springfield Redevelopment Authority	Springfield Museums Corporation
ASSETS					
CURRENT:					
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 205,091,527	\$ 1,632,531	\$ 206,724,058	\$ 537,924	\$ 115,624
Restricted cash and cash equivalents.....	975,601	-	975,601	1,556,385	-
Investments.....	2,186,412	-	2,186,412	-	2,541,398
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:					
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	9,250,749	-	9,250,749	-	-
Tax liens.....	2,962,192	-	2,962,192	-	-
Motor vehicle excise taxes.....	2,520,841	-	2,520,841	-	-
Departmental and other.....	3,423,824	-	3,423,824	4,200	3,133,428
Trash fees.....	-	1,147,378	1,147,378	-	-
Intergovernmental.....	14,442,328	-	14,442,328	10,532,468	-
Loans.....	893,000	-	893,000	-	-
Tax foreclosures.....	1,992,495	-	1,992,495	-	-
Other current assets.....	-	-	-	10,000	280,499
Working capital deposit.....	100,000	-	100,000	-	-
Total current assets.....	243,838,969	2,779,909	246,618,878	12,640,977	6,070,949
NONCURRENT:					
Restricted cash and cash equivalents held by custodian.....	6,137,807	-	6,137,807	-	-
Investments.....	-	-	-	-	22,776,322
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:					
Loans.....	3,686,748	-	3,686,748	-	-
Contributions.....	-	-	-	-	2,057,853
Beneficial interest in perpetual trusts.....	-	-	-	-	22,849,249
Capital assets, non depreciable.....	48,018,083	-	48,018,083	846,115	-
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.....	593,824,715	1,079,368	594,904,083	86,667,830	17,119,106
Total noncurrent assets.....	651,667,353	1,079,368	652,746,721	87,513,945	64,802,530
TOTAL ASSETS.....	895,506,322	3,859,277	899,365,599	100,154,922	70,873,479
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions.....	53,010,999	322,650	53,333,649	-	-
LIABILITIES					
CURRENT:					
Warrants payable.....	10,575,877	5,687	10,581,564	3,300,622	875,696
Accrued unemployment liability.....	1,126,000	-	1,126,000	-	-
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	19,141,433	53,387	19,194,820	-	-
Health claims payable.....	161,869	-	161,869	-	-
Tax refunds payable.....	17,891,549	-	17,891,549	-	-
Accrued interest.....	2,280,589	-	2,280,589	16,378	-
Other liabilities.....	6,745,574	-	6,745,574	1,311	2,891,948
Capital lease obligations.....	3,328,862	199,519	3,528,381	-	-
Landfill closure.....	619,000	-	619,000	-	-
Compensated absences.....	9,127,424	-	9,127,424	-	-
Workers' compensation.....	1,965,000	-	1,965,000	-	-
Due to granting agencies.....	893,000	-	893,000	-	-
Claims and judgments.....	820,000	-	820,000	-	-
Notes payable.....	-	-	-	190,000	4,109,851
Bonds payable.....	20,768,126	-	20,768,126	-	107,323
Total current liabilities.....	95,444,303	258,593	95,702,896	3,508,311	7,984,818
NONCURRENT:					
Capital lease obligations.....	4,730,196	202,552	4,932,748	-	-
Due to granting agencies.....	5,312,000	-	5,312,000	-	-
Compensated absences.....	11,687,875	-	11,687,875	-	-
Workers' compensation.....	4,586,000	-	4,586,000	-	-
Landfill closure.....	2,475,000	-	2,475,000	-	-
Other postemployment benefits.....	305,466,679	999,040	306,465,719	-	-
Notes payable.....	-	-	-	180,000	-
Bonds payable.....	190,710,550	-	190,710,550	635,000	1,948,545
Net pension liability.....	744,055,745	4,528,678	748,584,423	-	-
Total noncurrent liabilities.....	1,269,024,045	5,730,270	1,274,754,315	815,000	1,948,545
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	1,364,468,348	5,988,863	1,370,457,211	4,323,311	9,933,363
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable revenue.....	-	-	-	8,910,596	-
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets.....	445,205,624	677,297	445,882,921	84,651,824	15,063,238
Restricted for:					
Chapter 656 Reserve.....	6,283,118	-	6,283,118	-	-
Debt service.....	6,137,807	-	6,137,807	-	-
Loans.....	212,748	-	212,748	-	-
Permanent funds:					
Nonexpendable.....	-	-	-	-	24,903,397
Grants and gifts.....	9,940,877	-	9,940,877	1,722,395	-
Unrestricted.....	(883,731,201)	(2,484,233)	(886,215,434)	546,796	20,973,481
TOTAL NET POSITION.....	\$ (415,951,027)	\$ (1,806,936)	\$ (417,757,963)	\$ 86,921,015	\$ 60,940,116

See notes to basic financial statements.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Primary Government:					
<i>Governmental Activities:</i>					
General government.....	\$ 56,754,950	\$ 9,689,920	\$ 20,007,289	\$ 2,176,646	\$ (24,881,095)
Public safety.....	140,788,834	16,548,101	4,577,318	-	(119,663,415)
Education.....	570,421,173	8,421,563	451,728,562	1,012,365	(109,258,683)
Public works.....	30,622,701	1,527,202	76,620	4,570,270	(24,448,609)
Health and welfare.....	9,672,059	481,089	5,275,106	-	(3,915,864)
Culture and recreation.....	26,372,799	2,682,821	1,657,445	-	(22,032,533)
Community development - Union Station.....	202,630	-	-	-	(202,630)
Interest.....	8,255,720	-	5,575,845	-	(2,679,875)
Total Governmental Activities.....	843,090,866	39,350,696	488,898,185	7,759,281	(307,082,704)
<i>Business-Type Activities:</i>					
Trash.....	9,097,729	4,370,792	-	-	(4,726,937)
Total Primary Government.....	\$ 852,188,595	\$ 43,721,488	\$ 488,898,185	\$ 7,759,281	\$ (311,809,641)
Component Units:					
Springfield Redevelopment Authority.....	\$ 2,714,177	\$ 989,478	\$ 27,526,558	\$ -	\$ 25,801,859
Springfield Museums Corporation.....	7,819,638	1,667,003	4,839,508	-	(1,313,127)
Total Component Units.....	\$ 10,533,815	\$ 2,656,481	\$ 32,366,066	\$ -	\$ 24,488,732

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See notes to basic financial statements.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<i>Primary Government</i>			<i>Component Units</i>	
	Governmental	Business-Type	Total	Springfield	Springfield
	Activities	Activities		Redevelopment Authority	Museums Association
Changes in net position:					
Net (expense) revenue from previous page.....	\$ (307,082,704)	\$ (4,726,937)	\$ (311,809,641)	\$ 25,801,859	\$ (1,313,127)
<i>General revenues:</i>					
Real estate and personal property taxes, net of tax refunds payable.....	184,532,180	-	184,532,180	-	-
Tax liens.....	2,204,912	-	2,204,912	-	-
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	11,554,971	-	11,554,971	-	-
Hotel/motel tax.....	1,352,635	-	1,352,635	-	-
Local meals tax.....	1,769,323	-	1,769,323	-	-
Penalties and interest on taxes.....	1,355,037	-	1,355,037	-	-
Payments in lieu of taxes.....	2,109,803	-	2,109,803	-	-
Chapter 121A - excise payments in lieu of taxes.....	6,592,119	-	6,592,119	-	-
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs.....	36,440,603	-	36,440,603	-	-
Unrestricted investment income.....	2,338,896	-	2,338,896	-	4,181,721
Miscellaneous.....	19,282	-	19,282	-	3,246
<i>Transfers, net</i>	(3,286,181)	3,286,181	-	-	(3,533,800)
Total general revenues and transfers.....	246,983,580	3,286,181	250,269,761	-	651,167
Change in net position.....	(60,099,124)	(1,440,756)	(61,539,880)	25,801,859	(661,960)
<i>Net Position:</i>					
Beginning of year.....	(355,851,903)	(366,180)	(356,218,083)	61,119,156	61,602,076
End of year.....	\$ (415,951,027)	\$ (1,806,936)	\$ (417,757,963)	\$ 86,921,015	\$ 60,940,116

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See notes to basic financial statements.

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET**

JUNE 30, 2017

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 128,294,277	\$ 64,003,288	\$ 192,297,565
Restricted cash and cash equivalents.....	-	975,601	975,601
Restricted cash and cash equivalents held by custodian.....	-	6,137,807	6,137,807
Investments.....	2,186,412	-	2,186,412
Receivables, net of uncollectibles:			
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	9,250,749	-	9,250,749
Tax liens	2,962,192	-	2,962,192
Motor vehicle excise taxes.....	2,520,841	-	2,520,841
Departmental and other.....	2,210,036	1,195,217	3,405,253
Intergovernmental.....	-	14,442,328	14,442,328
Loans.....	-	4,579,748	4,579,748
Due from other funds.....	2,436,659	-	2,436,659
Tax foreclosures.....	1,992,495	-	1,992,495
Working capital deposit.....	100,000	-	100,000
TOTAL ASSETS.....	\$ 151,953,661	\$ 91,333,989	\$ 243,287,650
LIABILITIES			
Warrants payable.....	\$ 3,271,677	\$ 7,290,541	\$ 10,562,218
Accrued unemployment liability.....	33,000	-	33,000
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	15,899,197	943,013	16,842,210
Tax refunds payable.....	17,891,549	-	17,891,549
Due to granting agencies.....	-	6,205,000	6,205,000
Other liabilities.....	2,434,042	4,311,532	6,745,574
Claims and judgements.....	-	820,000	820,000
Due to other funds.....	-	2,436,659	2,436,659
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	39,529,465	22,006,745	61,536,210
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenues.....	17,520,798	5,057,021	22,577,819
FUND BALANCES			
Restricted.....	25,080,609	68,750,902	93,831,511
Assigned.....	2,178,880	-	2,178,880
Unassigned.....	67,643,909	(4,480,679)	63,163,230
TOTAL FUND BALANCES.....	94,903,398	64,270,223	159,173,621
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES.....	\$ 151,953,661	\$ 91,333,989	\$ 243,287,650

See notes to basic financial statements.

**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TOTAL FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

JUNE 30, 2017

Total governmental fund balances.....	\$	159,173,621
Capital assets (net) used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.....		641,842,798
Accounts receivable are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are unavailable in the funds.....		22,577,819
Certain changes in the net pension liability are required to be included in pension expense over future periods. These changes are reported as deferred outflows of resources of (deferred inflows of resources) related to pensions.....		53,010,999
Internal service funds are used by management to account for health insurance and parts inventory.		
The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in the governmental activities in the statement of net position.....		10,337,782
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.....		(2,280,589)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:		
Bonds payable.....	(211,478,676)	
Capital lease obligations.....	(8,059,058)	
Landfill closure liability.....	(3,094,000)	
Accrued unemployment liability.....	(1,093,000)	
Workers compensation liability.....	(6,551,000)	
Compensated absences.....	(20,815,299)	
Other postemployment benefits.....	(305,466,679)	
Net pension liability.....	<u>(744,055,745)</u>	
Net effect of reporting long-term liabilities.....		<u>(1,300,613,457)</u>
Net position of governmental activities.....	\$	<u><u>(415,951,027)</u></u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

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

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Real estate and personal property taxes, net of tax refunds.....	\$ 185,168,180	\$ -	\$ 185,168,180
Tax liens.....	1,950,676	-	1,950,676
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	11,500,953	-	11,500,953
Hotel/motel tax.....	1,352,635	-	1,352,635
Local meals tax.....	1,769,323	-	1,769,323
Charges for services.....	5,927,941	1,590,887	7,518,828
Penalties and interest on taxes.....	1,355,037	-	1,355,037
Payments in lieu of taxes.....	2,109,803	-	2,109,803
Chapter 121A - excise payments in lieu of taxes.....	6,592,119	-	6,592,119
Licenses and permits.....	9,848,333	-	9,848,333
Fines and forfeitures.....	5,999,121	23,725	6,022,846
Intergovernmental.....	453,771,848	104,236,724	558,008,572
Departmental and other.....	6,201,121	8,560,843	14,761,964
Contributions.....	-	2,562,236	2,562,236
Investment income.....	2,243,145	269,141	2,512,286
TOTAL REVENUES.....	695,790,235	117,243,556	813,033,791
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
General government.....	22,856,381	16,377,680	39,234,061
Public safety.....	68,931,160	18,172,134	87,103,294
Education.....	446,595,992	75,855,605	522,451,597
Public works.....	11,448,410	6,975,770	18,424,180
Health and welfare.....	3,542,112	12,737,913	16,280,025
Culture and recreation.....	13,792,052	9,234,645	23,026,697
Community development - Union Station.....	-	202,630	202,630
Pension benefits - non school.....	30,296,628	-	30,296,628
Employee fringe benefits - non school.....	658,364	-	658,364
Employee health benefits - non school.....	25,943,306	-	25,943,306
Claims and judgments.....	-	1,279,448	1,279,448
State, county and district assessments.....	3,514,020	-	3,514,020
Debt service:			
Payment of callable debt prior to maturity.....	48,495,000	-	48,495,000
Principal.....	24,326,002	-	24,326,002
Interest.....	9,193,046	-	9,193,046
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	709,592,473	140,835,825	850,428,298
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES.....	(13,802,238)	(23,592,269)	(37,394,507)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Issuance of long-term bonds.....	-	47,420,000	47,420,000
Issuance of refunding bonds.....	23,965,000	-	23,965,000
Premium from issuance of bonds.....	-	3,220,816	3,220,816
Premium from issuance of refunding bonds.....	2,619,224	-	2,619,224
Capital lease financing.....	4,422,699	-	4,422,699
Transfers in.....	233,250	2,886,231	3,119,481
Transfers out.....	(6,172,412)	(233,250)	(6,405,662)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES).....	25,067,761	53,293,797	78,361,558
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES.....	11,265,523	29,701,528	40,967,051
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	83,637,875	34,568,695	118,206,570
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR.....	\$ 94,903,398	\$ 64,270,223	\$ 159,173,621

See notes to basic financial statements.

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

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds.....		\$ 40,967,051
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.</p>		
Capital outlay.....	44,040,448	
Depreciation expense.....	<u>(48,931,363)</u>	
Net effect of reporting capital assets.....		(4,890,915)
<p>Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are unavailable in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (i.e., real estate and personal property, motor vehicle excise, etc.) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in unavailable revenues.....</p>		
		(27,940,890)
<p>The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds and leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities.</p>		
Issuance of refunding bonds.....	(23,965,000)	
Issuance of long-term bonds.....	(47,420,000)	
Premium from issuance of refunding bonds.....	(2,619,224)	
Premium from issuance of long-term bonds.....	(3,220,816)	
Capital lease financing.....	(4,422,699)	
Capital lease principal payments.....	3,609,725	
Amortization of bond premiums.....	944,964	
Debt service principal payments.....	24,326,002	
Payment of callable debt prior to maturity.....	48,495,000	
Deferred losses on long-term debt.....	<u>(284,298)</u>	
Net effect of reporting long-term debt.....		(4,556,346)
<p>Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.</p>		
Net change in compensated absences accrual.....	(932,696)	
Net change in workers compensation accrual.....	(1,162,000)	
Net change in accrued interest on long-term bonds.....	276,660	
Net change in unemployment liability accrual.....	(102,000)	
Net change in landfill liability accrual.....	1,156,000	
Net change in other postemployment benefits.....	(32,657,448)	
Net change in deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources related to pensions.....	(9,540,799)	
Net change in net pension liability.....	<u>(23,419,629)</u>	
Net effect of recording long-term liabilities.....		(66,381,912)
<p>Internal service funds are used by management to account for health insurance and other shared services.</p>		
The net activity of internal service funds is reported with Governmental Activities.....		<u>2,703,888</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities.....		<u>\$ (60,099,124)</u>

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PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

	Business-type Activities - Trash Enterprise Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
ASSETS		
CURRENT:		
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 1,632,531	\$ 12,793,962
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:		
Trash fees.....	1,147,378	-
Departmental and other.....	-	18,571
Total current assets.....	<u>2,779,909</u>	<u>12,812,533</u>
NONCURRENT:		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.....	<u>1,079,368</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS.....	<u>3,859,277</u>	<u>12,812,533</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions.....	<u>322,650</u>	<u>-</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT:		
Warrants payable.....	5,687	13,659
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	53,387	2,299,223
Capital lease obligations.....	199,519	-
Health claims payable.....	-	161,869
Total current liabilities.....	<u>258,593</u>	<u>2,474,751</u>
NONCURRENT:		
Capital lease obligations.....	202,552	-
Other postemployment benefits.....	999,040	-
Net pension liability.....	<u>4,528,678</u>	<u>-</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities.....	<u>5,730,270</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	<u>5,988,863</u>	<u>2,474,751</u>
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets.....	677,297	-
Unrestricted.....	<u>(2,484,233)</u>	<u>10,337,782</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION.....	<u>\$ (1,806,936)</u>	<u>\$ 10,337,782</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Business-type Activities- Trash Enterprise Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
<u>OPERATING REVENUES:</u>		
Employee contributions	\$ -	\$ 23,643,750
Employer contributions	-	64,445,711
Charges for services.....	4,370,792	1,166,825
 TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	 4,370,792	 89,256,286
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u>		
Cost of services and administration	6,664,284	1,154,213
Employee benefits	1,776,160	85,416,382
Depreciation.....	657,285	-
 TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	 9,097,729	 86,570,595
 OPERATING INCOME (LOSS).....	 (4,726,937)	 2,685,691
<u>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):</u>		
Investment income.....	-	18,197
 NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE TRANSFERS.....	 (4,726,937)	 2,703,888
<u>TRANSFERS:</u>		
Transfers in.....	3,286,181	-
 CHANGE IN NET POSITION.....	 (1,440,756)	 2,703,888
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	(366,180)	7,633,894
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR.....	\$ (1,806,936)	\$ 10,337,782

See notes to basic financial statements.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Business-type Activities- Trash Enterprise Fund	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u>		
Receipts from customers and users.....	\$ 4,524,317	\$ 23,677,679
Receipts from interfund services provided.....	-	65,616,572
Payments to vendors.....	(4,735,750)	-
Payments to employees.....	(2,947,799)	-
Payments for interfund services used.....	-	(86,631,493)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES.....	<u>(3,159,232)</u>	<u>2,662,758</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</u>		
Transfers in.....	<u>3,286,181</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</u>		
Acquisition and construction of capital assets.....	(95,214)	-
Capital lease payments.....	<u>(364,963)</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES.....	<u>(460,177)</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</u>		
Investment income.....	<u>-</u>	<u>18,197</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS.....	(333,228)	2,680,955
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	<u>1,965,759</u>	<u>10,113,007</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR.....	<u>\$ 1,632,531</u>	<u>\$ 12,793,962</u>
<u>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u>		
Operating income (loss).....	\$ (4,726,937)	\$ 2,685,691
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash from operating activities:		
Depreciation.....	657,285	-
Deferred (outflows) / inflows related to pensions.....	(4,558)	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Trash fees.....	153,525	-
Departmental and other.....	-	1,095
Warrants payable.....	(180,090)	(60,898)
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	(40,508)	33,929
Other postemployment benefits.....	117,992	-
Health claims payable.....	-	2,941
Net pension liability.....	<u>864,059</u>	<u>-</u>
Total adjustments.....	<u>1,567,705</u>	<u>(22,933)</u>
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES.....	<u>\$ (3,159,232)</u>	<u>\$ 2,662,758</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

	Pension Trust Fund (as of December 31, 2016)	Other Postemployment Benefit Trust Fund	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
ASSETS				
CURRENT:				
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 2,019,315	\$ 977,240	\$ 132,130	\$ 1,839,288
Investments:				
Alternative investments.....	1,204,342	-	-	-
Pension Reserve Investment Trust (PRIT) funds.....	295,516,990	-	-	-
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:				
Departmental and other.....	309,480	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS.....	299,050,127	977,240	132,130	1,839,288
LIABILITIES				
Warrants payable.....	87,175	-	2,300	-
Liabilities due depositors.....	-	-	-	1,839,288
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	87,175	-	2,300	1,839,288
NET POSITION				
Restricted for pension benefits.....	298,962,952	-	-	-
Restricted for other postemployment benefits.....	-	977,240	-	-
Held in trust for other purposes.....	-	-	129,830	-
TOTAL NET POSITION.....	\$ 298,962,952	\$ 977,240	\$ 129,830	\$ -

See notes to basic financial statements.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Pension Trust Fund (as of December 31, 2016)	Other Postemployment Benefit Trust Fund	Private Purpose Trust Funds
ADDITIONS:			
Contributions:			
Employer contribution to the Trust.....	\$ 50,572,700	\$ 494,794	\$ -
Employer contributions to pay for benefits.....	-	25,000,273	-
Plan members.....	14,085,746	-	-
Intergovernmental.....	642,422	-	-
Transfers from other systems.....	1,716,977	-	-
Other receipts.....	295,507	-	-
Total contributions.....	67,313,352	25,495,067	-
Net investment income:			
Net change in fair value of investments.....	14,924,306	-	-
PRIT investment income.....	7,521,713	-	-
Other investment income.....	-	1,455	2,114
Total investment income.....	22,446,019	1,455	2,114
Less: investment expense.....	(1,533,864)	-	-
Net investment income.....	20,912,155	1,455	2,114
TOTAL ADDITIONS.....	88,225,507	25,496,522	2,114
DEDUCTIONS:			
Administration.....	830,694	-	-
Transfers to other systems.....	3,039,331	-	-
Retirement benefits and refunds.....	73,553,421	-	-
OPEB benefits.....	-	25,000,273	-
Educational scholarships.....	-	-	7,800
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS.....	77,423,446	25,000,273	7,800
CHANGE IN NET POSITION.....	10,802,061	496,249	(5,686)
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	288,160,891	480,991	135,516
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR.....	\$ 298,962,952	\$ 977,240	\$ 129,830

See notes to basic financial statements.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying basic financial statements of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts (the City) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant City accounting policies are described herein.

A. Reporting Entity

The City is a municipal corporation governed by its Massachusetts Plan A charter, by which voters elect a "strong" Mayor with broad powers to supervise City departments and to appoint their managers. A thirteen member City Council, consisting of five members elected at large and one from each of the eight wards serves as a representative legislature.

For financial reporting purposes, the City has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and institutions. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable as well as other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. As required by GAAP, these basic financial statements present the City (the primary government) and its component units. Three entities have been included as component units in the reporting entity because of the significance of their operational and financial relationships.

Component Unit Presented as a Fiduciary Fund – The following component unit is presented as a Fiduciary Fund of the primary government due to the nature and significance of relationship between the City and the component unit.

- (1) The Springfield Contributory Retirement System (the System) was established to provide retirement benefits to City employees, the Springfield Housing Authority employees, the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission employees, and their beneficiaries. The System is governed by a five-member board comprised of the City Comptroller (ex-officio), two members elected by the System's membership, one member appointed by the System's four other Board members, and one member appointed by the City's Mayor. The System is presented using the accrual basis of accounting and is reported as a pension trust fund in the fiduciary fund financial statements.

