## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR: JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

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The Honorable Commissioners
Third Taxing District - City of Norwalk
East Norwalk, Connecticut

#### **Opinions**

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 Third Taxing District - City of Norwalk, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Third Taxing District — City of Norwalk, Connecticut, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund and special revenue fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of the East Norwalk Improvement Association, Inc., (Special Revenue – Library) a blended component unit, which represents 5.27%, 5.36%, and 47.19%, respectively, of the assets, net position, and revenues of Governmental Activities. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the special revenue fund, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

#### Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Third Taxing District — City of Norwalk, Connecticut, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair

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presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Third Taxing District – City of Norwalk, Connecticut's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
  to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
  procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
  in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of the Third Taxing District City of Norwalk, Connecticut's internal
  control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude where, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Third Taxing District – City of Norwalk, Connecticut's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters,

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the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control – related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Required Supplementary Information

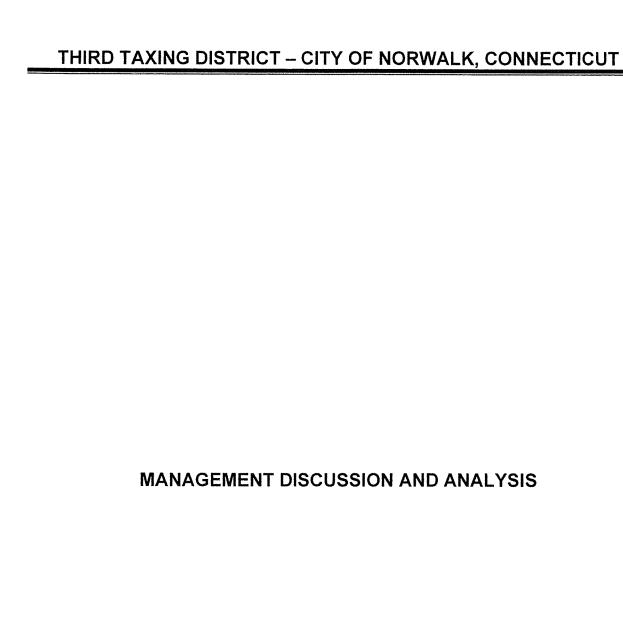
Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and required supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with 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.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund supplementary schedules, 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. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of 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, by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the combining and individual fund supplementary schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

HOPE & HÉRNANDEZ, P.C,

Bridgeport, Connecticut December 5, 2023



#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of the District's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2023. The discussion and analysis is designed to (a) assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, (b) provide an overview of the District's financial activity, (c) identify changes in the District's net position, and (d) identify individual fund issues or concerns.

Since the Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is designed to focus on the current year's activities, resulting changes and currently known facts, please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

#### **Using this Annual Report**

The Third Taxing District of the City of Norwalk implemented the reporting requirements outlined in GASB 34 effective July 1, 2003. The financial statements' focus is on both the District as a whole (government-wide) and on the major individual funds. Both perspectives (government-wide and major fund) allow the user to address relevant questions and enhance the District's accountability to the public.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (see pages 12 and 13) are designed to be corporate-like in that all governmental and business-type activities are consolidated into columns which add to a total for the Primary Government. The focus of the Statement of Net Position (the "Unrestricted Net Position") is designed to be similar to bottom line results for the District and its governmental activities. This statement combines and consolidates governmental fund's current financial resources (short-term spendable resources) with capital assets and long-term obligations. The Statement of Activities combines all of the District's revenues and expenses in a single statement.

The two government-wide statements noted above, report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position (the District's assets plus deferred outflows of resources, less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources), is one way to measure the District's financial health or position and to see the direction in which the District is heading.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether
  its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- While analyzing the overall financial health of the District, one needs to consider additional factors such as changes in the District's proprietary fund (Electric Department) customer base and usage patterns, as well as, the conditions of the District's infrastructure assets.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Continued

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements - Continued

In the government-wide financial statements, the District's activities are divided into two categories:

- Governmental activities The governmental activities column consists of the District's general fund and special revenue fund (Library). Activities for both funds are financed through the generation of investment income, rental income, and from an annual transfer from the proprietary fund (Electric Department).
- Business-type activities The District's business-type activities consists of an Electric Department that charges fees to its respective customers for electric service.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Traditional users of governmental financial statements will find the fund financial statement presentation more familiar. The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major funds" – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to monitor and report compliance with spending purposes (fund restrictions), spending limits (budget), and other fiscal accountability objectives.

The District has three kinds of funds

- Governmental Funds The governmental activities column consists of the District's general fund and special revenue fund (Library). Please refer to pages 14 through 17. District general fund activities are financed through the generation of rental income from the firehouse and transfers in from the electric department. Income from the library is primarily rental income. General fund expenditures consist of elected public officials fees, community service projects, annual accounting and professional fees, and meetings and printing expenses for the District. Library expenditures consisted primarily of expenditures for the operations of the library (classified as community service projects).
- Proprietary Funds Services for which the District charges customers a fee are reported in proprietary funds through the District's Electric Department. Please refer to pages 20 through 22.
- Fiduciary Funds Fiduciary funds account for assets received where the District acts in the capacity of a trustee. The Pension Trust fund (see pages 23 and 24) accounts for resources of the District's single-employer defined benefit pension plan.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Continued

#### Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

		DISTI	RICT'S NET POS	SITION			
	Govern Activ		Busine Activ	ss-type vities	Tot	Total % Change	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023-2022
Current and Other Assets	\$ 149,058	\$ 184,598	\$17,612,833	\$16,336,779	\$17,761,891	\$16,521,377	7.51%
Capital Assets	1,013,797	1,006,292	13,114,682	13,453,090	14,128,479	14,459,382	-2.20%
Total Assets	1,162,855	1,190,890	30,727,515	29,789,869	31,890,370	30,980,759	2.94%
Deferred Outflows of Resources	-0-	-0-	1,037,839	1,529,549	1,037,839	1,529,549	-32.10%
Liabilities	33,036	20,173	14,991,962	14,466,822	<u>15,024,998</u>	14,486,995	3.71%
Total Liabilities	33,036	20,173	14,991,962	14,466,822	15,024,998	14,486,995	3.71%
Deferred Inflows of Resources	-0-	-0-	1,689,629	2,020,428	1,689,629	2,020,428	-16.30%
Net Position:							
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,013,797	1,006,292	13,114,682	13,453,090	14,128,479	14,459,382	-2.29%
Restricted	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Unrestricted	116,022	164,425	1,969,081	1,379,078	2,085,103	1,543,503	35.00%
Total Net Position	\$1,129,819	\$1,170,717	\$15,083,763	\$14,832,168	\$16,213,582	\$16.002.885	1.32%

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Continued

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE - Continued

CHANGES IN NET POSITION								
	6/30/2	023	6/30/2022					
1	Governmental	Business-Type	Governmental	Business-Type				
	Activities	Activities	Activities	Activities				
Revenues								
Charges for Services	\$ -0-	\$12,121,755	\$ -0-	\$10,695,849				
General Revenues								
Rental Income	69,942	-0-	64,003	-0-				
Gain or Loss Disposition of Assets	-0-	29,358	-0-	2,886				
Investment Income	215	127,794	175	(309,170)				
Miscellaneous	23,453	( 7,391)	48,754	( 9,005)				
Other Income	-0-	757,673	-0-	<u>185,090</u>				
Total Revenues	93,610	13,029,189	112,932	10,565,650				
Expenses								
Primary Government:								
General Government	19,096	-0-	19,666	-0-				
Community Service	510,412	-0-	458,016	-0-				
Business-type Activities								
Expenses								
Electric Department	-0-	12,382,594	-0-	<u>10,475,048</u>				
Total Expenses	<u>529,508</u>	12,382,594	477,682	10,475,048				
Transfers	<u>395,000</u>	( 395,000)	280,000	(280,000)				
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	( 40,898)	251,595	(84,750)	(189,398)				
Net Position - Beginning	<u>1,170,717</u>	<u>14,832,168</u>	<u>1,255,467</u>	<u>15,021,566</u>				
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$1,129,819</u>	<u>\$15,083,763</u>	<u>\$1,170,717</u>	\$14,832,168				

The District's total net position of \$16,213,582 increased by \$210,697 or 1.32%. The District's governmental activities net position decreased by \$40,898, while the business-type activities' (Electric Department's) net position increased by \$251,595. The overall increase in business-type activities is due to an increase in cash from operations.

Please refer to page 63 for a listing of capital assets in service as of June 30, 2023.

Governmental Activities: Major revenue/expense factors include the following:

The District's governmental activities remained fairly consistent from fiscal 2022 to 2023. Rental Income increased by \$5,939 to \$69,942 in fiscal year 2023 due to an increase in library hall rentals. Investment income of \$215 in 2023 increased by \$40 from the prior year. Miscellaneous revenues decreased by \$25,301 from \$48,754 in 2022 to \$23,453 in 2023. This decrease was mainly due to a decrease in library grant proceeds, which were greater in the prior year. General expenditures of \$19,096 remained fairly constant with respect to the prior year 2022 of \$19,666. Community service expenditures increased by \$52,396 from \$458,016 in 2022 to \$510,412 in 2023 due to maintenance to the District parks. Transfers to the governmental activities from the business-type activities increased by \$115,000 from \$280,000 in 2022 to \$395,000 in 2023. At June 30, 2023 \$1,013,797 or 90% of the governmental activities' net position is invested in capital assets.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Continued

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE - Continued

#### **Business-Type Activities:**

Electric operating revenues increased by \$1,425,906 from \$10,695,849 in the prior year to \$12,121,755 in 2023. The majority of this increase is due to increases in purchase power adjustment revenues. Purchase power adjustment revenues were lowered to zero in prior years due to the Covid-19 pandemic to offer relief to customers. Now that the pandemic has subsided, the purchase power adjustment charge to customers was re-established to help combat mounting increases in the cost of purchasing power. Purchase power adjustment revenues increased by \$1,734,721 with respect to the prior year. Investment income/(loss) increased by \$436,964 from \$(309,170) in 2022 to \$127,794 in 2023 due to the change in fair market value of the investment account during the current year. Other income increased by \$572,583 from \$185,090 in 2022 to \$757,673 in 2023 due to the receipt of \$560,000 from the CT Department of Transportation to compensate Third Taxing District for an easement at 230 East Avenue. Total operating expenses increased by \$1,907,546 or 18% from \$10,475,048 in 2022 to \$12,382,594 in 2023. This increase is attributable to an increase of \$1,739,109 in the cost of purchased power with the Connecticut Municipal electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC) from fiscal year 2022 to 2023.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The District made no changes from the original to the final budget. The year's actual operations resulted in a deficit of revenues over expenditures of \$27,534. Please see budget to actual comparisons on page 18.

#### Special Revenue Fund (Library) Budgetary Highlights

The District made no changes from the original to the final budget. The year's actual operations resulted in a deficit of revenues over expenditures of \$20,869. (Please see budget to actual comparison on page 19).

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

#### **Capital Assets**

At the end of 2023, the District had invested \$14,128,479 in a broad range of capital assets. This amount is net of accumulated depreciation. The net capital assets decreased by \$330,903 or 2.20% from the prior year due primarily to current year additions offset by depreciation expense. Please refer to page 63 for detail of the Electric Department's plant in service at June 30, 2023 and Note 4 to the financial statements that details both plant in service and non-utility property of the entire District.

#### **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Continued**

#### Capital Assets and Debt Administration - Continued

#### **Other Liabilities**

The Electric Department has an established "Power Sales Contract" for the Supply of Electric Power and Energy with CMEEC. Under this contract the Electric Department has agreed to maintain electric rates that, together with other sources of revenue, will provide sufficient revenues to meet its payment obligation to CMEEC under the contract. As a member of CMEEC the Electric Department is responsible for their share of certain costs that may exceed reserves, and/or insurance coverages. The impact of these costs on operations is unknown. The Electric Department is responsible for the repayment of a portion of CMEEC's bonded debt. As of June 30, 2023 the outstanding CMEEC obligation is \$2,633,379. This is offset by the Electric Department's rate stabilization fund, which stabilizes the price of power to customers and provides for early payoff of the debt. As of June 30, 2023, the rate stabilization fund has a balance of \$5,807,123.

