



CITY OF IONIA

CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

6:30 PM, Wednesday, January 7, 2026

IONIA CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Approval of Minutes

1. December 3, 2025 – Regular Meeting

III. Proclamations

IV. Public Comments – Section 3.02 of the City Council’s Rules of Order and Conduct for City Council Meetings provides opportunity for the public to address Council during the Public Comment section identified on the agenda. Your opportunity to speak occurs after you have been recognized by the Mayor. When addressing Council please state your name and address. Comments are limited to 5 minutes unless additional time (up to 10 minutes) is granted by the Mayor.

V. Public Hearings and Associated Action

1. Public Hearing to receive comments on Ordinance No. 601 - An ordinance to allow parking as an accessory use
Action Required – Second reading and decision to approve or reject Ordinance No. 601

VI. Communications

VII. City Manager's Report

1. *Action Required* – Selection of Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor for DWSRF Debt issuance
2. *Action Required* – Resolution 2026-01 - Notice of Intent for 2025 DWSRF Financing
3. *Action Required* – FY 24-25 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
4. *Action Required* – Resolution 2026-02 - Request from County Seat Brewing Company, LLC for an On-Premises Tasting Room Permit
5. *Action Required* – City of Ionia General Policy Manual - Section 6 - Assessor Policies Update - 6-007: Poverty Exemption 2026
6. *Action Required* – Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Amendment #2
7. *Action Required* – Resolution 2026-03 - Intent to Provide Public Transportation Services

via IDART (10-1-25 to 9-30-26)

8. *Action Required* – Resolution 2026-04 - Deficit Elimination Plan for Ionia Theatre Fund
9. *Action Required* – Property and Liability Insurance for City of Ionia - 11/1/25 - 10/31/26
Rate Adjustment
10. *Action Required* – Property and Liability Insurance Renewal for IRUA - 2/1/26 - 1/31/27
11. *Action Required* – WWTP #3 Firtube Boiler - Tube Replacement Project
12. *Action Required* – 2026 Street Reconstruction Project - Bid Award

VIII. Appointments

IX. City Department Reports and Minutes from Boards and Commissions

1. Accounts Payable
January 8 - Councilmember Millard and/or Councilmember Cowling
January 22 - Councilmember Starr and/or Councilmember Lee
2. December Reports & Minutes

X. Good of the Order/ City Councilmember Comments

XI. Closed Session

1. Closed session in accordance with MCL 15.268, Sec. 8 (1)(h) To consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute (simple majority vote required)

XII. Adjournment



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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

6:30 PM, Wednesday, December 3, 2025

IONIA CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Milewski called the meeting of the Ionia City Council to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor John Milewski led everyone present with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call revealed a Quorum with Councilmembers Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, and Mayor John Milewski present.

Councilmember Jeff Winters was absent.

Councilmember Patrick made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Millard, to excuse the absence of Councilmember Jeff Winters.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With no changes or additions, Councilmember Waterman made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Starr, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(II.1.) November 5, 2025 – Regular Meeting

Minutes from the regular meeting of November 5, were reviewed. Councilmember Cook made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Cowling, to approve the November 5, 2025, meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

III. PROCLAMATIONS

None.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ASSOCIATED ACTION

None.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

(VII.1.) Introduction and First Reading - Ordinance No. 601 - An ordinance to allow parking as an accessory use

Ordinance No. 601 was presented to Council by City Manager Garland. The ordinance would allow parking as an accessory use to an adjacent lot.

Councilmember Millard made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Starr, to introduce and conduct a first reading of Ordinance No. 601, an ordinance to amend Chapter 1260, Section 1260.03 and enact a new Section 1274.10 entitled "Parking as an Accessory Use to an Adjacent Lot." The motion also scheduled a Public Hearing regarding the proposed ordinance for 6:30 PM, Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at Ionia City Hall.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

**CITY OF IONIA
IONIA COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Ordinance No. 601**

At a regular meeting of City Council for the City of Ionia, Michigan held at City Hall on _____, 2025, beginning at 6:30 P.M., City Councilmember _____ made a motion to adopt this Ordinance, which by motion was supported by Councilmember _____.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1260, SECTION 1260.03 AND ENACT A NEW SECTION 1274.10 ENTITLED "PARKING AS AN ACCESSORY USE TO AN ADJACENT LOT" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA.

The CITY OF IONIA (the "City") HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to Part Twelve, Title Six, Chapter 1260, Section 1260.03. Part Twelve, Title Six, Chapter 1260, Section 1260.03 of the Codified Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

1260.03 SPECIAL LAND USES.

The following uses may be allowed subject as a special land use by the Planning Commission subject to the general and specific requirements of Chapter 1274:

- (a) Business in the character of a drive-in or open front store.
- (b) Indoor and outdoor commercial storage and warehousing facilities.
- (c) Lumber yards, provided they comply with the following conditions:
 - (1) Primary access shall be provided on a major street or highway.
 - (2) The maximum size allowed when considering total land size shall not exceed 2.25 acres.
 - (3) No greater than thirty percent (30%) of the sellable goods shall be stored in the open air.
- (d) Plant materials nursery for the retail sale of plant materials not grown on the site and sales of lawn furniture, playground equipment, and garden supplies, subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) The storage and/or display of any materials and/or products shall meet all structure setback requirements.
 - (2) All loading and parking shall be provided off-street.
 - (3) The storage of any soil, fertilizer, or other loose, unpackaged materials shall be contained to prevent any effects on adjacent use.
- (e) Outdoor theaters and open space venues - because outdoor theaters are unique in that they are used only after dark and since they develop a concentration of vehicular traffic entering and leaving their parking area, they shall be permitted in B-3 and I-1 districts only. Outdoor theaters shall further be subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) The proposed internal design shall receive approval from the Planning Commission and City Engineer regarding the adequacy of drainage, lighting, and other technical aspects based on applicable legal requirements.
 - (2) Outdoor theaters shall abut a major thoroughfare, and points of ingress and egress shall be available only from such major thoroughfares.
 - (3) All vehicles queueing up to enter the facility shall be provided with off-street waiting space. No vehicle shall be permitted to wait or stand within a dedicated right-of-way.
 - (4) The area shall be laid out to prevent the movie screen from being viewed from residential areas or adjacent major thoroughfares. All lighting used to illuminate the area shall be confined within and directed onto the outdoor theater site premises and subject to Section 1286.03.
- (f) Veterinary Hospitals or Veterinary Clinics, provided that all activities are conducted within an enclosed building and provided, further, that all buildings are set back at least 200 feet from abutting residential districts on the same side of the street.

(g) Parking as an accessory use to an adjacent lot, subject to Section 1274.10.

Section 2. Enactment of Part Twelve, Title Six, Chapter 1274, Section 1274.10. Part Twelve, Title Six, Chapter 1274 of the Codified Ordinances is hereby amended to enact a new Section 1274.10 to read in its entirety as follows:

1274.10 PARKING AS AN ACCESSORY USE TO AN ADJACENT LOT.

- (a) Notwithstanding the general requirement of Section 1240.11(1) that an accessory use be located on the same zoning lot as the principal use to which it is related, the Planning Commission may permit parking as an accessory use to an adjacent lot if the applicant demonstrates that the proposed parking cannot be reasonably placed on the same lot as the principal use due to site constraints or existing development.
- (b) For purposes of the setback requirements under Section 1282.01(a), the barrier-free parking requirements under Section 1282.02(q), and calculating minimum and maximum parking space requirements, the two lots shall be considered one lot.
- (c) All requirements under Chapter 1282 apply to parking approved under this section, provided, however, that if the principal use is on a lot outside of the City, the minimum and maximum parking space requirements shall not apply.
- (d) As part of approval under this section, the Planning Commission may allow a dumpster enclosure or similar accessory structure that serves the principal use on the adjacent lot, subject to all applicable requirements of this Ordinance.
- (e) In addition to any conditions that the Planning Commission may impose under Section 1274.05, the Planning Commission shall impose the following conditions with approval of a special land use under this section:

 - (1) The provision for parking as an accessory use to an adjacent lot shall be set forth in a recordable instrument recorded at the office of the Ionia County Register of Deeds, describing the lands affected by this agreement.
 - (2) The special land use approval shall automatically terminate if;

 - (A) the principal use on the adjacent lot ceases for a period of 18-months resulting in the use being considered abandoned, or;
 - (B) the principal use on the adjacent lot changes in use or expands resulting in significant alterations to site circulation, drainage, landscaping, lighting, and/or other considerations of site plan review that would require a site plan review by Planning Commission, or;
 - (C) the instrument required under Section 1274.10(d)(1) is found to be invalid or void by a court of competent jurisdiction or is terminated.
 - (3) Accessory structures shall not be allowed unless made part of said approval when granted.

Section 3. Severability. Should any portion of this Ordinance be declared to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect any other portion or provision of this Ordinance, which shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the expiration of seven (7) days after this Ordinance's adoption, or a summary thereof, appears in the newspaper as provided by law.

(VII.2.) Sale of Excess City Property - 705 W. Main Street

City Manager Garland presented to the City Council an offer from Parker Sawdy of Parker's Asphalt and Sealcoating, LLC to purchase excess City property at 705 W. Main Street for \$4,000. She indicated that Mr. Sawdy intends to combine the parcel with adjacent property that he has purchased to construct a commercial pole barn structure for his business.

Councilmember Millard made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Waterman, to approve the offer from Parker Sawdy of Parkers Asphalt and Sealcoating, LLC to purchase the excess City property located at 705 W. Main Street for \$4,000, contingent upon the buyer closing within 60 days of Council approval.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

(VII.3.) Donation Facilitation Agreement

City Manager Garland explained that a potential naming rights donor for the Steele Park band shell has been in conversation with staff. The donor indicated a preference to donate to a 501(c)(3) organization.

Councilmember Cowling made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Patrick, to approve the Donation Facilitation Agreement between the City and the Ionia Rotary Club to coordinate a potential band shell naming rights donation at the planned Steele Park.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

(VII.4.) Draft Policy 2-015: Downtown Sound System Use Policy

Garland presented a Downtown Sound System Use Policy to establish rules and procedures for the use of the City's wireless speaker system by members of the public for community events.

Mayor Milewski made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Millard, to approve Policy 2-015: Downtown Sound System Use Policy, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

(VII.5.) DDA Bylaws Update

Councilmember Cowling made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Waterman, to approve the amended DDA Bylaws to allow the City Manager to serve on the DDA Board of Directors.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

(VII.6.) 2026 Combined Meeting Schedule

Councilmember Lee made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Cowling, to approve the 2026 City of Ionia Combined Meeting Schedule.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. APPOINTMENTS

(VIII.1.) Various Boards and Commissions Appointments

Per Section 2.03 of the City Charter of the City of Ionia, Mayor John Milewski recommended for Council approval the following individuals as appointments to various boards and commissions.

Board of Review – (3-year term)

Amanda Schanski – Term through 12/31/28

Jani Millard - Term through 12/31/28

Downtown Development Authority– (4-year term)

Tricia Meyers – Term through 12/31/29

Income Tax Board – (3-year term)

Mark Jennings – Term through 12/31/28

Ionia Regional Utilities Authority– (4-year term)

Delegate: Rich Starr – Term through 12/31/29

Alternate: Brenda Cowling – Term through 12/31/29

Alternate: Mary Patrick - Unexpired term through 12/31/26

Planning Commission– (3-year term)

Judy Swartz – Term through 12/31/28

Keturah Kelley – Term through 12/31/28

Councilmember Starr made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Millard, to appoint the provided list of individuals to the City's various boards and commissions, as recommended by the Mayor.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Tim Lee, Margot Cook, Tom Millard, Richard Starr, Mary Patrick, Troy Waterman, Brenda Cowling, John Milewski

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

(IX.1.) Accounts Payable

December 4 - Councilmember Winters and/or Councilmember Cook

December 18 - Councilmember Patrick and/or Councilmember Waterman

(IX.2.) November Reports & Minutes

Written department reports and minutes from various City boards and commissions were provided to Council.

X. GOOD OF THE ORDER/ CITY COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

City Manager Garland: Thanked City staff for their hard work throughout the year and City Council for their support.

Tim Lee: Echoed appreciation to City staff.

Margot Cook: Commented on her love for the Christmas tree downtown and the charm it brings to the community.

Tom Millard: (1) Reminded everyone of the holiday parade and tree lighting scheduled for Friday, December 5; (2) Indicated that the school programs have been going well at the Theatre and that Cassie is doing a wonderful job.

Richard Starr: Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mary Patrick: Echoed sentiments for a Merry Christmas.

Troy Waterman: Thanked staff.

Brenda Cowling: (1) Wished all present a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year; (2) Cautioned everyone to drive safely.

Mayor John Milewski: (1) Provided reminders for upcoming Santa visits throughout Ionia, including the Santa Breakfast at the Armory on December 6; (2) Reported on the \$28 million investment from the U of M Health System to the Ionia hospital and commented on how blessed the community is to have this resource.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Millard made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Waterman, to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan T. Bowman
Ionia City Clerk



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: V.1

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

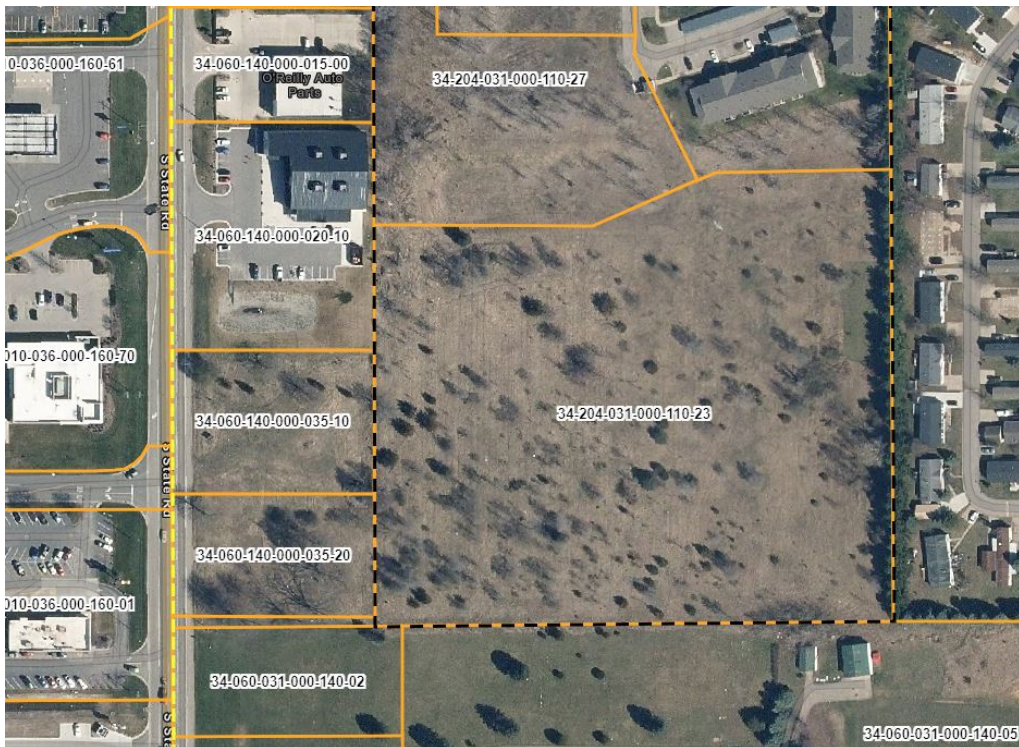
FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Public Hearing to receive comments on Ordinance No. 601 - An ordinance to allow parking as an accessory use

Background:

A developer has approached the City requesting to utilize a portion of their property within the City limits (PPN: 34-204-031-000-110-23) for parking associated with the development of property in Ionia Township (PPN: 34-060-140-000-035-10 and 34-060-140-000-035-20). All three of the parcels are owned by Abbey Residential Dec. LLC. See picture below.



The City's Zoning Code does not allow for a parking use on a vacant property without a primary structure or use. Parking is generally described as an accessory use as defined in Section 1240.11 of the Zoning Code. Additionally, parking requirements are intended to support the principal use of the property.

After consulting with the City Attorney, a solution to assist the developer with their project in Ionia Township was determined. This solution requires the City to amend its Zoning Code to allow parking as an accessory use to an adjacent lot. Staff recommend this accessory use then be added as a special land use to the zoning district in which the referenced property is located. Parcel 34-204-031-000-110-23 is zoned B-3, General Business District. The drafted ordinance would therefore regulate parking as an accessory use to an adjacent lot in a newly created Section 1274.10 within Chapter 1274 - Special Land Uses. Next, the ordinance would add this accessory use as an allowable special land use in the B-3 District via Section 1260.03. If the ordinance is adopted by City Council, the developer would then be able to submit a site plan and special land use permit application for Planning Commission's consideration.

Following feedback from the Planning Commission, the City Attorney has added clarifying language to Section 1274.10(a). This language emphasizes that the permitting of an accessory use is based on the site constraints or existing development. Along a similar thought process for allowing a zoning variance, the need for the accessory use should not be self-created. As the approval is a special land use, situations will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, providing ample safeguards for the City.

Following its public hearing on November 12, 2025, the City of Ionia Planning Commission recommended Ordinance No. 601 be forwarded to the Ionia City Council for review and approval.

Requested Action / Motion:

Following the second reading and public hearing, it is requested the Ionia City Council consider making a motion to approve Ordinance No. 601, an ordinance to amend Chapter 1260, Section 1260.03 and enact a New Section 1274.10 Entitled "Parking as an Accessory Use to an Adjacent Lot," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Ionia.

Motion By:	Seconded By:
Roll Call Vote:	
Lee _____	Winters _____
Cook _____	Patrick _____
Millard _____	Waterman _____
Starr _____	Cowling _____
Milewski _____	

CITY OF IONIA
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Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the expiration of seven (7) days after this Ordinance’s adoption, or a summary thereof, appears in the newspaper as provided by law.

The vote to approve and adopt this Ordinance was as follows:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 601 DECLARED ADOPTED.

CITY OF IONIA

Dated: _____

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Ionia as of the date, time, and place as specified above, pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk

Introduction and First Reading:
Notice of Public Hearing:
Public Hearing, Second Reading, Adoption:
Effective (7 days after publication):

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CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.1

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Selection of Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor for DWSRF Debt issuance

Background:

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) award recently approved for the City of Ionia will necessitate the issuance of debt, up to \$6,000,000 at 1% rate of interest with 50% of the funds borrowed subject to principal forgiveness. As you know, these funds will be used to replace all water service lines in the City's water distribution system that are either lead-containing, or suspected to contain lead due to the presence of galvanized materials.

Whenever debt is issued, it requires assistance from both a municipal finance advisor and bond counsel to ensure all required procedures and terms are satisfied. The City has consistently used Robert Bendzinski and Stephen Hayduk of Bendzinski & Co. as its municipal finance advisor and Jeff Aronoff of Miller Canfield as its bond counsel. Proposed letters of engagement have been provided by both firms, which follow this communication and detail the specific services to be provided by each professional.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider making a motion to approve Bendzinski and Co. and Miller Canfield to serve as its municipal finance advisor and bond counsel, respectively, to assist with the lead service line DWSRF bond issue. At the discretion of the City Council, this action may be taken as separate motions or a combined motion.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		

December 9, 2025

Ms. Precia Garland, City Manager
City of Ionia
114 N Kidd St.
PO Box 496
Ionia, MI 48846

RE: City of Ionia, County of Ionia, State of Michigan, Water Supply System Junior Lien
Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 (DWSRF #7907-01)

Dear Precia,

Bendzinski & Co. Municipal Finance Advisors would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as the Registered Municipal Advisor for the issuance of the above-mentioned bond issue. This letter will confirm the terms of our engagement:

- Act on behalf of the City of Ionia (the "Issuer") with a fiduciary duty, which shall include a duty of loyalty and care in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("Board" or "MSRB") and the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC");
- Prepare financial information and projections in cooperation with Issuer officials and engineers, in order to arrive at the amount of the issue to be sold and determine the methodology for the timely repayment of the bond issue;
- Attend meetings with Issuer's staff, its engineers, bond counsel, and Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy ("EGLE") staff for the purpose of planning the proposed SRF project;
- Provide assistance when requested to the Issuer, Issuer Attorney and Bond Counsel to ensure that all possible provisions are made towards the most advantageous sale of bonds;
- Prepare with the Issuer's cooperation, the application required by the Municipal Finance Division of the Michigan Department of Treasury for their approval and expedite this approval;
- Prepare with the Issuer's cooperation, the application required by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy Assistance Division, Municipal Facilities Section to obtain their approval;
- Prepare bond specifications for bond counsel including interest rate limitations, redemption provisions, bidding and good faith details;
- Advise and assist the Issuer to enable them a successful delivery of funds from Michigan Finance Authority; and
- Usual and customary Registered Municipal Advisor services as may be requested by the Issuer.



Ms. Precia Garland, City Manager
City of Ionia
December 9, 2025

Bendzinski & Co. proposes a fee of \$24,500.00. This fee includes all out-of-pocket expenses, meeting attendance, mileage, etc. This fee is payable upon closing of the bonds.