Discretely Presented Component Units – Discretely presented component units are entities that are legally separate from the City, but are financially accountable to the City, or whose relationships with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The City has included the following Discretely Presented Component Units because they are fiscally dependent on the City and the nature and significance of their relationship with the City is such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete:

- (2) The Springfield Redevelopment Authority (SRA) was chartered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1960 and is governed by Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws. The Authority was formed to conduct Springfield urban renewal projects and to redevelop its downtown. The SRA is governed by a five member board, of which four members are appointed by the Mayor. The City periodically provides financial support to the SRA when needed.

- (3) The Springfield Museums Corporation (SMC) is a private nonprofit education association which holds and cares for collections of many different kinds of materials, objects and artifacts, makes them accessible and promotes their use for educational, recreational and informational purposes by the residents of Greater Springfield and Western New England. The Association receives a significant portion of its operating income through a lease with the City of Springfield, whereby the City operates general library services using a building owned by the Association as its central library building. The City and SMC are closely related and financially integrated.

Related Organizations – The Mayor has the responsibility, with the approval of the City Council, to appoint the three member Board of Commissioners for the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission, Inc., however, the City's accountability for this organization does not extend beyond making these appointments.

Availability of Financial Information for Component Units

The Retirement System issues a separately audited financial statement. That report may be obtained by contacting the System located at 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, MA 01104, or via the internet at <http://www.springfieldretirement.com>.

The SRA issues a separate audited financial report. That report may be obtained by contacting the SRA located at 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, MA 01104.

The SMC issues a separate audited financial report. That report may be obtained by contacting the SMC located at 21 Edwards Street, Springfield, MA 01103.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units.

Governmental activities, which are primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which are supported primarily by user fees and charges.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and displayed in a single column.

Major Fund Criteria

Major funds must be reported if the following criteria are met:

- If the total assets and deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of an individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding element (assets, liabilities, etc.) for all funds of that category or type (total governmental or total enterprise funds), *and*

- If the total assets and deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding element for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

Additionally, any other governmental or enterprise fund that management believes is particularly significant to the basic financial statements may be reported as a major fund.

Internal service funds and fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred. Real estate and personal property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a particular function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include the following:

- Charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment.
- Grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or segment.
- Grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Taxes and other items not identifiable as program revenues are reported as general revenues.

For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. However, the effect of interfund services provided and used between functions is not eliminated as the elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the functions affected.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Real estate and personal property tax revenues are considered available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Investment income is susceptible to accrual. Other receipts and tax revenues become measurable and available when the cash is received and are recognized as revenue at that time.

Entitlements and shared revenues are recorded at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria is met. Expenditure driven grants recognize revenue when the qualifying expenditures are incurred and all other grant requirements are met.

The following major governmental funds are reported:

The *general fund* is the primary operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.

The nonmajor governmental funds consist of other special revenue, capital projects, and debt service funds that are aggregated and presented in the *nonmajor governmental funds* column on the governmental funds financial statements. The following describes the general use of these fund types:

The *special revenue fund* is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than permanent funds, debt service, or capital projects.

The *capital projects fund* is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets of the governmental funds.

The *debt service fund* is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. Debt service funds should be used to report resources if legally mandated. Financial resources that are being accumulated for principal and interest maturing in future years also should be reported in debt service funds.

Proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary funds principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The following proprietary funds are reported:

The *trash enterprise fund* is used to account for the City's trash collection and disposal activities.

The *internal service fund* is used to account for the financing of services provided by one department to other departments or governmental units. This fund is used to account for risk financing activities related to the remaining self-insured dental and eye care services, the fully insured health care plan, and a motor pool for gas and auto supplies operated by the Department of Public Works.

Fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held in a trustee capacity for others that cannot be used to support the governmental programs.

The following fiduciary fund types are reported:

The *pension trust fund* is used to account for the activities of the System, which accumulates resources to provide pension benefits to eligible retirees and their beneficiaries.

The *other postemployment benefit trust fund* accumulates resources to provide funding for future OPEB (other postemployment benefits) liabilities.

The *private-purpose trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements that exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments. Some of these trusts have donor restrictions and trustee policies that do not allow the endowment portion and any unrealized appreciation to be spent. The donor restrictions and trustee policies only allows the trustees to authorize spending of the realized investment earnings. The City's educational scholarship trusts are accounted for in this fund.

The *agency fund* is used to account for assets held in a purely custodial capacity. The City's agency fund mainly consists of payroll withholdings and fees collected on behalf of other governments. Agency funds apply the accrual basis of accounting but do not have a measurement focus.

D. Cash and Investments

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Investments are carried at fair value. The fair values were determined by the closing price for those securities traded on national stock exchanges and at an average bid-and-asked quotation for those securities traded in the over-the-counter market.

E. Fair Value Measurements

The City reports required types of financial instruments in accordance with the fair value standards. These standards require an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs (such as quoted prices in active markets) and minimize the use of unobservable inputs (such as appraisals or valuation techniques) to determine fair value. Fair value standards also require the government to classify these financial instruments into a three-level hierarchy, based on the priority of inputs to the valuation technique or in accordance with net asset value practical expedient rules, which allow for either Level 2 or Level 3 depending on lock up and notice periods associated with the underlying funds.

Instruments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

Level 1 – Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical instruments as of the reporting date. Instruments, which are generally included in this category, include actively traded equity and debt securities, U.S. government obligations, and mutual funds with quoted market prices in active markets.

Level 2 – Pricing inputs are other than quoted in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value is determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. Certain fixed income securities, primarily corporate bonds, are classified as Level 2 because fair values are estimated using pricing models, matrix pricing, or discounted cash flows.

Level 3 – Pricing inputs are unobservable for the instrument and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the instrument. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation.

In some instances the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy and is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Market price is affected by a number of factors, including the type of instrument and the characteristics specific to the instrument. Instruments with readily available active quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value. It is reasonably possible that change in values of these instruments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect amounts reported in these financial statements. For more information on the fair value of the City's financial instruments, see Note 2.

F. Accounts Receivable

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary funds and fiduciary funds financial statements are reported under the accrual basis of accounting. The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the governmental funds financial statements are reported under the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Real Estate, Personal Property Taxes and Tax Liens

Real estate and personal property taxes are levied and based on values assessed on January 1st of every year. Assessed values are established by the Board of Assessor's for 100% of the estimated fair market value. Taxes are due on August 1st, November 1st, February 1st and May 1st and are subject to penalties and interest if they are not paid by the respective due date. Real estate and personal property taxes levied are recorded as receivables in the year of the levy.

Real estate tax liens are processed on delinquent properties and are recorded as receivables in the year they are processed. Real estate receivables that are secured via the tax lien process are considered more likely to be collected. The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Personal property taxes cannot be secured through the lien process. The allowance of uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Motor Vehicle Excise

Motor vehicle excise taxes are assessed annually for each vehicle registered in the City and are recorded as receivables in the year of the levy. The Commonwealth is responsible for reporting the number of vehicles registered and the fair values of those vehicles. The tax calculation is the fair value of the vehicle multiplied by \$25 per \$1,000 of value.

The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

Intergovernmental

The City has entered into a school construction grant program which is administered by the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) which is an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Under the terms

of the program, the MSBA establishes a maximum reimbursement amount, stated as a percentage of total eligible constructions costs, that the City can expect to receive over the life of the grant. The City receives grant reimbursements over time as construction costs are incurred subject to the City submitted reimbursement requests to the MSBA.

The City also participates in various federal and state grants for operating and capital purposes. These grants are applied for and received annually. For non-expenditure driven grants, receivables are recorded as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. For expenditure driven grants, receivables are recorded when the qualifying expenditures are incurred and all other grant requirements are met.

These receivables are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

Other

Departmental and loan receivables are recorded as receivables in the year the revenue is earned. The allowance of uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

G. Inventories

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Inventories are recorded as expenditures/expenses at the time of purchase. Such inventories are not material in total to the government-wide and fund based financial statements, and therefore are not reported.

H. Capital Assets

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Capital assets, including land, construction in process, land improvements, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activity column of the government-wide financial statements, and in the proprietary fund financial statements, where applicable. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost, or at estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets (including works of art) and assets acquired under a service concession agreement are recorded at acquisition value. Except for the capital assets of the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements, construction period interest is capitalized on constructed capital assets.

All purchases and construction costs in excess of \$50,000 are capitalized at the date of acquisition or construction with expected useful lives of greater than one year. Capital assets (excluding land and construction in process) are depreciated on a straight-line basis. The estimated useful lives of capital assets being depreciated are as follows:

<u>Capital Asset Type</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Life (in years)</u>
Infrastructure.....	40-100
Buildings.....	40
Building improvements.....	20
Vehicles.....	5-10
Office equipment.....	5-10
Computer equipment.....	5-10

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized and are treated as expenses when incurred. Improvements are capitalized.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Capital asset costs are recorded as expenditures in the acquiring fund in the year of the purchase.

I. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Position)

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

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The City currently has no elements that qualify for this reporting category.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

In addition to liabilities, the governmental funds balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents assets that have been recorded in the governmental fund financial statements but the revenue is not available and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until it becomes available. The City has recorded unavailable revenue as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds balance sheet.

J. Unavailable Revenue

Fund Financial Statements

Unavailable revenue at the governmental fund financial statement level represents billed receivables that do not meet the available criterion in accordance with the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, i.e. receivables that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Unavailable revenue is recognized as revenue in the conversion to the government-wide (full accrual) financial statements.

K. Net Position Flow Assumption

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Position)

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

L. Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of its operations, transactions occur between and within individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within governmental funds and internal service funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net position. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of net position as "internal balances".

Fund Financial Statements

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within funds are *not* eliminated from the individual fund statements. Receivables and payables resulting from these transactions are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the balance sheet.

M. Interfund Transfers

During the course of its operations, resources are permanently reallocated between and within funds. These transactions are reported as transfers in and transfers out.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Transfers between and within governmental funds and internal service funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net position. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of activities as "Transfers, net".

Fund Financial Statements

Transfers between and within funds are *not* eliminated from the individual fund statements and are reported as transfers in and transfers out.

N. Net Position and Fund Equity

Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Position)

Net position is reported as restricted when amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific future use.

Net position reported as "net investment in capital assets" includes capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less the principal balance of outstanding debt used to acquire capital assets. Unspent proceeds of capital related debt are not considered to be capital assets. Outstanding debt related to future reimbursements from the state's school building program is not considered to be capital related debt.

Net position has been “restricted for” the following:

“MGL Chapter 656; An Act relative to reorganization of the financial management structure of the City of Springfield” requires the City to raise an amount equal to 1% of the prior year’s gross amounts to be raised. The City may reduce this amount by any funds remaining in the reserve from the prior year. Expenditures may be made for extraordinary and unforeseen expenses as determined by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council.

“Debt service” represents required sinking fund payment and the accumulation of funds for the retirement of long-term debt.

“Loans” represents the City’s Community Development outstanding loans receivable balances, net of the amounts due back to granting agencies.

“Grants and gifts” represents amounts held for school and other grants, as well as gift funds.

Fund Financial Statements (Fund Balances)

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as follows:

“Nonspendable” fund balance includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

“Restricted” fund balance includes amounts subject to constraints placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or that are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

“Committed” fund balance includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government’s highest level of decision-making authority. A City Council vote to approve a Council Order submitted by the Mayor is the highest level of decision making authority that can commit funds for a specific purpose. Once voted, the limitation imposed by the vote remains in place until the funds are used for their intended purpose or a Council Order vote is taken to rescind the commitment.

“Assigned” fund balance includes amounts that are constrained by the City’s intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The City’s comptroller is authorized to assign fund balance. Funds are assigned when the City has an obligation to purchase goods or services from the current years’ appropriation. Assignments generally only exist temporarily. Additional action does not have to be taken for the removal of an assignment.

“Unassigned” fund balance includes the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount.

Sometimes the City will fund outlays for a particular purpose from different components of fund balance. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. When different components of fund balance can be used for the same purpose, it is the City’s policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

O. Long-term Debt

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net position. Material bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

The face amount of governmental funds long-term debt is reported as other financing sources. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the current period. Bond premiums are reported as other financing sources and bond discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual bond proceeds received, are reported as general government expenditures.

P. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of both the Springfield Contributory Retirement System and the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System and additions to/Deductions from the System's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they have been reported by the Systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Q. Investment Income

Excluding the permanent funds, investment income derived from major and nonmajor governmental funds is legally assigned to the general fund unless otherwise directed by Massachusetts General Law (MGL).

R. Compensated Absences

Employees are granted vacation and sick leave in varying amounts based on collective bargaining agreements, state laws and executive policies.

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Vested or accumulated vacation and sick leave are reported as liabilities and expensed as incurred.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Compensated absences are reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured as a result of employee resignations or retirements. Vested or accumulated vacation and sick leave, which will be liquidated with expendable available financial resources, are reported as expenditures and fund liabilities upon maturity of the liability.

S. Individual Fund Deficits

Within the nonmajor governmental funds there are deficits in the Capital Project funds that will be funded with debt proceeds, grant reimbursements and other available funds in future years.

T. Use of Estimates

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenditures/expenses during the year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

U. Total Column

Fund Financial Statements

The total column on the fund financial statements is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column is not the equivalent of consolidated financial information.

NOTE 2 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS

A cash and investment pool is maintained that is available for use by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the balance sheet as "Cash and cash equivalents". The deposits and investments of the trust funds are held separately from those of other funds.

Statutes authorize the investment in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies, and instrumentalities, certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, money market accounts, bank deposits and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool (the Pool). The Treasurer may also invest trust funds in securities, other than mortgages or collateral loans, which are legal for the investment of funds of savings banks under the laws of the Commonwealth.

The Pool meets the criteria of an external investment pool. The Pool is administered by the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT), which was established by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth who serves as Trustee. The fair value of the position in the Pool is the same as the value of the Pool shares.

MMDT maintains a cash portfolio and a short-term bond portfolio. The cash portfolio had a weighted average maturity of 51 days and the short term bond portfolio had a weighted average maturity of approximately 2.7 years. Credit ratings associated with the short-term bond portfolio ranged from BBB to AAA. Approximately 66% of the total was rated AAA, approximately 15% of the total was rated A/AA and approximately 19% rated BBB.

The Retirement System participates in the Pension Reserve Investment Trust (PRIT), which meets the criteria of an external investment pool. PRIT is administered by the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board, which was established by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts who serves as Trustee. The fair value of the position in the PRIT is the same as the value of the PRIT shares.

The PRIT fund, as a pool, invests in various products including, but not limited to, money market mutual funds, equities, pooled foreign and domestic fixed income and equity funds, United States government sponsored enterprises and Treasury notes, real estate, and commodities. The underlying components of PRIT's fixed income portfolio had an effective weighted duration rate ranging from .45 to 24.23 years. There is no credit quality rating for the fund.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the City's deposits may not be returned to it. The City's deposit policy for mitigating custodial credit risk is to utilize institutions that are financially sound and stable. To meet this goal the City uses the Veribanc Rating Service. The City's policy allows for deposits at institutions rated green by Veribanc. If the rating drops to yellow, the policy is to consider moving funds from the banking institution that are not collateralized or covered by another form of depositors insurance. If the rating drops to red, all deposits should be immediately collateralized or covered by some form of depositors insurance or be removed from the banking institution.

At year-end, the carrying amount of deposits totaled \$155,099,617 and the bank balance totaled \$168,699,980. Of the bank balance, \$1,864,749 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance, \$159,702,853 was covered by the Depositors Insurance Fund, and \$7,131,378 was collateralized.

At December 31, 2016, the carrying amount of deposits for the Retirement System totaled \$2,019,315 and the bank balance totaled \$2,180,229. The entire bank balance of \$2,180,229 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance.

Investments

As of June 30, 2017, the City had the following investments:

Investment Type	Fair Value	1-5 Years	6-10 Years
<u>Debt Securities</u>			
Corporate Bonds.....	\$ 514,761	\$ 99,261	\$ 415,500
Government Sponsored Enterprises.....	705,914	-	705,914
Municipal Bonds.....	965,737	-	965,737
Total Debt Securities.....	2,186,412	\$ 99,261	\$ 2,087,151
<u>Other Investments</u>			
Money Market Mutual Funds.....	1,185,469		
MMDT.....	60,501,038		
Total Investments.....	\$ 63,872,919		

As of June 30, 2017, the City’s investments had the following ratings:

Investment Type	Quality Ratings				Total
	AAA	AA1 / AA2	A1 / A2 / A3	BAA1 / BAA3	
<u>Debt Securities</u>					
Corporate Bonds.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 310,826	\$ 203,935	514,761
Government Sponsored Enterprises.....	705,914	-	-	-	705,914
Municipal Bonds.....	-	523,707	442,030	-	965,737
Total Debt Securities.....	\$ <u>705,914</u>	\$ <u>523,707</u>	\$ <u>752,856</u>	\$ <u>203,935</u>	<u>2,186,412</u>

As of December 31, 2016, the Retirement System had the following investments:

Investment Type	Fair Value
<u>Other Investments</u>	
Alternative Investments.....	\$ 1,204,342
Pension Reserve Investment Trust (PRIT).....	<u>295,516,990</u>
Total Investments.....	\$ <u>296,721,332</u>

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments

For investments, this is the risk that, in the event of a failure by the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral security that are in the possession of an outside party.

The City’s policy is to review the financial institution’s financial statements and the background of the Advisor. The intent of this qualification is to limit the City’s exposure to only those institutions with a proven financial strength, capital adequacy of the firm, and overall affirmative reputation in the municipal industry. Further, all securities not held directly by the City, will be held in the City’s name and tax identification number by a third-party custodian approved by the Treasurer and evidenced by safekeeping receipts showing individual CUSIP numbers for each security.

Of the Retirement System’s total investments of \$296,721,332 there was custodial credit risk exposure of \$1,204,342 in alternative investments because the related securities are uninsured, unregistered and held by the counterparty.

Investment Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The City’s investment policy is to manage interest rate risk by managing duration in the accounts.

Credit Risk

Credit risk exists when there is a possibility the issuer or other counterparty to an investment may be unable to meet its obligations. The City’s policy to manage credit risk includes investment in United States Treasury and United States Government Agency obligations without limit. In regards to other investments, the City will only purchase investment grade securities with a high concentration in securities rated A or better. The City may invest in the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT) with no limit to the amount of funds placed in the fund.

Concentration Credit Risk

The City will minimize concentration of credit risk by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimized.

Fair Value Measurement

The City holds investments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Because investing is not a core part of the City’s mission, the City determines that the disclosures related to these investments only need to be disaggregated by major type. The City chooses a tabular format for disclosing the levels within the fair value hierarchy.

The City categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The following table presents financial assets at June 30, 2017, that the City measures fair value on a recurring basis, by level, within the fair value hierarchy:

Investment Type	June 30, 2017	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Investments measured at fair value level:				
<u>Debt Securities:</u>				
Corporate Bonds.....	\$ 514,761	\$ 514,761	\$ -	\$ -
Government Sponsored Enterprises.....	705,914	705,914	-	-
Municipal Bonds.....	965,737	-	965,737	-
Total Debt Securities.....	2,186,412	1,220,675	965,737	-
<u>Other investments:</u>				
Money market mutual funds.....	1,185,469	1,185,469	-	-
Total investments measured at fair value.....	3,371,881	\$ 2,406,144	\$ 965,737	\$ -
Investments measured at amortized cost:				
MMDT.....	60,501,038			
Total investments.....	\$ 63,872,919			

Government Sponsored Enterprises and Money Mutual Funds are classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Debt securities classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using a matrix pricing technique. Matrix pricing is used to value securities based on the securities’ relationship to benchmark quoted prices.

The investment in MMDT is comprised of a cash portfolio and a bond portfolio. The cash portfolio is valued at amortized cost. Under the amortized cost method, an investment is valued initially at its cost and adjusted for the amount of interest income accrued each day over the term of the investment to account for any difference between the initial cost and the amount payable at its maturity. If amortized cost is determined not to approximate fair value, the value of the portfolio securities will be determined under procedures established by the Advisor. The bond portfolio is valued at fair value.

Retirement System

The retiree pension defined benefit plan holds significant amounts of investments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Because investing is a key part of the plan’s activities, the plan shows greater disaggregation in its disclosures.

The System categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles.

The System has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2016.

Investment Type	12/31/2016	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Other investments:				
Alternative investments.....	\$ 1,204,342	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,204,342
Investments measured at net asset value (NAV):				
PRIT Investments.....	295,516,990			
Total investments.....	\$ 296,721,332			

Alternative investments consist of investments in limited partnerships that are classified in Level 3. These investments are valued at market value using the net asset value per share as provided by the Partnerships.

PRIT Investments are valued using the net asset value method. This investment pool was established by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, who serves as Trustee. PRIT is administered by the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (PRIM). The fair values of the positions in each investment Pool are the same as the value of each Pool’s shares. The City does not have the ability to control any of the investment decisions relative to its funds in PRIT.

NOTE 3 – RECEIVABLES

At June 30, 2017, receivables for the individual major and nonmajor governmental funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	Gross Amount	Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Amount
<u>Receivables:</u>			
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	\$ 20,106,066	\$ (10,855,317)	\$ 9,250,749
Tax liens.....	5,924,385	(2,962,193)	2,962,192
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	8,787,520	(6,266,679)	2,520,841
Departmental and other	3,405,253	-	3,405,253
Intergovernmental.....	14,442,328	-	14,442,328
Loans.....	4,579,748	-	4,579,748
Total.....	<u>\$ 57,245,300</u>	<u>\$ (20,084,189)</u>	<u>\$ 37,161,111</u>

The internal service fund has \$18,571 of departmental and other receivables at June 30, 2017.

