

CITY OF BELLEVUE

Audit Report

For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

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ELECTED OFFICIALS

<u>ELECTED OFFICIAL</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE</u>	<u>SURETY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
George Branco	Mayor	1/01/96-12/31/99	(B)	\$ 7,500
Ethel R. Foti	Auditor	1/01/96-12/31/99	(A)	25,000
Stephan J. Lukacena	Treasurer	1/01/98-12/31/01	(A)	5,000
David Wallingford	Law Director	1/01/96-12/31/99	(A)	25,000
Kenneth Fox	Muni Court Judge	1/01/94-12/31/99		
David Kile	Council President	1/01/98-12/31/99		
Charles E. Trapp	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		
RoseMary Nascone	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		
Stephan F. Cloud	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		
Eric Billings	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		
Richard Sanders	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		
H. James Culler	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		
Frank DeBlase	Council	1/01/98-12/31/99		

(A) Western Surety Company

(B) Ohio Casualty Insurance Company

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ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL

<u>OFFICIAL</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE OR CONTRACT PERIOD</u>	<u>SURETY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>Period</u>
Susan Meador	Clerk of Court	1/12/92-Indefinite	(A)	\$6,000	1/01/98- 12/31/98
Gary Haynes	Safety Service Director	9/8/97-Indefinite	(B)	5,000	1/01/98- 12/31/98
Vicki Dauch	Clerk of Council	3/14/88-Indefinite			
Philip M. Meacham	Bailiff	5/01/96-Indefinite	(C)	3,000	1/01/98- 12/31/98

(A) Cincinnati Insurance Company

(B) Transamerica Insurance Group

(C) Buckeye Union Insurance Company

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Mayor and City Council
City of Bellevue
Bellevue, Ohio

We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the City of Bellevue, Huron County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, for the audit period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The City of Bellevue is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Petro", written over a large, stylized flourish.

JIM PETRO
Auditor of State

January 19, 2000

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Mayor and City Council
City of Bellevue
Bellevue, Ohio

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of City of Bellevue (the City), as of and for the year ended December 31, 1998. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City as of December 31, 1998, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund types and non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As described in Note 16 to the general purpose financial statements, in 1998 the City changed its method of accounting for investments and certain deferred compensation plans.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 27, 1999 on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the City of Bellevue taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of federal awards expenditures is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Charles E. Harris & Associates

Charles E. Harris & Associates
August 27, 1999

City of Bellevue, Ohio
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Groups
December 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects
Assets				
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$ 2,594,228	\$ 1,101,388	\$ 23,338	\$ 669,086
Cash and cash equivalents in segregated accounts	285	660,483	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents with fiscal and escrow agents	-	-	739	-
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):				
Taxes	436,168	387,941	-	-
Accounts	37,337	-	-	-
Notes	-	890,677	-	-
Interfund	4,182	-	-	-
Due from other funds	8,783	-	-	-
Due from other governments	35,120	19,533	-	-
Materials and supplies				
Inventory	-	31,435	-	-
Prepaid items	12,955	2,928	-	-
Deferred bond costs	-	-	-	-
Fixed assets (net of accumulated depreciation, where applicable)	-	-	-	-
Other Debits:				
Amount to be provided from general government resources	-	-	-	-
Amount available in debt service fund for retirement of general obligation bonds	-	-	-	-
Amount available in debt service fund for retirement of special assessment debt	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 3,129,058	\$ 3,094,385	\$ 24,077	\$ 669,086

Proprietary Fund Types	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)
		General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Obligations	
Enterprise	Trust and Agency			
\$ 2,101,841	\$ 93,334	-	-	\$ 6,583,215
230	20,912	-	-	681,910
-	-	-	-	739
-	-	-	-	824,109
241,415	-	-	-	278,752
-	-	-	-	890,677
-	-	-	-	4,182
-	-	-	-	8,783
-	790	-	-	55,443
79,144	-	-	-	110,579
11,178	-	-	-	27,061
69,833	-	-	-	69,833
14,747,923	-	\$ 6,423,115	-	21,171,038
-	-	-	\$ 544,135	544,135
-	-	-	18,338	18,338
-	-	-	5,000	5,000
<u>\$ 17,251,564</u>	<u>\$ 115,036</u>	<u>\$ 6,423,115</u>	<u>\$ 567,473</u>	<u>\$ 31,273,794</u>

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City of Bellevue, Ohio
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Groups - (Continued)
December 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 8,318	\$ 7,298	-	-
Accrued wages and benefits	51,194	16,436	-	-
Compensated absences payable	17,645	3,261	-	-
Pension obligation payable	-	-	-	-
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-
Interfund Payable	-	4,182	-	-
Due to other governments	40,907	12,730	-	-
Deferred revenue	237,225	387,941	-	-
Accrued interest payable	-	-	-	-
Matured interest payable	-	-	\$ 739	-
Notes payable	-	-	-	\$ 200,000
Undistributed monies	-	-	-	-
Special assessment debt with government comm.	-	-	-	-
OWDA loans payable	-	-	-	-
Mortgage revenue bonds payable	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	\$ 355,289	\$ 431,848	\$ 739	\$ 200,000
Equity and other credits				
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Contributed capital	-	-	-	-
Retained earnings:				
Unreserved (Deficit)	-	-	-	-
Fund balances:				
Reserved for encumbrances	\$ 151,019	\$ 70,763	-	\$ 3,950
Reserved for debt service	-	-	\$ 23,338	-
Reserved for inventory	-	31,435	-	-
Reserved for prepaids	12,955	2,928	-	-
Reserved for notes receivable	-	890,677	-	-
Unreserved - undesignated	2,609,795	1,666,734	-	465,136
Total equity and other credits	2,773,769	2,662,537	23,338	469,086
Total liabilities, equity and other credits	\$ 3,129,058	\$ 3,094,385	\$ 24,077	\$ 669,086

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements.

Proprietary Fund Types	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)
		General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Obligations	
Enterprise	Trust and Agency			
\$ 38,654	-	-	-	\$ 54,270
26,833	-	-	-	94,463
361,663	-	-	\$ 446,165	828,734
3,636	-	-	116,308	119,944
-	\$ 8,783	-	-	8,783
-	-	-	-	4,182
20,025	9,560	-	-	83,222
-	-	-	-	625,166
10,707	-	-	-	10,707
-	-	-	-	739
-	-	-	-	200,000
-	3,943	-	-	3,943
-	-	-	5,000	5,000
3,832,324	-	-	-	3,832,324
220,000	-	-	-	220,000
\$ 4,513,842	\$ 22,286	-	\$ 567,473	\$ 6,091,477
-	-	\$ 6,423,115	-	\$ 6,423,115
\$ 820,721	-	-	-	820,721
11,917,001	-	-	-	11,917,001
-	-	-	-	225,732
-	-	-	-	23,338
-	-	-	-	31,435
-	-	-	-	15,883
-	-	-	-	890,677
-	67,233	-	-	67,233
-	25,517	-	-	4,767,182
<u>12,737,722</u>	<u>92,750</u>	<u>6,423,115</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,182,317</u>
\$ <u>17,251,564</u>	\$ <u>115,036</u>	\$ <u>6,423,115</u>	\$ <u>567,473</u>	\$ <u>31,273,794</u>

