Financial Statements With Supplementary Information

**December 31, 2020** 

(With Independent Auditor's Report Thereon)

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### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council Borough of Englewood Cliffs County of Bergen, New Jersey

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets - regulatory basis of the various funds and account group of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related statement of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related statement of revenues - regulatory basis and statement of expenditures - regulatory basis of the various funds for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

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, the audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"), 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.



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

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

### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Borough of Englewood Cliffs on the basis of the financial reporting provisions prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of New Jersey.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs as of December 31, 2020, or changes in financial position for the year then ended.

### Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

As described in Note 13 of the financial statements, the Borough participates in a Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) for its volunteer fire and rescue personnel. The amount reflected in the trust fund statements of \$1,388,885 and \$1,148,215 for 2020 and 2019, respectively, were not audited and, therefore, we express no opinion on the LOSAP program. As described in Finding 2020-01 some legal response concerning litigation, claims and assessments, in accordance with Section 337, has not been received creating a scope limitation.

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### Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matters described in the "Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the regulatory basis balances sheets and account group as of December 31, 2020, the regulatory basis statements of operations for the year then ended and the regulatory basis statements of revenues and expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2020 in accordance with the basis of financial reporting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey as described in Note 1.

### Other Matters

### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's basic financial statements. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents and the letter of comments and recommendations section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental information listed in the table of contents is the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplemental information listed in the table of contents is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The letter of comments and recommendations section has not been subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 9, 2021 on our consideration of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial



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reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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August 9, 2021



### **Comparative Balance Sheet - Regulatory Basis**

### **Current Fund**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

<u>Assets</u>	Ref.		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Current Fund:				
Cash	A-4	\$	4,050,271	4,008,456
Change Fund	A-5	Ψ	300	300
Petty Cash Fund	A-6		300	300
Due from State of New Jersey - Senior Citizens'			·	
and Veterans' deductions	A-7	<del></del>		348
·			4,050,871	4,009,404
Receivables with full reserves:				
Delinquent property taxes receivable	A-8		454,353	484,915
Property acquired for taxes -			•	,
assessed valuation	A-9		39,528	39,528
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-10		485	322
Revenue accounts receivable	<b>A-1</b> 1		2,988	2,988
Interfunds	A-12	_	8,626	3,096
		_	505,980	530,849
Deferred Charges:				
Emergency Authorizations	A-13		335,000	900,000
Special Emergency Authorization	A-14	_	1,149,500	667,540
		_	1,484,500	1,567,540
Total Current Fund			6,041,351	6,107,793
Federal and State Grant Fund:				
Federal and State Grants Receivable	A-24		25,394	27,594
Due From Current Fund	A-25	_	216,318	250,113
Total Federal and State Grant Fund			241,712	277,707
		\$ _	6,283,063	6,385,500

### **Comparative Balance Sheet - Regulatory Basis**

### **Current Fund**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

	Ref.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance			
Regular Fund:			
Liabilities:			
Appropriation reserves	A-3, A-15	807,440	1,238,698
Encumbrances	A-16	246,511	466,573
Due to State of New Jersey - Senior Citizens'			
and Veterans' deductions	A-7	152	
Prepaid taxes	A-17	323,250	544,613
Tax overpayments	A-18	6,957	273
County Taxes Payable	A-19	231,534	15,964
Interfunds	A-12	217,780	252,261
Reserve for Miscellaneous Reserves	A-21	338,241	372,203
Emergency Note Payable	A-22		900,000
Special Emergency Notes Payable	A-23	496,400	667,540
		2,668,265	4,458,125
Reserve for receivables		505,980	530,849
Fund balance	A-1	2,867,106	1,118,819
Total Current Fund		6,041,351	6,107,793
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Appropriated Reserves	A-26	227,242	256,629
Unappropriated Reserves	A-27	14,470	21,078
Total Federal and State Grant Fund		241,712	277,707
		\$ 6,283,063	6,385,500

### Comparative Statement of Operations and **Changes in Fund Balance - Regulatory Basis**

### **Current Fund**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Revenue and Other Income:			
Fund Balance Utilized	\$	221,200	1,217,114
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	ψ	2,038,740	2,599,272
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes		485,076	324,059
Receipts from Current Taxes		39,714,767	36,195,677
Non-budget Revenue		54,287	85,698
Other Credits to Income:		34,207	65,076
Prior Year's Interfunds Returned			112
Animal License Fund Excess		1,672	112
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves		1,273,136	351,535
Onexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves	-	1,273,130	331,333
Total Revenue and Other Income	_	43,788,878	40,773,467
Expenditures:			
Budget and Emergency Appropriations:			
Operations:			
Salaries and Wages		5,536,342	6,611,826
Other Expenses		7,816,871	8,660,076
Municipal Debt Service		2,697,889	2,138,785
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures		3,651,758	1,598,897
Capital Improvement Fund		25,000	60,000
Local District School Taxes		14,066,171	13,517,786
County Taxes		8,750,392	8,739,823
Due County for Added Taxes		231,534	15,964
Interfund Advanced		4,012	1,652
Prior Year Refunds		27,522	1,175
THO FOU ACTURES	-	21,322	1,175
Total Expenditures	_	42,807,491	41,345,984
Excess/(Deficit) in Revenue		981,387	(572,517)
Adjustments to Income Before Fund Balance:			
Expenditures Included Above Which are			
by Statute Deferred Charges to Budgets			
of Succeeding Years		988,100	1,520,500
<b>3</b>	-		
Statutory Excess to Surplus		1,969,487	947,983
Fund Balance, January 1		1,118,819	1 297 050
Fund Dalance, January 1	-	1,110,019	1,387,950
Decreased by utilization as anticipated revenue	-	221,200	1,217,114
Fund balance, December 31	\$ _	2,867,106	1,118,819

### Comparative Statement of Revenues - Regulatory Basis

### **Current Fund**

		Budget	Realized	Excess (deficit)
Surplus Anticipated	\$_	221,200	221,200	
Miscellaneous Revenues:				•
Licenses - Alcoholic Beverages		22,240	19,440	(2,800)
Fees and Permits:		•	,	( ) /
Construction Code Official		448,100	246,669	(201,431)
Other		43,495	43,649	154
Municipal Court - Fines and Costs		47,059	20,920	(26,139)
Interest and Costs on Taxes		113,407	102,929	(10,478)
Interest on Investments		11,529	14,796	3,267
Commercial Sewer User Fees		259,200	244,029	(15,171)
Cable TV - Annual Fees		33,000	18,224	(14,776)
Cell Tower - Annual Leases		354,000	390,011	36,011
Burglar Alarm Fees		250	125	(125)
Elevator Fees		35,000	31,813	(3,187)
Energy Receipts Tax		691,474	691,474	
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropri	riations	s:		
Recycling Tonnage Grant		7,631	7,631	
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund				
Clean Communities Grant		13,447	13,447	
Body Armor Grant		•		
General Capital Fund Balance		16,993	16,993	
Sewer Hook Up Fees		224,000	116,000	(108,000)
Recreation Fees		72,700	5,398	(67,302)
Police - Outside Duty		150,000	55,182	(94,818)
Total Miscellaneous Revenues		2,543,525	2,038,730	(504,795)
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Receipts from Delinquent Taxes		510,000	485,076	(24,924)
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of				(= 1,1 = 1)
Municipal Budget - Local Tax for Municipal				
Purposes		16,287,333	17,423,761	1,136,428
p. t m . t	_	40.500.000		
Budget Totals	\$_	19,562,058	20,168,767	606,709
Nonbudget Revenue			54,287	
			\$ 20,223,054	

### Comparative Statement of Revenues - Regulatory Basis

### **Current Fund**

### Year ended December 31, 2020

### Analysis of Realized Revenue

Allocation of Current Tax Collections:		
Revenue from Collections	\$	39,714,767
Less: Allocated to School and County Taxes		23,111,006
Balance for Support of Municipal		
Budget		16,603,761
Add Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		920 000
Add Reserve for Unconected Taxes	_	820,000
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget	\$_	17,423,761
Pagainta frama	_	
Receipts from:		105.056
Delinquent Tax Collections	_	485,076
	\$	485,076
	· =	
Analysis of non-budget revenue:		
Fire Prevention Fees		3,300
Rent		1
Miscellaneous		12,900
Bus Shelter		406
JIF Dividend		15,935
Elections		60
Maintenance		3,245
On Line Fees		3,428
LEA Rebates		13,642
Fines		950
Penalties		420
	\$_	54,287

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Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

### Current Fund

	Cancelled																													
1 2020	Reserved				75	6,646				-	20,115		11,879	6,292			1,699		33,873	950		5,654				86,259		83,663	62,017	
Expended 2020	Paid or Charged				174,465	69,054		18,000		7,879	66,185		159,621	41,258		19,001	1,601		458,127	30,050		34,346			10,900	126,156		546,881	1,296,401	
Total for 2020 as	Modified by all Transfers				174,540	75,700		18,000		7,880	86,300		171,500	47,550		19,001	6,300		492,000	31,000		40,000			10,900	212,415		630,544	1,358,418	
	Budget				158,940	75,700		18,000		7,800	86,300		171,500	47,550		19,000	6,300		750,000	30,000		40,000			10,000	242,415		630,544	1,518,000	
		-	-		<del>69</del>																									
		Operations-within "CAPS"	General Government:	Administrative and Executive:	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Governing Body	Salaries and Wages	Financial administration:	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Collection of Taxes:	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Assessment of Taxes:	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Legal services and costs:	Other Expenses	Appraisal Fees	Engineering services and costs	Other Expenses	Municipal Land Use Law (NJSA40:55D-1)	Planning Board	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Insurance	Other Insurance Premiums	Group Insurance Plan for Employees	COAH

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# Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

## Current Fund

	Cancelled												
12020	Reserved	3,462	122,063 9,969	32,550	10,888 39,134	250		170 57	7,397	39,065	22,736	1,370	068
Expended 2020	Charged	1,766,538	3,751,937 286,281	44,450	89,112 37,783	22,750	14,000	177	870,133 109,303	40,935	457,264	088'09	17,110
Total for 2020 as	all Transfers	1,770,000	3,874,000 296,250	77,000	100,000 76,917	23,000	14,000	000	954,000 116,700	80,000	480,000	62,250	18,000
	Budget	1,335,000	3,974,000 296,250	77,000	100,000 76,917	23,000	14,000		934,000	80,000	420,000	52,250	12,000
		Other Expenses Public Safety:	Police: Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	Fire Official: Salaries and Wages	Fire Hydrant Services Other Expenses	Clothing Expenses	Municipal Court: Salaries and Wages- Prosc/Pub Defender	Public Works Function: Road Repairs and Maintenance:	Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	Gasoline	Garbage and Trash Removal: Other Expenses	Public Buildings and Grounds: Other Expenses	Sewer System: Other Expenses

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# Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

## Current Fund

	Cancelled																
1 2020	Reserved	355	1,489	866	2,031	62	5,238		2,189	10,826	3,064		1,675	8,583	o c	80	1,120
Expended 2020	Paid or Charged	77,645	42,310	384	13,569	1,238	39,262		5,811	41,974	8,086		113,845	33,667	0,00	7,862	8,880
Total for 2020 as	Moduhed by all Transfers	78,000	43,799	1,250	15,600	1,300	44,500		8,000	52,800	11,150		115,520	42,250	0000	006,8	10,000
	Budget	60,000	43,799	1,250	15,600	1,300	74,500		8,000	52,800	11,150		99,520	42,250	0	006,6	10,000
		Shade Tree: Other Expenses Health and Welfare:	Board of Health: Other Expenses	Environmental Commission: Other Expenses	Senior Citizens Committee: Other Expenses	Parks and Playgrounds: Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Celebration of Public Event, Anniversary or Holidav	Other Expenses	Municipal Court Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Appropriations Offset by Dedicated Revenues Construction Official	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Plumbing Inspector	Salaries and Wages	Fite Sub-Core Curvia. Salaries and Wages

Borough of Englewood Cliffs

Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

Current Fund

		Cancelled																									
12020	•	Reserved					2,042					23,141	5,254	12,388	15,067	774,192		341 156	001,447	530,036			15,829		1,611		17,440
Expended 2020	Paid or	Charged		6,000	t	17,000	2,658		23,001			96,859	92,246	149,112	19,933	11,431,743		5 707 196	2,272,100	6,139,557		181,591	196,171	1,193,927	3,389		1,575,078
Total for 2020 as	Modified by	all Transfers		6,000		17,000	4,700		23,001			120,000	97,500	161,500	35,000	12,205,935	i	0107033	2,000,047	6,669,593		181,591	212,000	1,193,927	5,000		1,592,518
		Budget		000'9	1	17,000	4,700		23,000			120,000	97,500	146,500	35,000	12,205,935		000 000 3	2,603,760	6,602,175		181,591	212,000	1,193,927	2,000		1,592,518
			Sewer Inspection	Salaries and Wages	Fire Prevention	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Electrical Inspections	Salaries and Wages	Unclassified:	Utilities:	Electricity and Heating Oil	Telephone and Fax	Street Lighting	Water	Total Operations within "CAPS"		Detail:	Salarnes and Wages	Other Expenses (Including Contingent)	(E) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures-	Public Employees' Retirement System	Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	Police and Firemen's Retirement System of NJ	DCRP	Total Deferred Charged and Statutory Expenditures-	Municipal within "CAPS"

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# Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

### Current Fund

	Cancelled									
12020	Reserved	791,632	6,153		9,655			15,808	15,808	
Expended 2020	Paid or Charged	13,006,821	889,847	15,200 40,000	15,345	150,000	7,631	1,131,470	1,131,470	25,000
Total for 2020 as	Modified by all Transfers	13,798,453	896,000	15,200 40,000	25,000	150,000	7,631	13,447	1,147,278	25,000
	Budget	13,798,453	896,000	15,200 40,000	25,000	150,000	7,631	13,447	1,147,278	25,000 25,000
		Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  Bergen County Utilities Authority  Sewer Charges - Contractual	Sewer Charges - Borough of Tenafly Sewer Charges - City of Englewood	LOSAP	Library Services  Maintenance of Free Public Library	Public and Private Programs Offiset by Revenues: Recycling Tonnage Grant	Clean Communities Grant Total Operations-Excluded from "CAPS"	Detail: Other Expenses	Capital Improvements - Excluded from "CAPS" Capital Improvement Fund Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"

Borough of Englewood Cliffs

# Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

### Current Fund

Borough of Englewood Cliffs

Statement of Expenditures - Regulatory Basis

### Current Fund

			Cancelled										
	2020		Reserved										
	Expended 2020	Paid or	Charged				246,511	25,000	21,078	1,071,140	820,000	17,556,764	19,740,493
Total for	2020 as	Modified by	all Transfers	335,000	653,100 19,562,058	20,550,158	Encumbrances \$	Capital Improvement Fund	ite Grant Fund	Deferred Charges	ollected Taxes	Cash _	<del>6/3</del>
			Budget	Emergency Appropriation \$	Special Emergency Appropriation Adopted Budget	•		Capital Impr	Federal and State Grant Fund	Del	Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### Comparative Balance Sheet - Regulatory Basis

### **Trust Funds**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Dog License Trust Fund: Cash	B-1	6,894 6,894	5,039 5,039
Other Trust Fund:			
Cash	B-1	2,994,077	2,962,895
Tax Sale Receivable	B-2	50	50
Due from Other Funds	B-3	81,565	81,631
		3,075,692	3,044,576
Emergency Services Volunteer Length of			
Service Award Program (unaudited):			
Cash in Plan	B-1	1,377,385	1,132,870
Contributions Receivable	B-10	11,500	15,345
		1,388,885	1,148,215
	\$	4,471,471	4,197,830

### **Comparative Balance Sheet - Regulatory Basis**

### **Trust Funds**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

	Ref.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance			
Dog License Fund:			
Due to Current	B-3	2,633	961
Due to State of New Jersey	B-4		1
Reserve for Dog Fund expenditures	B-5	4,261	4,077
		6,894	5,039
Other Trust Fund:			
Due to Other Funds	B-3	86,073	81,618
Due to State of New Jersey	B-6	9,645	11,518
Reserve For:		•	,
Other Trust Deposits	B-7	1,814,167	1,882,562
COAH Development	B-8	1,094,323	997,625
DEA Forefeiture Expenditures	B-9	71,484	71,253
		3,075,692	3,044,576
Emergency Services Volunteer Length of Service Award Program (unaudited):			
Net Assets available for Benefits	B-11	1,388,885	1,148,215
		\$ 4,471,471	4,197,830
See accompanying notes to financial statements.			

