CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

WALKER & ASSOCIATES, CPA'S, PC

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FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013
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Walker and Associates
Certified Public Accountants

Independent Auditor's Report

To the City Council
City of Helen, Georgia

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Helen, Georgia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Helen, Georgia, as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America also requires that budgetary comparison information, on pages 25-27, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do

not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Helen, Georgia's basic financial statements. The Combining non-major fund financial statements and the Schedule of Expenditures of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, as required by O.C.G.A. 48-8-121as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax 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. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 11, 2013, on our consideration of the City of Helen, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City of Helen's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Walker & Associates

Walker & Associates, CPA's, PC
Gainesville, Georgia
December 11, 2013

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2013

	Primary Government			
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Component Unit
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,842,041	$ 739,797	$ 3,581,838	$ 106
Receivables (net)	347,563	54,558	402,121	-
Prepaid expenses	76,156	11,038	87,194	-
Restricted Cash	-	164,750	164,750	-
Other assets	8,028	38,661	46,689	-
Nondepreciable capital assets	2,041,441	392,983	2,434,424	-
Capital assets, net	3,457,109	5,754,491	9,211,600	-
Total assets	8,772,338	7,156,278	15,928,616	106
Deferred outflows of resources	-	-	-	-
Liabilities				
Accounts payable and other liabilities	122,835	99,312	222,147	-
Internal balances	158,442	(158,442)	-	-
Accrued balances	19,062	4,872	23,934	-
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Due within one year	67,814	170,553	238,367	-
Due in more than one year	473,373	949,393	1,422,766	-
Total liabilities	841,526	1,065,688	1,907,214	-
Deferred inflows of resources	-	-	-	-
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets	5,065,535	5,046,730	10,112,265	-
Restricted for:				
Capital projects	1,741,300	-	1,741,300	-
Debt service	-	90,000	90,000	-
Tree replacement	524	-	524	-
Tourism Promotion	47,761	-	47,761	-
Law Enforcement	4,287	-	4,287	-
Unrestricted	1,071,405	953,860	2,025,265	106
Total net position	$ 7,930,812	$ 6,090,590	$ 14,021,402	$ 106

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues: Charges for Services	Program Revenues: Operating Grants and Contributions	Program Revenues: Capital Grants Contributions	Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position: Primary Government: Governmental Activities	Primary Government: Business-Type Activities	Primary Government: Total	Component Unit
Primary government:								
Governmental activities								
General government	$ 894,473	$ 571,418	$ 34,378	$ 445,034	$ 156,357	$ -	$ 156,357	$ -
Public safety	869,712	85,063	9,165	-	(775,484)	-	(775,484)	-
Streets and sanitation	671,030	40,384	-	112,365	(518,281)	-	(518,281)	-
Health and welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	251,955	-	-	-	(251,955)	-	(251,955)	-
Miscellaneous government	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest on long term debt	20,246	-	-	-	(20,246)	-	(20,246)	-
Total governmental activities	2,707,416	696,865	43,543	557,399	(1,409,609)	-	(1,409,609)	-
Business-type activities								
Water and Sewer	895,849	737,989	-	-		(157,860)	(157,860)	-
Total business-type activities	895,849	737,989	-	-		(157,860)	(157,860)	-
Total primary government	$ 3,603,265	$ 1,434,854	$ 43,543	$ 557,399			(1,567,469)	-
Component Units:								
Downtown Development Authority	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -			-	-
Total component units	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -				-
General revenues:								
Taxes:								
Property taxes, levied for general purposes					457,131	-	457,131	-
Franchise tax					128,647	-	128,647	-
Sales taxes					678,465	-	678,465	-
Hotel/Motel taxes					719,921	-	719,921	-
Interest and investment earnings					8,609	1,708	10,317	-
Miscellaneous					14,976	-	14,976	-
Transfers					(296,222)	296,222	-	-
Total general revenues, special items, and transfers					1,711,527	297,930	2,009,457	-
Change in net position					301,918	140,070	441,988	-
Net position-beginning					7,628,894	5,950,520	13,579,414	106
Net position-ending					$ 7,930,812	$ 6,090,590	$ 14,021,402	$ 106

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CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2013

Assets	General Fund	Hotel/ Motel Tax Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Other Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Cash	$ 949,951	$ -	$ 771,731	$ 1,089,908	$ 30,451	$ 2,842,041
Due from other governments	58,497	-	73,894	-	-	132,391
Receivables (net)	130,263	84,909	-	-	-	215,172
Prepaid expenditures	76,156	-	-	-	-	76,156
Due from other funds	36,400	-	-	-	-	36,400
Total assets	1,251,267	84,909	845,625	1,089,908	30,451	3,302,160
Deferred outflows of resources	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets and deferred outflows	$ 1,251,267	$ 84,909	$ 845,625	$ 1,089,908	$ 30,451	$ 3,302,160
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	$ 56,238	$ 37,148	$ 20,436	$ 4,595	$ -	$ 118,417
Payroll taxes	4,418	-	-	-	-	4,418
Accrued expenditures	11,883	-	-	-	-	11,883
Due to other funds	-	-	-	194,842	-	194,842
Unearned revenue	129,793	-	-	-	-	129,793
Total liabilities	202,332	37,148	20,436	199,437	-	459,353
Deferred inflows of resources	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	202,332	37,148	20,436	199,437	-	459,353
Fund balance						
Nonspendable:						
Prepaid expenditures	76,156	-	-	-	-	76,156
Restricted for:						
Capital projects	-	-	825,189	-	25,640	850,829
Law enforcement	-	-	-	-	4,287	4,287
Tourism Promotion	-	47,761	-	-	-	47,761
Committed:						
Tree fund memorial	-	-	-	-	524	524
Capital projects	-	-	-	890,471	-	890,471
Assigned:						
Unassigned	972,779	-	-	-	-	972,779
Total Fund Balance	1,048,935	47,761	825,189	890,471	30,451	2,842,807
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balance	$ 1,251,267	$ 84,909	$ 845,625	$ 1,089,908	$ 30,451	$ 3,302,160