At June 30, 2017 receivables for the trash enterprise fund consist of the following:

	Gross Amount	Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Amount
<u>Receivables:</u>			
Trash fees.....	\$ 1,147,378	\$ -	\$ 1,147,378

Governmental funds report *unavailable revenue of resources* in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. At the end of the current year, the various components of *unavailable revenue* reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
<u>Receivable type:</u>			
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	\$ 8,259,875	\$ -	\$ 8,259,875
Tax liens.....	2,962,192	-	2,962,192
Motor vehicle excise.....	2,520,841	-	2,520,841
Departmental and other.....	1,785,395	1,195,209	2,980,604
Intergovernmental.....	-	3,649,064	3,649,064
Loans.....	-	212,748	212,748
<u>Other asset type:</u>			
Tax foreclosures.....	1,992,495	-	1,992,495
Total.....	<u>\$ 17,520,798</u>	<u>\$ 5,057,021</u>	<u>\$ 22,577,819</u>

NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2017, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
<u>Capital assets not being depreciated:</u>				
Land.....	\$ 27,817,539	\$ 101,700	\$ -	\$ 27,919,239
Construction in progress.....	4,794,958	15,303,886	-	20,098,844
Total capital assets not being depreciated.....	<u>32,612,497</u>	<u>15,405,586</u>	-	<u>48,018,083</u>
<u>Capital assets being depreciated:</u>				
Land improvements.....	62,768,282	1,783,678	-	64,551,960
Buildings and improvements.....	677,685,631	15,785,341	-	693,470,972
Machinery and equipment.....	156,469,314	8,237,178	-	164,706,492
Infrastructure.....	433,434,254	2,828,665	-	436,262,919
Total capital assets being depreciated.....	<u>1,330,357,481</u>	<u>28,634,862</u>	-	<u>1,358,992,343</u>
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>				
Land improvements.....	(28,006,185)	(2,751,186)	-	(30,757,371)
Buildings and improvements.....	(244,662,308)	(27,275,632)	-	(271,937,940)
Machinery and equipment.....	(124,550,170)	(10,523,167)	-	(135,073,337)
Infrastructure.....	(319,017,602)	(8,381,378)	-	(327,398,980)
Total accumulated depreciation.....	<u>(716,236,265)</u>	<u>(48,931,363)</u>	-	<u>(765,167,628)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net.....	<u>614,121,216</u>	<u>(20,296,501)</u>	-	<u>593,824,715</u>
Total governmental activities capital assets, net.....	<u>\$ 646,733,713</u>	<u>\$ (4,890,915)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 641,842,798</u>
	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Business-Type Activities:				
<u>Capital assets being depreciated:</u>				
Machinery and equipment.....	\$ 6,112,161	\$ 95,214	\$ -	\$ 6,207,375
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>				
Machinery and equipment.....	(4,470,722)	(657,285)	-	(5,128,007)
Total business-type activities capital assets, net.....	<u>\$ 1,641,439</u>	<u>\$ (562,071)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,079,368</u>

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

Governmental Activities:

General government.....	\$ 4,560,414
Public safety.....	2,467,640
Education.....	29,944,637
Public works.....	9,588,648
Human services.....	31,401
Culture and recreation.....	<u>2,338,623</u>

Total depreciation expense - governmental activities..... \$ 48,931,363

Business-Type Activities:

Trash.....	\$ <u><u>657,285</u></u>
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NOTE 5 – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

Interfund receivables and payables between funds at June 30, 2017, are summarized as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Highway Improvements	\$ 731,529 (1)
General Fund	Federal Grants School	79,498 (1)
General Fund	Public Buildings Capital Project Fund	<u>1,625,632 (1)</u>
		<u><u>\$ 2,436,659</u></u>

(1) Represents advances between funds to meet temporary cash flow needs.

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2017, are summarized as follows:

<u>Transfers Out</u>	<u>Transfers In</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Trash Enterprise Fund</u>	
General Fund.....	\$ -	\$ 2,886,231	\$ 3,286,181	\$ 6,172,412 (1)
Nonmajor Governmental Funds.....	<u>233,250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>233,250 (2)</u>
Total.....	<u><u>\$ 233,250</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,886,231</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3,286,181</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,405,662</u></u>

(1) Represents budgeted transfers for capital projects and future debt service, and to the Trash enterprise fund for operations.

(2) Budgeted transfer from the nonmajor debt service reserve fund to the general fund.

NOTE 6 – LEASES

Capital Leases

The City has entered into lease agreements to finance the acquisition of machinery and equipment for public safety, public works, general governmental, and for trash activities. The lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The following identifies the assets acquired through capital lease agreements:

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
<u>Asset description:</u>		
Machinery and equipment.....	\$ 20,970,169	\$ 5,088,523
Less: accumulated depreciation.....	(10,071,936)	(4,526,627)
Total.....	\$ 10,898,233	\$ 561,896

Future minimum lease payments under capitalized leases consist of the following at June 30:

Years Ending June 30	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
2018.....	\$ 3,490,018	\$ 205,630
2019.....	3,127,558	205,631
2020.....	1,156,401	-
2021.....	480,143	-
2022.....	122,772	-
Total minimum lease payments.....	8,376,892	411,261
Less: amounts representing interest.....	(317,834)	(9,190)
Present value of minimum lease payments.....	\$ 8,059,058	\$ 402,071

Operating Leases

The City leases office equipment, vehicles, and various facilities utilized primarily by the school department, the department of public works, parks and recreation, and the animal control center under non-cancelable operating leases that expire on various dates through 2035. The total lease expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2017, totaled approximately \$3.1 million and are reported as educational, public works, and general governmental expenditures in the general fund and special revenue funds.

The future minimum lease payments under operating leases are as follows:

Years Ending June 30,	Governmental Activities
2018.....	\$ 2,794,517
2019.....	2,661,940
2020.....	961,444
2021.....	357,140
2022.....	343,245
2023 to 2027.....	1,624,425
2028 to 2032.....	1,624,425
2033 to 2035.....	812,213
	<u>\$ 11,179,349</u>

NOTE 7 – SHORT-TERM FINANCING

Short-term debt may be authorized and issued to fund the following:

- Current operating costs prior to the collection of revenues through issuance of revenue, State and Federal aid, or tax anticipation notes (RANS, SAANS, FAANS, or TANS).
- Capital project costs and other approved expenditures incurred prior to obtaining permanent financing through issuance of bond anticipation notes (BANS) or grant anticipation notes (GANS).

Short-term loans are general obligations and carry maturity dates that are limited by statute. Interest expenditures and expenses for short-term borrowings are accounted for in the general fund.

Details related to the short-term debt activity for the year ended June 30, 2017, are as follows:

Type	Purpose	Rate (%)	Due Date	Balance at June 30, 2016	Renewed/ Issued	Retired/ Redeemed	Balance at June 30, 2017
BAN	Tornado and Storm Damage.....	0.70%	2/24/2017	\$ 4,689,430	-	\$ 4,689,430	-
BAN	School Construction.....	0.70%	2/24/2017	9,781,368	-	9,781,368	-
BAN	Demolition.....	0.70 - 1.10%	2/24/2017	3,734,166	-	3,734,166	-
BAN	Planning.....	0.70%	2/24/2017	2,188,706	-	2,188,706	-
BAN	City Construction.....	0.70 - 1.10%	2/24/2017	3,657,984	-	3,657,984	-
BAN	City Vehicles.....	0.70%	2/24/2017	2,048,925	-	2,048,925	-
BAN	City Construction.....	1.00%	4/27/2017	-	2,362,054	2,362,054	-
SAAN	State Aid Reimbursements.....	1.80%	6/9/2017	1,591,332	-	1,591,332	-
FAAN	Federal Aid Reimbursements.....	1.35%	6/9/2017	615,762	-	615,762	-
	Total.....			<u>\$ 28,307,673</u>	<u>\$ 2,362,054</u>	<u>\$ 30,669,727</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 8 – LONG-TERM DEBT

Under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 10, Municipal Law authorizes indebtedness up to a limit of 5% of the equalized valuation. Debt issued in accordance with this section of the law is designated as being "inside the debt limit." In addition, however, debt may be authorized in excess of that limit for specific purposes. Such debt, when issued, is designated as being "outside the debt limit."

Debt Refunding

In order to take advantage of favorable interest rates, the City issued \$23,965,000 of general obligation refunding bonds on March 7, 2017. The proceeds of the refunding bonds, along with a refunding premium of \$2.6 million and \$22.6 million of lump-sum payments from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA), were used to complete a current refunding of \$48,495,000 of existing debt. The transaction resulted in an economic gain of \$3,858,526 and a reduction of \$3,806,718 in future debt service payments. The lump-sum payment from the MSBA replaced contract assistance payments that were scheduled through FY2022 on three older school projects.

Details related to the City’s outstanding general obligation indebtedness at June 30, 2017, and the debt service requirements are as follows:

Bonds Payable Schedule – Governmental Funds

Project	Maturities Through	Original Loan Amount	Interest Rate (%)	Outstanding at June 30, 2016	Issued	Redeemed	Outstanding at June 30, 2017
Qualified Zone Academy Bonds Dated July 25, 2002.....	2017	\$ 7,014,000	1.28	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ -
State Qualified New Money Bonds Dated February 7, 2007.....	2027	53,605,000	4.5 - 5.75	4,270,000	-	4,270,000	-
State Qualified Refunding Bonds Dated February 7, 2007.....	2023	73,795,000	4.5 - 5.75	56,095,002	-	56,095,002	-
State Qualified New Money Bonds Dated April 15, 2009.....	2024	19,500,000	2.0 - 4.0	3,160,000	-	1,610,000	1,550,000
State Qualified General Obligation School Bonds Dated June 24, 2010.....	2027	17,864,000	6.00	17,864,000	-	-	17,864,000
Advance Refunding Bonds Dated December 12, 2012.....	2024	26,355,000	2.5 - 4.0	26,145,000	-	3,035,000	23,110,000
State Qualified School Project Loan, Chapter 70B Bonds February 12, 2015.....	2020	1,281,000	1.0 - 2.0	1,281,000	-	321,000	960,000
State Qualified Bonds, Series A Dated February 12, 2015.....	2035	49,262,000	2.0 - 4.0	49,260,000	-	50,000	49,210,000
State Qualified Refunding Bonds, Series C Dated February 12, 2015.....	2027	18,245,000	2.0 - 4.0	18,205,000	-	20,000	18,185,000
State Qualified Refunding Bonds, Dated September 15, 2015.....	2019	25,185,000	2.0 - 5.0	25,185,000	-	6,920,000	18,265,000
General Obligation Bonds dated February 23, 2017.....	2037	44,305,000	3.0 - 5.0	-	44,305,000	-	44,305,000
General Obligation Bonds dated March 7, 2017.....	2037	3,115,000	3.0 - 5.0	-	3,115,000	-	3,115,000
State Qualified Refunding Bonds, dated March 7, 2017.....	2037	27,080,000	3.0 - 5.0	-	23,965,000	-	23,965,000
Total General Obligation Bonds.....		427,922,000		201,965,002	71,385,000	72,821,002	200,529,000
Unamortized Premiums on Bonds.....		-		6,054,600	5,840,040	944,964	10,949,676
Total Long Term Debt.....		\$ 427,922,000		\$ 208,019,602	\$ 77,225,040	\$ 73,765,966	\$ 211,478,676

The bonds outstanding at June 30, 2017 relate to the following projects:

Public education.....	\$ 76,058,215
City-wide non-school buildings.....	19,529,750
Parks and recreation.....	8,753,600
Infrastructure.....	15,012,525
Equipment and other.....	81,174,910
Total long-term debt outstanding.....	\$ 200,529,000

Debt service requirements for principal and interest for Governmental bonds payable in future years are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018.....	\$ 18,445,000	\$ 9,339,589	\$ 27,784,589
2019.....	19,110,000	8,166,905	27,276,905
2020.....	18,845,000	7,149,814	25,994,814
2021.....	17,800,000	6,151,719	23,951,719
2022.....	16,230,000	5,161,431	21,391,431
2023.....	16,440,000	4,355,797	20,795,797
2024.....	10,140,000	3,766,295	13,906,295
2025.....	7,530,000	3,384,147	10,914,147
2026.....	7,250,000	3,055,172	10,305,172
2027.....	25,109,000	2,740,745	27,849,745
2028.....	5,490,000	1,390,132	6,880,132
2029.....	5,480,000	1,186,455	6,666,455
2030.....	5,095,000	1,002,757	6,097,757
2031.....	4,905,000	852,755	5,757,755
2032.....	4,600,000	705,757	5,305,757
2033.....	4,595,000	560,754	5,155,754
2034.....	4,445,000	416,556	4,861,556
2035.....	4,430,000	272,081	4,702,081
2036.....	2,345,000	156,935	2,501,935
2037.....	2,245,000	74,987	2,319,987
Total.....	<u>\$ 200,529,000</u>	<u>\$ 59,890,783</u>	<u>\$ 260,419,783</u>

Qualified School Construction

On June 24, 2010, the City issued \$17,864,000 of State Qualified General Obligation School Bonds at a 6.00% interest rate, maturing June 1, 2027 with mandatory sinking fund installments payable annually on December 1, 2010 through December 1, 2026. The Bonds were underwritten on a negotiated basis by Wells Fargo Securities. The Bonds were designated as Qualified School Construction Bonds under the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA"). The Bonds are federally taxable and will receive a cash subsidy from the United States Department of the Treasury of 5.41% of the interest payable on the Bonds, which is equal to the amount of the applicable tax credit rate established on the sale date of the Bonds.

On July 15, 2010, the City entered into an Investment Repurchase Agreement with Bayerische Landesbank wherein the City agreed to deposit \$776,911 annually on December 1, 2010 through December 1, 2026 into a sinking fund held by Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, acting as custodian and trustee for the agreement between the City and Bayerische Landesbank; the City's annual deposit of \$776,911 will be invested by Bayerische Landesbank, and at termination of the agreement on June 1, 2027, \$17,864,000 will be made available to the City to retire the maturing Bonds. The City's annual deposits are fully collateralized with either cash, obligations of the United States of America (i.e. treasury securities), Government National Mortgage Association securities (GNMAs), or Small Business Administration securities (SBAs); and the resulting fixed interest rate the City will earn over the life of the investment agreement is guaranteed at 3.42%. The use of the repurchase agreement reduced the City's net borrowing cost to approximately 0.9509%. At June 30, 2017, the Bond Sinking Fund has a balance of \$6,137,807 which is classified as a restricted asset in the City's debt service fund. The interest subsidy received by the City amounted to approximately \$966,000 in 2017. The City expects to receive future interest subsidies totaling approximately \$9.6 million over the life of the bonds.

Authorized and Unissued Debt

The City is subject to various debt limits by statute and may issue additional general obligation debt under the normal debt limit. At June 30, 2017, the City has \$156 million of authorized and unissued debt for various City-wide projects.

Changes in Long-term Liabilities

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities:

	Balance June 30, 2016	Bonds and Notes Issued	Bonds and Notes Redeemed	Other Increases	Other Decreases	Balance June 30, 2017	Current Amount Due
<u>Governmental Activities:</u>							
Long-Term Bonds Payable.....	\$ 201,965,002	\$ 71,385,000	\$ (72,821,002)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,529,000	\$ 18,445,000
Capital Lease Obligations.....	7,246,084	-	-	4,422,699	(3,609,725)	8,059,058	3,328,862
Unamortized Bond Premium.....	6,054,600	5,840,040	(944,964)	-	-	10,949,676	2,323,126
Compensated Absences.....	19,882,603	-	-	8,379,910	(7,447,214)	20,815,299	3,328,862
Workers' Compensation.....	5,389,000	-	-	2,779,000	(1,617,000)	6,551,000	619,000
Due to Granting Agencies.....	7,098,000	-	-	-	(893,000)	6,205,000	893,000
Landfill Closure.....	4,250,000	-	-	-	(1,156,000)	3,094,000	619,000
Other Postemployment Benefits.....	272,809,231	-	-	58,060,733	(25,403,285)	305,466,679	-
Net Pension Liability.....	720,636,116	-	-	67,457,428	(44,037,799)	744,055,745	-
Total governmental activity long-term liabilities.....	<u>1,245,330,636</u>	<u>77,225,040</u>	<u>(73,765,966)</u>	<u>141,099,770</u>	<u>\$ (84,164,023)</u>	<u>1,305,725,457</u>	<u>29,556,850</u>
<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>							
Capital Lease Obligations.....	767,034	-	-	-	(364,963)	402,071	199,519
Other Postemployment Benefits.....	881,048	-	-	209,774	(91,782)	999,040	-
Net Pension Liability.....	3,664,619	-	-	1,132,094	(268,035)	4,528,678	-
Total business-type activity long-term liabilities.....	<u>5,312,701</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,341,868</u>	<u>(724,780)</u>	<u>5,929,789</u>	<u>199,519</u>
Total.....	<u>\$ 1,250,643,337</u>	<u>\$ 77,225,040</u>	<u>\$ (73,765,966)</u>	<u>\$ 142,441,638</u>	<u>\$ (84,888,803)</u>	<u>\$ 1,311,655,246</u>	<u>\$ 29,756,369</u>

The governmental activities liabilities will be liquidated by the general fund. The business-type liabilities will be liquidated by the enterprise fund reporting the liability, namely the Trash fund.

NOTE 9 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATIONS

The City has adopted GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. The intention of the GASB is to provide a more structured classification of fund balance and to improve the usefulness of fund balance reporting to the users of the City's financial statements. The reporting standard establishes a hierarchy for fund balance classifications and the constraints imposed on the uses of those resources.

GASB 54 provides for two major types of fund balances, which are nonspendable and spendable. Nonspendable fund balances are balances that cannot be spent because they are not expected to be converted to cash or they are legally or contractually required to remain intact. Examples of this classification are prepaid items, inventories, and principal (corpus) of an endowment fund.

In addition to the nonspendable fund balance, GASB 54 has provided a hierarchy of spendable fund balances, based on a hierarchy of spending constraints.

- Restricted: fund balances that are constrained by external parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.
- Committed: fund balances that contain self-imposed constraints of the government from its highest level of decision making authority. The City's highest level of decision making is made by the Mayor and the City Council.
- Assigned: fund balances that contain self-imposed constraints of the government to be used for a particular purpose.
- Unassigned: fund balance of the general fund that is not constrained for any particular purpose.

Massachusetts General Law Ch.40 Section 5B allows for the establishment of Stabilization funds for one or more different purposes. The creation of a fund requires a two-thirds vote of the legislative body and must clearly define the purpose of the fund. Any change to the purpose of the fund along with any additions to or appropriations from the fund requires a two-thirds vote of the City Council.

The City has four stabilization funds that can be used for any general or capital purpose upon City Council approval. At June 30, 2017, the balance of the stabilization funds was \$46.8 million. These balances have been reported in the General Fund as unassigned fund balance.

The City has classified its fund balances with the following hierarchy:

	Governmental Funds		
	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Fund Balances			
Restricted for:			
Utility/Telephone.....	\$ -	\$ 98,993	\$ 98,993
Receipts reserved.....	-	67,711	67,711
School Lunch.....	-	5,740,831	5,740,831
Highway Improvements.....	-	926,322	926,322
Revolving Funds.....	-	3,127,857	3,127,857
Federal Grants School.....	-	917,268	917,268
Federal Grants City.....	-	718,960	718,960
State Grants School.....	-	6,400,234	6,400,234
State Grants City.....	-	2,117,163	2,117,163
Promise Fund.....	-	5,803,996	5,803,996
Expendable Governmental Trusts.....	-	2,243,148	2,243,148
Tornado Relief.....	-	398,885	398,885
Other Special Revenue Funds.....	-	5,381,551	5,381,551
Bond Sinking Fund.....	-	6,137,807	6,137,807
Debt Service Reserve.....	-	1,688,593	1,688,593
School Capital Projects.....	-	14,776,689	14,776,689
Equipment Capital Projects.....	-	4,343,787	4,343,787
Public Works Capital Projects.....	-	4,077,804	4,077,804
Other Capital Project Funds.....	-	3,783,303	3,783,303
Education.....	18,797,491	-	18,797,491
MGL Chapter 656.....	6,283,118	-	6,283,118
Assigned for carryover encumbrances to:			
General government.....	1,270,895	-	1,270,895
Public safety.....	263,640	-	263,640
Public works.....	251,408	-	251,408
Human services.....	9,697	-	9,697
Culture and recreation.....	298,964	-	298,964
Employee fringe benefits.....	20,000	-	20,000
State and county charges.....	64,276	-	64,276
Unassigned.....	67,643,909	(4,480,679)	63,163,230
Total Fund Balances.....	\$ 94,903,398	\$ 64,270,223	\$ 159,173,621

NOTE 10 – LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE

State and Federal laws and regulations require the City to construct a final capping system on the Bondi’s Island and Armory Street landfill sites as they stop accepting waste, and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions postclosure. The City closed the Armory Street landfill in 2010 and is currently implementing a post-closure monitoring plan. The Bondi’s Island site is partially closed and is currently just accepting ash deposits and it is expected to be closed within 10 years. The City is developing plans for its closure and postclosure monitoring. To date, the City has expended approximately \$8.4 million for both sites and has recorded an

estimated \$3.1 million liability for capping at Bondi’s Island and postclosure maintenance and monitoring functions at both sites. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, deflation, changes in technology or changes in regulations.

NOTE 11 – RISK FINANCING

The City is self-insured in most areas of risk including general liability, property, casualty, workers’ compensation, unemployment, and certain employee health care claims. The City’s legal liabilities are capped per M.G.L. Chapter 258 which limits the liability to a maximum of \$100,000 per claim in all matters except actions relating to federal/civil rights, eminent domain, and breach of contract.

The City established a Self-Insured Stabilization fund to set aside amounts to be used by the law department to settle certain claims and judgments issues as they arise.

The City is self-insured for its dental and eye care insurance, workers’ compensation insurance, and unemployment insurance activities. In January 2007, the City began purchasing fully insured health insurance through the Commonwealth’s Group Insurance Commission (GIC). These fully insured health insurance activities are accounted for in the internal service fund where revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred. The City contracts out the administration of the dental and eye care and the workers’ compensation activities. The unemployment claims are administered by the City. Claims are funded on a pay-as-you-go basis from annual appropriations. The amount of claim settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the previous three years.

Liabilities are reported when it’s probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNR). The result of the process to estimate the claims liability is not an exact amount as it depends on many factors. Accordingly, claims are reevaluated periodically to consider the effects of inflation, recent claims settlement trends and other economic and social factors.

(a) *Dental and Eye Care Insurance*

The estimate of Incurred But Not Reported (IBNR) claims based on an estimate of claims incurred but unpaid at year end. At June 30, 2017, the liability for dental and eye care insurance claims totaled approximately \$162,000. This liability is the best estimate based on available information. Changes in the reported liability since July 1, 2015, are as follows:

	Balance at Beginning of Year		Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimate		Claim Payments		Balance at Year-End Currently Due
2016.....	\$ 159,961	\$	3,800,074	\$	(3,801,107)		158,928
2017.....	158,928		3,928,797		(3,925,856)		161,869

(b) *Workers’ Compensation*

The estimated future workers’ compensation liability is based on history and injury type. At June 30, 2017, the amount of the estimated liability for workers’ compensation claims totaled approximately \$5.4 million. Changes in the reported liability since July 1, 2015 are as follows:

	Balance at Beginning of Year	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimate	Claim Payments	Balance at Year-End
2016.....	\$ 3,768,000	\$ 6,098,033	\$ (4,477,033)	\$ 5,389,000
2017.....	5,389,000	5,330,907	(4,168,907)	6,551,000

The liability for unemployment claims at June 30, 2017 is based on known claims reported to the Massachusetts Division of Unemployment Assistance and the future liability at year end was estimated to be approximately \$1.0 million.

NOTE 12 – PENSION PLAN

Plan Descriptions

The City is a member of the Springfield Contributory Retirement System (the System), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan covering eligible employees of the 3 member units. The System is administered by five board members (Board) on behalf of all current employees and retirees except for current teachers and retired teachers. Chapter 32 of the MGL assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the plan. The System is a component unit and is reported as a pension trust fund in the fiduciary fund financial statements.

The City is a member of the Massachusetts Teachers’ Retirement System (MTRS), a cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit plan. MTRS is managed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Commonwealth) on behalf of municipal teachers and municipal teacher retirees. The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is responsible for 100% of the contributions and future benefit requirements of the MTRS. The MTRS covers certified teachers in cities (except Boston), towns, regional school districts, charter schools, educational collaboratives and Quincy College. The MTRS is part of the Commonwealth’s reporting entity and the audited financial report may be obtained by visiting <http://www.mass.gov/osc/publications-and-reports/financial-reports/>.