### Comparative Balance Sheet - Regulatory Basis

### General Capital Fund

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

<u>Assets</u>	Ref.		<u>2020</u>	2019
Cash	C-2,C-3	\$	1,990,877	1,127,306
Grants Receivable	,	•	2,5 5 0,0 1 ,	1,127,500
New Jersey Department of Transportation	C-4		215,760	215,760
Bergen County ADA Grant	C-5		46,000	46,000
Due from Ambulance Corp.	C-6		100,000	100,000
Due from Payroll Fund	C-7		ŕ	650,000
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:				
Funded	C-8		8,530,000	9,883,000
Unfunded	C-9	-	10,878,985	10,398,472
		\$_	21,761,622	22,420,538
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance				
Due to Current Fund	C-7		23	·
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-10		9,271,518	9,218,505
General Serial Bonds	C-11		8,210,000	9,475,000
Capital Leases Payable	C-12		320,000	408,000
Improvement Authorizations:			,	,
Funded	C-13		262,085	214,429
Unfunded	C-13		3,212,735	2,026,004
Encumbrances Payable	C-14		190,088	785,182
Capital Improvement Fund	C-15		39,839	87,339
Reserve for Cost of Issuance	C-16		4,086	4,086
Reserve for Boswell Settlement	C-17		185,000	185,000
Fund Balance	C-1		66,248	16,993
		\$_	21,761,622	22,420,538

There were \$1,607,467 and \$1,179,967 of Bonds and Notes Authorized But Not Issued on December 31, 2020 and 2019 respectively (Exhibit C-18).

### Exhibit C-1

### **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

### Comparative Statement of Fund Balance - Regulatory Basis

### **General Capital Fund**

### Year ended December 31, 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Balance - December 31,	\$ 16,993	67,429
Increased by:		
Premium Received on Note Sale	 66,248	16,992
	83,241	84,421
Decreased by:		
Current Fund Budget Revenue	 16,993	67,428
Balance - December 31,	\$ 66,248	16,993

### Comparative Statement of General Fixed Assets - Regulatory Basis

### **General Fixed Assets Account Group**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
General fixed assets:			
Land	\$	73,839,615	73,817,090
Buildings		9,360,673	9,360,673
Vehicles and equipment	_	7,818,375	7,656,236
	****	91,018,663	90,833,999
Investment in general fixed assets	\$_	91,018,663	90,833,999

### Exhibit F

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J.

### **Comparative Balance Sheet-Regulatory Basis**

### **Payroll Account**

### December 31, 2020 and 2019

<u>Assets</u>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Cash Deficit in Payroll Reserve	\$ _	756 8,015	641,985 8,015
	\$ _	8,771	650,000
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Due to Capital Fund Payroll Agency Payable	\$_	8,771	650,000
	\$_	8,771	650,000

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The GASB Codification establishes seven fund types and two account groups to be used by governmental units when reporting financial position and results of operations in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

The financial statements of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division") which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Borough accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds which differ from the fund structure required by GAAP.

### A. Reporting Entity

The Borough of Englewood Cliffs (the "Borough") operates under a Borough Council form of government. The Borough's major operations include public safety, road repair and maintenance, sanitation, fire protection, recreation and parks, health services, and general administrative services.

GASB has issued Statement No. 14 which requires the financial reporting entity to include both the primary government and those component units for which the primary government is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and either a) the ability to impose will by the primary government, or b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government.

However, the municipalities in the State of New Jersey do not prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP and thus do not comply with all of the GASB pronouncements. The financial statements contained herein include only those boards, bodies, officers or commissions as required by NJS 40A:5-5. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Borough do not include the volunteer fire department which is considered a component unit under GAAP. Complete financial statements of the above components can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer of the respective entity.

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

### B. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

The Borough uses funds, as required by the Division, to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial administration by segregating transactions related to certain Borough functions or activities. An account group, on the other hand, is designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in those Funds.

The Borough has the following funds and account group:

<u>Current Fund</u> - This fund accounts for resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including Federal and State grants.

<u>Trust Funds</u> - Trust Funds are used to account for assets held by the government in a trustee capacity. Funds held by the Borough as an agent for individual, private organizations, or other governments are recorded in Trust Funds.

<u>Dog License Trust Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for fees collected from dog licenses and expenditures which are regulated by NJS 4:19-15.11.

<u>Regular Trust Fund</u> - This fund is established to account for the assets and resources which are also held by the Borough as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds.

<u>Emergency Services Volunteer Length of Service Award Program</u> - This fund is used to account for the cumulative payments to participant's in the emergency services volunteer length of service award program including any income, gains, losses or increases or decreases in market value attributable to the investment of the participant's length of service awards.

<u>General Capital Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for the receipt and disbursement of funds used for acquisition or improvement of general capital facilities, other than those acquired in the Current Fund.

General Fixed Assets Account Group - To account for all fixed assets of the Borough. The Borough's infrastructure is not reported in the group.

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

### Basis of Accounting

A modified accrual basis of accounting is followed by the Borough of Englewood Cliffs. Under this method of accounting revenues, except State/Federal Aid, are recognized when received and expenditures are recorded, when incurred. The accounting principles and practices prescribed for municipalities by the Division differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) applicable to local government units. The more significant differences are as follows:

Property Tax Revenues - Real property taxes are assessed locally, based upon the assessed value of the property. The tax bill includes a levy for Municipal, County, and School purposes. The bills are mailed annually in June for that calendar year's levy. Taxes are payable in four quarterly installments on February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. The amounts of the first and second installments are determined as one quarter of the total tax levied against the property for the preceding year. The installment due the third and fourth quarters is determined by taking the current year levy less the amount previously charged for the first and second installments, with the remainder being divided equally. If unpaid on these dates, the amount due becomes delinquent and subject to interest at 8% per annum, or 18% on any delinquency amount in excess of \$1,500. The school levy is turned over to the Board of Education as expenditures are incurred. and the balance, if any, must be transferred as of June 30, of each fiscal year. County taxes are paid quarterly on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15, to the County by the Borough. When unpaid taxes or any municipal lien, or part thereof, on real property, remains in arrears on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in the fiscal year when the same became in arrears, the collector in the municipality shall subject to the provisions of the New Jersey Statutes enforce the lien by placing the property on a tax sale. Annual in rem tax foreclosure proceedings are instituted to enforce the tax collection or acquisition of title to the property by the Borough. In accordance with the accounting principles prescribed by the State of New Jersey, current and delinquent taxes are realized as revenue when collected. Since delinquent taxes and liens are fully reserved, no provision has been made to estimate that portion of the taxes receivable and tax title liens that are uncollectible. GAAP requires property tax revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

<u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u> - Miscellaneous revenues are recognized on a cash basis. Receivables for the miscellaneous items that are susceptible to accrual are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the Borough's Current Fund. GAAP requires such revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual.

<u>Grant Revenues</u> - Federal and State grants, entitlements or shared revenues received for purposes normally financed through the Current Fund are recognized when anticipated in the Borough's budget. GAAP requires such revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual.

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

Basis of Accounting, (continued)

<u>Budgets and Budgetary Accounting</u> - An annual budget is required to be adopted and integrated into the accounting system to provide budgetary control over revenues and expenditures of the current fund. Budget amounts presented in the accompanying financial statements represent amounts adopted by the Borough and approved by the State Division of Local Government Services per N.J.S.A. 40A:4 et seq.

The Borough is not required to adopt budgets for the following funds:

General Capital Fund Trust Funds

The governing body shall introduce and approve the annual budget not later than February 10, of the fiscal year. The budget shall be adopted not later than March 20, and prior to adoption must be certified by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. The Director of the Division of Local Government Services, with the approval of the Local Finance Board may extend the introduction and approval and adoption dates of the municipal budget. The budget is prepared by fund, function, activity and line item (salary or other expense) and includes information on the previous year. The legal level of control for appropriations is exercised at the individual line item level for all operating budgets adopted. Emergency appropriations, those made after the adoption of the budget and determination of the tax rate, may be authorized by the governing body of the municipality. During the last two months of the fiscal year, the governing body may, by a 2/3 vote, amend the budget through line item transfers. Management has no authority to amend the budget without the approval of the Governing Body. During the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Governing Body approved \$988,100 and \$1,520,500, respectively, in emergency appropriations for terminal leave and legal fees. In addition, several budget transfers were approved by the governing body in 2020 and 2019.

Expenditures - Are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally, expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with an encumbrance accounting system. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31, are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements. Unexpended or uncommitted appropriations, at December 31, are reported as expenditures through the establishment of appropriation reserves unless canceled by the governing body. GAAP requires expenditures to be recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on general long-term debt, which should be recognized when due.

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

Basis of Accounting, (continued)

<u>Encumbrances</u> - Contractual orders outstanding at December 31, are reported as expenditures through the establishment of an encumbrance payable. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures under GAAP.

<u>Appropriation Reserves</u> - Are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as additions to income. Appropriation reserves do not exist under GAAP.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> - Expenditures relating to obligations for unused vested accumulated vacation and sick pay are not recorded until paid. GAAP requires that the amount that would normally be liquidated with expendable available financial resources be recorded as an expenditure in the operating funds and the remaining obligations be recorded as a long-term obligation.

<u>Property Acquired for Taxes</u> - Is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and fully reserved. GAAP requires such property to be recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group at market value on the date of acquisition.

<u>Interfunds</u> - Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves. GAAP does not require the establishment of an offsetting reserve.

<u>Inventories</u> - The costs of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the various balance sheets.

<u>Cash and Investments</u> - Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within one year of the date acquired by the government. Investments are stated at cost which approximates fair value and are limited by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(a).

<u>Deferred Charges to Future Taxation Funded and Unfunded</u> - Upon the authorization of capital projects, the Borough establishes deferred charges for the costs of the capital projects to be raised by future taxation. Funded deferred charges relate to permanent debt issued, whereas unfunded deferred charges relate to temporary or nonfunding of the authorized cost of capital projects. According to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-4, the Borough may levy taxes on all taxable property within the local unit to repay the debt. Annually, the Borough raises the debt requirements for that particular year in the current budget. As the funds are raised by taxation, the deferred charges are reduced.

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

Basis of Accounting, (continued)

<u>General Fixed Assets</u> - The Borough of Englewood Cliffs has developed a fixed assets accounting and reporting system, as promulgated by The Division of Local Government Services, which differs in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles.

Fixed assets used in governmental operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized.

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available.

No depreciation has been provided for in the financial statements.

Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the Capital Funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation.

Fixed assets acquired through grants in aid or contributed capital have not been accounted for separately.

GAAP requires that fixed assets be capitalized at historical or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management of the Borough to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

<u>Comparative Data</u> - Comparative data for the prior year has been presented in the accompanying balance sheets and statements of operations in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Borough's financial position and operations. However, comparative data have not been presented in all statements because their inclusion would make certain statements unduly complex and difficult to understand.

### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

Basis of Accounting, (continued)

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

GASB Statement No. 88, Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, Including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placement. The objective of this Statement is to improve consistency in the information that is disclosed in notes to government financial statements related to debt, including direct borrowings and direct placements, and to provide financial statement users with additional essential information about debt.

### C. Basic Financial Statements

The GASB Codification also defines the financial statements of a governmental unit to be presented in the general purpose financial statements to be in accordance with GAAP. The Borough presents the financial statements listed in the table of contents which are required by the Division and which differ from the financial statements required by GAAP. In addition, the Division requires the financial statements listed in the table of contents to be referenced to the supplementary schedules. This practice differs from GAAP.

### NOTE 2. PENSION PLANS

### Description of Systems:

Borough employees participate in one of the two contributory, defined benefit public employee retirement systems: the State of New Jersey Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) or the State of New Jersey Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS); or the Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP), a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 401(a).

### NOTE 2. PENSION PLANS, (continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

### Plan Description

The State of New Jersey Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the "Division"). For additional information about the PERS, please refer to the Division's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) which can be found at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts.shtml">www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts.shtml</a>.

### Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS. The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

_Tier_	Definition	

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and Tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

### NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

Police and Firemens' Retirement System (PFRS)

### Plan Description

The State of New Jersey Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS), is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the "Division"). For additional information about the PFRS, please refer to the Division's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts.shtml.

### Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. PFRS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for disability benefits, which vest after 4 years of service. The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

Tier \_\_\_\_\_ Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (Tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (Tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

### Defined Contribution Retirement Program

Prudential Financial jointly administers the DCRP investments with the NJ Division of Pensions and Benefits. If an employee is ineligible to enroll in the PERS or PFRS, the employee may be eligible to enroll in the DCRP. DCRP provides eligible members with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting is immediate upon enrollment for members of the DCRP.

### NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

### <u>Defined Contribution Retirement Program</u>, (continued)

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the DCRP. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0295.

Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. Employee contributions are based on percentages of 5.50% for DCRP of employees' annual compensation, as defined. The DCRP was established July 1, 2007, under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2008. Employee contributions for DCRP are matched by a 3% employer contribution.

### Significant Legislation

On March 17, 2009, the legislative of the State of New Jersey enacted Public Laws 2009, c.19(S-21) the "Pension Deferral Program". This law allows the Division of Pensions and Benefits to provide non-state government pension system employers the option of paying their full amount, or an amount that reflects a 50 percent reduction of the normal and accrued liability component of the Public Employees' Retirement System and/or the Police and Firemen's Retirement System obligation for payment due to the State Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2009. The amount deferred will be repaid starting in April 2012 over a 15-year period at 8½ percent. The amount will fluctuate based on pension system investment earnings on the deferred amount. The local employer is allowed to payoff the obligation at any time prior to April 2012.