#### **Economic Factors**

The Electric Department customers pay a Fuel Adjustment Charge which may change upward or downward reflecting changes in the cost of power purchased by the Department. The rate in effect for the fuel charge during the fiscal year was as follows:

#### Fuel Charge

July 2022 - June 2023

\$0.04/KWH

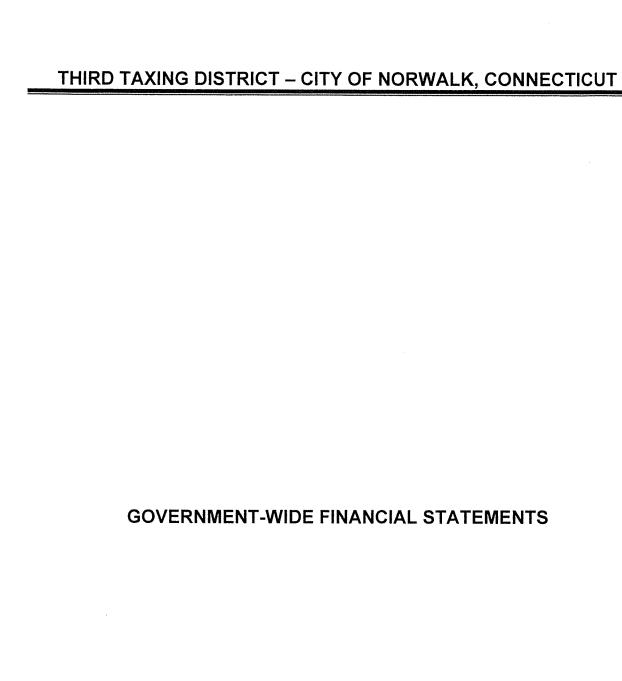
#### **Energy Conservation**

In accordance with Bill #7501 passed by the General Assembly in 2005, the Electric Department began billing all customers one mil per KWH for energy conservation beginning January 1, 2006. This charge increased incrementally annually to 2.5 mils on January 1, 2011. The energy conservation charge was \$.0025/KWH in calendar year 2023. Revenues from this charge will be expended by the Electric Department on energy conservation programs within the District.

#### Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the General Manager's office at 2 Second Street, Norwalk, Connecticut.

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 



ASSETS	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Current Assets			
Cash	\$ 168,371	\$ 6,992,999	\$ 7,161,370
Investments	- 100,071	2,451,173	2,451,173
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance		2,401,110	2,401,170
for Doubtful Accounts of \$0 and \$60,000, respectively	18,915	1,184,929	1,203,844
Internal Balances	(38,228)	38,228	1,203,044
Expenses Paid in Advance	(30,220)	299,195	299,195
Total Current Assets	149,058	10,966,524	11,115,582
Non-Current Assets			
Investment in CMEEC	-	122,220	122,220
Other Restricted Assets	-	5,807,123	5,807,123
Cash - Restricted	-	416,652	416,652
Cash - Certificates of Deposits - Restricted	-	300,314	300,314
Capital Assets			
Plant In Service, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	997,829	12,626,410	13,624,239
Non-Utility Property, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	-	13,702	13,702
Construction Work-in-Progress	15,968	474,570	490,538
Total Non-Current Assets	1,013,797	19,760,991	20,774,788
TOTAL ASSETS	1,162,855	30,727,515	31,890,370
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		1,037,839	1,037,839
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	32,316	677,762	710,078
Taxes Payable	32,510	114,448	114,448
Customer Deposits and Advances	-		•
Accrued Compensated Absences	-	716,908	716,908
Other Accrued Expenses	720	129,142	129,142
Total Current Liabilities	720 33,036	20,669	21,389
Total Current Liabilities	33,030	1,658,929	1,691,965
Non-Current Liabilities			
Deferred Revenue	-	5,807,123	5,807,123
Net OPEB Obligation	-	5,978,623	5,978,623
Net Pension Obligation		1,547,287	1,547,287
Total Non-Current Liabilities		13,333,033	13,333,033
TOTAL LIABILITIES	33,036	14,991,962	15,024,998
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	_	1,689,629	1,689,629
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,013,797	13,114,682	14 120 470
Unrestricted	116,022	1,969,081	14,128,479 2,085,103
TOTAL NET POSITION			
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 1,129,819	\$ 15,083,763	<u>\$ 16,213,582</u>

					Program Revenue	es		-	Net (Expense)		enue and Change Primary Governm		Net Position
Functions / Programs	E	xpenses	Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions		Capital Grants and Contributions		Governmental Activities	-	Business-type Activities		Total
Primary government:													
Governmental Activities:													
Public Officials Fees	\$	15,900	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(15,900)	\$	-	\$	(15,900)
Payroll Tax Expense Community Service Projects		1,079 510,412	-		-		-		(1,079)		-		(1,079)
Accounting and Professional Fees		510,412			-		-		(510,412)		-		(510,412)
Meetings, Printers, and Other		2,117	-		-		- -		(2,117)		-		(2,117)
Total Governmental Activities	***************************************	529,508	-	•	_			-	(529,508)	-	~		(529,508)
Business-type Activities:								-		-			
Electrical Facility		12,382,594	12,121,755				_	_	-	_	(260,839)		(260,839)
Total Business-type Activities		12,382,594	12,121,755						- (500 500)		(260,839)	_	(260,839)
Total Primary Government	\$	12,912,102	\$ 12,121,755	\$	<del>-</del>	. \$ :	-	<b>\$</b> =	(529,508)	\$ _	(260,839)	\$	(790,347)
General Revenues:													
Rental Income								\$	69,942	\$	-	\$	69,942
Gain (Loss) on Disposition of Utility Plant								•	-		29,358	•	29,358
Investment Income (Loss)									215		127,794		128,009
Interest Expense									-		(7,391)		(7,391)
Other Income									3,445		757,673		761,118
Third Taxing District Matching Fund									11,000		•		11,000
Grants Transfers									9,008 395,000		(305,000)		9,008
Total General Revenues, Special Items,	and Transf	ers						-	488,610	-	(395,000) 512,434		1,001,044
Change in Net Position	, 1 4 1 1 0 1							-	(40,898)	-	251,595		210,697
Net Position - Beginning								-	1,170,717	-	14,832,168		16,002,885
Net Position - Ending								\$ _	1,129,819	\$ _	15,083,763	\$	16,213,582

**FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

ASSETS	<u>General</u>	Special Revenue	Total Governmental Funds
Current Assets Cash Accounts Receivable Expenses Paid in Advance	\$ 130,993 18,915 	\$ 37,378 - 	\$ 168,371 18,915
Total Current Assets	149,908	37,378	187,286
TOTAL ASSETS	149,908	37,378	187,286
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	-	-	****
LIABILITIES  Accounts Payable  Due to Electric Department  Capital Lease Obligations  Other Current Liabilities	32,316 38,228 - -	- - - - 720	32,316 38,228 - 720
TOTAL LIABILITIES	70,544	720_	71,264
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	APRIL PRINTED AND THE STATE OF		<del>-</del>
FUND BALANCES Assigned Unassigned	- - 79,364	36,658 	36,658 79,364
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 79,364	\$ 36,658	\$ 116,022

## THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2023

Amounts reported for governmental activities on the statement of net position are different because:				
Total fund balance per balance sheet - governmental funds		9	\$	116,022
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds:				
Cost of governmental capital assets	\$	1,295,206		
Accumulated depreciation on above capital assets		(297,377)		
Cost of construction - work in progress	***************************************	15,968		1,013,797
Net position of governmental activities		<u>.</u>	<b>5</b>	1,129,819

	 Seneral		Special Revenue	Total Governmental Funds		
Revenues	 	_		***************************************		
Rental Income	\$ 49,255	\$	20,687	\$	69,942	
Interest Income	181		34		215	
Other Income	-		3,445		3,445	
Third Taxing District Matching Funds	-		11,000		11,000	
Grants	 -		9,008	***************************************	9,008	
Total Revenues	 49,436		44,174		93,610	
Expenditures						
Public Officials Fees	15,900		-		15,900	
Payroll Tax Expense	1,079		_		1,079	
Community Service Projects	246,751		235,043		481,794	
Accounting and Professional Fees	-		_		-	
Meetings, Printers, and Other	2,117		-		2,117	
Total Expenditures	 265,847		235,043		500,890	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
over Expenditures	 (216,411)	***************************************	(190,869)	·	(407,280)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Capital Expenditures	(36,123)		-		(36,123)	
Transfer in from Enterprise	,				(,,	
Electric Department	395,000		-		395,000	
Transfers Between Funds	(170,000)		170,000		, -	
Net Other Financing Sources (Uses)	 188,877		170,000		358,877	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures						
and Other Financing Uses	(27,534)		(20,869)		(48,403)	
Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginning of Year	 106,898		57,527		164,425	
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 79,364	\$	36,658	\$	116,022	

# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

**EXHIBIT E** 

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

Net change in fund balances - total of	governmental funds
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\$ (48,403)

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Therefore, the net of amounts paid for the purchase of capital assets and work in progress for the year ended June 30, 2023, of \$36,123 and current year depreciation expense of \$28,618 is a reconciling item.

7,505

Change in net position of governmental activities

\$ (40,898)

	Budgeted	d Amounts		
	Original	Final	Actual	Variance
Revenues	<u> </u>	, mar	, local	Variance
Rental Income	\$ 49,255	\$ 49,255	\$ 49,255	\$ -
Interest Income	325	325	181	(144)
Other Income	-			
Total Revenues	49,580	49,580	49,436	(144)
Expenditures				
Salaries - Commissioners	10,500	10,500	10,500	_
Salary - Clerk	1,800	1,800	1,800	_
Salary - Treasurer	1,800	1,800	1,800	_
Salary - A-Rate Payer Representative	1,800	1,800	1,800	_
Payroll Tax Expense	1,300	1,300	1,079	221
Maintenance of Parks	32,000	32,000	139,427	(107,427)
Parks - Major/Capital	125,000	125,000	25,918	99,082
East Norwalk Cemetery	27,500	27,500	40,061	(12,561)
East Norwalk Cemetery - Major/Capital	10,000	10,000	10,205	(205)
East Norwalk Library - Other	9,000	9,000	10,267	(1,267)
East Norwalk Library - Major/Capital	-	-	-	· <del>-</del>
East Norwalk Library - Matching Funds	11,000	11,000	11,000	-
Holiday Events	6,000	6,000	4,986	1,014
Firehouse Expense	1,500	1,500	2,660	(1,160)
Firehouse Expense - Major/Capital	-	-	•	-
Concerts in the Park	35,150	35,150	30,350	4,800
Legal and Accounting Services	-	-	-	-
Annual Electors Meeting	3,700	3,700	2,117	1,583
District Newsletter Allowance	-	-	-	_
Other District Services	10,000	10,000	8,000	2,000
Contingencies	30,000	30,000	~	30,000
Total Expenditures	318,050	318,050	301,970	16,080
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
over Expenditures	(268,470)	(268,470)	(252,534)	15,936
over Experientares	(200,470)	(200,470)	(232,334)	10,930
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfer in from Electric Department	395,000	395,000	395,000	-
Transfer Out to Special Revenue Fund	(170,000)	(170,000)	(170,000)	_
Utilization of Prior Years Unexpended Funds	73,487	73,487	-	73,487
Net Other Financing Sources (Uses)	298,487	298,487	225,000	73,487
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other				
Financing Sources Over Expenditures				
and Other Financing Uses	\$ 30,017	\$ 30,017	(27,534)	\$ (57,551)
Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginning of Year			106,898	
Fund Balance - End of Year			\$ 79,364	

