REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001 - 2000



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Regional Planning Commission Delaware County 50 Channing Street Delaware, Ohio 43015

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Regional Planning Commission, Delaware County, Ohio (the Commission) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Commission's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

As described in Note 1, the Commission prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Commission as of December 31, 2001 and December 30, 2000, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 15, 2002 on our consideration of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions 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.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, Board of Commissioners and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other then these specified parties.

JIM PETRO
Auditor of State

March 15, 2002

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GENERAL AND AGENCY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	General	Agency	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Development Fees	\$299,309	\$15,575	\$314,884
Fees Charged to Subdivisions	122,017	0	122,017
Contractual Services	45,828	0	45,828
Other Receipts	6,127	0	6,127
Total Cash Receipts	473,281	15,575	488,856
Cash Disbursements:			
Salaries	350,738	0	350,738
Supplies	9,681	0	9,681
Equipment	20,206	0	20,206
Contracts - Repair	447	0	447
Contracts - Services	43,813	15,625	59,438
Travel	5,495	0	5,495
Public Employee's Retirement	34,520	0	34,520
Other	12,341	0	12,341
Total Disbursements	477,241	15,625	492,866
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(3,960)	(50)	(4,010)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	526,127	100	526,227
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$522,167</u>	\$50	\$522,217
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$2,774	\$0	\$2,774

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GENERAL AND AGENCY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	General	Agency	Totals (Memorandum Only)
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Cash Receipts:			
Development Fees	\$287,723	\$21,930	\$309,653
Fees Charged to Subdivisions	122,277	0	122,277
Contractual Services	29,935	0	29,935
Other Receipts	16,972	0	16,972
Total Cash Receipts	456,907	21,930	478,837
Cash Disbursements:			
Salaries	303,359	0	303,359
Supplies	7,108	0	7,108
Equipment	9,552	0	9,552
Contracts - Repair	79	0	79
Contracts - Services	43,554	21,830	65,384
Travel	6,931	0	6,931
Public Employee's Retirement	32,888	0	32,888
Other	22,250	0	22,250
Total Disbursements	425,721	21,830	447,551
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	31,186	100	31,286
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	494,941	0	494,941
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$526,127</u>	\$100	\$526,227
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$24,527	\$0	\$24,527
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Regional Planning Commission, Delaware County, Ohio (the Commission) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Commission is directed by a five-member Executive Board. The Board consists of representatives from participating political subdivisions, the county commissioners, and appointed citizens. The Commission formulates and reviews plans affecting long and short term social, economic, and governmental development within the region. The are 29 participating subdivisions which include 18 Townships, 8 Villages, and 3 Cities.

The Commission's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Commission is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash

As required by the Ohio Revised Code, the Commission's cash is held and invested by the Delaware County Treasurer who is the custodian of the Commission's monies. The Commission's assets are held in the County's cash and investment pool and are valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

D. Fund Accounting

The Commission uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The Commission classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Fiduciary Fund (Agency)

This fund is used to account for resources for which the Commission is acting in an Agency capacity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process

The Commission budgets each fund annually.

1. Appropriations

The Board annually approves appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the object level of control. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1.

3. Encumbrances

The Commission reserves (encumbers) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2001 and 2000 budgetary activity appears in Note 2.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as capital outlay disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

G. Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the basis of accounting used by the Commission.

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000 follows:

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$490,200	\$473,281	\$16,919

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures					
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance		
General	\$832,608	\$480,015	\$352,593		
2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts					
	Budgeted	Actual	_		
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
General	\$478,345	\$456,907	\$21,438		
2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures					
	Appropriation	Budgetary			
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance		
General	\$822,678	\$450,248	\$372,430		

3. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Commission's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2001 and 2000, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Commission contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries through June 30, 2000. PERS temporarily reduced employer contributions to 8.50% effective July 1, 2000. The Commission has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The Commission has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

The Commission also provides life and health insurance and dental and vision coverage to full-time employees through a private carrier.

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

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Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Commission'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*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Commission'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.

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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 APRIL 2, 2002