City of Bellevue, Ohio
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types & Similar Fiduciary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 3,245,375	\$ 374,897	-	-
Special assessment	-	-	\$ 1,848	-
Charges for services	47,621	169,741	-	\$ 50,500
Licences and permits	25,793	76,600	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	105,690	441	-	-
Intergovernmental	651,013	879,166	-	-
Interest	339,841	70,106	-	-
Other	64,930	185,357	-	57,395
Total Revenues	\$ 4,480,263	\$ 1,756,308	\$ 1,848	\$ 107,895
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government:				
Legislative and executive	\$ 987,196	-	-	-
Judicial	191,860	-	-	-
Security of persons and property	1,409,172	\$ 446,082	-	-
Public health and welfare	154,191	358,010	-	-
Leisure time activities	-	314,997	-	-
Community environment	10,088	182,956	-	-
Transportation	-	489,074	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-	\$ 616,098
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	\$ 1,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	711	13,276
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,752,507	\$ 1,791,119	\$ 1,711	\$ 629,374
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	1,727,756	(34,811)	137	(521,479)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	\$ 640	-	-	-
Operating transfers-in	-	\$ 573,389	-	\$ 620,000
Operating transfers-out	(1,195,754)	-	-	-
Total Other Sources (Uses)	\$ (1,195,114)	\$ 573,389	-	\$ 620,000
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	532,642	538,578	137	98,521
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	2,241,127	2,122,750	23,201	370,565
Increase (Decrease) in Reserve for Inventory	-	- 1,209	-	-
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 2,773,769	\$ 2,662,537	\$ 23,338	\$ 469,086

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements.

Fiduciary Fund Type	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Expendable Trust	
-	\$ 3,620,272
-	1,848
-	267,862
-	102,393
-	106,131
-	1,530,179
\$ 988	410,935
-	307,682
\$ 988	\$ 6,347,302
-	\$ 987,196
-	191,860
-	1,855,254
-	512,201
-	314,997
\$ 288	193,332
-	489,074
-	616,098
-	1,000
-	13,987
\$ 288	\$ 5,174,999
700	1,172,303
-	\$ 640
-	1,193,389
-	(1,195,754)
-	\$ (1,725)
700	1,170,578
24,817	4,782,460
-	1,209
\$ 25,517	\$ 5,954,247

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non - GAAP
Budget Basis) - All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds
Year Ended December 31, 1998

	General Fund		
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 2,810,220	\$ 3,233,586	\$ 423,366
Intergovernmental	603,250	703,766	100,516
Special assessments	-	-	-
Charges for services	35,800	47,621	11,821
Licenses and permits	43,720	51,023	7,303
Fines and forfeitures	95,100	116,875	21,775
Interest	230,000	315,215	85,215
Miscellaneous	14,067	64,930	50,863
Total Revenues	3,832,157	4,533,016	700,859
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government:			
Legislative and executive	1,609,565	1,126,312	483,253
Judicial	247,970	194,745	53,225
Security of persons and property	1,679,844	1,395,241	284,603
Public health and welfare	182,891	156,691	26,200
Transportation	-	-	-
Community environment	18,470	10,082	8,388
Leisure time activities	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Debt service			
Principal payment	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-
Total expenditures	3,738,740	2,883,071	855,669
Excess of revenues under expenditures	93,417	1,649,945	1,556,528
Other financing sources (uses)			
Proceeds of notes	-	-	-
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	500	640	140
Operating transfers - in	-	-	-
Operating transfers - out	(1,196,403)	(1,195,754)	649
Advances in	-	-	-
Advances out	-	(4,182)	(4,182)
Total other sources (uses)	(1,195,903)	(1,199,296)	(3,393)
Excess of revenues and other financing sources under expenditures and other uses	(1,102,486)	450,649	1,553,135
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	186,445	186,445	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,793,618	1,793,618	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 877,577	\$ 2,430,712	\$ 1,553,135

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements

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CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non - GAAP
Budget Basis) - All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds - continued
Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Special Revenue Funds		
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 344,976	\$ 374,897	\$ 29,921
Intergovernmental	1,047,248	930,692	(116,556)
Special assessments	-	-	-
Charges for services	168,800	169,741	941
Licenses and permits	42,000	76,600	34,600
Fines and forfeitures	2,032	602	(1,430)
Interest	3,800	3,562	(238)
Miscellaneous	102,520	92,241	(10,279)
Total Revenues	1,711,376	1,648,335	(63,041)
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government			
Legislative and executive	-	-	-
Judicial	-	-	-
Security of persons and property	529,591	489,775	39,816
Public health and welfare	445,801	368,726	77,075
Transportation	679,141	503,020	176,121
Community environment	660,500	574,865	85,635
Leisure time activities	373,797	318,603	55,194
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Debt service			
Principal payment	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-
Total expenditures	2,688,830	2,254,989	433,841
Excess of revenues under expenditures	(977,454)	(606,654)	370,800
Other financing sources (uses)			
Proceeds of notes	-	-	-
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	-	-	-
Operating transfers - in	573,554	573,389	(165)
Operating transfers - out	-	-	-
Advances in	-	4,182	4,182
Advances out	-	-	-
Total other sources (uses)	573,554	577,571	4,017
Excess of revenues and other financing sources under expenditures and other uses	(403,900)	(29,083)	374,817
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	658,632	658,632	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	393,583	393,583	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 648,315	\$ 1,023,132	\$ 374,817

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements

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CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
 Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
 Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non - GAAP
 Budget Basis) - All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds - continued
 Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Debt Service Funds		
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-
Special assessments	\$ 6,261	\$ 1,848	\$ (4,413)
Charges for services	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Total Revenues	6,261	1,848	(4,413)
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government:			
Legislative and executive	-	-	-
Judicial	-	-	-
Security of persons and property	-	-	-
Public health and welfare	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-
Community environment	-	-	-
Leisure time activities	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Debt service			
Principal payment	3,000	1,000	2,000
Interest and fiscal charges	1,030	711	319
Total expenditures	4,030	1,711	2,319
Excess of revenues under expenditures	2,231	137	(2,094)
Other financing sources (uses)			
Proceeds of notes	-	-	-
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	-	-	-
Operating transfers - in	-	-	-
Operating transfers - out	-	-	-
Advances in	-	-	-
Advances out	-	-	-
Total other sources (uses)	-	-	-
Excess of revenues and other financing sources under expenditures and other uses	2,231	137	(2,094)
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	-	-	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	23,201	23,201	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 25,432	\$ 23,338	\$ (2,094)

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements

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CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
 Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
 Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non - GAAP
 Budget Basis) - All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds - continued
 Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Capital Projects Funds		
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	\$ 4,252	-	\$ (4,252)
Special assessments	-	-	-
Charges for services	40,000	50,500	10,500
Licenses and permits	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	55,000	57,395	2,395
Total Revenues	99,252	107,895	8,643
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government			
Legislative and executive	-	-	-
Judicial	-	-	-
Security of persons and property	-	-	-
Public health and welfare	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-
Community environment	-	-	-
Leisure time activities	-	-	-
Capital outlay	1,008,664	624,292	384,372
Debt service			
Principal payment	300,000	300,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	15,000	13,276	1,724
Total expenditures	1,323,664	937,568	386,096
Excess of revenues under expenditures	(1,224,412)	(829,673)	394,739
Other financing sources (uses)			
Proceeds of notes	200,000	200,000	-
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	-	-	-
Operating transfers - in	620,000	620,000	-
Operating transfers - out	-	-	-
Advances in	-	-	-
Advances out	-	-	-
Total other sources (uses)	820,000	820,000	-
Excess of revenues and other financing sources under expenditures and other uses	(404,412)	(9,673)	394,739
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	168,811	168,811	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	505,994	505,994	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 270,393	\$ 665,132	\$ 394,739