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet
to Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2013

Total fund balances - governmental funds	$ 2,842,807
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.	
Governmental capital assets	11,384,630
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(5,886,080)
Accrued interest payable not reported in governmental funds	(7,179)
Accrued personal leave not reported in governmental funds	(108,172)
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. Those liabilities consist of capital leases and revenue bonds.	(433,015)
Debt issuance costs are reported as current year expenditures in the governmental funds and amortized over the life of the note in governmental activities.	8,028
Some of the City's revenues will be collected after year-end but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.	129,793
Net position of governmental activities	$ 7,930,812

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CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances

Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

Revenues	General Fund	Hotel/ Motel Tax Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Other Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Property Taxes	$ 403,720	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 403,720
Sales Taxes	678,465	-	-	-	-	678,465
Fines and Forfeitures	80,463	-	-	-	4,600	85,063
Intergovernmental	103,660	-	441,235	-	27,147	572,042
Charges for services	761,096	719,921	-	-	-	1,481,017
Interest	6,438	-	1,652	2,171	-	10,261
Miscellaneous	45,440	-	-	-	500	45,940
Total Revenue	2,079,282	719,921	442,887	2,171	32,247	3,276,508
Expenditures						
Current						
General government	813,311	314,930	5,222	-	-	1,133,463
Public safety	889,111	-	-	-	8,323	897,434
Streets and Sanitation	437,746	-	120,218	51,682	39	609,685
Culture and Recreation	117,149	-	-	-	-	117,149
Debt Service						
Principal Retirement	113,148	-	-	-	-	113,148
Interest Charges	19,888	-	-	-	-	19,888
Capital Outlay	-	-	14,700	-	-	14,700
Total Expenditures	2,390,353	314,930	140,140	51,682	8,362	2,905,467
Excess of revenues (expenditures)	(311,071)	404,991	302,747	(49,511)	23,885	371,041
Other financing sources (uses)						
Transfers in	433,130	-	-	20,308	100	453,538
Transfers out	(18,161)	(402,356)	(327,096)	-	(2,147)	(749,760)
Total other financing sources and uses	414,969	(402,356)	(327,096)	20,308	(2,047)	(296,222)
Net change in fund balance	103,898	2,635	(24,349)	(29,203)	21,838	74,819
Beginning fund balance	945,037	45,126	849,538	919,674	8,613	2,767,988
Ending fund balance	$1,048,935	$ 47,761	$ 825,189	$ 890,471	$ 30,451	$ 2,842,807

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CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

Net change in fund balances-total governmental funds	$	74,819
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay ($412,214) exceeded depreciation expense ($336,990) in the current period.		75,224
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount by which repayments exceeded proceeds.		113,148
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, and donations) is to increase (decrease) net assets		(5,365)
Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the City's fiscal year ends, they are not considered "available" revenues and are deferred in the governmental funds, but considered as revenues in the government wide financial statements. This amount represents the reclassification in deferred revenue.		29,048
Change in accrued interest and amortization of deferred charges on long term debt		(358)
Long term liability for compensated absences. This represents the change in vested benefit of employees for vacation pay earned but not taken as of the year end.		15,402
Net Change in net position of governmental activities	$	301,918

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Statement of Net Position

Proprietary Fund

June 30, 2013

	Water and Sewer Fund
Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash - operating	$ 739,797
Accounts receivable (Net)	54,558
Due from other funds	194,842
Accrued revenue	12,123
Prepaid items	11,038
Total current assets	1,012,358
Noncurrent assets:	
Restricted cash	164,750
Capital assets	
Land	209,556
Buildings	22,982
Improvements other than buildings	8,271,359
Machinery and equipment	933,459
Construction in progress	183,427
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(3,473,309)
Deferred charge	26,538
Total noncurrent assets	6,338,762
Total assets	7,351,120
Deferred outflows of resources	-
Liabilities	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	24,562
Accrued expenses	4,872
Due to other funds	36,400
Customer deposits	74,750
Due within one year	170,553
Total current liabilities	311,137
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Compensated Absenses	19,202
Due in more than one year	930,191
Total noncurrent liabilities	949,393
Total liabilities	1,260,530
Deferred inflows of resources	-
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	5,046,730
Restricted for debt service	90,000
Unrestricted	953,860
Total net position	$ 6,090,590

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
Proprietary Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

	Water and Sewer Fund
Operating Revenue	
Charges for Service	$ 724,706
Connection Fees	12,668
Miscellaneous Income	615
Total Operating Revenue	737,989
Operating expenses	
Personal services	
Compensation	176,751
Employment Taxes	11,791
Benefits	42,571
Total Personal Services	231,113
Other operating expenses	
Purchased Water	7,908
Supplies	39,465
Repairs and Maintenance	138,300
Utilities	102,990
Miscellaneous	14,169
Depreciation	311,378
Insurance	3,284
Engineering, Lab Fees and Training	2,594
Total other operating expenses	620,088
Total Operating Expenses	851,201
Operating Income (loss)	(113,212)
Nonoperating revenues(expenses)	
Interest Income	1,708
Interest Expense	(44,648)
Total NonOperating Revenues (Expenses)	(42,940)
Transfer In	327,096
Tranfer Out	(30,874)
Change in Net Position	140,070
Net position-beginning	5,950,520
Net position-ending	$ 6,090,590