We believe this provides you with the outline of the services we provide. The Registered Municipal Advisor fee is contingent upon the closing and delivery of the bonds. Although this form of compensation may be customary, it presents a conflict because Bendzinski & Co. may have an incentive to recommend unnecessary financings or financings that are disadvantageous to the Issuer. For example, when facts or circumstances arise that could cause the financing or other transaction to be delayed or fail to close, Bendzinski & Co. may have an incentive to discourage a full consideration of such facts and circumstances, or to discourage consideration of alternatives that may result in the cancellation of the financing or other transaction. Bendzinski & Co. manages and mitigates this conflict primarily by adherence to the fiduciary duty which it owes to municipal entities such as the Issuer which require it to put the interests of the Issuer ahead of its own.

The Municipal Advisory Council of Michigan (the “MAC”) assesses Bendzinski & Co., a \$450.00 fee for every bond issue where we act as municipal advisor in the State of Michigan. This fee will be included in the overall bond costs of issuance. Our membership in the MAC is voluntary, but the per bond issue assessment is meant to cover costs for credit reports and similar information available from the MAC that is used in the offering document and in other states is billed directly by a third-party. The MAC is a single-source municipal database for essential bond and note details for all local government issuers in Michigan. Among 23 distinctive credit reports, the MAC is the primary source for Issuer’s debt statements, overlapping debt and indirect debt, as used to determine suitability and as disclosed in official statements, (if applicable). The MAC tracks, monitors and records all Michigan new issue bond sales, whether competitive, negotiated or private placements and bond calls. The MAC does not do any lobbying. Robert J. Bendzinski, currently serves on the MAC Board of Directors.

Bendzinski & Co. is registered as a “municipal advisor” pursuant to Section 15B of the Securities Exchange Act and rules and regulations adopted by the SEC and the MSRB. As part of this registration Bendzinski & Co. is required to disclose to the SEC information regarding any criminal actions, regulatory actions, investigations, terminations, judgments, liens, civil judicial actions, customer complaints, arbitrations and civil litigation involving Bendzinski & Co. Pursuant to MSRB Rule G-42, Bendzinski & Co. is required to disclose any legal or disciplinary event that is material to the Issuer’s evaluation of Bendzinski & Co. or the integrity of its management or advisory personnel. Bendzinski & Co. has determined that no such event exists as there are no criminal actions, regulatory actions, investigations, terminations, judgments, liens, civil judicial actions, customer complaints, arbitrations or civil litigation involving Bendzinski & Co. that were required to be reported to the SEC.

The MSRB has made available on its website (www.msrb.org) a municipal advisory client brochure that describes the protections that may be provided by MSRB rules and how to file a complaint with the appropriate regulatory authority.



Ms. Precia Garland, City Manager
 City of Ionia
 December 9, 2025

Copies of Bendzinski & Co.'s filings with the SEC can currently be found by accessing the SEC's EDGAR system Company Search Page, which is currently available at <https://www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/companysearch.html> and searching for either Bendzinski & Co. or for our CIK number which is 1614475.

It is understood and agreed that either party to this contract of employment may terminate the contract for any reason upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. If our employment on this basis is agreeable to you, please endorse your acceptance hereof on this letter which will constitute our contract of employment.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

BENDZINSKI & CO.
Municipal Finance Advisors

Stephen Hayduk, CPA
 Registered Municipal Advisor

Accepted: _____, 20__

CITY OF IONIA, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____



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December 9, 2025

Precia L. Garland, City Manager
City of Ionia
114 N Kidd St.
P.O. Box 496
Ionia MI 48846

**Re: *Retention as Bond Counsel – 2026 DWSRF Financing
Water System Improvements (Lead Service Line Replacement)***

Dear Precia:

We are delighted that you have asked us to serve the City of Ionia (the “City”) as bond counsel in connection with the proposed issuance of the initial series of revenue bonds (the “Bonds”) to finance lead service line replacement and related water system improvements for the City, which Bonds are anticipated to be sold to the Michigan Finance Authority (the “MFA”) pursuant to the DWSRF Program. You may be assured of our prompt and complete attention to this financing. As you are aware, it is our practice when beginning work on a new matter to send an engagement letter like this which sets forth the scope of our services as bond counsel and the nature of our compensation.

Bond Counsel’s Role

Bond counsel is engaged as a recognized expert whose primary responsibility is to render an objective legal opinion with respect to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds to be issued by the City and purchased by the MFA through the DWSRF program. Our approving legal opinion with respect to the Bonds will be executed and delivered by us in written form on the date the Bonds are delivered to MFA and will be based upon facts and law existing as of its date. In rendering the opinion, we will rely upon the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials and by other persons furnished to us without undertaking independent verification of the information contained in the proceedings and certifications.

In performing our services as bond counsel, our client is the City, and we will represent its interests. Our representation of the City does not alter our responsibility to render an objective opinion as bond counsel. Upon delivery of the opinion our responsibilities as bond counsel will be concluded with respect to the Bonds.

Precia L. Garland
City Manager
City of Ionia

December 9, 2025

Scope of Bond Counsel Services – What We Will Do

As bond counsel, we would provide the following services customarily performed by bond counsel respecting the authorization, sale, issuance and delivery of bonds:

1. Consult with City officials and others to explain the legal nature of a proposed borrowing, the City's power to borrow and the limitations on that power and consult with City officials and the City's financial advisor, in the design of the bonding program and timing schedules.

2. Prepare all of the necessary resolutions, ordinances, notices, agreements, and other documents necessary to authorize, issue and deliver the bonds. We also would assist the City in preparing applications to the Michigan Department of Treasury, if necessary, for approval to issue the bonds.

3. Examine the tax issues related to the bonds (done by an attorney specializing in the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code as they apply to municipal tax-exempt bonds) to assure that all requirements of the Internal Revenue Code are complied with and that any adverse tax consequences are minimized.

4. Prepare the bond form for printing definitive bonds for delivery to the purchaser. We will also participate in the sale and delivery of the bonds to the purchaser in order to handle legal matters that may arise at those times.

5. Give the approving opinion as to validity and enforceability of the bonds and their authorizing documents and as to the excludability of the interest on the bonds from federal and state income taxation.

Our professional responsibilities as attorneys in this matter will be limited to interpretations of law and other legal issues and the drafting of legal documents. We are not registered municipal advisors under the federal Dodd-Frank Act. We understand that the City will engage Bendzinski & Co. as financial advisor for the Bonds.

We are not being retained and our acceptance of this engagement is not an undertaking to provide the Client or any other person or entity with any advice or guidance relating to the Corporate Transparency Act (CTA) or their obligations thereunder, to prepare, review, submit, or update any document under the CTA, or to prepare or file any entity formation or registration documents on behalf of the Client or any other person or entity.

Precia L. Garland
City Manager
City of Ionia

December 9, 2025

Additional Services

We believe that the above services encompass the normal scope of bond counsel activities. Because we are not the City's general counsel, our engagement in this matter is not an undertaking at this time to represent the City or its interests in any other matters for which we are not separately engaged.

Our services as bond counsel do not include activities outside of that norm, such as review of construction contracts, condemnation, title issues or recording deeds involved in land acquisition, representation of the City in litigation or administrative proceedings that might arise in connection with the Bonds. In the event that serious matters or matters outside the norm arise in these areas, we would provide you at that time with a fee quote for such additional services.

Our engagement does not include any obligation to monitor compliance with the federal tax requirements found in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") and applicable to the Bonds, including the rebate requirements of Code Section 148(f), if applicable, as described in an exhibit attached to the Non-arbitrage and Tax Compliance Certificate that the City will execute in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, or in connection with any audit or examination of the Bonds by the Internal Revenue Service. However, we would be available to assist with rebate calculations or any audit or examination as a separate engagement.

Conflict of Interest Policy

Our firm represents the MFA frequently and may be asked to represent MFA in connection with the DWSRF program at the time the City sells the Bonds to MFA. We do not believe our firm's representation of MFA, should it occur, would interfere in any way with our representation of the City as bond counsel in connection with the Bonds. However, we wish to make you aware of the possibility of such representation and invite you to discuss with us this matter further if you have any questions or concerns. We will also include mention of this matter in the bond authorizing proceedings the City will adopt in connection with the Bonds.

Fees

Once we have more certainty regarding the bond sizing, we will provide our fee quote. Our customary practice is to submit our invoice for payment at the time of the delivery of the Bonds to be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds.

MILLER, CANFIELD, PADDOCK AND STONE, P.L.C.

Precia L. Garland
City Manager
City of Ionia

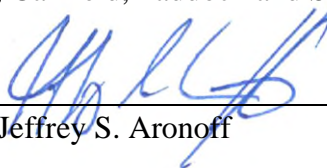
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December 9, 2025

We welcome this opportunity to again be of service to the City and look forward to working with you on this transaction. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please give me a call.

Very truly yours,

Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.

By: 
Jeffrey S. Aronoff

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

CITY OF IONIA

By: _____

Its: _____

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CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.2

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Resolution 2026-01 - Notice of Intent for 2025 DWSRF Financing

Background:

The City of Ionia recently received notice that it was approved up to \$6,000,000 in loan fund through the Michigan Finance Authority's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan program. The City intends to use this funding to replace water service lines throughout its distribution system that have been identified as lead-containing or potentially lead-containing. To initiate the process to access these funds, the City must approve Resolution 2026-01: *A Resolution Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and Declaration of Intent to Reimburse*. Following this communication is a letter from city bond counsel, Jeffrey Aronoff, explaining the financing process and the specific notices that must be issued prior to bond issuance. Mr. Aronoff has been invited to attend our meeting to provide further explanation regarding the DWSRF program and associated financing process.

While the DWSRF loan is approved up to \$6,000,000, engineering data gathered to date indicates an amount less than this will likely be required to complete the lead service line replacements. Additionally, one-half of the DWSRF loan funds will be converted to a grant through loan-forgiveness at the time of draw down from the State. The remainder of the loan will be subject to pay back at a 1% rate of interest.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council make a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01, a *Resolution Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and Declaration of Intent to Reimburse*, associated with the City's 2026 DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement Project.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		



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December 5, 2025

Precia Garland, City Manager
City of Ionia
114 North Kidd Street
Ionia, MI 48846

Re: Notice of Intent Resolution 2025 DWRP Financing
Water Supply System Improvements (Lead Service Line Replacement)

Dear Precia:

Enclosed please find the *Resolution Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and Declaration of Intent to Reimburse* which we have prepared for consideration by the City Council at its meeting to be held on January 7, 2026. This notice relates to the water supply system improvements—namely lead service line replacement—anticipated to be financed through the Michigan Finance Authority’s (“MFA”) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (“DWSRF”) loan program administered by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy. This resolution has two purposes, described below.

Publication of Notice of Intent

The first purpose is to authorize publication of a notice of intent to issue revenue bonds in an amount *not to exceed* \$6,000,000 for the project. Adoption of the resolution does not obligate the City to issue the bonds, but instead indicates the intention of the City to issue bonds. The resolution and notice have been prepared based on information provided by and discussions with the City’s engineer and financial advisor.

The Revenue Bond Act, Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended, requires the City to notify the City’s electors of its intent to issue the bonds by publishing a notice in the newspaper which gives the voters a referendum right on the issuance of the bonds. The bonds can be issued without a vote of the City electors, unless a valid petition is filed with the City Clerk within 45 days of the publication of the notice signed by at least 10% of the registered electors. The resolution authorizes the publication of the notice of intent which is set forth on Exhibit A.

The notice (and not the entire resolution) should be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City. We have indicated in Section 1 of the resolution, that the City will publish the notice in the *Daily News*. If you plan to use a different newspaper, this section should be revised accordingly. Note, however, that the newspaper used must qualify as a newspaper of general circulation qualified to publish official legal notices.

The notice must be published as a **display advertisement of not less than one-quarter page in size**. A fine print legal notice will **not** satisfy Michigan law as interpreted by the Michigan courts. **Please make sure that only the notice which appears on Exhibit A is published and not the entire resolution.**

MILLER, CANFIELD, PADDOCK AND STONE, P.L.C.

Precia Garland
City Manager
City of Ionia

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December 5, 2025

Declaration of Intent to Reimburse

The resolution's second purpose is to meet the requirements of the federal tax law regulations pertaining to tax-exempt bonds. Treasury Regulation § 1.150-2 provides in effect that an issuer of municipal bonds may reimburse itself for expenditures made prior to the issuance of bonds only if it has declared its intention to do so in advance. (There is a 60-day grace period in the regulation. That is, the resolution covers expenditures made up to 60 days prior to the date of the resolution.) The resolution makes this declaration in Section 4.

The language of the resolution is taken from the regulation and, not surprisingly, it therefore reads as tax jargon. The essential notion of the reimbursement declaration can be found in subparagraphs (a)-(c). Subparagraph (d) is a reminder of the need to keep a careful paper trail of expenditures and of reimbursements. Both the expenditure and the subsequent reimbursement must be specifically linked to the project.


After the resolution has been adopted, we would appreciate receiving two (2) original signed copies of the resolution, along with two (2) Affidavits of Publication (with "tear sheets" attached) evidencing publication of the notice. These items will become part of the official bond transcript. We would also appreciate receiving a copy of the signed resolution and the Affidavit of Publication sent by email.

Finally, I wanted to point out that Section 5 of the resolution recognizes that our firm has represented the MFA in the past and may be asked to represent the MFA in connection with the DWSRF loan program concurrently with the issuance of the City's bonds or in the future.

Please review the resolution and notice and let Conor Starrs or me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.

By: 
Jeffrey S. Aronoff

Enclosure

Cc: Robert Bendzinski
Stephen Hayduk
Tyler DeNooyer
Chris Hyzer
Conor Starrs



A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS AND DECLARATION OF INTENT TO REIMBURSE

At a meeting of the City Council of the City of Ionia, held at the Ionia City Hall, 114 North Kidd Street, Ionia, Michigan, on the 7th day of January, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., there were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by City Councilmember _____ and was supported by City Councilmember _____:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE:

- Publication of a Notice of Intent to Issue up to \$6,000,000 of water revenue bonds for improvements to the City’s Water Supply System.
- Principal of and interest on the revenue bonds shall be payable from Water Supply System revenues.
- Anticipated low interest loan funding from Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.
- Voters will have 45 days after publication to petition for referendum.

WHEREAS, the City of Ionia, County of Ionia, State of Michigan (the “City”), has determined that it is necessary for the public health, safety and welfare of the City to acquire, construct, furnish and equip improvements to the Water Supply System of the City (the “System”), including lead service line replacement, together with all related appurtenances and attachments (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the City has been advised by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (“EGLE”) that financial assistance to accomplish the acquisition and construction of all or a portion of the Project is available through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (“DWSRF”) loan program administered by the EGLE and the Michigan Finance Authority; and

WHEREAS, the City has made application for participation in the DWSRF loan program; and

WHEREAS, the Revenue Bond Act, Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended (“Act 94”), provides a means for financing the purchase, acquisition, construction, improvement, enlargement, extension and repair of public improvements such as the Project through the issuance of revenue bonds; and

WHEREAS, the issuance of bonds payable from revenues of the System under Act 94 in a total amount not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) (the “Bonds”) for the purpose of financing all or part of the Project represents the most practical means to that end; and

WHEREAS, a notice of intent to issue revenue bonds must be published before the issuance of the Bonds in order to comply with the requirements of Section 33 of Act 94; and

WHEREAS, the City intends at this time to state its intentions to be reimbursed from proceeds of the Bonds for any expenditures undertaken by the City for the Project prior to issuance of the Bonds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds in the Daily News, a newspaper of general circulation in the City.
2. The notice of intent shall be published as a display advertisement not less than one quarter (1/4) page in size in substantially the form attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.
3. The City Council does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds, and the manner of publication directed, is adequate notice to the electors of the City and users of the System, and is the method best calculated to give them notice of the City's intent to issue the Bonds, the purpose of the Bonds, the security for the Bonds, and the right of referendum of the electors with respect thereto, and that the provision of forty-five (45) days within which to file a referendum petition is adequate to insure that the City's electors may exercise their legal rights of referendum, and the newspaper named for publication is hereby determined to reach the largest number of persons to whom the notice is directed.
4. The City makes the following declarations for the purpose of complying with the reimbursement rules of Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2 pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended:
 - (a) As of the date hereof, the City reasonably expects to reimburse itself for the expenditures described in (b) below with proceeds of debt to be incurred by the City.
 - (b) The expenditures described in this paragraph (b) are for the costs of acquiring the Project which were paid or will be paid subsequent to sixty (60) days prior to the date hereof from the Water Supply System funds of the City.
 - (c) The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for the Project, including issuance costs, is \$6,000,000.
 - (d) A reimbursement allocation of the expenditures described in (b) above with the proceeds of the borrowing described herein will occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date on which the expenditure is paid, or (ii) the date the related Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three (3) years after the original expenditure is paid. A reimbursement allocation is an allocation in writing that evidences the City's use of the proceeds of the debt to be issued for the Project to reimburse the City for a capital expenditure made pursuant to this resolution.
5. Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. is hereby confirmed as Bond Counsel to the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.
6. Bendzinski and Co. is hereby confirmed as the registered municipal advisor to the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

7. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

RESOLUTION 2026-01 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk
City of Ionia
114 North Kidd Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
Telephone No: (616) 527-4170

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Ionia, County of Ionia, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 6:30 PM and that the public notices of said meeting were given pursuant to Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976 and that minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Act.

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk
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EXHIBIT A

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND ELECTORS OF THE
CITY OF IONIA AND TO USERS OF THE
CITY'S WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM
OF INTENT TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND THE
RIGHT OF REFERENDUM RELATING THERETO

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Ionia, County of Ionia, Michigan, intends to issue and sell revenue bonds pursuant to Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended, in one or more series in a total amount not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000), for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost to acquire, construct, furnish and equip improvements to the Water Supply System of the City (the "System"), including lead service line replacement, together with all related appurtenances and attachments.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF REVENUE BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE REVENUE BONDS SHALL BE PAYABLE from the revenues received by the City from the operations of the Water Supply System except as provided below in the case of bonds sold to the Michigan Finance Authority in connection with the State of Michigan's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program. The revenues will consist of rates and charges billed to the users of the system, a schedule of which is presently on file in the office of the City Clerk. The rates and charges may from time to time be revised to provide sufficient revenues to provide for the expenses of operating and maintaining the system, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and to pay other obligations of the system.

BOND DETAILS

THE REVENUE BONDS will be payable in annual installments and will bear interest at the rate or rates to be determined at public or private sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on the bonds.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF PAYMENTS FOR BONDS
SOLD TO MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY

IN THE EVENT THAT THE REVENUE BONDS ARE SOLD TO THE MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE CITY MAY PLEDGE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS MONEY RECEIVED OR TO BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY DERIVED FROM IMPOSITION OF TAXES BY THE STATE AND RETURNED OR TO BE RETURNED TO THE CITY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, except for money the use of which is prohibited for such purposes by the State Constitution. The City may enter into an agreement providing for the payment of taxes, which taxes are collected by the State and returned to the City as provided by law, to the Michigan Finance Authority or a trustee, and such funds may be pledged for the payment of the revenue bonds.

IN THE EVENT THAT THE REVENUE BONDS ARE SOLD TO THE MICHIGAN FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE CITY MAY PLEDGE ITS LIMITED TAX FULL FAITH AND CREDIT AS SECURITY FOR THE REVENUE BONDS, IN WHICH EVENT DEBT SERVICE ON THE BONDS SHALL BE PAYABLE EITHER FROM REVENUES OF THE SYSTEM OR

FROM AD VALOREM TAXES THAT MAY BE LEVIED ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY, SUBJECT HOWEVER, TO CONSTITUTIONAL, STATUTORY AND CHARTER TAX RATE LIMITATIONS.

RIGHT OF REFERENDUM

THE REVENUE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE CITY IS FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY VOTING THEREON.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 33, Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION will be furnished at the office of the City Clerk upon request.

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk
City of Ionia
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Ionia, Michigan 48846
Telephone No: (616) 527-4170



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.3

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: FY 24-25 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Background:

The annual process of auditing the City’s financial records from FY24-25 is now complete, resulting in the FY24-25 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Chris Hyzer, Finance Director and Matt Smith, CPA from Vredeveld Haefner, LLC will provide highlights regarding the City’s current financial status from this report. Following are several graphs that will be reviewed during their presentation.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider accepting the FY24-25 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and authorize its submission to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		



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December 16, 2025

To the City Council
City of Ionia, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Ionia (the City) for the year ended June 30, 2025. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated August 12, 2025. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the City are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. GASB 101, measurement of compensated absences and other salary-related payments, was implemented in the current fiscal year. We noted no transactions entered into by the City during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the City's financial statements were:

The useful lives of capital assets, the allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable and the valuation of the pension plan obligations.

Management's estimate of the useful lives of capital assets and uncollectible accounts receivable is based on previous history and future expectations and the estimate of pension plan obligations is based on an actuarial valuation of the plan. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimates in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements were:

The disclosure of contingent liabilities in Note 10, concentrations in Note 11 and commitments in Note 12 to the financial statements.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. We proposed, and management posted, material adjustments to record a new subscription based information technology arrangement and to reclassify capital projects into water, sewer and road funds.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 16, 2025.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the City's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the City's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information (RSI), as itemized in the table of contents, that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, Dial-A-Ride transit schedules, and the schedule of expenditures of Federal awards which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

We were not engaged to report on the Dial-A-Ride transit schedules section balances at other than June 30, 2024, or the Schedule of Nonfinancial Information, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. Such information has not been subjected 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.