	Budgeted Amounts							
	(	Original		Final		Actual	Vá	ariance
Revenues								
Rental Income	\$	19,000	\$	19,000	\$	20,687	\$	1,687
Interest and Other Income		6,570		6,570		3,479		(3,091)
Third Taxing District Matching Funds		-		-		11,000		11,000
Grants		10,000		10,000		9,008		(992)
Total Revenues		35,570		35,570		44,174		8,604
Expenditures								
Personnel		119,900		119,900		122,246		(2,346)
Benefits and Taxes		27,300		27,300		28,376		(1,076)
Programming		32,335		32,335		19,086		13,249
Utilities		6,335		6,335		11,979		(5,644)
Building Maintenance Security and Repairs		6,700		6,700		19,827		(13,127)
Professional Fees		11,800		11,800		15,455		(3,655)
Promotions and Advertising		1,200		1,200		18,074		(16,874)
Total Expenditures		205,570		205,570		235,043		(29,473)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues								
over Expenditures		(170,000)		(170,000)		(190,869)		(20,869)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Transfer in from General Fund		170,000		170,000		170,000		-
Capital Expenditures			***************************************	-				-
Net Other Financing Sources (Uses)		170,000		170,000		170,000		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures								
and Other Financing Uses	\$	_		-	\$	(20,869)	\$	(20,869)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year					**********	57,527		
Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	36,658		

ASSETS	Electrical Department
Current Assets Cash Investments Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance	\$ 6,992,999 2,451,173
for Doubtful Accounts of \$60,000 Due from Governmental Funds	1,184,929 38,228
Expenses Paid in Advance Total Current Assets	299,195 10,966,524
Non-Current Assets Investment in CMEEC Other Restricted Assets Cash - Restricted Cash - Certificates of Deposits - Restricted Capital Assets Plant In Service, Net of Accumulated Depreciation Non-Utility Property, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	122,220 5,807,123 416,652 300,314 12,626,410 13,702
Construction Work in Progress Total Non-Current Assets	474,570 19,760,991
TOTAL ASSETS	30,727,515
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,037,839
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities    Accounts Payable    Taxes Payable    Customer Deposits and Advances    Accrued Compensated Absences    Other Accrued Expenses Total Current Liabilities	677,762 114,448 716,908 129,142 20,669 1,658,929
Non-Current Liabilities Deferred Revenue Net OPEB Obligation Net Pension Obligation Total Non-Current Liabilities	5,807,123 5,978,623 1,547,287 13,333,033
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,991,962
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,689,629
NET POSITION  Net Investment in Capital Assets Unrestricted	13,114,682 1,969,081
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 15,083,763

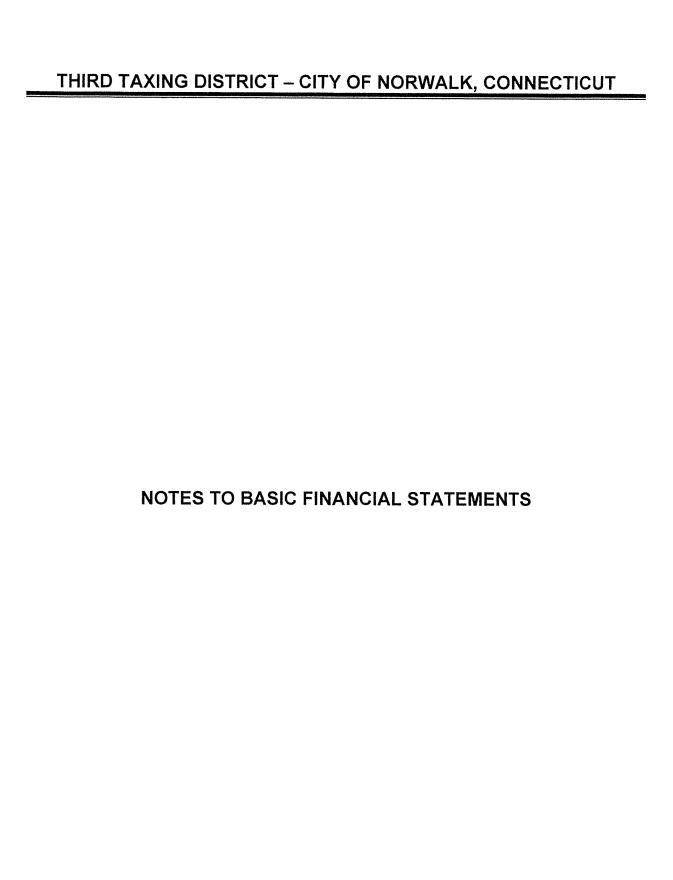
On and the B	Electric Departm	
Operating Revenues Residential Sales Commercial Sales Industrial Sales Cervalis Sales Water Pollution Control Plant	2,47 75 92	03,555 75,363 58,827 24,966 98,244
Private Security Lighting Sales for Resale Miscellaneous Service Revenue Purchased Power Adjustment Total Operating Revenues	24 2,20	93,562 48,434 12,603 06,201 21,755
Operating Expenses Electrical Power Purchased Transmission	7,2	19,698
Distribution Maintenance Generation Expenses	56	32,478 60,974 35,114
Customer Service Administration	49 2,46	97,126 63,786
Depreciation Connecticut Gross Receipts Tax Total Operating Expenses	38	70,855 52,563 82,594
Operating Income (Loss)	(26	60,839)
Nonoperating Revenue and Expenses Gain from Sale of Fixed Assets Investment Income Interest Expense Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments Realized Gain (Loss) on Investments Other Income Total Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses	14 (; ; 	29,358 40,593 (7,391) 32,970) 20,171 57,673 07,434
Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers	6	46,595
Operating Transfers Transfers Out Net Operating Transfers		95,000 95,000
Change in Net Position Net Position - Beginning Net Position - Ending	14,8	51,595 32,168 83,763

	Electrical Department
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Cash Received from Customers Cash Payments to Suppliers, Vendors, and Contractors Cash Payments to Employees for Payroll	\$ 12,788,062 (9,695,127) (1,522,690)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	1,570,245
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities Operating Transfers	(395,000)
Net Cash Used by Noncapital Financing Activities	(395,000)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities Purchase of Property and Equipment Proceeds from CMEEC Interest Paid	(425,415) 44,229 7,391
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(373,795)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities  Net Investment Activity	(66,642)
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(66,642)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	734,808
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	6,258,191
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 6,992,999
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities Operating Income (Loss) Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	(260,839)
Depreciation Other Income Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	870,855 757,673
Receivables, net Expenses Paid in Advance and Other Assets Payables, Accrued Liabilities, Deferred Inflows/Outflows  Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	(91,366) (27,671) 321,593 \$ 1,570,245

ASSETS		
Cash Investments, at Fair Value	\$	116,908
Municipal Obligations  Mutual Funds/Equities		99,148 4,178,201
TOTAL ASSETS		4,394,257
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	**************************************	_
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		-
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS	\$	4,394,257

#### **ADDITIONS**

Employer	Contributions:		
Investment Income: Interest, Dividends and Capital Losses Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments  Less: Trustee, Advisory and Administrative Fees (9,208) Net Investment Income (Loss)  TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)  Benefits  119,973  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  S65,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019	Employer Total Contributions		291,169
Interest, Dividends and Capital Losses         77,325           Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments         325,925           403,250         403,250           Less: Trustee, Advisory and Administrative Fees         (9,208)           Net Investment Income (Loss)         394,042           TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)         685,211           DEDUCTIONS           Benefits         119,973           TOTAL DEDUCTIONS         119,973           CHANGE IN NET POSITION         565,238           NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS           BEGINNING OF YEAR         3,829,019	rotal Contributions		291,169
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments         325,925           403,250         403,250           Less: Trustee, Advisory and Administrative Fees (9,208)         (9,208)           Net Investment Income (Loss)         394,042           TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)         685,211           DEDUCTIONS           Benefits         119,973           TOTAL DEDUCTIONS         119,973           CHANGE IN NET POSITION         565,238           NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS           BEGINNING OF YEAR         3,829,019	Investment Income:		
Less: Trustee, Advisory and Administrative Fees       403,250         Net Investment Income (Loss)       394,042         TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)       685,211         DEDUCTIONS       119,973         TOTAL DEDUCTIONS       119,973         CHANGE IN NET POSITION       565,238         NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS       3,829,019			77,325
Less: Trustee, Advisory and Administrative Fees Net Investment Income (Loss)  TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)  Benefits  Benefits  119,973  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  Separation  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  (9,208) 394,042  (9,208)  19,208  19,2	Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments		
Net Investment Income (Loss)  TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)  Benefits  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019			
TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)  Benefits  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  Seginning of YEAR  685,211  119,973  119,973  3,829,019			
DEDUCTIONS  Benefits  119,973  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019	Net Investment Income (Loss)		394,042
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DEDUCTIONS  Benefits  119,973  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019	TOTAL ADDITIONS (DEDUCTIONS)		685,211
Benefits 119,973  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS 119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION 565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR 3,829,019			
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS  119,973  CHANGE IN NET POSITION  565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019	DEDUCTIONS		
CHANGE IN NET POSITION  565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019	Benefits		119,973
CHANGE IN NET POSITION  565,238  NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019	TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		110.072
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR 3,829,019	TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<del></del>	119,973
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS  BEGINNING OF YEAR  3,829,019			
BEGINNING OF YEAR 3,829,019	CHANGE IN NET POSITION		565,238
BEGINNING OF YEAR 3,829,019			
	NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST - RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS		
	REGINNING OF YEAR		2 920 040
<b>END OF YEAR</b> \$ 4,394,257	BEOMMING OF TEAM		3,029,019
	END OF YEAR	\$	4,394,257



## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### General Statement:

The Third Taxing District of the City of Norwalk, Connecticut (the District) was incorporated in the year 1913. The District maintains various properties in the District and provides library, recreation and electric services to its residents. The District's financial statements are not included in the City of Norwalk's financial statements because the City does not have oversight responsibility for the above services. Oversight responsibility was determined on the basis of financial interdependence, governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, accountability for fiscal matters and scope of public services.

#### Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements:

The government-wide financial statements required by GASB pronouncements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its business-type activities. Governmental activities, which are supported by transfers from the business-type activities, are reported separately from the business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of any given function or segment, are offset by program revenues.

Separate fund financial statements are provided for the governmental funds (general fund and library special revenue fund), the proprietary fund (Electric Department), and pension trust funds. The pension trust fund is excluded from the government-wide financial statements.

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation:

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and the pension trust fund financial statements. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

The modified-accrual basis of accounting is used by the governmental fund types. Under the modified-accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

The government reports the following funds:

#### Governmental Fund

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All unrestricted resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund are accounted for in this fund. From this fund, general operating expenditures are paid.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for the process of specific revenue sources (the District Library) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

#### Proprietary Funds

The District reports the following Enterprise Fund:

Electric Department - accounts for the operating activities of the District's electric utility services.

Additionally, the government reports the following fund type:

<u>Pension Trust Fund</u> - This fund reports fiduciary resources held in trust and the receipt, investment, and distribution of retirement contributions.

#### **Budgetary Control:**

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting – As set forth in the District Charter, the electors adopt an annual budget for the General Fund which includes an allocation for the Special Reserve Fund - Library. The annual budgets for the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund – Library, are prepared in accordance with the basis of accounting utilized by each fund. The Commissioners are authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within and among funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

#### Investments:

Investments are recorded at fair value based on quoted market prices.

#### Fund Changes and Transactions Between Funds:

Legally authorized transfers are treated as operating transfers and are included in the results of operations of both Governmental and Proprietary Funds. During the year ended June 30, 2023 District electors voted to authorize the transfer of \$395,000 as a transfer from the Proprietary Fund (Electrical Department) to the Governmental Funds.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### Governmental Fund Balance

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the District classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

- Non-spendable includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.
- Restricted includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the District through formal vote of the District Electors and does not lapse at year-end.
- Assigned includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that
  are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund Balance may be assigned by the District
  Commissioners.
- Unassigned includes positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories.

The District's special revenue fund consists of the reporting of the District Library's operations. The Assigned Fund Balance amount of \$36,658 at June 30, 2023 represents the residual fund balance amount not reported as non-spendable, restricted or committed.

The District spends restricted amounts first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents / contracts that prohibit doing this, such as a grant agreement requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the District would first use committed, then assigned and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

The District does not have a formal minimum fund balance policy.

#### Accounts Receivable and Provision for Bad Debts

The District utilizes the reserve method of accounting for its bad debts. The allowance for losses in the balance sheet is increased by charges to bad debt expense and decreased by charge-offs. Management's periodic evaluation of the adequacy of the allowance is based on the department's historical experience and known and related risks in the accounts receivable listing.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Accounts Receivable and Provision for Bad Debts - Continued

Significant receivables include amounts due from customers primarily for utility services.