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Fund
For The Year Ended June 30, 2013

	Water and Sewer
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Receipts from customers	$ 731,761
Payments to suppliers	(286,134)
Payments to employees	(229,270)
Net cash provided by operating activities	216,357
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:	
Advances from Other funds	10,449
Transfer to other funds	(30,874)
Net cash provided (used) by noncapital financing activities	(20,425)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Transfers from other funds	327,096
Purchase of capital assets	(249,917)
Debt payments, principal and interest	(203,828)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	(126,649)
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest on investments	1,708
Net cash provided by investing activities	1,708
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	70,991
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	833,556
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	$ 904,547
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Operating income (loss)	$ (113,212)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	311,378
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Receivables and accrued revenue	6,228
Accounts payable	9,372
Deferred Charge	2,469
Compensated absences	1,149
Accrued expenses	2,345
Prepaid items	(5,332)
Customer deposits	1,960
Net cash provided by operating activities	$ 216,357

Noncash Investing, capital, and financing activities:

Debt issuance cost of $1,826 was amortized and recorded as additional interest expense

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of City of Helen, Georgia, have been prepared in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The City's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

1-A The Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is made up of the primary government and its component units.

The foundation of a primary government is a separately elected governing body--one that is elected by the citizens in a general, popular election. As the nucleus of the financial reporting entity, the primary government generally is the focal point for the users of the financial statements. A primary government is any state government or general purpose local government (municipality or county) that meets all of the following criteria:

a. It has a separately elected governing body.
b. It is **legally separate.**
c. It is **fiscally independent** of other state and local governments.

All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that are not legally separate are, for financial reporting purposes, part of a primary government.

The following circumstances set forth a primary government's financial accountability for a legally separate organization.

The primary government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and (1) it is able to impose its will on that organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. The primary government may be financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on the primary government regardless of whether the organization has (1) a separately elected governing board, (2) a governing board appointed by a higher level of government, or (3) a jointly appointed board.

In accordance with GASB 14 the following component unit is included in the City's financial statements under the Discretely Presented Component Unit caption.

1. The Downtown Development Authority is governed by a seven member board, appointed by the City Commission and is a separate legal, public body corporate and politic created and existing under instrumentality of the City of Helen for the purpose of acquiring and financing land to be leased to the City of Helen for use as a public pay parking lot.

The above component unit's General Fund is reflected on the City's financial statements under the Discretely Presented Component Unit caption. No separate statements are available.

1-B Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government (the City) and its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type* activities of the City. Governmental

activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the City and for each function of the City's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the statement of activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the City's funds. Separate statements for each fund category- governmental and proprietary are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as non-major funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund. This is the City's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. This is a special revenue fund which accounts for the receipt and expenditure of Hotel/Motel tax revenues.

Capital Projects Funds:

SPLOST Fund: This fund accounts for resources set aside by the City for capital projects and also capital projects funded by *Special Purpose Local Option Sales Taxes.* The SPLOST provides financial resources which are to be expended for purposes approved by referendum.

Other Capital Projects Fund: The City set aside this fund for major downtown renovations.

The City reports the following major proprietary fund:

Water and Sewer Fund. This fund accounts for the operations of the City's water and sewer services.

Proprietary fund operating revenues and expenses result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Non-operating revenues and expenses, such as subsidies, investment earnings or interest expense, result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities.

Receivables from and payables to external parties are reported separately and not offset in the proprietary fund financial statements and business-type activities of the government-wide financial statements, unless a right of offset exists.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting

Government-wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the City gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The City considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within thirty days after year-end except for property taxes for which sixty days after year end applies. Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and adjustments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured.

General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general revenues.

1-C Assets, Liabilities, and Equity [Primary government]

Investments

As of June 30, 2013, the City did not have investments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The City considers short-term liquid investments that are both readily convertible to known amounts of cash and so near maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates to be cash equivalents. Only investments with original maturities of three months or less meet this definition. Non-negotiable certificates of deposit are considered to be cash equivalents.

Restricted Assets

These assets are held in the capital projects fund and special revenue funds for specific purposes defined by statute, referendum, or grant contract and not generally available for general government operations.

Receivables and Payables

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for doubtful collections.

Property Tax Calendar

The City set its millage rate for 2012 on July 26, 2012 at 6.45 mils. Property tax bills were mailed on August 6, 2012 and were due November 15, 2012. Penalties and interest are due on all accounts not paid by the due date. Fifa's on delinquent tax accounts could be filed on December 16, 2012. The City contracts with the White County Tax Commissioner's Office to process tax bills, collect and remit tax payments. The fee for this service is $5.00 per tax bill.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market. In the governmental funds, the costs of inventory items are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. The City maintains no significant inventories. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than $2,500 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. The government reports infrastructure assets on a network and subsystem basis. Accordingly, the amounts spent for the construction or acquisition of infrastructure assets are capitalized and reported in the government-wide financial statements regardless of amount.

In the case of the initial capitalization of general infrastructure assets (i.e., those reported by governmental activities), the government chose to include all such items regardless of their acquisition date or amount. The government was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of these assets through back trending (i.e., estimating the current replacement cost of the infrastructure to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-level index to deflate the cost to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year). As the government constructs or acquires additional capital assets each period, including infrastructure assets, they are capitalized and reported at historical cost. The reported value excludes normal maintenance and repairs which are essentially amounts spent in relation to capital assets that do not increase the capacity or efficiency of the item or extend its useful life beyond the original estimate. In the case of donations, the government values these capital assets at the estimated fair value of the item at the date of its donation.