Special Funding Situation

The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make 100% of all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the City to the MTRS. Therefore, the City is considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* and the Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor in MTRS. Since the City does not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize. The total of the Commonwealth provided contributions have been allocated based on each employer’s covered payroll to the total covered payroll of employers in MTRS as of the measurement date of June 30, 2016. The City’s portion of the collective pension expense, contributed by the Commonwealth, of \$56,715,620 is reported in the general fund as intergovernmental revenue and employee benefits in the current fiscal year. The portion of the Commonwealth’s collective net pension liability associated with the City is \$555,999,756 as of the measurement date.

Benefits Provided

Both Systems provide retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Massachusetts Contributory Retirement System benefits are, with certain exceptions, uniform from system to system. The System provides for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member’s highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation. For persons who became members on or after April 2, 2012, average salary is the average annual rate of regular compensation received during the five consecutive

years that produce the highest average, or, if greater, during the last five years (whether or not consecutive) preceding retirement. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, level of compensation, and group classification. Members become vested after ten years of creditable service.

Employees who resign from service and who are not eligible to receive a retirement allowance or are under the age of 55 are entitled to request a refund of their accumulated total deductions. Survivor benefits are extended to eligible beneficiaries of members whose death occurs prior to or following retirement.

Cost-of-living adjustments granted between 1981 and 1997 and any increase in other benefits imposed by the Commonwealth's state law during those years are borne by the Commonwealth and are deposited into the pension fund. Cost-of-living adjustments granted after 1997 must be approved by the Springfield Contributory Retirement Board and are borne by the System.

There have been no changes in benefit terms as of December 31, 2016.

At December 31, 2016, the System's membership consists of the following:

Active members.....	3,393
Inactive members.....	504
Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits.....	<u>2,823</u>
 Total.....	 <u><u>6,720</u></u>

Contributions

Chapter 32 of the MGL governs the contributions of plan members and member units. Active plan members are required to contribute to the System at rates ranging from 5% to 9% of gross regular compensation with an additional 2% contribution required for compensation exceeding \$30,000. The percentage rate is keyed to the date upon which an employee's membership commences. The member units are required to pay into the System a legislatively mandated actuarial determined contribution that is apportioned among the employers based on active current payroll. The total member units' contribution for the year ended December 31, 2016 was \$50,572,700, or 33.24% of covered payroll, an amount that is actuarially determined that, when combined with plan member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by plan members during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. The City's proportionate share of the required contribution was \$44,305,834 which equaled its actual contribution.

Pension Liabilities

The components of the net pension liability of the participating member units at December 31, 2016, were as follows:

Total pension liability.....	\$ 1,153,431,360
The pension plan's fiduciary net position.....	<u>298,962,952</u>
The net pension liability.....	<u><u>\$ 854,468,408</u></u>
 The pension plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability.....	 25.92%

At June 30, 2017, the City reported a liability of \$748,584,423 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2016. Accordingly, update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the City's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2016, the City's proportion was 87.61%, which is an increase of .64% from its proportion measured at December 31, 2015.

Additional information regarding changes in the net pension liability can be found in the *Required Supplementary Information* section of these financial statements.

Pension Expense

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the City recognized pension expense of \$78,125,762. At June 30, 2017, the City reported deferred outflows of resources related to pensions of \$53,333,649 as detailed below.

<u>Deferred category</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience.....	\$ 6,932,437
Changes of assumptions.....	30,105,683
Difference between projected and actual earnings.....	12,103,949
Changes in proportionate share of contributions.....	<u>4,191,580</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources.....	<u>\$ 53,333,649</u>

The City's deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year ended June 30:</u>	
2018.....	\$ 15,908,913
2019.....	15,908,913
2020.....	15,631,277
2021.....	<u>5,884,546</u>
Total.....	<u>\$ 53,333,649</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2016, using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement that was updated to December 31, 2016:

Valuation date.....	January 1, 2016. Actuarial liabilities were determined as of the December 31, 2015 measurement date.
Actuarial cost method.....	Entry Age Normal Cost Method.
Amortization method.....	Total annual payments increase 14.0% for 2 years, then 8.0% per year until FY33 with a final amortization payment in FY34.
Remaining amortization period.....	18 years from July 1, 2016.
Asset valuation method.....	Market value for GASB 67/68. For funding purposes, gains and losses each year are recognized over 5 years.
Inflation rate.....	Not explicitly assumed.
Projected salary increases.....	Select and ultimate by job group; ultimate rates 4.25% for Group 1 and 4.75% for Group 4.
Cost of living adjustments.....	3.0% of the first \$13,000 of retirement income.
Rates of retirement.....	Varies based upon age for general employees, police and fire employees.
Rates of disability.....	For general employees, it was assumed that 45% of all disabilities are ordinary (55% are service connected). For police and fire employees, 10% of all disabilities are assumed to be ordinary (90% are service connected).
Mortality Rates.....	Pre-retirement rates reflect the RP-2000 Employees table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct). Post-Retirement rates reflect the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant table projected generationally with scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct). For disabled retirees, the rates reflect the RP-2000 Health Annuitant table projected generationally with scale BB and a base year of 2012 (gender distinct).
Investment rate of return/Discount rate.....	7.65%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the previous valuation are the same used in the current year.

Investment Policy

The pension plan’s policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Board. Plan assets are managed on a total return basis with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the pension plan.

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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan’s target asset allocation as of January 1, 2017 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Long-Term Expected Asset Allocation
Large Cap Equities.....	7.50%	14.50%
Small/Mid Cap Equities.....	7.75%	3.50%
International Equities (Unhedged).....	7.83%	16.00%
Emerging International Equities.....	9.61%	6.00%
High-Yield Bonds.....	5.75%	1.50%
Bank Loans.....	6.00%	1.50%
EMD (External).....	5.75%	1.00%
EMD (Local Currency).....	6.50%	2.00%
Private Debt.....	9.06%	4.00%
TIPS.....	3.75%	3.00%
Long Treasuries.....	3.75%	10.00%
Private Equity.....	9.50%	10.00%
Real Estate (Core).....	6.50%	10.00%
Hedge Funds.....	6.48%	9.00%
Timber/Natural Resources.....	6.00%	4.00%
Portfolio Completion.....	6.48%	4.00%
		100.00%

Rate of Return

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 7.45%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.65%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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

The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.65%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.65%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.65%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.65%)	Current Discount (7.65%)	1% Increase (8.65%)
The City's proportionate share of the net pension liability.....	\$ 859,709,815	\$ 748,584,423	\$ 654,385,973
The System's total net pension liability.....	\$ 981,312,000	\$ 854,468,408	\$ 746,946,000

NOTE 13 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

Plan Description – The City maintains a single employer defined benefit healthcare plan. The plan provides lifetime medical, dental, and vision benefits for eligible retirees and their spouses. Chapter 32B of the MGL assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the Plan. The plan provides the benefits by participating in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts’ Group Insurance Commission (GIC). Medical, prescription drugs, dental and vision benefits are provided to all eligible retirees through a variety of plans offered by the GIC. Benefit provisions are negotiated between the City and the unions representing City employees and are renegotiated each bargaining period. The retiree health plan does not issue a publicly available financial report.

Funding Policy – Contribution requirements are also negotiated between the City and union representatives. Retired plan members and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits are required to contribute 25% of the cost of benefits provided depending on the plan they choose. The City is required to contribute the balance of the current premiums and may contribute additional amounts to pre-fund benefits. The City contributed approximately \$25.5 million during 2017 towards these benefits, including a pre-funding contribution of \$495,000 as discussed below. Administrative costs of the Plan are assumed to be included in the fully insured premium rates. The City’s average contribution rate was 9.19% of covered-employee payroll.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts passed special legislation that has allowed the City to establish the postemployment benefit trust fund and to enable the City to raise taxes necessary to pre-fund its OPEB liabilities. During 2017, the City pre-funded future OPEB liabilities in the amount of \$494,794 by contributing funds to the Other Postemployment Benefit Fund in excess of the pay-as-you-go required contribution.

The annual money-weighted rate of return on OPEB plan investments is not applicable for the year ending June 30, 2017 as the plan assets have not been invested. The City is currently working on an investment policy for these funds and expects it to be implemented in the next fiscal year.

Discount rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.5%. The City has just begun to fund the OPEB trust fund and as a result, the OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position was not projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the discount rate is based on an average of the three major municipal bond ratings which averaged 3.48%, rounded up slightly to 3.5% due to the recent funding trend.

Plan Membership – The following table represents the Plan’s membership at June 30, 2016:

Current retirees, beneficiaries, and dependents.....	3,901
Current active members.....	<u>5,313</u>
Total.....	<u><u>9,214</u></u>

Components of the OPEB Liability – The following table represents the components of the Plan’s OPEB Liability as of June 30, 2017:

Total OPEB liability.....	\$ 1,018,371,455	
Less: OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position.....	<u>(977,240)</u>	
Net OPEB liability.....	<u><u>\$ 1,017,394,215</u></u>	(1)
The OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position		
as a percentage of the total OPEB liability.....		0.10%

- (1) The Net OPEB liability will be fully recorded in the financial statements at June 30, 2018 when GASB Statement No. 75 is required to be implemented.

Significant Actuarial Methods and Assumptions – The Plan’s total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2015, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial methods and assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement date that was updated to June 30, 2017 to be in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74:

Actuarial Assumptions:

Valuation date.....	July 1, 2015
Actuarial cost method.....	Individual Entry Age Normal
Investment rate of return.....	3.5%
Asset valuation method.....	Market value of assets as of the reporting date, June 30, 2017
Inflation.....	Not specifically assumed
Healthcare cost trend rate.....	9.00% beginning in 2017 and decreasing 0.50% per year until an ultimate trend rate of 5.00% by 2025.
Participation.....	None, assume 100% participation for those covered as actives. All eligible active and retiree employee records provided by client were valued.
Marital status.....	Spouses are valued for benefits similar to retired employees. Employees with spouses are assumed to be Status married to those spouses at and throughout retirement. Employees that are without spouses (or not covering a spouse) are assumed to be single at and throughout retirement. Retiree counts include counts of retiree only with spouses connected to the retiree and reflected through family coverage.
Termination benefit.....	This reflects rate of separation from the active plan and excludes retirement and disability. Turnover table varies by age, gender and years of service with rates of turnover based on PERAC and MTRS.
Medical plan costs.....	0.5% increasing by 0.5% in FY2017 to an ultimate level of 5.0% per year in FY2025
Amortization period.....	30 years as of June 30, 2017, open basis
Mortality.....	RP 2014 Healthy Male and Female Tables are based on the Combined Healthy Table for both pre and postretirement projected with mortality improvements using Projection Scale AA for one (1) year, (i.e., from date of table to valuation date), plus seven (7) years generational improvement.

Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following table presents the Plan’s net OPEB liability, calculated using the discount rate of 3.5%, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.5%) than the current rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (2.5%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (3.5%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (4.5%)</u>
Net OPEB liability.....	\$ <u>1,190,718,720</u>	\$ <u>1,017,394,215</u>	\$ <u>811,615,188</u>

Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare trend – The following table presents the net other postemployment benefit liability, calculated using the current healthcare trend rate, as well as what the net other postemployment benefit liability would be if it was 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate.

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Trend</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Net OPEB liability.....	\$ <u>856,129,366</u>	\$ <u>1,017,394,215</u>	\$ <u>1,238,979,834</u>

There were no changes in assumptions or plan provisions.

Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation (GASB 45) – The City’s annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost/ expense is calculated based on the *annual required contribution of the employer (ARC)*, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The components of the City’s annual OPEB cost for 2017, the estimated amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the City’s net OPEB obligations are summarized in the following table:

Annual required contribution.....	\$ 67,921,570
Interest on net OPEB obligation.....	9,579,161
Adjustments to annual required contribution.....	<u>(19,230,224)</u>
Annual OPEB cost/expense.....	58,270,507
Contributions made.....	<u>(25,495,067)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation.....	32,775,440
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year.....	<u>273,690,279</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year.....	\$ <u><u>306,465,719</u></u>

The City's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2017 and the two preceding years is as follows:

Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
6/30/2017	\$ 58,270,507	43.8%	\$ 306,465,719
6/30/2016	54,813,428	49.3%	273,690,279
6/30/2015	60,672,770	38.3%	245,906,357

Funded Status and Funding Progress – As of July 1, 2015, the most recent actuarial date, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$936.5 million. The actuarial value of assets for the plan was \$0. The remaining \$936.5 million was unfunded. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$277.5 million and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 337.5%.

Actual valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the basic financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions – Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effect of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2015 actuarial valuation were the same as the assumptions presented above.

NOTE 14 – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AGREEMENTS

The City enters into tax increment financing (TIF) agreements with local businesses under Chapter 40, Section 59 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Under this section of the law, localities may grant property tax exemptions of a business' property tax bill for the purpose of attracting or retaining businesses within their jurisdictions. The exemptions may be granted to any business located within or promising to relocate to the City. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the City exempted property taxes totaling \$215,000 under this program.

The City has not made any commitments as part of the agreements other than to reduce taxes. The City is not subject to any tax abatement agreements entered into by other governmental entities.

NOTE 15 – COMMITMENTS*Museum Services Agreement*

With the approval of Special Legislation (Chapter 54 of the Acts of 2008) in March of 2008, the City entered into an agreement with the Springfield Museums Corporation (SMC) where the City has agreed to pay SMC \$1,320,000 per year for a minimum of 25 years. SMA has agreed to provide certain museum services to residents and visitors of the City and to transfer its branch libraries and their contents to the City under individual lease agreements. The 4 branch libraries and their respective contents are being leased to the City for the same 25 year term for the sum of \$1 each per year. The City can extend this agreement with successive 5 year options at terms to be mutually agreed upon.

Waste Services Agreement

In August 1998, the City of Springfield and 6 other communities entered into nearly identical "Service Agreements" with what is now eco/Springfield, LLC, a company that owns and operates a 240 ton per day waste-to-energy facility located on Bondi's Island, Agawam, Massachusetts. Under the Service Agreement, the City has agreed to deliver for disposal at the facility, in each year for a period of 25 years, specified quantities of solid waste and to pay a specified monthly service fee. The City's obligation to pay the monthly service fee is absolute and unconditional and is payable whether or not it receives solid waste disposal services from the facility. For the year ending June 30, 2017, the City's costs under the Service Agreement were approximately \$3.1 million.

The City is committed to completing various projects throughout the City which will be funded with long-term debt totaling approximately \$156 million.

NOTE 16 – CONTINGENCIES*Litigation*

Various lawsuits, claims and proceedings have been or may be instituted or asserted against the City of Springfield, including those pertaining to potential negligent supervision in the schools, use of excessive force by police officers, motor vehicle accidents, eminent domain cases, premise liability cases, civil rights/discrimination cases, and labor and employment case matters. While the amounts claimed may be substantial, the ultimate liability cannot be determined because of the considerable uncertainties that exist. Therefore, it is possible that there could be material negative outcomes affected by certain contingencies existing as of June 30, 2017. However, management believes that the disposition of matters that are pending or asserted will not have a materially adverse effect on the financial statements.

Federal Grants

The City participates in a number of federal award programs. Although the grant programs have been audited in accordance with the provisions of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* through June 30, 2017, these programs are still subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although it is expected such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

NOTE 17 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through December 18, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 18 – FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS

During 2017, the following GASB pronouncements were implemented:

- GASB Statement #74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*. The basic financial statements, related notes and required supplementary information were changed to provide additional disclosure on the Other Postemployment Benefit Trust Fund.
- GASB Statement #77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*. This pronouncement did not impact the basic financial statements.
- GASB Statement #78, *Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*. The basic financial statements and related notes were updated to be in compliance with this pronouncement.
- GASB Statement #80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units – an amendment of GASB Statement #14*. This pronouncement did not impact the basic financial statements.
- GASB Statement #82, *Pension Issues – an amendment of GASB Statements #67, #68, and #73*. The basic financial statements and related notes were updated to be in compliance with this pronouncement.

The following GASB pronouncements will be implemented in the future:

- The GASB issued Statement #75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, which is required to be implemented in 2018.
- The GASB issued Statement #81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*, which is required to be implemented in 2018.
- The GASB issued Statement #83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations*, which is required to be implemented in 2019.
- The GASB issued Statement #84, *Fiduciary Activities*, which is required to be implemented in 2020.
- The GASB issued Statement #85, *Omnibus 2017*, which is required to be implemented in 2018.
- The GASB issued Statement #86, *Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues*, which is required to be implemented in 2018.
- The GASB issued Statement #87, *Leases*, which is required to be implemented in 2021.

Management is currently assessing the impact the implementation of these pronouncements will have on the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information

General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. It is used to account for the entire City's financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Budgetary Amounts	Amounts Carried Forward To Next Year	Variance to Final Budget
	Original Budget	Final Budget			
REVENUES:					
Real estate and personal property taxes, net of tax refunds.....	\$ 185,958,317	\$ 187,435,634	\$ 184,929,137	\$ -	\$ (2,506,497)
Tax liens.....	-	-	1,950,676	-	1,950,676
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	9,900,000	10,241,209	11,500,953	-	1,259,744
Hotel/motel tax.....	1,152,927	1,152,927	1,352,635	-	199,708
Local meals tax.....	1,650,000	1,650,000	1,769,323	-	119,323
Charges for services.....	13,049,231	4,442,734	5,927,941	-	1,485,207
Penalties and interest on taxes.....	1,870,000	1,870,000	1,355,037	-	(514,963)
Payments in lieu of taxes.....	2,133,730	2,133,730	2,109,803	-	(23,927)
Chapter 121A - excise payments in lieu of taxes.....	6,592,000	6,592,000	6,592,119	-	119
Licenses and permits.....	10,533,003	9,045,754	9,848,333	-	802,579
Fines and forfeitures.....	479,116	6,439,113	5,999,121	-	(439,992)
Intergovernmental.....	379,254,165	375,005,885	374,413,634	-	(592,251)
Departmental and other.....	2,888,615	6,205,115	6,201,121	-	(3,994)
Investment income.....	1,346,859	1,346,859	1,856,145	-	509,286
TOTAL REVENUES.....	616,807,963	613,560,960	615,805,978	-	2,245,018
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
City Council					
Personal Services.....	422,349	422,349	411,089	-	11,260
Expenditures.....	11,538	11,538	2,303	2,767	6,468
Total City Council.....	433,887	433,887	413,392	2,767	17,728
Mayor					
Personal Services.....	518,137	518,136	518,136	-	-
Expenditures.....	14,383	14,383	6,313	-	8,070
Total Mayor.....	532,520	532,519	524,449	-	8,070
Finance					
Personal Services.....	2,106,196	1,693,882	-	-	1,693,882
Department of Administration and Finance					
Personal Services.....	584,782	560,355	558,641	-	1,714
Expenditures.....	112,696	112,674	106,778	-	5,896
Total Department of Administration and Finance.....	697,478	673,029	665,419	-	7,610
311 Call Center					
Personal Services.....	397,475	379,475	367,371	-	12,104
Expenditures.....	52,357	52,214	51,450	-	764
Total CITISTAT.....	449,832	431,689	418,821	-	12,868
Comptroller					
Personal Services.....	582,792	562,332	549,321	-	13,011
Expenditures.....	5,952	6,453	5,787	-	666
Total Comptroller.....	588,744	568,785	555,108	-	13,677
Internal Audit					
Personal Services.....	262,509	262,509	262,509	-	-
Expenditures.....	216,573	216,573	207,264	559	8,750
Total Internal Audit.....	479,082	479,082	469,773	559	8,750
Office of Procurement					
Personal Services.....	423,748	413,748	406,952	-	6,796
Expenditures.....	115,088	125,079	115,280	-	9,799
Total Office of Procurement.....	538,836	538,827	522,232	-	16,595

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GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Budgetary Amounts	Amounts Carried Forward To Next Year	Variance to Final Budget
	Original Budget	Final Budget			
Board of Assessors					
Personal Services.....	722,841	677,541	665,832	-	11,709
Expenditures.....	228,800	258,117	219,374	15,640	23,103
Total Board of Assessors.....	951,641	935,658	885,206	15,640	34,812
Treasurer					
Personal Services.....	489,700	489,700	488,866	-	834
Expenditures.....	1,559,315	1,424,414	1,085,784	151,501	187,129
Total Treasurer.....	2,049,015	1,914,114	1,574,650	151,501	187,963
Collector					
Personal Services.....	331,774	334,874	333,853	-	1,021
Expenditures.....	134,140	163,546	148,251	9,577	5,718
Total Collector.....	465,914	498,420	482,104	9,577	6,739
Law					
Personal Services.....	1,587,490	1,499,790	1,451,839	-	47,951
Expenditures.....	446,650	1,996,576	1,960,305	27,148	9,123
Total Law.....	2,034,140	3,496,366	3,412,144	27,148	57,074
Department of Humans Resources & Labor Relations					
Personal Services.....	1,100,958	1,100,958	1,099,183	-	1,775
Expenditures.....	587,957	544,298	463,576	40,694	40,028
Total Department of Humans Resources & Labor Relations....	1,688,915	1,645,256	1,562,759	40,694	41,803
Medical & Dental					
Expenditures.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	995,115	-	4,885
Payroll					
Expenditures.....	151,317	151,317	151,317	-	-
Information Technology					
Personal Services.....	994,110	982,201	982,063	-	138
Expenditures.....	2,124,564	2,135,307	2,046,784	82,690	5,833
Capital.....	20,000	21,996	15,346	5,772	878
Total Information Technology	3,138,674	3,139,504	3,044,193	88,462	6,849
City Clerk					
Personal Services.....	463,671	489,477	489,326	-	151
Expenditures.....	26,520	26,374	19,234	5,110	2,030
Total City Clerk.....	490,191	515,851	508,560	5,110	2,181
Board of Election Commission					
Personal Services.....	456,213	456,213	415,915	-	40,298
Expenditures.....	163,867	163,460	145,880	1,305	16,275
Total Board of Election Commission.....	620,080	619,673	561,795	1,305	56,573
Planning					
Personal Services.....	934,545	899,545	873,304	-	26,241
Expenditures.....	373,440	349,519	348,055	693	771
Total Planning.....	1,307,985	1,249,064	1,221,359	693	27,012
Facilities Management					
Personal Services.....	1,245,621	1,055,411	1,053,248	-	2,163
Expenditures.....	1,584,905	1,699,371	1,482,177	205,076	12,118
Total Facilities Management.....	2,830,526	2,754,782	2,535,425	205,076	14,281
Capital Asset Construction					
Personal Services.....	367,149	367,149	363,535	-	3,614
Expenditures.....	107,366	103,653	79,766	10,648	13,239
Total Capital Asset Construction.....	474,515	470,802	443,301	10,648	16,853

