#### AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000



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Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council City of Ashland

We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the City of Ashland, Ashland County, prepared by Guillan & Company for the audit period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report 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 Ashland is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

July 16, 2001



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## ELECTED OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

Elected Officials	<u>Title</u>	Term Of Office
Douglas E. Cellar	Mayor	1/1/98 - 12/31/01
William E. Strine	Director of Finance	1/1/00 - 12/31/03
Richard P. Wolfe II	Director of Law	1/1/00 - 12/31/03
Jacob Fridline	Judge	1/1/00 - 12/31/05
J. Hugh Metcalf	Council President	1/1/98 - 12/31/01
James Heichel	Council Member	1/1/00 - 12/31/03
Lowell Bender	Council Member	1/1/00 - 12/31/03
James Molnar	Council Member	1/1/98 - 12/31/01
Paul E. Wertz	Council Member	1/1/98 - 12/31/01

<u>Surety</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Period Covered
Spreng - Smith Agency	\$ 250,000	12/31/99 - 12/31/01

## ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

<u>Personnel</u> <u>Title</u>

Elaine Hootman Clerk of Council

William Miracle Police Chief

Mark Burgess Fire Chief

Cheryl Helterbridle Personnel / Labor Relations

Roger Gordon Building and Zoning Director

Warren D. Strine Water Distribution Director

James Greener City Engineer

Larry Rose Income Tax Administrator

Jerry Mack Street Superintendent

Nancy Boyd Director of Accounting

Al Sanders Health Administration

Dr. Daniel Daugherty, MD Health Commissioner

Jill Welch Clerk of Courts

Robert Swinehart Wastewater Treatment Manager

Tim Clingan Park Superintendent and Golf Course

Director

## ASHLAND COUNTY INDEX OF FUNDS

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES:**

#### General Fund Type:

General Fund

#### Special Revenue Fund Types:

Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund

State Highway Improvement Fund

Permissive Tax Fund

City Permissive Tax Fund

Park and Recreation Fund

Fire and Emergency Squad Equipment Fund

Fire and Emergency Squad Training Fund

Community Development Block Grant Fund

Kate Myers Fund

Police Pension Fund

Firemen's Pension Fund

Bandshell Improvements Fund

**Drug Law Enforcement Fund** 

Ohio Elderly and Handicap Transit Fare Assistance Program Fund

DARE Fund

Municipal Court Computer

**Indigent Drivers** 

Municipal Probation

**Police Donations** 

Home Arrest Fund

Law Enforcement Block Grant

**Community Corrections** 

Municipal Court Special Projects

Ohio Housing Grant

Enforcement and Education

Timken Foundation

Workers' Compensation Grant

#### Debt Service Fund Type:

General Obligation Bond Retirement Fund

Special Assessment Debt Retirement Fund

Note Retirement

#### Capital Projects Fund Types:

Capital Improvement Investment Fund

Reserve for Expansion

# CITY OF ASHLAND ASHLAND COUNTY INDEX OF FUNDS (Continued)

#### Capital Projects Fund Types: (Continued)

Downtown Beautification
Police/Court Facility
George Road Improvement
Sidewalk Program
Hillcrest Reconstruction
250 East Intersection
Tornado Damage

#### **PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES**:

#### **Enterprise Fund Types:**

Water and Water Treatment Fund
Water Development Income Tax Fund
Sewer Revenue Fund
Brookside Pool Fund
Brookside Golf Course Fund
Sanitation Fund
1990 Bond Sewerage System Reserve Fund
1990 Bond, Bond Reserve & Rebate Fund
1990 Replacement and Improvement Fund
Storm Drainage

#### **Internal Service Fund Class:**

City Maintenance Division Fund City Income Tax Administration Fund Health Care Insurance Fund Section 125 Fund

#### FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES:

#### **Agency Fund Class:**

Ashland Municipal Court Fund Municipal Income Tax Transfer Performance Bond Fund State Patrol Transfer Fund

#### **ACCOUNT GROUPS:**

General Fixed Assets
General Long Term Obligations

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Honorable City Council City of Ashland

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the City of Ashland, Ohio as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the City of Ashland. 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the 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 of Ashland, Ohio as of December 31, 2000, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated June 22, 2001 on our consideration of the City of Ashland's internal control structure over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

### City of Ashland Ashland County

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements of the City of Ashland, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations</u>, 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.

June 22, 2001

Guillan & Company



## COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES						
		GENERAL		SPECIAL REVENUE	5	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL ROJECTS
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS							
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents Cash with fiscal agent Receivable:	\$	1,810,244 -	\$	2,672,862	\$	211,001 43,000	\$ 2,849,740
Accounts Taxes-property		103,285 880,491		13,161 275,107		-	-
Taxes-income Accrued interest		522,798		243,162		-	20,264 166,943
Due from other governments Inventories		87,405		323,477 111.367		-	114,434
Prepaid expenses		68,955		29,271		-	-
Due from other funds Property, plant, and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)		-		-		-	620,031
Amount available for retirement of general							
long-term obligations Amount to be provided for retirement of general		-		-		-	-
long-term obligations						-	
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$	3,473,178	\$	3,668,407	\$	254,001	\$ 3,771,412

		FIDUCIARY			
PROPRIETAR'	Y FUND TYPES	FUND	GRO	UPS	TOTALS
			GENERAL	GENERAL	(MEMO-
	INTERNAL		FIXED	LONG-TERM	RANDUM
ENTERPRISE	SERVICE	AGENCY	ASSETS	OBLIGATIONS	ONLY)
\$ 10,317,129	\$ 273,216	\$ 532,861	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,667,053
457,230	-	-	-	-	500,230
524,735	116	-	-	-	641,297
-	-	-	-	-	1,155,598
24,317	-	-	-	-	810,541
-	-	-	-	-	166,943
707	-	7,467	-	-	533,490
149,501	-	-	-	-	260,868
25,999	214	-	-	-	124,439
-	-	-	-	-	620,031
26,555,240	69,609	-	17,329,761	-	43,954,610
-	-	-	-	211,001	211,001
	<u>-</u> _		<u>-</u>	5,707,469	5,707,469
\$ 38,054,858	\$ 343,155	\$ 540,328	\$ 17,329,761	\$ 5,918,470	\$ 73,353,570

# COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

			GO	VERNMENTAL	_ FUND <sup>-</sup>	TYPES		
	GEI	NERAL		SPECIAL REVENUE	DE SER			CAPITAL ROJECTS
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS								
	-							
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>	•						_	
Accounts payable	\$	127,110	\$	157,397	\$	-	\$	62,157
Accrued wages and benefits		224,115		74,238		-		-
Claims payable		-		-		-		-
Compensated absences payable		-		-		-		-
Due to other governments		22,777		20,282		-		-
Due to others		-		-		-		-
Accrued interest payable		-		-		-		-
Deferred revenue		880,491		275,107		-		-
Due to other funds		-		229,531		-		328,251
Notes payable		-		-		-		-
Matured bonds / interest		-		-		43,000		-
Ohio water development authority loan payable		-		-		-		-
General obligation bonds payable		-		-		-		_
Revenue bonds payable		-		-		-		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,254,493		756,555		43,000		390,408
EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS:								
Contributed capital		_		_		_		_
Investment in general fixed assets		_		_		_		_
Retained earnings:								
Reserved for debt service		_		_		_		_
Unreserved		_		_		_		_
Fund balances:								
Reserved for debt service		_		_	2	11,001		_
Reserved for encumbrances		39,290		443,354	_	-		239,686
Reserved for inventory		-		111,367		_		200,000
Reserved for prepaid items		68,955		29,271		-		_
Unreserved - undesignated	4	2,110,440		2,327,860		_		3,141,318
Cinoscived anabignated		_, 1 10, 440		2,021,000				5,111,010
TOTAL EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS		2,218,685		2,911,852	2	11,001		3,381,004
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ :	3,473,178	\$	3,668,407	\$ 2	54,001	\$	3,771,412

	PROPRIETAR	Y FUND TYPES	FIDUCIARY FUND	 ACCOUNT			TOTALS
		INTERNAL		ENERAL	GENERAL		(MEMO-
_	NTERPRISE	INTERNAL SERVICE	AGENCY	FIXED SSETS	LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS		RANDUM ONLY)
	NIERPRISE	SERVICE	AGENCI	 133E13	OBLIGATIONS	-	ONLT)
\$	202,395	\$ 35,044	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	584,103
	85,917	10,250	-	-	-		394,520
	-	177,278	-	-	-		177,278
	210,949	16,371	-	-	623,470		850,790
	11,172	81	7,467	-	-		61,779
	-	-	46,369	-	-		46,369
	24,625	-	-	-	-		24,625
	-	-	-	-	-		1,155,598
	62,249	-	-	-	-		620,031
	1,500,000	-	-	-	5,015,000		6,515,000
	-	-	-	-	-		43,000
	2,602,206	-	-	-	-		2,602,206
	215,000	-	-	-	280,000		495,000
	1,985,000	<u>-</u>		-			1,985,000
	6,899,513	239,024	53,836	 -	5,918,470		15,555,299
	17,009,502	83,795	-	-	-		17,093,297
	-	-	-	17,329,761	-		17,329,761
	23,395	_	-	-	_		23,395
	14,122,448	20,336	-	-	-		14,142,784
	_	-	_	_	-		211,001
	-	-	-	-	-		722,330
	-	-	-	-	-		111,367
	-	-	-	-	-		98,226
	-	-	486,492	-	-		8,066,110
	31,155,345	104,131	486,492	 17,329,761	<u>-</u>		57,798,271
\$	38,054,858	\$ 343,155	\$ 540,328	\$ 17,329,761	\$ 5,918,470	\$	73,353,570

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES							
				SPECIAL		DEBT		CAPITAL
		SENERAL	F	REVENUE		SERVICE	Р	ROJECTS
REVENUES								
Local taxes	\$	5,092,733	\$	2,187,722	\$	66	\$	133,990
Intergovernmental		1,546,739		1,728,220		-		907,684
Charges for services		498,010		294,847		-		2,697
Fees, licenses, permits		30,506		-		-		-
Investment income		-		1,787		-		824,610
Fines and forfeitures		459,396		301,619		-		-
Other		99,566		87,835		64,900		101,309
		-						_
TOTAL REVENUES		7,726,950		4,602,030		64,966		1,970,290
<u>EXPENSES</u>								
Public safety		4,631,528		1,150,355		-		-
Health		221,724		-		-		-
Leisure time activities		-		976,152		-		-
Community development		101,453		707,136		-		-
Transportation		-		1,577,627		-		-
General government		2,118,172		460,786		-		-
Capital outlay		-		-		-		3,174,807
Debt services:								
Principal retirement		-		10,000		6,773,000		-
Interest and fiscal charges		-		5,310		214,905		1,202
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	7,072,877	\$	4,887,366	\$	6,987,905	\$	3,176,009

	TOTALS					
(MEMORANDUM						
	ONLY)					
\$	7,414,511					
Ψ	4,182,643					
	795,554					
	30,506					
	826,397					
	761,015					
	353,610					
	_					
	14,364,236					
	5,781,883					
	221,724					
	976,152					
	808,589					
	1,577,627					
	2,578,958					
	3,174,807					
	6,783,000					
	221,417					
\$	22,124,157					

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES							
			;	SPECIAL		DEBT		CAPITAL
	C	GENERAL	F	REVENUE		SERVICE	F	ROJECTS
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	654,073	\$	(285,336)	\$	(6,922,939)	\$	(1,205,719)
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/(USES):								
Operating transfers in		-		635,674		754,965		199,576
Operating transfers out		(521,611)		(196,523)		-		(912,421)
Proceeds from sale of notes		-		370,000		6,145,000		-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING								
SOURCES (USES)		(521,611)		809,151		6,899,965		(712,845)
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under)								
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		132,462		523,815		(22,974)		(1,918,564)
FUND BALANCES-JANUARY 1, 2000		2,086,223		2,388,037		233,975		5,299,568
FUND BALANCES-DECEMBER 31, 2000	\$	2,218,685	\$	2,911,852	\$	211,001	\$	3,381,004

(ME	TOTALS MORANDUM ONLY)
\$	(7,759,921)
	1,590,215 (1,630,555) 6,515,000
-	6,515,000
	6,474,660
	(1,285,261)
	10,007,803
\$	8,722,542

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

		GENERAL FUND						
	REVISED BUDGET ACTUAL				VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)			
REVENUES:								
Local taxes Intergovernmental Charges for services Fees, licenses, and permits Investment income Fines and forfeitures	\$	4,982,556 808,200 376,300 27,750 - 394,500	\$	5,052,855 1,559,379 477,145 31,191 - 466,006	\$	70,299 751,179 100,845 3,441 - 71,506		
Other		43,300		100,898		57,598		
TOTAL REVENUES		6,632,606		7,687,474		1,054,868		
EXPENDITURES:								
Public safety Health Leisure time activities Community development Transportation		4,779,533 223,263 - 120,886		4,653,513 223,038 - 102,650		126,020 225 - 18,236		
General government Capital outlay		3,095,580		2,671,491 -		424,089 -		
Debt service:  Principal retirement Interest and fiscal charges		- - -		- - -		<u>-</u>		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	8,219,262	\$	7,650,692	\$	568,570		