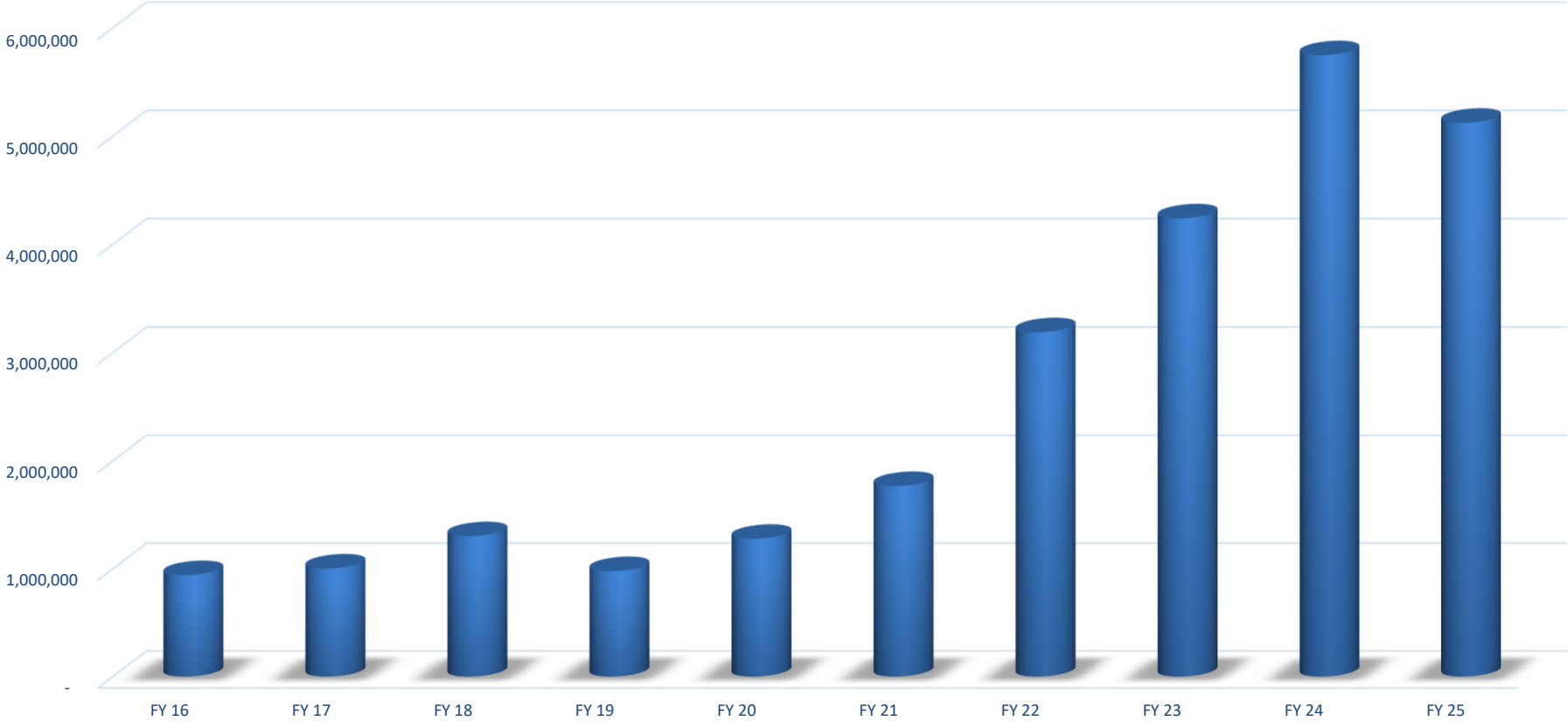
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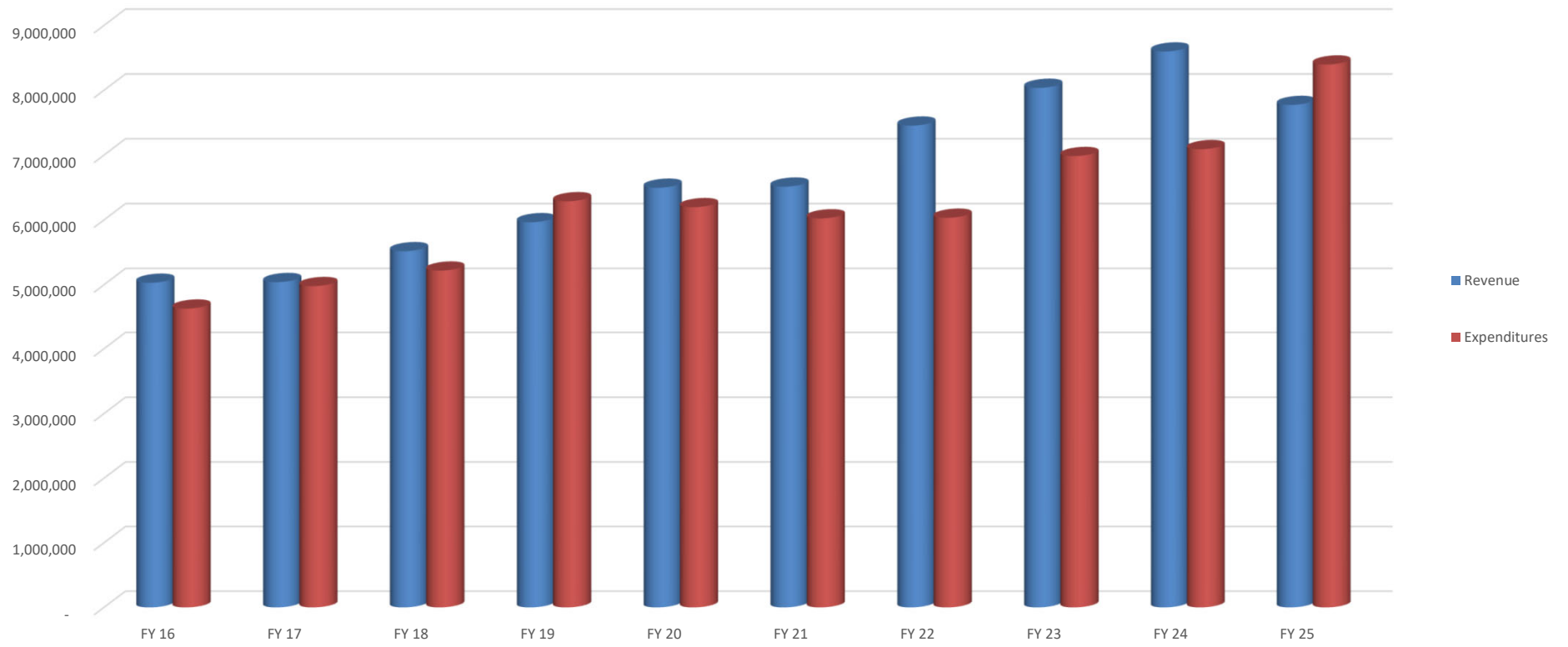
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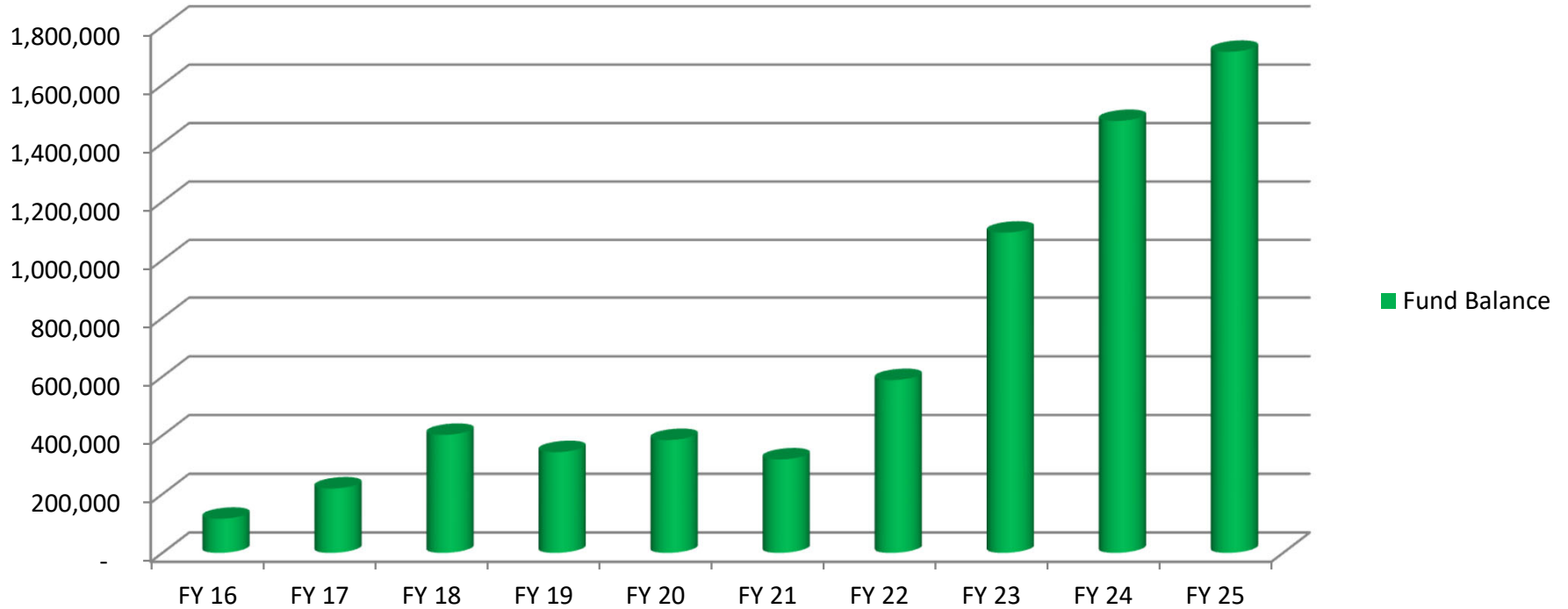
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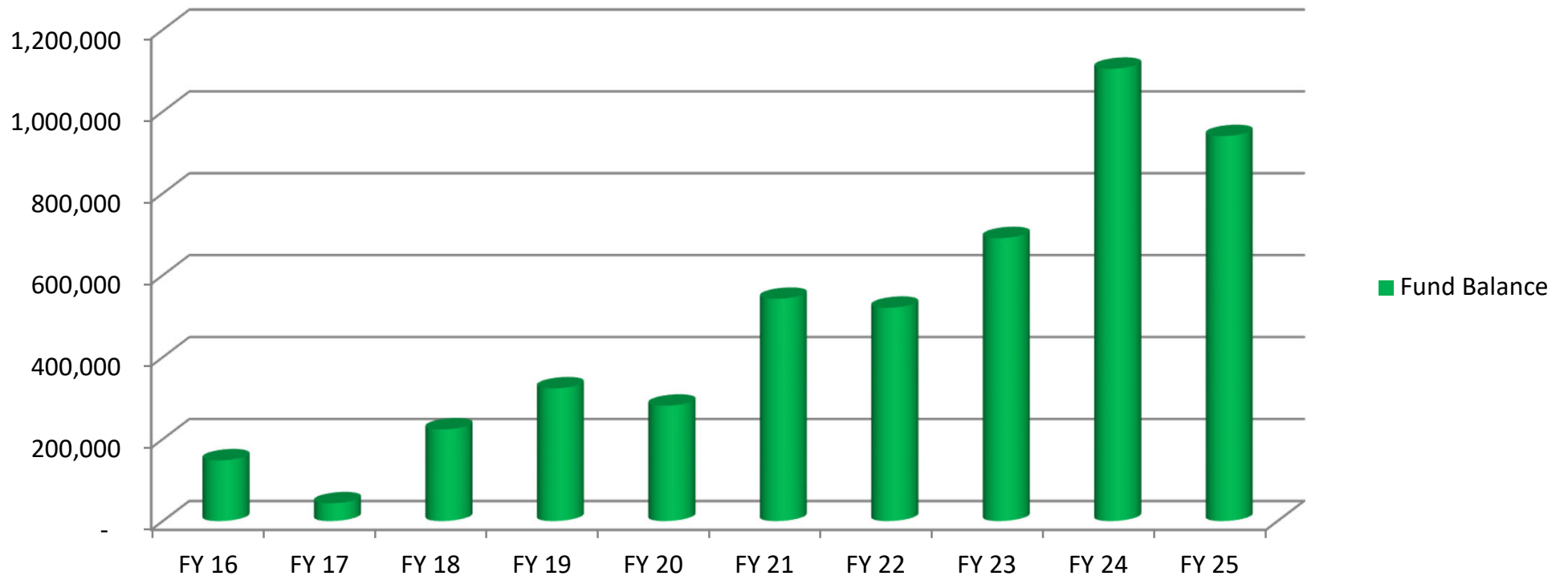
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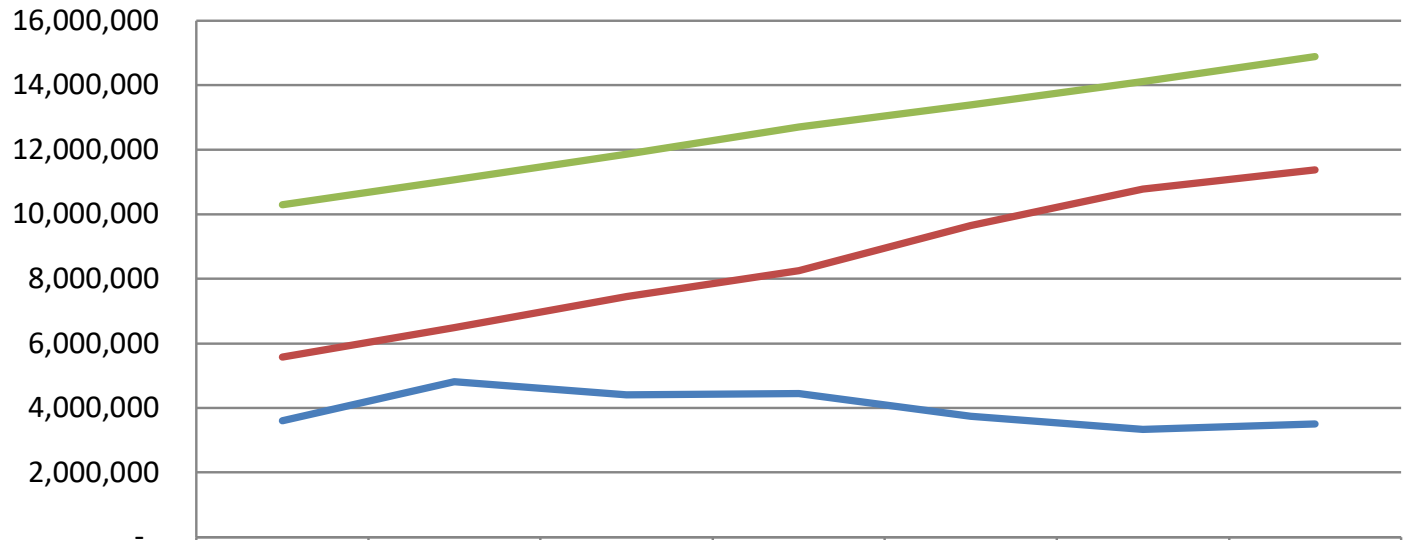
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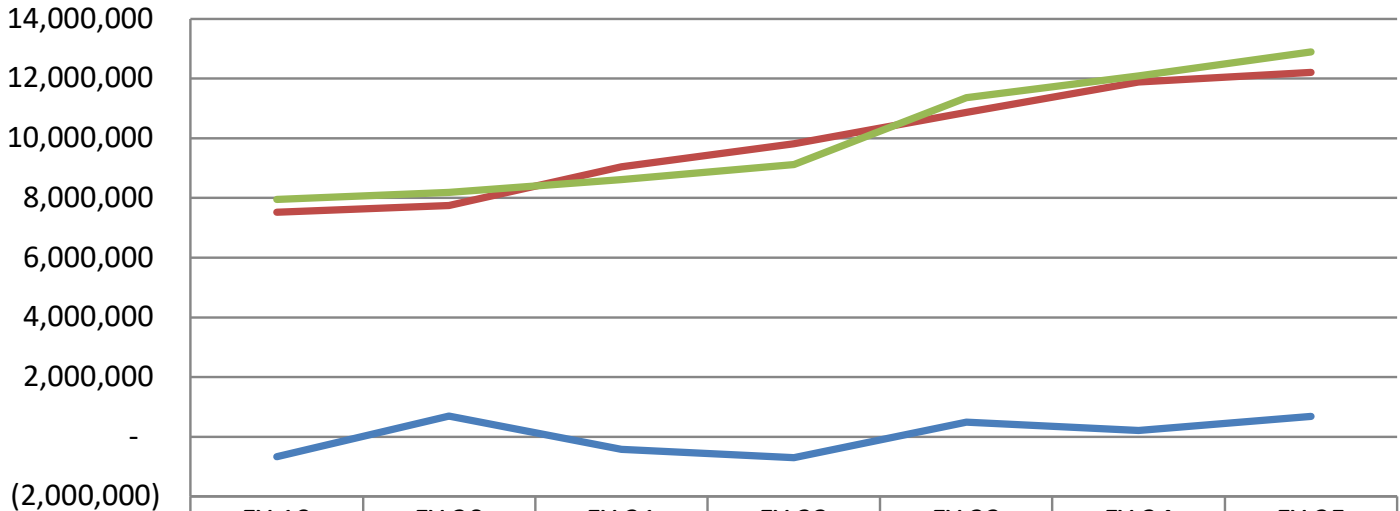


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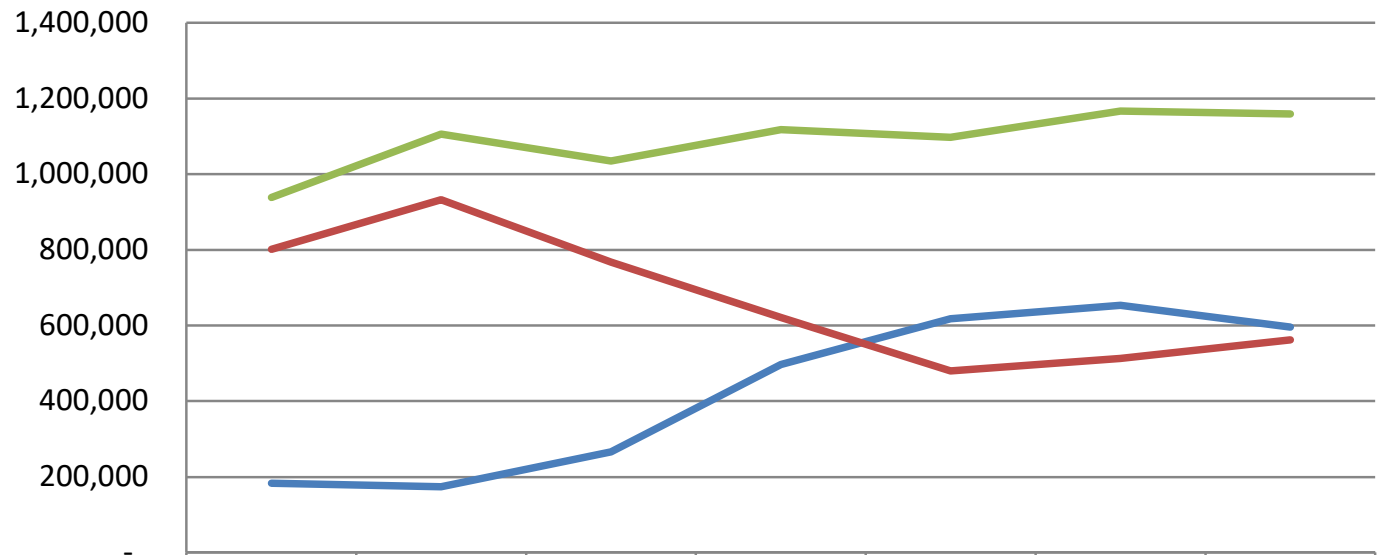
	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
— Unrestricted Net Position	3,605,744	4,810,521	4,410,336	4,448,225	3,741,363	3,337,828	3,504,571
— Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	5,578,833	6,483,874	7,449,048	8,258,701	9,645,569	10,776,548	11,381,673
— Total Net Position	10,296,157	11,062,423	11,859,384	12,706,926	13,386,932	14,114,373	14,886,244