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

Asset Class	*Estimated Lives*	*Capitalization Threshold*
Buildings	35	$2,500
Building Improvements	35	$2,500
Vehicles	7-15	$2,500
Equipment	5-25	$2,500
Infrastructure	20-25	$2,500

Compensated Absences

General leave for the City includes both vacation and sick pay. General leave is based on an employee's length of employment and is earned ratably during the span of employment. Upon termination, employees are paid full value for any accrued leave earned not to exceed the number of leave hours outlined in the employee policy manual.

Vested or accumulated general leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it. Amounts of vested or accumulated general leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are maintained separately and represents a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide presentations. Vested or accumulated general leave of proprietary funds is recorded as an expense and liability of those funds as the benefits accrue to employees. The balance of compensated absences is recorded as a noncurrent liability and disclosed as a long term debt.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from these estimates.

Retirement Plans

The City sponsors the Helen Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, a defined contribution plan, for the benefit of its employees. All funding is from employee deferrals. In order to participate, an employee must work for the City for at least six months. From six months to two years, the employee contributes a percentage of salary. From year two to year five, the City will match up to 5% of the employee's salary. After the fifth year of employment, the City will match up to 10% of the employee's salary. The plan holds its assets in a separate trust invested in annuity contracts in the name of each participant and consequently is not reported on the City's financial statements. As administrator of the plan, the City may amend the plan at its discretion. For the year ending June 30, 2013, the eleven (11) employee/participants contributed $22,169 to the plan, and the employer matched with a contribution of $22,144.

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

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

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

1-D Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as "fund balance." Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net position."

Fund Balance - Generally fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the City is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable - Fund balances are reported as non-spendable when amounts cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form (i.e., items that are not expected to be converted to cash) or (b) legally contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted - Fund balances are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the City or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Committed - Fund balances are reported as committed when they can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the City Council through the adoption of a resolution. The City Council also may modify or rescind the commitment.

Assigned - Fund balances are reported as assigned when amounts are constrained by the City's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Through resolution, the City Council has authorized the City's finance officer to assign fund balances.

Unassigned - Fund balances are reported as unassigned as the residual amount when the balances do not meet any of the above criterion. The City reports positive unassigned fund balances only in the general fund. Negative unassigned fund balances may be reported in all funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balance are available for use for expenditures incurred, it is the City's policy to use restricted amounts first and then unrestricted amounts as they are needed. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is the City's policy to use fund balance in the following order:

Committed
Assigned
Unassigned

Net position - Net position represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used (i.e., the amount that the City has spent) for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position are reported as restricted as described in the fund balance section above. All other net position are reported as unrestricted.

The City applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

NOTE 2. CASH [Primary government]

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes require all deposits and investments (other than federal or state government instruments) to be collateralized by depository insurance, obligations of the U.S. government, or bonds of public authorities, counties or municipalities.

The City's custodial credit risk policy is to require all banks to collateralize the City's deposits at 110% of account balances and to have a perfected security agreement supporting the collateral agreement with the bank. The City does not have a foreign credit risk.

At June 30, 2013, all bank deposits were insured or fully collateralized.

NOTE 3. RECEIVABLES [Primary government]

The following is a summary of amounts due from others at June 30, 2013.

Governmental funds:	
Due from other governments	$132,391
Fines receivable, net	90,881
Taxes receivable, net	124,291
	347,563
Business-Type funds:	
Accounts receivable, net	54,558
	$402,121

NOTE 4. LITIGATION [Primary government]

The Attorneys for the City have advised that there are no known legal matters which will have a material effect on the City's financial condition. No provision has been made to provide reserves for litigation settlements.

NOTE 5. DEFERRED CHARGE [Primary government]

Bond issuance cost is capitalized as a deferred charge on the balance sheet and is amortized over the life of the bonded indebtedness. The amount reported on the Statement of Net Position is net of amortization:

Business-type activities	$26,538
Governmental activities	$ 8,028

NOTE 6. LONG-TERM DEBT [Primary government]

The City's Long Term Debt consists of obligations under capital leases and revenue bonds and notes payable. The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2013. The amounts reported as Long Term Debt in the Statement of Net Position represents amounts not expected to be paid with expendable available resources. The interest expense reported in the government-wide Statement of Activities for governmental activities is $20,246 which was paid as a direct cost of long-term debt. In business-type activities, the City incurred $44,648 as a direct cost of long-term debt.

Governmental Activities Debt – The following is a summary of the outstanding debt for the City's governmental activities.

Bonds -- On November 11, 1995, the City issued $300,000 in Revenue Bonds for the purchase and development of a new Welcome Center. These bonds were issued at a rate of 3.25%, require monthly payments of $2,111 and mature on June 1, 2016. Annual debt service requirements to amortize the 1995 series bonds are as follows:

Series 1995 revenue bonds for Welcome Center

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	$ 21,880	$ 3,447	$ 25,327
2015	23,177	2,149	25,326
2016	26,916	775	27,691
Totals	$ 71,973	$ 6,371	$ 78,344

Capital Leases -- The City has entered into capital lease agreements as lessee for financing the acquisition of land, police vehicles, equipment and a building. These leases qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes (i.e., title transfers at the end of the lease term) and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of the inception of the lease. Capital lease payments are reflected as debt service expenditures at the fund reporting level. The City has one capital lease arrangement outstanding at June 30, 2013.

On December 21, 2004, the City entered into a capital lease to finance the acquisition of land and building and the remodeling of the building to be used as the new City Hall, at a rate of 5.17%, with annual payments of $59,798 and a maturity date of March 3, 2019.