	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds
Accounts Receivable	\$18,915	\$1,244,929
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	-0-	60,000
Net Accounts Receivable	\$18,915	\$1,184,929

#### Plant in Service and Non-Utility Property (Governmental and Business-Type Activities):

Plant in Service and Non-Utility Property are recorded at cost. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as expenses; renewals and betterments are capitalized. The sale or disposal of assets is recorded by removing cost and accumulated depreciation and charging the resulting gain or loss to income. Depreciation expense has been calculated using the straight-line-method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

	<u>Years</u>
Structures and improvements	10-50
Substation equipment	25
Generators	4-10
Poles, towers and equipment	25
Overhead conductors	25
Underground conduit	33-40
Underground conductors	10-40
Line transformers	25
Meters	15
Street lights and signals	10-20
Office furniture and equipment	3-10
Transportation equipment	3-10
Stores equipment	20
Tools, shop and yard equipment	20
Laboratory equipment	20
Communications equipment	5-10
Miscellaneous equipment	4-10
Computer software	4

#### Use of Estimates:

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### Deferred Revenue:

Deferred revenue is recognized resulting from an arrangement the District has with CMEEC (See Note 11).

#### Pension Plan Accounting:

Employer contributions to the plan are recognized when due. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan.

#### Compensated Absences:

Electric Department employees accumulate vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon the end of the calendar year. Vacation and sick leave expenses to be paid after year-end are accrued for time that was not taken by June 30, in the proprietary fund financial statement. The balance of \$129,142 is classified as current at June 30, 2023.

#### Statement of Cash Flows - Electric Department

In accordance with GASB 34, Electric uses the direct method of presenting cash flows for purpose of the statement of cash flows and considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity value of ninety days or less to be cash equivalents. Restricted cash held in segregated bank accounts representing customer security deposits is not considered cash for cash flow purposes. Highly liquid investments with an original maturity of over 90 days are not considered cash for cash equivalents.

#### 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 the District Electric Department's Pension Plan and additions to/deductions from the District Electric Department Pension Plan fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the District Electric Department Pension Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

#### **GASB Pronouncements:**

GASB Statement 20 requires that each government makes an election concerning proprietary funds. The Third Taxing District - City of Norwalk, Connecticut, has elected to apply FASB pronouncements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless they conflict or contradict GASB pronouncements. After that date GASB pronouncements will solely be used.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### **NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash and short-term, highly liquid investments that are both readily convertible to known amounts of cash and that are so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates. Investments with original maturities of three months or less meet the definition of cash equivalents. Pursuant to state statute, the District may invest in cash funds with banks, obligations of the United States, and obligations of any state or political subdivision.

#### Cash and Certificates of Deposits

At June 30, 2023, the Third Taxing District, - City of Norwalk, Connecticut maintained cash and certificates of deposits with financial institutions as follows:

	Bank Balances	Reconciled Balances
Governmental Activities (District General and		
Special Revenue Funds)	\$ 187,286	\$ 168,371
Business-Type Activities (Electric Department)	7,707,137	7,696,870
Pension Trust Fund	116,908	116,908

Custodial credit risk and concentrations of credit risk - Of the \$7,707,137 business-type activities bank balances, \$6,908,672 is uninsured and uncollateralized at June 30, 2023. \$6,815,144 or 88% of the June 30, 2023 bank balances for business-type activities are maintained at one financial institution, Patriot National Bank. The District does not address custodial credit risk or concentrations of credit risk in its deposits policy.

#### Investments:

At June 30, 2023, the District's reporting entity had the following investments:

	Fair Value/ Carrying		Average Credit Quality Ratings	Segmented Time Distribution to
Types of Investments	Value	Cost	(1)	Maturity
Business-Type Activities				
Equities/Mutual Funds	\$2,451,173	\$2,769,463	N/A	N/A
Total Business-Type Activities	\$2,451,173	\$2,769,463		
Pension Trust Fund				
Equities/Mutual Funds	4,178,201	3,996,240	N/A	N/A
Municipal Obligations	99,148	101,000	Aa3	3 years
Total Pension Trust Fund	\$4,277,349	\$4,0 <u>97,240</u>		

<sup>(1) -</sup> Ratings are provided where applicable to indicate associated credit risk. N/A - Indicates not applicable.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

#### Fair Value:

The District categorizes its fair market value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements); followed by quoted prices in inactive markets or for similar assets or with observable inputs (Level 2 measurements); and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The District has the following recurring fair market value measurements as of June 30, 20203:

	June 30,	Level	Level	Level
Types of Investments	2023	1 1	2	3
Business-Type Activities				
Equities/Mutual Funds	\$2,451,173	\$2,451,173	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
Total Business-Type Activities	\$2,451,173	<u>\$2,451,173</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
Pension Trust Fund				
Equities/Mutual Funds	4,178,201	4,178,201	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Municipal Obligations	99,148	99,148	-0-	-0-
Cash and Cash Equivalents	116,908	116,908	0-	<u>-0</u> -
Total Pension Trust Fund	\$4,394,257	\$4,394,257	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

Debt and equity securities are classified in Level 1 of the fair market value hierarchy and are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities.

#### Investment Policy - Primary Government

Investing is performed in accordance with investment policies complying with state statutes and the District's Charter. District funds may be invested in (1) direct obligations of the United States government; (2) certificates of deposit at savings and loan associations and federally insured banks; (3) savings accounts at savings and loan associations and banks; and (4) any bond, note or other indebtedness issued by state or political subdivisions.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The District's policy provides that to the extent practicable, investments are matched with anticipated cash flows. The District according to that policy has invested in U.S. Treasury notes and Government Agency Obligations with various maturities ranging from less than 1 year to 10 years, to maximize interest earned in conjunction with anticipated cash flows.

#### Investment Policy - Pension Trust Fund

The District's pension committee is responsible for the operation of the District's Pension Plan (the Plan), including overseeing investments made by the Plan Trustee. The primary investment objective of the Plan is the achievement of a high total return without undue risk of large losses. Total return is defined as income return plus capital appreciation.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

Overall asset allocation is determined by the Trustee's expectation of inflation, interest rates and corporate profits.

Historical and relative valuations will determine the strategic allocation among the major asset categories. Limits for the range of allocation to the asset categories valued by the asset's current fair market value, will be as follows:

- Equities Not to exceed 60%
- Fixed Income Not to exceed 75%
- Reserves Not to exceed 30%

The above ranges are not to suggest sudden, dramatic shifts in the asset mix but instead represent flexible bands within which the asset mix may shift over investment cycles. The appropriate mix is reviewed quarterly with the Committee, who may make recommendations concerning investments in the portfolio.

Equity investments represent a diversified list of investments in the common stock of companies with market capitalizations of \$100 million and above. However, 20% of the equity portfolio may be invested in companies with market capitalizations of \$25 million or more. Valuation analysis will be employed to determine investment opportunity in conjunction with a fundamental appraisal of management strengths, past performance, demographic and secular trends. Economic sector allocations reflect the intent of the investment strategy and the weighting is monitored relative to similar sectors of the S&P 500. In no case shall the equity portion of the portfolio have (1) an investment of over 5%, at cost, of the Plan's assets in any one company; (2) an investment in securities with limited marketability or less than investment quality; or (3) include a transaction involving short sales, margin purchases, letter stock, private or direct placements, or any derivative instruments. Performance of this portion of the portfolio is measured against the performance of the S&P 500 index.

**Fixed Income** represent a diversified list of high quality U.S. government, U.S. Agency and corporate obligations rated A or better. Intermediate range maturities (average 5 to 10 years) will represent the core portfolio. While the Committee realizes that shifts within the maturity range will occur in line with the Trustee's overall investment outlook, performance of the fixed income portion of the portfolio shall be measured against the performance of the Lehman Intermediate Bond Fund Index.

**Reserves** represent a diversified list of high quality U.S. government or A-1, P-1 instruments. Since reserves are also required for distributions, they will be used in concert with overall strategy and withdrawal needs.

The investment performance of the Plan's portfolio is reviewed by the District's Committee on a quarterly basis. A representative of the Trustee meets with the Pension Committee at least once a year to review past investment performance, the investment outlook and the strategy planned to achieve the portfolio objectives.

Custodial credit risk and concentration of credit risk - The \$4,277,349 carrying amount of the Pension Trust Fund investments at June 30, 2023 are defined as insured or registered or securities held by the entity or its agent in the entity's name.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The District's policy of diversifying funds among domestic common stock, U.S. Treasuries and corporate obligations, the latter two classifications with maturities ranging from less than 1 year through 10 years is in part designed to minimize interest rate risk to the extent practicable.

#### **NOTE 3 - INVESTMENT IN CMEEC**

Investment in Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC), a related party, is valued at cost and represents the Electrical Department's pro rata equity interest in the Cooperative. The Electrical Department made this investment because of its desire for membership in the cooperative and benefits of such membership. The Electrical Department's purchases of power from CMEEC during 2023 was \$7,219,698 and is presented as electric power purchased in the accompanying Statement of Revenues and Expenses - Proprietary Fund.

#### NOTE 4 - PLANT IN SERVICE AND NON-UTILITY PROPERTY

#### Non-Utility Property

Non-utility property balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

#### **GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:**

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	Beginning Balance	Additions	Disposals/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Non-Utility Property not Being Depreciated:				
Land	<u>\$ 790,045</u>	\$10,205	<u>\$ -0-</u>	\$ 800,250
Total	\$ 790,04 <u>5</u>	\$10,20 <u>5</u>	\$ -0-	\$ 800,250
Non-Utility Property Being Depreciated:				
Buildings & Improvements	\$ 408,231	\$ 9,950	\$ -0-	\$ 418,181
Equipment	76,775	_0-	0-	<u>76,775</u>
Total	\$ 485,006	\$ 9,950	\$ -0-	\$ 494,956
Less: Accumulated Depreciation:		The second secon		
Buildings	( 214,425)	( 25,486)	\$ -0-	\$(239,911)
Equipment	( 54,334)	( 3,132)	0-	<u>( 57,466)</u>
Total	\$( 268,759)	\$(28,618)	\$ -0-	(297,377)
Total Non-Utility Property Being Depreciated – Net	216,247	( 18,668)	-0-	197,579
Governmental Activities - Non-Utility Property – Net	\$1,006,292	( 8,463)	-0-	997,829
Construction – Work in Progress	\$ -0-	<u>\$ 15,968</u>	\$ -0-	\$ 15,968

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 4 - PLANT IN SERVICE AND NON-UTILITY PROPERTY - Continued

Non-Utility Property - Continued

#### **BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES:**

Non-Utility Property not Being Depreciated:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Disposals/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Land	\$13,702	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$13,702
Business Type Activities - Non-Utility Property - Net	\$13,702	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$13,702

Depreciation Expense was charged to Governmental Functions as follows:

Community Service Projects	<u>\$28,618</u>
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	<u>\$28,618</u>

#### Plant in Service

Plant in service balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

#### **GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:**

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Disposals/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Plant in Service not Being Depreciated	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Plant in Service Being Depreciated	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 4 - PLANT IN SERVICE AND NON-UTILITY PROPERTY - Continued

Plant in Service - Continued

#### **BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES:**

	Beginning Balance Additions		Disposals/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Plant in Service not Being Depreciated:				
Franchise and Consents	\$ 34,300	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 34,300
Total	\$ 34,300	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 34,300
Plant in Service Being Depreciated:				
Generators	\$ 3,012,217	\$ -0-	<u>\$ -0-</u>	\$ 3,012,217
Transmission Plant	3,498,453	-0-	-0-	3,498,453
Distribution Plant	14,484,139	164,454	(52,172)	14,596,421
General Plant	3,321,511	152,269	_(42,773)	3,431,007
Total	<u>\$24,316,320</u>	<u>316,723</u>	(94,945)	\$24,538,09 <u>8</u>
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				
Generators	\$(2,911,901)	\$( 25,079)	\$ -0-	\$(2,936,980)
Transmission Plant	( 855,971)	( 69,270)	-0-	( 925,241)
Distribution Plant	(5,827,827)	(570,263)	(52,172)	(6,345,918)
General Plant	(1,574,379)	(206,243)	<u>(42,773)</u>	(1,737,849)
Total	<u>\$(11,170,078)</u>	(870,855)	(94,945)	<u>\$11,945,988</u>
Total Plant in Service Being Depreciated – Net	13,146,242	<u>(554,132)</u>	0-	12,592,110
Business Type Activities – Plant in Service – Net	13,180,542	(554,132)	<u>-0-</u>	<u>12,626,410</u>
Construction Work-in-Progress	\$ 258,846	<u>\$ 227,681</u>	\$(11,957)	<u>\$ 474,570</u>

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 5 – SELF INSURANCE

The District provides a self-insurance plan which pays the deductible portion and any co-insurance requirements of the group health plan. Also, dental, eye care, and hearing aid coverage is available, subject to a combined annual limitation of \$3,500 per participant. A summary of the activity during 2023 follows:

Balance, Beginning	\$ -0-
Current year claims and changes in estimates	47,309
Claim payments	47,309
Balance, Ending	\$ -0-

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverages during the fiscal year 2023. Settled claims have not exceeded commercial excess coverages in any of the past three years.