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GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Budgetary Amounts	Amounts Carried Forward To Next Year	Variance to Final Budget
	Original Budget	Final Budget			
Provisions for Uncompensated Absences					
Expenditures.....	(1,000,000)	11,200	-	-	11,200
Reserve for Contingencies					
Expenditures.....	225,000	20,020	-	-	20,020
Parking Contract					
Expenditures.....	1,341,069	1,238,269	772,233	466,036	-
Pay-As-You-Go Capital					
Capital.....	3,690,615	2,312,723	2,062,611	245,679	4,433
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT.....	27,286,172	27,324,719	23,781,966	1,270,895	2,271,858
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police					
Personal Services.....	40,615,031	40,315,032	39,486,323	-	828,709
Expenditures.....	2,606,208	2,884,721	2,785,773	95,860	3,088
Total Police.....	43,221,239	43,199,753	42,272,096	95,860	831,797
Fire					
Personal Services.....	19,606,123	19,086,123	18,881,389	-	204,734
Expenditures.....	1,761,443	1,741,744	1,579,491	68,383	93,870
Capital.....	14,800	14,800	14,640	-	160
Total Fire.....	21,382,366	20,842,667	20,475,520	68,383	298,764
Building - Code Enforcement					
Personal Services.....	1,712,962	1,600,462	1,549,005	-	51,457
Expenditures.....	54,620	54,620	42,948	-	11,672
Total Building - Code Enforcement.....	1,767,582	1,655,082	1,591,953	-	63,129
Housing - Code Enforcement					
Personal Services.....	681,980	590,780	565,987	-	24,793
Expenditures.....	184,613	152,800	93,520	55,479	3,801
Total Housing - Code Enforcement.....	866,593	743,580	659,507	55,479	28,594
Centralized Dispatch					
Personal Services.....	1,456,790	1,504,272	1,479,009	-	25,263
Expenditures.....	456,916	456,916	452,596	28	4,292
Capital.....	4,000	4,000	3,581	-	419
Total Centralized Dispatch.....	1,917,706	1,965,188	1,935,186	28	29,974
Animal Control					
Personal Services.....	567,138	562,138	530,182	-	31,956
Expenditures.....	867,223	849,802	772,744	43,890	33,168
Total Animal Control.....	1,434,361	1,411,940	1,302,926	43,890	65,124
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY.....	70,589,847	69,818,210	68,237,188	263,640	1,317,382
EDUCATION					
School Department.....	410,906,130	408,313,169	389,361,789	18,797,491	153,889
PUBLIC WORKS					
Personal Services.....	3,950,534	3,870,534	3,830,889	-	39,645
Expenditures.....	6,338,221	6,792,415	6,453,191	251,408	87,816
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS.....	10,288,755	10,662,949	10,284,080	251,408	127,461
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES					
Health & Human Services					
Personal Services.....	1,218,392	1,123,392	1,113,571	-	9,821
Expenditures.....	234,253	232,216	210,429	7,991	13,796
Total Health & Human Services.....	1,452,645	1,355,608	1,324,000	7,991	23,617

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GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Budgetary Amounts	Amounts Carried Forward To Next Year	Variance to Final Budget
	Original Budget	Final Budget			
Department of Elder Affairs					
Personal Services.....	284,015	274,015	268,972	-	5,043
Expenditures.....	18,498	18,443	15,402	938	2,103
Total Department of Elder Affairs.....	302,513	292,458	284,374	938	7,146
Veterans Services					
Personal Services.....	332,692	316,692	314,485	-	2,207
Expenditures.....	2,655,085	2,654,967	1,619,253	768	1,034,946
Veterans Services.....	2,987,777	2,971,659	1,933,738	768	1,037,153
TOTAL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES.....	4,742,935	4,619,725	3,542,112	9,697	1,067,916
CULTURE & RECREATION					
Library					
Personal Services.....	3,068,433	3,068,433	3,042,043	-	26,390
Expenditures.....	1,500,829	1,487,497	1,404,613	28,664	54,220
Capital.....	47,000	47,000	46,655	-	345
Total Library.....	4,616,262	4,602,930	4,493,311	28,664	80,955
Museum					
Expenditures.....	1,320,000	1,320,000	1,320,000	-	-
Parks					
Personal Services.....	4,663,730	4,643,730	4,521,036	-	122,694
Expenditures.....	3,591,451	3,519,495	3,231,442	270,300	17,753
Capital.....	226,263	226,263	226,263	-	-
Total Parks.....	8,481,444	8,389,488	7,978,741	270,300	140,447
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION.....	14,417,706	14,312,418	13,792,052	298,964	221,402
OTHER					
Debt Service.....	33,293,116	33,293,116	32,913,542	-	379,574
State Assessments					
Expenditures.....	3,592,136	3,611,657	3,514,020	64,276	33,361
Contribution Retirement Pension					
Expenditures.....	30,059,288	30,231,288	30,187,477	-	43,811
Non-Contributory Pensions					
Expenditures.....	185,000	120,000	116,375	-	3,625
Unemployment					
Expenditures.....	173,069	228,701	185,266	20,000	23,435
Workers Compensation					
Expenditures.....	735,069	667,969	493,098	-	174,871
Health Insurance - Non School					
Expenditures.....	24,915,714	24,915,714	24,453,396	-	462,318
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	631,184,937	628,119,635	600,862,361	20,976,371	6,280,903
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES.....	(14,376,974)	(14,558,675)	14,943,617	(20,976,371)	8,525,921
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Prior year encumbrances funded through fund balance.....	18,440,066	18,440,066	-	-	(18,440,066)
Free cash used to fund snow and ice account.....	-	231,781	-	-	(231,781)
Free cash used to fund transfers out.....	-	4,716,164	-	-	(4,716,164)
Transfers in.....	-	1,497,365	1,974,615	-	477,250
Transfers out.....	(4,063,092)	(10,326,701)	(10,326,701)	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES).....	14,376,974	14,558,675	(8,352,086)	-	(22,910,761)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE.....	-	-	6,591,531	(20,976,371)	(14,384,840)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year.....	58,082,052	58,082,052	58,082,052	-	-
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, End of year.....	\$ 58,082,052	\$ 58,082,052	\$ 64,673,583	\$ (20,976,371)	\$ (14,384,840)

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See notes to required supplementary information.

Pension Plan Schedules – Retirement System

The Pension Plan's Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability presents multi-year trend information on the net pension liability and related ratios.

The Pension Plan's Schedule of Contributions presents multi-year trend information on the required and actual contributions to the pension plan and related ratios.

The Pension Plan's Schedule of Investment Return presents multi-year trend information on the money-weighted investment return on retirement assets, net of investment expense.

These schedules are intended to present information for ten years. Until a ten year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

**SPRINGFIELD CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
AND RELATED RATIOS**

	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016
Total pension liability:			
Service cost.....	\$ 17,151,000	\$ 17,923,000	\$ 22,097,000
Interest.....	77,538,000	79,578,000	84,605,000
Changes in benefit terms.....	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience.....	-	12,434,000	-
Changes in assumptions.....	-	54,000,000	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions.....	<u>(68,031,686)</u>	<u>(71,092,314)</u>	<u>(74,245,640)</u>
Net change in total pension liability.....	26,657,314	92,842,686	32,456,360
Total pension liability, beginning.....	<u>1,001,475,000</u>	<u>1,028,132,314</u>	<u>1,120,975,000</u>
Total pension liability, ending (a).....	<u>\$ 1,028,132,314</u>	<u>\$ 1,120,975,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,153,431,360</u>
Plan fiduciary net position:			
Member contributions.....	\$ 12,150,386	\$ 13,184,024	\$ 14,085,746
Employer contributions.....	45,805,630	47,710,101	50,572,700
Other additions.....	-	785,488	2,654,906
Net investment income (loss).....	20,681,621	1,890,211	20,912,155
Retirement benefits and refunds.....	(68,031,686)	(71,092,314)	(76,592,752)
Administrative expenses.....	<u>(751,843)</u>	<u>(722,933)</u>	<u>(830,694)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in fiduciary net position.....	9,854,108	(8,245,423)	10,802,061
Fiduciary net position at beginning of year.....	<u>286,552,206</u>	<u>296,406,314</u>	<u>288,160,891</u>
Fiduciary net position at end of year (b).....	<u>\$ 296,406,314</u>	<u>\$ 288,160,891</u>	<u>\$ 298,962,952</u>
Net pension liability - ending (a) - (b).....	<u>\$ 731,726,000</u>	<u>\$ 832,814,109</u>	<u>\$ 854,468,408</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability.....	28.83%	25.71%	25.92%
Covered-employee payroll.....	\$ 139,681,000	\$ 152,161,000	\$ 159,008,245
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll.....	523.86%	547.32%	537.37%

This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

**SPRINGFIELD CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS**

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017
Actuarially determined contribution.....	\$ 45,009,537	\$ 47,710,100	50,572,700
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution.....	<u>45,009,537</u>	<u>47,710,100</u>	<u>50,572,700</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess).....	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>
Covered-employee payroll.....	\$ 139,681,000	\$ 152,161,000	159,008,245
Contributions as a percentage of covered- employee payroll.....	32.22%	31.36%	31.81%

This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those
years for which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

**SPRINGFIELD CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM
SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURN**

	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense.....	7.24%	0.58%	7.45%

This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those
years for which information is available.

The annual money-weighted rate of return has been calculated by the Pension
Reserves Investment Management Board (PRIM).

See notes to required supplementary information.

Pension Plan Schedules - City

The Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability presents multi-year trend information on the City's net pension liability and related ratios.

The Schedule of City's Contributions presents multi-year trend information on the City's required and actual contributions to the pension plan and related ratios.

The Schedule of the Special Funding Amounts of the Net Pension Liability for the Massachusetts Teachers Contributory Retirement System presents multi-year trend information on the liability and expense assumed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on behalf of the City along with related ratios.

These schedules are intended to present information for ten years. Until a ten year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

**SCHEDULE OF THE CITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE
OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
SPRINGFIELD CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016
City's proportion of the net pension liability (asset).....	86.94%	86.97%	87.61%
City's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)..... \$	636,164,105	\$ 724,300,735	\$ 748,584,423
City's covered employee payroll..... \$	121,438,952	\$ 132,334,843	\$ 138,289,911
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll.....	523.86%	547.32%	541.32%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability.....	28.83%	25.71%	25.92%

This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for
which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

**SCHEDULE OF CITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS
SPRINGFIELD CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017
Actuarially determined contribution.....	\$ 39,131,385	\$ 41,493,606	\$ 44,305,834
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution.....	<u>39,131,385</u>	<u>41,493,606</u>	<u>44,305,834</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess).....	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 121,438,952	\$ 132,334,843	\$ 138,289,911
Contributions as a percentage of covered- employee payroll.....	32.22%	31.36%	32.04%

This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those
years for which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

**SCHEDULE OF THE SPECIAL FUNDING AMOUNTS
OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
MASSACHUSETTS TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the member employers which creates a special funding situation. Since the City does not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize. This schedule discloses the Commonwealth's 100% share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the City; the portion of the collective pension expense as both a revenue and pension expense recognized by the City; and the Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total liability.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Commonwealth's 100% Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the City</u>	<u>City's Expense and Revenue Recognized for the Commonwealth's Support</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Liability</u>
2017.....	\$ 555,999,756	\$ 56,715,620	52.73%
2016.....	534,192,073	43,327,731	55.38%
2015.....	430,067,023	29,878,820	61.64%

Note: this schedule is intended to present information for 10 years. Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

Other Postemployment Benefit Plan Schedules

Schedules presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74

The Schedule of Changes in the City's Net Other Postemployment Benefit Liability and Related Ratios presents multi-year trend information on changes in the Plan's total OPEB liability, changes in the Plan's net position, and ending net OPEB liability. It also demonstrates the Plan's net position as a percentage of the total liability and the Plan's net other postemployment benefit liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll.

The Schedule of the City's Contributions presents multi-year trend information on the City's actual contributions to the other postemployment benefit plan and related ratios.

The Schedule of Investment Return presents multi-year trend information on the money-weighted investment return on the Plan's other postemployment assets, net of investment expense.

Schedules presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45

The Schedule of Funding progress compares, over time, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits with the actuarial value of accumulated plan assets.

The Schedule of Employer Contributions presents multiyear trend information for required and actual contributions relating to the plan.

The Schedule of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions presents factors that significantly affect the identification of trends in the amounts reported.

**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE
CITY'S NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN**

	June 30, 2017
Total OPEB Liability	
Service Cost.....	\$ 34,286,857
Interest.....	33,684,668
Changes of benefit terms.....	-
Differences between expected and actual experience.....	-
Changes of assumptions.....	-
Benefit payments.....	(25,000,273)
Net change in total OPEB liability.....	42,971,252
Total OPEB liability- beginning.....	975,400,203
Total OPEB liability- ending (a).....	\$ 1,018,371,455
Plan fiduciary net position	
Employer contribution to the Trust.....	\$ 494,794
Employer contributions to pay for benefits.....	25,000,273
Net investment income.....	1,455
Benefit payments.....	(25,000,273)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position.....	496,249
Plan fiduciary net position- beginning.....	480,991
Plan fiduciary net position- ending (b).....	\$ 977,240
City's net OPEB liability- ending (a)-(b).....	\$ 1,017,394,215
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability.....	0.10%
Covered employee payroll.....	\$ 277,466,376
City's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll.....	366.67%

Note: this schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years
for which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

**SCHEDULE OF THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN**

	June 30, 2017
Actuarially determined contribution.....	\$ 67,971,525
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution.....	(494,794)
Contribution deficiency (excess).....	\$ 67,476,731
Covered employee payroll.....	\$ 277,466,376
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll.....	0.18%

Note: this schedule is intended to present information for 10 years.
Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for
which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN

June 30,
2017

Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense.....	(1)
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(1) The City did not invest the funds during FY2017. In FY2018 the City began investing based on the new investment policy.

Note: This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years. Until a 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

See notes to required supplementary information.

OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN
SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (A)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (B)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (B-A)	Funded Ratio (A/B)	Covered Payroll (C)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((B-A)/C)
7/1/2015	-	\$ 936,508,134	\$ 936,508,134	0.00%	\$ 277,466,376	337.52%
7/1/2013	-	873,436,035	873,436,035	0.00%	264,253,691	330.53%
6/30/2012	-	1,029,275,845	1,029,275,845	0.00%	253,791,624	405.56%
6/30/2010	-	854,411,443	854,411,443	0.00%	250,719,136	340.78%
6/30/2008	-	761,576,067	761,576,067	0.00%	299,998,526	253.86%

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Year Ended	Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	Actual Contributions Made	Percentage of the ARC Contributed
2017	\$ 67,921,570	\$ 25,496,522	37.5%
2016	65,436,929	27,029,506	41.3%
2015	70,662,488	23,240,122	32.9%
2014	67,800,071	23,076,721	34.0%
2013	68,344,937	31,172,202	45.6%
2012	52,758,767	22,491,469	42.6%
2011	50,553,704	20,932,337	41.4%
2010	43,518,685	25,004,396	57.5%

See notes to required supplementary information.

OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN
ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

Actuarial Methods:

Valuation date.....	July 1, 2015
Actuarial cost method.....	individual Entry Age Normal
Amortization method.....	30 year amortization period, level dollar open basis
Amortization period.....	30 years as of July 1, 2015

Actuarial Assumptions:

Investment rate of return.....	3.50%, pay-as-you-go scenario
Medical/drug cost trend rate.....	0.5% increasing by 0.5% in FY2017 to an ultimate level of 5.0% per year in FY2025

Plan Membership:

Current retirees, beneficiaries, and dependents.....	3,901
Current active members.....	<u>5,313</u>
Total.....	<u><u>9,214</u></u>

See notes to required supplementary information.

NOTE A – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITYA. Budgetary Information

Municipal Law requires the adoption of a balanced budget that is approved by the Mayor and the City Council (the "Council"). The Mayor presents an annual budget to the Council, which includes estimates of revenues and other financing sources and recommendations of expenditures and other financing uses.

Supplementary appropriations are made upon recommendation of the Mayor and approval of the Council.

The majority of the City's appropriations are non-continuing which lapse at the end of each year. Others are continuing appropriations for which the governing body has authorized that an unspent balance from a prior year be carried forward and made available for spending in the current year. These carry forwards are included as part of the subsequent year's original budget.

Generally, expenditures may not exceed the legal level of spending authorized for an appropriation account. However, the payment of debt service is statutorily required, regardless of whether such amounts are appropriated. Additionally, expenditures for disasters, natural or otherwise, and final judgments may exceed the level of spending authorized by two-thirds majority vote of the Council and written approval from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

An annual budget is adopted for the general fund in conformity with the guidelines described above. The original 2017 approved budget authorized approximately \$635.2 million in appropriations and other amounts to be raised. During the year the City appropriated an additional \$638.4 million of expenditures and transfers out mainly to stabilization funds. The City Comptroller's office has the responsibility to ensure that budgetary control is maintained. Budgetary control is exercised through the accounting system.

B. Budgetary - GAAP Reconciliation

For budgetary financial reporting purposes, the Uniform Municipal Accounting System basis of accounting (established by the Commonwealth) is followed, which differs from the GAAP basis of accounting. A reconciliation of budgetary-basis to GAAP-basis results for the general fund for the year ended June 30, 2017, is presented below:

Net change in fund balance - budgetary basis.....	\$	6,591,531
<u>Basis of accounting differences:</u>		
Increase in revenues due to on-behalf payments.....		56,715,620
Increase in expenditures due to on-behalf payments.....		(56,715,620)
Net change in recording 60 day receipts and other accrued revenues.....		(15,622)
Net change in recording other accrued expenses.....		2,129,818
Net change in recording tax refunds payable.....		254,667
<u>Perspective difference:</u>		
Activity of the stabilization funds recorded in the general fund for GAAP.....		<u>2,305,129</u>
Net change in fund balance - GAAP basis.....	\$	<u><u>11,265,523</u></u>

NOTE B – PENSION PLAN***Pension Plan Schedules – Retirement System*****A. Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios**

The Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios includes the detailed changes in the systems total pension liability, changes in the systems net position, and the ending net pension liability. It also demonstrates the plan's net position as a percentage of the total pension liability and the net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll.

Since the retirement system performs an actuarial valuation bi-annually, there are no reported amounts for the changes in benefit terms, differences between expected and actual experience and changes in assumptions as of December 31, 2016.

B. Schedule of Contributions

Governmental employers are required to pay an annual appropriation as established by PERAC. The total appropriation includes the amounts to pay the pension portion of each member's retirement allowance, an amount to amortize the actuarially determined unfunded liability to zero in accordance with the system's funding schedule, and additional appropriations in accordance with adopted early retirement incentive programs. The total appropriations are payable on July 1 and January 1. Employers may choose to pay the entire appropriation in July at a discounted rate. Accordingly, actual employer contributions may be less than the "total appropriation". The pension fund appropriations are allocated amongst employers based on covered payroll.

C. Schedule of Investment Return

The money weighted rate of return is calculated as the internal rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense. A money weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of pension plan investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested. Inputs to the money weighted rate of return calculation are determined monthly.

Pension Plan Schedules - City**A. Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**

The Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability details the City's allocated percentage of the net pension liability (asset), the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability, and the City's covered employee payroll. It also demonstrates the City's net position as a percentage of the City's pension liability and the City's net pension liability as a percentage of the City's covered payroll.

B. Schedule of City's Contributions

Governmental employers are required to pay an annual appropriation as established by PERAC. The City's appropriation includes the amounts to pay the pension portion of each member's retirement allowance, an amount to amortize the actuarially determined unfunded liability to zero in accordance with the system's funding schedule, and additional appropriations in accordance with adopted early retirement incentive programs. The City's appropriations are payable on July 1 and January 1. The City may choose to pay the entire appropriation in July at a discounted rate. Accordingly, actual City contributions may be less than the "total appropriation". The pension fund appropriation is allocated to the City based on covered payroll.

C. Schedule of the Special Funding Amounts of the Net Pension Liabilities

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the member employers which creates a special funding situation. Since the City does not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize. This schedule discloses the Commonwealth's 100% share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the City; the portion of the collective pension expense as both revenue and pension expense recognized by the City; and the Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total liability.

D. Changes in Assumptions

None

E. Changes in Plan Provisions

None

NOTE C – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The City administers a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan ("The Other Postemployment Benefit Plan"). The plan provides lifetime medical, dental, and vision benefits for eligible retirees and their spouses through the City's participation in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Group Insurance Commission (GIC), which covers both active and retired members.

The Other Postemployment Benefit PlanThe Schedule of Changes in the City's Net Other Postemployment Benefit Liability and Related Ratios

The Schedule of Changes in the City's Net Other Postemployment Benefit Liability and Related Ratios presents multi-year trend information on changes in the Plan's total OPEB liability, changes in the Plan's net position, and ending net OPEB liability. It also demonstrates the Plan's net position as a percentage of the total liability and the Plan's net other postemployment benefit liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll.

Schedule of the City's Contributions

The Schedule of the City's Contributions includes the City's annual required contribution to the Plan, along with the contribution made in relation to the actuarially determined contribution and the covered employee payroll. The City is not required to fully fund this contribution. It also demonstrates the contributions as a percentage of covered payroll.

Schedule of Investment Return

The Schedule on Investment Return includes the money-weighted investment return on the Plan's other postemployment assets, net of investment expense.

The City

The City currently finances its other postemployment benefits (OPEB) on a pay-as-you-go basis. As a result, the funded ratio (actuarial value of assets expressed as a percentage of the actuarially accrued liability) was zero. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards, the City has recorded its OPEB cost equal to the actuarial

determined annual required contribution (ARC) which includes the normal cost of providing benefits for the year and a component for the amortization of the total unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the plan.

Projections for benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefits costs between the employer and the plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

The Schedule of Funding Progress

The Schedule of Funding Progress presents multi-year trend information which compares, over time; the City's actuarially accrued liability for benefits with the actuarial value of accumulated plan assets.

The Schedule of Employer Contributions

The Schedule of Employer Contributions presents multi-year trend information for required and actual contributions relating to the plan.

The Schedule of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The Schedule of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions presents factors that significantly affect the identification of trends in the amounts reported.

Changes in Assumptions

None

Changes in Plan Provisions

None

Combining and Individual Fund Statements

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenue sources that are restricted by law or administrative action to expenditures for specific purposes.

Utility/Telephone Fund – This fund accounts for the accumulation of funds used to offset the City's utility and telephone expenses.

Receipts Reserved Fund – This fund accounts for specific receipts identified by the Commonwealth that are to be held until appropriated.

School Lunch Fund – This fund accounts for the school cafeteria activities and is funded by user fees and grants.

Highway Improvements Fund – This fund is used to account for roadway improvements for which expenditures are reimbursed 100% by the Commonwealth.

Revolving Fund – This fund accounts for self-supporting programs sponsored by the City.

Federal Grants School Fund – This fund is used to account for grant funds received from the federal government which are designated for specific school related programs.

Federal Grants City Fund – This fund is used to account for grant funds received from the federal government which are designated for specific non-school related programs.

State Grants School Fund – This fund is used to account for grant funds received from the Commonwealth which are designated for specific school related programs.

State Grants City Fund – This fund is used to account for grant funds received from the Commonwealth which are designated for specific non-school related programs.