On October 7, 2011, the City entered into a capital lease to purchase accounting software from Computer Software Innovations, Inc. They have a loan with BB&T at a rate of 3.33%, with 48 monthly payments of $1,343 and a maturity date of October 7, 2015. The City paid off this loan on December 11, 2012.

The assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

Asset	Governmental Activities
Land	$ 211,250
Buildings	470,139
Less accumulated depreciation	(122,714)
Total	$ 558,675

Amortization expense is included with depreciation.

The outstanding balance of the corresponding liabilities is included in governmental activities long-term debt. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

Total Governmental Capital Leases:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	$ 45,934	$ 13,864	$ 59,798
2015	47,698	12,100	59,798
2016	49,529	10,269	59,798
2017	51,431	8,367	59,798
2018	53,406	6,392	59,798
2019-2020	113,044	6,515	119,559
Totals	$ 361,042	$ 57,506	$ 418,548

Business-type Activities Debt – The following is a summary of the outstanding debt for the City's business-type activities.

Bonds -- In November 1995, the City issued Water and Sewerage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1995 in the amount of $1,350,000, at an interest rate of 5.65%, with quarterly payments of $29,308 and a maturity date of November 30, 2015. Proceeds from this issue were used for water plant improvements.

Maturities and debt service requirements remaining on the bond issue are as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	$ 112,584	$ 3,039	$ 115,623
2015	10,123	90	10,213
Totals	$ 122,707	$ 3,129	$ 125,836

Intergovernmental loans:

In October 2005, the City received a loan from GEFA in the amount of $724,687, in order to repair tornado damage to the City's waste treatment facility. Those repairs were completed, as of June 30, 2007, and the draw note was converted to a permanent loan to be amortized over 20 years at an interest rate of 3.73%, amortized quarterly, with payments of $12,894, with a maturity date of December 1, 2026.

In November 2007, the City received a loan from GEFA in the amount of $115,163, in order to repair/improve the waste treatment spray fields. The loan rate is 2% amortized monthly, with payments of $1,060, with a maturity date of November 1, 2027.

In August 2009, the City received a loan from Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority to borrow $1,288,000 for the rehabilitation of the city's wastewater treatment facility. In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2010 ("ARRA") the lender has agreed to forgive 70% of the loan balance once construction is completed. Construction on the wastewater treatment facility was completed on June 30, 2012. The remaining 30% balance totaling $386,400 is a 20 year note at 3.00 percent interest repaid by the City in monthly installments of $2,143 beginning on January 1, 2013. The remaining 70%, totaling $901,600 was recorded as nonoperating debt forgiveness revenue for the year ending June 30, 2012.

The maturities and debt service requirements are as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	$ 57,969	$ 32,039	$ 90,008
2015	59,847	30,162	90,009
2016	61,787	28,221	90,008
2017	63,795	26,213	90,008
2018	58,415	24,175	82,590
2019-2023	295,441	91,019	386,460
2024-2028	272,713	36,383	309,096
2029-2033	108,070	7,648	115,718
Totals:	$ 978,037	$ 275,860	$ 1,253,897

Changes in Long-term Debt – Changes in the City's long-term obligations, including current portions, consisted of the following for the year ended June 30, 2013:

	Outstanding 07/01/12	Additions	Reductions	Outstanding 06/30/13	Amount Due in One Year
Governmental Activities					
Revenue Bonds	$ 91,294	$ -	$ 19,321	$ 71,973	$ 21,880
Capital Leases	454,869	-	93,827	361,042	45,934
Compensated Absences	123,574	-	15,402	108,172	-
Total Governmental Activities	$ 669,737	$ -	$ 128,550	$ 541,187	$ 67,814
Business-Type Activities					
Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds	$ 232,701	$ -	$ 109,994	$ 122,707	$ 112,584
Intergovernmental loans	1,027,223	-	49,186	978,037	57,969
Compensated Absences	18,053	1,149	-	19,202	-
Total Business-Type Activities	$ 1,277,977	$ 1,149	$ 159,180	$ 1,119,946	$ 170,553

Compensated absences are composed of accumulated personal leave pay at June 30, 2013, which will be paid from the General fund and the Water and Sewer fund.

NOTE 7. UNEARNED REVENUE:

Unearned revenue in the governmental fund financial statements:

Fines and Forfeitures	$ 112,782	Imposed non-exchange transaction which is received beyond the City's period of availability.
Grant Revenue	5,723	Unearned Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant
Tax revenues	11,288	Taxes earned in the current year but received beyond the City's period of availability.
Total	$ 129,793	

NOTE 8. RISK MANAGEMENT [Primary government]

The City purchases Workers Compensation Insurance through the Georgia Municipal Association Worker's Compensation Self Insurance Fund. The City's policy year starts on January 1st and ends on December 31st of each year. The premium for the policy year of 2013 was $60,020. The City also purchases General Liability Insurance through the Georgia Interlocal Management Agency. The City's policy year starts May 1st and ends on April 30th of each year. The premium for the year ending April 30, 2013 was $62,832.

As part of these risk pools, the Government is obligated to pay all contributions and assessments as prescribed by the pools, to cooperate with the pool's agents and attorneys, to follow loss reduction procedures established by the funds, and to report as promptly as possible, and in accordance with any coverage descriptions issued, all incidents which could result in the funds being required to pay any claim of loss. The Government is also to allow the pool's agents and attorneys to represent the Government in investigation, settlement discussions and all levels of litigation arising out of any claim made against the Government within the scope of loss protection furnished by the funds.