#### NOTE 6 - CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES

Some customers are required by the Electrical Department to post deposits against their future liability. These deposits are held in an interest bearing account until such time as they are either returned to the customer or used to satisfy said customer's outstanding electric bill. As of June 30, 2023, the District has \$716,966 available for the customer security deposit liability of \$716,908.

#### NOTE 7 – LINE OF CREDIT

The District has a \$500,000 line of credit with a local bank which permits the Company to borrow up to \$500,000 at a variable rate which was 8.25% at June 30, 2023. It is secured by all of the District's assets and expires on June 1, 2024. At June 30, 2023 the amount outstanding on the line of credit was \$-0-.

#### NOTE 8 – SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT

	Balance 7/1/22	Issued	Retired	Balance 6/30/23	Due Within 1 Year
Governmental Activities:	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Business-Type Activities:					
Deferred Revenue	\$5,547,068	\$1,213,145	\$( 953,090)	\$ 5,807,123	\$ -0-
Net OPEB Obligation	5,819,673	158,950		5,978,623	-0-
Net Pension Obligation	1,661,697	0-	( 114,410)	1,547,287	0-
Totals	<u>\$13,028,438</u>	\$1,372,09 <u>5</u>	<b>\$</b> (1,067,500)	<b>\$13,333,033</b>	\$ -0-

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN

General Information About the Pension Plan:

Method used to value investments. Investments are reported at fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

Plan Description. The District's Pension Committee administers the District's Pension Plan – a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. All full-time employees are eligible to enter on the beginning of the month coincident with or following the later of the completion of 1 year of service and attainment of age 21.

Management of the District's plan is vested in the District's Pension Committee, which consists of three members who are the District's General Manager, Assistant General Manager and Senior Customer Account Analyst. The Pension Committee can recommend changes to the District's pension plan to the District Board of Commissioners.

Employees covered by benefit terms. At July 1, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	5
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	3
Active plan members	11
Total Members	19

Benefits provided. The normal retirement date for participants is at or after the attainment of age 65 with 10 years of the completion of continuous service. Each vested participant is entitled to a retirement benefit, and such benefit is equal to 2.5% of the average monthly compensation multiplied by the number of years of credited service. A participant may retire early on the first day of any month on or after the age of 55, with 10 years of credited service. Benefits fully vest on participants on or after 10 years of service and are reduced by .5% for each complete month by which commencement of benefit payments precedes the participant's normal retirement date.

Disability benefits are available for participants with 10 years of continuous service. If the participant is at least 55 on the date as of which he or she is entitled to a disability retirement benefit, the benefit is determined as for normal retirement (no early retirement factor is applied) but based on credited service and compensation prior to actual disability retirement. If the participant is less than 55 on the date as of which he or she is entitled to a disability benefit, the benefit is determined as in the immediately preceding sentence but is actuarially reduced for each month that the benefit starting date precedes his or her 55th birthday.

Pre-retirement death benefits are available for participants who are actively employed and for terminated employees with 10 years of service. The benefit is calculated as if the participant terminated, lived to the earliest date they could have retired, elected the 50% joint and Survivor Annuity option, then died. The 50% continuation benefit is payable to the spouse (if any).

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

Contributions. The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the July 1, 2020, actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) 6.5% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses) and (b) projected salary increases of 2.4% per year plus a service based scale based on years of service. The assumptions did not include postretirement benefit increases, which are not provided by the Plan. The unfunded accrued liabilities as of July 1, 2016 were amortized over a 20 year closed period. Future changes in the unfunded accrued liability will be amortized separately, assuming a new 20 year amortization for each valuation. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the average active member contribution rate was 0 percent of annual pay, and the District's average contribution rate was 26.09 percent of covered payroll.

Investment Policy. The pension plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the District's Pension Committee by a majority vote of its members. It is the policy of the District's Pension Committee to pursue an investment strategy that reduces risk through the prudent diversification of the portfolio across a broad selection of distinct asset classes. The District's investments policy is provided in more detail in Note 2 to the District's financial statements. The following was the District's adopted asset allocation policy as of July 1, 2022:

Asset Class	Target Allocation
US Large Cap	26.00%
US Mid/Small Cap	16.00%
Developed International Equities	12.00%
Emerging Market Equities	4.00%
Intermediate Corporate	17.00%
Intermediate Government	16.00%
Money Market	5.00%
Real Estate (Core)	4.00%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>

Concentrations. The following investment represents more than 5% of the total Net Position Held in Trust for Pension Benefits:

Type of Investment	Description	Fair Market Value at June 30, 2023
Mutual Funds Equities	Vanguard 500 Index Fund	\$348,388
Mutual Funds Equities	Vanguard Growth Index Fund	\$353,847
Mutual Funds Equities	Vanguard FTSE World Ex US Index Admiral Fund	\$264,105
Mutual Funds Equities	MFS Intl Diversification CLRS	\$263,232
Mutual Funds Equities	PIMCO Income Fund Institutional Class	\$260,104
Mutual Funds Equities	American Fund Bond of America	\$302,206

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

Rates of Return.

	Annual Money-Weighted Rate of Return,	
Year Ended June 30:	Net of Investment Expense	
2014	12.26%	
2015	2.60%	
2016	-1.11%	
2017	10.25%	
2018	6.86%	
2019	5.78%	
2020	3.05%	
2021	25.46%	
2022	-13.98%	
2023	10.09%	

The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

#### **Net Pension Liability**

The District's net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020.

Description of Significant Changes Prior to Year End

There were no significant plan changes since the last published valuation.

#### **DROP Balances**

Currently, there is no Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). Therefore, the DROP balances are \$0.

Valuation Date and Roll Forward Process

The Plan Sponsor uses the July 1, 2020 Actuarial Valuation to calculate the ADEC for the fiscal year ending 2023.

The July 1, 2022 Actuarial Valuation directly calculated the July 1, 2022 Total pension Liability (TPL). The July 1, 2022 TPL was increased by service cost and interest and decreased by benefit payments to estimate the TPL as of June 30, 2023. The TPL as of June 30, 2023 was also adjusted to reflect any material plan changes after the valuation, if applicable.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

Funding Policy

The Plan Sponsor uses the Entry Age Normal Actuarial Cost Method to calculate the plan liabilities. The funding Policy has two parts.

- 1. Normal Cost
- 2. Amortization of the Unfunded Actuarial liability (UAL)

Each year the Plan Sponsor pays the Normal Cost plus an amortization of the plan's UAL. Unfunded accrued liabilities as of July 1, 2016 were amortized over a 20 year closed period.

Future changes in the unfunded accrued liability will be amortized separately, assuming a new 20 year amortization for each valuation.

Assumption Selection

The selections of all assumptions used in determining the total pension liability were made in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice issued by the Actuarial Standards Board.

The actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on standard tables modified for certain plan features such as eligibility for full and early retirement where applicable and input from the plan sponsor. The plan does not have credible data on which to perform an experience study. As a result, a full actuarial experience study is not applicable.

Description of Actuarial Methods.

#### **Asset Valuation Method**

The Actuarial Value of assets used in the development of plan contributions phases in the recognition of differences between the actual return on Market Value and the expected return on Market Value over a five-year period at 20% per year.

#### **Actuarial Cost Method**

Changes in Actuarial Cost Method: None

Description of Current Actuarial Cost Method: Entry Age Normal (level percentage of salary).

#### Normal Cost:

Under this method, the normal cost is the sum of amounts necessary to fund each active member's normal retirement benefit if paid annually from entry age to assumed retirement age. Entry age is the age at which the employee would have been first eligible for the plan, if it had always been in effect. The normal cost for each participant is expected to remain a level percentage of the employee's salary.

The normal cost for the plan is the difference between the total normal cost for the year and the anticipated member contributions for that year.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

#### Past Service Liability:

The present value of future benefits that relates to service before the valuation date is the total past service liability. The unfunded past service liability is the difference between the total past service liability and any assets (including accumulated member contributions). Unfunded accrued liabilities as of July 1, 2016 were amortized over a closed 20-year period. Future changes in the unfunded accrued liability will be amortized separately, assuming a new 20-year amortization each valuation.

#### Experience Gains and Losses:

All experience gains and losses (the financial effect of the difference between the actual experience during the prior period and the result expected by the actuarial assumptions for that prior period) appear directly in the past service liability and are amortized at the same rate the plan is amortizing the remaining unfunded past service liability.

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions.

The valuation reflects changes in the actuarial assumptions listed below). The assumptions used before and after these changes are more fully described in the next section).

#### Mortality

The assumptions indicated were changed to represent the Enrolled Actuary's current best estimate of anticipated experience of the plan.

	Year Ending June 30, 2023	Year Ending June 30, 2022
<b>Investment rate of return</b> (net of investment-related and administrative expenses)	6.50%	6.50%
Rate of compensation increase (including inflation)	2.4% plus service based scale	2.4% plus service based scale

#### Service-based component of compensation increases (for determination of benefits)

Service	Salary Increase
0-4	1.50%
5-9	1.00%
10-14	0.50%
15+	0.00%

The plan does not have statistically credible data on which to form a rate of compensation increase assumption. The assumption is based on input from the plan sponsor regarding future expectations, as well as knowledge that younger employees generally earn higher annual percentage increases than older employees.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

**Inflation** – 2.4%. This assumption is consistent with the Social Security Administration's current best estimate of the ultimate long-term (75 year horizon) annual percentage increase in CPI, as published in the 2022 OASDI Trustees Report.

**Mortality**. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Amount-Weighted Mortality Tables (for General Employees), projected to the valuation date with Scale MP-2021.

Prior: Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Amount-Weighted Mortality Tables (for General Employees), projected to the valuation date with Scale MP-2020.

Mortality Improvement. Projected to date of decrement using Scale MP-2021 (generational).

We have selected this mortality assumption because it is based on the latest published public retirement mortality study released by the Society of Actuaries.

Prior: Projected to date of decrement using Scale MP-2021 (generational).

#### **Retirement Age**

Age	Rate
<62	0%
62-64	10%
65-69	20%
70-74	15%
75	100%

The actuarial assumption in regards to rates of retirement shown above are based on standard tables (MERS 2014) modified for certain plan features such as eligibility for full and early retirement where applicable and input from the plan sponsor.

#### Termination - Prior to Retirement

Sample Withdrawl Rates: Years of Service

Age	0	1	2	>=3
<=19	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
20	14.90%	12.50%	10.50%	9.30%
25	13.90%	11.25%	9.25%	6.80%
30	12.90%	10.00%	8.00%	5.05%
35	11.90%	8.90%	6.90%	3.95%
40	10.90%	7.90%	5.90%	3.25%
45	9.90%	7.05%	5.05%	2.75%
50	8.90%	6.30%	4.30%	2.25%
>=50	8.00%	5.00%	3.50%	1.75%

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

Actuarial Assumptions. - Continued

The actuarial assumptions in regards to rates of termination shown above are based on standard tables (Vaughn) modified for certain plan features such as eligibility for full and early retirement where applicable and input from the plan sponsor.

#### Percent of active employees married. 80%

Spouse's Age. Husbands are assumed to be 3 years older than wives.