The Borough of Englewood Cliffs opted for this deferral in the amount of \$436,241. The amount outstanding at December 31, 2020 was \$173,351.

### Contribution Requirements

The contribution policy is set by laws of the State of New Jersey and, in most retirement systems, contributions are required by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. The pension funds provide for employee contributions based on 5.5% for PERS. This amount will increase to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased in over 7 years beginning 2012 and 8.5% for PFRS, which increased to 10% in October 2011, of the employee's annual compensation, as

## NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

Contribution Requirements, (continued)

defined by law. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in all Funds. The actuarially determined employer contribution includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments and noncontributory death benefits in the PERS and PFRS. In the PERS and PFRS, the employer contribution includes funding for post-retirement medical premiums.

The Borough's contribution to the various plans, equal to the required contributions for each year, were as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>DCRP</u>
2020	\$181,591	\$1,193,927	\$3,389
2019	169,565	1,117,155	3,904
2018	176,310	1,038,602	

Statement No's 68 and 71 require a state or local government employer to recognize a net pension liability measured as of a date (the measurement date) no earlier than the end of its prior fiscal year. However, since the financial statements are prepared on another comprehensive basis of accounting, the net pension liability of the various pension systems is not recorded in the financial statements and is only required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

# <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

#### **Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)**

At December 31, 2020, the Borough had a liability of \$2,834,217 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Borough's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating governmental entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the Borough's proportion was .0173799603 percent, which was an increase/(decrease) of (.00038821) percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

#### NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

## <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> Inflows of Resources Related to <u>Pensions</u>, (continued)

#### Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), (continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Borough recognized pension expense of \$190,128. At December 31, 2020, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$51,606	\$10,023
Changes of assumptions	91,945	1,186,713
Net difference between projected and actual earnings		
on pension plan investments	96,876	
Changes in proportion and differences between the Borough's		
contributions and proportionate share of contributions	236,708	<u>272,011</u>
Total	<u>\$477,135</u>	<u>\$1,468,747</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date (June 30, 2020) will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions (excluding changes in proportion) will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2021	\$(355,642)
2022	(324,238)
2023	(185,294)
2024	(74,930)
2025	(16.206)

#### **Changes in Proportion**

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 5.16, 5.21, 5.63, 5.48, 5.57, 5.72 and 6.44 years for 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014 amounts, respectively.

## NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)</u>

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), (continued)

#### **Additional Information**

Local Group Collective balances net of nonemployer (State of New Jersey) balances at June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 are as follows:

	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$2,347,583,337	\$3,149,522,616
Collective deferred inflows of resources	7,849,949,467	7,645,087,574
Collective net pension liability	16,435,616,426	18,018,482,972
Borough's Proportion	0.0173799603%	0.0177681746%

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	
Through 2026	2.00-6.00% (based on years of service)
Thereafter	3.00-7.00% (based on years of service)
Investment Rate of Return	7 00 Percent

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2019. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

## NOTE 2. PENSION PLANS, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)</u>

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), (continued)

#### **Mortality Rates**

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non- Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement based on Scale MP-2020.

#### **Long-Term Rate of Return**

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2020) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

## NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)</u>

#### Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), (continued)

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), (continued)

#### Sensitivity of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2020 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1 - percentage point lower or 1- percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2020		
	1%	At Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
•	<u>6.00%</u>	<u>7.00%</u>	<u>8.00%</u>
Borough's proportionate share of			
the pension liability	\$3,573,575	\$2,834,217	\$2,206,852

#### **Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). The financial report may be accessed at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

#### **Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)**

At December 31, 2020, the Borough had a liability of \$12,585,672 for its proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Borough's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating governmental entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the Borough's proportion was 0.0974023800 percent, which was an increase/(decrease) of (0.00148979) percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

# NOTE 2. PENSION PLANS, (continued)

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)

## Police and Firemen's Retirement System, (continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Borough recognized pension expense of \$563,661. At December 31, 2020, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS from the following sources:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	<u>Resources</u>
Difference in actual and expected experience	\$126,885	\$45,168
Changes of assumptions	31,672	3,374,143
Net difference between projected and actual earnings		
on pension plan investments	737,957	
Changes in proportion and differences between Borough		
contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>748,638</u>	2,155,110
Total	<u>\$1.645,152</u>	<u>\$5,574,421</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date (June 30, 2020) will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions (excluding changes in proportion) will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 3	0:	
2021		\$(1,208,700,565)
2022		(815,726,399)
2023		(332,087,897)
2024		(125,450,959)
2025	•	(108,112,902)

## NOTE 2. PENSION PLANS, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)</u>

Police and Firemen's Retirement System, (continued)

### **Changes in Proportion**

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 5.90, 5.92, 5.73, 5.59, 5.58, 5.53 and 6.17 years for 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014 amounts, respectively.

#### **Additional Information**

Local Group Collective balances net of nonemployer (State of New Jersey) balances at June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 are as follows:

•	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$1,601,195,680	\$1,198,936,924
Collective deferred inflows of resources	4,191,274,402	4,874,748,912
Collective net pension liability	14,926,648,722	12,237,818,793
Borough's Proportion	0.0974023800%	0.1123002773%

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	
Through all Future Years	3.25-15.25% (based on years of service)
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

#### NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System, (continued)

#### **Mortality Rates**

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Employee mortality table with a 105.6% adjustment for males and 102.5% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Retiree Below-Median Income Weighted mortality table with a 96.7% adjustment for males and 96.0% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. For beneficiaries (contingent annuitants), the Pub-2010 General Retiree Below-Median Income Weighted mortality table was used, unadjusted, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability rates were based on Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 152.0% adjustment for males and 109.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2019.

#### Long-Term Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2020) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PFRS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

## NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)

#### Police and Firemen's Retirement System, (continued)

	Tonont	Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)</u>

Police and Firemen's Retirement System, (continued)

#### Sensitivity of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2020 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1 - percentage point lower or 1- percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2020		
	1%	At Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	<u>6.00%</u>	<u>7.00%</u>	<u>8.00%</u>
Borough's proportionate share of			
the pension liability	\$17,380,520	\$12,585,672	\$8,603,184

#### **Special Funding Situation - PFRS**

Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, the Borough is responsible for their own PFRS contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State to make contributions if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the Borough by the State under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, the Borough's proportionate share percentage of the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows determined under GASB Statement No. 68 is zero percent and the State's proportionate share is 100% for PFRS under this legislation.

#### NOTE 2. <u>PENSION PLANS</u>, (continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions, (continued)

## Police and Firemen's Retirement System, (continued)

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the State proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Borough for the PFRS special funding situation is \$1,953,239 and \$2,170,062, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the pension system has determined the State's proportionate share of the pension expense attributable to the Borough for the PFRS special funding situation is \$221,361 and \$252,143, respectively, which is more than the actual contributions the State made on behalf of the Borough of \$150,301 and \$146,217, respectively. The State's proportionate share attributable to the Borough was developed based on actual contributions made to PFRS allocated to employers based upon covered payroll. These on-behalf contributions have not been reported on the Borough's financial statements.

#### **Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). The financial report may be accessed at <a href="https://www.state.ni.us/treasury/pensions.">www.state.ni.us/treasury/pensions.</a>

#### NOTE 3. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

In addition to the pension benefits described in Note 2, the Borough provides post employment health care benefits as part of the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan.

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

The State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. The plan meets the definition of an equivalent arrangement as defined in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (GASB Statement No. 75); therefore, assets are accumulated to pay associated benefits. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the State), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the Division) Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which can be found at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml.

#### NOTE 3. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB), (continued)

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug to retirees and their covered dependents of the employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L. 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provides they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

The following Other Post Employment Benefit information is as of June 30, 2019 which is the latest information available as of the date of this report. This information is eighteen months prior to December 31, 2020. GASB Statement No. 75 requires that the information be no more than twelve months prior to the employer's fiscal year end. No modification of the Independent Auditor's Report is being made since the Division of Local Government Services, Department of County Affairs, State of New Jersey is permitting the regulator basis financial statements of Municipal, County and Library's to be issued with unmodified opinion's until such time current Other Post Employment Benefit information is available.

## NOTE 3. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB), (continued)

At December 31, 2019, the Borough had a liability of \$7,510,077 for its proportionate share of the non-special funding net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2019 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Borough's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers a in the plan. At June 30, 2019 the Borough's proportion was .0554410 percent.

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Borough recognized OPEB expense of \$(935,313). At December 31, 2019, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$	\$2,196,239
Changes of assumptions		2,661,404
Net difference between projected and actual earnings		
on OPEB plan investments	6,186	
Changes in proportion and differences between the Borough's	•	
contributions and proportionate share of contributions	337,848	5,990,680
Total	<u>\$344,034</u>	<u>\$10,848,323</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the OPEB liability in the subsequent year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB (excluding changes in proportion) will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2020	\$(790,146)
2021	(790,146)
2022	(790,631)
2023	(791,415)
2024	(792,131)
Thereafter	(896,988)

## NOTE 3. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB), (continued)

#### **Changes in Proportion**

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 8.05, 8.14 and 8.04 years for 2019, 2018 and 2017 amounts, respectively.

#### Actual Assumptions and Other Inputs

The total OPEB liability for the June 30, 2019 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018, which rolled forward to June 30, 2019. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2018 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2016, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2018. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement

Inflation rate 2.50%

Salary increases\*:

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Initial fiscal year applied

Rate through 2026 2.00% to 6.00% Rate thereafter 3.00% to 7.00%

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Rate for all future years 3.25% to 15.25%

Mortality:

PERS

Pub-2010 General classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019

**PFRS** 

Pub-2010 Safety classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

<sup>\*</sup> Salary increases are based on years of service within the respective plan.

## NOTE 3. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB), (continued)

#### **Health Care Trend Assumptions**

For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend is initially 5.7% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rates for fiscal year 2020 are reflected.. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.5% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years.

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate for June 30, 2019 and 2018 was 3.50% and 3.87%, respectively. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the Division. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less that the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

## Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of June 30, as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2019		
	1%	At Current	1%
	Decrease 2.50%	Discount Rate 3.50%	Increase <u>4.50%</u>
Borough's proportionate share of Net OPEB liability	\$8,683,560	\$7,510,077	\$6,556,468

## Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Trend Rates:

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of June 30, as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2019		
	1%	Healthcare Cost	1%
	<u>Decrease</u>	Trend Rate	Increase
Borough's proportionate share of			<b>40.005.505</b>
Net OPEB liability	\$6,337,580	\$7,510,077	\$9,005,795

# NOTE 4. MUNICIPAL DEBT

Long-term debt as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 consisted of the following:

Bonds Payable:	Balance Dec. 31, 2019	Additions	Reductions	Ending <u>Balance</u>	Amounts Due Within One Year
General Obligation Debt	<u>\$9,475,000</u>	\$	\$1,265,000	\$8,210,000 8,210,000	\$1,305,000
Total Bonds Payable	9,475,000		1,265,000	8,210,000	1,305,000
Other Liabilities: Pension Deferral General Capital:	214,250		40,899	173,351	44,513
BCIA Leases Payable	408,000	•	88,000	320,000	97,000
Compensated Absences Payable	2,926,677	379,328	1,038,039	2,267,966	<del></del>
Total Other Liabilities	3,548,927	379,328	1,166,938	2,761,317	<u>141,513</u>
	<u>\$13,023,927</u>	<u>\$379,328</u>	<u>\$2,431,938</u>	<u>\$10,971,317</u>	<u>\$1,446,513</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 2018	<u>Additions</u>	Reductions	Ending <u>Balance</u>	Amounts Due Within One Year
Bonds Payable: General Obligation Debt	\$10,720,000	\$	\$1,245,000	\$9,475,000	\$1,265,000
Total Bonds Payable	10,720,000	<del>*************************************</del>	1,245,000	9,475,000	1,265,000
Other Liabilities: Pension Deferral	252,090		37,840	214,250	40,899
General Capital: BCIA Leases Payable	488,000		80,000	408,000	88,000
Compensated Absences Payable	<u>2,774,901</u>	<u>597,511</u>	<u>445,735</u>	2,926,677	100,000
Total Other Liabilities	<u>3,514,991</u>	<u>597,511</u>	<u>563,575</u>	3,548,927	128,899

## NOTE 4. MUNICIPAL DEBT, (continued)

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds and notes to finance capital expenditures. General obligation bonds have been issued for the general capital fund. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. Bonds issued by the Borough are general obligation bonds, backed by the full faith and credit of the Borough. Bond anticipation notes, which are issued to temporarily finance capital projects, must be paid off within ten years and five months or retired by the issuance of bonds.

The Borough's debt is summarized as follows:

#### Summary of Municipal Debt (Excluding Current Operating Debt)

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Issued: General - Bonds, Notes and Loans Authorized But Not Issued - General	\$17,481,518	\$18,693,505	\$16,563,858
Bonds and Notes	<u>1,607,467</u>	1,179,967	1,009,967
Total Bonds, Notes and Loans Issued and Authorized Not Issued	19,088,985	19,873,472	17,573,825
Less: Deductions Net Debt	\$19,088,985	<u>\$19,873,472</u>	<u>\$17,573,825</u>

#### Summary of Statutory Debt Condition - Annual Debt Statement

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of 529% for 2020.

	Gross Debt	<u>Deductions</u>	Net Debt
General Debt	\$19,088,985	\$	\$19,088,985
Local School Debt	<u>340,000</u>	340,000	0
	<u>\$19,428,985</u>	<u>\$340,000</u>	<u>\$19,088,985</u>

Net debt of \$19,088,985 divided by equalized valuation basis per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-2 as amended of \$3,610,659,409 equals .529%.

## NOTE 4. MUNICIPAL DEBT, (continued)

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of .551% for 2019.

	Gross Debt	<u>Deductions</u>	Net Debt
General Debt	\$19,873,472	\$	\$19,873,472
Local School Debt	<u>685,000</u>	<u>685,000</u>	0
	<u>\$20,558,472</u>	<u>\$685,000</u>	<u>\$19,873,472</u>

Net debt of \$19,873,472 divided by equalized valuation basis per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-2 as amended of \$3,605,348,650 equals .551%.

### Borrowing Power Available Under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6 as Amended

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
3-1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$126,373,079	\$126,187,203
Net Debt	<u>19,088,985</u>	19,873,472
Remaining Borrowing Power	<u>\$107,284,094</u>	<u>\$106,313,731</u>

The Borough's long-term debt consisted of the following at December 31, 2020:

### Paid by Current Fund:

\$9,885,000 General Improvement Bonds - with an interest rate of	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
2.00% to 3.00% issued March 15, 2014, due through March 15,2030	\$6,860,000	\$7,460,000
\$3,205,000 General Improvement Refunding Bonds - with an interest rate of 1.550% issued March 3, 2016, due through July 15, 2022	_1,350,000	2,015,000
Total General Serial Bonds	<u>\$8,210,000</u>	<u>\$9,475,000</u>

## NOTE 4. MUNICIPAL DEBT, (continued)

Aggregate annual debt service requirements for bonded debt issued and outstanding:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	Principal	<u>Interest</u>
2021	1,505,775	1,305,000	200,775
2022	1,507,540	1,330,000	177,540
2023	828,750	675,000	153,750
2024	836,500	700,000	136,500
2025	815,500	700,000	115,500
2026-2030	<u>3,762,500</u>	_3,500,000	262,500
	<u>\$9,256,565</u>	<u>\$8,210,000</u>	<u>\$1,046,565</u>

General capital serial bonds are direct obligations of the Borough for which its full faith and credit are pledged, and are payable from taxes levied on all taxable property located within the Borough.