The funds are to defend and protect the members of the funds against liability or loss as prescribed in the member government contract and in accordance with the worker's compensation law of Georgia. The funds are to pay all costs taxed against members in any legal proceeding defended by the members, all interest accruing after entry of judgment, and all expenses incurred for investigation, negotiation or defense.

With respect to other types of risk including torts, theft or destruction of assets, errors of omissions, and acts of God, the City has purchased sufficient insurance and, therefore, transferred risk of loss. There have been no settlements in the previous three years in excess of insurance.

NOTE 9. HOTEL-MOTEL TAX COMPLIANCE [Primary government]

As required by code section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A the city is required to contract with an independent nonprofit entity to spend 40% of the first 5% of the tax assessed on the promotion of tourism and trade. In addition, 50% of the amount assessed over 5% must also be expended for promotion of tourism and trade through the independent nonprofit entity. The remaining 50% of the additional 3% must be retained by the City and expended for the promotion of tourism and trade. At June 30, 2013, the City funds the Alpine Helen/White County Convention and Visitors Bureau for the expenditure of this tax revenue and provides the CVB with 43.75% percent of total tax collections

Tax Collections:	$719,921
Amount Provided to CVB:	$314,930
City Promotion Expenditures:	$348,750

NOTE 10. CAPITAL ASSETS

	Primary Government			
	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	$ 62,400	$ 299,446	$ -	$ 361,846
Land and improvements	1,682,325	-	2,730	1,679,595
Total capital assets not being depreciated	1,744,725	299,446	2,730	2,041,441
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings	2,480,912	62,755	-	2,543,667
Vehicles	694,003	59,331	46,086	707,248
Equipment	380,698	12,048	36,744	356,002
Road network	5,745,431	-	9,159	5,736,272
Total capital assets being depreciated	9,301,044	134,134	91,989	9,343,189
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	1,125,901	65,927	-	1,191,828
Vehicles	550,968	39,287	46,086	544,169
Equipment	214,762	22,404	21,902	215,264
Road network	3,725,447	209,372	-	3,934,819
Total accumulated depreciation	5,617,078	336,990	67,988	5,886,080
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	3,683,966	(202,856)	24,001	3,457,109
Governmental activity assets, net	$5,428,691	$ 96,590	$ 26,731	$ 5,498,550

Depreciation expense was charged to functions as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	$ 53,908
Public safety	50,527
Streets and sanitation	232,555
Total depreciation	$336,990

Business-type activities:	
Water and Sewer	$311,378

NOTE 10. CAPITAL ASSETS(continued)

	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Business-type activities:				
Water and Sewer				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	$ 209,556	$ -	$ -	$ 209,556
Construction in progress	-	183,427	-	183,427
Total capital assets not being depreciated	209,556	183,427	-	392,983
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	22,982	-	-	22,982
Equipment	917,266	16,193	-	933,459
Water and sewer system	8,221,062	50,297	-	8,271,359
Total capital assets being depreciated	9,161,310	66,490	-	9,227,800
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	17,104	1,018	-	18,122
Equipment	775,926	34,660	-	810,586
Water and sewer system	2,368,901	275,700	-	2,644,601
Total accumulated depreciation	3,161,931	311,378	-	3,473,309
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	5,999,379	(244,888)	-	5,754,491
Business-type activity assets, net	$6,208,935	$ (61,461)	$ -	$ 6,147,474

NOTE 11. BUDGETS [Primary government]

The following are Governmental Funds for which budgets were legally adopted:

	Budgeted Expenditures and other Financing Uses	Actual Expenditures and Other financing Uses	Actual in Excess of Appropriations
General Fund			
General Government	$ 707,119	$ 831,472	$ 124,353
Public Safety	$ 910,734	$ 889,111	$ -
Streets and Sanitation	$ 471,915	$ 437,746	$ -
Culture and Recreation	$ 275,319	$ 117,149	$ -
Debt Service	$ 87,270	$ 133,036	$ 45,766
Hotel/Motel Special Revenue Fund	$ 710,000	$ 717,286	$ 7,286
Confiscated Assets Fund	$ 4,624	$ 4,624	$ -
Police Technology Fund	$ 5,000	$ 3,699	$ -
Grant Fund	$ 66,314	$ 2,175	$ -
Tree Fund	$ 500	$ 11	$ -

The City's legal level of control is at the department level which is the basis on which the Budgetary Comparison Schedule is prepared.

NOTE 12. INTERFUND BALANCES AND TRANSFERS

	Due From		
Due To	Other Capital Projects Fund	Water & Sewer Fund	Totals
General Fund	$ -	$ 36,400	$ 36,400
Water & Sewer	194,842	-	194,842
Totals	$ 194,842	$ 36,400	$ 231,242

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

This government reports interfund transfers between many of its funds. Some of the transfers are considered immaterial and are aggregated into a single column or row titled *Other Funds.* The sum of all transfers presented in the table agrees with the sum of interfund transfers presented in the governmental and proprietary fund financial statements. These transfers have been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

		Transfer from					
		General Fund	Capital Projects	Hotel/Motel Tax	Grant Fund	Enterprise Fund	Total
Transfer to	General Fund	$ -	$ -	$ 402,356	$ -	$ 30,774	$ 433,130
	Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other Capital Projects	18,161	-	-	2,147	-	20,308
	Confiscated Asset Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Grant Fund	-	-	-	-	100	100
	Enterprise Fund	-	327,096	-	-	-	327,096
	Total	$ 18,161	$ 327,096	$ 402,356	$ 2,147	$ 30,874	$ 780,634

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, (2) move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the debt service fund as debt service payments become due, and (3) provide unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

NOTE 13. ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTABLE TAXES AND ACCOUNTS

The balance of taxes and accounts receivable at June 30, 2013, are net of the following allowances for doubtful accounts.