SPEC	CIAI	REVENUE	FUNI	DS		DEBT SERVICE FUND					
REVISED BUDGET		ACTUAL	FA	AVORABLE / REVISED FAVO				ARIANCE ORABLE / AVORABLE)			
\$ 2,185,201 1,865,491 256,784 - 1,300	\$	2,198,208 1,477,762 285,592 - 1,766	\$	13,007 (387,729) 28,808 - 466	\$	- - - -	\$	66 - - -	\$	66 - - -	
307,000 63,000		296,260 155,203		(10,740) 92,203		- 61,600		64,900		3,300	
4,678,776		4,414,791		(263,985)		61,600		64,966		3,366	
1 742 406		1 460 612		202.074							
1,743,486		1,460,612		282,874		-		-		-	
1,249,504 938,308		1,014,097 791,691		235,407 146,617		-		-		-	
2,634,807 458,554		1,819,997 442,227		814,810 16,327		-		-		-	
-		-		-		-		-		-	
10,000 5,310		10,000 5,310		- -		7,023,000 273,756		7,023,000 272,334		- 1,422	
\$ 7,039,969	\$	5,543,934	\$	1,496,035	\$	7,296,756	\$	7,295,334	\$	1,422	

#### <u>CITY OF ASHLAND</u> ASHLAND COUNTY

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

			GE	NERAL FUND	)	
	REVISED BUDGET			ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)	
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(1,586,656)	\$	36,782	\$	1,623,438
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES) :						
Proceeds from sale of notes Transfers in Transfers out		539,497 (576,934)		529,091 (466,783)		(10,406) 110,151
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES)		(37,437)		62,308		99,745
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		(1,624,093)		99,090		1,723,183
FUND BALANCES - January 1, 2000		1,570,154		1,570,154		-
PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES APPROPRIATED		81,615		81,615		
FUND BALANCES - December 31, 2000	\$	27,676	\$	1,750,859	\$	1,723,183

SPECIA	AL REVENUE	FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUND						
 REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)		REVISED BUDGET		ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)		
\$ (2,361,193)	\$ (1,129,143)	\$ 1,232,050	\$	(7,235,156)	\$	(7,230,368)	\$ 4,788		
370,000 857,826 (120,370)	370,000 937,383 (108,003)	- 79,557 12,367		6,145,000 1,063,816		6,145,000 1,062,394	- (1,422) -		
1,107,456	1,199,380	91,924		7,208,816		7,207,394	(1,422)		
(1,253,737)	70,237	1,323,974		(26,340)		(22,974)	3,366		
2,046,523	2,046,523	-		233,975		233,975	-		
\$ 90,360 <b>883,146</b>	90,360 <b>2,207,120</b>	\$ 1,323,974	\$	207,635	\$	211,001	\$ 3,366		

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

(Continued)

	CAPI	TAL	. PROJECTS I	-UND	
REVENUES:	REVISED BUDGET		ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)	
Local taxes Intergovernmental Charges for services Fees, licenses, and permits Investment income Fines and forfeitures Other	\$ 162,000 1,221,665 2,500 - 325,000 -	\$	162,000 793,250 3,347 - 855,966 - 101,309	\$	- (428,415) 847 - 530,966 - 101,309
TOTAL REVENUES	 1,711,165		1,915,872		204,707
EXPENDITURES:					
Public safety Health Leisure time activities Community development Transportation General government Capital outlay Debt service: Principal retirement Interest and fiscal charges	- - - - 4,444,859 - 500		- - - - 3,887,613 - 1,202		- - - - - 557,246 - (702)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,445,359	\$	3,888,815	\$	556,544

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	TOTAL	_3 (	IVIEIVIORANDO		RIANCE
	REVISED				ORABLE /
	BUDGET		ACTUAL		AVORABLE)
	DODOLI		7.0107.2	(01117	(VOIO (BEE)
\$	7,329,757	\$	7,413,129	\$	83,372
	3,895,356		3,830,391		(64,965)
	635,584		766,084		130,500
	27,750		31,191		3,441
	326,300		857,732		531,432
	701,500		762,266		60,766
	167,900		422,310		254,410
	13,084,147		14,083,103		998,956
	6,523,019		6,114,125		408,894
	223,263		223,038		225
	1,249,504		1,014,097		235,407
	1,059,194		894,341		164,853
	2,634,807		1,819,997		814,810
	3,554,134		3,113,718		440,416
	4,444,859		3,887,613		557,246
	7,033,000		7,033,000		-
	279,566		278,846		720
\$	27,001,346	\$	24,378,775	\$	2,622,571
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# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET - ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

(Continued)

		CAPIT	AL PROJECTS	FUND	)	
		REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	FA	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / UNFAVORABLE)	
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(2,734,194)	\$ (1,972,943)	\$	761,251	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES) :						
Proceeds from sale of notes Transfers in Transfers out		373,011 (1,186,119)	- 456,920 (1,266,138)		83,909 (80,019)	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES)		(813,108)	(809,218)		3,890	
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		(3,547,302)	(2,782,161)		765,141	
FUND BALANCES - January 1, 2000		3,692,957	3,692,957		-	
PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES APPROPRIATED		1,634,328	1,634,328			
FUND BALANCES - December 31, 2000	\$	1,779,983	\$ 2,545,124	\$	765,141	

 TOTALS	S (MEMORAND	UM ONLY)
REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE / (UNFAVORABLE)
\$ (13,917,199) \$	(10,295,672)	\$ 3,621,527
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6,515,000 2,834,150 (1,883,423)	6,515,000 2,985,788 (1,840,924)	- 151,638 42,499
7,465,727	7,659,864	194,137
(6,451,472)	(2,635,808)	3,815,664
7,543,609	7,543,609	-
 1,806,303	1,806,303	
\$ 2,898,440 \$	6,714,104	\$ 3,815,664

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS - ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

			INTERNAL	TOTALS	
	EN	TERPRISE	SERVICE	(MEMORANDUM	
		FUND	FUND	ONLY)	
OPERATING REVENUES:					
Charges for services	\$	6,152,613 \$	1,632,562	\$ 7,785,175	
Total Operating Revenues		6,152,613	1,632,562	7,785,175	
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Personal services		2,926,033	281,931	3,207,964	
Utilities		452,419	4,213	456,632	
Contractual services		336,408	7,190	343,598	
Materials and supplies		1,565,064	40,761	1,605,825	
Claims		-	1,213,810	1,213,810	
Depreciation and amortization		926,710	4,799	931,509	
Others		138,731	162,377	301,108	
Total Operating Expenses		6,345,365	1,715,081	8,060,446	
Operating Income		(192,752)	(82,519)	(275,271)	
NONOPERATING REVENUES/ (EXPENSES):					
Interest		(339,288)	_	(339,288)	
Investment income		236,107	17,452	253,559	
Gain (loss) on sale of assets		(1,320)	(708)	(2,028)	
Other nonoperating revenues		128,983	-	128,983	
Total Non-Operating Revenues/					
(Expenses)	\$	24,482 \$	16,744	\$ 41,226	

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS - ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