At December 31, 2020, the Borough had authorized but not issued debt of \$1,607,467.

#### NOTE 5. CAPITAL LEASES PAYABLE

The Borough entered into an \$870,000 capital lease through the Bergen County Improvement Authority for the retirement of its outstanding unfunded pension liability. Principal and interest payments are due semi-annually through 2023. During 2012, the Borough entered into a new lease agreement to refinance the original unfunded pension liability. Principal and interest payments are due semi-annually through 2023. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments under the agreements, and the present value of the net minimum lease payments at December 31, 2020:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2021	\$105,544	\$97,000	\$8,544
2022	111,461	106,000	5,461
2023	<u>118,907</u>	<u> 117,000</u>	<u>1,907</u>
	<u>\$335,912</u>	<u>\$320,000</u>	<u>\$15,912</u>

#### NOTE 6. BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES

The Borough issues bond anticipation notes to temporarily fund various capital projects prior to the issuance of serial bonds. The term of the notes cannot exceed one year but the notes may be renewed from time to time for a period not exceeding one year. Generally, such notes must be paid no later than the first day of the fifth month following the close of the tenth anniversary of the date of the original note. The State of New Jersey also prescribes that on or before the third anniversary date of the original note a payment of an amount at least equal to the first legally payable installment of the bonds in anticipation of which such notes were issued be paid or retired. A second and third legal installment must be paid if the notes are to be renewed beyond the fourth and fifth anniversary date of the original issuance.

On December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Borough had \$9,271,518 and \$9,218,505, respectively, in outstanding General Capital bond anticipation notes.

The following activity related to bond anticipation notes occurred during the periods ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

-	Balance Dec. 31, 2019	Additions	Reductions	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
General Capital Notes Payable:				
TD Securities LLC	\$6,293,505	\$	\$6,293,505	\$0
Amboy Bank	2,925,000		2,925,000	0
BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC		6,766,518		6,766,518
TD Securities LLC		2,505,000		2,505,000
	\$9,218,505	\$9,271,518	\$9,218,505	\$9,271,518
	Balance			Balance
	Dec. 31, 2018	Additions	Reductions	Dec. 31, 2019
General Capital Notes Payable:	<u>D00, 31, 2010</u>	radicions	roductions	<u>1900. 31, 2019</u>
TD Securities LLC	\$	\$6,293,505	\$	\$6,293,505
Amboy Bank		2,925,000		2,925,000
Oppenheimer & Co., Inc.	5,843,858		5,843,858	0
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#### NOTE 7. SPECIAL EMERGENCY NOTES

Following the adoption of an ordinance or resolution for special emergency appropriations, the Borough may borrow money and issue special emergency notes which may be renewed from time to time, but at least 1/3 or 1/5 of all such notes and the renewal thereof, shall mature and be paid in each year so that all notes have been paid by the end of the third or fifth year following the date of the special emergency resolution.

On December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Borough had \$496,400 and \$667,540, respectively, in outstanding Current Fund Special Emergency notes.

## NOTE 7. SPECIAL EMERGENCY NOTES, (continued)

The following activity related to special emergency notes occurred during the calendar years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

	Balance Dec. 31, 2019	Additions	Reductions	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
Amboy Bank Township of East Brunswick TD Securities LLC	\$620,500 47,040 \$667,540	\$ <u>496,400</u> <u>\$496,400</u>	\$620,500 47,040 \$667,540	\$0 0 <u>496,400</u> <u>\$496,400</u>
	Balance Dec. 31, 2018	Additions	Reductions	Balance Dec. 31, 2019
Amboy Bank Township of East Brunswick Oppenheimer & Co., Inc.	\$	\$620,500 47,040 \$667,540	\$ <u>140,280</u> <u>\$140,280</u>	\$620,500 47,040 0 \$667,540

#### NOTE 8. EMERGENCY NOTES

Any local unit may borrow money and issue its negotiable notes to meet an emergency appropriation. All emergency notes, and any renewals thereof, shall mature not later than the last day of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the notes were issued and the emergency appropriation authorized.

On December 31. 2020 and 2019, the Borough had \$-0- and \$900,000, respectively, in outstanding Current Fund Emergency notes.

The following activity related to emergency notes occurred during the calendar years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

	Balance <u>Dec. 31, 2019</u>	Additions	Reductions	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
Amboy Bank	<u>\$900,000</u>	\$	<u>\$900,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
	Balance <u>Dec. 31, 2018</u>	Additions	Reductions	Balance <u>Dec. 31, 2019</u>
Amboy Bank	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$900,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$900,000</u>

#### NOTE 9. <u>DEFERRED CHARGES</u>

Certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding years. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the following deferred charges are shown on the balance sheet of the various funds:

•	Balance		Balance to
	December 31,	2021 Budget	Succeeding
	<u>2020</u>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<u>Budget</u>
Current Fund:			
Special Emergency - N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55	\$1,149,500	\$124,100	\$1,025,400
Emergency Authorization	335,000	335,000	, ,
Deficit in Payroll Account Reserve	8,015		8,015
·	\$1,492,515	\$459,100	<u>\$1,033,415</u>
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	Balance		Balance to
	December 31,	2020 Budget	Succeeding
	<u>2019</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	Budget
Current Fund:			_
Special Emergency - N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55	\$667,540	\$171,140	\$496,400
Emergency Authorization	900,000	900,000	. ,
Deficit in Payroll Account Reserve	8,015	<b>,</b>	8,01 <u>5</u>
•	\$1,575,555	\$1,071,140	\$504,415

#### NOTE 10. FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED

The fund balance at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019 which has been appropriated as revenue in the 2021 and 2020 budgets is as follows:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Current Fund	<u>\$1,146,950</u>	<u>\$221,200</u>

#### NOTE 11. ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION BENEFITS

The Borough permits employees to accrue (with certain restrictions) unused vacation and sick pay, which may be taken as time off or paid at a later date at an agreed-upon rate. This amount is not reported either as an expenditure or liability.

The estimated accumulated unpaid compensation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 was \$2,267,996 and \$2,926,677, respectively.

#### NOTE 12. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

#### Cash

#### **Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Borough's policy is based on New Jersey Statutes requiring cash be deposited only in New Jersey based banking institutions that participate in New Jersey Governmental Depository Protection Act (GUDPA) or in qualified investments established in New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) that are treated as cash equivalents. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, \$-0- of the Borough's bank balance of \$9,794,384 and \$9,281,319, respectively, were exposed to custodial credit risk.

#### **Investments**

#### **Investment Rate Risk**

The Borough does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) limits the length of time for most investments to 397 days.

#### **Credit Risk**

New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) limits municipal investments to those specified in the Statutes. The type of allowance investments are Bonds of the United States of America, bonds or other obligations of the towns or bonds or other obligations of the local unit or units within which the town is located: obligations of federal agencies not exceeding 397 days; government money market mutual funds; the State of New Jersey Cash Management Plan; local government investment pools; or repurchase of fully collateralized securities.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Borough places no limit on the amount the Borough may invest in any one issuer.

## NOTE 12. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS, (continued)

## **Unaudited Investments**

As more fully described in Note 16, the Borough has created a Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) for emergency service volunteers. The LOSAP investments are similar to those allowed in a deferred compensation program as specified in NJSA 43:15B-1 et. seq. except that all investments are retained in the name of the Borough. All investments are valued at fair value. In accordance with NJAC 5:30-14.37, the investments are maintained by AIG, which is an authorized provider approved by the Division of Local Government Services. The balance in the account on December 31, 2020 and 2019 amounted to \$1,377,485 and \$1,132,870, respectively.

The following investments represent the total invested with AIG on December 31, 2020 and 2019:

•	2020	2019
Asset Allocation Fund	\$52,421	\$44,984
Blue Chip Growth Fund	108,817	79,610
Capital Conservation	1,694	1,581
Dividend Value	48,216	48,444
Emerging Economies	2,936	2,332
Fixed Account Plus	96,304	91,495
Global Strategy	8,116	7,911
Government Money Market I	49,168	53,873
Government Securities Fund	1,027	973
Growth Fund	7,495	5,339
Growth & Income Fund	·	3,612
Health Sciences	39,224	30,123
High Yield Bond Fund	2,589	2,444
International Equities Fund	9,545	8,917
International Opportunities	2,625	2,263
Large CAP CORE	1,915	1,731
Large CAP Value Fund	1,056	958
Mid Cap Growth Fund	1,473	1,190
Mid Cap Index Fund	106,184	91,779
Mid Cap Value Fund	253,028	237,877
Moderate Growth Lifestyle	5,566	4,987
NASDAQ-100R Index Fund	8,167	5,576
Science & Technology Fund	356,956	227,251
Small Cap Index Fund	13,786	11,694
Small Cap Value Fund	3,273	3,150
Stock Index Fund	188,096	159,963
Strategic Bond Fund	3,120	2,813
Strategic Core Fund	4,688	
	<u>\$1,377,485</u>	<u>\$1,132,870</u>

# NOTE 13. LOCAL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAXES

Regulations provide for the deferral of not more than 50% of the annual levy when school taxes are raised for a school year and have not been requisitioned by the school district.

The Borough has elected to defer school taxes as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 as follows:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Balance of tax Deferred	\$6,932,759 6,932,759	\$6,869,850 <u>6,869,850</u>
Tax payable	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

## NOTE 14. FIXED ASSETS

The following is a summary of General Fixed Assets Account Group as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

	Restated Balance Dec. 31, 2019	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
Land	\$73,817,090	\$22,525	\$	\$73,839,615
Buildings	9,360,673	160 100		9,360,673
Vehicles and Equipment	7,656,236 \$90,833,999	<u>162,139</u> <u>\$184,664</u>	<u>\$0</u>	7,818,375 \$91,018,663
	Restated Balance Dec. 31, 2018	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance Dec. 31, 2019
Land Buildings	\$73,817,090 9,359,008	\$ 1,665	\$	\$73,817,090 9,360,673
Vehicles and Equipment	7,638,723 \$90,814,821	48,431 \$50,096	30,918 \$30,918	7,656,236 \$90,833,999

#### NOTE 15. INTERFUND BALANCES AND ACTIVITY

Balances due to/from other funds at December 31, 2020 consist of the following:

\$216,318	Due to the Federal and State Grant Fund from the Current Fund for grant awards received less cash disbursements made.
23	Due to the Current Fund from the General Capital Fund for interest earnings not turned over.
2,633	Due to the Current Fund from the Animal License Trust Fund for statutory excess.
2,135	Due to the Current Fund from the Escrow Trust Fund for interest earnings not turned over.
1,462	Due to the Other Trust Fund from the Current Fund for reimbursement of expenses paid less interest earnings not turned over.
3,835	Due to the Current Fund from the Recycling Trust Fund for reimbursement of expenses paid.
79,483	Due to the Escrow Trust Fund from the Other Trust Fund for reimbursement of expenditures paid.
468	Due to the Recycling Trust Fund from the Shade Tree Trust Fund for deposits in error.
<u>152</u>	Due to the Recycling Trust Fund from the Other Trust Fund for deposits in error.
<u>\$306,509</u>	

It is anticipated that all interfunds will be liquidated during the fiscal year.

# NOTE 16. EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PLAN (LOSAP)

On December 6, 2001, the Division of Local Government Services approved the Borough's LOSAP plan, provided by the Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC). The purpose of this plan is to enhance the Borough's ability to retain and recruit volunteer firefighters and volunteer members of emergency service squads.

VALIC will provide for the benefit of participants, a multi-fund variable annuity contract as its funding vehicle. The plan shall provide for an annual contribution of \$1,150 to all eligible members, subject to periodic increases as permitted by N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.9. The Borough's contribution shall be included in the current years budget.

# NOTE 16. EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PLAN (LOSAP), (continued)

All amounts awarded under a length of service award plan shall remain the asset of the sponsoring agency; the obligation of the sponsoring agency to participating volunteers shall be contractual only; and no preferred or special interest in the awards made shall accrue to such participants. Such money shall be subject to the claims of the sponsoring agency's general creditors until distributed to any or all participants.

We have reviewed the plan for the year ended December 31, 2020 in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Statement on Standards for Accounting and Review Services.

## NOTE 17. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Borough is exposed to various risks of loss related to general liability, automobile coverage, damage and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Borough has obtained insurance coverage to guard against these events which will provide minimum exposure to the Borough should they occur. During the 2020 calendar year, the Borough did not incur claims in excess of their coverage and the amount of coverage did not significantly decrease.

The Borough of Englewood Cliffs is a member of the Bergen County Joint Insurance Fund (BCJIF) and Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (MEL). The joint insurance funds are both an insured and self-administered group of municipalities established for the purpose of insuring against property damage, general liability, motor vehicles and equipment liability and worker's compensation. The BCJIF and MEL coverage amounts are on file with the Borough.

The relationship between the Borough and respective insurance funds is governed by a contract and by-laws that have been adopted by resolution of each unit's governing body. The Borough is contractually obligated to make all annual and supplementary contributions to insurance funds, to report claims on a timely basis, cooperate with the management of the Fund, its claims administrator and attorneys in claims investigation and settlement, and to follow risk management procedures as outlined by the insurance funds. Members have a contractual obligation to fund any deficit of the insurance funds attributable to a membership year during which they were a member.

The funds provide its members with risk management services, including the defense of and settlement of claims, and established reasonable and necessary loss reduction and prevention procedures to be followed by the members.

## NOTE 17. RISK MANAGEMENT, (continued)

There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the previous year nor have there been any settlements in excess of insurance coverages in any of the prior three years.

Financial statements for the funds are available at the office of the funds executive director, Public Entity Risk Management Administrators, Inc.

### NOTE 18. TAXES COLLECTED IN ADVANCE

Taxes collected in advance are recorded as cash liabilities in the financial statements. Following is a comparison of the liability for the previous two years:

	Balance Dec 31, 2020	Balance Dec 31, 2019
Prepaid Taxes	<u>\$323,250</u>	<u>\$544,613</u>
Cash Liability for Taxes Collected in Advance	<u>\$323,250</u>	<u>\$544,613</u>

## NOTE 19. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

We are advised by the Borough Counsel that the Borough is involved in several legal suits. These legal proceedings are not likely to have a material adverse impact on the affected funds of the Borough. The following matters were identified by Borough Counsel to have significant risk exposure:

## (a) Borough of Englewood Cliffs, Docket No BER-L-6119-15

On November 29, 2017, 800 Sylvan Avenue, LLC ("Sylvan") moved to intervene in the litigation, seeking to have its property located at 800 Sylvan Avenue re-zoned to permit the development of 600 multifamily units with a 20 percent affordable housing set-aside. On December 28, 1017, the Borough filed a motion to extend immunity. On January 3, 2018, two days before the return date of that motion. Sylvan filed a builder's remedy suit. On January 5, 2018, the trial entered an order extending the Borough's immunity against every developer but Sylvan, to permit additional briefing on the issues pertaining to Sylvan. On January 10, 2018, the court granted Sylvan's motion to intervene. On February 13, 2018, the court entered an order extending immunity as to all builder remedy actions, including Sylvan's.