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements

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CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non - GAAP
Budget Basis) - All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds - continued
Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Expendable Trust Funds		
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-
Special assessments	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	-
Interest	\$ 1,101	\$ 988	\$ (113)
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>1,101</u>	<u>988</u>	<u>(113)</u>
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government			
Legislative and executive	-	-	-
Judicial	-	-	-
Security of persons and property	-	-	-
Public health and welfare	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-
Community environment	425	288	137
Leisure time activities	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Debt service			
Principal payment	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>425</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>137</u>
Excess of revenues under expenditures	<u>676</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>24</u>
Other financing sources (uses)			
Proceeds of notes	-	-	-
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	-	-	-
Operating transfers - in	-	-	-
Operating transfers - out	-	-	-
Advances in	-	-	-
Advances out	-	-	-
Total other sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess of revenues and other financing sources under expenditures and other uses	<u>676</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>24</u>
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	-	-	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>24,818</u>	<u>24,818</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 25,494</u>	<u>\$ 25,518</u>	<u>\$ 24</u>

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements

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CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
 Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
 Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non - GAAP
 Budget Basis) - All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds - continued
 Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Totals		Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
	Revised Budget	Actual	
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 3,155,196	\$ 3,608,483	\$ 453,287
Intergovernmental	1,654,750	1,634,458	(20,292)
Special assessments	6,261	1,848	(4,413)
Charges for services	244,600	267,862	23,262
Licenses and permits	85,720	127,623	41,903
Fines and forfeitures	97,132	117,477	20,345
Interest	234,901	319,765	84,864
Miscellaneous	171,587	214,566	42,979
Total Revenues	<u>5,650,147</u>	<u>6,292,082</u>	<u>641,935</u>
Expenditures			
Current:			
General government:			
Legislative and executive	1,609,565	1,126,312	483,253
Judicial	247,970	194,745	53,225
Security of persons and property	2,209,435	1,885,016	324,419
Public health and welfare	628,692	525,417	103,275
Transportation	679,141	503,020	176,121
Community environment	679,395	585,235	94,160
Leisure time activities	373,797	318,603	55,194
Capital outlay	1,008,664	624,292	384,372
Debt service			
Principal payment	303,000	301,000	2,000
Interest and fiscal charges	16,030	13,987	2,043
Total expenditures	<u>7,755,689</u>	<u>6,077,627</u>	<u>1,678,062</u>
Excess of revenues under expenditures	<u>(2,105,542)</u>	<u>214,455</u>	<u>2,319,997</u>
Other financing sources (uses)			
Proceeds of notes	200,000	200,000	-
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	500	640	140
Operating transfers - in	1,193,554	1,193,389	(165)
Operating transfers - out	(1,196,403)	(1,195,754)	649
Advances in	-	4,182	4,182
Advances out	-	(4,182)	(4,182)
Total other sources (uses)	<u>197,651</u>	<u>198,275</u>	<u>624</u>
Excess of revenues and other financing sources under expenditures and other uses	<u>(1,907,891)</u>	<u>412,730</u>	<u>2,320,621</u>
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	1,013,888	1,013,888	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>2,741,214</u>	<u>2,741,214</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 1,847,211</u>	<u>\$ 4,167,832</u>	<u>\$ 2,320,621</u>

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City of Bellevue, Ohio
 Combined Statement of Revenues
 Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity
 All Proprietary Fund Types and Similar Fiduciary Funds
 For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Proprietary Fund Type	Fiduciary Fund Type	Totals
	Enterprise	Non-Expendable Trust	(Memorandum Only)
<i>Operating Revenues:</i>			
Charges for services	\$ 2,675,986	-	\$ 2,675,986
Interest	-	\$ 2,121	2,121
Other operating revenues	46,857	-	46,857
Total Operating Revenues	2,722,843	2,121	2,724,964
<i>Operating Expenses:</i>			
Personal services	1,035,205	-	1,035,205
Contractual services	490,019	-	490,019
Materials and supplies	409,467	2,927	412,394
Depreciation	681,263	-	681,263
Total Operating Expenses	2,615,954	2,927	2,618,881
Operating Income (Loss)	106,889	(806)	106,083
<i>Non-Operating Revenues(Expenses):</i>			
Interest and Fiscal Charges	(242,282)	-	(242,282)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(242,282)	-	(242,282)
Income Before Operating Transfers	(135,393)	(806)	(136,199)
Operating Transfers In	-	835	835
Net Income	(135,393)	29	(135,364)
Depreciation on Fixed Assets Acquired by Contributed Capital	76,827	-	76,827
Retained Earnings(Deficit) at Beginning of Year	11,975,567	67,204	12,042,771
Retained Earnings(Deficit) at End of Year	11,917,001	67,233	11,984,234
Contributed Capital at Beginning of Year	897,548	-	897,548
Depreciation on Fixed Assets Acquired by Contributed Capital	(76,827)	-	(76,827)
Contributed Capital at End of Year	820,721	-	820,721
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 12,737,722	\$ 67,233	\$ 12,804,955

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Combined Statement of Cash Flows
All Proprietary Fund Types and Similar Fiduciary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

	<u>Proprietary Fund Type</u>	<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>Enterprise</u>	<u>Non-Expendable Trust</u>	
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received from customers	\$ 2,733,599	-	\$ 2,733,599
Cash paid to employees	(1,002,920)	-	(1,002,920)
Cash paid to suppliers and services	(924,112)	\$ (2,927)	(927,039)
Interest on investments	-	2,121	2,121
Other operating revenues	46,857	-	46,857
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Net cash provided by operating activities	853,424	(806)	852,618
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Principal payments	(379,456)	-	(379,456)
Interest paid	(208,918)	-	(208,918)
Purchase of fixed assets	(79,161)	-	(79,161)
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Net cash flows provided by capital and related financing activities	(667,535)	-	(667,535)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Tap - in fees	22,126	-	22,126
Operating transfers in	-	835	835
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Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	22,126	835	22,961
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			
	208,015	29	208,044
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year			
	<u>1,894,056</u>	<u>67,204</u>	<u>1,961,260</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year			
	<u>\$ 2,102,071</u>	<u>\$ 67,233</u>	<u>\$ 2,169,304</u>

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
 Combined Statement of Cash Flows
 All Proprietary Fund Types and Similar Fiduciary Funds
 For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

	<u>Proprietary Fund Type</u>	<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Enterprise</u>	<u>Non-Expendable Trust</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Operating income	\$ 106,889	\$ (806)	\$ 106,083
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities:			
Depreciation expense	681,263	-	681,263
Reclassification of tap-in fees	(21,896)	-	(21,896)
(Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable	79,509	-	79,509
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(3,044)	-	(3,044)
(Increase)/decrease in prepaid items	(6)	-	(6)
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable	(21,576)	-	(21,576)
Increase/(decrease) in accrued wages	4,773	-	4,773
Increase/(decrease) in compensated absences	37,913	-	37,913
Increase/(decrease) in pension obligation	(23,630)	-	(23,630)
Increase/(decrease) in intergov't payable	13,229	-	13,229
Total adjustments	<u>746,535</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>746,535</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 853,424</u>	<u>\$ (806)</u>	<u>\$ 852,618</u>

See accompanying notes to the general purpose financial statements.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the City of Bellevue, Ohio (City) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Under the provisions of GASB No. 20, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting," the City has elected not to apply Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and interpretations issued after November 30, 1989 to its proprietary activities. Election of this approach to accounting for proprietary activities by the City has required no change from prior years. The more significant of the City's accounting policies are described below.