Water Fund



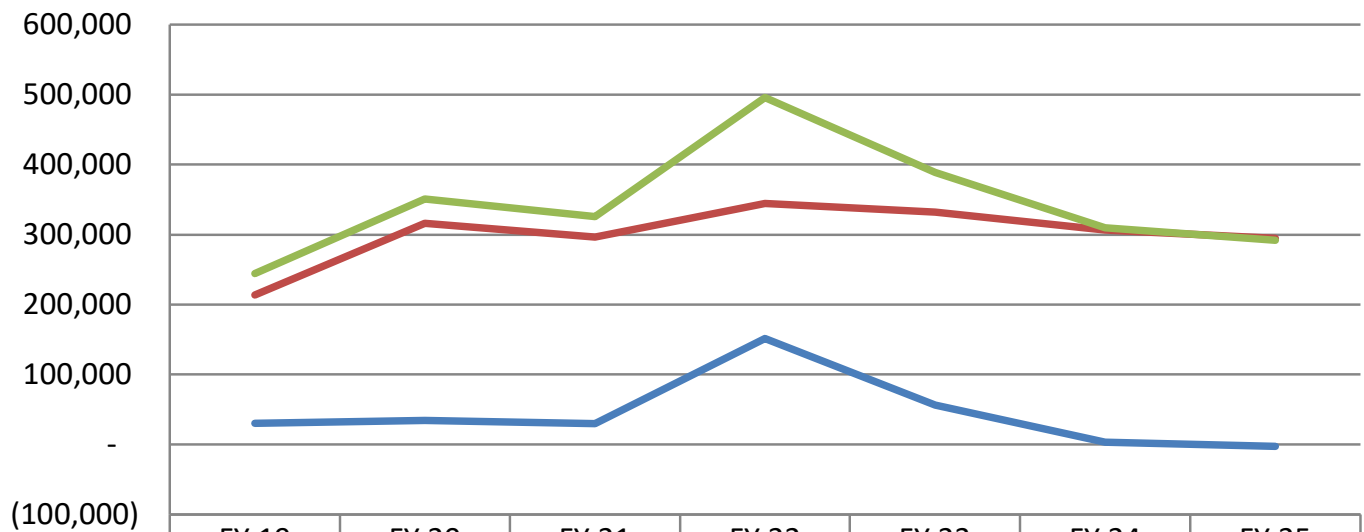
	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
— Unrestricted Net Position	(667,755)	695,701	(425,791)	(702,382)	483,307	207,913	683,306
— Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	7,525,531	7,746,627	9,042,473	9,818,060	10,874,685	11,883,379	12,207,931
— Total Net Position	7,948,083	8,193,103	8,616,682	9,115,678	11,357,992	12,091,292	12,891,237

Dial-A-Ride Fund



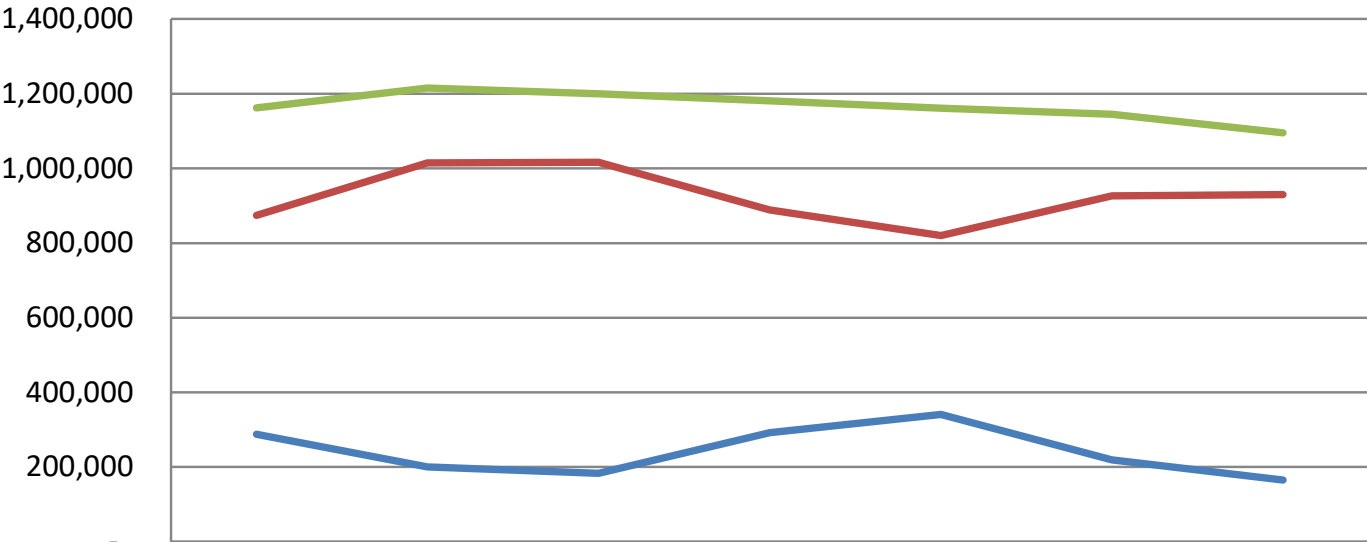
	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
Unrestricted Net Position	182,195	173,576	266,282	496,992	618,112	653,268	596,436
Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	801,494	932,363	767,994	621,185	479,696	513,216	562,490
Total Net Position	938,689	1,105,939	1,034,276	1,118,177	1,097,808	1,166,484	1,158,926

Theatre Fund



	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
— Unrestricted Net Position	30,508	34,522	29,711	151,299	56,692	3,197	(2,704)
— Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	213,894	316,143	296,314	344,725	332,212	306,777	294,403
— Total Net Position	244,402	350,665	326,025	496,024	388,904	309,974	291,699

Central Garage Fund



	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
— Unrestricted Net Position	287,633	200,411	183,580	292,235	341,191	219,256	165,516
— Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	874,228	1,014,747	1,016,674	888,733	819,856	926,390	929,989
— Total Net Position	1,161,861	1,215,158	1,200,254	1,180,968	1,161,047	1,145,646	1,095,505



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025



Vredeveld Haefner LLC
CPAs and Consultants

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

December 16, 2025

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Ionia, Michigan

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Ionia, Michigan (the City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 City's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 through 11 and the required supplementary information on pages 47 through 50 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and Dial-A-Ride transit schedules section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate 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 combining and individual fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The Dial-A-Ride Transit Schedules Section balances at June 30, 2025, are the responsibility of management and, except for the Schedule of Nonfinancial Information, were derived from and relate 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, Dial-A-Ride transit schedules section balances at June 30, 2025, except for the Schedule of Nonfinancial Information, are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The Dial-A-Ride Transit Schedules Section balances at other than June 30, 2025, and the Schedule of Nonfinancial Information, have not been subjected 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 them.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 16, 2025, on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management's Discussion and Analysis



As management for the City of Ionia, we offer readers of the City's financial statements this narrative of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that is furnished in the financial statements and associated notes.

Financial Highlights

The foregoing financial reports reflect the City's on-going goal of implementing sound financial processes to deliver high quality services to City residents. The City has stabilized and incrementally improved its financial standing through implementing various management best practices, improved efficiencies such as through advanced technology and focusing on vital capital improvement projects. Examples include:

- The millage rate adopted by the City Council during June 2024 to support 2024-25 was 8.941 mills, which was a decrease from 8.976 mills in FY23-24.
- The City continued to pay down its outstanding debt for past public infrastructure projects, while also utilizing a pay-as-you-go strategy for current capital equipment and infrastructure projects to reduce expense associated with these projects.
- The City increased its unassigned General Fund balance to 21% of its FY24-25 General Fund Budget over prior year and also decreased total General Fund balances by \$623,573 over the prior year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's financial statements. The City's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the City's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the City's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the City's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., earned but unused compensated absences, accrued interest, etc.).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of the City include general government

administration, public safety, public works including major and local street construction and maintenance, culture and recreation, capital outlay, and debt service activities. The business-type activities of the City include Dial-A-Ride, sewer, water, and theatre operations.

The government-wide financial statements include the City (the *primary government*) as well as the Downtown Development Authority, Local Development Finance Authority, and Brownfield Redevelopment Authority component units for which the City is financially accountable. Financial information for the component units is reported separately from the financial information for the primary government.

Fund financial statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the City can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the City's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the City's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The City maintains fifteen individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General fund which is considered to be a major fund.

Data is combined into a single aggregated presentation for the other governmental funds. Individual fund data for each of the non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements and schedules.

The City adopts an annual budget for its general and special revenue funds. Budgetary comparison schedules have been provided herein to demonstrate compliance with those budgets.

Proprietary funds. The City maintains two types of proprietary funds. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The City uses enterprise funds to account for its Dial-a-Ride, sewer, water and theatre operations. The City uses an internal service fund to account for its central garage which provides vehicle rental and services to other City departments on a cost reimbursement basis.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Dial-A-Ride, sewer and water operations, each of which are considered to be major funds of the City. The internal service fund is included as a single column in the proprietary fund financial statements.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the City. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the City's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain *required supplementary information*. This is limited to this management discussion and analysis, major fund budgetary schedules, and pension plan schedules.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the City, assets exceeded liabilities by \$42,896,826 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

A portion of the City's net position reflects unrestricted net position which is available for future operations, while a significant portion of net position is invested in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, vehicles, equipment and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although the City's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. Unrestricted net position is negative in the governmental activities primarily as a result of recording the governmental activities net pension liability and related deferred items.

Summary of Net Position

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
Current and other assets	\$11,019,650	\$11,688,816	\$ 6,507,228	\$ 5,766,368	\$17,526,878	\$17,455,184
Capital assets	11,494,999	9,277,339	45,962,024	46,417,157	57,457,023	55,694,496
Total assets	22,514,649	20,966,155	52,469,252	52,183,525	74,983,901	73,149,680
Deferred outflows	2,002,359	2,245,863	315,887	344,805	2,318,246	2,590,668
Current and other liabilities	1,135,650	1,179,347	1,996,997	1,871,575	3,132,647	3,050,922
Noncurrent liabilities	9,338,005	9,528,221	21,538,299	22,943,591	30,876,304	32,471,812
Total liabilities	10,473,655	10,707,568	23,535,296	24,815,166	34,008,951	35,522,734
Deferred inflows	374,633	456,452	21,737	31,038	396,370	487,490
Net position						
Net investment in capital assets	12,348,912	10,104,219	24,446,497	23,479,920	36,795,409	33,584,139
Restricted	4,030,439	4,106,158	-	-	4,030,439	4,106,158
Unrestricted (deficit)	(2,710,631)	(2,162,379)	4,781,609	4,202,206	2,070,978	2,039,827
Total net position	\$13,668,720	\$12,047,998	\$29,228,106	\$27,682,126	\$42,896,826	\$39,730,124

Total net position for the City increased by \$3,216,962 from the prior year which is primarily due to increases in sewer and water fund net position and general and nonmajor governmental fund increased fund balance.

Summary of Activities

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
Revenues						
Program revenues						
Charges for services	\$3,267,239	\$3,432,370	\$7,026,045	\$6,890,331	\$10,293,284	\$10,322,701
Operating grants and contributions	1,871,116	1,820,231	914,083	826,171	2,785,199	2,646,402
Capital grants and contributions	45,288	44,833	371,991	40,004	417,279	84,837
General revenues						
Property taxes	1,502,572	1,404,221	132,550	121,599	1,635,122	1,525,820
Income taxes	2,675,412	3,353,821	-	-	2,675,412	3,353,821
Other governmental sources	1,205,744	1,138,407	-	-	1,205,744	1,138,407
Interest	335,106	277,960	127,003	177,075	462,109	455,035
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total revenues	10,902,477	11,471,843	8,571,672	8,055,180	19,474,149	19,527,023
Expenses						
General government	2,928,394	2,942,670	-	-	2,928,394	2,942,670
Public safety	3,348,720	3,248,217	-	-	3,348,720	3,248,217
Public works	2,137,644	1,902,556	-	-	2,137,644	1,902,556
Culture and recreation	876,820	730,684	-	-	876,820	730,684
Dial-a-Ride	-	-	1,124,037	998,301	1,124,037	998,301
Sewer	-	-	2,908,277	2,871,009	2,908,277	2,871,009
Water	-	-	2,607,268	2,429,729	2,607,268	2,429,729
Theatre	-	-	326,027	305,651	326,027	305,651
Total expenses	9,291,578	8,824,127	6,965,609	6,604,690	16,257,187	15,428,817
Increase (decrease) before transfers	1,610,899	2,647,716	1,606,063	1,450,490	3,216,962	4,098,206
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in net Position	1,610,899	2,647,716	1,606,063	1,450,490	3,216,962	4,098,206
Net position - beginning of year	12,047,998	9,400,282	27,682,126	26,231,636	39,730,124	35,631,918
Correction of an error	246,556	-	-	-	246,556	-
Change in accounting principle	(236,733)	-	(60,083)	-	(296,816)	-
Net position - end of year	\$13,668,720	\$12,047,998	\$29,228,106	\$27,682,126	\$42,896,826	\$39,730,124

Governmental Activities. During the year, the City invested \$3,348,720 or 36% of governmental activities expenses in Public Safety. Public Works, which includes major and local streets was \$2,137,644 or 23% of governmental activities expenses while general government, culture and recreation, and interest on long-term debt made up the remaining 41% of governmental activities expenses.

Business-type Activities. Business-type activities increased the City's net position by \$1,606,063 primarily due to controlled sewer and water expenditures and scheduled rate increases.

Financial Analysis of the City's Funds

As noted earlier, the City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the City's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the City's financing requirements. In particular, *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. As of the end of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$9,252,106, a decrease of \$814,182 in comparison with the prior year. Of the \$9,252,106, \$1,720,261 is reported as unassigned. The remaining amount of fund balance is reported in various funds as assigned, restricted or non-spendable for certain uses such as street construction and maintenance, solid waste, recreation and construction.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General fund was \$1,720,261. As a measure of the General fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 21% of total General fund expenditures. The fund balance of the City's General fund decreased by \$623,573 during the current fiscal year primarily as a result of the purchase of property.

The major streets fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditure of state shared gas and weight taxes under Act 51, P.A. 1951 as amended. The major streets fund balance at the end of the year amounted to \$1,713,076, an increase of \$236,706 from the previous year.

The park facilities improvements capital projects fund is used to account for funds saved for the construction or purchase of park equipment and buildings, which reduces City borrowing related to these asset purchases. The fund balance at the end of the year amounted to \$619,583, a decrease of \$457,691 from the previous year.

Proprietary Funds. The City's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$4,781,609. The enterprise funds reported an increase in net position for the year of \$1,606,063. Other factors concerning the finances of these funds have already been addressed in the discussion of the City's business-type activities.

Budgetary Highlights

- The City made a substantial investment in land (80 acres) that was previously used as a correctional facility. Planning and design engineering commenced towards creation of a new high-tech industrial park.
- Staff restructuring resulted in the creation of an appointed City Clerk position (split with the Assistant City Manager role) and the expansion of public relations/communications through the new assistant to the City Manager position.
- The City completed three major parks projects --the Ionia Dog Park, Hale Park and the Fred Thwaites Rivertrail repaving – totaling over 1.2 million.
- The Ionia Theatre Fund continued to operate at a loss during FY 24-25 (\$75,239) prompting the creation of an Ad-Hoc Theatre Committee, as well as a consultant-facilitated study to develop strategies for improved operational sustainability.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets. The City’s investment in capital assets for its governmental and business type activities as of June 30, 2025, amounted to \$57,457,023 (net of accumulated depreciation). Significant additions were made due to continued investment in the City’s streets, water and sewer infrastructure, park improvements and a new land purchase.

The City’s capital assets (net of depreciation) are summarized as follows:

Capital Assets			
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Land	\$ 1,880,814	\$ 1,219,180	\$ 3,099,994
Construction in progress	207,059	-	207,059
Buildings, equipment and Infrastructure	9,407,126	44,742,844	54,149,970
Total	\$11,494,999	\$45,962,024	\$57,457,023

Additional information on capital assets can be found in Note 7 of these financial statements.

Debt and other long-term liabilities. At the end of the current fiscal year, the City had total long-term liabilities outstanding of \$32,337,568 summarized as follows:

Long-term Debt			
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Accrued employee benefits	\$ 733,054	\$ 206,302	\$ 939,356
Net pension liability	8,553,246	1,222,630	9,775,876
Bond premium	-	686,772	686,772
Bonds payable	-	20,859,488	20,859,488
SBITA	76,076	-	76,076
Total	\$9,362,376	\$22,975,192	\$32,337,568

The City made debt principal payments totaling \$1,398,434 during the year. Additional information on the City’s long-term debt can be found in Note 9 of these financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year’s Budgets and Rates

The following factors were considered in preparing the City’s budget for the 2025-26 fiscal year:

- Conservative revenue estimates were prepared regarding the City Income Tax, State Revenue Sharing and Fire Protection Grant funds.
- The millage rate adopted by the City Council in June 2025 to support the 2025-26 budget was 8.9741 mills, which was that same as FY24-25.
- Following completion of a comprehensive Water and Sewer Rates Study, sanitary sewer rates were adjusted for FY 25-26. The sanitary sewer commodity charge increased from \$4.87 to \$4.90 per 1,000 gallons and the sewer debt service charge decreased from \$44.59 to \$46.00 per REU per quarter. The water commodity rate increased from \$4.20 to \$4.60 per 1,000 gallons and the debt service charge increased from \$33.39 to \$34.00 per REU per quarter.
- Following a lighter street improvement project in FY 24-25 (\$400,000), a more aggressive project was planned for FY 25-26, estimated at approximately \$1.3 Million, budgeted via a combination of major & local street, plus water and sewer funds.
- Continued predevelopment expenses for the future high-tech industrial park (\$250,000) were largely offset by available grant funding (\$200,000).

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Chris Hyzer, Finance Director, at (616) 527-4170, extension 5137 or via e-mail: chyzer@ci.ionia.mi.us or Precia Garland, City Manager, at extension 5776, or via e-mail: pgarland@ci.ionia.mi.us.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF IONIA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2025

	Primary Government			Component Units		
				Local		
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	Downtown Development Authority	Development Finance Authority	Brownfield Redevelopment Authority
Assets						
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 9,647,204	\$ 4,377,806	\$ 14,025,010	\$ 212,288	\$ 697	\$ 61,847
Accounts receivable	603,982	1,694,099	2,298,081	34	-	-
Prepaid items	70,297	247	70,544	-	-	-
Due from other governments	476,178	377,781	853,959	-	-	-
Inventory	-	57,295	57,295	-	-	-
Noncurrent						
Lease receivable	221,989	-	221,989	-	-	-
Land	1,880,814	1,219,180	3,099,994	387,256	-	-
Construction in progress	207,059	-	207,059	-	-	-
Depreciable capital assets, net	9,407,126	44,742,844	54,149,970	-	-	-
Total assets	22,514,649	52,469,252	74,983,901	599,578	697	61,847
Deferred outflows of resources						
Deferred loss on refunding	-	30,733	30,733	-	-	-
Deferred outflows pension related	2,002,359	285,154	2,287,513	38,377	-	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	2,002,359	315,887	2,318,246	38,377	-	-
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	796,030	118,406	914,436	23,853	-	-
Accrued liabilities	313,187	439,956	753,143	4,329	-	-
Unearned revenue	2,062	1,704	3,766	-	-	-
Due to other governments	-	38	38	-	-	-
Debt due within one year	24,371	1,436,893	1,461,264	-	-	-
Noncurrent liabilities						
Compensated absences	733,054	206,302	939,356	7,814	-	-
Net pension liability	8,553,246	1,222,630	9,775,876	164,008	-	-
Bond premium	-	686,772	686,772	-	-	-
Debt due in more than one year	51,705	19,422,595	19,474,300	-	-	-
Total liabilities	10,473,655	23,535,296	34,008,951	200,004	-	-
Deferred inflows of resources						
Deferred inflows lease related	221,989	-	221,989	-	-	-
Deferred inflows pension related	152,644	21,737	174,381	2,926	-	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	374,633	21,737	396,370	2,926	-	-
Net position						
Net investment in capital assets	12,348,912	24,446,497	36,795,409	387,256	-	-
Restricted for						
Cemetery	5,998	-	5,998	-	-	-
Capital improvements	709,029	-	709,029	-	-	-
Major streets	1,713,076	-	1,713,076	-	-	-
Local streets	939,987	-	939,987	-	-	-
Public safety	26,838	-	26,838	-	-	-
Solid waste	635,511	-	635,511	-	-	-
Unrestricted (deficit)	(2,710,631)	4,781,609	2,070,978	47,769	697	61,847
Total net position	\$ 13,668,720	\$ 29,228,106	\$ 42,896,826	\$ 435,025	\$ 697	\$ 61,847

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

CITY OF IONIA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Primary government					
Governmental activities					
General government	\$ 2,928,394	\$ 2,597,220	\$ 2,177	\$ -	\$ (328,997)
Public safety	3,348,720	22,540	14,907	45,288	(3,265,985)
Public works and streets	2,137,644	517,546	1,587,096	-	(33,002)
Culture and recreation	876,820	129,933	266,936	-	(479,951)
Total governmental activities	9,291,578	3,267,239	1,871,116	45,288	(4,107,935)
Business-type activities					
Dial-a-Ride	1,124,037	83,753	833,779	62,883	(143,622)
Sewer	2,908,277	3,605,621	-	-	697,344
Water	2,607,268	3,108,503	-	309,108	810,343
Theatre	326,027	228,168	80,304	-	(17,555)
Total business-type activities	6,965,609	7,026,045	914,083	371,991	1,346,510
Total primary government	\$ 16,257,187	\$ 10,293,284	\$ 2,785,199	\$ 417,279	\$ (2,761,425)
Component units					
Downtown Development Authority	\$ 168,567	\$ 17,326	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 48,759
Local Development Finance Authority	-	-	-	-	-
Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	2,140	-	-	-	(2,140)
Total component units	\$ 170,707	\$ 17,326	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 46,619