On April 13, 2018, the court dismissed Sylvan's builder's remedy suit. Sylvan appealed that decision.

## NOTE 19. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, (continued)

## (a) Borough of Englewood Cliffs, Docket No BER-L-6119-15, (continued)

On March 19, 2018, the court entered a case management order directing the parties (which also included the Fair Share Housing Center ("FSHC"), a non-for-profit advocacy organization) to engage in mediation, The parties were unable to reach a resolution at mediation, and on October 1, 2018, the court entered an order deeming the mediation to be concluded.

On October 18, 2018, the Borough filed a motion to bifurcate the trial into two phases; the first phase would address quantifying the Borough's Realistic Development Potential ("RDP") and the second phase would assess the sufficiency of the Borough's plan to address its RDP. The court denied that motion on November 16, 2018, and ordered the Borough to file its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and expert reports by December 7, 2018.

On December 5, 2018, the court denied a motion to strip the Borough of immunity.

On April 25, 2019, the Borough, FSHC, Sylvan, and the Borough's Mount Laurel subcommittee entered into a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding as to an incomplete number of proposed settlement terms. The parties thereafter proceeded to negotiate settlement terms on the basis that the Borough would not vote to bind public until the Borough first heard from the public as to its proposed settlement. On July 10, 2019, the Borough's Governing Body held a town hall meeting at which the public provided feedback concerning a possible settlement with Sylvan and FSHC. On July 29, 2019, the Borough adopted a resolution confirming its intention to comply with its affordable housing obligations, but to do so without rezoning the Sylvan property for a high density inclusionary project.

On August 6, 2019, the Borough filed a motion to extend immunity. On August 13, 2019, Sylvan filed a cross-motion for revocation of immunity. On August 27, 2019, the court entered an order stripping the Borough of immunity from developers' lawsuits over the recommendation of the court's Special Master. In that Order, before the court even considered the validity of the Borough's plan (which was supposed to occur at trial just 44 days later), it found that the Borough had acted in bad faith by preparing a plan that was insufficient, and for failing to settle — notwithstanding that settlement negotiations were confidential and there was no record to support such a finding.

Sylvan thereafter filed a Counterclaim in the lawsuit, seeking to have its property rezoned to build its proposed 600-unit project and FSHC was permitted to formally intervene in the lawsuit to: (i) have the Borough's affordable housing plan deemed constitutionally non-compliant and thereafter have the court require the BoroOctober 23, 2020ugh to develop a complaint plan with a much greater affordable housing obligation; and (ii) recover FSHC's legal fees.

## NOTE 19. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, (continued)

# (a) Borough of Englewood Cliffs, Docket No BER-L-6119-15, (continued)

A trial thereafter commenced on October 11, 2019.

Following completion of Phase 1 of the trial, the court rendered a decision and order on January 17, 2020 (the "Decision") which determined the Borough to be constitutionally non-compliant with the Mount Laurel doctrine. In that Decision, the court ordered the Borough to "revise its ordinances in accordance with the attached decision within 90 days of this date." The court also ordered that it would hold a hearing on April 16, 2020 at which time "the Master shall testify under oath whether the revised ordinances, in her opinion, conform with the decision of the court." Finally, the court held that, in the event the Master shall fail to do so, the court shall consider voiding all zoning ordinances of the Borough.

On February 12, 2020, the court rendered a decision awarding Sylvan builder's remedy award permitting it to build its 600-unit project and declaring water and sewer a scarce resource in the Borough that must be reserved to satisfy the entirety of the Borough's affordable housing obligation addressed in the decision.

On March 11, 2020 the Borough adopted Resolution 20-70, which pointed out that the Master's recommendations, although aggressive, were consistent with COAH standards, and pledged to comply with the Master's recommendations. The Borough explained that it was not able to submit revised ordinances for consideration by the Master that complied with both the trial court's ruling and applicable law. On April 9, 2020, the Borough wrote to the court and requested that it declare the January 17, 2020 decision to be a final judgement, which would allow it to be appealed as of right. The letter noted that the Borough was unable to devise a plan that complied with the law and respectfully welcomed the Masters to propose a lawful plan if they were able.

The court did not hold the hearing contemplated by its April 16, 2020 decision, but instead issued two expansive orders on April 17, 2020, voiding all of the Borough's zoning, land use, and development ordinances, In addition, the court divested the Planning Board of jurisdiction and appointed a Special Hearing Officer to administer control and regulation of all lands and buildings in the Borough. Finally, the court established a fast-track procedure for Sylvan to secure development approvals and building permits.

On April 22, 2020, FSHC filed a motion to enforce litigant's right seeking to compel the Borough to construct a 57-unit 100% affordable housing project (that had been proposed as part of the Borough's plan to address its affordable housing obligation in lieu of Sylvan building an inclusionary development project on its site). FSHC argued, in that motion, that the court has the authority to compel the Borough to build 100% affordable housing projects in order to enforce its January 17<sup>th</sup> Order.

## NOTE 19. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, (continued)

## (a) Borough of Englewood Cliffs, Docket No BER-L-6119-15, (continued)

On or about April 24, 2020, FSHC commenced a new lawsuit against the Borough alleging a breach of New Jersey Civil Rights Act and seeking to recover all of its legal fees in connection with the declaratory judgement litigation entitled "Fair Share Housing Center, Inc. v. Borough of Englewood Cliffs", Docket No BER-L-2457-20.

On June 8, 2020, the Court entered an Order reserving decision on whether or not the Borough should be compelled to build 100% affordable housing projects in order to enforce its January 17<sup>th</sup> Order and simultaneously directing the court-appointed Master to develop a complaint affordable housing plan for the Borough by, among other things, potentially inviting developers and Borough property owners to submit plans to develop inclusionary development projects in the Borough.

On September 29<sup>th</sup>, prior to the court-appointed Special Hearing Officer commencing a hearing on whether to permit Sylvan secure development approvals for a 600 unit project, the parties had discussions about the framework of a settlement potentially agreeable to the Borough.

On Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Governing Body voted to approve a settlement (resolving both the Declaratory Judgement Litigation and the NJ Civil Rights Litigation) whereby, among other things: (i) Sylvan would be permitted to build a 450 unit project; (ii) the Borough would agree to sponsor an approximately 60-65 Unit 100% affordable housing project (which, depending upon whether or not the project secures 9% low income housing tax credits, could expose the Borough to approximate costs in excess of \$9 or \$10 million dollars; (iii) the Borough would agree to certain zoning and overlay zoning in the Borough to permit the creation of affordable housing; and (iv) FSHC would be paid \$335,000 toward its attorney fees and costs.

The settlement must be approved by the court at a fairness and compliance hearing (at which time the public and interest parties would be given an opportunity to be heard) likely to be scheduled in 2021.

II. Potential Outcome of the Litigation if the Settlement Agreement is Not Approved.

As set forth above, other than FSHC's legal fees (which could be in the range of \$500,000 or more), Sylvan and FSHC are not, as of now, expressly seeking monetary damages, although the court may award additional damages against the Borough in connection with the NJ Civil Rights Act litigation.

# NOTE 19. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, (continued)

## (a) Borough of Englewood Cliffs, Docket No BER-L-6119-15, (continued)

If the Borough required to build one or more 100% affordable housing projects to satisfy the court's January 17, 2020 order, it could face financial exposure in the tens of millions of dollars (given the cost to acquire land and pay for construction/infrastructure if the Borough is required to build approximately 174 affordable housing units). The estimate does not include the unknown costs to the Borough to address fiscal impacts and infrastructure costs related to the construction of at least 600, but potentially many more, market-rate and affordable housing units as a result of Sylvan's project and other projects that may be approved (requiring existing commercial uses along Sylvan Avenue and elsewhere to be converted to residential uses) as a result of the trial court's January 17th order. Those costs could amount to millions of dollars annually (apart from the potential loss of commercial ratables). In addition, because the Borough is required to pay the legal fees of the court-appointed Special Master, the court-appointed Special Counsel and the court-appointed Special Hearing Officer, and because those three individuals may be administering control and regulation of all lands and buildings in the Borough and overseeing the development of affordable housing units in the Borough for the indefinite future, those fees could be significant. It is our understanding from the Borough attorney that there is no insurance coverage for any of the costs described above or for defense of the Borough in the declaratory judgement litigation.

If the settlement is not approved, the Borough would likely seek relief in the New Jersey Appellate Division from some or all the orders and decisions of the trial court described above and would continue to vigorously defend the existing lawsuit in the trial court.

Given the uncertainties inherent in the evolving treatment of affordable housing policy by the New Jersey Courts, it is impossible to predict the outcome of any appeal.

## (b) Miscellaneous Tax Appeals

On or about the December 2020, there were about 100 tax appeal docket items. Most of these matters had not progressed to a point where it is possible to form a realistic estimate of the Borough's exposure. The various tax appeals that have sufficiently progressed have an estimated potential exposure totaling \$1,575,000 as of December 2020. Please keep in mind that the settlement terms are, for the most part, estimates. Further, the potential exposure is not necessarily for 2020 as some of the tax appeals might not be settled until the subsequent of later years.

The Borough has taken action over the past four years to fund the substantial amount of tax appeal decisions and settlements reached. Details of such are listed below:

#### NOTE 19. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, (continued)

## (b) <u>Miscellaneous Tax Appeals</u>, (continued)

On October 14, 2015, the Mayor and Council adopted a \$1,460,000 refunding bond ordinance for tax appeal refunds. This ordinance was introduced by the Mayor and Council at their meeting on September 15, 2015 and the application was heard by the Local Finance Board at their meeting on October 14, 2015. The Local Finance Board approved the application at this meeting for a repayment of 6 years as follows:

2016	\$200,000
2017	215,000
2018	235,000
2019	255,000
2020	275,000
2021	280,000
	\$1,460,000

#### NOTE 20: OTHER MATTERS

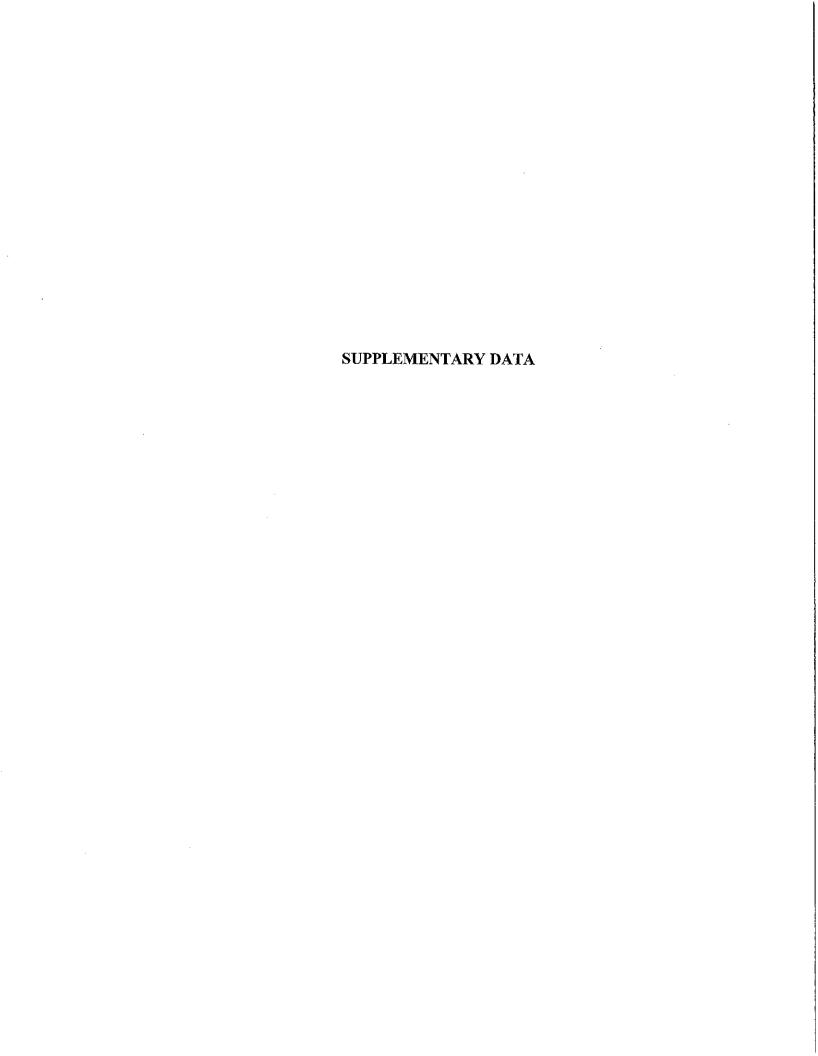
On March 9, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy signed Executive Order No. 103 that declared a State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency across all 21 counties in New Jersey in response to address the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. At the time of this report, the State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency remains in effect. In efforts to reduce the spread of the virus, many companies and organizations have either reduced staff or closed down, thus creating a potential financial dilemma among many of the taxpayers of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs. The Borough has identified several risks as a result of this pandemic, including a possible delay in collection of revenues and cash flow shortages as the result of these delayed collections.

In addition, during 2020 revenues of the Borough were not materially affected.

#### NOTE 21: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 into effect. This plan, among other things, provides direct federal funding to aid county and municipal governments to help offset revenue losses, cover increased costs incurred during the coronavirus pandemic response and to make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure. The amount of federal aid available to the Borough of Englewood Cliffs is \$525,935 which will be available for use until December 31, 2024. This amount will be distributed to the Borough in two installments. The first installment within 120 days of the State receiving the funding from the Federal government and the second installment one year after the receipt of the first installment.

The Borough has evaluated subsequent events through August 9, 2021, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued. No items were noted.



### Supplementary data

## Comparative Schedule of Tax Rate Information

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Tax rate	1.151	 1.081	1.043
Apportionment of tax rate:			
Municipal	0.479	0.418	0.401
School	0.415	0.405	0.251
County	0.257	 0.258	0.391
Assessed Value			
2020		\$ 3,403,273,632	
2019		3,398,134,192	
2018		3,400,524,332	

## Comparison of Tax Levies and Collections Currently

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future tax levies.

		Currently		
			Percentage	
		Cash	of	
Year	Tax Levy	<u>Collections</u>	Collection	
2020	\$ 40,208,628	39,714,767	98.77%	
2019	36,800,703	36,195,677	98.36%	
2018	35,613,790	34,816,744	97.76%	

## **Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens**

This tabulation includes a comparison, expressed in percentages, of the total of delinquent taxes and tax title liens in relation to the tax levies of the last three years.