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The City of Bellevue is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The City operates under a council-mayor government. The City provides police protection within its boundaries, and fire protection to its citizens and adjacent townships. The City provides basic utilities in the form of water and waste water treatment. The City constructs and maintains streets and sidewalks within the City. The City also operates and maintains parks.

This report includes all of the fund account groups of the City. It includes all activities considered by management to be part of the City by virtue of the Section 2100, of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Section 2100 indicates that the reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY (Continued)

The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability. A primary government is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organizations's governing body and either it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. A primary government may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations that are fiscally dependent on it.

A primary government has the ability to impose its will on an organization if it can significantly influence the programs, projects, or activities of, or the level of services performed or provided by, the organization. A financial benefit or burden relationship exists if the primary government (a) is entitled to the organizations's resources; (b) is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (c) is obligated in some manner for the debt of the entity.

The financial statements of the reporting entity allow the users to distinguish between the primary government and its component units. Most component units are included in the financial reporting entity by discrete presentation (one or more columns separate from the financial data of the primary government). Some component units are so intertwined with the primary government that they are reported in a manner similar to the balances and transactions of the primary government itself (this method is known as blending).

Utilizing this criteria, the City has included in its Special Revenue Fund Type the revolving loan assets and operations of the Bellevue Development Corporation, a non-profit corporation which administers the revolving loan program for the City of Bellevue (See Note 14). The City has not included the City of Bellevue School District, as it has no control over the entity's operations.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY (Continued)

Management believes the financial statements included in this report represent all of the funds of the City over which the City has the ability to exercise direct operating control.

B. FUND ACCOUNTING

The City uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types".

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of the City's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked monies (special revenue funds) and the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets (capital projects funds). The general fund is used to account for all activities of the general government not accounted for in some other fund.

Proprietary funds are used to account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary or useful to sound financial administration. Goods or services from such activities can be provided from outside parties (enterprise funds).

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. FUND ACCOUNTING (Continued)

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the City. When these assets are held under the terms of a formal trust agreement, a nonexpendable trust fund or an expendable trust fund is used. The terms "nonexpendable" and "expendable" refer to whether or not the government is under an obligation to maintain the trust principal. Agency funds generally are used to account for assets that the government holds on behalf of others as their agent.

C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds and expendable trust funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

All proprietary fund and nonexpendable trust funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Fund equity is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (Continued)

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by all governmental fund types, expendable trust funds and agency funds. 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. The City considers income taxes as available if they are collected within 31 days after year end. A thirty-one day period after year end was also used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred to the extent it will be paid using current available resources. Principal and interest on general long-term debt are recorded as fund liabilities when due or when amounts have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payments to be made early in the following year.

Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, city income taxes, intergovernmental revenues, interest revenue and charges for services, billed and unbilled.

D. BUDGETARY PROCESS

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established time-table. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All governmental and proprietary type funds are required to be budgeted and appropriated, however, only governmental type funds are required to be reported. The primary level of budgetary control is at the object level within each department. Budgetary modifications may only be made by resolution of Council.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. BUDGETARY PROCESS (Continued)

Tax Budget:

A budget of estimated revenue and expenditures is submitted to the County Auditor, as Secretary of the County Budget Commission, by July 20 of each year, for the period January 1 to December 31 of the following year.

Estimated Resources:

The County Budget Commission determines if the budget substantiates a need to levy all or part of previously authorized taxes and reviews estimated revenue. The Commission certifies its actions to the City by September 1. As part of this certification, the City receives the official certificate of estimated resources, which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to December 31, the City must revise its budget so that the total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the amount available as stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriation measure. On or about January 1, the certificate of estimated resources is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year. The certificate may be further amended during the year if a new source of revenue is identified or actual receipts exceed current estimates. The amounts reported on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the final amended official certificate of estimated resources issued during 1998.

Appropriations:

A temporary appropriation resolution to control expenditures may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period of January 1 to March 31. An annual appropriation resolution must be passed by April 1 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31. The appropriation resolution fixes spending authority at the fund, department, and object level. The appropriation resolution may be amended during the year as new information becomes available, provided that total fund appropriations do not exceed current estimated resources, as certified. The allocation of appropriations among departments and objects within a fund may be modified during the year by a resolution of Council.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. BUDGETARY PROCESS (Continued)

Several supplemental appropriation resolutions were legally enacted by Council during the year. The budget figures which appear in the statement of budgetary comparisons represent the final appropriation amounts including all amendments and modifications.

Encumbrances:

As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are encumbered and recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the non-GAAP budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance. On the GAAP basis, encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balances for subsequent-year expenditures.

Lapsing of Appropriations:

At the close of each year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

Budgetary Basis of Accounting

Reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balance is on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The budgetary basis, as provided by law and described above, is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements.

The Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances, Budget and Actual, All Governmental Fund Types and Similar Fiduciary Funds are presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. BUDGETARY PROCESS (Continued)

- (a) Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
- (b) Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- (c) Outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (GAAP basis).
- (d) Proceeds from and principal payments on short-term note obligations are reported on the operating statement (budget basis) rather than as balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).

Adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations at the end of the year on the Budget basis to the GAAP basis are as follows:

Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over
(Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Expendable Trust</u>
<u>Budget Basis</u>	\$ 450,649	\$(29,083)	\$ 137	\$(9,673)	\$ 700
Adjustments:					
Revenue					
Accruals	(52,753)	107,973	-	-	-
Expenditure					
Accruals	(28,773)	385,809	-	4,244	-
Principal Payment	-	-	-	300,000	-
Proceeds of Notes	-	-	-	(200,000)	-
Advances out	4,182	-	-	-	-
Advances in	-	(4,182)	-	-	-
Encumbrances	159,337	78,061	-	3,950	-
<u>GAAP Basis</u>	<u>\$ 532,642</u>	<u>\$ 538,578</u>	<u>\$ 137</u>	<u>\$ 98,521</u>	<u>\$ 700</u>

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash received by the City is deposited into several bank accounts. Monies for all funds, including enterprise funds, are maintained in these accounts or temporarily used to purchase short-term investments. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the City's records. During 1998, investments were limited to U.S. Treasury Bills and Star Ohio, the State Treasurer's investment pool. Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements are reported at cost.

During the year, all investment earnings were credited to the general fund, special revenue funds, and nonexpendable trust funds, on a specific identification basis.

The City has invested funds in the State Treasurer's Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAROhio) during the fiscal year 1998. STAROhio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the state to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAROhio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAROhio are valued at STAROhio's share price which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 1998.