			INTERNAL	TOTALS		
	F	NTERPRISE		SERVICE	(1)	EMORANDUM
	_		_	,		
		FUND		FUND		ONLY)
Excess of Revenues Over/(Under)						
Expenses Before Interfund Transfers	\$	(168,270)	\$	(65,775)	\$	(234,045)
Transfers in		391,324		_		391,324
Transfers out		(350,984)		-		(350,984)
Net Income		(127,930)		(65,775)		(193,705)
Retained Earnings - January 1, 2000		14,273,773		86,111		14,359,884
Retained Earnings - December 31, 2000		14,145,843		20,336		14,166,179
				·		
Contributed Capital - January 1, 2000		16,089,248		83,795		16,173,043
Contributions		920,254		-		920,254
Contributed Capital - December 31, 2000		17,009,502		83,795		17,093,297
TOTAL FUND FOURTY December 24, 2000	<u> </u>	24 455 245	¢	104 124	¢	24 250 476
TOTAL FUND EQUITY - December 31, 2000	<u> </u>	31,155,345	\$	104,131	\$	31,259,476

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	ENTERPRISE FUND	INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Operating Loss	\$ (192,752)	\$ (82,519)	\$ (275,271)	
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:				
(Gain) loss on disposal of asset Depreciation and amortization	1,320 926,710	708 4,799	2,028 931,509	
Change in assets and liabilities: (Increase) decrease in:				
Taxes receivable	15,911	_	15,911	
Accounts receivable	(77,270)	103	(77,167)	
Inventories	10,902	-	10,902	
Prepaid expenses	3,995	137	4,132	
Accrued Interest	34,523	-	34,523	
Due form other governments	6,708	-	6,708	
Increase (decrease) in:				
Accounts payable	26,365	10,298	36,663	
Claims payable	-	34,815	34,815	
Accrued interest payable	(7,368)	-	(7,368)	
Compensated absences payable	(211)	1,681	1,470	
Accrued wages and benefits	13,308	(2,629)	10,679	
Due to other governments	17,385	54	17,439	
Total Adjustments	\$ 972,278	\$ 49,966	\$ 1,022,244	

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

	ENTERPRISE FUND	INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 779,520	6 \$ (32,553)	\$ 746,973
Net nonoperating revenues including operating transfers	61,822	2 16,744	78,566
Net cash provided by operating activities, net nonoperating revenues, and operating transfers	841,348	3 (15,809)	825,539
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Acquisition of capital assets Contributed capital Principal paid on bonds and notes	(1,264,002 920,254 (606,340	-	(1,264,002) 920,254 (606,340)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(950,088	3) -	(950,088)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(108,740	0) (15,809)	(124,549)
Cash and cash equivalents - January 1, 2000	10,883,099	9 289,025	11,172,124
Cash and cash equivalents - December 31, 2000	\$ 10,774,359	9 \$ 273,216	\$ 11,047,575

## CITY OF ASHLAND NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. REPORTING ENTITY

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Ashland, Ohio (the "City"), includes all funds, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities that are controlled by the City's executive or legislative branches (the Mayor or the Council, respectively). Control by the City was determined on the basis of budget adoption, taxing authority, outstanding debt secured by revenues or general obligations of the City, obligations of the City to finance any deficits that may occur, or receipt of significant subsidies from the City.

On this basis, the "reporting entity" of the City includes police and fire protection, street maintenance, parks and recreation, health and certain social services and general administration services. In addition, the City owns and operates several enterprise activities, including a waste collection, a golf course, a swimming pool, a water system, and a local sewer system.

The Ashland County Municipal Court is also included in the reporting entity within the agency funds. The Court's jurisdiction includes the City and certain other local governments and agencies within Ashland County. The Court is included since its operations are financed primarily through the budget of the City's General Fund.

The Samaritan Hospital and the Community Improvement Corporation, which are associated with the City are excluded from the accompanying general purpose financial statements. Although they perform activities within the City's boundaries and for the benefit of the City and/or its residents, they are excluded from the accompanying general purpose financial statements because the City does not exercise significant control over their operations.

#### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

<u>Fund Accounting</u>: The accounting policies of the City conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

The financial transactions of the City are recorded in individual funds and account groups. The various funds and account groups are recorded by type in the general purpose financial statements. Amounts in the "total - memorandum only" columns in the general purpose financial statements represents a summation of the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account groups and are presented

# CITY OF ASHLAND NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

#### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

#### B. <u>BASIS OF PRESENTATION</u> (Continued)

Fund Accounting: (Continued)

only for analytical purposes. The summation includes fund types and account groups that use different bases of accounting, both restricted and unrestricted amounts, interfund transactions that have not been eliminated, and the caption "amounts to be provided", which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "total-memorandum only" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/ expenses of the City.

The various funds of the City are grouped into the following generic funds under the broad fund type categories governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary for financial statement presentation purposes:

<u>GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u> - These are the funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The funds included in this category are as follows:

<u>General Fund</u>: This is the general operating fund of the City. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>: These funds are used to account for revenues derived from specific taxes, grants or other restricted revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u>: To account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related cost.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>: This fund is used to account for financial resources used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

<u>PROPRIETARY FUNDS</u>: These funds account for operations that are organized to be self-supporting through user charges. The funds included in this category are the Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds.

# CITY OF ASHLAND NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (Continued)

#### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

#### B. <u>BASIS OF PRESENTATION</u> (Continued)

PROPRIETARY FUNDS: (Continued)

<u>Enterprise Funds</u>: These funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

<u>Internal Service Fund</u>: To account for the financing of goods and services provided by one department to other departments of the City on a cost reimbursement basis.

Under the guidelines of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Units That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the City has elected not to apply Financial Accounting Standard Board Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989 to proprietary activities. The adoption of this approach to accounting for proprietary activities by the City required no change from prior years.

<u>FIDUCIARY FUNDS</u>: These funds account for assets held by the City as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, and other units of governments. These funds are as follows.

<u>Agency Funds</u>: Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

<u>ACCOUNT GROUPS</u> - To make a clear distinction between fixed assets related to specific funds and those of general government, and between long-term liabilities related to specific funds and those of general government, the following account groups are used:

<u>General Fixed Assets Account Group</u>: This group is used to account for all fixed assets required for general City purposes, excluding fixed assets of proprietary or trust funds.

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### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

ACCOUNT GROUPS (Continued)

<u>General Long-Term Obligations Account Group</u>: This group is used to account for all long-term obligations of the City, except those accounted for in proprietary or trust funds.

### C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Governmental and fiduciary fund types are accounted for on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Governmental revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Revenue items, which are recognized before the related cash is received and are recorded as receivable, include income taxes arising from payroll tax withholding during the year. Expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, with the exception of accumulated unpaid employee compensation and the principal and interest of general long-term obligations, which are reported when due in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Proprietary funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized in the accounting period earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred.

### D. BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable.

The major documents prepared are the budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting.

The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations ordinance are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, other than agency funds, are required to be budgeted and appropriated. The primary level of budgetary control is at the departmental level or by projects.