<u>Dec. 31</u>	Amount of delinquent <u>taxes</u>	Tax title <u>liens</u>	Total <u>delinquent</u>	Percentage of tax <u>levy</u>	
2020	\$ 454,353	485	454,838	1.13%	
2019	484,915	322	485,237	1.32%	
2018	340,809	168	340,977	0.96%	

## Supplementary data

## Property Acquired by Tax Title Lien Liquidation

No properties have been acquired in 2020 by foreclosure or deed, as a result of liquidation of tax title liens.

The value of property acquired by litigation of tax title liens on December 31, on the basis of the last assessed valuation of such properties, was as follows:

Year	<u>Amount</u>
2020	\$ 39,528
2019	39,528
2018	39,528

## Comparative Schedule of Fund Balance

			Utilized in budget of succeeding
	<u>Year</u>	<u>Dec. 31</u>	<u>year</u>
Current Fund	2020	\$ 2,867,273	1,146,950
	2019	1,118,819	221,200
	2018	1,387,950	1,217,114
	2017	2,050,953	1,545,000
	2016	2,214,027	1,300,000

## **Supplementary Data**

## Officials in Office and Surety Bonds

The following officials were in office during the period under audit.

Name	Title	Amount of bond	Type of bond
<u>iname</u>	<u>11ue</u>	<u>or bond</u>	<u>oona</u>
Mario M. Kranjac	Mayor		
Gloria Oh	Council President		
Ramon Ferro	Councilman		
William Woo	Councilman		
Deborah Tsabari	Councilwoman		
Jimmy Song	Councilman (1/1/2020-12/9/2020)		
David DiGregorio	Councilman (12/9/2020-12/31/2020)		
Ed Aversa	Councilman		
Lisette M. Duffy	Borough Clerk/Administrator		
Vincent Buono	Tax Collector	\$ 1,000,000	(A)
Chris Battaglia	Chief Financial Officer		
Janice Romano	Deputy Tax Collector		
Joseph Mariniello, Esq.	Borough Attorney		
Neglia Engineering Associates	Borough Engineer		
Gino Tessaro	Construction Code Official		
Marc Saperstein, Esq.	Municipal Judge	1,000,000	(A)
Marc D. Ramundo, Esq.	Prosecutor		
Jill Cadre, Esq.	Public Defender		
Sarah Holbig	Tax Assessor		
William Henkelman	Police Chief		

(A) - Statutory positions are covered under the South Bergen Municipal Jointure policy (\$50,000) and Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (Excess Crime Policy - Public Employee Bond - \$950,000)

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## Schedule of Cash - Collector-Treasurer

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019			\$	4,006,521
Increased by:				
Veterans' and Senior Citizens' Deductions	\$	21,000		
Taxes Receivable	•	39,634,257		
Prepaid Taxes		323,250		
Emergency Notes		<b>,</b>		
Special Emergency Notes				
Tax Overpayments		17,452		
Interfunds		3,058,558		
Petty Cash				
Revenue Accounts Receivable		2,000,669		
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated		54,287		
Miscellaneous Reserves				
Grants Receivable		2,200		
Unappropriated Reserves		14,470		
	_			
			_	45,126,143
				49,132,664
Decreased by:				
Budget Appropriations		17,556,764		
Appropriation Reserves		432,135		
County Taxes Payable		8,766,356		
School Taxes Payable		14,066,171		
Tax Overpayments		10,456		
Transfer to Cash		34,274		
Interfunds		3,034,508		
Miscellaneous Reserves		34,274		
Emergency Notes		900,000		
Special Emergency Notes		171,140		
Prior Year Refunds		25,850		
Appropriated Grant Reserves		50,465		
			-	
			_	45,082,393
Balance - December 31, 2020			\$_	4,050,271

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## **Schedule of Change Funds**

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	300_				
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	300				
	Ex	thibit A-6				
Schedule of Petty Cash						
Current Fund						
Year ended December 31, 2020						
Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	300				
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	300				

## Schedule of Due From State of New Jersey -Senior Citizens' and Veterans' Deductions

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	348
Increased by: Veterans' deductions per duplicate Senior Citizens' deductions per duplicate	\$ 18,750 2,250	-	
			21,000
			21,348
Decreased by:			
Senior Citizens' deductions disallowed	500		
Cash Received	 21,000		
			21,500
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$	(152)

# Schedule of Taxes Receivable and Analysis of Property Tax Levy

Current Fund

Balance, Dec. 31, <u>2020</u>		454,353	454,353										
Remitted, Abated or Cancelled		39,345	39,345										
Transferred to tax title liens		163	163										
Veterans and Senior Citizens		20,500	20,500			ax Levy							
ions 2020	484,915	39,149,654	39,634,569	312 39,634,257	39,634,569	Analysis of 2020 Property Tax Levy	39,171,681 1,036,947	40,208,628	14,129,080	8,981,926		17,097,622	40,208,628
Collections 2019		544,613	544,613	Overpayments Applied Cash Receipts	<del>sa</del> "	Analysis	₩.	₩"	8,369,708 380,684 231,534	·	16,287,333	·	<b>₹⁄9</b> "
2020 <u>Tax Le</u> vy		40,208,628	40,208,628	Overpa			x :4-63.1 et seq.)		ol Tax \$\\$! Preservation Omitted Taxes		unicipal Purposes \$ Taxes Levied	apal Purposes	
Balance, Dec. 31, <u>2019</u>	484,915		484,915				rield: General Property Tax Added Tax (R.S. 54:4-63.1 et seq.)		evy: Local District School Tax County Tax County Open Space Preservation County Added and Omitted Taxes		Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Add: Additional Taxes Levied	Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	
Year	2019	2020	<del>69</del>				Tax yield: Gene Adde		Tax levy: Locs Cou Cou		Ţ	<b>1</b>	

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## Schedule of Property Acquired for Taxes (at Assessed Valuation)

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 39,528
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 39,528

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## Schedule of Tax Title Liens Receivable

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 322
Increased by:	
Interest and Costs	 163
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 485

## Schedule of Revenue Accounts Receivable

## **Current Fund**

## Year ended December 31, 2020

		Balance, Dec. 31, 2019	Accrued in 2020	Collected	Balance, Dec. 31, 2020
Miscellaneous Revenues:					
Licenses - Alcoholic Beverages	\$		19,440	19,440	
Fees and Permits:					
Construction Code Official			246,669	246,669	
Other			43,649	43,649	
Municipal Court - Fines and Costs		2,988	22,226	20,920	4,294
Interest and Costs on Taxes			102,929	102,929	
Interest on Investments		A	14,806	14,806	
Commercial Sewer User Fees			244,029	244,029	
Cable TV - Annual Fees			18,224	18,224	
Cell Tower - Annual Leases			390,011	390,011	
Burglar Alarm Fees			125	125	
Elevator Fees			31,813	31,813	
Energy Receipts Tax			691,474	691,474	
General Capital Fund Balance			16,993	16,993	
Sewer Hook Up Fees			116,000	116,000	
Recreation Fees			5,398	5,398	
Police - Outside Duty			55,182	55,182	
	\$_	2,988	2,018,968	2,017,662	4,294
			Interfunds \$	16,993	
			Cash _	2,000,669	

\$ 2,017,662

## **Schedule of Interfunds**

## **Current Fund**

	Due from/(to) Balance Dec. 31, 2019	Increased	<u>Decreased</u>	Due from/(to) Balance Dec. 31, 2020
Federal and State Grant Fund \$	(250,113)	35,995	2,200	(216,318)
General Capital Fund		3,083,581	3,083,558	23
Dog License Trust Fund Assessment/Other Trust Fund	961	1,672		2,633
Other Trust Fund	(2,148)	863	177	(1,462)
Escrow Trust Fund	2,135			2,135
Recycling Trust Fund		3,835		3,835
	(249,165)	3,125,946	3,085,935	(209,154)
Interfunds due from	3,096	3,089,088	3,083,558	8,626
Interfunds (due to)	(252,261)	36,858	2,377	(217,780)
\$	(249,165)	3,125,946	3,085,935	(209,154)
	Cash Receipts S	\$	3,058,558	
Cash	Disbursements	3,034,508		
Antic	ipated Revenue	16,993		
Interest	on Investments	3,822		
S	Statutory Excess	1,672		
Reimbursement for	-	32,956	177	
	provement Fund		25,000	
	ants Receivable	6,608		
	Grant Reserves	29,387		
Unappropriated	Grant Reserves		2,200	
	5	3,125,946	3,085,935	

## Schedule of Deferred Charges - N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 Emergency Authorizations

## Current Fund

Balance Dec. 31, <u>2020</u>	335,000	
Reduced by: 2020 Budget Appropriation	000,000	
Increased by: 2020 Authorization	335,000	
Balance Dec. 31, <u>2019</u>	900,000	
Net Amount <u>Authorized</u>	\$ 000,000 335,000 \$	
Purpose	Emergency - COAH Legal Fees Emergency - COAH Legal Fees	
Date <u>Authorized</u>	December 11, 2019 December 9, 2020	

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## Schedule of Deferred Charges - N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 Special Emergency Authorizations

## Current Fund

Balance Dec. 31, <u>2020</u>	496,400 653,100	1,149,500
Reduced by: 2020 Budget Appropriation	47,040	171,140
Increased by: 2020 Authorization	653,100	653,100
Balance Dec. 31, <u>2019</u>	47,040	667,540
1/5 of net Amount <u>Authorized</u>	47,040 124,100 130,620	⇔"
Net Amount Authorized	235,200 620,500 653,100	
Purpose	Special Emergency - Terminal Leave Special Emergency - Terminal Leave Special Emergency - Terminal Leave	
Date <u>Authorized</u>	December 16, 2015 November 17, 2019 November 23, 2020	

## Schedule of Appropriation Reserves

## **Current Fund**

	Balance, Dec.31, 2019	Balance after transfers and encumbrances	<u>Paid</u>	Balance lapsed
Salaries and Wages:				
Administrative and Executive	5,127	5,127		5,127
Financial Administration	149	149		149
Collection of taxes	12,921	12,921	244	12,677
Assessment of taxes	2,467	2,467		2,467
Police	148,720	148,720	12,853	135,867
Fire Official	11,034	11,034	7,500	3,534
Prosecutor/Public Defender	170	170	•	170
Road Repairs and Maintenance	139,676	139,676	1,700	137,976
Shade Tree	2	2	•	2
Board of Health	200	200		200
Parks and playgrounds	23,504	23,504		23,504
Construction Official	49	49		49
Plumbing Inspector	198	198		198
Fire Sub-Code Official	200	200		200
Municipal Court	4,267	4,267		4,267
Sewer Inspection	20	120		120
Fire Prevention	340	340		340
Electrical Inspection	460	460		460
Other Expenses:				
Administrative and Executive	6,004	17,533	8,688	8,845
Financial Administration	4,677	31,127	21,200	9,927
Collection of Taxes	4,559	5,118		5,118
Assessment of taxes	8,111	8,111		8,111
Legal Services and Costs	•			
Other Expenses	28,146	222,753	53,432	169,321
Appraisal Fees	1,425	2,325		2,325
Engineering Services and Costs	7,928	<b>8,4</b> 21		8,421
Insurance (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3(00))				
Other Insurance Premiums	26,983	26,983		26,983
Group Insurance Plan for Employee	160,475	169,235		169,235
COAH - Legal Fees	203,315	223,515	215,878	7,637
Planning Board	7,953	9,022		9,022
Police				
Other Expenses	25,944	59,047	28,211	30,836
Terminal Leasve	232,043	232,043		232,043
Fire				
Hydrant Services	3,316	8,088	824	7,264
Other Expenses	2,096	7,054	1,597	5,457
Clothing Expenses	500	500		500

## Schedule of Appropriation Reserves

## **Current Fund**

## Year ended December 31, 2020

	Balance, Dec.31, 2019	Balance after transfers and encumbrances	<u>Paid</u>	Balance <u>lapsed</u>
Road Repairs and Maintenance				
Other Expenses	4,132	26,485	4,903	21,582
Gasoline	9,450	20,772	7,011	13,761
Garbage and Trash Removal	8,389	57,684	40,120	17,564
Recycling	•			
Public Buildings and Grounds	22,492	38,937	8,844	30,093
Sewer System	3,672	7,570		7,570
Shade Tree	13,490	13,490		13,490
Board of Health	1,903	2,068		2,068
Environmental Commission	405	405		405
Senior Citizens Committee	841	1,618	204	1,414
Parks and playgrounds	7,710	24,153	5,380	18,773
Celebration of Public Events	2,861	5,093		5,093
Construction Official	12,114	12,232		12,232
Fire Prevention	1,733	1,733		1,733
Municipal Court	2,305	3,247	209	3,038
Electricity and Heating Oil	14,853	23,281	170	23,111
Telephone and Fax	7,763	13,362	651	12,711
Street Lighting	1,500	22,656	12,423	10,233
Water	17,538	17,538		17,538
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	18,618	18,618		18,618
DCRP	1,096	1,096	93	1,003
Sewer - Contractual - BCUA Service Charges	745	745		745
Sewer Charges - Borough of Tenafly	41	41		41
Sewer Charges - City of Englewood	3,708	3,708		3,708
LOSAP	8,260	8,260		8,260
	\$ 1,238,598	1,705,271	432,135	1,273,136
Appro	priation Reserves Encumbrances	\$ 1,238,698 466,573		

1,705,271

## **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

## Schedule of Encumbrances Payable

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 466,573
Increased by: Charges to 2020 Budget Appropriations	 246,511
	713,084
Decreased by: Transferred to 2019 Appropriation Reserves	 466,573
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 246,511

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## **Schedule of Prepaid Taxes**

## **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	544,613
Increased by: Collection of 2020 Taxes	<b>u</b>	323,250
		867,863
Decreased by : Applied to 2020 Taxes	_	544,613
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	323,250
		Exhibit A-18
Schedule of Tax Overpaymen	its	
Current Fund		
Year ended December 31, 202	20	
Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	273
Increased by: Cash Receipts		17,452
		17,725
Decreased by: Cash Disbursements \$ Reserve for Tax Appeals	10,456 312	
	_	10,768
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$_	6,957

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## **Schedule of County Taxes Payable**

## **Current Fund**

## Year ended December 31, 2020

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	15,964
Increased by:			
County Share of 2020 Levy \$	8,369,708		
County Open Space Preservation of 2020 Levy	380,684		
County Share of 2020 Levy - Added Taxes	231,534	<del>-</del>	
		_	8,981,926
Decreased by:			8,997,890
Cash Disbursements		_	8,766,356
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$_	231,534

## Exhibit A-20

## Schedule of Local District School Taxes Payable

### **Current Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019		
School Taxes Deferred	\$	6,869,850
Increased by:		
Local School Share of Fiscal Year 2020 Levy		14,129,080
		20,998,930
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursement		14,066,171
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	6,932,759
School Taxes Deferred	\$	6,932,759
School 14xes Deletted	Ψ	0,932,739
2020 Liability for Local School District Taxes:		
Amount Charged to 2020 Operations	\$	14,066,171
- month of the part of part of the part of	Ψ	1 1,000,171

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## Schedule of Miscellaneous Reserves