For purposes of the combined statement of cash flows and for presentation on the combined balance sheet, investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an original maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

The City has segregated bank accounts for monies held separate from the City's central bank accounts. These interest bearing deposit accounts are presented on the Combined Balance Sheet as "Cash and Cash Equivalents in Segregated Accounts" since they are not required to be deposited into the City's treasury.

The City utilizes a financial institution to service bonded debt as principal and interest come due. The balances of these accounts are presented on the combined balance sheet as "Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal and Escrow Agents" and represent deposits or short-term investments in certificates of deposit.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

F. INVENTORIES

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost (first in, first out) or market. The costs of inventory items are recognized as expenditures in governmental funds when purchased and as expenses in the enterprise funds when used. Recorded inventories in the governmental fund types are equally offset by a fund balance reserve which indicates that they do not constitute available spendable resources even though they are a component of net current assets.

G. PREPAID ITEMS

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 1998 are recorded as prepaid items. Recorded prepaid items in the governmental fund types are equally offset by a fund balance reserve which indicates that they do not constitute available spendable resources even though they are a component of net current assets.

H. NOTES RECEIVABLE

Notes receivable represent the right to receive repayment for certain loans made by the City. The loans are based upon written agreements between the City and the various loan recipients.

I. FIXED ASSETS

General fixed assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the general fixed assets account group. All purchased fixed assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received.

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

I. FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets, as applicable. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems are not capitalized, as these assets are immovable and of value only to the government.

Fixed assets associated with the enterprise funds' activities are accounted for in those funds. Depreciation is calculated using the straight line method over the assets' estimated useful lives. Depreciation expense on assets constructed or acquired through capital grants is closed to contributed capital. The assets of the enterprise funds are depreciated over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	40 years
Equipment	8-20 years
Vehicles	3-5 years
Infrastructure	80 years

Depreciation is not provided for the general fixed assets account group.

Interest is capitalized on proprietary fund assets acquired with tax-exempt debt. The amount of interest to be capitalized is calculated by offsetting interest expense incurred from the date of the borrowing until completion of the project with interest earned on invested proceeds over the same period. The amount of capitalized interest was immaterial for 1998.

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NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

J. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Vested or accumulated vacation 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 vacation leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts. Vested or accumulated vacation leave of proprietary funds is recorded as an expense and liability of those funds as the benefits accrue to employees. In accordance with the provisions of Statement 16 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, "Accounting for Compensated Absences," no liability is recorded for nonvesting accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits.

K. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due, or when resources have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payment early in the following year. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund. The remaining portion of such obligations is reported in the general long term debt account group. Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from proprietary fund operations are accounted for in those funds.

L. FUND EQUITY

Contributed capital is recorded in proprietary funds that have received capital grants or contributions from developers, customers or other funds. Reserves represent those portions of fund equity not appropriable for expenditure or legally segregated for a specific future use. Designated fund balances represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources. Fund balances are reserved for encumbrances, debt service, inventory and prepaid items.

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NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

M. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

Transfers in do not equal transfers out due to the activity in the Agency Funds, which is not reflected on the operating statements.

N. BOND DISCOUNTS/ISSUANCE COSTS

In governmental fund types, bond discounts and issuance costs are recognized in the current period. Bond discounts and issuance costs for proprietary fund types are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the bonds-outstanding method, which approximates the effective interest method. Bond discounts are presented as a reduction of the face amount of bonds payable whereas issuance costs are recorded as deferred charges.

O. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

In September 1989, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 9, "Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting." For purposes of GASB Statement No. 9 "Cash and Cash Equivalents" refers to cash only. The City has presented on pages 16 and 17, a statement of cash flows for its proprietary funds.

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NOTE 1 -- SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

P. MEMORANDUM ONLY - TOTAL COLUMNS

Total columns on the general purpose financial statements are captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither are such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

NOTE 2 -- EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Monies held by the City are classified by State Statute into three categories.

Active monies means an amount of public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demand upon the City treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the City treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that Council has identified as not required for use within the two year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts. Interim monies may be invested in the following obligations provided they mature or were redeemable within two years from the date of purchase:

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NOTE 2 -- EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - (continued)

1. U.S. treasury notes, bills, bonds, notes, or other obligations of or guaranteed by the United States, or those for which the faith of the United States is pledged for the payment of principal and interest;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the federal national mortgage association, federal home loan bank, federal farm credit bank, federal home loan mortgage corporation, government national mortgage association, and student loan marketing association. All federal agency services shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions; and
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).

The City may also invest any monies not required to be used for a period of six months or more in the following:

1. Bonds of the State of Ohio;
2. Bonds of any municipal corporation, village, county, township, or other political subdivision of this State, as to which there is no default of principal, interest or coupons; and
3. Obligations of the City.

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NOTE 2 -- EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - (continued)

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short-selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the City, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

Protection of the City's deposits is provided by the federal deposit insurance corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

During 1998, the City's investments were limited to certificates of deposit, STAR Ohio, and passbook accounts. During the fiscal year, all investments of the City had a maturity of two years or less.

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement 3, "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements."

Deposits. At year-end, the carrying amount of the City's deposits was \$6,706,854 and the bank balance was \$6,708,368. \$400,000 of the bank balance was covered by federal depository insurance. \$6,308,368 was uncollateralized and uninsured. Although the securities were held by the pledging financial institutions trust department or agent in the City's name and all state statutory requirements for the investment of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements would potentially subject the City to a successful claim by the FDIC.

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NOTE 2 -- EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - (continued)

Investments. GASB Statement No. 3 requires the City to categorize investments to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the City at year-end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the City or its agent in the City's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments which are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the City's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the City's name. The carrying value of deposits and investments are presented in the combined balance sheet as equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents. STAR Ohio is an unclassified investment since it is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
STAR Ohio	<u>\$559,010</u>	<u>\$559,010</u>
Total Investments	<u>\$559,010</u>	<u>\$559,010</u>

The classification of cash and cash equivalents, and investments on the combined financial statements is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 9. Cash equivalents are defined as investments with original maturities of three months or less.

A reconciliation between the classification of cash and investments on the combined financial statements and the classification per GASB Statement No. 3 is as follows:

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NOTE 2 -- EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - (continued)

	Cash and Cash Equivalents/ Deposits	Investments
GASB Statement 9	\$1,765,864	\$5,500,000
Investments:		
Star Ohio	(559,010)	559,010
Certificates of Deposit	5,500,000	(5,500,000)
GASB Statement 3	\$6,706,854	\$559,010

Amounts above include balances of the Bellevue Development Corporation in the amount of \$660,483. There are no statutory guidelines regarding the deposit and investment of funds by the not-for-profit organization.

NOTE 3 -- LOCAL INCOME TAXES

This locally levied tax of 1.5 percent applied to gross salaries, wages and other personal service compensation earned by residents both in and out of Bellevue and to earnings of non residents (except certain transients) earned in the government. It also applies to net income to business organizations conducted within Bellevue. Tax receipts are credited to the City and amounted to \$3,013,737 in 1998.

NOTE 4 -- INSURANCE

The City maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with private carriers for real property, building contents, and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. Real property and contents are 90 percent coinsured. Settle claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. See Note 15 for further description.