Fund	Taxes	Accounts	Fines
General	$ 169	$ 3,618	$49,871
Enterprise	-0-	10,816	-0-
	$ 169	$14,434	$49,871

NOTE 14. SERIES 1995 WATER AND SEWER BOND COVENANTS

A. The City of Helen has approximately 716 water and sewer customers at June 30, 2013.

B. The following is a list of insurance policies and fidelity bonds paid for and in force at June 30, 2013.

Items Covered	Insurance Company	Limits
General Liabilities	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$1,000,000
Workmans Comp.	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$1,000,000
Building & Contents	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$8,454,429
Vehicles	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$1,000,000
Water Plant Equipment	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$8,454,429
Fidelity Bond: Blanket		
City Manager & Clerk	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$500,000
Public Officials	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$1,000,000
Law Enforcement	Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency	$1,000,000

C. Auditor's Statement

The terms and conditions of the Series 1995 bond resolution have been examined for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. The City is in compliance with all bond covenants, with the exception of the covenant which requires the City to have adequate water and sewer rates that will create an income.

NOTE 15. JOINT VENTURES

Under Georgia law, the City, in conjunction with other cities and counties in the northeast Georgia area, is a member of the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission and is required to pay annual dues thereto. During its year ended June 30, 2013, the City paid $561 in such dues. Membership in the Commission is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34, which provides for the organizational structure of the Commission in Georgia. The Commission Board membership includes the chief elected official of each county and municipality of the area. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of the Commission. Separate financial statements may be obtained from:

Georgia Mountains Regional Commission
1310 W. Ridge Road
Gainesville, GA 30501

NOTE 16. COMPLIANCE

At June 30, 2013, the City was not in compliance with the following statute:

OCGA 36-81-3 Relating to expenditures in excess of appropriations for the General Fund and the Hotel/Motel Fund.

The City was not in compliance with series 1995 debt covenants as explained in note 14.

NOTE 17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through December 15, 2013.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Budget to GAAP Differences	Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Budgetary Basis	Over / (Under)	GAAP Basis	Over / (Under)
Revenues						
Property Taxes	$ 416,000	$ 416,000	$ 403,720	$ -	$ 403,720	$ (12,280)
Sales Taxes	660,000	660,000	678,465	-	678,465	18,465
Fines and Forfeitures	122,000	122,000	80,463	-	80,463	(41,537)
Intergovernmental	17,100	110,186	103,660	-	103,660	(6,526)
Charges for Services	687,700	713,949	761,096	-	761,096	47,147
Interest	2,800	2,800	6,438	-	6,438	3,638
Transfers	348,750	399,375	433,130	-	433,130	33,755
Prior Year Fund Balance	6,965	6,965	-	-	-	(6,965)
Miscellaneous	12,000	21,082	45,440	-	45,440	24,358
Total Revenues	2,273,315	2,452,357	2,512,412	-	2,512,412	60,055
Expenditures						
Current Operating:						
General government	688,721	688,958	813,311	-	813,311	124,353
Public safety	840,590	910,734	889,111	-	889,111	(21,623)
Streets and sanitation	470,415	471,915	437,746	-	437,746	(34,169)
Culture and recreation	186,319	275,319	117,149	-	117,149	(158,170)
Debt service	87,270	87,270	133,036	-	133,036	45,766
Transfers	-	18,161	18,161	-	18,161	-
Total Expenditures	2,273,315	2,452,357	2,408,514	-	2,408,514	(43,843)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$ -	$ -	103,898	$ -	103,898	$ 103,898
Fund Balance - beginning			945,037		945,037	-
Fund Balance - ending			$ 1,048,935		$ 1,048,935	

See accompanying notes to budgetary comparison schedule.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Hotel/ Motel Tax Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

	Budgeted Amounts Original	Budgeted Amounts Final	Actual Budgetary	Budget to GAAP Differences Over / (Under)	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Over / (Under)
Revenues						
Charges for services	$ 620,000	$ 710,000	$ 719,921	$ -	$ 719,921	$ 9,921
Total Revenues	620,000	710,000	719,921	-	719,921	9,921
Expenditures						
Current Operating:						
General government	271,250	310,625	314,930	-	314,930	4,305
Other financing uses						
Transfers out	348,750	399,375	402,356	-	402,356	$ 2,981
Total Expenditures	620,000	710,000	717,286	-	717,286	7,286
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	$ -	$ -	2,635	$ -	2,635	$ 2,635
Fund Balance - beginning			45,126		45,126	
Fund Balanced - ending			$ 47,761		$ 47,761	

See accompanying notes to budgetary comparison schedules.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Notes to Required Supplementary Information
on Budgetary Accounting and Control
Year Ended June 30, 2013

BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING AND CONTROL

Budget Law

The City prepares its annual operating budget under the provisions of the official Code of Georgia. In accordance with those provisions, the following process is used to adopt the annual budget:

(a). Prior to June 1, the City Finance Officer submits to the City Council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.

(b). Public hearings are conducted at regular Commission meetings to obtain taxpayer comments. Public hearings are normally scheduled no later than 15 days prior to the beginning of the budget year.

(c). Subsequent to the public hearings, the budget is legally enacted through the passage of a resolution by the City Council.

All governmental funds with revenues and/or expenditures as defined by State law are required to have annual budgets. The legal level of control at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations is at the department level within a fund.