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CITY OF IONIA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Primary Government			Component Units		
	Governmental	Business-type	Total	Downtown Development Authority	Local	Brownfield Redevelopment Authority
	Activities	Activities			Finance Authority	
Changes in net assets						
Net (expense) revenue	\$ (4,107,935)	\$ 1,346,510	\$ (2,761,425)	\$ 48,759	\$ -	\$ (2,140)
General revenues						
Property taxes						
General operating	934,307	-	934,307	46,148	-	-
Restricted	568,265	132,550	700,815	-	-	-
Income taxes	2,675,412	-	2,675,412	-	-	-
Marijuana tax	117,574	-	117,574	-	-	-
State shared revenues - unrestricted	1,088,170	-	1,088,170	-	-	-
interest	335,106	127,003	462,109	5,485	22	2,053
Total general revenues	<u>5,718,834</u>	<u>259,553</u>	<u>5,978,387</u>	<u>51,633</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>2,053</u>
Change in net position	<u>1,610,899</u>	<u>1,606,063</u>	<u>3,216,962</u>	<u>100,392</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>(87)</u>
Net position, beginning of year as previously presented	12,047,998	27,682,126	39,730,124	344,110	675	61,934
Correction of an error	246,556	-	246,556	-	-	-
Change in accounting principle	<u>(236,733)</u>	<u>(60,083)</u>	<u>(296,816)</u>	<u>(9,477)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net position, beginning of year as restated	<u>12,057,821</u>	<u>27,622,043</u>	<u>39,679,864</u>	<u>334,633</u>	<u>675</u>	<u>61,934</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 13,668,720</u>	<u>\$ 29,228,106</u>	<u>\$ 42,896,826</u>	<u>\$ 435,025</u>	<u>\$ 697</u>	<u>\$ 61,847</u>

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CITY OF IONIA
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>General</u>	<u>Major Streets</u>	<u>Parks Facilities Improvements</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets					
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 4,880,213	\$ 1,631,583	\$ 742,501	\$ 2,150,688	\$ 9,404,985
Accounts receivable	435,724	224	2,062	112,465	550,475
Accounts receivable-Leases	221,989	-	-	-	221,989
Prepaid items	69,561	-	-	-	69,561
Due from other governments	240,917	173,602	-	61,659	476,178
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,848,404</u>	<u>\$ 1,805,409</u>	<u>\$ 744,563</u>	<u>\$ 2,324,812</u>	<u>\$ 10,723,188</u>
Liabilities and fund balances					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 236,754	\$ 81,218	\$ 122,918	\$ 251,912	\$ 692,802
Accrued liabilities	266,769	11,115	-	29,789	307,673
Unearned revenue	-	-	2,062	-	2,062
Total liabilities	<u>503,523</u>	<u>92,333</u>	<u>124,980</u>	<u>281,701</u>	<u>1,002,537</u>
Deferred inflows					
Lease related	221,989	-	-	-	221,989
Fund balances					
Nonspendable					
Permanent fund corpus	-	-	-	5,200	5,200
Prepaid items	69,561	-	-	-	69,561
Restricted					
Permanent fund spendable	-	-	-	798	798
Streets	-	1,713,076	-	939,987	2,653,063
Public safety	-	-	-	26,838	26,838
Solid waste	-	-	-	635,511	635,511
Capital projects	-	-	619,583	89,446	709,029
Assigned					
Public safety	5,000	-	-	301,375	306,375
Streets	1,000,000	-	-	-	1,000,000
Accrued benefits	500,000	-	-	-	500,000
Recreation	-	-	-	43,956	43,956
Economic Development	500,000	-	-	-	500,000
Capital projects	1,000,000	-	-	-	1,000,000
Subsequent year expenditures	328,070	-	-	-	328,070
Unassigned	1,720,261	-	-	-	1,720,261
Total fund balances	<u>5,122,892</u>	<u>1,713,076</u>	<u>619,583</u>	<u>2,043,111</u>	<u>9,498,662</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 5,848,404</u>	<u>\$ 1,805,409</u>	<u>\$ 744,563</u>	<u>\$ 2,324,812</u>	<u>\$ 10,723,188</u>

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CITY OF IONIA

RECONCILIATION OF FUND BALANCE ON THE BALANCE SHEET
FOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO NET POSITION OF
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES ON THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2025

Fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 9,498,662
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of net position are different because	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	
Add - land	1,880,814
Add - construction in progress	207,059
Add - capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	8,477,137
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of centralized costs, to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in the governmental activities.	
Add - net position of governmental activities accounted for in the internal service fund	1,095,505
Certain liabilities and related deferred inflows and deferred outflows are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	
Deduct - compensated absences payable	(710,850)
Deduct - net pension liability	(8,553,246)
Deduct - deferred inflows related to pensions	(152,644)
Add - deferred outflows related to pensions	2,002,359
Deduct - debt payable	<u>(76,076)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 13,668,720</u>

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CITY OF IONIA
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Formerly nonmajor Funds				Total
	General	Major Streets	Parks Facilities Improvements	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
Revenues					
Property taxes	\$ 934,307	\$ -	\$ 183,264	\$ 496,156	\$ 1,613,727
Income taxes	2,675,412	-	-	-	2,675,412
Marijuana tax	117,574	-	-	-	117,574
Intergovernmental revenues					
Federal	702	-	262,622	-	263,324
State	1,133,458	1,089,113	-	386,828	2,609,399
Licenses and permits	61,700	-	-	-	61,700
Charges for services	2,433,792	-	-	476,860	2,910,652
Fines	6,337	-	-	-	6,337
Interest	291,588	46,106	29,776	35,235	402,705
Donations	1,475	-	-	7,363	8,838
Miscellaneous	117,101	24,981	-	90,727	232,809
Total revenues	<u>7,773,446</u>	<u>1,160,200</u>	<u>475,662</u>	<u>1,493,169</u>	<u>10,902,477</u>
Expenditures					
Current					
General government	2,686,057	-	-	-	2,686,057
Public safety	3,292,924	-	-	47,167	3,340,091
Public works and streets	96,339	923,494	-	1,355,971	2,375,804
Health and welfare	49,972	-	-	-	49,972
Community and economic development	1,240,482	-	-	-	1,240,482
Culture and recreation	6,245	-	1,233,353	535,894	1,775,492
Contribution to component unit	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
Capital outlay	-	-	-	48,761	48,761
Total expenditures	<u>7,572,019</u>	<u>923,494</u>	<u>1,233,353</u>	<u>1,987,793</u>	<u>11,716,659</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>201,427</u>	<u>236,706</u>	<u>(757,691)</u>	<u>(494,624)</u>	<u>(814,182)</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers in	-	-	300,000	525,000	825,000
Transfers out	(825,000)	-	-	-	(825,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(825,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>525,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net changes in fund balances	<u>(623,573)</u>	<u>236,706</u>	<u>(457,691)</u>	<u>30,376</u>	<u>(814,182)</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year, as previously presented	5,746,465	-	-	4,319,823	10,066,288
Change within financial reporting entity	<u>-</u>	<u>1,476,370</u>	<u>830,718</u>	<u>(2,307,088)</u>	<u>-</u>
Correction of an error	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>246,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>246,556</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year, as restated	<u>5,746,465</u>	<u>1,476,370</u>	<u>1,077,274</u>	<u>2,012,735</u>	<u>10,066,288</u>
Fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ 5,122,892</u>	<u>\$ 1,713,076</u>	<u>\$ 619,583</u>	<u>\$ 2,043,111</u>	<u>\$ 9,252,106</u>

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CITY OF IONIA

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (814,182)
<p>Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of activities are different because</p> <p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.</p>	
Add - capital outlay	3,186,903
Deduct - net book value of disposed assets	(3,740)
Deduct - depreciation expense	(945,668)
<p>Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the funds.</p>	
Deduct - increase in compensated absences	(27,995)
Add - decrease in deferred inflows related to pensions	75,178
Deduct - decrease in deferred outflows related to pensions	(243,504)
Add - decrease in net pension liability	423,789
<p>Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain services to individual funds. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service funds is reported with governmental activities.</p>	
Add - net income from the internal service funds	(39,882)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 1,610,899

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CITY OF IONIA
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2025

	Enterprise Funds				Enterprise Fund Total	Governmental Activities
	Dial-A-Ride	Sewer	Water	Nonmajor (Theatre)		Internal Service (Central Garage)
Assets						
Current assets						
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 910,189	\$ 2,688,402	\$ 767,671	\$ 11,544	\$ 4,377,806	\$ 242,219
Accounts receivable	13,888	791,155	889,056	-	1,694,099	53,507
Prepaid items	-	-	247	-	247	736
Due from other governments	102,824	211,822	63,135	-	377,781	-
Inventory	-	-	57,295	-	57,295	-
Total current assets	<u>1,026,901</u>	<u>3,691,379</u>	<u>1,777,404</u>	<u>11,544</u>	<u>6,507,228</u>	<u>296,462</u>
Noncurrent assets						
Advance receivable	-	200,000	-	-	200,000	-
Land	25,000	475,893	671,395	46,892	1,219,180	-
Buildings and infrastructure	1,812,696	26,528,049	35,985,548	1,280,541	65,606,834	609,393
Machinery and equipment	734,079	544,566	4,074,260	323,692	5,676,597	-
Vehicles	1,003,126	-	-	-	1,003,126	2,854,419
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,917,923)</u>	<u>(5,623,381)</u>	<u>(17,645,687)</u>	<u>(1,356,722)</u>	<u>(27,543,713)</u>	<u>(2,533,823)</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>656,978</u>	<u>22,125,127</u>	<u>23,085,516</u>	<u>294,403</u>	<u>46,162,024</u>	<u>929,989</u>
Total assets	<u>1,683,879</u>	<u>25,816,506</u>	<u>24,862,920</u>	<u>305,947</u>	<u>52,669,252</u>	<u>1,226,451</u>
Deferred outflows of resources						
Deferred loss on refunding	-	14,137	16,596	-	30,733	-
Deferred outflows pension related	<u>64,427</u>	<u>62,799</u>	<u>157,928</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>285,154</u>	<u>-</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>64,427</u>	<u>76,936</u>	<u>174,524</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>315,887</u>	<u>-</u>
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	77,480	1,148	31,773	8,005	118,406	103,228
Accrued liabilities	31,111	150,108	252,494	6,243	439,956	5,514
Due to other governments	-	38	-	-	38	-
Unearned revenue	1,704	-	-	-	1,704	-
Current portion of long-term debt	<u>36,893</u>	<u>677,400</u>	<u>722,600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,436,893</u>	<u>-</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>147,188</u>	<u>828,694</u>	<u>1,006,867</u>	<u>14,248</u>	<u>1,996,997</u>	<u>108,742</u>
Long-term liabilities						
Advance payable	-	-	200,000	-	200,000	-
Compensated absences	104,351	25,149	76,802	-	206,302	22,204
Net pension liability	275,335	268,377	678,918	-	1,222,630	-
Bond premium	-	339,891	346,881	-	686,772	-
Bonds payable, net of current portion	<u>57,595</u>	<u>9,540,300</u>	<u>9,824,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,422,595</u>	<u>-</u>
Total long-term liabilities	<u>437,281</u>	<u>10,173,717</u>	<u>11,127,301</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,738,299</u>	<u>22,204</u>
Total liabilities	<u>584,469</u>	<u>11,002,411</u>	<u>12,134,168</u>	<u>14,248</u>	<u>23,735,296</u>	<u>130,946</u>
Deferred inflows of resources						
Deferred inflows pension related	<u>4,911</u>	<u>4,787</u>	<u>12,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,737</u>	<u>-</u>
Net position						
Net investment in capital assets	562,490	11,381,673	12,207,931	294,403	24,446,497	929,989
Unrestricted	<u>596,436</u>	<u>3,504,571</u>	<u>683,306</u>	<u>(2,704)</u>	<u>4,781,609</u>	<u>165,516</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 1,158,926</u>	<u>\$ 14,886,244</u>	<u>\$ 12,891,237</u>	<u>\$ 291,699</u>	<u>\$ 29,228,106</u>	<u>\$ 1,095,505</u>

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CITY OF IONIA

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Enterprise Funds				Enterprise Fund Total	Governmental Activities
	Dial-A-Ride	Sewer	Water	Nonmajor (Theatre)		Internal Service (Central Garage)
Operating revenue						
Charges for services	\$ 83,753	\$ 3,569,801	\$ 3,070,730	\$ 228,168	\$ 6,952,452	\$ 505,036
Other	53,624	35,820	37,773	9,584	136,801	4,416
Total operating revenue	<u>137,377</u>	<u>3,605,621</u>	<u>3,108,503</u>	<u>237,752</u>	<u>7,089,253</u>	<u>509,452</u>
Operating expense						
Personnel services	470,226	79,328	246,325	106,272	902,151	88,332
Contractual services	207,058	2,099,126	641,649	83,444	3,031,277	53,147
Benefits	95,334	81,908	225,499	8,739	411,480	84,301
Materials and supplies	59,831	13,397	112,140	45,827	231,195	54,695
Utilities	49,463	-	118,938	37,103	205,504	18,189
Repair and maintenance	82,215	-	30,136	19,243	131,594	42,158
Equipment rentals	-	23,692	65,865	-	89,557	22,974
Depreciation	152,958	336,989	883,606	25,399	1,398,952	194,673
Miscellaneous	6,952	-	-	-	6,952	-
Total operating expense	<u>1,124,037</u>	<u>2,634,440</u>	<u>2,324,158</u>	<u>326,027</u>	<u>6,408,662</u>	<u>558,469</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(986,660)</u>	<u>971,181</u>	<u>784,345</u>	<u>(88,275)</u>	<u>680,591</u>	<u>(49,017)</u>
Non-operating revenue (expense)						
Federal grants	386,962	-	-	-	386,962	-
State grants	385,143	-	-	-	385,143	-
Property taxes	132,550	-	-	-	132,550	-
Contributions from component units	-	-	-	70,000	70,000	-
Gain on sale of capital assets	8,050	-	-	-	8,050	477
Interest income	31,279	80,844	15,600	-	127,723	8,658
Interest expense	-	(273,837)	(283,110)	-	(556,947)	-
Total non-operating revenue (expense)	<u>943,984</u>	<u>(192,993)</u>	<u>(267,510)</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>553,481</u>	<u>9,135</u>
Income (loss) before transfers and other items	<u>(42,676)</u>	<u>778,188</u>	<u>516,835</u>	<u>(18,275)</u>	<u>1,234,072</u>	<u>(39,882)</u>
Transfers and other items						
Capital contributions - federal	50,305	-	309,108	-	359,413	-
Capital contributions - state	12,578	-	-	-	12,578	-
Total transfers and other items	<u>62,883</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>309,108</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>371,991</u>	<u>-</u>
Changes in net position	<u>20,207</u>	<u>778,188</u>	<u>825,943</u>	<u>(18,275)</u>	<u>1,606,063</u>	<u>(39,882)</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year, as previously presented	1,166,484	14,114,376	12,091,292	309,974	27,682,126	1,145,646
Change in accounting principle	<u>(27,765)</u>	<u>(6,320)</u>	<u>(25,998)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(60,083)</u>	<u>(10,259)</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year, as restated	<u>1,138,719</u>	<u>14,108,056</u>	<u>12,065,294</u>	<u>309,974</u>	<u>27,622,043</u>	<u>1,135,387</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 1,158,926</u>	<u>\$ 14,886,244</u>	<u>\$ 12,891,237</u>	<u>\$ 291,699</u>	<u>\$ 29,228,106</u>	<u>\$ 1,095,505</u>

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CITY OF IONIA

PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Enterprise Funds				Enterprise Fund Total	Governmental Activities
	Dial-A-Ride	Sewer	Water	Nonmajor (Theatre)		Internal Service (Central Garage)
Cash flows from operating activities						
Receipts from internal services provided	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 510,414
Receipts from customers and users	130,826	3,615,261	3,085,744	237,752	7,069,583	-
Payments to employees	(548,594)	(150,975)	(468,403)	(113,979)	(1,281,951)	(179,317)
Operating grants	772,105	-	-	70,000	842,105	-
Payments to suppliers	(349,347)	(2,136,231)	(944,268)	(187,363)	(3,617,209)	(94,960)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>4,990</u>	<u>1,328,055</u>	<u>1,673,073</u>	<u>6,410</u>	<u>3,012,528</u>	<u>236,137</u>
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities						
Property Taxes	132,550	-	-	-	132,550	-
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities						
Proceeds of debt	148,288	-	-	-	148,288	-
Interest paid	-	(343,839)	(354,306)	-	(698,145)	-
Deposits/loans with other governments	-	(13,080)	(63,135)	-	(76,215)	-
Capital grants	96,694	-	309,108	-	405,802	-
Principal paid on debt	(53,800)	(664,700)	(710,300)	-	(1,428,800)	-
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	8,050	-	-	-	8,050	16,009
Acquisitions of capital assets	(296,720)	(207,412)	(426,662)	(13,025)	(943,819)	(213,804)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	<u>(97,488)</u>	<u>(1,229,031)</u>	<u>(1,245,295)</u>	<u>(13,025)</u>	<u>(2,584,839)</u>	<u>(197,795)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities						
Interest received	31,279	80,844	15,600	-	127,723	8,658
Net increase (decrease) in cash and pooled investments	71,331	179,868	443,378	(6,615)	687,962	47,000
Cash and pooled investments, beginning of year	<u>838,858</u>	<u>2,508,534</u>	<u>324,293</u>	<u>18,159</u>	<u>3,689,844</u>	<u>195,219</u>
Cash and pooled investments, end of year	<u>\$ 910,189</u>	<u>\$ 2,688,402</u>	<u>\$ 767,671</u>	<u>\$ 11,544</u>	<u>\$ 4,377,806</u>	<u>\$ 242,219</u>
Cash flows from operating activities						
Operating income (loss)	\$ (986,660)	\$ 971,181	\$ 784,345	\$ (88,275)	\$ 680,591	\$ (49,017)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities						
Depreciation	152,958	336,989	883,606	25,399	1,398,952	194,673
Net pension liability	(4,477)	8,477	(4,368)	-	(368)	-
Deferred outflows for pensions	5,576	2,223	13,015	-	20,814	-
Deferred inflows for pensions	(2,190)	(1,809)	(5,302)	-	(9,301)	-
Operating grants	772,105	-	-	70,000	842,105	-
Change in operating assets and liabilities which provided (used) cash						
Accounts receivable	(8,045)	9,640	(22,759)	-	(21,164)	962
Inventory	-	-	10,670	-	10,670	-
Accounts payable	56,172	(16)	13,790	(1,746)	68,200	96,203
Accrued liabilities	(13)	(5,581)	(1,603)	1,032	(6,165)	100
Compensated absences	18,070	6,951	1,679	-	26,700	(6,784)
Unearned revenue	1,494	-	-	-	1,494	-
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ 4,990</u>	<u>\$ 1,328,055</u>	<u>\$ 1,673,073</u>	<u>\$ 6,410</u>	<u>\$ 3,012,528</u>	<u>\$ 236,137</u>

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CITY OF IONIA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2025

	Custodial Fund
Assets	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ <u>13,624</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ <u>13,624</u>

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CITY OF IONIA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Custodial Fund
Additions	
Taxes and benefits collected for other entities	\$ <u>4,874,270</u>
Total additions	<u>4,874,270</u>
Deductions	
Taxes and benefit to other entities	<u>4,874,270</u>
Total deductions	<u>4,874,270</u>
Changes in net position	<u>-</u>
Net position, beginning of year	<u>-</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the City of Ionia, Michigan (the City) conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the significant policies.

Reporting Entity

These financial statements present the City and its component units, entities for which the City is considered to be financially accountable. Blended component units, although legally separate entities are, in substance, part of the City's operations, so data from these units are combined with data of the primary government. Discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the financial statements to emphasize they are legally separate from the City.

Blended Component Unit

The City of Ionia Building Authority (CIBA) is a capital asset financing mechanism which provides services to the City exclusively. The CIBA governing body consists of individuals that are appointed by the City's Council. The City Council approves the CIBA's budget and has the ability to significantly influence operations of the CIBA. The CIBA had no activity in the current year.

Discretely Presented Component Units

The component unit columns in the government-wide financial statements include the financial data of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) and the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA). These component units provide services to the businesses located within the districts. They are reported in a separate column to emphasize they are legally separate from the City.

The DDA was created to correct and prevent deterioration in the downtown area and promote economic growth within downtown. The DDA governing body consists of individuals that are appointed by the City's Council. The City Council approves the DDA's budget and has the ability to significantly influence operations of the DDA. Financial statements are not separately issued for the DDA.