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### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### D. <u>BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING</u> (Continued)

- (1) The City must submit a budget of estimated cash receipts and disbursements to the County Auditor, as a Secretary of the County Budget Commission, by July 20 of each year for the following calendar year.
- (2) The County Budget Commission certifies its actions by September 1, and issues a "Certificate of Resources" limiting the maximum amount the City may expend from a given fund during the year.
- (3) About January 1, this Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year. The City must prepare its appropriations so that the total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Resources.
- (4) A temporary appropriation measure may be passed for the period January 1 through March 31. If a temporary appropriation is made, a permanent appropriation measure must be passed before April 1, for the period January 1 through December 31. The permanent appropriations may not exceed estimated resources certified by the County Budget Commission.
- (5) Unused appropriations lapse at year-end and encumbrances are added to the ensuing year's appropriations.
- (6) All funds have annual budgets legally adopted by City Council.

As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the 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 in governmental fund types are reported as a reservation of fund balances.

The City's budgetary process is based upon accounting for transactions on the cash (budgetary) basis. The difference between cash basis (budgetary basis) and the modified accrual (GAAP) basis are that revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP), and expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when incurred (GAAP), and outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budgetary) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (GAAP).

### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### D. <u>BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING</u> (Continued)

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2000, on the GAAP basis to the budget basis are as follows:

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

	General	Special <u>Revenue</u>	Debt <u>Service</u>	Capital <u>Projects</u>
GAAP Basis	\$ 132,460	\$ 523,815	\$ (22,974)	\$(1,918,564)
Net Revenue Adjustments	(39,476)	(254,708)	-	(511,400)
Net Expenditure Adjustments	65,489	266,717	-	(55,270)
Encumbrances	( 59,383)	(465,587)		(296,927)
Budget Basis	\$ 99,090	\$ 70,237	\$ (22,974)	\$ (2,782,161)

### E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash balances of all City funds are pooled and invested in order to improve cash management. Investments are recorded at cost, which approximates market value. The City concedes certificates of deposit with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Unless otherwise restricted, interest income is allocated to the Capital Improvement Investment Fund, a Capital Projects Fund.

### F. <u>Inventory</u>

Inventory is valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. The costs of inventory items are recognized as expenditures or expensed when used.

### G. Prepaid Expenditures

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit beyond year-end are recorded as prepaid expenditures. Additionally, bond issuance costs amortized over the life of the bonds are recorded as prepaid expenditures in the Enterprise Fund.

### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### H. Fixed Assets

Fixed assets include land, utilities, buildings, and machinery and equipment owned by the City. Infrastructure including streets, bridges, and sidewalks is not included.

Fixed assets acquired or constructed for general governmental purposes are reported as expenditures in the fund that financed the asset acquisition and capitalized in the General Fixed Assets Account Group.

Property and equipment acquired by proprietary funds are capitalized in those funds. All fixed assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost or at estimated fair market value at the time of donation.

### I. <u>Depreciation</u>

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated and recorded using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the fixed assets in proprietary funds. Assets in the General Fixed Assets Account Group are not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives of the various classes of fixed assets range as follows:

<u>Class</u>	Estimated useful Life
Utilities	45 to 80 years
Buildings and Improvements	20 to 50 years
Machinery and Equipment	6 to 15 years

### J. Encumbrances

On the GAAP basis, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for expenditures are encumbered and reported as reservations of fund balances for subsequent year expenditures in governmental funds.

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### K. Compensated Absences

The City records a liability for sick leave and other compensated absences when the obligation is attributable to services previously rendered, the obligation relates to rights that vest or accumulate, payment of the obligation is probable and the amount of the obligations can be reasonably determinable. For governmental funds, the portion of unpaid sick leave that is to be paid using current available financial resources is reported as an expenditure in the fund from which the individuals earning the vacation or sick leave are paid, with a corresponding liability reflected in the account "compensated absences payable". The long-term debt portion of the liability is reported in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group.

In the proprietary funds, compensated absences are expensed when earned and the related liability reported within the fund.

#### L. Fund Balance Reserves

Reserves of fund balance in governmental fund types indicate a portion of fund balance is not available for current appropriation or is legally segregated for a specific future use. Fund balances are reserved for encumbrances, inventories of supplies and materials, prepaid expenditures, debt service-principal and debt service-interest.

### M. Grants and Other Intergovernmental Revenues

Federal grants and assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as intergovernmental receivables and revenues when entitlement occurs. All other federal reimbursement-type grants are recorded as intergovernmental receivables and revenues when the related expenditures/expenses are incurred.

### N. Contributed Capital

Contributed capital was estimated as the amount of federal grant monies received by the City which were used to purchase enterprise fund fixed assets, plus the amount of net fixed assets of the enterprise funds acquired through capital contributions by the City or others.

### 1. <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

### O. <u>Total Columns on Combined Statements</u>

Total columns on the Combined 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 cash flows in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, nor is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

### P. Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

Revenues for governmental funds are recorded when they are determined to be both measurable and available. Generally, tax revenues, fees, and non-tax revenues are recognized when received. Grants from other governments are recognized when qualifying expenditures are incurred. Expenditures for governmental funds are recorded when the related liability is incurred.

### Q. <u>Proceeds of General Obligation Bonds and Notes</u>

The proceeds of those general obligation bonds and notes which are accounted for in the General Long -Term Obligation Account Group are reported as "other financing sources" in the funds receiving the proceeds.

### R. Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the City has numerous transactions between funds, including the expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and service outstanding debt. Operating subsidies are recorded as operating transfers. The classification of amounts, if any, recorded as subsidies, advances, or equity contributions is based on the intent of the City at the time of the transactions.

### 2. POOLED CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Charter of the City of Ashland specifies that a Director of Finance has responsibility for selecting depositories and investing idle funds. The Director of Finance also has the authority to choose the types of deposits and investments made by the City.

The City's policy is to limit deposits and investments to insured and/or collateralized demand deposit accounts, the State Treasurer's investment pool, certificates of deposit, U.S. Treasury bills, or obligations of other U.S. Agencies for which the principal and interest is guaranteed by the U.S. Government. The City does not enter into reverse repurchase agreements.

### **Legal Requirements**

Statutes require the classification of monies held by the City into three categories:

Category 1 consists of "active" monies, those monies required to be kept in a "cash" or "near-cash" status for immediate use by the City. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the City's treasury or in depository accounts payable or with drawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts.

Category 2 consists of "inactive" monies, those monies not required for use within the current two-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive monies may be deposited or invested only as certificates of deposit maturing no later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Category 3 consists of "interim" monies, those monies that are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of depositories. Interim monies may be invested or deposited in the following securities:

Interim monies may be invested in the following obligations. In general, investments must be mature or redeemable within five years from the date of purchase:

- 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 the Export Import Bank of Washington;

### 2. POOLED CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

### Legal Requirements (Continued)

- 3. Repurchase agreements in the securities enumerated above;
- 4. Interim deposits in the eligible institutions applying for interim monies;
- 5. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio; and
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool.