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NOTE 5 -- PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility, and tangible personal (used in business) property located in the City. Real property taxes are levied after October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, the lien date. Assessed values are established by State law at 35% of appraised market value. Real property taxes are collected in and intended to finance the year following the year in which they are levied.

Public utility property taxes are assessed on tangible personal property, as well as land and improvements, at true value (normally 50% of cost). Tangible personal property taxes attach as a lien and are levied January 1 of the current year, the same year in which collections are made.

The assessed value upon which the 1998 taxes were collected was \$125,688,350. The full tax rate for all City operations applied to real property for fiscal year ended December 31, 1998 was \$6.10 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

After adjustment of the rate for inflationary increases in property values, the effective tax rate was \$5.40 for Huron County and \$5.41 for Sandusky County per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for real property classified as residential/agricultural and \$5.45 for Huron County and \$5.46 for Sandusky County per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for all other real property. Real property owners' tax bills are further reduced by homestead and rollback deductions, when applicable. The amount of these homestead and rollback reductions is reimbursed to the City by the State of Ohio.

The assessed values of real and tangible personal property upon which 1998 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

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NOTE 5 -- PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

Real Property - 1997 Valuation:

	<u>Sandusky Co.</u>	<u>Huron Co.</u>
Residential/Agricultural	\$36,591,930	\$27,093,130
Public Utilities	9,130	351,770
Commercial/Industrial	6,912,450	12,773,520
Total Real Property	<u>43,513,510</u>	<u>40,218,420</u>

Tangible Personal Property - 1997 Valuation:

General	7,475,020	27,946,000
Public Utilities	2,083,110	4,452,290
Total Personal Property	<u>9,558,130</u>	<u>32,398,290</u>
Total Assessed Valuation	<u>\$53,071,640</u>	<u>\$72,616,710</u>

Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due January 20; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due January 20 with remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits earlier or later payment dates to be established.

Tangible personal property taxes paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20.

Accrued property taxes receivable represent delinquent taxes outstanding and real, tangible personal, and public utility taxes which were measurable as of December 31, 1998. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, amounts to be received during the available period are not intended to finance 1998 operations. The receivable is therefore offset by a credit to deferred revenue.

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NOTE 6 -- RECEIVABLES

Receivables at December 31, 1998, consisted of taxes, interest, accounts (billings for user charged services, including unbilled utility services) and intergovernmental receivables arising from grants, entitlement and shared revenues. All receivables are considered collectable in full, including accounts receivable which, if delinquent, may be certified and collected as a special assessment, subject to foreclosure for nonpayment.

A summary of the receivables follows:

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Accrued Property Taxes	\$ 234,076
Accrued City Income Taxes	202,092
Total Taxes Receivable	<u>436,168</u>
Accounts Receivable	<u>37,337</u>
Due from Other Funds	<u>8,783</u>
Interfund Receivable	<u>4,182</u>
Due from Other Governments	<u>35,120</u>
Total General Fund	<u>521,590</u>
 <u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	
Taxes Receivable	\$ <u>387,941</u>
Notes Receivable	<u>890,677</u>
Due from Other Governments	<u>19,533</u>
Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>1,298,151</u>
 <u>Enterprise Fund</u>	
Account Receivable	\$ <u>241,415</u>
Total Enterprise Funds	<u>241,415</u>
 Total Receivables	 <u>\$2,061,156</u>

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NOTE 7 -- FIXED ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in the general fixed assets account group during the fiscal year:

	Balance 1/1/98	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance 12/31/98
Land	\$ 712,894	-	-	\$ 712,894
Buildings	2,436,121	\$ 111,584	-	2,547,705
Land Im- provements	87,146	2,950	-	90,096
Vehicles	1,739,596	290,665	-	2,030,261
Machinery and Equipment	887,110	155,049	-	1,042,159
Total Assets	<u>\$5,862,867</u>	<u>\$ 560,248</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$6,423,115</u>

The following is a summary of proprietary fund-type fixed assets at December 31, 1998:

ENTERPRISE

	<u>Water Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Land	\$ 3,474,890	\$ 58,060	\$ 3,532,950
Buildings	2,860,256	6,421,868	9,282,124
Buildings-Contr. Cap.	741,783	-	741,783
Vehicles	135,132	79,432	214,564
Equipment, Machinery	1,124,470	2,369,121	3,493,591
Equip/Mach-Contr. Cap.	180,250	20,521	200,771
Infrastructure	4,557,802	2,497,739	7,055,541
Infrastructure-Cont.Cap.	194,898	177,957	372,855
Total Fixed Assets	13,269,481	11,624,698	24,894,179
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	4,816,523	5,329,732	10,146,255
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 8,452,958</u>	<u>\$6,294,966</u>	<u>\$14,747,924</u>

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NOTE 8 -- DEBT OBLIGATIONS

	<u>Balance</u> <u>1/01/98</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retire</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/98</u>
<u>General Long-Term Debt:</u>				
S.A. Street Improvement (West Main Street) 4.85%, Issued 9/1/84	\$ 6,000	-	\$ 1,000	\$ 5,000
Other Debt:				
Police and Fire Pension Liability	378,714	-	378,714	-
Compensated Absences	398,030	\$ 48,135	-	446,165
Pension Obligation	84,168	116,308	84,168	116,308
Capital Leases	19,103	-	19,103	-
Total General Long-Term Debt	<u>\$886,015</u>	<u>\$ 164,443</u>	<u>\$482,985</u>	<u>\$567,473</u>
<u>Enterprise Debt:</u>				
O.W.D.A. Loan	4,011,780	-	179,456	3,832,324
Sewer System Refunding & Impr. Mortgage Revenue, 2.65-4%, 10/14/93	290,000	-	70,000	220,000
Water System G.O. Imp Note 2.95%, 6/10/93	130,000	-	130,000	-
Total Enterprise Debt	<u>\$4,431,780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$379,456</u>	<u>\$4,052,324</u>
Notes Payable:				
<u>Capital Projects:</u>				
Fire Truck 3.65%	-	\$ 200,000	-	\$ 200,000
Fire Truck 3.8%	\$300,000	-	\$300,000	-
Total Capital Projects	<u>\$300,000</u>	<u>\$ 200,000</u>	<u>\$300,000</u>	<u>\$ 200,000</u>

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NOTE 8 -- DEBT OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Outstanding general obligation bonds consist of water and sewer improvement issues. General obligation bonds are direct obligations of the City of Bellevue for which its full faith, credit and resources are pledged and are payable from taxes levied on all taxable property in the City.

All outstanding Capital Project notes at December 31, 1998, had been issued for one year or less. These notes were of the bond anticipation type. Proceeds from the notes were used for water and sewer improvement issues.

Outstanding special assessment bonds consist of street improvements which are payable from the proceeds of tax assessments against individual property owners.