#### Target Allocation and Expected Rate of Return / Actuarial Valuation as of July 1, 2022

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return*	Weighting
US Large Cap	26.00%	4.60%	1.20%
US Mid/Small Cap	16.00%	5.20%	0.83%
Developed International Equities	12.00%	5.80%	0.70%
Emerging Market Equities	4.00%	7.55%	0.30%
Intermediate Corporate	17.00%	1.45%	0.25%
Intermediate Government	16.00%	0.70%	0.11%
Money Market	5.00%	0.80%	0.04%
Real Estate (Core)	4.00%	5.00%	0.20%
	100.00%		3.63%
Long-Term Inflation Expectation			2.40%
Long-Term Expected Nominal Return			6.03%

<sup>\*</sup>Long-Term Real Returns are provided by HHIA. The returns are geometric means.

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 are developed. Best estimates of the real rates of return for each major asset class are included in the pension plan's target asset allocation.

The information above is based on geometric means and does not reflect additional returns through investment selection, asset allocation and rebalancing. The results support a rate between 6.00% and 6.50%. An expected rate of return of 6.50% was used.

The July 1, 2022 Actuarial Valuation directly calculated the July 1, 2022 Total Pension Liability (TPL). The July 1, 2022 TPL was increased by service cost and interest and decreased by benefit payments to estimate the TPL as of June 30, 2023.

#### **Discount Rate**

The long-term expected rate of return on investments may be used to discount liabilities to the extent that the plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions are projected to be sufficient to cover expected.

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

#### **Discount Rate** - Continued

benefit payments and administrative expenses for current plan members. Projections of the plan's fiduciary net position incorporate all cash flows for contributions from the employer and employee and administrative expenses. Professional judgment should be applied to the projections of contributions in circumstances where (a) contribution amounts are established by statute or contract or (b) a formal written policy exists. Consideration should also be given to the most recent five-year contribution history as key indicators of future contributions. It should not include cash flows for future plan members.

If the amount of the plan's fiduciary net position is projected to be greater than or equal to the benefit payments and administrative expenses made in that period, the actuarial present value of payments should be discounted using the long-term expected rate of return on those investments. A 20 year, high quality (AA/Aa or higher), tax-exempt municipal bond yield or index rate must be used to discount benefit payments for periods where the fiduciary net position is not projected to cover expected benefit payments and administrative expenses.

Plans that are projected to have sufficient fiduciary net position indefinitely will use the long-term expected return on investments to determine liabilities but will have to substantiate their projected solvency. GASB permits alternative methods to evaluate the sufficiency of the plan's net fiduciary position. Based on the plan's current net pension liability and current contribution policy, the plan's projected fiduciary net position will be sufficient to cover projected benefit payments and administrative expenses indefinitely. Therefore, since the fund is not projected to run out of money, the actuary used the 6.50% interest rate assumption to discount plan liabilities.

#### Changes in the Net Pension Liability

	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a)-(b)
Balances as of June 30, 2022	\$5,490,716	\$3,829,019	\$1,661,697
Changes for the Year:			
Service Cost	148,691	-0-	148,691
Interest	362,724	-0-	362,724
Differences between expected and actual			
Experience	50,082	-0-	50,082
Changes of Assumptions	9,304	-0-	9,304
Contributions – Employer	-0-	291,169	(291,169)
Contributions – Member	-0-	-0-	-0-
Net Investment Income	-0-	394,042	(394,042)
Benefit payments, including refunds of			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
member contributions	(119,973)	(119,973)	-0-
Administrative Expense	-0-	-0-	-0-
Other	-0-	-0-	-0-
Net Changes	450,828	565,238	(114,410)
Balances as of June 30, 2023	\$5.941 <u>,544</u>	\$4,394,257	\$1,547,287

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN - Continued

General Information About the Pension Plan: - Continued

#### Changes in the Net Pension Liability - Continued

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the District, calculated using the discount rate of 6.50%, as well as what the District's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.50%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.50%) than the current rate:

		Current	
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
	(5.50%)	(6.50%)	(7.50%)
Net pension liability as of June 30, 2023	\$2,135,896	\$1,547,287	\$1,043,256

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the recognized pension expense is \$364,971. As of June 30, 2023, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are reported as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 40,633	\$(94,779)
Changes of assumptions	92,252	-0-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on		
pension plan investments	190,702	-0-
Total	\$323,587	\$(94,779)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in the pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	
2024	\$ 54,810
2025	31,654
2026	156,228
2027	( 17,250)
2028	3,366
Thereafter	-0-

**Payable to the Pension Plan** – At June 30, 2023, the District reported a payable of \$1,547,287 for the outstanding amount of contributions to the pension plan required for the year ended June 30, 2023.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS (OPEB)

#### General Information About the OPEB Plan

Plan Description – The District's defined benefit OPEB plan, the Third Taxing District of Norwalk, Connecticut Retirees Benefit Plan is a single employer defined benefit OPEB Plan administered by the District's Commissioners who have the authority to amend the Plan. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

#### Benefits Provided

The District provides post-retirement health care benefits for substantially all of its electrical department full-time employees upon reaching retirement or early retirement age (as defined in the Pension Plan document). The plan is closed to new entrants as of July 1, 2019. They are entitled to employer paid health benefits throughout retirement until death, at a benefit level equivalent to that which was in effect at the employee's time of retirement. When the retiree becomes eligible for Medicare the employer's obligation shall be limited to providing coverage for the difference between Medicare benefits and the benefits in effect at the employee's date of retirement. The employer's obligation to furnish retiree health benefits shall cease upon death of the retired employee.

The District currently funds post employment retirement benefits on a pay as you go basis. As of June 30, 2023, a trust fund has not been implemented to irrevocably separate assets to fund the liability associated with post employment benefits which will require the reporting of a trust fund in accordance with GASB Guidelines. The following is the current census of the District's benefit participants as of July 1, 2021:

Active Plan Members	9
Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	0
Inactive Plan Members Entitled to but Not Yet Receiving Benefits	_5
Total	14

The OPEB Expense for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$306,841.

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

The District's total OPEB Liability of \$5,978,623 was measured as of June 30, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance as of June 30, 2022	\$5,819,673
Changes for the Year:	
Service Cost	244,448
Interest	211,595
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	( 33,165)
Changes of Benefit Terms	-0-
Changes of Assumptions	( 88,736)
Benefit Payments	( 175,192)
Net Changes	158,950
Balance as of June 30, 2023	\$5,978,623

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

#### Changes in the Total OPEB Liability - Continued

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.65) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.65%) than the current discount rate:

	Current Discount Rate (3.65%)	1% Decrease (2.65%)	1% Increase (4.65%)
Total OPEB Liability as of June 30, 2023	\$5,978,623	\$6,858,252	\$5,250,923

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1- percentage-point lower (5.5% decreasing to 3.40%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.5% decreasing to 5.4%) than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates (6.50% decreasing to 4.40%))	1% Decrease (5.50% decreasing to 3.40%)	1% Increase (7.50% decreasing to 5.40%)
Total OPEB Liability as of June 30, 2023	\$5,978,623	\$5,072,043	\$7,124,662

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the recognized OPEB expense is \$306,841. As of June 30, 2023, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB are reported as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 37,323	\$ 741,217		
Changes of Assumptions	676,929	853,633		
Total	\$714,252	\$1,594,50		

Amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the OPEB expense as follows:

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability - Continued

Year Ended June 30,	
2024	\$(198,901)
2025	(198,901)
2026	(198,901)
2027	(190,732)
2028	( 85,544)
Thereafter	( 7,619)

Description of Significant Changes Prior to Year End

There were no significant plan changes since the last published valuation.

Valuation Date and Roll Forward Process

The July 1, 2021 Actuarial Valuation directly calculated the July 1, 2021 Total OPEB Liability (TOL). The July 1, 2021 TOL was increased by service cost and interest and decreased by benefit payments to estimate the TOL as of June 30, 2023. The TOL as of June 30, 2023 was also adjusted to reflect any material plan changes after the valuation, if applicable.

Funding Policy

The Plan Sponsor's funding policy is to contribute the employer portion of retiree benefit payments annually.

Assumption Selection

The selections of all assumptions used in determining the total OPEB liability were made in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice issued by the Actuarial Standards Board.

The actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on standard tables modified for certain plan features such as eligibility for full and early retirement where applicable and input from the Plan Sponsor. The plan does not have credible data on which to perform an experience study. As a result, a full actuarial experience study is not applicable.

Description of Actuarial Methods.

#### **Asset Valuation Method**

Not applicable (unfunded plan).

#### **Actuarial Cost Method**

Entry Age Normal Actuarial Cost Method (level percentage of salary).

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

Normal Cost: Under this method, the normal cost is the sum of amounts necessary to fund each active member's normal retirement benefit if paid annually from entry age to assumed retirement age. Entry age is the age at which the employee would have been first eligible for the plan, if it had always been in effect. The normal cost for each participant is expected to remain a level percentage of the employee's salary. The normal cost for the plan is the difference between the total normal cost for the year and the anticipated member contributions for that year.

<u>Past Service Liability:</u> The present value of future benefits that relates to service before the valuation date is the total past service liability.

Description of Actuarial Assumptions

#### Changes in Actuarial Assumptions as of July 1, 2021

The valuation reflects changes in the actuarial assumptions listed below. (The assumptions used before and after these changes are more fully described in the next section).

\* Interest

- \* Rate of Compensation Increase
- \* Mortality Improvement

- Inflation
- \* Healthcare Cost Trend Rates
- \* Retirement

The assumptions indicated were changed to represent the Enrolled Actuary's current best estimate of anticipated experience of the plan.

#### Interest

3.65% (Prior: 3.54%)

Since the OPEB plan is not funded, the selection of the discount rate is consistent with the GASB 74/75 standards linking the discount rate to the 20 year AA municipal bond index for unfunded OPEB plans. The discount rate used for this valuation is equal to the published Bond Buyer GO 20-Bond Municipal Index effective as of June 30, 2023.

#### Rate of Compensation Increase (Including Inflation)

2.40%. (Prior: 2.60%)

The plan does not have statistically credible data on which to form a rate of compensation increase assumption. The assumption is based on historical national wage increases and input from the Plan Sponsor regarding future expectations.

The assumption was changed to align with the inflation assumption change.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

#### Inflation

2.40%. (Prior: 2.60%)

The assumption is consistent with the Social Security Administration's current best estimate of the ultimate long-term (75-year horizon) annual percentage increase in CPI, as published in the 2021 OASDI Trustees Report.

#### Mortality

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Tables for General employees, for non-annuitants and annuitants, projected to the valuation date with Scale MP-2021.

(Prior: Pub 2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Tables for General employees, for non-annuitants and annuitants, projected to the valuation date with Scale MP-2019.

#### **Mortality Improvement**

Projected to date of decrement using Scale MP-2021 (generational).

(Prior: Projected to date of decrement using Scale MP-2019 (generational)).

We have selected this mortality assumption because it is based on the latest published pension mortality study released by the Society of Actuaries.

#### Retirement

The assumed rates of retirement are as follows:

#### **2018 MERS**

Age	Rate				
<62	0%				
62	11%				
63	13%				
64	14%				
65-74	18%				
75	100%				

Prior: 2014 MERS

Age	Rate
<62	0%
62-64	10%
65-69	20%
70-74	15%
75	100%

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

#### Retirement - Continued

The actuarial assumption in regards to rates of retirement shown above, are based on the rates used by the State of Connecticut Municipal Employee Retirement System actuaries.

#### **Termination Prior to Retirement**

Sample Withdrawal rates:

	Years of Service								
Age	0	1	2	>=3					
<=19	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%					
20	14.90%	12.50%	10.50%	9.30%					
25	13.90%	11.25%	9.25%	6.80%					
30	12.90%	10.00%	8.00%	5.05%					
35	11.90%	8.90%	6.90%	3.95%					
40	10.90%	7.90%	5.90%	3.25%					
45	9.90%	7.05%	5.05%	2.75%					
50	8.90%	6.30%	4.30%	2.25%					
>=55	8.00%	5.00%	3.50%	1.75%					

The actuarial assumption in regards to rates of withdrawal shown above, are based on standard tables modified for certain plan features such as eligibility for full and early retirement where applicable and input from the Plan Sponsor. The plan does not have sufficiently credible data on which to perform an experience study.

#### Utilization

100% of current active members will elect medical coverage at retirement. 100% of pre-65 retirees will continue coverage after age 65.

#### **Medical Eligibility**

All participants are assumed to be Medicare Eligible.