The LDFA was created to correct and prevent deterioration and promote economic growth within the development area. The LDFA governing body consists of individuals that are appointed by the City's Council, Ionia County and North Levalley School District, which has subsequently opted of making board appointments. The City Council approves the LDFA's budget and has the ability to significantly influence operations of the LDFA. Financial statements are not separately issued for the LDFA.

The BRA accounts for captured tax revenue on specific properties within the City that have been identified and approved as brownfields requiring site reclamation. These revenues are used to reimburse property owners for expenditures incurred for brownfield cleanup. The City Council appoints the governing body of the BRA and has the ability to significantly influence operations of the BRA. Financial statements are not separately issued for the BRA.

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Joint Venture

The City of Ionia, along with the Townships of Berlin, Easton, Ionia, and Orange created the Ionia Regional Utilities Authority (IRUA) under Michigan Public Act 233 of 1955. The purpose of the IRUA is to acquire, own and operate a sewage disposal system for the benefit of the constituent municipalities.

The City of Ionia operates, administers, and maintains the IRUA on behalf of the City and the Townships (the constituent municipalities). The annual budget of the IRUA is prepared by City staff in conjunction with the IRUA Board of Trustees and then distributed to the constituent municipalities for comment. After the expiration of the comment period, and after conducting the required public hearing, the IRUA Board of Trustees adopts the IRUA budget. The IRUA Articles of Incorporation provide a mechanism for resolving budget related disputes should they arise.

The allocation of costs of the IRUA to the constituent municipalities is based on usage of the system as measured by system flow. During 1996, the City began to directly bill Ionia Township IRUA customers. As a result, the City's allocation of costs includes the portion of costs that had been charged to Ionia Township in the past. On December 1, 2001, the City began to directly bill Easton Township IRUA customers for operating costs and fixed asset reserves. As a result, the City's allocation of costs includes a portion of costs that would have been charged to Easton Township in the past. The Township continues to make contributions to the IRUA to fund their portion of the debt service requirements. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the City paid \$1,592,464 to cover the City's and Townships' share of operational costs.

The City has not recorded an asset in the enterprise fund type related to IRUA due to not having documented an equity interest in IRUA for accounting purposes. To document an equity interest, the City would need to document an explicit, measurable right to the net resources of the IRUA.

Funding percentages for operating costs and the capital asset reserve are based on annual participant charges as follows:

City of Ionia	86.24%
Berlin Township	6.10%
Easton Township	2.85%
Ionia Township	4.81%

The financial activities of the IRUA are accounted for and reported separately from the participating units. Separate audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2025 are available at City Hall. The following financial information is a summary of the activity for the year ended June 30, 2025:

Total assets	\$9,821,757
Total liabilities	205,218
Total net position	9,616,539
Total operating revenue	1,958,202
Total nonoperating revenues	14,935
Total operating expenses	2,071,384
Total nonoperating expenses	-
Change in net position	(98,247)

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Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Exceptions to this general rule are changes between enterprise functions and other various functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

Likewise, the *primary government* is reported separately from certain legally separate *component units* for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period, except for income tax which uses a 45-day period, and reimbursement-based grants and interest which use a one-year collection period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, state revenue, licenses, grants, income taxes and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the City.

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Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges for services. The principal operating revenues of the City's internal service fund is charges to City departments for shared costs and equipment utilization. Operating expenses for the enterprise funds include depreciation on capital assets, labor, supplies and contracted services. Operating expenses for the internal service funds include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

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

The *Major Streets Fund* is used to account for Act 51 gas and weight taxes and major street repair and maintenance.

The *Parks Facilities Improvement Fund* accounts for the accumulation and disbursement of resources for the parks improvements.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The *Dial-A-Ride Enterprise Fund* is used to account for the operations required to provide transit services to the general public, the costs (expenses, including depreciation) are financed or recovered primarily through user charges, property taxes, and grant revenues.

The *Sewer Enterprise Fund* is used to account for the operations required to provide sewer services to the general public, the costs (expenses, including depreciation) are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

The *Water Enterprise Fund* is used to account for the operations required to provide water services to the general public, the costs (expenses, including depreciation) are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Additionally, the City reports the following fund types:

The *Special Revenue Funds* are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than permanent trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

The *Capital Projects Funds* are used to account for the accumulation and disbursement of resources for the construction of governmental fund capital projects.

The *Permanent Fund* is used to account for resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not principal may be used for purposes that support the City programs.

The *Enterprise Funds* are used to account for the operations to provide services to residents of the City of Ionia and the greater Ionia area. The costs (expenses, including depreciation) are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

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The *Internal Service Fund* is used to account for shared services and equipment usage provided to the City departments and funds on a cost reimbursement basis.

The *Custodial Fund* is used to account for the collection and disbursement of property taxes that are collected on behalf of outside governments.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Comparisons to budget are presented for the General and special revenue funds. General and special revenue funds adopt a legal budget with remaining funds maintaining budgets as a management control device. The City follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Prior to May 1, the City Manager submits to the City Council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget is adopted by activity.
2. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution.
4. Formal budgetary integration is employed for the governmental fund types as a management control device.
5. Budgets for the General and special revenue funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Annual budgets lapse at fiscal year-end.
6. Adoption and amendments of all budgets used by the City are governed by Michigan law. Any amendment to the original budget must meet the requirements of Michigan law. Any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the City Council. The City Manager is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within an activity. Thus, the legal level of budgetary control is at the activity level. Supplemental appropriations were necessary during the year.

Cash and Pooled Investments

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, the City considers cash and pooled investments to be cash and cash equivalents because the pooling of these balances allows for withdrawal of these balances at any time similar to a demand deposit account.

Investments

Investments are stated at fair value at the balance sheet date.

City policy and State statutes authorize the City to invest in:

- a. Bond, securities, other obligations and repurchase agreements of the United States, or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- b. Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts or depository receipts of a qualified financial institution.
- c. Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- d. Bankers' acceptances of United States banks.

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- e. Obligations of the State of Michigan and its political subdivisions that, at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by at least one standard rating service.
- f. Mutual funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 with the authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a public corporation.
- g. External investment pools as authorized by Public Act 20 as amended.

Receivables

All receivables are recorded at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. Uncollectable balances are immaterial to the financial statements.

Due to/Due from Other Funds and Advances Receivable/Payable Between funds

Interfund receivables and payables are short-term borrowings that arise from interfund transactions which are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed. Advances receivable/payable represent a long-term borrowing of \$200,000 from the sewer fund to the water fund that is expected to be repaid in more than a year.

Inventory

All inventories are valued at original cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. Inventory represents parts, materials, and supplies utilized in the various City operations.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, buildings and equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the governmental and business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements.

Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are valued at acquisition value (the price that would be paid to acquire an asset with an equivalent service potential in an orderly market transaction) on the date received.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

No interest expense has been incurred or capitalized on capital assets reported in proprietary funds.

Depreciation on capital assets (including infrastructure) is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Structures and improvements	15-75
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	3-50
Vehicles	5-15
Infrastructure	15-30

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Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs)

Significant subscription-based information technology arrangements are recorded as an intangible right to use subscription, SBITAs asset. These assets are amortized over the shorter of the subscription term or the useful life of the underlying IT assets. The assets are disclosed with other capital assets in note 7. The associated liability for the arrangement is recorded as long-term debt. Both the asset and the liability are recorded at the present value of the contract. Details regarding the SBITAs and the long-term debt are discussed in the following notes.

Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue is reported in connection with payments received that have not yet been earned. The balance of unearned revenue will be recognized when earned in future years.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, the long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statements of net position. For new bond issuances after the implementation of GASB Statement No. 34, bond premiums and discounts, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method which approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources. Discounts on bonds are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as expenditures/expenses.

Accumulated Vacation and Sick

Under contracts negotiated with employee groups and personnel policy, individual employees have a vested right to receive payments for unused vacation and other compensation depending on employment agreements. Accumulated compensated absences of governmental funds are recorded on the statement of net position and not on the governmental fund balance sheets because the balance is not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. Amounts accumulated for proprietary funds are reported on the statements of net position of the individual enterprise funds.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) of Michigan and additions to/deductions from MERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by MERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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Property Taxes

The City collects property taxes from City residence for all property tax levied upon property within the City. Property taxes are attached as an enforceable lien on property as of July 1. Taxes are levied July 1 and December 1 and are due without penalty through July 31 and February 14, respectively. Real property taxes not collected as of March 1 are turned over to the County for collection, which advances the City 100% for the delinquent real property taxes. Collection of delinquent personal property taxes remains the responsibility of the City Treasurer.

Property taxes levied in July of each year are recognized as revenue in the year in which they are levied. The City's 2024 taxable value was 138,224,501 on which it levied 6.8733 mills for operating millages, 2 mills for solid waste, and .1008 for environmental response.

Income Tax Revenues

The City recognizes income tax revenue (nonexchange derived revenue) based on cash receipts for income earned through June 30 of each year and received through August 15 of the same year. Income tax revenue receivable at year-end is reported net of estimated refunds.

Grants and Other Intergovernmental Revenues

Grants and assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as intergovernmental receivables and revenue when entitlement occurs. Reimbursement-type grants are recorded as intergovernmental receivables and revenues when the related expenditure/expenses are incurred.

Deferred Outflows / Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/ expenditure) until then. The City has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. A deferred loss on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of the refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the life of the refunding debt. The City also has items that qualify for reporting in this category related to the net pension liability which is discussed in Note 8.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The City has items that qualify for reporting in this category related to the net pension liability which is discussed in Note 8 and leases which are discussed in Note 14.

Net Position and Fund Balance Reporting

Governmental funds report fund balance in the following five categories:

1. Non-spendable - the related asset's form does not allow expenditure of the balance. The assets are either (a) not in a spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Non-spendable fund balance would be equal to inventory, prepaid items, non-current financial assets, and the non-spendable portion of endowments.

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2. Restricted - the related assets can only be spent for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or as identified in enabling legislation.
3. Committed - the related assets can only be spent for a specific purpose identified by formal resolution of the entity's governing board.
4. Assigned - the related assets can only be spent for a specific purpose but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed.
5. Unassigned - is the residual classification and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Fund balance can only be committed by resolution of the City Council. The City Council has delegated the authority to assign fund balance to the City Treasurer and City Manager.

City policy requires the General fund budget to be prepared and activities managed to result in an ending unassigned fund balance of at least 17% of budgeted expenditures, except in the case of emergency or financial distress. Circumstances of emergency or financial distress shall be reported to the City Council at the earliest practical time. Upon such report, the City Council may direct that additional action be taken to preserve the minimum unassigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance in the General fund at June 30, 2025 was 21% of the current year's final amended budget for expenditures.

Net Position and Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position/fund balance and unrestricted – net position/fund balance, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the City has numerous transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and to service debt. The accompanying financial statements generally reflect such transactions as transfers. Operating subsidies are also recorded as transfers.

2. DEFICIT FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION

At year-end the City reported the following deficits in unrestricted net position:

Governmental Activities	\$(2,710,631)
Enterprise Funds	
Theatre	(2,704)

3. EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS IN BUDGETARY FUNDS

Michigan law provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. In the body of the financial statements, the City's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgeted funds have been shown on a functional basis. The approved budgets of the City for these budgeted funds were adopted at the activity level.

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During the year ended June 30, 2025, the City had expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated as follows:

	<u>Amended budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Amount over budget</u>
Local Streets			
Public works and streets	\$604,000	\$718,865	\$114,865

4. CASH AND POOLED INVESTMENTS

The captions on the financial statements relating to cash and pooled investments and investments are as follows:

	<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Component Units</u>	<u>Fiduciary Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and pooled investments	\$14,025,010	\$274,832	\$13,624	\$14,313,466

Cash and pooled investments consist of the following at June 30, 2025:

Deposits and certificates of deposit	\$ 7,432,151
Michigan Class investment pool	<u>6,881,315</u>
 Total	 <u>\$14,313,466</u>

The City also holds investments within its cash and investment pool for the Ionia Regional Utilities Authority (IRUA) of \$473,992 which cannot be segregated from City deposits and investments. Deposit and investment risk disclosures for the combined balance of the City and the IRUA follows.

The deposits are in financial institutions located in Michigan in varying amounts. State policy limits the Treasurer's investing options to financial institutions located in Michigan. All accounts are in the name of the City and a specific fund or common account. They are recorded in City records at fair value. Interest is recorded when earned.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the City's deposits may not be returned. State law does not require a policy, and the City's policy is no more restrictive than State requirements, for deposit custodial credit risk. As of year-end, \$7,127,570 of the City's bank balance of \$8,127,570 was exposed to custodial credit risk because the balance was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Investments

The City chooses to disclose its investments by specifically identifying each. As of year-end, the City had the following pooled/mutual fund investments:

	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Source</u>
Michigan Class	N/A	\$6,881,315	AAAm	S&P

The above investments do not include certificates of deposit, which are classified as deposits for risk identification purposes.

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The City categorizes its fair value measurements of investments within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The City has the following recurring fair value measurements as of year-end.

- The City does not have any investments valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).
- The Michigan Class is valued using observable fair value measures of fund/pool investments and other observable inputs to determining the fair value of the securities making up the of investments fund/pool (Level 2 inputs).
- The City does not have any investments that report fair value based on significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 inputs).

Investment and deposit risk

Interest Rate Risk. State law limits the allowable investments and the maturities of some of the allowable investments as identified in Note 1, the summary of significant accounting policies. The City's investment policy does not have specific limits in excess of state law on investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The maturity date for each investment is identified above for investments held at year-end.

Credit Risk. State law limits investments to specific government securities, certificates of deposits and bank accounts with qualified financial institutions, commercial paper with specific maximum maturities and ratings when purchased, bankers acceptances of specific financial institutions, qualified mutual funds and qualified external investment pools as identified in Note 1, the summary of significant accounting policies. The investment policy does not have specific limits in excess of state law on investment credit risk. The rating for each investment is identified above for investments held at year-end.

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State law does not require and the City policy is no more restrictive than State law for investment custodial credit risk. Of the above pool/mutual fund investments, the City's custodial credit risk exposure cannot be determined because the funds do not consist of specifically identifiable securities.

Concentration of Credit Risk. State law limits allowable investments but does not limit concentration of credit risk as identified in Note 1, the summary of significant accounting policies. The City's investment policy does not have specific limits in excess of state law on concentration of credit risk. All investments held at year-end are reported above.

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5. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Transfers in and out for the year ended June 30, 2025 are as follows:

<u>Transfers out</u>	<u>Transfers out</u>
	<u>General Funds</u>
Parks Facilities Improvements	\$300,000
Nonmajor Funds	525,000
Total	\$825,000

Transfers are used to (1) move unrestricted revenues collected in the General fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations and (2) move revenues from the fund that is required to collect them to the fund that is required or allowed to expend them.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The City participates in a State pool, the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA), with other municipalities for property, liability, bonding, and casualty losses. The MMRMA is organized under Public Act 138 of 1982, as amended as a governmental group property and casualty self-insurance pool. In the event the MMRMA's claims and expenses for a policy year exceed the total normal annual premiums for such years, all members of the specific MMRMA's policy year may be subject to special assessment to make up the deficiency. The City has not been informed of any special assessments being required.

The MMRMA risk pool operates as a claims servicing pool for the amount up to member risk retention limits, and operates as a common risk-sharing management program for losses in excess of member retention amounts. Payments are made to the MMRMA which include additions to available member retention balances and premiums to cover the costs of operations and the purchase of reinsurance. The City is self-insured for the first \$75,000 of each claim. Accounting standards require that a liability for claims be reported if it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities for claims and claims incurred but not reported which meet that criteria are recorded on the financial statements as a reduction of available member retention balances included in the various funds.

The City also participates in the Michigan Municipal Workers' Compensation Fund (MMWCF) with other municipalities for workers' compensation losses. The MMWCF is organized under the Public Act 317 of 1969, as amended. In the event the MMWCF's claims and expenses exceed the total normal annual premiums for such years, all members of the specific MMWCF's policy year may be subject to special assessment to make up the deficiency. The City has not been informed of any special assessments being required.

Settled claims have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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7. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year was as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2024	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2025
Governmental Activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 759,533	\$1,121,281	\$ -	\$1,880,814
Construction in progress	420,192	207,059	420,192	207,059
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>1,179,725</u>	<u>1,328,340</u>	<u>420,192</u>	<u>2,087,873</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Buildings	2,248,105	90,730	25,059	2,313,776
Furniture and equipment and Improvements	6,749,926	1,737,233	207,326	8,279,833
Motor vehicles	6,215,286	266,658	54,740	6,427,204
Infrastructure	16,055,453	397,937	-	16,453,390
SBITA	126,924	-	-	126,924
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>31,395,694</u>	<u>2,492,558</u>	<u>287,125</u>	<u>33,601,127</u>
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for				
Buildings	1,523,685	79,279	21,319	1,581,645
Furniture and equipment and Improvements	4,313,215	335,141	207,326	4,441,030
Motor vehicles	3,876,725	392,394	39,209	4,229,910
Infrastructure	13,557,041	333,527	-	13,890,568
SBITA	27,414	23,434	-	50,848
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>23,298,080</u>	<u>1,163,775</u>	<u>267,854</u>	<u>24,194,001</u>
Net capital assets, being depreciated	<u>8,097,614</u>	<u>1,328,783</u>	<u>19,271</u>	<u>9,407,126</u>
Governmental Activities capital assets, net	<u>\$9,277,339</u>	<u>\$2,657,123</u>	<u>\$439,463</u>	<u>\$11,494,999</u>

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	<u>Balance June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2025</u>
Business-type Activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 1,219,180	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,219,180
Construction in progress	678,514	-	678,514	-
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	1,897,694	-	678,514	1,219,180
Capital assets being depreciated				
Structures and improvements	64,488,645	1,118,190	-	65,606,835
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	5,926,092	207,425	555,071	5,578,446
Vehicles	877,927	148,432	23,233	1,003,126
SBITA	-	148,288	-	148,288
Total capital assets, being depreciated	71,292,664	1,622,335	578,304	72,336,695
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for				
Structures and improvements	20,995,810	1,177,902	-	22,173,712
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	5,042,835	100,299	555,071	4,588,063
Vehicles	734,558	66,951	23,233	778,276
SBITA	-	53,800	-	53,800
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization	26,773,203	1,398,952	578,304	27,593,851
Net capital assets, being depreciated	44,519,461	223,383	-	44,742,844
Business-type Activities capital assets, net	\$46,417,155	\$ 223,383	\$678,514	\$45,962,024
Component Unit Activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land	\$387,256	\$ -	\$ -	\$387,256
Net capital assets, being depreciated				
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	5,500	-	-	5,500
Accumulated depreciation	(5,500)	-	-	(5,500)
Component Unit capital assets, net	\$387,256	\$ -	\$ -	\$387,256

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities

General government	\$ 78,769
Public safety	222,402
Public works and streets	333,528
Culture and recreation	334,403
Capital assets held by the governments internal service funds are charged to the various functions based on their usage of the assets	194,673

Total depreciation and amortization expense - governmental activities

\$1,163,775

Business-type Activities

Dial-a-Ride	\$ 152,958
Sewer	336,989
Water	883,606
Theatre (nonmajor)	25,399

Total depreciation and amortization expense - business- type activities

\$1,398,952

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Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangement (SBITA)

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the City entered into a SBITA for video storage services. The agreement commenced in 2024 with a five year term with annual payments of \$27,414.

During the year ended June 30, 2025, the City entered into a SBITA for software to facilitate scheduling and transportation solutions for Dial-a-Ride. The agreement commenced in 2025 with a three-year term with annual payments of approximately \$15,000.

8. PENSION PLAN

Defined Benefit Traditional and Hybrid Plan

Plan Description

The employer's pension plan provides certain retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The employer participates in the Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) of Michigan. MERS is an agent multiple employer, statewide public employee pension plan established by the Michigan Legislature under Public Act 135 of 1945 and administered by a nine member Retirement Board. MERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. This report may be obtained by accessing the MERS website at www.mersofmich.com.

Benefits Provided

Benefits provided include a multiplier range of 1.5 to 2.5 times final average compensation. Vesting periods range from 6 to 10 years. Normal retirement age is 60 with a number of early retirement options available. Final average compensation is calculated based on 3 to 5 years.

Membership of the defined benefit plan consisted of the following at the date of the latest actuarial valuation (December 31, 2024):

Active plan members	45
Inactive employees entitled but not yet receiving benefits	9
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	<u>66</u>
Total	<u>120</u>

Contributions

The City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate, which for the current year the employer has monthly employer contributions of \$135,440. Participating employees are required to contribute from 0% to 5% percent of gross wages to the Plan based on position and classification. The contribution requirements of the City are established and may be amended by the MERS Retirement Board. The contribution requirements of employees are established and may be amended by labor agreements.

Net Pension Liability

The employer's net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an annual actuarial valuation as of that date.

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The employer's net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an annual actuarial valuation as of that date.

The total pension liability in the December 31, 2024 annual actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation: 2.5%

Salary Increases: base wage inflation of 3.00% in the long-term (plus merit and longevity from 0 to 11% based on age)

Investment rate of return: 7.18%, net of investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates used for non-disabled plan member were based on a weighted blend of RP-2014 mortality tables of a 50% Male and 50% Female blend. Mortality rates used for disabled plan member were based on a blend of RP-2014 disabled retiree mortality tables of a 50% Male and 50% Female blend of disabled retirees.