The annual requirements to amortized all bonded debts outstanding as of December 31, 1998, including total interest payments of \$2,372,451 are as follows:

<u>Year</u> <u>Ending</u> <u>December 31</u>	<u>Mortgage</u> <u>Revenue</u> <u>Bonds</u>	<u>OWDA</u> <u>Loan</u>	<u>Special</u> <u>Assessment</u> <u>Bonds</u>
1999	\$ 139,363	369,894	1,709
2000	119,483	369,894	1,608
2001	115,090	369,894	1,506
2002 - 2006	122,748	1,849,421	5,013
2007 - 2011	-	1,849,470	-
2012 - 2013	-	1,109,682	-
	<u>\$496,684</u>	<u>\$5,918,255</u>	<u>\$ 9,836</u>

NOTE 9 -- PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS

The employees of the City are covered by either the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio or the Police and Fireman's Disability and Pension Fund. The State of Ohio accounts for the activities of the retirement systems and the amounts of these funds are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

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NOTE 9 -- PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) - The Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute per Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. PERS issues a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by making a written request to 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 466-2085 or 1-800-222-PERS (7377).

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. The employee contribution rates are 8.5% for employees other than law enforcement. For local government employer units the rate was 13.55% of covered payroll. Required employer contributions are equal to 100% of the dollar amount billed to each employer and must be extracted from the employer's record. The City's contributions for pension obligations to PERS for the years ended December 31, 1998, 1997, and 1996 were \$245,332, \$230,167, and \$237,149; respectively. 76 percent has been contributed for 1998 with the remainder being reported as a fund liability and within the general long-term debt account group.

Police and Fireman's Disability and Pension Fund - The City of Bellevue contributes to the Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund (PFDPF), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PFDPF provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by the Ohio State Legislature and are codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code. The PFDPF issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to PFDPF, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

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NOTE 9 -- PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

Plan members are required to contribute 10.0% of their annual covered salary, while employers are required to contribute 19.5% and 24.0% respectively for police officers and firefighters. The City of Bellevue's contributions to PEDPF for the years ending December 31, 1998, 1997 and 1996 were \$161,698, \$154,548, and \$143,867, respectively, equal to the required contributions for the year. 76 percent has been contributed for 1998 with the remainder being reported within the general long-term debt account group.

NOTE 10 -- POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS

Public Employees Retirement System - The Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirants with 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio Service credit and to primary survivor recipients of such retirants. Health care coverage for disability recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 12. A portion of each employer's contribution to PERS is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employer contributions. The 1998 employer contribution rate for local employers was 13.55% of covered payroll; 4.2% was the portion that was used to fund health care for the year 1998.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employees to fund postretirement health care through their contributions to PERS.

OPEB are financed through employer contributions and investment earnings thereon. The contributions allocated to retiree health care, along with investment income on allocated assets and periodic adjustments in health care provisions are expected to be sufficient to sustain the program indefinitely.

Expenditures for OPEB during 1998 were \$440,596,663. As of December 31, 1998, the unaudited estimated net assets available for future OPEB payments were \$9,447,325,318. The number of benefit recipients eligible for OPEB at December 31, 1998 was 115,579.

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NOTE 10 -- POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS
(Continued)

During 1997, the Retirement Board adopted a new calculation method for determining employer contributions applied to OPEB. Under the new method, effective January 1, 1998, employer contributions, equal to 4.2% of member covered payroll, are used to fund health care expenses. Under the prior method, accrued liabilities and normal cost rates were determined for retiree health care coverage.

Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund

The Fund provides postretirement health care coverage to any person who received or is eligible to receive a monthly benefit check or is a spouse or eligible dependent child of such person. An eligible dependent child is any child under the age of 18 whether or not the child is attending school or under the age of 22 if attending full-time or on a 2/3 basis. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 12. The Ohio Revised Code provides that health care cost paid from the funds of the Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund shall be included in the employer's contribution rate. The total police employer contribution rate is 19.5% of covered payroll and the total firefighter employer contribution rate is 24% of covered payroll.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority allowing the Fund's Board of Trustees to provide health care coverage to all eligible individuals.

Health care funding and accounting is on a pay-as-you-go basis. Currently, 6.5% of covered payroll, the Board-defined allocation, is used to pay retiree health care expenses. In addition, since July 1, 1992 most retirees have been required to contribute a portion of the cost of their health care coverage through a deduction from their monthly benefit payment.

The number of participants eligible to receive health care benefits as of December 31, 1997 (the latest information available) are 11,239 for police and 9,025 for firefighters.

The amount that the city contributed as the employer's share to pay postemployment benefits was \$30,033 for police and \$19,379 for fire.

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NOTE 10 -- POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS
(Continued)

The Fund's total health care expenses for the year ending December 31, 1997 (the latest information available) were \$76,459,832.

NOTE 11 -- COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The City accrues unpaid vacation as it is earned and certain portions of sick leave pay as payment become probable. Sick leave accumulates at the rate of .0575 hours of sick leave for each hour of work completed with a maximum of 80 hours per pay period. Each November 1st, employees may choose to convert sick leave to cash to be paid at ninety percent, up to 40 hours per year, provided the total accrued and unused sick leave hours does not fall below a certain minimum hours specified in the union contract. Employees, other than police patrolmen, who have one year of service, are entitled to receive pay for all accrued but unused sick leave upon resignation or retirement at ninety per cent of the value. At December 31, 1998, the maximum vested liability to the City for accumulated unpaid sick leave, assuming the City would have to paid all accumulated sick leave if the City ceased operations approximated \$744,121.

A liability has been recognized in the accompanying financial statements for sick leave for employees (other than police officers) who have one year of service at 90% of the current value of the sick leave earned.

A liability for accrued vacation for \$84,613 has been recognized. Vacation is accumulated based upon length of service as follows:

<u>Employee Service</u>	<u>Vacation Credit</u>
After 1 year	2 weeks
After 8 years	3 weeks
After 15 years	4 weeks
After 22 years	5 weeks

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NOTE 11 -- COMPENSATED ABSENCES (Continued)

Vacation leave must be used within the current calendar year unless the employee is unable to use his vacation due to the operational needs of the Employer. Without this, such excess leave is eliminated from the employee's leave balance. In the case of death, termination, or retirement, an employee (or his estate) is paid for the unused vacation.

NOTE 12 -- SEGMENT INFORMATION - ENTERPRISE FUNDS

The City's enterprise fund consists of two individual funds that provide water and treatment of sewage services. The table is not segregated by funds since that information has not been separated through the years during the GAAP conversion process. The key financial information for the year ended December 31, 1998 for this enterprise activity is as follows:

	<u>Enterprise</u>
Operating Revenues	\$ 2,722,843
Operating Expenses	
less depreciation	\$ 1,934,691
Depreciation	\$ 681,263
Operating Income	\$ 106,889
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (135,393)
Fixed Assets	\$14,747,923
Asset Additions	\$ 79,161
Total Assets	\$17,251,564
Long Term Debt	\$ 4,052,324
Net Working Capital	\$ 2,333,953
Contributed Capital	\$ 820,721
Total Equity	\$12,737,722

NOTE 13 -- CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

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

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NOTE 13 -- CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (Continued)

The City is a defendant in various lawsuits. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, it is the opinion of the City's counsel that resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the City.