## **Current Fund**

Reserve for		Balance, Dec. 31, 2019	Increased by:	Decreased by:	Balance, Dec. 31, 2020
State Library Aid	\$	5,518			5,518
Tax Appeal Reserve		315,912	312	34,274	281,950
Master Plan		1,675		•	1,675
BCUA Recycling Grant		11,445			11,445
Outside Tax Title Lien Redemption		10,233			10,233
Police Outside Duty-Due to Officers	_	27,420	**************************************		27,420
	\$ _	372,203	312	34,274	338,241
		Overpayments \$	312		
	Cash	Disbursement		34,274	
		\$	312	34,274	

## Schedule of Emergency Notes Payable N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51

## Current Fund

		Decreased	900,000	900,000
Balance,	Dec. 31,	<u>2019</u>	900,000	900,000
	Interest	rate	1.520% \$	<b>⊹</b> "
	Date of	maturity	Nov. 13, 2020	
	Date of	<u>issue</u>	Dec. 30, 2019	
Date of	original	<u>issue</u>	Dec. 30, 2019	
		Improvement description	Emergency Note - COAH Legal Fees	

# Schedule of Special Emergency Notes Payable N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55

## Current Fund

Balance, Dec. 31, 2020	496,400	496,400
Decreased	47,040	171,140
Balance, Dec. 31, 2019	47,040 620,500	667,540
Interest <u>rate</u>	2.590% \$	<b>∽</b> "
Date of <u>maturity</u>	Jan. 15, 2020' Nov. 12, 2021	a.
Date of <u>issue</u>	Feb. 22, 2019 Nov. 12, 2020	
Date of original issue	Dec. 30, 2015 Dec. 30, 2019	
Improvement description	Special Emergency - Terminal Leave 2015 Special Emergency - Terminal Leave 2019	

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## **Schedule of Grants Receivable**

## Federal and State Grant Fund

		Balance, Dec. 31, 2019	2020 Revenue	Decreased By:	Balance, Dec. 31, <u>2020</u>
Bulletproof Vest Fund	\$	7,986			7,986
Community Development Block Grant		9,710			9,710
Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse		9,898		2,200	7,698
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2020			7,631	7,631	
Clean Communities Grant - 2019	-		13,447	13,447	
	\$_	27,594	21,078	23,278	25,394
		(	Cash Receipt \$	2,200	
Transfe	21,078				
			\$_	23,278	

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## **Schedule of Interfunds**

## Federal and State Grant Funds

	Due from/ Balanc	• •			Due from/(to) Balance
	Dec. 31, 2	<u>019</u>	Increased	Decreased	Dec. 31, 2020
Current Fund	\$250,	113	2,200	35,995	216,318
	\$250,	113	2,200	35,995	216,318
	Grants Receiv			6,608	
	Appropriated Grant Reser Unappropriated Grant Reser		2,200	29,387	
		\$	2,200	35,995	

## Schedule of Appropriated Grant Reserves

## Federal and State Grant Funds

<u>Grant</u>		Balance Dec. 31, 2019	from 2020 Budget <u>Appropriations</u>	Decreased by:	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
Community Development Block Grant	\$	12,331			12,331
BCUA Recycling Grant	*	10,483			10,483
BCUA Recycling Grant		10,211			10,211
BCUA Recycling Grant		3,508			3,508
BCUA Recycling Grant		2,549			2,549
Clean Communities - 2011		4,837		4,837	
Clean Communities - 2012		9,688		4,145	5,543
Clean Communities - 2013		11,376			11,376
Clean Communities - 2014		10,668			10,668
Clean Communities - 2015		12,963			12,963
Clean Communities - 2016		14,251			14,251
Clean Communities - 2017		7,170			7,170
Clean Communities - 2018		12,047			12,047
Clean Communities - 2019		1 707	13,447	4 50 5	13,447
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2004		1,785		1,785	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2005		5,160		5,160	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2006		4,179		4,179	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2007		3,078		3,078	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2008 Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2009		1,776 13,777		1,776	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2010		20,865		13,777 11,728	9,137
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2011		7,326		11,720	7,326
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2013		6,920			6,920
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2014		9,675			9,675
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2016		6,793			6,793
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2017		10,012			10,012
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2018		9,982			9,982
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2019		9,152			9,152
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2020		* '	7,631		7,631
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation - 2014		943			943
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation - 2015		1,179			1,179
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation - 2016		665			665
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation - 2017		193			193
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation - 2018		879			879
Municipal Alliance - 2017		156			156
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund - 2003		163			163
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund - 2004		1,141			1,141
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund - 2005		279			279
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund - 2009		378			378
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund - 2014		3,400			3,400
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund - 2015		1,989			1,989
Body Armor Grant - 2018		2,684			2,684
Hepatitus B State Police		735 5,000			735 5,000
Domestic Violence		1,000			1,000
Fireman's Fund Grant		1,567			1,567
Hazard Mitigation 2015 - Matching Grant		1,716			1,716
varietion 2010 - Matering Orant	-	1,710			1,710
	\$	256,629	21,078	50,465	227,242
	•	256,629 <b>-91</b> -	·		

## Schedule of Unappropriated Reserves

## Federal and State Grant Fund

<u>Grant</u>	Balance, Dec. 31, 2019		Realized as 2020 Budget <u>Revenue</u>	Cash <u>Received</u>	Balance, Dec. 31, 2020
Clean Communities - 2019 Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2019 Clean Communities - 2020 Body Armor	\$ —	13,447 7,631	13,447 7,631	12,123 2,347	12,123 2,347
	\$_	21,078	21,078	14,470	14,470

## **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

## **Schedule of Cash - Collector-Treasurer**

## **Trust Funds**

	Other <u>Trust</u>	Dog <u>License</u>	Emergency Services Trust <u>LOSAP</u>
Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 2,962,895	5,039	1,132,870
Increased by:			
Other Trust Reserves	328,877		
Dog License Fees		2,108	
Dog License State Fees		341	
State Fees	17,222		
COAH Development Fees	167,869		
DEA Forfeiture Deposits	231		
Interfunds	863		
Investment Earnings/Interest			231,886
Borough Contributions			15,345
	 515,062	2,449	247,231
	3,477,957	7,488	1,380,101
Decreased by:			
Other Trust Reserves	393,437		
State fees	19,272		
COAH Development Expenditures	71,171		
Interfunds			
Dog License Fund Expenditures		252	
Dog License State Fees	 	342	***************************************
	 483,880	594	2,716
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 2,994,077	6,894	1,377,385

## BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

## **Schedule of Tax Sale Receivable**

## **Other Trust Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 50
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 50

## **Schedule of Interfunds**

	)	Due from/(to) Balance Dec. 31, 2019		Increased	Decreased	Due from/(to) Balance Dec. 31, 2020
INTERFUNDS:						
Dog License Trust Fund:						
Current Fund	\$	(961)			1,672	(2,633)
Other Trust Fund:						
Current Fund - Other Trust		2,148		177	863	1,462
Current Fund - Escrow Trust		(2,135)				(2,135)
Current Fund - Recycling Trust					3,835	(3,835)
INTRAFUNDS:			٠			
Due to Escrow - Other Trust		(79,483)				(79,483)
Due to Recycling Trust - Shade Tree Trust		(13,103)			468	(468)
Due to Recycling Trust - Other Trust					152	(152)
Due from Other Trust - Escrow Trust		79,483				79,483
Due from Other Trust - Recycling Trust		75,405		468		468
Due from Shade Tree Trust - Recycling Trust	t			152		152
	_		_			
	=	(948)		797	6,990	(7,141)
Interfunds due from		81,631		797	863	81,565
Interfunds (due to)	_	(82,579)	_		6,127	(88,706)
	\$	(0.49)		707	ć 000	(7.141)
	, =	(948)		797	6,990	(7,141)
		Cash Receipts			5,318	
<b>7.</b> 1. 1		Deposit Errors		620		
Reimbursement				177	1 475	
	Sta	atutory Excess	_		1,672	
			\$_	797	6,990	

## BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

## Schedule of Due from/(to) State Department of Health

## **Dog License Trust Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ (1)
Increased by:	
State Fees collected	 341
Decreased by:	
Paid to State of New Jersey	\$ 342

## BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

## **Schedule of Reserve for Dog Fund Expenditures**

## Dog License Trust Fund

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	4,077
Increased by: Dog license fees	\$ 1,843		
Late fees/Interest	265	-	
		<b>,</b>	2,108
			6,185
Decreased by:			
Statutory Excess due Current Fund	1,672		
Expenditures under R.S. 4:19-15:11	252	_	
			1,924
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$	4,261
	License F	'ees	Collected
	Year		Amount
	2018	\$	2,136
	2019		2,125
		\$	4,261

## BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

## Schedule of Due to State of New Jersey

## **Other Trust Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019			\$	11,518
Increased by:				
Marriage License Fees	\$	275		
Interfunds		177		
DCA Fees		16,947	_	
				17,399
				28,917
Decreased by:				
Disbursements				19,272
Balance - December 31, 2020			\$	9,645
Analy	sis of Bala	nce		
Due to State of New Jersey:				
DCA Fees			\$	9,645

## **Schedule of Reserves - Other Trust Funds**

## **Other Trust Fund**

	Balance Dec. 31, 2019		Increased	<u>Decreased</u>	Balance Dec. 31, <u>2020</u>
Reserve for:					
Escrow Deposits	1,569,273		314,422	385,132	1,498,563
Tax Title Liens and Premiums	1,642				1,642
Accumulated Absences	131,000				131,000
Other Trust Deposits:					
P.O.A.A.	575		40		615
Law Enforcement Trust	1,171				1,171
Public Defender	300				300
5K Run	34,760				34,760
Donations:					
Police	17,348		4,650	945	21,053
Police in Car/Body Camera	25				25
Community Night	517				517
Recreation	5,505		1,000		6,505
Fire Department	100				100
General Donations	5,650				5,650
Benches	1,410			295	1,115
Sign	1,085				1,085
Downstream Improvements	79,123				79,123
Shade Tree Fees	1,140				1,140
Sewer Maintenance	7,100				7,100
Recreation - Summer Camp	9,273				9,273
Parks and Recreation	1,916		4		1,920
Snow Removal	549				549
Shade Tree Deposits	10,240		23		10,263
Recycling	2,860		8,738	10,900	698
	\$ 1,882,562		220 077	207 272	1 914 167
	\$ 1,882,562	= =	328,877	397,272	1,814,167
	Cash	\$	328,877	393,437	
	Interfund	_		3,835	
		\$	328,877	397,272	

## **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

## **Schedule of Reserve for COAH Development Expenditures**

## **Other Trust Funds**

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	997,625
Increased by: Development Fees Interest	\$  164,458 3,411	_	
		_	167,869
			1,165,494
Decreased by: Development Expenditures			71,171
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$	1,094,323

## **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

## Schedule of Reserve for DEA Forfeiture Expenditures

## **Other Trust Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 71,253
Increased by:	
Interest on Investments	 231
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 71,484

## **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

## Statement of Service Award Contributions Receivable

## **Emergency Services Volunteer Length of Service Award Program**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	15,345
Increased by:		
2020 Service Award Contribution	_	11,500
		26,845
Decreased by:		
Contributions Paid		15,345
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	11,500

## **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

## Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits

## **Emergency Services Volunteer Length of Service Award Program**

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	1,148,215
Increased by:			
Borough Contributions	\$ 11,500		
Interest	2,231		
Investment Income	 229,655	_	
		_	243,386
Degraped has			1,391,601
Decreased by: Distributions		<del>l d'un</del>	2,716
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$	1,388,885

### **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

### Schedule of Cash - Collector-Treasurer

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	1,127,306
Increased by:			
Fund Balance	\$ 66,248		
Interest Earnings	3,822		
Interfunds	3,712,766		
Bond Anticipation Notes	 950,000	<del>-</del>	
			4,732,836
			5,860,142
Decreased by:			
Interfunds	3,058,558.		
Encumbrances Payable	785,182		
Improvement Authorizations	 25,525	_	
			3,869,265
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$	1,990,877

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

### Schedule of Analysis of Cash

### General Capital Fund

Grants Receivable -			
State of New Jersey	Department of Transportation	\$	(215,760)
Bergen County ADA	Grant		(46,000)
Due to/(from) Ambular	nce Corp.		(100,000)
Due to/(from) Current l	Fund		23
Encumbrances Payable			190,088
Capital Improvement F	'und		39,839
Reserve for Cost of Issu	uance		4,086
Reserve for Boswell Se	ettlement		185,000
Fund Balance			66,248
	•		
Improvement authoriza	tions:		
Ordinance			
number	Improvement description		
2013-9	Road and Parking Lot Reconstruction and		
	Improvements to the Firehouse		551
2013-11	Acquisition of Generators, Garbage Truck and		
	related expenses		278,342
2013-15	Tax Appeal Refunds		9,361
2014-10	Various Acquisitions and Improvements		103,807
2015-09	Various Acquisitions and Improvements		95,121
2015-12	Tax Appeal Refunds		21,078
2015-13	Various Acquisitions and Improvements		182,959
2016-07	Various Acquisitions and Improvements		61,258
2017-06	Various Acquisitions and Improvements		384,991
2018-01	5th Street Improvements (Special Assessment)		(3,964)
2018-02	Various Acquisitions and Improvements		438,676
2019-10	Refunding Bond Ordinance - Tax Appeals		14,332
2019-11	Road Imps., Acquisition of Equipment & Vehicles		211,627
2020-10	Contribution for the Construction of Affordable Housing		69,214
		\$	1,990,877
		φ	1,770,077

### **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

### Schedule of Grants Receivable - New Jersey Department of Transportation

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	215,760
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	215,760
Analysis of Balanc	<u>e</u>	
Ord. 2013-09: Reconstruction of Summit Stree	t	3,760
Ord. 2018-02: Various Acquisitions & Improvement	S	212,000
	\$	215,760

### **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

### Schedule of Due from Bergen County Ordinance 2014-10

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$_	46,000
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$_	46,000
		Exhibit C-6
Schedule of Due from Ambulance Corp. Ordinance 2011-11/2012-15		
General Capital Fund		
Year ended December 31, 2020		
Balance - December 31, 2019	\$_	100,000
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	100 000

### **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

### **Schedule of Interfunds**

### General Capital Fund

	Balance Dec. 31, 2019	<u>Increa</u>	ased <u>Decreased</u>	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
Current Fund Payroll Fund	\$ 650,000	3,083	3,558 3,083,58 650,000	, ,
	650,000	3,083	3,558 3,733,58	(23)
Due from General Capital Fund	650,000	3,083	3,558 3,733,58	1 (23)
	\$ 650,000	3,083	3,558 3,733,58	(23)
Capital Ir	Receipts Disbursements nprovement Fund	3,058	3,712,766 8,558 5,000	5.
Current Fund And	icipated Revenue Interest Earnings		16,999 3,822	
	~	\$ 3,083	3,558 3,733,58	<del></del>

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

### Schedule of Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Funded

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019		\$	9,883,000
Decreased by: 2019 Budget Appropriation: Serial Bonds Capital Lease	\$ 1,265,000 88,000	· <u>-</u>	
			1,353,000
Balance - December 31, 2020		\$	8,530,000