### **Deposits**

At December 31, 2000, the carrying amount of the City's cash deposits was \$1,893,232 and the bank balance was \$727,722. In addition to deposits, the City had cash with fiscal agents in the amount of \$500,230 at year-end. Federal depository insurance covered \$300,000 of the bank balance, and all remaining deposits were covered by pooled collateral.

#### Investments

Investments are classified into three categories 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 for which securities are held by the broker's of dealer'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 broker or agent, or by its trust department or agent, but not in the City's name. The City's investments at December 31, 2000 have been classified as follows:

<u>Description</u>	Category 1	Category 3	Carrying <u>Amount</u>	Fair <u>Value</u>
U.S. Securities	\$10,468,458	\$ -	\$10,468,458	\$10,521,427
Repurchase Agreement	-	235,972	235,972	235,972
Star Ohio			6,069,391	6,069,391
Total Investments	\$10,468,458	\$ 235,972	\$16,773,821	\$16,826,790

### 2. POOLED CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

### <u>Investments</u> (Continued)

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

	Cash and Cash Equivalents	Investments
Per Combined Balance Sheet Investments:	\$18,667,053	\$ -
U.S. securities	(10,468,458)	10,468,458
Repurchase agreement	(235,972)	235,972
STAR Ohio	(6,069,391)	<u>6,069,391</u>
Carrying Amount	\$ 1,893,232	<u>\$16,773,821</u>

The City has invested funds in the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio) during fiscal year 2000. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio 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 STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 2000.

### 3. PROPERTY TAXES

Real property taxes are levied on October 1 of the preceding calendar year on assessed values equal to 35% of appraised values as of January 1 of that preceding year, the lien date. The County Auditor re-appraises all real property every six years with a triennial update. The last appraisal was completed for tax year 2000.

Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31 with remainder payable by June 20 of the following year. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits later payment dates to be established.

### 3. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

The full tax rate applied to real property for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000, was \$5.70 per \$1000 of assessed valuation. After adjustment of the rate for inflationary increases in property values, the effective tax rate was \$4.55 per \$1000 of assessed valuation for real property classified as residential / agricultural and \$4.87 per \$1000 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.

Owners of tangible personal property are required to file a list of such property including costs, by April 30 of each year. The property is assessed for tax purposes at varying statutory percentages of cost. The tax rate applied to tangible personal property for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000 was \$5.70 per \$1000 of assessed valuation.

Real Property - 1999 Valuation:

Residential / Agricultural \$ 170,852,010 Other Real Property 56,836,550

Tangible Personal Property - 2000

Valuation:

 General
 73,534,971

 Public Utilities
 11,530,750

 Total Assessed Valuation
 \$312,754,281

The Ashland County Treasurer collects property tax on behalf of all tax districts within the County. The County Auditor periodically remits to the taxing district their portion of the taxes collected.

Accrued taxes receivable includes delinquent taxes on outstanding and real property, personal property and public utility taxes which became measurable as of December 31, 2000.

### 4. MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX

This locally levied tax of 1.5 percent is applied to gross salaries, wages and other personal services compensation earned by residents both in and out of the City and to earnings of non-residents (except certain transients) earned in the City. It also applies to net income of business organizations conducted within the City.

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### 4. MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX (Continued)

Income tax revenues are distributed among the General Fund, Streets and Highway Fund, a Special Revenue Fund, the Park and Recreation Fund, a Special Revenue Fund, and the Water Fund, an Enterprise Fund, Storm Water Drainage, an Enterprise Fund and Building Expansion Fund, a capital improvement fund, The distribution was determined by ordinance 18-00.

### 5. <u>INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES</u>

The following balances at December 31, 2000 represent individual fund interfund receivables and payables.

<u>Fund</u>	Interfund <u>Receivables</u>	Interfund <u>Payables</u>
Capital Improvement	\$620,031	\$ -
Permissive Tax	-	67,467
Downtown Beautification	-	35,000
Community Block Grant	-	108,000
George Road Improvements	-	55,158
Ohio Regional Development	-	54,064
250 East Intersection	-	43,940
Hillcrest Drive Improvement	-	194,153
Brookside Golf Course	<del>_</del>	62,249
	\$620,031	\$620,031

### 6. ACCUMULATED UNPAID EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

City employees generally earn vacation ranging from two to five weeks per year based on length of service. Accumulated vacation leave can not be carried over from one year to another without the express written authorization of the Mayor. Sick leave is generally earned at the rate of 4.6 hours for every 80 hours worked and employees may accumulate on a continuing basis. Sick Leave is fully vested when earned. 25% of unused sick leave, up to the following maximums for employees who complete ten years of service plus any accumulated vacation leave, is paid at retirement or death. Sick leave accumulates up to a maximum of 624 hours for members of the Northern Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, 624 hours for police dispatchers and 624 hours for fire dispatchers, 811 hours for members of The International Association of Fire Fighters Local 1386, AFL-CIO, 624 hours for all non-union City employees and 470 hours for AFSCME employees.

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### 6. ACCUMULATED UNPAID EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (Continued)

For governmental fund types, accumulated vacation leave approximated \$97,194 and 25% of accumulated sick leave approximated \$526,276 at December 31, 2000. These amounts are recorded as liabilities in the General Long-Term Obligation Account Group. For proprietary funds, accumulated vacation leave approximated \$27,558 and 25% of accumulated sick leave approximated \$199,761 as of December 31, 2000. These amounts are recorded as liabilities in the respective enterprise fund.

### 7. PENSION PLANS

### A. Police and Fireman's Disability and Pension Fund (PFDPF)

The City of Ashland 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. Contribution requirements and 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.

Plan members are required to contribute 10% of their annual covered salary, while employers are required to contribute 19.5% and 24% respectively for police officers and firefighters. The City of Ashland's contributions to PFDPF for the years ending December 31, 2000, 1999, and 1998 were \$679,613, \$624,473, and \$587,761 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

The Fund provides post retirement 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 school full-time or on a 2/3 basis. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in 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 in 19.5% of covered payroll and the total firefighter employer contribution rate is 24% of covered payroll.

### 7. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

### A. Police and Fireman's Disability and Pension Fund (PFDPF) (Continued)

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 City's contribution to fund PFDPF pension benefit obligation was \$232,698 for police and \$308,457 for fire, .780 and .809 of the current year employer contributions, respectively. In addition, police employees contributed \$119,332 and fire contributed \$128,524, .780 and .809, respectively, of the current year employee contribution.

PFDPF, as of December 31, 2000, has 12,467 and 9,807 participants eligible to receive health care benefits for police and firemen, respectively. The City contribution made to fund post employment benefits under the PFDPF during 2000 was \$110,979 for police and \$115,147 for fire to post employment benefits.

### B. Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio is a cost- sharing multiple-emplyer defined benefit 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. The Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the fund. 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.