Promise Fund – This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources to provide Springfield students financial aid counseling for post-secondary education.

Expendable Governmental Trusts – This fund accounts for contributions where both principal and investment earnings may be spent to support the government.

October 29, 2011 Snowstorm – This fund accounts for activity related to cleanup and repair costs of the October 29, 2011 snowstorm.

Tornado Relief – This fund accounts for activity related to cleanup and repair costs of the tornado that occurred during 2011.

Other – This fund accounts for all other legally established special revenues where the funds are spent on governmental purposes.

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general obligation long-term debt principal and interest.

Bond Sinking Fund – This fund is used to account for the accumulation of funds for the future payment related to the City's state qualified general obligation school bonds.

Debt Service Reserve Fund – This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of general obligation long-term debt principal and interest.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Capital projects funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of major capital facilities and equipment (other than those financed by enterprise funds). Such resources are derived principally from proceeds of general obligation bonds and grants. The capital projects funds are grouped into the following categories:

Public Buildings – This fund is used to account for the construction and renovation of various non-school buildings.

Parks – This fund is used to account for the acquisition, construction, and improvement of various City owned parks.

Equipment – This fund is used to account for the acquisition of capital equipment that is not funded by operating budgets.

Public Works – This fund is used to account for roadway, drainage and landfill improvements that are not funded by the Highway Improvements special revenue fund.

School Capital Projects – This fund is used to account for construction, renovations, and major repairs of the City's schools.

Other – This fund accounts for all other legally established capital projects where the funds are spent on governmental purposes.

**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET**

JUNE 30, 2017

	Special Revenue Funds					
	Utility/ Telephone	Receipts Reserved	School Lunch	Highway Improvements	Revolving	Federal Grants School
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 921,872	\$ 67,711	\$ 5,745,545	\$ -	\$ 3,400,557	\$ -
Restricted cash and cash equivalents.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents held by custodian.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receivables, net of uncollectibles:						
Departmental and other.....	-	-	-	-	1,180,194	-
Intergovernmental.....	-	-	-	5,670,541	-	1,982,692
Loans.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS.....	\$ 921,872	\$ 67,711	\$ 5,745,545	\$ 5,670,541	\$ 4,580,751	\$ 1,982,692
LIABILITIES						
Warrants payable.....	\$ 168	\$ -	\$ 3,965	\$ 467,633	\$ 30,355	\$ 454,279
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	2,711	-	749	4,492	241,021	531,647
Due to granting agencies.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims and judgments.....	820,000	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities.....	-	-	-	-	1,332	-
Due to other funds.....	-	-	-	731,529	-	79,498
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	822,879	-	4,714	1,203,654	272,708	1,065,424
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Unavailable revenues.....	-	-	-	3,540,565	1,180,186	-
FUND BALANCES						
Restricted.....	98,993	67,711	5,740,831	926,322	3,127,857	917,268
Unassigned.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES.....	98,993	67,711	5,740,831	926,322	3,127,857	917,268
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES.....	\$ 921,872	\$ 67,711	\$ 5,745,545	\$ 5,670,541	\$ 4,580,751	\$ 1,982,692

Special Revenue Funds

Federal Grants City	State Grants School	State Grants City	Promise Fund	Expendable Governmental Trusts	October 2011 Snowstorm	Tornado Relief	Other	Sub-total
\$ 1,306,629	\$ 7,081,330	\$ 1,152,521	\$ 5,803,996	\$ 2,260,715	\$ -	\$ 398,885	\$ 9,713,565	\$ 37,853,326
975,601	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	975,601
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,023	1,195,217
1,068,714	268,497	1,110,908	-	-	-	-	-	10,101,352
4,579,748	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,579,748
<u>\$ 7,930,692</u>	<u>\$ 7,349,827</u>	<u>\$ 2,263,429</u>	<u>\$ 5,803,996</u>	<u>\$ 2,260,715</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 398,885</u>	<u>\$ 9,728,588</u>	<u>\$ 54,705,244</u>
\$ 623,402	\$ 874,165	\$ 126,186	\$ -	\$ 17,394	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,185	\$ 2,614,732
62,083	75,428	20,080	-	173	-	-	4,629	943,013
6,205,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,205,000
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	820,000
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,310,200	4,311,532
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	811,027
<u>6,890,485</u>	<u>949,593</u>	<u>146,266</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,332,014</u>	<u>15,705,304</u>
321,247	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,023	5,057,021
718,960	6,400,234	2,117,163	5,803,996	2,243,148	-	398,885	5,381,551	33,942,919
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>718,960</u>	<u>6,400,234</u>	<u>2,117,163</u>	<u>5,803,996</u>	<u>2,243,148</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>398,885</u>	<u>5,381,551</u>	<u>33,942,919</u>
<u>\$ 7,930,692</u>	<u>\$ 7,349,827</u>	<u>\$ 2,263,429</u>	<u>\$ 5,803,996</u>	<u>\$ 2,260,715</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 398,885</u>	<u>\$ 9,728,588</u>	<u>\$ 54,705,244</u>

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**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET**

JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Debt Service</u>			<u>Capital Projects</u>	
	Bond Sinking Fund	Debt Service Reserve	Sub-total	Public Buildings	Parks
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ -	\$ 1,688,593	\$ 1,688,593	\$ -	\$ 198,083
Restricted cash and cash equivalents.....	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents held by custodian.....	6,137,807	-	6,137,807	-	-
Receivables, net of uncollectibles:					
Departmental and other.....	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental.....	-	-	-	-	-
Loans.....	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS.....	\$ 6,137,807	\$ 1,688,593	\$ 7,826,400	\$ -	\$ 198,083
LIABILITIES					
Warrants payable.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,843,346	\$ 209,784
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	-	-	-	-	-
Due to granting agencies.....	-	-	-	-	-
Claims and judgments.....	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities.....	-	-	-	-	-
Due to other funds.....	-	-	-	1,625,632	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	-	-	-	4,468,978	209,784
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable revenues.....	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES					
Restricted.....	6,137,807	1,688,593	7,826,400	-	-
Unassigned.....	-	-	-	(4,468,978)	(11,701)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES.....	6,137,807	1,688,593	7,826,400	(4,468,978)	(11,701)
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES.....	\$ 6,137,807	\$ 1,688,593	\$ 7,826,400	\$ -	\$ 198,083

Capital Projects					Total
Equipment	Public Works	School Capital Projects	Other	Sub-total	Nonmajor Governmental Funds
\$ 4,348,587	\$ 4,199,950	\$ 11,931,446	\$ 3,783,303	\$ 24,461,369	\$ 64,003,288
-	-	-	-	-	975,601
-	-	-	-	-	6,137,807
-	-	-	-	-	1,195,217
-	-	4,340,976	-	4,340,976	14,442,328
-	-	-	-	-	4,579,748
<u>\$ 4,348,587</u>	<u>\$ 4,199,950</u>	<u>\$ 16,272,422</u>	<u>\$ 3,783,303</u>	<u>\$ 28,802,345</u>	<u>\$ 91,333,989</u>
\$ 4,800	\$ 122,146	\$ 1,495,733	\$ -	\$ 4,675,809	\$ 7,290,541
-	-	-	-	-	943,013
-	-	-	-	-	6,205,000
-	-	-	-	-	820,000
-	-	-	-	-	4,311,532
-	-	-	-	1,625,632	2,436,659
<u>4,800</u>	<u>122,146</u>	<u>1,495,733</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,301,441</u>	<u>22,006,745</u>
-	-	-	-	-	5,057,021
4,343,787	4,077,804	14,776,689	3,783,303	26,981,583	68,750,902
-	-	-	-	(4,480,679)	(4,480,679)
<u>4,343,787</u>	<u>4,077,804</u>	<u>14,776,689</u>	<u>3,783,303</u>	<u>22,500,904</u>	<u>64,270,223</u>
<u>\$ 4,348,587</u>	<u>\$ 4,199,950</u>	<u>\$ 16,272,422</u>	<u>\$ 3,783,303</u>	<u>\$ 28,802,345</u>	<u>\$ 91,333,989</u>

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

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds

	Utility/ Telephone	Receipts Reserved	School Lunch	Highway Improvements	Revolving	Federal Grants School
REVENUES:						
Charges for services.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 746,731	\$ -	\$ 718,128	\$ -
Fines and forfeitures.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental.....	-	-	21,201,599	4,717,837	456,621	39,848,158
Departmental and other.....	-	-	-	-	8,412,945	-
Contributions.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income.....	-	-	13,203	628	795	-
TOTAL REVENUES.....	-	-	21,961,533	4,718,465	9,588,489	39,848,158
EXPENDITURES:						
Current:						
General government.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety.....	-	-	-	-	7,362,811	-
Education.....	-	-	20,803,733	-	1,815,360	39,837,388
Public works.....	-	-	-	3,792,143	33,896	-
Health and welfare.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation.....	-	-	-	-	140,112	-
Community development - union station.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Claims and judgments.....	1,279,448	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	1,279,448	-	20,803,733	3,792,143	9,352,179	39,837,388
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES.....	(1,279,448)	-	1,157,800	926,322	236,310	10,770
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Issuance of bonds and notes.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Premium from issuance of bonds.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES).....	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES.....	(1,279,448)	-	1,157,800	926,322	236,310	10,770
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	1,378,441	67,711	4,583,031	-	2,891,547	906,498
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR.....	\$ 98,993	\$ 67,711	\$ 5,740,831	\$ 926,322	\$ 3,127,857	\$ 917,268

Special Revenue Funds

Federal Grants City	State Grants School	State Grants City	Promise Fund	Expendable Governmental Trusts	October 2011 Snowstorm	Tornado Relief	Other	Sub-total
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	126,028	\$ 1,590,887
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,725	23,725
12,573,205	7,403,656	10,217,474	-	-	-	249,225	333,333	97,001,108
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	135,149	8,548,094
-	-	-	-	488,543	-	-	2,073,693	2,562,236
9,052	-	213	27,370	26,293	-	-	-	77,554
<u>12,582,257</u>	<u>7,403,656</u>	<u>10,217,687</u>	<u>27,370</u>	<u>514,836</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>249,225</u>	<u>2,691,928</u>	<u>109,803,604</u>
9,373,983	-	5,081,026	-	-	-	6,000	66,565	14,527,574
423,120	-	2,234,210	-	-	-	-	251,798	10,271,939
-	4,378,866	-	278,840	-	-	-	646,835	67,761,022
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,826,039
3,061,850	-	1,110,358	-	-	-	-	63,492	4,235,700
251,140	-	1,393,343	-	571,142	-	-	304,834	2,660,571
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,279,448
<u>13,110,093</u>	<u>4,378,866</u>	<u>9,818,937</u>	<u>278,840</u>	<u>571,142</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>1,333,524</u>	<u>104,562,293</u>
<u>(527,836)</u>	<u>3,024,790</u>	<u>398,750</u>	<u>(251,470)</u>	<u>(56,306)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>243,225</u>	<u>1,358,404</u>	<u>5,241,311</u>
-	-	-	-	-	4,079,300	-	-	4,079,300
-	-	-	-	-	487,591	-	-	487,591
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	4,566,891	-	-	4,566,891
(527,836)	3,024,790	398,750	(251,470)	(56,306)	4,566,891	243,225	1,358,404	9,808,202
1,246,796	3,375,444	1,718,413	6,055,466	2,299,454	(4,566,891)	155,660	4,023,147	24,134,717
<u>\$ 718,960</u>	<u>\$ 6,400,234</u>	<u>\$ 2,117,163</u>	<u>\$ 5,803,996</u>	<u>\$ 2,243,148</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 398,885</u>	<u>\$ 5,381,551</u>	<u>\$ 33,942,919</u>

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

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Debt Service</u>			<u>Capital Projects</u>	
	Bond Sinking Fund	Debt Service Reserve	Sub-total	Public Buildings	Parks
REVENUES:					
Charges for services.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fines and forfeitures.....	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental.....	-	-	-	1,653,275	-
Departmental and other.....	-	12,749	12,749	-	-
Contributions.....	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income.....	191,587	-	191,587	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES.....	191,587	12,749	204,336	1,653,275	-
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
General government.....	-	120,206	120,206	529,307	-
Public safety.....	-	-	-	6,987,945	-
Education.....	-	-	-	-	72,268
Public works.....	-	-	-	-	-
Health and welfare.....	-	-	-	8,502,213	-
Culture and recreation.....	-	-	-	6,574,074	-
Community development - union station.....	-	-	-	-	-
Claims and judgments.....	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	-	120,206	120,206	22,593,539	72,268
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES.....	191,587	(107,457)	84,130	(20,940,264)	(72,268)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Issuance of bonds and notes.....	-	-	-	18,448,250	1,411,700
Premium from issuance of bonds.....	-	-	-	1,014,124	75,989
Transfers in.....	776,911	-	776,911	-	-
Transfers out.....	-	(233,250)	(233,250)	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES).....	776,911	(233,250)	543,661	19,462,374	1,487,689
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES.....	968,498	(340,707)	627,791	(1,477,890)	1,415,421
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	5,169,309	2,029,300	7,198,609	(2,991,088)	(1,427,122)
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR.....	\$ 6,137,807	\$ 1,688,593	\$ 7,826,400	\$ (4,468,978)	\$ (11,701)

Capital Projects					Total
Equipment	Public Works	School Capital Projects	Other	Sub-total	Nonmajor Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,590,887
-	-	-	-	-	23,725
-	-	5,582,341	-	7,235,616	104,236,724
-	-	-	-	-	8,560,843
-	-	-	-	-	2,562,236
-	-	-	-	-	269,141
-	-	5,582,341	-	7,235,616	117,243,556
962,401	-	-	238,192	1,729,900	16,377,680
912,250	-	-	-	7,900,195	18,172,134
-	-	8,022,315	-	8,094,583	75,855,605
923,925	2,225,806	-	-	3,149,731	6,975,770
-	-	-	-	8,502,213	12,737,913
-	-	-	-	6,574,074	9,234,645
-	202,630	-	-	202,630	202,630
-	-	-	-	-	1,279,448
<u>2,798,576</u>	<u>2,428,436</u>	<u>8,022,315</u>	<u>238,192</u>	<u>36,153,326</u>	<u>140,835,825</u>
<u>(2,798,576)</u>	<u>(2,428,436)</u>	<u>(2,439,974)</u>	<u>(238,192)</u>	<u>(28,917,710)</u>	<u>(23,592,269)</u>
1,833,300	9,428,050	12,219,400	-	43,340,700	47,420,000
215,625	598,766	828,721	-	2,733,225	3,220,816
2,109,320	-	-	-	2,109,320	2,886,231
-	-	-	-	-	(233,250)
<u>4,158,245</u>	<u>10,026,816</u>	<u>13,048,121</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,183,245</u>	<u>53,293,797</u>
1,359,669	7,598,380	10,608,147	(238,192)	19,265,535	29,701,528
<u>2,984,118</u>	<u>(3,520,576)</u>	<u>4,168,542</u>	<u>4,021,495</u>	<u>3,235,369</u>	<u>34,568,695</u>
<u>\$ 4,343,787</u>	<u>\$ 4,077,804</u>	<u>\$ 14,776,689</u>	<u>\$ 3,783,303</u>	<u>\$ 22,500,904</u>	<u>\$ 64,270,223</u>

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Internal Service Funds

Internal service funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the government and to other governmental units, on a cost reimbursement basis.

Public Works Shared Services Fund – This fund is used to account for the inter-department services provided by the department of public works for the maintenance of vehicles and other services.

Health Insurance Fund – This fund is used to account for the payment of health and other employee benefit programs.

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

	Public Works Shared Services	Health Insurance	Total Internal Service Funds
ASSETS			
CURRENT:			
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 677,427	\$ 12,116,535	\$ 12,793,962
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Departmental and other.....	-	18,571	18,571
Total current assets.....	<u>677,427</u>	<u>12,135,106</u>	<u>12,812,533</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT:			
Warrants payable.....	13,659	-	13,659
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	-	2,299,223	2,299,223
Health claims payable.....	-	161,869	161,869
Total current liabilities.....	<u>13,659</u>	<u>2,461,092</u>	<u>2,474,751</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	<u>13,659</u>	<u>2,461,092</u>	<u>2,474,751</u>
NET POSITION			
Unrestricted.....	<u>\$ 663,768</u>	<u>\$ 9,674,014</u>	<u>\$ 10,337,782</u>

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Public Works Shared Services	Health Insurance	Total Internal Service Funds
<u>OPERATING REVENUES:</u>			
Employee contributions	\$ -	\$ 23,643,750	\$ 23,643,750
Employer contributions	-	64,445,711	64,445,711
Charges for services.....	1,166,825	-	1,166,825
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,166,825	88,089,461	89,256,286
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u>			
Cost of services and administration	1,154,213	-	1,154,213
Employee benefits	-	85,416,382	85,416,382
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,154,213	85,416,382	86,570,595
OPERATING INCOME.....	12,612	2,673,079	2,685,691
<u>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):</u>			
Investment income.....	-	18,197	18,197
CHANGE IN NET POSITION.....	12,612	2,691,276	2,703,888
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	651,156	6,982,738	7,633,894
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR.....	\$ 663,768	\$ 9,674,014	\$ 10,337,782

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Public Works Shared Services	Health Insurance	Total Internal Service Funds
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u>			
Receipts from member employees.....	\$ -	\$ 23,677,679	\$ 23,677,679
Receipts from interfund services provided.....	1,166,825	64,449,747	65,616,572
Payments for interfund services used.....	<u>(1,215,111)</u>	<u>(85,416,382)</u>	<u>(86,631,493)</u>
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES.....	<u>(48,286)</u>	<u>2,711,044</u>	<u>2,662,758</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</u>			
Investment income.....	<u>-</u>	<u>18,197</u>	<u>18,197</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS.....	(48,286)	2,729,241	2,680,955
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR.....	<u>725,713</u>	<u>9,387,294</u>	<u>10,113,007</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR.....	<u>\$ 677,427</u>	<u>\$ 12,116,535</u>	<u>\$ 12,793,962</u>
<u>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u>			
Operating income.....	\$ 12,612	\$ 2,673,079	\$ 2,685,691
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash from operating activities:			
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Departmental and other.....	-	1,095	1,095
Warrants payable.....	(60,898)	-	(60,898)
Accrued payroll and withholdings.....	-	33,929	33,929
Health claims payable.....	<u>-</u>	<u>2,941</u>	<u>2,941</u>
Total adjustments.....	<u>(60,898)</u>	<u>37,965</u>	<u>(22,933)</u>
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES.....	<u>\$ (48,286)</u>	<u>\$ 2,711,044</u>	<u>\$ 2,662,758</u>

Fiduciary Funds

Agency Fund – This fund is used to account for payroll withholdings and other amounts held in a fiduciary capacity for nongovernmental purposes.

AGENCY FUND
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Agency Accounts <u>July 1, 2016</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Agency Accounts <u>June 30, 2017</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ <u>2,046,873</u>	\$ <u>111,006,668</u>	\$ <u>(111,214,253)</u>	\$ <u>1,839,288</u>
LIABILITIES				
Liabilities due depositors.....	\$ <u>2,046,873</u>	\$ <u>111,006,668</u>	\$ <u>(111,214,253)</u>	\$ <u>1,839,288</u>

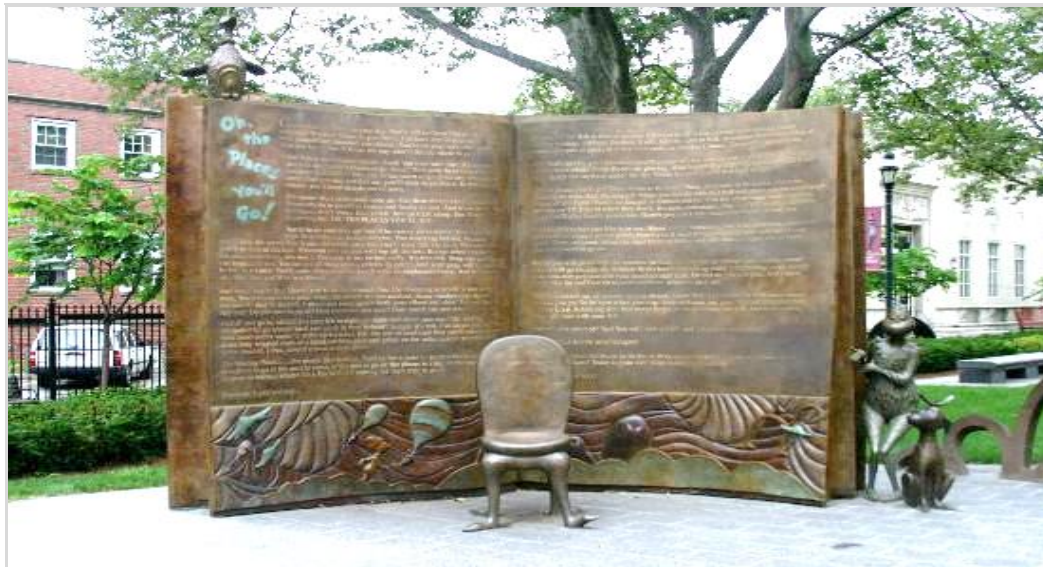
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Statistical Section

Statistical tables differ from financial statements since they usually cover more than one fiscal year and may present non-accounting data. The following tables reflect social and economic data, financial trends, and fiscal capacity.



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Dr. Seuss National Memorial at the Quadrangle – Springfield.

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Statistical Section

This part of the City of Springfield's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the City's overall financial health.

Financial Trends

- These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the City's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity

- These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the City's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.

Debt Capacity

- These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the City's current levels of outstanding debt and the City's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Demographic and Economic Information

- These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the City's financial activities take place.

Operating Information

- These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the City's financial report relates to the services the City provides and the activities it performs.

SOURCES: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the audited financial reports for the relevant year.