# Schedule of Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Unfunded

### General Capital Fund

### Year ended December 31, 2020

Unexpended improvement authorizations	21,667		129,336	75,000	1,603,503
Expenditures			3,964		3,964
Financed by bond anticipation notes	404,090	1,546,289 865,773 280,000 928,366	937,000	2,505,000	Improvement Authorizations Unfunded
Balance, Dec. 31, <u>2020</u>	404,090	1,546,289 865,773 280,000 928,366	937,000 133,300 855,000	2,580,000 950,000 1,377,500	10,878,985 = Improv
Decreased <u>By:</u>	23,665	80,537 46,151 275,000 51,634		420,000	786,988
Authorizations 2020				1,377,500	72 1,377,500 = Budget Appropriations \$
Balance, Dec. 31, 2019	427,755	1,626,826 911,924 555,000 980,000	937,000 133,300 855,000	3,000,000	\$ 10,398,472 Budg
<u>Improvement description</u>	Acquisition of Generators, Garbage Truck and related expenses  Tax Anneal Refunds	Various Acquisitions and Improvements Various Acquisitions and Improvements Tax Appeal Refunding Ordinance Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Various Acquisitions and Improvements 5th Street Improvements (Special Assessment) Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Refunding Bond Ordinance - Tax Appeals Road Imps. Acquisition of Equipment & Vehicles Contribution for the Construction of Affordable Housing	€
Ordinance number	2013-11	2014-10 2015-09 2015-12 2016-07	2017-06 2018-01 2018-02	2019-10 2019-11 2020-10	

nexpended proceeds of Bond
Less: U

	278,342	103,808	95,121	21,078	61,258	384,991	438,676	14,332	211,626
Annerpanon Ivores	Ord, 2013-11	Ord. 2014-10	Ord. 2015-09	Ord, 2015-12	Ord. 2016-07	Ord. 2017-06	Ord. 2018-12	Ord. 2019-10	Ord, 2019-11

\$ 1,609,232

### Schedule of Bond Anticipation Notes

### General Capital Fund

### Year ended December 31, 2020

Balance, Dec. 31, 202 <u>0</u>	404,090	280,000	865,773	928,366	937,000	855,000	950,000	2,505,000	9,271,518	
Decreased	427,755	555,000	911,924	000'086	937,000	855,000		2,925,000	9,218,505	896,987 8,321,518
Increased	404,090	280,000	865,773	928,366	937,000	855,000	950,000	2,505,000	9,271,518	950,000
Balance, Dec. 31, <u>2019</u>	427,755	555,000	911,924	000'086	937,000	855,000		2,925,000	9,218,505	Cash \$ Budget Appropriation Renewals
Interest <u>Rate</u>	2.000%	2.000%	2.000%	2.000%	2.000%	2.000%	2.000%	1.000%	€	Budget
Date of Maturity	Feb. 19, 2021	Feb. 19, 2021 Feb. 19, 2021	Feb. 19, 2021	Feb. 19, 2021	Feb. 19, 2021	Feb. 19, 2021	Feb. 19, 2021	Nov. 12, 2021		
Date of <u>Issue</u>	Feb. 20, 2020	Feb. 20, 2020 Feb. 20, 2020	Feb. 20, 2020	Feb. 20, 2020	Feb. 20, 2020	Feb. 20, 2020	Feb. 20, 2020	Nov. 14, 2019		
Date of Original <u>Issue</u>	Feb. 28, 2014	Feb. 26, 2015 Feb. 26, 2016	Feb. 26, 2016	Feb. 23, 2017	Feb. 22, 2018	Feb. 22, 2018	Feb. 20, 2020	Nov. 14, 2019		
Improvement Description	Acquisition of Generators, Garbage Truck and Related Expenses	Various Acquisitions and improvements  Tax Appeal Refunds	Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Road Impr., Acquisition of Equipment & Vehicles	Refunding Bond Ordinance - Tax Appeals					
Ordinance <u>Number</u>	2013-11	2014-10 2015-12	2015-09	2016-07	2017-06	2018-02	2019-11	2019-10		

9,218,505

\$ 9,271,518

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Schedule of General Serial Bonds

General Capital Fund

Dellanos	Balance, Dec. 31,	<u>2020</u>	6,860,000										1,350,000		8,210,000
		Decreased	600,000										665,000		1,265,000
Dofomore	Dec. 31,	<u>2019</u>	7,460,000										2,015,000		\$ 9,475,000
	Interest	Rate	2.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.55	1.55	3,
Bonds	ng , 2020	Amount	635,000	650,000	675,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000	670,000	000*089	
Maturities of Bonds	Outstanding December 31, 2020	Date	March 15, 2021	March 15, 2022	March 15, 2023	March 15, 2024	March 15, 2025	March 15, 2026	March 15, 2027	March 15, 2028	March 15, 2029	March 15, 2030	July 15, 2021	July 15, 2022	•
	Original	Issue	9,885,000										3,205,000		
	Date of	<u>Issue</u>	March 15, 2014										April 1, 2016		
		Purpose	General Improvement Bonds of 2014										General Improvement Refunding	Bonds of 2016	

BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

# Schedule of Capital Leases Payable

### General Capital Fund

## Year ended December 31, 2020

Date of Original
의 8
804

320,000

88,000

\$ 408,000

BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

Schedule of Improvement Authorizations

General Capital Fund

Year ended December 31, 2020

Balance, December 31, 2020	Unfunded			103,807	95,121	21,078		61,258	384,991	129,336	438,676	89,332		1,377,500	3,212,735				
	Funded	551	126.0	בטכיג			182,959							69,214	262,085				
Authorizations	Expended	6,512		29,778			15,046	27,831	57,100		143	4,657	71,260	3,286	215,613			\$ 25,525 190,088	\$ 215,613
2020 Autho-	rizations													1,450,000	1,450,000	\$ 1,377,500	\$ 1,450,000	Cash \$ Encumbrances Payable	•
Balance, nber 31, 2019	Unfunded		278,342	133,585	95,121	21,078		680*68	442,091	129,336	438,819	636'86	282,887		2,026,004	Deferred Charges Unfunded Scapital Improvement Fund	•	Encur	
Balance, December 31, 2019	Funded	7,063	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	105,8			198,005								\$ 214,429	Deferred Ch Capital Im			
	Amount	1,555,000	525,000	1,928,000	1,008,500	1,460,000	682,500	1,030,000	984,560	140,000	1,110,000	3,000,000	1,000,000	1,450,000	<b>43</b>				
Ordinance	Date	Aug. 14, 2013	Sept. 11, 2013	July 22, 2014	June 10, 2015	Nov. 9, 2015	Nov. 9, 2015	July 13, 2016	June 14, 2017	March 20, 2018	June 26, 2018	Sept 11, 2019	Oct. 19, 2019	sing Nov. 23, 2020					
	<u>Improvement description</u>	Road and Parking Lot Reconstruction and Improvements to the Firehouse Annication of Canacators Carbana Track and	related expenses	Tax Appeal Ketunds Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Tax Appeal Refunds	Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Various Acquisitions and Improvements	5th Street Improvements (Special Assessment)	Various Acquisitions and Improvements	Refunding Bond Ordinance - Tax Appeals	Road Imps., Acquisition of Equipment & Vehicles	Contribution for the Construction of Affordable Housing					

2013-15 2014-10 2015-09 2015-13 2016-07 2017-06 2018-01 2018-02 2019-10 2019-10

Ordinance <u>Number</u>

2013-9

### **BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS**

### **Schedule of Encumbrances Payable**

### General Capital Fund

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	785,182
Increased by:		
Transfer from Improvement Authorizations		190,088
		975,270
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursement	<del></del>	785,182
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	190,088

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

### Schedule of Capital Improvement Fund

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$	87,339
Increased by:		
Budget Appropriation		25,000
		112,339
Decreased by:	•	
Appropriated to Finance		
Improvement Authorizations		72,500
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$	39,839

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

### Schedule of Reserve for Cost of Issuance

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 4,086
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 4,086

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS

### Schedule of Reserve for Boswell Settlement

### **General Capital Fund**

Balance - December 31, 2019	\$ 185,000	
Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 185,000	

### Schedule of Bonds and Notes Authorized But Not Issued

### General Capital Fund

Ordinance <u>Number</u>	Improvement Description	Balance Dec. 31, <u>2019</u>	2020 Authorizations	Decreased	Balance Dec. 31, 2020
2013-15	Tax Appeal Refunds \$	21,667			21,667
2018-01	5th Street Improvements (Special Assessment)	133,300			133,300
2019-10	Refunding Bond Ordinance - Tax Appeals	75,000			75,000
2019-11	Road Imps., Acquisition of Equipment & Vehicles	950,000		950,000	,
2020-10	Contribution for the Construction of Affordable Housing	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,377,500		1,377,500
	\$	1,179,967	1,377,500	950,000	1,607,467

### PART II

### LETTER ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020



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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Borough Council Borough of Englewood Cliffs Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements-regulatory basis of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs in the County of Bergen as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 9, 2021 which was adverse due to being presented in accordance with New Jersey regulatory basis of accounting.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements-regulatory basis, we considered the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements-regulatory basis, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal control.

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



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Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be material weaknesses as item 2020-01.

We did identify certain immaterial deficiencies in internal control that we have reported to management of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs in the accompany comments and recommendations section of this report.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's financial statements-regulatory basis are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs in the accompanying comments and recommendations section of this report.

### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed



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in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Borough of Englewood Cliffs's internal controls and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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August 9, 2021



### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

### Section II - Financial Statement Findings

### **FINDING 2020-01**

### Statement of Condition

Attorney responses for audit inquiry of a client's lawyer concerning litigation, claims and assessments, in accordance with Section 337, were not received from a number of attorneys.

### <u>Criteria</u>

Response to an audit inquiry letter should be sent between the specified date of the lawyer's response and the expected completion date of the audit.

### Effect

Responses were not received within the requested timeframe and beyond a reasonable period after the latest response date specified, creating a scope limitation.

### Cause

The Borough was not able to provide full legal disclosure of outstanding litigation, claims and assessments through the effective date of the audit period.

### Recommendation

Management should maintain communication with active and terminated legal professionals through the audit effective date in order to communicate outstanding litigation, claims and assessments in accordance with Section 337 to complete the audit.

### Response

Management believes that communication with some legal counsel is futile since outstanding litigation is present between the Borough and nonresponsive outside counsel.

### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

Effective April 17, 2000 and thereafter the bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 (as amended) is \$17,500.00 and \$25,000.00 with a qualified purchasing agent. On July 1, 2010, the threshold was increased to \$36,000.00 with a qualified purchasing agent. On July 1, 2015, the threshold was increased to \$40,000.00 with a qualified purchasing agent. On July 1, 2020, the threshold was increased to \$44,000.00 with a qualified purchasing agent.

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2 contains definitions for terms used throughout N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. and was amended under P.L. 1999, c.440. It includes as subsection (23) the term 'competitive contracting', which is defined as "the method described in sections 1 through 5 of P.L. 1999, c.440 (C.40:11-4.1 through C.40A:11-4.5) of contracting for specialized goods and services in which formal proposals are solicited from vendors' formal proposals are evaluated by the purchasing agent or counsel; and the governing body awards a contract to a vendor or vendors from among the formal proposals received."

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 was amended with P.L. 1999, c.440 to raise the bid threshold and require award by governing body resolution. "When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the purchasing agent in the aggregate does not exceed in a contract year the total sum of \$17,500 or \$21,000 after July 1, 2005 the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by ordinance or resolution as appropriate to the contracting unit, of the governing body of the contracting unit without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except that the governing body may adopt an ordinance or resolution to set a lower threshold for the receipt of public bids or the solicitation of competitive quotations."

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15 was amended with P.L. 1999, c.440 to extend the base contract period. "Any contract made pursuant to this section may be awarded for a period of 24 consecutive months, except that contracts for professional services pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 may be awarded for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months."

The governing body of the Municipality has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the bid threshold within the contract year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Borough Counsel's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The minutes indicate that bids were requested by public advertising for the following items:

Tree Pruning & Removal
Fence Installation
Solid Waste Management
Leaf Disposal
Bathroom Renovations
Locker Room Renovations
Elevator Sub-Code Official and Inspection Services

Resolutions were adopted authorizing the awarding of contracts and agreements for "Professional Services" N.J.S. 40A:11-5.

### **GENERAL COMMENTS**, (continued)

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any material or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear cut violation existed. No violations were disclosed.

Our examination of expenditures did not reveal any individual payments, contracts or agreements in excess of the statutory threshold "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies," other than those where bids had been previously sought by public advertisement or where a resolution had been previously adopted under the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:11-6.

### Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Assessments

The statute provides the method for authorizing interest and the maximum rates to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The governing body on January 3, 2020 adopted the following resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs do hereby fix the rate of 8% (eight percent) interest per annum up to \$1,500.00; 18% (eighteen percent) per annum thereafter to be charged for delinquent payment of any installments made within 10 days from the date upon which taxes become payable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any installment received after the expiration of the grace period shall bear interest from the due date.

It appears from an examination of the Collector's records that interest was collected in accordance with the foregoing resolution.

### Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens

A tax sale was held on December 10, 2020.

The following comparison is made of the number of tax title liens receivable on December 31 of the last three years:

<u>Year</u>	Number of liens
2020	1
2019	1
2018	1

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS DECEMBER 31, 2020

### **COMMENTS**:

### FINANCE:

- 1. \*There is a purchase order included as open encumbrances in the General Capital Fund that is greater than one year old.
- 2. \*The Current Fund and Payroll Account bank reconciliations contains long outstanding reconciling items which should be reviewed and voided, if applicable.
- 3. \*There is an unallocated balance remaining in the Trust Fund Reserve for Tax Title Liens and Premiums in the amount of \$1,642 and Current Fund Reserve for Outside Tax Title Lien Redemption in the amount of \$10,233.
- 4. Budget transfers were made prior to approval by the Board, as distinguished by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58(a).

### MUNICIPAL COURT:

- 1. There were multiple instances in which checks were not turned over to the proper agency by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month.
- 2. The General Account contained reconciling items greater than one year old.
- 3. Monthly management reports were not available at the time of audit.

### BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS DECEMBER 31, 2020

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

### FINANCE:

- 1. Open purchase orders should be reviewed prior to year-end to determine validity.
- 2. More care should be taken to ensure long outstanding items are reviewed and valid.
- 3. Any unallocated amounts in the reserves for tax title liens should be reviewed and returned to the respective parties, or turned over to the Current Fund.
- 4. That all budget transfers be made subsequent to the Board's approval.

### **MUNICIPAL COURT:**

- 1. More care should be taken to ensure that all receipts due to other agencies are properly turned over in the subsequent month.
- 2. More care should be taken to ensure long outstanding items are reviewed and valid.
- 3. That all items be available for review at the time of audit.

### STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS/RECOMMENDATION

A review was performed on all prior year recommendations and corrective action was taken on all, except for the findings/recommendations marked with an "\*".

### SUGGESTIONS TO MANAGEMENT:

1. More care should be taken to ensure payments are remitted to agencies in a timely manner.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the municipality and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to all members of the audit team.

Respectfully submitted,

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