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. Plan members are required to contribute 8.5% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 13.55%. The City's contributions to the plan for the years ending 2000 and 1999 and 1998 were \$789,809 and \$842,169 and \$790,407 respectively, equal to the required contributions for the year.

### 7. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

### B. Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

The Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio provides post-employment health care coverage to age and service retirants with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credits. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. A portion of each employer's contribution to the System is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care based on the authority granted by State statute. The employer contribution rate was 13.55% of covered payroll.

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 disabliity recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB 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 2000 employer contribution rate was 10.84% of covered payroll; 4.3% was the portion that was used to fund health care for the year 2000.

OPEB is financed through employer contributions and investment earnings there on. The contributions allocated to retiree health and Medicare, 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 1999 were \$523,599,349. As of December 31, 1999, the unaudited estimated net assets available for future OPEB payments were \$9,870,285,641. The number of benefits recipients eligible for OPEB at December 31, 1999 was 118,062. During 1997, the Retirement Board adopted a new calculation method for determining employer contributions applied OPEB. Under the new method, effective January 1, 1998, employer contributions, equal to 4.3% 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.

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### 8. <u>DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS</u>

A summary of notes payable and other long-term obligations follows:

	Balance 01/01/00	<u>Additions</u>	Reductions	Balance <u>12/31/00</u>
Enterprise Funds:				
1991 Issue Pool	240,000	-	(25,000)	215,000
1990 Issue Sanitary Sewer	2,120,000	-	(135,000)	1,985,000
1990 Issue OWDA	2,798,456	-	(196,250)	2,602,206
1997 Issue Notes Payable	1,750,000		(250,000)	1,500,000
	<u>\$6,908,456</u>	\$ -	<u>\$ (606,250)</u>	<u>\$6,302,206</u>
General Long Term Obligation	<u>ns</u>			
Account Group:	Φ 4=0.000	•	<b>A</b> (4= 000)	<b>A</b> 4== 000
1991 Issue Municipal Bldg.	\$ 170,000	\$ -	\$ (15,000)	\$ 155,000
1991 Salt Storage Building	80,000	-	(10,000)	70,000
1978 Hospital Improvement	110,000	-	(55,000)	55,000
1999 Issue Notes	5,203,000	-	(5,203,000)	-
2000 Issue Notes	-	6,515,000	(1,500,000)	5,015,000
Compensated Absences	566,914	<u>56,556</u>	<u> </u>	623,470
•	6,129,914	6,571,556	(6,783,000)	5,918,470
TOTAL DEBT	\$13,038,370	\$6,571,556	\$(7,389,250)	<u>\$12,220,676</u>

The City issued the 1978 hospital improvement bonds on behalf of Samaritan Hospital. The City retires these bonds through payments received from the hospital. The assets of certain hospital funds are pledged to repay these debts. The City would assume the responsibility for funding the payments to retire these bonds in the event of default by the hospital.

Notes payable are general obligation bond anticipation notes in which the full faith, credit, and general revenues of the City are irrevocably pledged. Such notes are issued by the City with one-year maturity. Ohio law permits the issuance and renewal of bond anticipation notes consecutively before such notes must be retired either from available funds of the City or from the proceeds of bonds issued to redeem the anticipation notes.

Bonds payable, except the water and sewer related bonds, are general obligation bonds in which the full faith, credit, and general revenues of the City are irrevocably pledged. Water and sewer related bonds are for sewer and water utility construction projects. Property and revenues of these utility facilities have been pledged to repay this debt.

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### 8. <u>DEBT AND OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS</u> (Continued)

It is the intention of the City that all enterprise fund obligations be paid from their operations.

A summary of annual requirements to pay principal and interest on debt outstanding at December 31, 2000 is as follows:

				General Long-T	erm Obligation
	Enterprise Funds		<u>Account</u>	<u>Group</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>		Interest	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2001	\$ 1,876,279	\$	351,941	\$5,100,000	\$256,625
2002	396,722		262,873	30,000	13,223
2003	417,694		239,374	30,000	11,303
2004	449,220		214,432	30,000	9,247
2005	471,331		187,217	35,000	7,193
2006-2010	2,690,960		479,745	70,000	7,192
	\$ 6,302,206	\$	1,735,582	\$ 5,295,000	\$304,783

### 9. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balance 01/01/00	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance 12/31/00
Land and Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Machinery and Equipment Construction in Progress Total	\$ 3,526,305	\$ 171,074	\$ (12,727)	\$ 3,684,652
	3,446,719	290,816	(5,325)	3,732,210
	4,702,119	429,709	(197,851)	4,933,977
	2,954,204	2,108,451	(83,733)	4,978,922
	\$14,629,347	\$3,000,050	\$(299,636)	\$17,329,761

A summary of proprietary fund property, plant, and equipment at December 31, 2000 by class and by individual Fund is as follows:

### 9. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

Land and Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Utility Plant in Service Construction-in-Progress Machinery and Equipment Total Less Accumulated Depreciation Net Fixed Assets	Water \$ 50,676 130,645 12,351,934 - 584,580 13,117,835 (5,575,325) \$ 7,542,510	Sewer \$ 101,740 191,082 22,730,501 - 899,587 23,922,910 (6,818,870) \$17,104,040	Sanitation \$ 25,000 150,000 - - - 602,211 777,211 (488,092) \$ 289,119
Land and Land Improvements Buildings and Improvements Utility Plant in Service Construction in Progress Machinery and Equipment Total Less Accumulated Depreciation Net Fixed Assets	Swimming  Pool  37,120 793,525  19,957 850,602 (276,521)  \$ 574,081	Golf	Total \$ 900,197 1,486,262 35,082,435 129,371 2,631,498 40,229,763 (13,674,523) \$26,555,240

INTERNAL SERVICE			Total	
			Internal	Total
	<u>Tax</u>	<b>Maintenance</b>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Proprietary</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900,197
Buildings and Improvements	63,878	-	63,878	1,550,140
Utility Plant in Service	-	-	-	35,082,435
Construction in Progress	-	-	-	129,371
Machinery and Equipment	14,831	<u>1,231</u>	16,062	2,647,560
Total	78,709	1,231	79,940	40,309,703
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(9,684)	<u>(646)</u>	(10,331)	<u>(13,684,854)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$69,025</u>	<u>\$ 585</u>	<u>\$ 69,609</u>	<u>\$ 26,624,849</u>

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### 9. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

The following is a summary of Proprietary fixed assets by category at December 31, 2000:

	Historical	Accumulated	Book
	Cost	<b>Depreciation</b>	<u>Value</u>
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 900,197	\$ -	\$ 900,197
Buildings and Improvements	1,550,140	(532,186)	1,017,954
Utility Plant in Service	35,082,434	(11,454,340)	23,628,094
Construction in Progress	129,371	-	129,371
Machinery and Equipment	2,647,561	(1,698,328)	949,233
Total	<u>\$ 40,309,703</u>	\$ (13,684,854)	<u>\$26,624,849</u>