Net Position By Component

Last Ten Years

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Governmental activities										
Net investment in capital assets.....	\$ 341,183,744	\$ 325,029,046	\$ 320,198,349	\$ 332,597,837	\$ 374,981,234	\$ 434,638,276	\$ 449,486,707	\$ 469,947,179	\$ 464,426,535	\$ 445,205,624
Restricted.....	10,548,347	18,386,621	15,210,173	21,614,220	22,794,687	15,633,323	12,596,529	12,985,477	18,121,346	22,574,550
Unrestricted.....	<u>42,012,688</u>	<u>44,159,791</u>	<u>28,345,748</u>	<u>18,239,332</u>	<u>(42,915,390)</u>	<u>(88,519,074)</u>	<u>(715,949,993)</u>	<u>(775,988,856)</u>	<u>(838,399,784)</u>	<u>(883,731,201)</u>
Total governmental activities net position.....	<u>\$ 393,744,779</u>	<u>\$ 387,575,458</u>	<u>\$ 363,754,270</u>	<u>\$ 372,451,389</u>	<u>\$ 354,860,531</u>	<u>\$ 361,752,525</u>	<u>\$ (253,866,757)</u>	<u>\$ (293,056,200)</u>	<u>\$ (355,851,903)</u>	<u>\$ (415,951,027)</u>
Business-type activities										
Net investment in capital assets.....	\$ 19,485	\$ 106,681	\$ 209,137	\$ 266,698	\$ 412,276	\$ 882,976	\$ 1,316,726	\$ 1,159,638	\$ 874,405	\$ 677,297
Unrestricted.....	<u>727,929</u>	<u>1,050,992</u>	<u>2,160,316</u>	<u>2,676,105</u>	<u>2,337,268</u>	<u>1,835,950</u>	<u>(355,950)</u>	<u>(494,302)</u>	<u>(1,240,585)</u>	<u>(2,484,233)</u>
Total business-type activities net position.....	<u>\$ 747,414</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,673</u>	<u>\$ 2,369,453</u>	<u>\$ 2,942,803</u>	<u>\$ 2,749,544</u>	<u>\$ 2,718,926</u>	<u>\$ 960,776</u>	<u>\$ 665,336</u>	<u>\$ (366,180)</u>	<u>\$ (1,806,936)</u>
Primary government										
Net investment in capital assets.....	\$ 341,203,229	\$ 325,135,727	\$ 320,407,486	\$ 332,864,535	\$ 375,393,510	\$ 435,521,252	\$ 450,803,433	\$ 471,106,817	\$ 465,300,940	\$ 445,882,921
Restricted.....	12,177,583	20,024,916	16,968,807	21,614,220	22,794,687	15,633,323	12,596,529	12,985,477	18,121,346	22,574,550
Unrestricted.....	<u>41,111,381</u>	<u>43,572,488</u>	<u>28,747,430</u>	<u>20,915,437</u>	<u>(40,578,122)</u>	<u>(86,683,124)</u>	<u>(716,305,943)</u>	<u>(776,483,158)</u>	<u>(839,640,369)</u>	<u>(886,215,434)</u>
Total primary government net position.....	<u>\$ 394,492,193</u>	<u>\$ 388,733,131</u>	<u>\$ 366,123,723</u>	<u>\$ 375,394,192</u>	<u>\$ 357,610,075</u>	<u>\$ 364,471,451</u>	<u>\$ (252,905,981)</u>	<u>\$ (292,390,864)</u>	<u>\$ (356,218,083)</u>	<u>\$ (417,757,963)</u>

The City implemented GASB Statements #68 and #71 in 2015 which required the net pension liability to be recorded for the first time. This also required the revision of the ending net position in 2014.

Changes in Net Position

Last Ten Years

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Expenses										
Governmental activities:										
General government.....	\$ 48,467,529	\$ 54,328,653	\$ 63,024,227	\$ 62,794,736	\$ 55,175,091	\$ 48,859,996	\$ 48,796,742	\$ 56,103,956	\$ 58,886,621	\$ 56,754,950
Public safety.....	103,672,758	101,547,545	108,229,250	110,047,282	111,769,805	110,185,618	110,564,124	122,391,784	133,631,995	140,788,834
Education.....	420,017,056	440,556,125	455,624,524	466,952,480	481,476,353	500,466,892	520,281,758	529,212,400	547,408,081	570,421,173
Public works.....	34,956,415	30,235,260	26,963,956	33,422,502	30,608,396	30,833,599	30,653,951	32,648,659	30,294,896	30,622,701
Health and human services.....	12,075,838	8,244,515	9,813,743	10,299,084	10,241,088	11,525,257	10,108,674	10,951,993	9,823,540	9,672,059
Culture and recreation.....	22,120,662	23,275,504	21,342,468	22,118,556	20,769,658	22,960,894	21,915,878	22,587,575	21,575,179	26,372,799
Finance Control Board.....	2,178,191	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Community development - Union Station.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,904,953	202,630
Storm damage - October 2011 snow storm.....	-	-	-	-	27,596,332	1,199,462	52,408	-	-	-
Interest.....	15,314,660	14,352,351	13,458,084	13,266,838	12,170,740	9,414,835	9,221,794	7,852,070	8,540,037	8,255,720
Claims and judgments.....	642,918	496,923	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	-	-
Total government activities expenses.....	659,446,027	673,036,876	698,456,252	718,901,478	749,807,463	735,446,543	752,595,329	781,748,437	813,065,302	843,090,866
Business-type activities:										
Trash.....	6,178,931	6,158,565	5,962,662	8,537,689	8,874,676	8,840,556	8,480,177	8,594,111	9,352,645	9,097,729
Total business type activities expenses.....	6,178,931	6,158,565	5,962,662	8,537,689	8,874,676	8,840,556	8,480,177	8,594,111	9,352,645	9,097,729
Total primary government expenses.....	\$ 665,624,958	\$ 679,195,441	\$ 704,418,914	\$ 727,439,167	\$ 758,682,139	\$ 744,287,099	\$ 761,075,506	\$ 790,342,548	\$ 822,417,947	\$ 852,188,595
Program Revenues										
Governmental activities:										
Education charges for services.....	\$ 9,545,159	\$ 8,333,298	\$ 7,903,176	\$ 8,545,601	\$ 6,873,282	\$ 5,524,444	\$ 7,325,322	\$ 6,541,388	\$ 7,366,602	\$ 8,421,563
Public safety charges for services.....	7,789,484	9,190,168	7,743,422	7,059,899	7,839,552	8,782,858	9,993,470	10,199,759	11,421,926	16,548,101
Other charges for services.....	5,357,809	8,806,830	11,423,636	10,061,714	13,093,301	14,949,450	18,881,666	17,728,851	16,133,345	14,381,032
Operating grants and contributions.....	394,416,551	413,665,113	419,677,283	438,860,676	452,149,037	442,911,024	456,798,724	435,396,915	466,735,558	488,898,185
Capital grant and contributions.....	7,585,134	3,467,296	10,232,406	43,524,730	37,356,599	57,614,376	41,100,524	47,911,551	14,989,533	7,759,281
Total government activities program revenues.....	424,694,137	443,462,705	456,979,923	508,052,620	517,311,771	529,782,152	534,099,706	517,778,464	516,646,964	536,008,162
Business-type activities:										
Charges for services - Trash.....	4,237,986	3,814,824	3,913,653	4,101,890	3,982,627	4,069,875	4,457,622	4,207,837	4,278,954	4,370,792
Total primary government program revenues.....	\$ 432,429,112	\$ 449,834,601	\$ 463,545,743	\$ 514,527,586	\$ 523,157,239	\$ 535,438,440	\$ 539,937,259	\$ 521,986,301	\$ 520,925,918	\$ 540,378,954
Net (Expense)/Revenue										
Governmental activities.....	\$ (231,254,901)	\$ (227,017,099)	\$ (238,824,162)	\$ (208,475,782)	\$ (230,632,851)	\$ (204,077,978)	\$ (217,115,692)	\$ (263,969,973)	\$ (296,418,338)	\$ (307,082,704)
Business-type activities.....	(1,940,945)	(2,343,741)	(2,049,009)	(4,435,799)	(4,892,049)	(4,770,681)	(4,022,555)	(4,386,274)	(5,073,691)	(4,726,837)
Total primary government net expense.....	\$ (233,195,846)	\$ (229,360,840)	\$ (240,873,171)	\$ (212,911,581)	\$ (235,524,900)	\$ (208,848,659)	\$ (221,138,247)	\$ (268,356,247)	\$ (301,492,029)	\$ (311,809,641)
General Revenues and other Changes in Net Position										
Governmental activities:										
Real estate and personal property taxes, net of tax refunds payable.....	\$ 145,585,893	\$ 156,376,934	\$ 162,066,493	\$ 159,965,027	\$ 163,454,196	\$ 161,546,733	\$ 168,561,581	\$ 172,273,135	\$ 174,690,242	\$ 184,532,180
Tax liens.....	2,937,208	2,595,712	3,820,323	4,328,306	3,259,181	2,610,661	7,482,943	2,224,967	2,108,728	2,204,912
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	7,779,625	9,155,042	7,602,869	7,323,777	9,599,000	9,394,207	9,042,640	9,989,321	10,328,923	11,554,971
Hotel/Motel tax.....	960,544	876,507	727,765	767,571	872,952	889,971	1,186,881	1,194,899	1,276,054	1,352,635
Local Meals Tax.....	-	-	848,785	1,513,257	1,624,115	1,623,553	1,647,182	1,678,239	1,792,212	1,769,323
Penalties and interest on taxes.....	2,185,178	2,342,311	1,613,260	1,677,741	1,802,033	1,818,809	1,865,149	1,857,998	1,355,037	1,355,037
Payments in lieu of taxes.....	6,936,565	5,820,090	6,523,169	5,082,080	5,054,420	3,975,168	2,133,729	2,553,962	1,489,346	2,109,803
Chapter 121A - excise payments in lieu of taxes.....	3,496,989	2,557,072	2,652,167	2,373,076	1,862,841	1,586,413	1,379,931	1,701,796	7,598,317	6,592,119
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs.....	45,286,984	42,560,162	34,225,053	32,062,000	32,059,135	32,057,032	32,849,552	33,726,234	34,943,018	36,440,603
Unrestricted investment income.....	8,405,541	3,850,833	807,832	669,539	458,708	335,362	567,353	754,978	989,345	2,338,896
Gain on sale of capital assets.....	-	-	-	-	-	2,072,705	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous.....	76,324	24,187	28,214	92,752	42,044	95,433	303,704	582,428	19,282	19,282
Transfers.....	(2,688,359)	(2,754,000)	(3,260,789)	(5,009,149)	(4,698,790)	(4,740,063)	(4,532,450)	(4,090,834)	(4,042,175)	(3,286,181)
Forgiveness of debt - state loan.....	-	-	-	8,700,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Extraordinary Items: Tornado reimbursements.....	-	-	-	-	20,000,450	770,149	1,155,928	1,062,077	1,186,382	-
Tornado expense.....	-	-	-	-	(20,485,451)	(1,479,748)	(1,173,848)	(457,097)	(908,183)	-
Total governmental activities.....	220,962,492	223,404,850	217,655,141	219,545,977	214,904,834	212,556,385	222,133,006	224,780,530	233,622,635	246,983,580
Business-type activities:										
Transfers.....	2,688,359	2,754,000	3,260,789	5,009,149	4,698,790	4,740,063	4,532,450	4,090,834	4,042,175	3,286,181
Total primary government.....	\$ 220,153,862	\$ 223,601,778	\$ 218,263,763	\$ 222,182,050	\$ 217,740,783	\$ 215,710,035	\$ 225,285,525	\$ 228,871,364	\$ 237,664,810	\$ 250,269,761
Changes in Net Position										
Governmental activities.....	\$ (13,789,398)	\$ (6,169,321)	\$ (23,821,188)	\$ 8,697,119	\$ (17,590,858)	\$ 6,891,994	\$ 3,637,383	\$ (39,189,443)	\$ (62,795,703)	\$ (60,099,124)
Business-type activities.....	747,414	410,259	1,211,780	573,350	(193,259)	(30,618)	509,895	(295,440)	(1,031,516)	(1,440,756)
Total primary government.....	\$ (13,041,984)	\$ (5,759,062)	\$ (22,609,408)	\$ 9,270,469	\$ (17,784,117)	\$ 6,861,376	\$ 4,147,278	\$ (39,484,883)	\$ (63,827,219)	\$ (61,539,880)

Source: Audited Financial Statements

Fund Balances, Governmental Funds

Last Ten Years

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
General Fund										
Reserved for:										
Encumbrances and continuing appropriations.....	\$ 9,885,173	\$ 7,440,386	\$ 9,660,020	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Chapter 656 reserve.....	5,624,879	6,042,256	5,794,053	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Schools	-	-	10,881,300	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unreserved.....	41,892,849	44,551,976	49,160,191	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted.....	-	-	-	30,421,176	35,132,415	40,486,563	39,126,795	24,083,457	22,187,043	25,080,609
Assigned.....	-	-	-	3,341,976	2,978,810	2,273,838	1,450,068	1,870,366	1,957,909	2,178,880
Unassigned.....	-	-	-	64,287,919	60,169,358	55,190,530	64,077,847	58,627,885	59,492,923	67,643,909
Total general fund.....	\$ 57,402,901	\$ 58,034,618	\$ 75,495,564	\$ 98,051,071	\$ 98,280,583	\$ 97,950,931	\$ 104,654,710	\$ 84,581,708	\$ 83,637,875	\$ 94,903,398
All Other Governmental Funds										
Unreserved, reported in:										
Special revenue funds.....	\$ 86,576,180	\$ 109,664,713	\$ 54,400,287	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Capital projects funds.....	27,432,020	40,654,091	34,709,187	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Permanent funds.....	1,629,236	1,638,295	1,758,634	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted.....	-	-	-	66,102,729	53,388,549	39,092,674	34,671,623	49,335,423	47,074,372	68,750,902
Unassigned.....	-	-	-	(324,076)	(12,040,461)	(17,250,514)	(30,414,896)	(6,151,930)	(12,505,677)	(4,480,679)
Total all other governmental funds.....	\$ 115,637,436	\$ 151,957,099	\$ 90,868,108	\$ 65,778,653	\$ 41,348,088	\$ 21,842,160	\$ 4,256,727	\$ 43,183,493	\$ 34,568,695	\$ 64,270,223

Notes:

Source: Audited Financial Statements

The City implemented GASB 54 in 2011, fund balances prior to 2011 have been reported in the pre-GASB 54 format.

Changes in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds

Last Ten Years

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Revenues:										
Real estate and personal property taxes, net of tax refunds.....	\$ 142,947,339	\$ 157,510,645	\$ 164,367,177	\$ 160,413,338	\$ 163,234,056	\$ 159,557,644	\$ 166,418,136	\$ 170,978,385	\$ 173,395,907	\$ 185,168,180
Tax liens	4,472,030	3,309,149	3,768,128	3,448,477	3,833,024	3,098,323	2,870,817	2,141,570	2,679,712	1,950,676
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes.....	8,921,591	8,340,690	7,839,549	7,691,115	8,814,442	8,817,723	9,687,138	9,984,739	10,857,876	11,500,953
Hotel/Motel tax.....	960,544	876,507	727,765	767,571	872,952	889,971	1,186,881	1,194,899	1,276,054	1,352,635
Local Meals Tax.....	-	-	848,785	1,513,257	1,624,115	1,623,553	1,647,182	1,678,239	1,792,212	1,769,323
Charges for services.....	3,599,893	2,148,630	2,439,774	1,353,944	2,663,543	2,203,716	2,974,605	2,313,984	2,294,736	7,518,828
Penalties and interest on taxes.....	2,185,178	2,342,311	1,613,260	1,677,741	1,802,033	1,818,809	1,831,584	1,865,149	1,587,998	1,355,037
Payments in lieu of taxes.....	6,936,565	5,820,090	6,523,169	5,082,080	5,054,420	3,975,168	2,133,729	2,553,962	1,489,346	2,109,803
Chapter 121A - excise payments in lieu of taxes.....	3,496,989	2,557,072	2,652,167	2,373,076	1,862,841	1,586,413	1,379,931	1,701,796	7,598,317	6,592,119
Licenses and permits.....	2,556,063	5,414,924	3,734,353	3,432,098	3,823,239	4,307,698	5,067,083	5,092,038	5,254,833	9,848,333
Fines and forfeitures.....	1,437,672	6,720,709	6,444,218	5,451,805	6,019,333	6,318,372	6,610,517	6,610,269	6,114,371	6,022,846
Intergovernmental.....	447,473,783	465,309,318	473,123,963	527,373,079	531,494,799	541,588,826	539,741,990	526,259,893	523,412,996	558,008,572
Departmental and other.....	16,387,803	14,714,860	9,154,317	13,160,527	13,922,836	14,147,895	20,723,615	19,662,232	20,204,321	14,761,964
Investment income.....	8,302,737	3,792,330	787,970	675,518	497,734	398,711	643,624	858,604	1,123,769	2,512,286
Contributions.....	2,574,334	2,913,485	2,888,734	2,568,421	1,832,890	1,348,629	2,080,938	1,866,126	1,358,925	2,562,236
Total Revenue.....	652,252,521	681,770,720	686,913,329	736,982,047	747,352,257	751,681,451	764,997,770	754,761,885	760,441,373	813,033,791
Expenditures:										
General government.....	49,623,102	44,061,974	59,236,857	57,699,771	44,099,741	36,668,006	39,055,405	48,693,300	42,492,632	39,234,061
Public safety.....	70,597,009	66,059,643	74,986,038	73,028,036	70,330,653	68,870,769	72,769,400	74,984,290	78,559,713	87,103,294
Education.....	397,535,802	414,768,913	437,093,450	482,327,150	495,973,985	530,685,879	530,592,608	520,513,226	511,925,956	522,451,597
Public works.....	29,313,471	20,307,276	13,750,634	14,706,846	15,912,108	14,716,796	15,574,080	23,991,761	18,022,917	18,424,180
Health and human services.....	11,094,903	7,364,096	8,828,544	8,998,028	8,869,509	10,453,432	8,857,462	9,875,082	8,437,344	16,280,025
Culture and recreation.....	17,408,776	17,186,787	16,222,484	15,754,746	13,995,057	16,521,564	15,486,583	19,898,451	17,929,366	23,026,697
Community development - union station.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,904,953	202,630
Finance Control Board Expenditures.....	2,178,191	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pension benefits.....	21,685,459	20,844,905	22,372,681	24,254,094	23,825,273	24,474,041	25,558,597	26,749,744	28,319,804	30,296,628
Employee fringe benefits.....	1,604,431	1,607,929	427,412	1,342,238	728,470	594,118	706,022	602,201	578,686	658,364
Employee health benefits.....	26,400,181	25,026,409	22,221,484	22,470,194	23,298,895	22,288,970	22,773,103	23,248,728	25,561,869	25,943,306
Claims and judgments.....	642,918	496,923	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,279,448
Storm damage.....	-	-	-	-	27,596,332	1,199,462	52,408	-	-	-
State, county, and district assessments.....	2,591,642	2,679,875	2,657,567	2,896,717	2,760,698	2,917,105	3,099,037	3,143,173	3,219,435	3,514,020
Debt service.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,495,000
Payment of callable debt prior to maturity.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal.....	20,477,383	26,269,682	72,701,316	26,509,108	26,243,152	27,063,276	28,024,556	26,232,047	25,196,997	24,326,002
Interest.....	16,445,028	15,532,168	14,646,118	14,656,717	13,555,322	11,713,951	11,037,794	9,562,549	10,023,853	9,193,046
Total Expenditures.....	667,598,296	662,206,580	745,144,585	744,643,645	767,189,195	768,167,369	773,587,055	787,494,552	773,173,525	850,428,298
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures.....	(15,345,775)	19,564,140	(58,231,256)	(7,661,598)	(19,836,938)	(16,485,918)	(8,589,285)	(32,732,667)	(12,732,152)	(37,394,507)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Issuance of long-term debt.....	-	19,500,000	17,864,000	-	-	-	-	50,543,000	-	47,420,000
Premium from issuance of bonds.....	-	599,991	-	-	-	-	-	2,779,251	-	3,220,816
Issuance of refunding bonds.....	-	4,805,000	-	-	-	26,355,000	-	18,245,000	25,185,000	23,965,000
Premium from issuance of refunding bonds.....	-	112,181	-	-	-	3,807,457	-	2,295,402	1,979,298	2,619,224
Payments to refunded bond escrow agent.....	-	(4,875,932)	-	-	-	(30,162,457)	-	(20,540,402)	(27,164,298)	-
State loan issuance.....	478,191	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital lease financing.....	3,085,340	-	-	1,436,799	819,676	-	2,258,001	1,750,034	6,937,497	4,422,699
Sale of capital assets.....	-	-	-	-	-	2,100,000	-	-	-	-
Transfers in.....	35,527,113	107,536,799	68,387,868	9,104,472	5,111,949	3,068,340	4,687,753	3,866,216	6,899,344	3,119,481
Transfers out.....	(38,215,472)	(110,290,799)	(71,648,657)	(14,113,621)	(9,810,739)	(7,808,403)	(9,220,203)	(7,957,050)	(10,941,519)	(6,405,662)
Total other financing sources (uses).....	875,172	17,387,240	14,603,211	(3,572,350)	(3,879,114)	(2,640,063)	(2,274,449)	50,981,451	2,895,322	78,361,558
Special Item - Forgiveness of Debt, State Loan.....	-	-	-	8,700,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Extraordinary Item - Intergovernmental tornado revenue.....	-	-	-	-	20,000,450	770,149	1,155,928	1,062,077	1,186,382	-
Extraordinary Item - Tornado relief expenditures.....	-	-	-	-	(20,485,451)	(1,479,748)	(1,173,848)	(457,097)	(908,183)	-
Net change in fund balance.....	\$ (14,470,603)	\$ 36,951,380	\$ (43,628,045)	\$ (2,533,948)	\$ (24,201,053)	\$ (19,835,580)	\$ (10,881,654)	\$ 18,853,764	\$ (9,558,631)	\$ 40,967,051
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures.....	5.82%	6.44%	12.33%	6.07%	5.60%	5.61%	5.50%	4.97%	4.78%	10.17%

(1) Debt service in 2010 includes the early repayment of the \$46.8 million state loan.

(2) Debt service in 2017 includes \$22.6 of a state grant to complete a current refunding of the same amount.