The actuarial assumptions used in valuation were based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience study.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a model method in which the best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of investment and administrative expenses 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.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>	<u>Expected Money Weighted Rate of Return*</u>
Global Equity	60.0%	4.50%	2.70%
Global Fixed Income	20.0%	2.00%	0.40%
Private Investments	20.0%	7.00%	1.40%
MERS dedicated gains policy			(0.07)%
Inflation			2.50%
Administrative fee			0.25%
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Discount rate			7.18%
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Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability is 7.18% (7.18% in the prior year). The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that employer and employee contributions will be made at the rates agreed upon for employees and the actuarially determined rates for employers. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to pay all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Changes in the Net Pension Liability

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Liability
	(a)	(b)	(a)-(b)
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$30,342,885	\$19,863,040	\$10,479,845
Changes for the Year:			
Service cost	340,358	-	340,358
Interest	2,127,447	-	2,127,447
Change in benefits	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	724,575	-	724,575
Change in assumptions	293	-	293
Contributions: employer	-	2,240,616	(2,240,616)
Contributions: employee	-	50,410	(50,410)
Net investment income	-	1,486,048	(1,486,048)
Benefit payments, including refunds	(1,765,755)	(1,765,755)	-
Administrative expense	-	(44,440)	44,440
Other changes	-	-	-
Net changes	1,426,918	1,966,879	(539,961)
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$31,769,803	\$21,829,919	\$ 9,939,884

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate.

The following presents the net pension liability of the employer, calculated using the discount rate of 7.18%, as well as what the employer's net pension liability would be using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.18%) or higher (8.18%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount rate	1% Increase
Total pension liability	\$35,568,754	\$31,769,803	\$28,597,321
Fiduciary net position	21,829,919	21,829,919	21,829,919
Net pension liability	\$13,738,835	\$ 9,939,884	\$ 6,767,402

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Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

For the year ended June 30, 2025 the employer recognized pension expense of \$2,002,785. The employer reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences in experience	\$ 719,520	\$177,307
Differences in assumptions	116,593	-
Excess (deficit) investment returns	576,929	-
Contributions subsequent to the Measurement date*	912,848	-
Total	\$2,325,890	\$177,307

* The amount reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction in the net pension liability for the year ending 2026.

Amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions (excluding subsequent contributions) will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

2026	\$ 598,288
2027	625,701
2028	27,506
2029	(15,760)
Thereafter	-
Total	\$1,235,736

Deferred Compensation Plan

The City offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The Plan is available to City employees and allows them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is generally not available to employees until termination, retirement, or death. All assets of the Plan are held in trust for employees and the related assets and liabilities are not included in this report.

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9. LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the debt transactions of the City for the year ended June 30, 2025:

	<u>Balance July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental Activities					
SBITA	\$ 99,510	\$ -	\$23,434	\$ 76,076	\$24,371
Accrued employee benefits**	711,842	21,212	-	733,054	-
Total Governmental Activities	\$811,352	\$ 21,212	\$23,434	\$809,130	\$24,371
Business-type Activities					
* \$6,225,000 2015 General Obligation Water and Sewer Improvement Bonds. Payments due in annual installments of \$100,000 to \$500,000 through August 1, 2037; interest at 3.00% to 4.00%, payable semi-annually. The outstanding debt was recorded in the Water and Sewer Funds at \$3,112,500 and \$3,112,500, respectively.	\$ 5,275,000	\$ -	\$ 125,000	\$ 5,150,000	\$ 125,000
* \$8,660,000 2013 Water and Sewer Improvement Refunding Bonds. Payments due in annual installments of \$85,000 to \$595,000 through August 1, 2037; interest at 2.00% to 4.00%, payable semi-annually. The outstanding debt; was recorded in the Water and Sewer Funds at \$4,676,400 and \$3,983,600, respectively.	4,690,000	-	570,000	4,120,000	565,000
* \$8,000,000 2017 Water and Sewer Improvement Bonds. Payments due in annual installment of \$205,000 to \$505,000 beginning August 1, 2022 through 2041; plus interest at 3% to 3.25%, paid semi-annually. The outstanding debt was recorded in the Water and Sewer Funds at \$4,000,000 and \$4,000,000, respectively.	6,645,000	-	260,000	6,385,000	270,000
* \$6,250,000 2021 Water and Sewer refunding Bonds. Payments due in annual installment of \$210,000 to \$580,000 beginning February 1, 2022 through 2035; plus interest at 2% to 4%, paid semi-annually. The outstanding debt was recorded in the Water and Sewer Funds at \$3,125,000 and \$3,125,000, respectively.	5,530,000	-	420,000	5,110,000	440,000
Subtotal long-term debt	22,140,000	-	1,375,000	20,765,000	1,400,000
Bond premiums	836,074	-	149,302	686,772	-
SBITA	-	148,288	53,800	94,488	36,893
Accrued employee benefits **	179,603	26,699	-	206,302	-
Total Business-type Activities	\$23,155,677	\$174,987	\$1,578,102	\$21,752,562	\$1,436,893
Component Units					
Accrued employee benefits **	\$26,339	\$ -	\$18,525	\$7,814	-

CITY OF IONIA

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

*These bonds were issued by Ionia County to provide funding for City of Ionia capital projects. Agreements between the City of Ionia and the Ionia County Board of Public Works provide for repayment of each entities respective share of the outstanding bonds. The City of Ionia has pledged its full faith and credit for the repayment of these bonds.

** The change in compensated absences is presented as a net change

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding (excluding accrued employee benefits) as of June 30, 2025 are as follows:

Year Ending <u>June 30</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-type Activities</u>			
	<u>SBITA</u>		<u>SBITA</u>		<u>LTD</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2026	\$24,371	\$3,043	\$36,893	\$3,307	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 671,157
2027	25,346	2,068	44,474	2,016	1,430,000	624,307
2028	26,359	1,054	13,121	459	1,480,000	576,007
2029	-	-	-	-	1,480,000	526,882
2030	-	-	-	-	1,560,000	476,295
2031-2035	-	-	-	-	7,060,000	1,641,663
2036-2040	-	-	-	-	5,365,000	612,486
2041-2043	-	-	-	-	990,000	32,500
Total	\$76,076	\$6,165	\$94,488	\$5,782	\$20,765,000	\$5,161,297

10. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The City is a responsible party with respect to clean-up costs at the Cleveland Street Dump Site. The City is party to a Federal Consent Decree entered with the District Court during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002. The terms of the Consent Decree limit the City's liability to a share of the clean-up costs associated with existing contamination as of the date of the decree. A reasonable estimate of the City's remaining potential liability cannot be determined at this time.

11. CONCENTRATIONS

The City has a significant economic dependence on the State of Michigan which is a major employer and user of water and sewer services. The State of Michigan accounted for \$431,785 (26%) of wastewater sales and \$500,652 (15%) of water sales.

The City has a significant economic dependence on a business which is a major employer and user of water and sewer services. The business accounted for \$396,555 (24%) of wastewater sales and \$1,989,084 (59%) of water sales.

12. COMMITMENTS

At year-end the City had construction commitments of approximately \$212,000 for various street projects.

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13. TAX ABATEMENTS

The City entered into a property tax abatement agreement with a local organization to provide housing for Low Income Persons and Families and to encourage the development of such housing by providing for a service charge in lieu of property taxes in accordance with the State Housing Development Authority Act of 1966 (1966 PA 346, as amended, MCL 125.1401, et seq, MSA 116.11-4(1), et seq). Under the agreement the organization pays 12% of annual shelter rent in lieu of taxes or the ad valorem property taxes whichever is smaller. The agreement is approved for a term dependent on the status of outstanding loans, participation in Low-income housing tax credits, and rehabilitation of the property.

For the year ended June 30, 2025 the amount of abated taxes was not significant.

14. LEASES

The City has entered into a lease arrangement with a company to lease a portion of land for the purpose of a cell tower. The terms of the lease are as follows.

The lease is currently in a 5-year renewal term ending May 2028, with options to extend for an additional four consecutive five-year terms; current annual payment of \$13,500. The City recognized a total of \$6,641 in lease revenue and interest revenue of \$6,859 for the current fiscal year.

15. RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

The City implemented GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences, in fiscal year 2025. Beginning Net position was decreased as follows:

Opinion Unit	Amount
Governmental Activities	\$236,733
Business- Type Activities	60,083
Downtown Development Authority	9,477
Dial-A-Ride	27,765
Sewer	6,320
Water	25,998
Central Garage	10,259

Beginning fund balance of the Park Facilities Improvements fund and net position of the governmental activities was increased by \$246,556 to recognize grant revenues in the proper period.

Beginning fund balances were changed to recognize the Major Streets fund and the Parks Facilities Improvements fund changing from nonmajor funds to major funds.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

CITY OF IONIA
GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 819,000	\$ 947,000	\$ 934,307	\$ (12,693)
Income taxes	2,450,000	2,450,000	2,675,412	225,412
Marijuana taxes	110,000	117,000	117,574	574
Intergovernmental revenues				
Federal	-	-	702	702
State	1,219,900	1,219,900	1,133,458	(86,442)
Licenses and permits	52,500	61,500	61,700	200
Charges for services	2,515,000	2,415,000	2,433,792	18,792
Fines	8,700	8,700	6,337	(2,363)
Interest	130,000	200,000	291,588	91,588
Donations	-	1,400	1,475	75
Miscellaneous	142,500	158,500	117,101	(41,399)
Total revenues	<u>7,447,600</u>	<u>7,579,000</u>	<u>7,773,446</u>	<u>194,446</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	3,254,300	2,881,550	2,686,057	195,493
Public safety	3,307,200	3,367,400	3,292,924	74,476
Public works and streets	118,500	110,500	96,339	14,161
Health and welfare	50,000	50,000	49,972	28
Community and economic development	51,500	1,481,000	1,240,482	240,518
Culture and recreation	9,100	9,100	6,245	2,855
Contribution to component unit	270,000	270,000	200,000	70,000
Total expenditures	<u>7,060,600</u>	<u>8,169,550</u>	<u>7,572,019</u>	<u>597,531</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	387,000	(590,550)	201,427	791,977
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers out	(830,000)	(830,000)	(825,000)	5,000
Net changes in fund balance	(443,000)	(1,420,550)	(623,573)	796,977
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>5,746,465</u>	<u>5,746,465</u>	<u>5,746,465</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 5,303,465</u>	<u>\$ 4,325,915</u>	<u>\$ 5,122,892</u>	<u>\$ 796,977</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**MAJOR STREETS FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Intergovernmental revenues				
State	\$ 1,080,500	\$ 1,080,500	\$ 1,089,113	\$ 8,613
Interest and rents	30,000	42,000	46,106	4,106
Miscellaneous	18,500	18,500	24,981	6,481
Total revenues	1,129,000	1,141,000	1,160,200	19,200
Expenditures				
Current				
Public works and streets	1,003,500	1,039,500	923,494	116,006
Revenues over (under) expenditures	125,500	101,500	236,706	135,206
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers out	(200,000)	(200,000)	-	200,000
Net changes in fund balance	(74,500)	(98,500)	236,706	335,206
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,476,370	1,476,370	1,476,370	-
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,401,870</u>	<u>\$ 1,377,870</u>	<u>\$ 1,713,076</u>	<u>\$ 335,206</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**PENSION PLAN
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN EMPLOYERS NET PENSION
LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total pension liability										
Service cost	\$ 340,358	\$ 326,193	\$ 334,759	\$ 274,489	\$ 293,389	\$ 321,322	\$ 317,687	\$ 301,110	\$ 282,956	\$ 288,809
Interest	2,127,447	2,106,612	2,006,319	1,900,068	1,817,522	1,805,664	1,747,831	1,694,653	1,603,859	1,493,885
Changes in benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	724,575	(354,614)	704,359	915,163	(275,543)	(322,761)	(133,365)	(161,614)	370,354	225,862
Changes in assumptions	293	232,746	-	1,065,255	605,634	802,100	-	-	-	966,819
Benefit payments including employee refunds	(1,765,755)	(1,723,342)	(1,592,273)	(1,433,001)	(1,257,837)	(1,238,863)	(1,183,338)	(1,172,101)	(1,090,547)	(973,255)
Other	-	-	3	(2)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in total pension liability	1,426,918	587,595	1,453,167	2,721,972	1,183,165	1,367,462	748,815	662,048	1,166,622	2,002,120
Total pension liability, beginning of year	30,342,885	29,755,290	28,302,123	25,580,151	24,396,986	23,029,524	22,280,709	21,618,661	20,452,039	18,449,919
Total pension liability, end of year	\$ 31,769,803	\$ 30,342,885	\$ 29,755,290	\$ 28,302,123	\$ 25,580,151	\$ 24,396,986	\$ 23,029,524	\$ 22,280,709	\$ 21,618,661	\$ 20,452,039
Plan Fiduciary Net Position										
Contributions-employer	\$ 2,240,616	\$ 2,095,514	\$ 2,059,208	\$ 2,016,921	\$ 1,930,149	\$ 2,221,413	\$ 1,268,701	\$ 1,094,509	\$ 1,029,849	\$ 987,700
Contributions-employee	50,410	4,999	69,226	559,174	3,626	3,602	3,406	54,608	41,297	118,228
Net investment income	1,486,048	1,962,926	(1,972,359)	2,251,044	1,758,460	1,482,005	(450,981)	1,316,399	1,020,165	(136,006)
Benefit payments including employee refunds	(1,765,755)	(1,723,342)	(1,592,273)	(1,433,001)	(1,257,837)	(1,238,863)	(1,183,338)	(1,172,101)	(1,090,547)	(973,255)
Administrative expense	(44,440)	(41,534)	(35,431)	(25,801)	(27,112)	(25,483)	(21,922)	(20,825)	(20,156)	(19,943)
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	161
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	1,966,879	2,298,563	(1,471,629)	3,368,337	2,407,286	2,442,674	(384,134)	1,272,590	980,608	(23,115)
Plan fiduciary net position, beginning of year	19,863,040	17,564,477	19,036,106	15,667,769	13,260,483	10,817,809	11,201,943	9,929,353	8,948,745	8,971,860
Plan fiduciary net position, end of year	\$ 21,829,919	\$ 19,863,040	\$ 17,564,477	\$ 19,036,106	\$ 15,667,769	\$ 13,260,483	\$ 10,817,809	\$ 11,201,943	\$ 9,929,353	\$ 8,948,745
Employer net pension liability	\$ 9,939,884	\$ 10,479,845	\$ 12,190,813	\$ 9,266,017	\$ 9,912,382	\$ 11,136,503	\$ 12,211,715	\$ 11,078,766	\$ 11,689,308	\$ 11,503,294
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	69%	65%	59%	67%	61%	54%	47%	50%	46%	44%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 3,688,682	\$ 3,473,409	\$ 3,517,546	\$ 3,165,975	\$ 3,160,260	\$ 3,160,260	\$ 3,066,787	\$ 2,959,191	\$ 2,819,237	\$ 2,855,137
Employer's net pension liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	269%	302%	347%	293%	314%	352%	398%	374%	415%	403%

Notes to schedule:

Above data is based on a measurement date of December 31.

CITY OF IONIA
PENSION PLAN
SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Actuarial determined contributions	\$1,584,288	\$1,382,540	\$1,281,192	\$1,285,968	\$1,210,980	\$1,135,991	\$1,067,363	\$981,460	\$865,744	\$881,073
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	2,334,288	2,132,540	2,070,727	2,052,139	1,978,385	2,385,991	1,317,363	1,131,460	1,005,744	1,021,073
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (750,000)	\$ (750,000)	\$ (789,535)	\$ (766,171)	\$ (767,405)	\$ (1,250,000)	\$ (250,000)	\$ (150,000)	\$ (140,000)	\$ (140,000)
Covered employee payroll	\$3,688,682	\$3,473,409	\$3,517,546	\$3,165,975	\$3,160,260	\$3,160,260	\$3,066,787	\$2,959,191	\$2,819,237	\$2,855,137
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	63%	61%	59%	65%	63%	75%	43%	38%	36%	36%

Notes to schedule

Actuarial cost method	Entry Age
Amortization method	Level percentage of payroll, open
Remaining amortization period	16 years
Asset valuation method	5 year smoothed (10 year smoothing 2014)
Inflation	2.5% (3.5% 2014)
Salary increases	3.00% (3.75% for 2015 through 2019)
Investment rate of return	7.00% (7.35 % for 2020, 7.75% for 2015 through 2019)
Retirement age	Varies depending on plan adoption
Mortality	106% of

**COMBINING AND INDIVIDUAL FUND
STATEMENTS AND SCHEDULES**

CITY OF IONIA
GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Expenditures	Budget Amounts		Actual Amount	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Current				
General government				
City Council	\$ 51,750	\$ 51,750	\$ 44,120	\$ 7,630
City Manager	409,700	443,700	439,335	4,365
Elections	35,500	35,500	23,447	12,053
Finance and administration	514,450	522,450	520,786	1,664
Income tax administration	124,250	141,750	125,851	15,899
Front office	194,300	194,300	186,046	8,254
Attorney	125,000	125,000	95,374	29,626
Assessor	63,500	63,500	47,741	15,759
Board of review	1,250	1,250	986	264
Data processing	184,000	184,000	179,552	4,448
Clerk	60,000	76,000	69,786	6,214
Building and grounds	779,700	328,450	266,180	62,270
Other offices	675,000	678,000	667,484	10,516
Cemetery	35,900	35,900	19,369	16,531
	3,254,300	2,881,550	2,686,057	195,493
Public safety				
Public safety	3,307,200	3,367,400	3,292,924	74,476
Public Works				
Street lights	118,500	110,500	96,339	14,161
Health and Welfare				
Ambulance	50,000	50,000	49,972	28
Community and economic development				
Planning and zoning	51,500	81,000	63,012	17,988
Economic Development	-	1,400,000	1,177,470	222,530
	51,500	1,481,000	1,240,482	240,518
Culture and recreation				
Festivals and events	9,100	9,100	6,245	2,855
Contribution to component unit	270,000	270,000	200,000	70,000
Total expenditures	\$ 7,060,600	\$ 8,169,550	\$ 7,572,019	\$ 597,531

CITY OF IONIA
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2025

	Special Revenue						
	Local Streets	Solid Waste	Recreation	Drug Forfeiture	Public Safety Donations	Public Safety Vehicle	Opioid Settlement
Assets							
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 1,027,338	\$ 585,597	\$ 71,396	\$ 7,982	\$ 18,376	\$ 301,375	\$ 43,180
Accounts receivable	-	112,465	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	61,659	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 1,088,997	\$ 698,062	\$ 71,396	\$ 7,982	\$ 18,376	\$ 301,375	\$ 43,180
Liabilities and fund balances							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable	\$ 143,523	\$ 60,829	\$ 4,860	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,700
Accrued liabilities	5,487	1,722	22,580	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	149,010	62,551	27,440	-	-	-	42,700
Fund balances							
Nonspendable							
Permanent fund corpus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted							
Permanent fund spendable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Streets	939,987	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	7,982	18,376	-	480
Solid waste	-	635,511	-	-	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned							
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-	301,375	-
Recreation	-	-	43,956	-	-	-	-
Total fund balances	939,987	635,511	43,956	7,982	18,376	301,375	480
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,088,997	\$ 698,062	\$ 71,396	\$ 7,982	\$ 18,376	\$ 301,375	\$ 43,180

<u>Capital Projects</u>					<u>Permanent</u>	
<u>Grant Projects</u>	<u>Sidewalk Program</u>	<u>Environmental Response</u>	<u>Rails to Trails Projects</u>	<u>Cemetery Perpetual Care</u>	<u>Total</u>	
\$ 1,000	\$ 174	\$ 88,078	\$ 194	\$ 5,998	\$ 2,150,688	
-	-	-	-	-	112,465	
-	-	-	-	-	61,659	
<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 174</u>	<u>\$ 88,078</u>	<u>\$ 194</u>	<u>\$ 5,998</u>	<u>\$ 2,324,812</u>	
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 251,912	
-	-	-	-	-	29,789	
-	-	-	-	-	281,701	
-	-	-	-	5,200	5,200	
-	-	-	-	798	798	
-	-	-	-	-	939,987	
-	-	-	-	-	26,838	
-	-	-	-	-	635,511	
1,000	174	88,078	194	-	89,446	
-	-	-	-	-	301,375	
-	-	-	-	-	43,956	
<u>1,000</u>	<u>174</u>	<u>88,078</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>5,998</u>	<u>2,043,111</u>	
<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 174</u>	<u>\$ 88,078</u>	<u>\$ 194</u>	<u>\$ 5,998</u>	<u>\$ 2,324,812</u>	