Note 14 -- BELLEVUE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Bellevue Development Corporation is a non-profit organization who primary efforts are to attract out-of area companies to the City of Bellevue to increase the number of firms and employees working in the City. Incentives are in the form of low interest revolving loans, deferred loan payments and interest and tax abatements which are offered to attract prospective firms. As part of its normal operation, the Corporation administers for the City the revolving loan program and loans money for the purchase or improvement of industrial sites. The following notes receivable are secured by mortgages on the property. Balances outstanding at December 31, 1998 were as follows:

Erie Industries	5%	Matures 2003	\$ 12,396
Colvin's Nursing Home	4.5%	Matures 2012	17,654
Erie Industries	5%	Matures 2002	49,668
Autoplas, Inc.	5%	Matures 2004	228,112
KMH Properties	5%	Matures 2005	147,704
Windsor Mold Ohio, Inc.	6%	Matures 2005	<u>435,143</u>

Total Notes Receivable \$890,677

NOTE 15 -- RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. During 1998, the City has entered into contracts with various insurance agencies the following types of insurance:

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NOTE 15 -- RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Limits</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
Auto physical	Comp. - ACV	\$250/500
Damage	Coll. - ACV	500/1,000
Auto liability	\$ 1,000,000 CSL	NIL
General liability	1,000,000 CSL	NIL
Blanket property	17,768,929	250
Inland marine	609,843	Various
Boiler & machinery	2,000,000	250
Umbrella	2,000,000	NIL
Public off. liab.	2,000,000	5,000
Police liability	500,000	2,500

All employees of the City are covered by a blanket bond, while certain individuals in policy-making roles are covered by separate, higher limit bond coverage.

The City pays the State Worker's Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three years. Also, the City did not reduce its insurance coverages significantly during the year.

NOTE 16 -- CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

For 1998, the City has implemented GASB Statement No. 31, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools." The statement established accounting and reporting guidelines for government investments and investment pools. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, certain investments are now required to be reported at fair value. The implementation of GASB 31 did not affect fund equity as it was previously reported as of December 31, 1997.

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NOTE 16 -- CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES - (Continued)

The City has also implemented GASB Statement No. 32, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code 457 Deferred Compensation Plans" for its deferred compensation plan through the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Plan (OPEDFC). During 1998, the OPEDFC created a trust for the assets of the plan for which the City has no fiduciary responsibility. Therefore, the balance of \$563,766 has been removed from the City's balance sheet.

NOTE 17 -- RESTATEMENT OF PRIOR YEAR FUND EQUITY

An overstatement of the OWDA loan balance on the 1997 financial statements required the following change to the beginning fund balance:

	Enterprise Fund
Fund Equity, as previously reported, 12/31/97	\$ 12,781,706
Restatement	91,409
Fund Equity, restated 1/1/98	\$ 12,873,115

NOTE 18 -- YEAR 2000 ISSUES

The Year 2000 issue is the result of shortcomings in many electronic data processing systems and other equipment that may adversely affect the City's operations as early as 1999.

The City of Bellevue has completed an inventory of computer systems and other equipment necessary to conducting City operations. As of December 31, 1998, the City has identified the following mission critical systems requiring year 2000 remediation:

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NOTE 18 -- YEAR 2000 ISSUES - (Continued)

1. Financial reporting, municipal income tax collection, utility billing and collection, payroll and employee benefit systems: In June, 1999, the City upgraded their systems for municipal income tax collection and utility billing and collection systems. The payroll and employee benefits system was upgraded in March, 1999. Financial reporting was upgraded in October, 1999. The vendor states that "all CMI applications store dates in an internally Y2K compliant fashion."
2. A water distribution system, and a wastewater collection system: The City has assessed all systems that support the operations of water and wastewater systems. All systems are not date sensitive and the City believes that the systems will operate without any difficulties.

As of the date of this report, it was determined that the following external systems may have some affect on the operations of the City:

1. The State of Ohio distributes a substantial sum of money to the City in the form of local government revenues, motor vehicle license registration taxes and gasoline taxes. The State is responsible for remediating these systems and is solely responsible for any associated costs.
2. Property tax billing, collection and remittance to the City is handled by Huron and Sandusky Counties. The Counties are responsible for remediating this system and is solely responsible for any associated costs.
3. The City's banking institutions provide financial services to the City. The City has obtained assurances from these institutions that plans have been made to upgrade their data processing system, replace non-compliant equipment and test for compliance. These institutions are responsible for remediating these systems, and are solely responsible for any associated costs.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

NOTE 18 -- YEAR 2000 ISSUES - (Continued)

4. The City relies on a County-wide 911 system for reporting emergencies to the City's fire and police departments. Huron County is responsible for remediating this system and is solely responsible for any associated costs.

Because of the unprecedented nature of the Year 2000 issue, its effects and the success of related remediation efforts will not be fully determinable until the year 2000 and thereafter. Management cannot assure the City is or will be Year 2000 ready, that the City's remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part or that parties with whom the City does business will be year 2000 ready.

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CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor Number/Program Title</u>	<u>Pass Through Entity Number</u>	<u>CFDA Number</u>	<u>Federal Receipts</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures</u>
<i>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</i>				
Pass through Ohio Department of Development				
Economic Development Grant	A-E-95-094-1	14.228	\$ 66,500	\$ 66,500
Economic Development Grant	A-E-96-094-1	"	<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development			<u>566,500</u>	<u>566,500</u>
Total Federal Financial Assistance			<u>\$ 566,500</u>	<u>\$ 566,500</u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
Notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

1. Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying schedule of federal awards expenditures is a summary of the activity of the District's federal award programs. The schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

2. Revolving Loan Program

The City participates in the Economic Development Grant revolving loan program, whereby companies may receive loan interest loans from the federal government through the City. See Note 14 for further description.

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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL
REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
City of Bellevue
Bellevue, Ohio

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the City of Bellevue as of and for the year ended December 31, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated August 27, 1999. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management in a separate letter dated August 27, 1999.

Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to the management of the City in a separate letter dated August 27, 1999.

This report is intended for the information and use of management, the Honorable Mayor and City Council and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO
EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133**

The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
City of Bellevue
Bellevue, Ohio

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Bellevue with the types of compliance requirements described in *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 1998. The City's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the City's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 1998.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with *OMB Circular A-133*.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information and use of management, the Honorable Mayor and City Council and federal awarding agencies and pass - through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Charles E. Harris & Associates
Charles E. Harris & Associates
August 27, 1999

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
OMB CIRCULAR A-133 SECTION .505**

**CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
SANDUSKY COUNTY
DECEMBER 31, 1998**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	<i>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</i>	Unqualified
(d)(1)(ii)	<i>Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</i>	No
(d)(1)(ii)	<i>Were there any other reportable control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</i>	No
(d)(1)(iii)	<i>Was there any reported material non-compliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</i>	No
(d)(1)(iv)	<i>Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?</i>	No
(d)(1)(iv)	<i>Were there any other reportable internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?</i>	No
(d)(1)(v)	<i>Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion</i>	Unqualified
(d)(1)(vi)	<i>Are there any reportable findings under Section .510</i>	No
(d)(1)(vii)	<i>Major Programs:</i>	EDA CFDA 14.228
(d)(1)(viii)	<i>Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs</i>	Type A: > \$300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	<i>Low Risk Auditee?</i>	Yes

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - (continued)
OMB CIRCULAR A-133 SECTION .505

CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO
SANDUSKY COUNTY
DECEMBER 31, 1998

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

None.

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None.

STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT'S CITATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The prior audit report, as of December 31, 1997, included no material citations or recommendations.

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CITY OF BELLEVUE

HURON COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

By: Susan Babbitt

Date: FEBRUARY 3, 2000