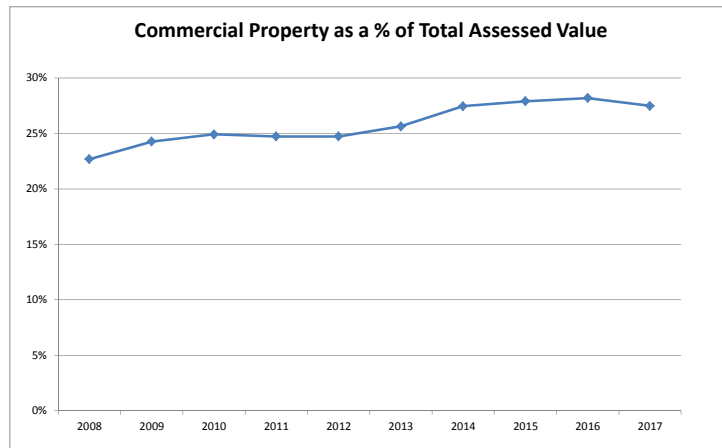
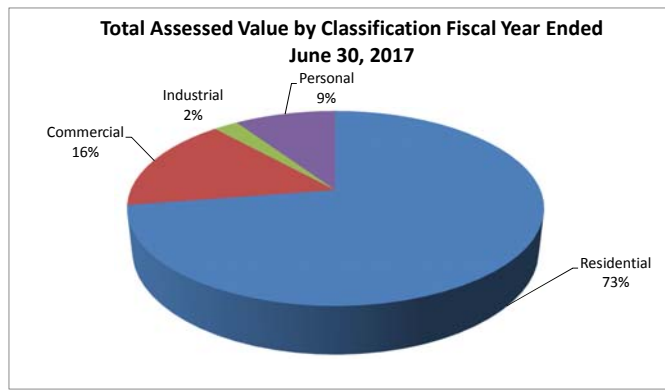
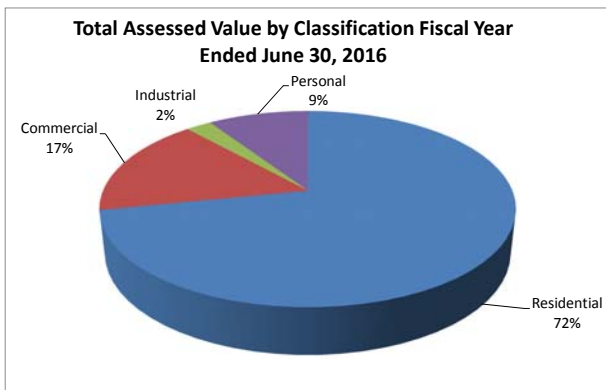
Source: Audited Financial Statements

Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property by Classification and Tax Rates

Last Ten Years

Year	Assessed and Actual Values and Tax Rates								
	Residential Value	Residential Tax Rate	Commercial Value	Industrial Value	Personal Property	Total CIP Value	CIP Tax Rate	Total Direct Rate (1)	Total City Value
2008	\$6,036,956,400	\$ 16.03	\$1,079,322,350	\$246,327,200	\$444,536,550	\$1,770,186,100	\$ 32.04	\$ 19.66	\$7,807,142,500
2009	\$5,484,722,870	\$ 17.89	\$1,072,958,950	\$242,991,100	\$440,601,660	\$1,756,551,710	\$ 36.98	\$ 22.52	\$7,241,274,580
2010	\$5,252,153,800	\$ 19.50	\$1,052,016,750	\$229,288,700	\$461,359,650	\$1,742,665,100	\$ 39.25	\$ 24.42	\$6,994,818,900
2011	\$5,155,722,500	\$ 19.49	\$1,045,580,000	\$184,851,100	\$463,175,130	\$1,693,606,230	\$ 38.97	\$ 24.31	\$6,849,328,730
2012	\$5,038,856,200	\$ 19.83	\$1,009,971,300	\$166,822,500	\$560,357,950	\$1,737,151,750	\$ 39.99	\$ 25.00	\$6,776,007,950
2013	\$4,858,355,700	\$ 19.71	\$1,047,246,800	\$159,725,600	\$631,025,200	\$1,837,997,600	\$ 38.98	\$ 25.00	\$6,696,353,300
2014	\$5,025,199,000	\$ 19.71	\$1,064,979,700	\$162,566,500	\$665,647,970	\$1,893,194,170	\$ 39.04	\$ 25.00	\$6,918,393,170
2015	\$5,079,607,100	\$ 19.67	\$1,156,136,600	\$168,230,700	\$640,954,110	\$1,965,321,410	\$ 39.04	\$ 25.07	\$7,044,928,510
2016	\$5,225,634,600	\$ 19.66	\$1,200,394,800	\$171,773,800	\$678,618,930	\$2,050,787,530	\$ 38.60	\$ 25.00	\$7,276,422,130
2017	\$5,553,040,400	\$ 19.66	\$1,210,558,400	\$174,399,800	\$719,957,490	\$2,104,915,690	\$ 39.07	\$ 25.00	\$7,657,956,090

Source: Board Of Assessors



(1) The direct rate is the weighted average of the residential and CIP rates.
 Source: Assessor's Department, City of Springfield
 All property in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is assessed at 100% of fair cash value.

Note: Chapter 59, Section 21C of the Massachusetts General Laws, known as "Proposition 2 1/2", imposes 2 separate limits on the annual tax levy of the City. The primary limitation is that the tax levy cannot exceed 2 1/2 percent of the full and fair cash value. The secondary limitation is that the tax levy cannot exceed the maximum levy limit for the preceding year as determined by the State Commissioner of Revenue by more than 2 1/2 percent, subject to an exception for property added to the tax rolls and for certain substantial valuation increases other than as part of a general revaluation. The secondary limit may be exceeded in any year by a majority vote of the voters, however it cannot exceed the primary limitation.

Principal Taxpayers
Current Year and Eight Years Ago

Name	Nature of Business	2017			2009		
		Assessed Valuation	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value	Assessed Valuation	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value
Western Massachusetts Electric Company	Utility	\$ 300,078,810	1	3.9%	\$ 139,759,260	1	1.8%
Columbia Gas	Utility	124,372,300	2	1.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Bay State Gas	Utility	n/a	n/a	n/a	54,516,690	3	0.7%
Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance	Insurance	85,850,800	3	1.1%	101,957,400	2	1.3%
Massfon Company	Utility	n/a	n/a	n/a	34,265,550	5	0.4%
Ineos Nova LLC	Utility	n/a	n/a	n/a	26,771,040	6	0.3%
Masspower	Energy	57,000,000	4	0.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Blue Tarp Redevelopment LLC	Land/Office	44,568,500	5	0.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Springfield Center 1 Associates	Retail	n/a	n/a	n/a	25,552,100	8	0.3%
Albany Road Springfield Plaza LLC	Retail	31,360,600	6	0.4%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Five Town Station LLC	Retail	31,002,600	7	0.4%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Solutia Inc.	Chemicals	30,487,500	8	0.4%	26,356,000	7	0.3%
Verizon New England	Utility	27,888,700	9	0.4%	45,741,100	4	0.6%
Hubbard Real Estate Investments	Retail	n/a	n/a	n/a	22,323,100	9	0.3%
Eastfield Associates LLC	Retail	n/a	n/a	n/a	21,006,000	10	0.3%
BCCOLONIAL Esates LLC	Residential	26,155,330	10	0.3%	10,527,350		0.1%
	Totals	<u>\$ 758,765,140</u>		<u>9.9%</u>	<u>\$ 508,775,590</u>		<u>6.5%</u>

Source: Board of Assessors

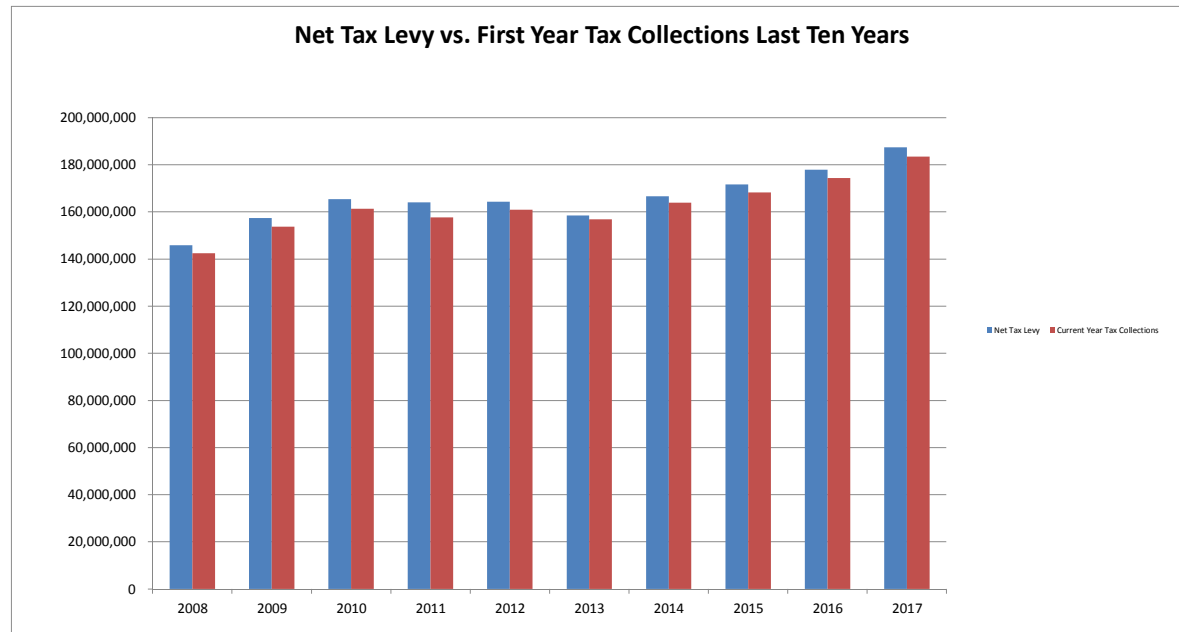
Property Tax Levies and Collections
Last Ten Years

Year	Total Tax Levy	Less Original Reserve for Abatements & Exemptions (1)	Net Tax Levy	Current Tax Collections	Percent of Net Levy Collected	Delinquent Tax Collections	Total Tax Collections	Percent of Total Tax Collections to Net Tax Levy
2007	\$145,527,361	\$6,061,827	\$139,465,534	\$136,302,756	97.7%	\$4,472,030	\$140,774,786	100.9% (2)
2008	\$153,489,174	\$7,622,699	\$145,866,475	\$142,475,259	97.7%	\$3,309,149	\$145,784,408	99.9%
2009	\$163,078,974	\$5,752,571	\$157,326,403	\$153,773,797	97.7%	\$3,768,128	\$157,541,925	100.1% (2)
2010	\$170,816,604	\$5,369,540	\$165,447,064	\$161,385,261	97.5%	\$3,448,477	\$164,833,738	99.6%
2011	\$166,484,866	\$2,506,666	\$163,978,200	\$157,657,130	96.1%	\$3,833,024	\$161,490,154	98.5%
2012	\$169,389,217	\$5,144,964	\$164,244,253	\$160,899,584	98.0%	\$2,328,642	\$163,228,226	99.4%
2013	\$167,403,337	\$8,893,003	\$158,510,334	\$156,836,563	98.9%	\$2,561,533	\$159,398,096	100.6% (2)
2014	\$172,956,973	\$6,311,481	\$166,645,492	\$163,856,603	98.3%	\$2,680,415	\$166,537,018	99.9%
2015	\$176,111,383	\$4,530,488	\$171,580,895	\$168,297,970	98.1%	\$2,465,464	\$170,763,434	99.5%
2016	\$181,896,375	\$3,985,822	\$177,910,553	\$174,310,774	98.0%	\$1,724,670	\$176,035,444	98.9%
2017	\$191,411,830	\$3,976,196	\$187,435,634	\$183,443,510	97.9%	\$0	\$183,443,510	97.9%

(1) The City is required by state regulation to estimate a reserve for potential tax abatements and exemptions to produce a balance budget where the Net Levy is the budgeted collections.

(2) If the actual abatements and exemptions are lower than the reserve, the actual collections can exceed the Net Levy and percentage can exceed 100%.

Source: Board of Assessors, Official Statements



Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type

Last Ten Years

Year	Governmental Activities Debt		Business-type Activities	Total Debt Outstanding	Percentage of Personal Income	U. S. Census Population	Debt Per Capita
	General Obligation Bonds (1)	Capital Leases	Capital Leases				
2008	\$ 383,844,043	\$ 3,056,230	\$ 1,920,289	\$ 388,820,562	14.64%	152,082	\$ 2,544
2009	\$ 376,146,432	\$ 2,137,804	\$ 1,545,719	\$ 379,829,955	14.04%	152,082	\$ 2,487
2010	\$ 320,358,951	\$ 1,737,837	\$ 1,155,889	\$ 323,252,677	11.66%	153,060	\$ 2,104
2011	\$ 292,933,732	\$ 2,348,138	\$ 1,747,169	\$ 297,029,039	10.53%	153,060	\$ 1,929
2012	\$ 265,809,756	\$ 2,273,361	\$ 1,544,271	\$ 269,627,388	9.40%	153,060	\$ 1,751
2013	\$ 236,501,965	\$ 1,243,014	\$ 895,437	\$ 238,640,416	8.44%	153,060	\$ 1,553
2014	\$ 207,900,886	\$ 2,518,281	\$ 922,672	\$ 211,341,839	7.46%	153,060	\$ 1,375
2015	\$ 233,711,751	\$ 3,042,599	\$ 1,300,663	\$ 238,055,013	8.40%	153,991	\$ 1,537
2016	\$ 208,019,602	\$ 7,246,084	\$ 767,034	\$ 216,032,720	7.56%	153,703	\$ 1,401
2017	\$ 211,478,676	\$ 8,059,058	\$ 402,071	\$ 219,939,805	10.42%	154,204	\$ 1,424

(1) This is the general bonded debt of both governmental and business-type activities, net of original issuance discounts and premiums.

Source: Audited Financial Statements, U. S. Census

Ratios of Outstanding Debt and General Bonded Debt

Last Ten Years

Year	General Obligation Bonds (2)	Less Amounts Available (1)	Total	Percentage of Assessed Value	Debt Per Capita
2008	\$ 383,844,043	\$ -	\$ 383,844,043	1.42%	\$ 2,544
2009	\$ 376,146,432	\$ -	\$ 376,146,432	1.57%	\$ 2,487
2010	\$ 320,358,951	\$ -	\$ 320,358,951	1.47%	\$ 2,104
2011	\$ 292,933,732	\$ (790,196)	\$ 292,143,536	1.35%	\$ 1,929
2012	\$ 265,809,756	\$ (1,607,648)	\$ 264,202,108	1.42%	\$ 1,751
2013	\$ 236,501,965	\$ (2,453,296)	\$ 234,048,669	1.56%	\$ 1,553
2014	\$ 207,900,886	\$ (3,328,112)	\$ 204,572,774	1.41%	\$ 1,375
2015	\$ 233,711,751	\$ (4,233,103)	\$ 229,478,648	1.01%	\$ 1,537
2016	\$ 208,019,602	\$ (5,169,309)	\$ 202,850,293	1.04%	\$ 1,401
2017	\$ 211,478,676	\$ (6,137,807)	\$ 205,340,869	1.62%	\$ 1,424

(1) Amounts available are restricted resources from the City's Bond Sinking Fund.

(2) This is the general bonded debt of both governmental and business-type activities, net of original issuance discounts and premiums.

Source: Audited Financial Statements, U. S. Census

Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt

As of June 30, 2017

<u>Overlapping Entity</u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Estimated Percentage Applicable (1)</u>	<u>Share of Overlapping Debt</u>
Pioneer Valley Regional Transit Authority.....	\$ 13,100,000	38.60%	\$ 5,056,600
City direct debt.....	<u>211,478,676</u>		<u>211,478,676</u>
Total direct and overlapping debt.....	<u>\$ 224,578,676</u>		<u>\$ 216,535,276</u>

(1) Estimated share based on debt service only.

Source: Official Statements, City Records

Note: Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic area of the City. This schedule calculates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the taxpayers of the City. This process recognizes that, when considering the government's ability to issue and repay long-term debt, the entire debt burden borne by the taxpayers should be taken into account. However, this does not imply that every taxpayer is a resident, and therefore responsible for repaying the debt, of each overlapping government.

Computation of Legal Debt Margin

Last Ten Years

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Equalized Valuation.....	\$ 8,479,854,100	\$ 8,479,854,100	\$ 7,856,633,600	\$ 7,856,633,600	\$ 7,233,354,700	\$ 7,233,354,700	\$ 7,077,664,000	\$ 7,077,664,000	\$ 7,471,065,400	\$ 7,471,065,400
Debt Limit - 5% of Equalized Valuation.....	\$ 423,992,705	\$ 423,992,705	\$ 392,831,680	\$ 392,831,680	\$ 361,667,735	\$ 361,667,735	\$ 353,883,200	\$ 353,883,200	\$ 373,553,270	\$ 373,553,270
Less:										
Outstanding debt applicable to limit.....	150,050,738	161,499,705	166,996,788	154,580,881	143,031,151	129,597,855	115,761,191	126,650,226	115,438,560	134,896,135
Authorized and unissued debt.....	11,000,000	12,000,000	31,500,000	31,500,000	31,531,010	100,575,123	158,676,403	129,577,399	188,064,302	156,043,558
Legal debt margin.....	\$ 194,895,397	\$ 250,493,000	\$ 225,495,917	\$ 206,750,799	\$ 218,269,519	\$ 131,494,757	\$ 76,887,766	\$ 97,655,575	\$ 70,050,408	\$ 82,613,577
Total debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit.....	37.98%	40.92%	50.53%	47.37%	48.27%	63.64%	77.55%	72.40%	81.25%	77.88%

Source: Audited Financial Statements; Statement of Indebtedness

Demographic and Economic Statistics

Last Ten Years

Year	Population Estimates	Personal Income	Per Capita Personal Income	Median Age	School Enrollment	Unemployment Rate
2008	152,082	\$1,919,165,000	\$17,467	32	25,233	7.9%
2009	151,176	\$1,937,568,000	\$17,786	32	25,360	11.7%
2010	151,342	\$1,983,075,000	\$18,105	33	25,141	12.6%
2011	155,521	\$2,046,092,000	\$18,424	33	25,213	10.4%
2012	153,784	\$2,063,146,000	\$18,743	33	25,185	10.7%
2013	153,060	\$1,968,503,060	\$18,483	32	25,283	11.9%
2014	153,581	\$2,010,532,000	\$18,509	32	25,826	10.5%
2015	153,552	\$2,047,862,000	\$18,135	32	25,536	8.4%
2016	153,703	\$2,084,349,000	\$18,435	32	25,633	8.3%
2017	154,204	\$2,109,884,000	\$18,133	32	25,629	8.7%

Source: Massachusetts Department Of Elementary and Secondary Education, Massachusetts Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Official Statements, US Census Bureau

Principal Employers (excluding the City)

Current Year and Nine Years Ago

Employer	Nature of Business	2017			2008		
		Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total City Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total City Employment
Baystate Health Systems	Healthcare	9,490	1	14.9%	8,772	1	13.2%
MassMutual Financial Group	Insurance	7,000	2	11.0%	4,230	2	6.3%
Sisters of Providence	Healthcare	4,173	3	6.6%	2,200	4	3.3%
Smith and Wesson	Firearms	1,480	5	2.3%	587	7	0.9%
Big Y	Grocery	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,002	5	1.5%
Western New England University	Education	855	1	1.3%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Springfield Technical Community College	Education	792	8	1.2%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Springfield College	Education	1,000	6	1.6%	560	8	0.8%
Center for Human Development	Social Services/Behavioral Health	1,500	4	2.4%	327	10	0.5%
Eastman Chemical (formerly Solutia)	Chemical	400	9	0.6%	504	9	0.8%
The Republican/Union News	Newspaper	270	10	0.4%	700	6	1.1%
US Postal Service	Mail	-	n/a	0.0%	2,267	3	3.4%
		<u>26,960</u>		<u>42.5%</u>	<u>21,149</u>		<u>31.7%</u>

Source: Official Statements, Massachusetts Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Full-time Equivalent City Employees by Function

Last Ten Years

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Function										
General government.....	351	364	354	339	309	265	262	272	274	278
Public safety.....	927	918	891	894	832	790	800	870	897	897
(A) Education.....	3,212	3,327	3,664	3,808	4,500	4,652	4,695	4,709	4,781	4,761
Public works.....	186	136	84	70	61	60	70	71	70	70
Health and human services.....	42	41	40	39	35	33	32	33	34	34
Culture and recreation.....	84	80	63	64	63	59	78	77	77	77
Total	<u>4,802</u>	<u>4,865</u>	<u>5,097</u>	<u>5,214</u>	<u>5,800</u>	<u>5,859</u>	<u>5,937</u>	<u>6,032</u>	<u>6,133</u>	<u>6,117</u>

Source: Payroll Department

(A) Fiscal Year 2007 - 2012 includes General Fund only FTE Count.

Operating Indicators by Function/Program

Last Ten Years

Function/Program	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
General government										
Marriage recordings.....	885	861	850	810	901	832	876	959	820	874
Birth recordings.....	5,586	5,588	5,297	4,468	5,037	4,709	5,419	5,416	5,366	5,985
Death recordings.....	2,035	1,922	2,006	1,581	1,856	1,933	2,159	2,131	2,444	2,746
Police										
Physical arrests.....	6,720	6,069	5,474	5,634	3,058	4,457	4,222	4,347	4,646	4,708
Motor vehicle violations.....	32,881	27,736	18,581	14,205	5,175	4,900	26,539	41,505	25,963	33,206
Police personnel and officers.....	589	581	583	467	531	499	509	521	515	526
Fire										
Inspections.....	7,774	6,658	5,657	7,397	7,164	7,178	5,831	5,064	4,852	4,468
Emergency responses.....	13,664	14,235	15,019	15,519	15,953	15,726	16,000	16,043	15,870	15,690
Fire personnel and officers.....	279	264	250	260	225	230	214	228	228	230
Education										
Number of students.....	25,233	25,360	25,141	25,213	25,185	25,283	25,826	25,645	25,479	25,629
Number of graduating seniors.....	984	1,026	1,017	1,170	995	1,122	1,403	1,467	1,284	1,322
Number of teachers.....	2,208	1,882	2,144	2,076	2,393	2,516	2,550	2,174	2,167	2,206
Number of administrators.....	N/A	N/A	N/A	192	171	208	213	200	202	193
Elder Affairs										
Number of persons using COA transportation....	1,394	1,547	1,513	830	108	156	132	133	581	661
Number of personnel.....	13	15	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Libraries										
Volumes in circulation.....	801,258	782,835	795,409	785,977	785,436	749,557	697,893	659,936	814,908	694,832
Total volumes borrowed.....	647,913	650,386	608,946	604,071	569,199	513,585	561,966	560,494	616,865	628,489

Source: MBLC Annual Report Surveys
 Van Trip Logs, Employee Workforce Reports
 Mass Board of Library Commissioners
 Annual Report Information Survey

N/A - Information not available

Capital Asset Statistics by Function/Program

Last Ten Years

<u>Function/Program</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
General government										
Number of buildings.....	38	38	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	43
Fire										
Number of stations.....	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	
Police (1)										
Number of stations.....	2	2	2	2	2	5	5	5	5	5
Education										
Number of elementary schools.....	32	32	32	32	33	33	33	33	33	33
Number of middle/junior high schools.....	7	7	7	8	10	12	12	15	15	16
Number of secondary schools.....	6	6	6	5	10	11	11	13	13	13
Culture and recreation										
Parks and playgrounds.....	36	38	38	38	38	38	38	39	40	41
Park and playground (acreage).....	2,093	2,102	2,102	2,102	2,102	2,102	2102	2103	2105	2200
Conservation land (acreage).....	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430
Railroad right of way (acreage).....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Public beaches.....	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Ball fields.....	62	62	62	62	62	62	62	62	62	62
Tennis courts.....	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37

Source: City Departmental records.

(1) Includes substations

Free Cash & Stabilization Fund Balances

Last Ten Years

<u>Year</u>	<u>Free Cash</u>	<u>Stabilization Funds</u>
2017.....	\$ N/A	\$ 46,790,689
2016.....	\$ 4,947,944	\$ 44,485,558
2015.....	\$ 4,809,916	\$ 41,221,011
2014.....	\$ 14,626,673	\$ 33,936,860
2013.....	\$ 3,896,871	\$ 37,295,134
2012.....	\$ 7,498,622	\$ 41,422,909
2011.....	\$ 4,698,933	\$ 45,100,661
2010 (A).....	\$ 33,776,930	\$ 31,354,741
2009.....	\$ 22,319,922	\$ 36,528,216
2008.....	\$ 12,543,347	\$ 68,047,256

Source: City Records

(A) The 2010 Certified Free Cash includes unappropriated 2009 Free Cash totaling \$18,996,401.

N/A: FY2017 Free Cash amount is not yet available.



Dr. James Naismith statue near the entrance of the Basketball Hall of Fame.