Budgetary Accounting

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all governmental funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. The government's department heads may make transfers of appropriations within a department. Transfers of appropriations between departments require the approval of council. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the department level.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the original budget appropriations were properly approved by the City Commission. For the year ended June 30, 2013, the following supplemental increases and decreases in appropriations were approved:

Fund Type	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations	Supplemental Decreases	Revised Appropriations
General Fund	$ 2,273,315	$ 179,042	$ -	$ 2,452,357
Hotel/Motel Fund	620,000	90,000	-	710,000
Confiscated Asset Fund	3,500	1,124		4,624
Tree Fund	200	300		500
Totals	$ 2,897,015	$ 270,466	$ -	$ 3,167,481

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Combining Fund Balance Sheet
Other Governmental Funds
June 30, 2013

	Special Revenue Funds				
	Grant Fund	Tree Fund	Confiscated Assets Fund	Police Technology Fund	Totals
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 25,640	$ 524	$ -	$ 4,287	$ 30,451
Total assets	25,640	524	-	4,287	30,451
Liabilities					
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balances					
Restricted for:					
Law enforcement	-	-	-	4,287	4,287
Capital projects	25,640	-	-	-	25,640
Committed:					
Tree fund memorial	-	524	-	-	524
Total fund balances	25,640	524	-	4,287	30,451
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ 25,640	$ 524	$ -	$ 4,287	$ 30,451

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Other Governmental Funds
For the Year ended June 30, 2013

	Special Revenue Funds				
	Grant Fund	Tree Fund	Confiscated Assets Fund	Police Technology Fund	Total
Revenues					
Donations	$ -	$ 500	$ -	$ -	$ 500
Fines and Forfeitures	-	-	-	4,600	4,600
Intergovernmental	27,147	-	-	-	27,147
Total revenues	27,147	500	-	4,600	32,247
Expenditures					
Current:					
Public safety	-	-	4,624	3,699	8,323
Streets and sanitation	28	11	-	-	39
Total expenditures	28	11	4,624	3,699	8,362
Excess of revenues (expenditures)	27,119	489	(4,624)	901	23,885
Other financing sources and (uses)					
Transfers in	100	-	-	-	100
Transfers out	(2,147)	-	-	-	(2,147)
Total other financing sources and uses	(2,047)	-	-	-	(2,047)
Net changes in fund balance	25,072	489	(4,624)	901	21,838
Beginning fund balance	568	35	4,624	3,386	8,613
Ending fund balance	$ 25,640	$ 524	$ -	$ 4,287	$ 30,451

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Mayor and City Council
City of Helen
Helen, Georgia

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Helen as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Helen's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 11, 2013.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of Helen, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Helen's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Helen, Georgia's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency, 2013-1, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Helen, Georgia's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed two instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under

Governmental Auditing Standards and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as items 2013-2 and 2013-3.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the City of Helen, Georgia in a separate letter dated December 11, 2013.

The City of Helen's Response to Findings

The City of Helen, Georgia's response to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses. The City of Helen, Georgia's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

Walker & Associates

Walker & Associates, CPA's, PC
Gainesville, Georgia
December 11, 2013

THE CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Schedule of Findings and Responses
Year Ended June 30, 2013

Internal Control

2013-1

Condition: The City does not possess adequate capabilities to prepare financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Criteria: The City should possess the ability to prepare its own financial statements or have access to someone with adequate technical training and education to review the financial statements prepared by others.

Cause: The City staff does not have the accounting skills necessary to prepare financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Effect: The City does not possess adequate capabilities to prepare financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Recommendation: The City should consider employing someone or contracting with another entity to review the financial statements prepared by the auditor.

Response: The City agrees with the finding and will consider the recommendation.

Compliance

2013-2

Condition: The City had expenditures in excess of appropriations in the General fund and the Hotel/Motel Fund.

Criteria: Georgia code OCGA 36-81-3 requires limiting expenditures to the legally approved budget amounts.

Cause: The City did not amend its budget to authorize expenditures in excess of its original budget.

Effect: At June 30, 2013, the City was not in compliance with OCGA 36-81-3.

Recommendation: We recommend that the City comply with all relevant statutes concerning the operation of a local government in order to reduce the risk of litigation and other unforeseen actions.

Response: The City agrees with this finding and will amend its budget.

THE CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Schedule of Findings and Responses
Year Ended June 30, 2013

2013-3

Condition: The City was not in compliance with debt covenants on the Series 95 bond debt.

Criteria: The 1995 series bond covenants require the City of Helen to maintain adequate water and sewer rates to create an excess of income sufficient to pay debt service requirements.

Cause: The City did not increase water & sewer rates sufficient to be incompliance with their 1995 series bond covenants.

Effect: At June 30, 2013, the City was not in compliance with debt covenants on their 1995 series bonds.

Recommendation: We recommend that the City comply with all relevant debt covenant requirements which require the City to maintain adequate water & sewer rates that create an income.

Response: The City agrees with this finding and plans to increase water and sewer rates.

CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA
Schedule of Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax
Estimated Cost and Expenditure Summary
For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

Project Description	Estimated Cost		Expenditures		
	Original	Current	Prior Years	Current Year	Total
SPLOST 2009					
Roads, Streets, Sidewalks & Bridges	$1,280,000	$1,280,000	$ 59,319	$ 146,790	$ 206,109
Water/Wastewater Improvements	1,850,000	1,850,000	905,264	320,446	1,225,710
Public Buildings and Grounds	250,000	250,000	184,441	-	184,441
Totals for SPLOST 2009	$3,380,000	$3,380,000	$1,149,024	$ 467,236	$1,616,260

Note: 2004 SPLOST has been determined by the City to be complete and therefore deleted from this report.