### 10. SEGMENT INFORMATION FOR ENTERPRISE FUNDS

The City maintains five enterprise activities, which provide water, sewer, and sanitation and recreational services. Information for the year ended December 31, 2000 for these enterprise activities is summarized as follows:

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<b>Sanitation</b>
Operating revenue	\$ 1,951,265	\$ 2,556,284	\$1,084,177
Depreciation expense	278,573	538,383	53,686
Operating income (loss)	(62,863)	201,408	(133,269)
Net Income (loss)	76,676	29,496	(153,269)
Total Assets	12,414,257	22,727,260	1,206,181
Net Working Capital	4,711,648	4,960,452	784,062
Property, plant, & equipment:			
Additions	358,098	815,002	29,655
Deletions	(14,196)	(45,000)	(42,248)
Bonds, notes and loans payable	-	6,087,206	-
Total Equity	12,254,159	16,434,518	1,073,182
	Swimming	Golf	
	Pool	Course	<u>Total</u>
Operating revenue	\$ 63,810	\$ 497,077	\$ 6,152,613
Depreciation expense	19,346	36,722	926,710
Operating income (loss)	(31,639)	(166,389)	(192,752)
Net Income (loss)	(6,509)	(77,324)	(130,930)
Total Assets	584,390	1,122,770	38,054,858
Net Working Capital	9,079	(20,164)	10,445,077
Property, plant, & equipment:			
Additions	-	61,237	1,263,992
Deletions	-	(2,639)	(104,083)
Bonds, notes and loans payable	215,000	-	6,302,206
Total equity	368,160	1,025,326	31,155,345

### 11. RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2000, the City contracted with private carriers for property and fleet insurance, liability insurance, and inland marine coverage. Coverage provided is as follows:

Building and Contents – replacement cost (\$500 deductible) - \$37,572,270

Automobile Liability (\$250 deductible) - \$1,000,000

Uninsured Motorists - \$25,000

General Liability - \$2,000,000

Public Officials Liability (\$7,000 deductible) - \$1,000,000

Umbrella Coverage - \$10,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years

### 12. CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL

Changes in contributed capital during the year were as follows:

Contributed Capital, January 1, 2000	\$16,173,043
From other funds	302,519
Development	617,735
Contributed Capital, December 31, 2000	<u>\$17,093,297</u>

### 13. <u>SELF-INSURANCE</u>

The City participates in a self - insurance plan for health care benefits with Professional Claims Management. The activity of the plan is recorded in the City's Internal Service Fund. Funds are transferred on a monthly basis to the Internal Service Fund from the other participating funds and paid monthly to Professional Claims Management. The claims liability of \$177,278 reported in the Internal Service Fund at December 31, 2000 is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and meets the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10 which requires that a liability for unpaid claim cost, including estimates of cost relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. Changes in claims activity for the past year are as follows:

	Claims Payable	Current Year	Current Year	Claims Payable
	December 31,	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Payments</u>	December 31,
1999	\$129,267	\$ 781,430	\$ (768,234)	\$142,463
2000	142,463	1,248,625	(1,213,810)	177,278

### 14. DEFERRED REVENUES

Certain revenues, such as property taxes, that are measurable and available at year end but not received during the available period of sixty days after year end are recorded as a receivable and deferred revenue. The revenue is recognized in the subsequent year in which it is received.

#### 15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The City received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims would not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the City at December 31, 2000.

The City is a party to several legal proceedings seeking damages or injunctive relief generally incidental to its operations. The City's management is of the opinion that the ultimate disposition of various claims and legal proceedings will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the City.

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### SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

Federal Grantor/ Pass - Through Grantor <u>Program Title</u>	Federal CFDA <u>Number</u>	Pass-Through Grantor's <u>Number</u>
U.S. Department of HUD  Pass - Through Ohio Department of Development		
Community Development Block Grant	14.228	A-F-98-084-1 A-F-99-084-1
Total Community Development Block Grant		
Community Housing Improvement Program	14.239	A-C-99-084-1 A-C-99-084-2
Total Community Housing Improvement Program		

Total U.S. Department of HUD

### U.S. Department of Transportation

Pass - Through Ohio Department of Transportaion

Public Transportation for Nonurbanized Areas	20.509	RPT-4003-019-001
		RPT-0003-019-002

Total U.S. Department of Transportation

### **Total Federal Financial Assistance (A)**

(A) Schedule is presented on the cash basis of accounting. Federal revenue is determined to be on the first-in, first-out basis.

Program or Award <u>Amount</u>	Balance <u>1/1/00</u>	Federal <u>Receipts</u>	Federal <u>Disbursements</u>	Balance 12/31/00
\$ 111,000 108,000	\$ - -	\$ 107,250 -	\$ 107,250 108,000	\$ - (108,000)
		107,250	215,250	(108,000)
135,000 345,000	<u>-</u>	80,346 288,877	80,346 288,877	
	<u> </u>	369,223	369,223	
		476,473	584,473	(108,000)
68,130 22,880	-	68,130 16,963	68,130 16,963	-
22,000		85,093	85,093	
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	\$ -	\$ 561,566	\$ 669,566	\$ (108,000)

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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

### City Of Ashland Ashland County

We have audited the financial statements of the City Of Ashland, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated June 22, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### **Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Ashland'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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

### **Internal Control 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

### City Of Ashland Ashland County

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.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management 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.

June 22, 2001

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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

City Of Ashland Ashland County

### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Ashland with the types of compliance requirements described in the <u>U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement</u> that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2000. The City's major federal programs are 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 each of its major federal programs 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations</u>. 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 of Ashland, Ohio, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2000.

### City of Ashland Ashland County

### **Internal Control Over Compliance**

The management of the City of Ashland 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 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 in 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.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management 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.

June 22, 2001

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### CITY OF ASHLAND ASHLAND COUNTY

### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS DECEMBER 31, 2000

### A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the City of Ashland.
- 2. No reportable conditions were disclosed during the audit of the financial statements of the City of Ashland.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the City of Ashland disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No reportable conditions were disclosed during the audit of the major federal award programs.
- 5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the City of Ashland expresses an unqualified opinion.
- 6. No audit findings relative to the major programs for the City of Ashland were disclosed during the audit.
- 7. The programs tested as major included: Community Development Block Grant (CFDA # 14.228)
- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
- 9. The City of Ashland was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

### **B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT**

none

### C. <u>FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS</u> AUDIT

none

### CITY OF ASHLAND ASHLAND COUNTY

### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

The report was reviewed with and acknowledged by the following officials on June 22, 2001:

William Strine Director of Finance
Nancy Boyd Director of Accounting
Lee Yarman Accounting Specialist

These officials were informed that they had five working days for the Auditor of State and sixty days for the federal government from the date of the post audit conference to respond to, or contest, in writing, the report contents. No such response was received.

City personnel were cooperative and available for questions and assistance during regular working hours.



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### **CITY OF ASHLAND**

### **ASHLAND 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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 31, 2001