#### Spousal Coverage

70% of active members are assumed to be married and elect spousal benefits at retirement with wives 3 years younger than husbands.

#### **Healthcare Cost Trend Rates**

6.5% in 2021, reducing by 0.2% each year to an ultimate rate of 4.4% per year rate for 2032 and later. (Prior: 6.5 in 2019, reducing by 0.25% each year to an ultimate rate of 4.6% per year rate for 2027 and later).

Dental is assumed to increase by 4.4% per year. (Prior: 4.6%)

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

#### Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - Continued

Healthcare cost trend rates reflect both the current and long-term outlook for increases in healthcare costs. The short-term rates are based on recent industry surveys, plan experience and near-term expectations. The long-term trend rate is based on general inflation assumption plus an adjustment to reflect expectations for long-term medical inflation

The trend rates were changed to align with the inflation assumption change and better reflect actual experience.

#### **Premiums**

2021 CT State Partnership Plan 2.0

Pre 65 Medical:

Employee	Employee and Spouse
\$16,103.40	\$34,667.76

Post 65 Medical: \$1,403.98

Dental/Vision: (Self funded)

Single	Employee and Spouse
\$135	\$270

Premiums were used as the basis for per capita costs.

#### Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA)

The High Cost Plan Excise Tax ("Cadillac Tax") was repealed as part of the 2020 Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, which was signed in December 2020.

#### Summary of Plan Provisions

This exhibit summarizes the major provisions of the Plan. It is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as a complete statement of all plan provisions. To the extent that this summary does not accurately reflect the plan provisions, then the results of this valuation may not be accurate.

#### Plan Identification

Single-employer OPEB plan.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 10 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS - Continued

#### **Retiree Medical Benefit**

#### **Eliqibility**

Eligibility is age 55 with 10 years of service for medical coverage at retirement. In addition, employees hired after July 1, 2019 are not eligible for retiree medical. In addition, there are two active employees who have opted out of TTD medical benefits and have been excluded from the valuation.

#### Coverage

Pre-65 and Post-65 medical, Rx, Dental and Vision.

#### Retiree Contribution

Pre-65: Retirees and spouses contribute the same premium contribution percentage as active employees, frozen at the percentage in effect on the employee's retirement date (12% for 2019, 12.5% for 2021 and 13% for 2023 and later).

Post-65: Retirees and spouses pay nothing toward the cost of coverage.

#### Spousal Coverage

Spouses are covered for the retiree's lifetime.

#### **NOTE 11 - COMMITMENT AND CONTINGENCIES**

#### CMEEC:

The Electric Department entered into a "Power Sales Contract for the Supply of Electric Power and Energy" (Power Contract) with the Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC) its present energy supplier. Pursuant to this contract the Electric Department has covenanted to maintain electric rates that, together with other sources of revenue, will provide sufficient revenues to meet its payment obligation to CMEEC under the Power Contract.

Payments to CMEEC under the Power Contract may not be subordinated to any other obligation of the Electric Department.

The Power Contract was amended and restated as of January 1, 2000 resulting in rate stabilization monies, which were collected from the Electric Department and other CMEEC members in conjunction with the purchase of energy, to be apportioned to the individual purchasers of energy including the Electric Department. These funds are the Rate Stabilization Fund, the Economic Development Fund, and the Energy Efficiency and Environmental Stewardship Fund. CMEEC's bonded debt that was incurred to provide power supply for its members was also apportioned among its members.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 11 - COMMITMENT AND CONTINGENCIES - Continued

#### Rate Stabilization Fund:

The Electric Department has rate stabilization funds held by CMEEC. Electric's balances of rate stabilization funds held by CMEEC was \$2,154,223 held in a trust account and \$3,652,900 held in a non-trust account at June 30, 2023.

#### Conservation and Load Management Fund

For the year ended June 30, 2005, a Conservation and Load Management Fund was created. The fund may be utilized by the District for investment in renewable energy sources and for conservation and load management programs so as to result in cost reductions for the District and its consumers. As the fund is unrestricted, the District has included the \$478,733 balance on their balance sheet at June 30, 2023.

#### Economic Development Fund

The Electric Department also has on deposit at CMEEC an Economic Development Fund. Pursuant to Resolution 92-6 adopted by the CMEEC Board of Directors on January 23, 1992 this fund is for the stated purpose of assisting Member System activities which promote economic development and which help maintain the competitive standing of the Members' electric utility systems. The Electric Department expended \$0 of Economic Development Funds for the year ended June 30, 2023. The unrestricted balance available to the District at June 30, 2023 was \$158,601.

#### Renewable Resource Investment Fund

The Electric Department also has on deposit at CMEEC a Renewable Resource Investment Fund. Pursuant to Resolution 08-04 adopted by the CMEEC Board of Directors on February 28, 2008, this Fund is for the stated purpose of assisting member system activities which promote energy conservation. The amount in the account as of June 30, 2023 was \$31,281.

#### Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Fund

This fund was established as part of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), which is the first mandatory cap and trade program in the United States to limit carbon dioxide from the power sector. Proceeds from the auction of greenhouse gas credits were utilized by CMEEC to create this fund, apportioned to each CMEEC member. As the fund is unrestricted, Electric has included the \$206,520 as part of cash and cash equivalents on their balance sheet at June 30, 2023.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 11 - COMMITMENT AND CONTINGENCIES - Continued

The monies in the rate stabilization fund as of June 30, 2023 totaling \$5,807,123 have been recorded as a restricted asset and, a deferred revenue in the accompanying proprietary fund balance sheet. The monies in the economic development fund, the conservation and load management fund, the renewable resource investment fund and the regional greenhouse gas initiative fund have been recorded as unrestricted cash in the accompanying proprietary fund balance sheet.

As a member of CMEEC, the Electric Department is responsible for their pro-rata share of CMEEC's shares of certain costs that may exceed reserves and/or insurance coverages. These costs and the impact on operations are unknown. The electrical department also has guaranteed a portion of CMEEC's bonded debt. The amount of debt guaranteed by the District as of June 30, 2023 was \$2,633,379 Electric's net obligation (bonded debt less Electric's share of the rate stabilization fund) is \$(3,173,744) at June 30, 2023.

#### Norden Park Generation

The Third Taxing District's agreement with ISO New England, to provide capacity from the District's three 2 MW diesel generators located at Norden Park, expired on May 30, 2008. In order to obtain continuing income from these generators the District's Commission authorized installation of required state of the art pollution control equipment on the generators at a cost of \$900,000. The equipment was installed and the generators were bid into the ISO Locational Forward Reserve Market (LFRM) on June 1, 2008 with expected revenue of \$84,000 per month. Almost immediately a dispute arose with Connecticut Light & Power (CL&P), who is the reporting party to ISO, over the amount of capacity being delivered to ISO. As a result, anticipated revenues were not realized and penalties were assessed by the ISO. The generators were removed from the market on September 1, 2008 and following an agreement with Connecticut Light & Power on February 18, 2009 were returned to the market on March 1, 2009. The February 18th Third Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement provides for the generators to operate until May 31, 2012. Before that time the Third Taxing District must petition the DPUC and receive approval to operate in the existing mode or must reconnect the generators at a capital cost of \$1.2 million. As a condition of the agreement the Third Taxing District must pay up to \$280,000 for switchgear needed by CL&P and must secure an easement and construct certain facilities needed by CL&P. The District has paid said amount and obtained the necessary easement. This Third Amendment was revised and restated on September 1, 2010 and provides among other things that: 1) the generators may operate until one year after the final decision by the DPUC on the method of interconnecting the generators; and 2) provided a favorable ruling is issued by the DPUC the District will pay CL&P up to an additional \$96,000. On June 1, 2010, the LFRM market revenue dropped to \$54,000 per month and on October 1, 2010, the revenue decreased to \$9,120 per month.

The DPUC approval was ordered on January 6, 2011 giving the generators the authority to operate for the duration of the interconnection agreement.

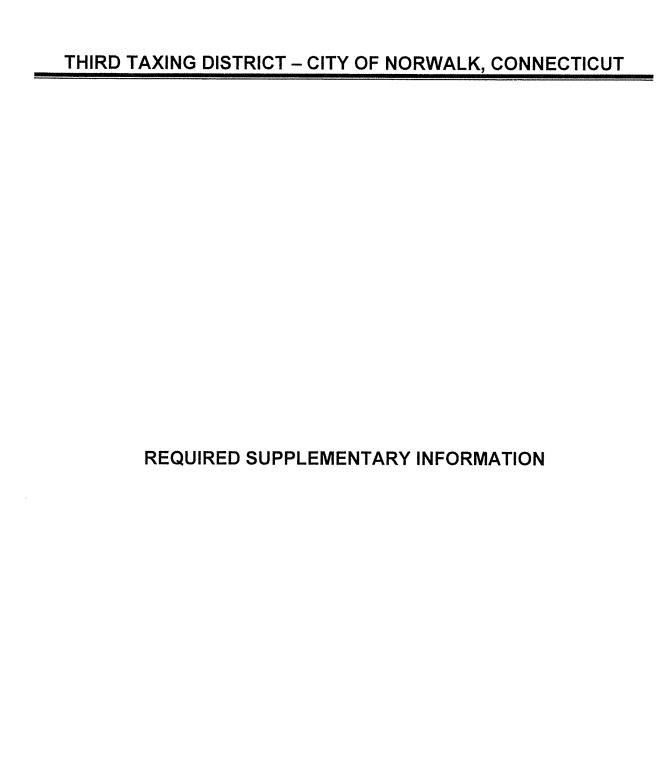
For the twelve month period ending June 30, 2023, revenues related to the operation of the Norden units was \$248,434.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

#### NOTE 11 - COMMITMENT AND CONTINGENCIES - Continued

Norden Park Generation - Continued

In 2023, the Third Taxing District began the process of retiring the Norden Generators from the ISO-NE energy market. The Third Taxing District anticipates this process to be completed in the next year. The Norden Lease expired on December 31, 2014. The District continues to operate the generators in cooperation with the owners of the property on a month to month basis.



# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Total Pension Liability	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Service Cost	\$ 148,691	\$ 145,206	\$ 106,147	\$ 103,862	\$ 117,061	\$ 114,094	\$ 97,976	\$ 106,578	\$ 103,474	\$ 100,460
Interest	362,724	338,832	318,543	299,945	301,842	283,299	233,234	220,494	223,981	209,673
Changes of Benefit Terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	50,082	-	(109,987)	-	(160,410)	-	460,550	-	(227,606)	-
Changes of Assumptions	9,304	-	78,365	-	185,134	-	46,127	-	(23,527)	-
Benefit Payments Including Refunds of Member Contributions	(119,973)	(119,973)	(119,973)	(119,973)	(135,458)	(135,458)	(142,046)	(131,052)	(127,497)	(90,620)
Net Change in Total Pension Liability	450,828	364,065	273,095	283,834	308,169	261,935	695,841	196,020	(51,175)	219,513
Total Pension Liability - Beginning	5,490,716	5,126,651	4,853,556	4,569,722	4,261,553	3,999,618	3,303,777	3,107,757	3,158,932	2,939,419
Total Pension Liability - Ending: (a)	\$ 5,941,544	\$ 5,490,716	\$ 5,126,651	\$ 4,853,556	\$ 4,569,722	\$ 4,261,553	\$ 3,999,618	\$ 3,303,777	\$ 3,107,757	\$ 3,158,932
Plan Fiduciary Net Position										
Contributions - Employer	\$ 291,169	\$ 287,523	\$ 244,100	\$ 241,400	\$ 236.539	\$ 233,500	\$ 162,336	\$ 150,000	\$ 98.679	\$ 98,679
Contributions - Member	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	-
Net Investment Income	394,042	(607,859)	852,142	95,527	164,959	176,384	235,472	(25,625)	58,913	248,106
Benefit Payments Including Refunds of Member Contributions	(119,973)	(119,973)	(119,973)	(119,973)	(135,458)	(135,458)	(142,046)	(131,052)	(127,497)	(90,620)
Administrative Expenses	-	-	-	_	-	(3,883)	(7,136)	(8,583)	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Other				-	-		-	,	-	_
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	565,238	(440,309)	976,269	216,954	266,040	270,543	248,626	(15,260)	30,095	256,165
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning	3,829,019	4,269,328	3,293,059	3,076,105	2,810,065	2,539,522	2,290,896	2,306,156	2,276,061	2,019,896
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Ending: (b)	\$ 4,394,257	\$ 3,829,019	\$ 4,269,328	\$ 3,293,059	\$ 3,076,105	\$ 2,810,065	\$ 2,539,522	\$ 2,290,896	\$ 2,306,156	\$ 2,276,061
Net Pension Liability - Ending: (a)-(b)	\$ 1,547,287	\$ 1,661,697	\$ 857,323	\$ 1,560,497	\$ 1,493,617	\$ 1,451,488	\$ 1,460,096	\$ 1,012,881	\$ 801,601	\$ 882,871
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	73.96%	69.74%	83.28%	67.85%	67.31%	65.94%	63.49%	69.34%	74.21%	72.05%
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 1,182,605	\$ 1,148,762	\$ 1,121,838	\$ 934,236	\$ 910,561	\$ 894,917	\$ 872,239	\$ 732,401	\$ 711,069	\$ 724,371
Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	130.84%	144.65%	76.42%	167.03%	164.03%	162.19%	167.40%	138.30%	112.73%	121.88%

# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT REQUIRED SUPPLMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	2	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total Pension Liability	\$ 5,9	941,544	\$ 5,490,716 \$	5,126,651 \$	4,853,556 \$	4,569,722 \$	4,261,553 \$	3,999,618 \$	3,303,777 \$	3,107,757 \$	3,158,932 \$	2,939,419
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	4,3	394,257	3,829,019	4,269,328	3,293,059	3,076,105	2,810,065	2,539,522	2,290,896	2,306,156	2,276,061	2,019,896
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 1,5	47,287	\$ <u>1,661,697</u> \$	857,323 \$	1,560,497 \$	1,493,617 \$	1,451,488 \$	1,460,096 \$	1,012,881 \$	801,601 \$	882,871 \$	919,523
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as												
Persentage of Total Pension Liability	1	73.96%	69.74%	83.28%	67.85%	67.31%	65.94%	63.49%	69.34%	74.21%	72.05%	68.72%
Covered-Employee Payroll	1,1	82,605	1,148,762	1,121,838	934,236	910,561	894,917	872,239	732,401	711,069	724,371	703,273
Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll		30.84%	144.65%	76.42%	167.03%	164.03%	162.19%	167.40%	138.30%	112.73%	121.88%	130.75%

# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS - PENSION TRUST FUND LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution (ADEC)	\$ 291,169	\$ 287,573	\$ 244,049	\$ 241,349	\$ 236,539
Contributions in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	291,169	287,523	244,100	241,400	236,539
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ 50	\$ (51)	\$ (51)	<u> </u>
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$1,182,605	\$1,148,762	\$1,121,838	\$ 934,236	\$ 910,561
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	24.62%	25.03%	21.76%	25.84%	25.98%
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution (ADEC)	<b>2018</b> \$ 233,469	<b>2017</b> \$ 162,328	<b>2016</b> \$ 159,351	<b>2015</b> \$ 148,809	<b>2014</b> \$ 145,690
Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution (ADEC)  Contributions in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution					
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	\$ 233,469	\$ 162,328	\$ 159,351	\$ 148,809	\$ 145,690
Contributions in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$ 233,469 233,500	\$ 162,328 162,336	\$ 159,351 150,000	\$ 148,809 98,679	\$ 145,690 98,679

#### Notes to Schedule

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial Cost Method Entry age normal

Amortization Method Level Percentage of Payroll

Remaining Amortization Period 20 Years
Asset Valuation Method Market Value

Salary Increases 2.40% plus a service based scale ranging

from 0-1.5% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return 6.5%, net of pension plan investment and administrative expenses.

Retirement Age Age 65 and 10 years of continuous service

Mortality Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Amount-Weighted Mortality Tables (for general employees).

projected to valuation date with Scale MP-2021.

# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS - PENSION TRUST FUND LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	Annual Money-Weighted
Year Ended	Rate of Return, Net of
June 30,	Investment Expense
2014	12.26%
2015	2.60%
2016	-1.11%
2017	10.25%
2018	6.86%
2019	5.78%
2020	3.05%
2021	25.46%
2022	-13.98%
2023	10.09%

# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS

Total OPEB Liability	_	2023	-	2022	 2021		2020		2019	2018
Service Cost	\$	244,448	\$	334,411	\$ 317,149	\$	288,817	\$	248,950 \$	259,656
Interest		211,595		147,706	143,858		218,744		217,607	199,822
Changes of Benefit Terms		0		0	0		0		0	0
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	:	(33,165)		54,287	(32,980)		(1,509,657)		(31,909)	0
Changes of Assumptions		(88,736)		(1,132,744)	49,755		1,408,930		302,492	(231,792)
Benefit Payments	****	(175,192)		(174,674)	 (157,868)	_	(157,205)		(178,274)	(173,216)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability		158,950		(771,014)	319,914		249,629		558,866	54,470
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	***	5,819,673		6,590,687	 6,270,773	-	6,021,144	_	5,462,278	5,407,808
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	\$	5,978,623	\$_	5,819,673	\$ 6,590,687	\$_	6,270,773	\$_	6,021,144_\$	5,462,278
Covered payroll	\$	941,242	\$	919,181	\$ 874,210	\$	852,056	\$	933,066 \$	909,421
Total OPEB Liability as a % of Covered Payroll		635.18%		633.14%	753.90%		735.96%		645.31%	600.63%

See Footnote 10 for changes in benefit terms and changes in plan assumptions.

Until a 10-year trend is compiled, this schedule will present information for those years for which information is available.

THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Balance as of June 30,	\$5,819,673_\$	6,590,687 \$	6,270,773 \$	6,021,144 \$	5,462,278 \$	5,407,808
Changes for the Year:						
Service Cost	244,448	334,411	317,149	288,817	248,950	259,656
Interest	211,595	147,706	143,858	218,744	217,607	199,822
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(33,165)	54,287	(32,980)	(1,509,657)	(31,909)	-
Changes of Benefit Terms	-	-		-	-	-
Changes of Assumptions	(88,736)	(1,132,744)	49,755	1,408,930	302,492	(231,792)
Benefit Payments	(175,192)	(174,674)	(157,868)	(157,205)	(178,274)	(173,216)
Net Changes	158,950	(771,014)	319,914	249,629	558,866	54,470
Balance as of June 30,	\$ <u>5,978,623</u> \$	5,819,673 \$	6,590,687 \$	6,270,773 \$	6,021,144 \$	5,462,278

Until a 10-year trend is compiled, this schedule will present information for those years for which information is available.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMBINING AND INDIVIDUAL FUND SCHEDULES

## THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF UTILITY PLANT JUNE 30, 2023

		Utili	ty Plan	ıt j				Accumulated	Depreciation				Net Book
	Balance				Balance		Balance				Balance		Value
	 luly 1, 2022	Additions	Re	tirements	June 30, 2023		July 1, 2022	Additions	Retirements	J١	une 30, 2023	Ji	une 30, 2023
Intangible Assets Franchise and Consents	\$ 34,300				34,300	\$	-			\$	*	\$	34,300
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Generation													
Generators	3,012,217				3,012,217		2,911,901	25,079		\$	2,936,980	\$	75,237
Transmission Plant													
Land and Land Rights	1,487,395				1,487,395		_			\$	_	\$	1,487,395
Structures & Improvements	93,913				93.913		77,655	1,121		Š	78,776	S	15,137
Underground Conduit	69,021				69,021		65,536	196		Š	65,732	\$	3,289
Underground Conductors	245,307				245,307		167,826	3,840		Š	171,666	\$	73,641
Cervalis Data Center Facilities	1,602,817				1,602,817		544,954	64,113		\$	609,067	\$	993,750
Distribution Plant								•					·
Structures and Improvements	375.031	50.960			405.004		200 422	0.500			040.004	_	400.000
•					425,991		309,433	6,568		\$	316,001	\$	109,990
Substation Equipment	9,534,825	22,976	1		9,557,801		2,954,042	382,312		\$	3,336,354	\$	6,221,447
Generator	18,370	47.454		(4.5.000)	18,370		18,368	2		\$	18,370	\$	-
Poles, Towers & Equipment	646,924	17,154		(15,000)	649,078		397,700	23,875	(15,000)	\$	406,575	\$	242,503
Overhead Conductors	622,878	962			623,840		323,407	19,580		\$	342,987	\$	280,853
Underground Conduit	300,359				300,359		230,210	4,933		\$	235,143	\$	65,216
Underground Conductors	601,331	1,282			602,613		118,626	14,998		\$	133,624	\$	468,989
Line Transformers	826,245	39,583		(27,484)	838,344		307,352	31,959	(27,484)		311,827	\$	526,517
Meters	812,743	6,412		(5,000)	814,155		540,942	38,234	(5,000)	\$	574,176	\$	239,979
Street Lights & Signals	405,664				405,664		295,743	38,608		\$	334,351	\$	71,313
Computer Software	339,769	25,125		(4,688)	360,206		336,855	9,194	(4,688)	\$	341,361	\$	18,845
General Plant													
Structures & Improvements	2,110,496	7,212			2,117,708		505,770	100,454		\$	606,224	\$	1,511,484
Office Furniture & Equipment	168,825	8,479			177,304		161,989	5,473		\$	167,462	Ś	9,842
Transportation Equipment	817,442	124,621		(35,278)	906,785		722,481	92,312	(35,278)	\$	779,515	Š	127,270
Stores Equipment	1,504	,,		(,)	1,504		1,504	04,014	(00,2.0)	\$	1,504	Š	,
Tools, Shop & Yard Equipment	83,907				83,907		61,063	2,395		Š	63,458	Š	20,449
Laboratory Equipment	7,447				7,447		5,508	155		Š	5,663	Š	1,784
Communications Equipment	32,246	11,957		(7,495)	36,708		29,559	1,373	(7,495)	\$	23,437	\$	13,271
Miscellaneous Equipment	 99,644			(-,)	99,644	_	81,654	4,081	(-,100)	\$	85,735	\$	13,909
TOTAL UTILITY PLANT	\$ 24,350,620	\$ 316,723	\$	(94,945) \$	24,572,398	\$	11,170,078	870,855	\$ (94,945)	\$	11,945,988	\$	12,626,410
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# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF VARIOUS OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Distribution		Electrical epartment
Substation Payroll	\$	166,352
Overhead and Underground Lines	Ψ	35,467
Street Lights and Signal Systems		-
Meters		5,157
Miscellaneous		125,502
Total Distribution	\$	332,478
Maintenance Station Equipment	\$	18,756
Overhead Lines		58,342
Line Transformers		
Street Lights and Signal Systems		-
Underground Lines		_
Meters		3,688
Payroll		430,030
Miscellaneous	***************************************	50,158
Total Maintenance	\$	560,974
Customer Service Meter Reading	\$	136,100
Customer Records and Collections		361,026
Bad Debt Expense Total Customer Service	\$	407 126
Total Gustomer Gervice	Ψ	497,126
Administration		
Administrative Salaries	\$	531,717
General Expense		39,606
Property and Casualty Insurance		376,627
Workmen's Compensation Insurance		16,983
Disability Insurance		13,115
Office Expense		49,843
Outside Services		257,266
Pension and Employee Benefits Promotions		1,102,939
Company Trucks and Auto		17,757
Regulatory Expense		42,224 15.700
Total Administration	\$	15,709 2,463,786
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# THIRD TAXING DISTRICT - CITY OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Outside Services		Electrical epartment
	•	50 400
Computer System Analyst and Programming Legal Fees (General)	\$	58,480
Financial Audit Fees		21,283
Accounting Services		24,625
Pension Plan Actuarial and Legal Fees		33,614
Labor Law Attorneys		21,667
Repairs and Maintenance		3,500
Miscellaneous		67,539 8 305
Engineering		8,305
Total Outside Services	\$	18,253 257,266
Pension and Employee Benefits OPEB Expense Employee Health and Disability Programs Pension Expense Payroll Taxes Total Pension and Employee Benefits	\$	306,841 325,585 364,971 105,542 1,102,939
General Expenses Travel and Lodging Seminars and Training Miscellaneous Total General Expenses	\$ 	4,705 34,901 39,606