CITY OF IONIA

**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Special Revenue								
	<i>Formerly Nonmajor</i>							
	<u>Major Streets</u>	<u>Local Streets</u>	<u>Solid Waste</u>	<u>Recreation</u>	<u>Drug Forfeiture</u>	<u>Public Safety Donations</u>	<u>Public Safety Vehicle</u>	<u>Opioid Settlement</u>
Revenues								
Taxes	\$	111,155	\$	366,538	\$	-	\$	-
Intergovernmental revenues								
State		386,828		-		-		-
Charges for services				356,587		120,273		-
Interest				20,663		1,549		259
Donations				-		571		6,764
Miscellaneous		56,297		12,912		1,900		5,463
				12,074		-		-
Total revenues		<u>554,280</u>		<u>756,700</u>		<u>135,796</u>		<u>259</u>
Expenditures								
Current								
Public safety						4,467		42,700
Public works and streets		718,865		637,106		-		-
Culture and recreation					535,894			-
Capital outlay								
Total expenditures		<u>718,865</u>		<u>637,106</u>		<u>4,467</u>		<u>-</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures		(164,585)		119,594		(400,098)		259
Other financing sources (uses)								
Transfers in					375,000		150,000	
Net changes in fund balances		<u>(164,585)</u>		<u>119,594</u>		<u>(25,098)</u>		<u>259</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year, as previously presented	1,476,370	1,104,572	515,917	69,054	7,723	16,809	144,611	32,370
Change within financial reporting entity	<u>(1,476,370)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year, as restated	<u>-</u>	<u>1,104,572</u>	<u>515,917</u>	<u>69,054</u>	<u>7,723</u>	<u>16,809</u>	<u>144,611</u>	<u>32,370</u>
Fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 939,987</u>	<u>\$ 635,511</u>	<u>\$ 43,956</u>	<u>\$ 7,982</u>	<u>\$ 18,376</u>	<u>\$ 301,375</u>	<u>\$ 480</u>

Formerly Nonmajor Parks Facilities Improvement	Capital Projects				Permanent		Total
	Grant Projects	Sidewalk Program	Environmental Response	Rails to Trails Projects	Cemetery Perpetual Care		
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,463	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 496,156	
-	-	-	-	-	-	386,828	
-	-	-	-	-	-	476,860	
-	5	3,780	-	-	278	35,235	
-	-	-	-	-	-	7,363	
-	-	-	-	-	-	90,727	
-	5	22,243	-	-	278	1,493,169	
-	-	-	-	-	-	47,167	
-	-	-	-	-	-	1,355,971	
-	-	-	-	-	-	535,894	
-	-	48,761	-	-	-	48,761	
-	-	48,761	-	-	-	1,987,793	
-	5	(26,518)	-	-	278	(494,624)	
-	-	-	-	-	-	525,000	
-	5	(26,518)	-	-	278	30,376	
830,718	1,000	169	114,596	194	5,720	4,319,823	
(830,718)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,307,088)	
-	1,000	169	114,596	194	5,720	2,012,735	
\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 174	\$ 88,078	\$ 194	\$ 5,998	\$ 2,043,111	

CITY OF IONIA

**LOCAL STREETS FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 95,000	\$ 111,000	\$ 111,155	\$ 155
Intergovernmental revenues				
State	383,600	383,600	386,828	3,228
Miscellaneous	38,500	46,500	56,297	9,797
Total revenues	517,100	541,100	554,280	13,180
Expenditures				
Current				
Public works and streets	557,000	604,000	718,865	(114,865)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(39,900)	(62,900)	(164,585)	(101,685)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	200,000	200,000	-	(200,000)
Net changes in fund balance	160,100	137,100	(164,585)	(301,685)
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,104,572	1,104,572	1,104,572	-
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,264,672</u>	<u>\$ 1,241,672</u>	<u>\$ 939,987</u>	<u>\$ (301,685)</u>

CITY OF IONIA
SOLID WASTE FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 343,000	\$ 364,000	\$ 366,538	\$ 2,538
Charges for services	381,000	382,900	356,587	(26,313)
Interest and rents	12,000	17,000	20,663	3,663
Miscellaneous	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,912</u>	<u>912</u>
Total revenues	748,000	775,900	756,700	(19,200)
Expenditures				
Current				
Public works and streets	<u>713,600</u>	<u>758,100</u>	<u>637,106</u>	<u>120,994</u>
Net changes in fund balance	34,400	17,800	119,594	101,794
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>515,917</u>	<u>515,917</u>	<u>515,917</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 550,317</u>	<u>\$ 533,717</u>	<u>\$ 635,511</u>	<u>\$ 101,794</u>

CITY OF IONIA
RECREATION FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Variance</u> <u>Positive</u> <u>(Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 117,800	\$ 112,600	\$ 120,273	\$ 7,673
Interest and rents	1,300	1,300	1,549	249
Donations	3,000	3,000	1,900	(1,100)
Miscellaneous	8,500	11,000	12,074	1,074
Total revenues	130,600	127,900	135,796	7,896
Expenditures				
Current				
Culture and recreation	523,100	536,500	535,894	606
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(392,500)	(408,600)	(400,098)	8,502
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	375,000	375,000	375,000	-
Net changes in fund balance	(17,500)	(33,600)	(25,098)	8,502
Fund balance, beginning of year	69,054	69,054	69,054	-
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 51,554</u>	<u>\$ 35,454</u>	<u>\$ 43,956</u>	<u>\$ 8,502</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**DRUG FORFEITURE FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Interest and rents	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ 259	\$ 109
Miscellaneous	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>
Total revenues	1,150	1,150	259	(891)
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	<u>2,150</u>	<u>2,150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,150</u>
Net changes in fund balance	(1,000)	(1,000)	259	1,259
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>7,723</u>	<u>7,723</u>	<u>7,723</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 6,723</u>	<u>\$ 6,723</u>	<u>\$ 7,982</u>	<u>\$ 1,259</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**PUBLIC SAFETY DONATIONS
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Interest and rents	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 571	\$ 71
Donations	<u>2,000</u>	<u>5,300</u>	<u>5,463</u>	<u>163</u>
Total revenues	2,500	5,800	6,034	234
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	<u>5,000</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>4,467</u>	<u>33</u>
Net changes in fund balance	(2,500)	1,300	1,567	267
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>16,809</u>	<u>16,809</u>	<u>16,809</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 14,309</u>	<u>\$ 18,109</u>	<u>\$ 18,376</u>	<u>\$ 267</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Interest and rents	1,000	1,000	6,764	5,764
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	-	-	-	-
Revenues over (under) expenditures	1,000	1,000	6,764	5,764
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	155,000	155,000	150,000	(5,000)
Net changes in fund balance	156,000	156,000	156,764	764
Fund balance, beginning of year	144,611	144,611	144,611	-
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 300,611</u>	<u>\$ 300,611</u>	<u>\$ 301,375</u>	<u>\$ 764</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**OPIOID SETTLEMENT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
Interest and rents	\$ 400	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,366	\$ 166
Miscellaneous	<u>3,500</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>9,444</u>	<u>(2,556)</u>
Total revenues	3,900	13,200	10,810	(2,390)
Expenditures				
Current				
Public safety	<u>10,000</u>	<u>44,000</u>	<u>42,700</u>	<u>1,300</u>
Net changes in fund balance	(6,100)	(30,800)	(31,890)	(1,090)
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>32,370</u>	<u>32,370</u>	<u>32,370</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 26,270</u>	<u>\$ 1,570</u>	<u>\$ 480</u>	<u>\$ (1,090)</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BALANCE SHEET/STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Governmental Fund Type</u>		<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 212,288	\$ -	\$ 212,288
Accounts receivable	34	-	34
Capital assets			
Land	-	387,256	387,256
Total assets	<u>\$ 212,322</u>	<u>387,256</u>	<u>599,578</u>
Deferred outflows, pension related	<u>-</u>	<u>38,377</u>	<u>38,377</u>
Liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 23,853	-	23,853
Accrued liabilities	4,329	-	4,329
Noncurrent liabilities			
Compensated absences	-	7,814	7,814
Net pension liability	-	164,008	164,008
Total liabilities	<u>28,182</u>	<u>171,822</u>	<u>200,004</u>
Deferred inflows, pension related	<u>-</u>	<u>2,926</u>	<u>2,926</u>
Fund balances			
Unassigned	<u>184,140</u>	<u>(184,140)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances	<u>\$ 212,322</u>		
Net position (deficit)			
Net investment in capital assets		387,256	387,256
Unrestricted (deficit)		<u>47,769</u>	<u>47,769</u>
Total net position		<u>\$ 435,025</u>	<u>\$ 435,025</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES/STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Governmental Fund Type		Statement of Activities
	General Fund	Adjustments	Activities
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 46,148	\$ -	\$ 46,148
Interest	5,485	-	5,485
Charges	7,500	-	7,500
Contributions from primary government	200,000	-	200,000
Miscellaneous	9,826	-	9,826
Total revenues	268,959	-	268,959
Expenditures/expenses			
Current			
Personnel services	103,614	(106,878)	(3,264)
Contractual services	26,522	-	26,522
Benefits	44,974	-	44,974
Materials and supplies	5,455	-	5,455
Utilities	9,508	-	9,508
Promotion	15,372	-	15,372
Contributions to primary government	70,000	-	70,000
Total expenditures/expenses	275,445	(106,878)	168,567
Net changes in fund balances	(6,486)	6,486	
Change in net position		(100,392)	100,392
Fund balances, beginning of year, as previously presented	190,626		344,110
Change in accounting principle	-		(9,477)
Fund balances, beginning of year, as restated	190,626		334,633
Fund balances/net position, end of year	\$ 184,140		\$ 435,025

CITY OF IONIA

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY
BALANCE SHEET/STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

JUNE 30, 2025

	Governmental Fund Type		Statement of Net Position
	General Fund	Adjustments	
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 697	\$ -	\$ 697
Fund balances			
Unassigned	697	(697)	-
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 697		
Net position			
Unrestricted		\$ 697	\$ 697

CITY OF IONIA

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES/STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Governmental Fund Type		Statement of Activities
	General Fund	Adjustments	Activities
Revenues			
Interest	\$ 22	\$ -	\$ 22
Revenues over (under) expenditures/expenses	22	-	22
Net changes in fund balances	22	(22)	
Change in net position		(22)	22
Fund balances/net position, beginning of year	675		675
Fund balances/net position, end of year	\$ 697		\$ 697

CITY OF IONIA

**BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BALANCE SHEET/STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Governmental Fund Type</u>		<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 61,847	\$ -	\$ 61,847
Fund balances			
Unassigned	61,847	(61,847)	-
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 61,847</u>		
Net position			
Unrestricted		<u>\$ 61,847</u>	<u>\$ 61,847</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES/STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Governmental Fund Type</u>		<u>Statement of Activities</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	
Revenues			
Interest	\$ 2,053	\$ -	\$ 2,053
Expenditures			
Current			
Miscellaneous	2,140	-	2,140
Revenues over (under) expenditures/expenses	(87)	-	(87)
Net changes in fund balances	(87)	87	
Change in net position		87	(87)
Fund balances/net position, beginning of year	<u>61,934</u>		<u>61,934</u>
Fund balances/net position, end of year	<u>\$ 61,847</u>		<u>\$ 61,847</u>

DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT SCHEDULES

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF LOCAL REVENUES (1)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>7/1/24 to</u> <u>9/30/2024</u>	<u>10/1/24 to</u> <u>6/30/2025</u>	<u>Total</u>
Demand response (farebox)			
Regular service	\$ 13,804	\$ 51,044	\$ 64,848
Contract fares	-	-	-
JARC fares	5,021	13,884	18,905
Property tax levy	91,338	41,212	132,550
Local participation	-	22,500	22,500
Tower rental and central dispatch fees	6,925	22,684	29,609
Interest income	12,877	18,402	31,279
Miscellaneous	-	1,515	1,515
Sale of capital assets	-	8,050	8,050
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Total local revenues	\$ 129,965	\$ 179,291	\$ 309,256

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF LOCAL REVENUES (1A)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	<u>10/1/23 to</u> <u>6/30/2024</u>	<u>7/1/24 to</u> <u>9/30/2024</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local revenue			
Demand response (farebox)			
Regular service	\$ 50,681	\$ 13,804	\$ 64,485
Contract fares	-	-	-
JARC fares	12,392	5,021	17,413
Property tax levy	37,112	91,338	128,450
Local participation	28,875	-	28,875
Tower rental fees	4,069	6,925	10,994
Interest income	29,091	12,877	41,968
Miscellaneous	783	-	783
Sale of capital assets	-	-	-
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Total local revenues	\$ 163,003	\$ 129,965	\$ 292,968

CITY OF IONIA
DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AND FEDERAL AWARDS (2)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Federal and State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grant No. Authorization Number	Program Award Amount	Current year expenditures			Prior Year's Expended	Award Amount Remaining	
				Total	Federal	State			Local
U.S. Department of Transportation									
Passed through Michigan Department of Transportation									
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 (PY accrual)	20.509	2022-0074-P9	\$ -	\$ (55,253)	\$ (55,253)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,627	\$ -
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	20.509	2022-0074-P9	110,506	79,726	79,726	-	-	-	3,153
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	20.509	2022-0074/P16	115,982	54,722	54,722	-	-	-	61,260
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	20.509	2017-0071/P18	124,747	18,770	18,770	-	-	-	105,977
Service Initiatives, Fiscal Recovery Funds, ARPA Funds - 2025 (receipt)	21.027	2022-0074/P15	1,017,655	170,354	170,354	-	-	-	847,301
Service Initiatives, Fiscal Recovery Funds, ARPA Funds - 2025 (accrual)	21.027	2022-0074/P15		26,325	26,325	-	-	-	(26,325)
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (PY accrual)	20.516	2022-0074/P10		(43,890)	(21,945)	(21,945)	-	76,066	43,890
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (receipt)	20.516	2022-0074/P10	168,500	92,434	46,217	46,217	-	-	-
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (receipt)	20.516	2022-0074/P17	168,500	80,756	40,378	40,378	-	-	87,744
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (accrual)	20.516	2022-0074/P17		44,718	22,359	22,359	-	-	-
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2022 JARC (reconciled)	20.516	2022-0074/P1		(38)	(18)	(20)	-	-	-
RTAP funding (receipt)	20.509		-	5,327	5,327	-	-	-	-
Capital grant - section 5339 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	20.526	2022-0074-P11	244,002	48,800	39,040	9,760	-	-	195,202
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	20.509	2022-0074-P16		12,754	10,203	2,551	-	-	-
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	20.509	2022-0074-P20		1,329	1,062	267	-	-	-
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2024 capital (PY accrual)	20.509	2022-0074-P4		(16,874)	(16,874)	-	-	23,130	-
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	20.509	2022-0074-P4	<u>58,750</u>	<u>16,874</u>	<u>16,874</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,746</u>
Total passed through Michigan Department of Transportation			<u>2,008,642</u>	<u>536,834</u>	<u>437,267</u>	<u>99,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>126,823</u>	<u>1,336,948</u>
Michigan Department of Transportation									
Operating assistance - Act 51 (settlement paid)	N/A	FY2023		1,457	-	1,457			
Operating assistance - Act 51 (PY accrual)	N/A	FY2024		(20,617)	-	(20,617)			
Operating assistance - Act 51 (receipt)	N/A	FY2024		61,853	-	61,853			
Operating assistance - Act 51 (receipt)	N/A	FY2025		166,752	-	166,752			
Operating assistance - Act 51 (accrual)	N/A	FY2025		31,781	-	31,781			
Commission on Aging Contract - 2025 (receipt)	N/A	2022-0074/P8		20,000	-	20,000			
Commission on Aging Contract - 2025 (receipt)	N/A	2022-0074/P14		<u>36,928</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,928</u>			
Total Operating Assistance				<u>298,154</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>298,154</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total				<u>\$ 834,988</u>	<u>\$ 437,267</u>	<u>\$ 397,721</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 126,823</u>	<u>\$ 1,336,948</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF STATE AND FEDERAL AWARDS (2A)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Grant Number</u>	<u>7/1/24 to 9/30/2024</u>	<u>10/1/24 to 6/30/2025</u>	<u>Total</u>
Michigan Department of Transportation				
Operating assistance - Act 51 (settlement paid)	FY2023	\$ 1,457	\$ -	\$ 1,457
Operating assistance - Act 51 (PY accrual)	FY2024	(20,617)	-	(20,617)
Operating assistance - Act 51 (receipt)	FY2024	61,853	-	61,853
Operating assistance - Act 51 (receipt)	FY2025	-	166,752	166,752
Operating assistance - Act 51 (accrual)	FY2025	-	31,781	31,781
Commission on Aging Contract - 2025 (receipt)	2022-0074/P8	20,000	-	20,000
Commission on Aging Contract - 2025 (receipt)	2022-0074/P14	-	36,928	36,928
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (PY accrual)	2022-0074/P10	(21,945)	-	(21,945)
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P10	21,945	24,272	46,217
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P17	-	40,378	40,378
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (accrual)	2022-0074/P17	-	22,358	22,358
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2022 JARC (reconciled)	2022-0074/P1	-	(19)	(19)
Capital grant - section 5339 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P11	-	9,760	9,760
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P16	2,551	-	2,551
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P20	267	-	267
Total Michigan Department of Transportation		<u>65,511</u>	<u>332,210</u>	<u>397,721</u>
Federal grants				
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 (PY accrual)	2022-0074-P9	(55,253)	-	(55,253)
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	2022-0074-P9	55,253	24,473	79,726
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	2022-0074/P16	-	54,722	54,722
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	2017-0071/P18	18,770	-	18,770
Service Initiatives, Fiscal Recovery Funds, ARPA Funds - 2025 (receipt)	2022-0074/P15	-	170,354	170,354
Service Initiatives, Fiscal Recovery Funds, ARPA Funds - 2025 (accrual)	2022-0074/P15	-	26,325	26,325
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (PY accrual)	2022-0074/P10	(21,945)	-	(21,945)
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P10	21,945	24,272	46,217
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P17	-	40,378	40,378
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 JARC (accrual)	2022-0074/P17	-	22,359	22,359
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2022 JARC (reconciled)	2022-0074/P1	-	(18)	(18)
RTAP funding (receipt)		824	4,503	5,327
Capital grant - section 5339 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P11	-	39,040	39,040
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P16	10,203	-	10,203
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P20	1,062	-	1,062
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2024 capital (PY accrual)	2022-0074-P4	(16,874)	-	(16,874)
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P4	16,874	-	16,874
Total federal grants		<u>30,859</u>	<u>406,408</u>	<u>437,267</u>
Total		<u>\$ 96,370</u>	<u>\$ 738,618</u>	<u>\$ 834,988</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF STATE AND FEDERAL AWARDS (2B)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

		<u>10/1/23 to</u>	<u>7/1/24 to</u>	<u>Total</u>
		<u>6/30/2024</u>	<u>9/30/2024</u>	
Michigan Department of Transportation				
Operating assistance - Act 51 (settlement paid)	FY2023	\$ -	\$ 1,457	\$ 1,457
Operating assistance - Act 51 (PY accrual)	FY2024	20,617	(20,617)	-
Operating assistance - Act 51 (receipts)	FY2024	189,343	61,853	251,196
Commission on Aging Contract - 2024 (receipt)	2022-0074/P8	36,928	20,000	56,928
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2023 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P5	24,775	-	24,775
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P10	38,033	21,945	59,978
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (PY accrual)	2022-0074/P10	21,945	(21,945)	-
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2021 JARC (reconciled)	2017-0071/P19	1,056	-	1,056
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P16	-	2,551	2,551
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P20	-	267	267
Total Michigan Department of Transportation		<u>332,697</u>	<u>65,511</u>	<u>398,208</u>
Federal grants				
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 (receipt)	2022-0074/P6	56,364	-	56,364
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 (receipt)	2022-0074-P9	27,627	55,253	82,880
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 (accrual)	2022-0074-P9	55,253	(55,253)	-
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2025 (receipt)	2017-0071/P18	-	18,770	18,770
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2023 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P5	24,775	-	24,775
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (receipt)	2022-0074/P10	38,033	21,945	59,978
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2024 JARC (accrual)	2022-0074/P10	21,945	(21,945)	-
Operating assistance - section 5311 - 2021 JARC (reconciled)	2017-0071/P19	1,056	-	1,056
RTAP funding (receipt)		569	824	1,393
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P16	-	10,203	10,203
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2025 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P20	-	1,062	1,062
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2024 capital (receipt)	2022-0074-P4	23,130	16,874	40,004
Capital grant - section 5311 - FY 2024 capital (accrual)	2022-0074-P4	16,874	(16,874)	-
Total federal grants		<u>265,626</u>	<u>30,859</u>	<u>296,485</u>
Total		<u>\$ 598,323</u>	<u>\$ 96,370</u>	<u>\$ 694,693</u>

CITY OF IONIA
DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF NONURBAN REGULAR SERVICE REVENUES 4R
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	<u>Total</u>
Local revenue	
Demand response (farebox)	
Regular service	\$ 64,485
School services	-
Property tax levy	128,450
Local participation	28,875
Tower rental and central dispatch fees	10,994
Interest income	41,968
Sale of capital assets	-
	-
Total local revenues	275,555
State and Federal revenue	
Michigan Department of Transportation	
Formula operating assistance (Act 51) - FY24	251,196
	251,196
Total Michigan Department of Transportation	251,196
Federal grants	
Section 5311 grant 2022-74/P3 - 2023 operating	82,880
RTAP funding receipts	1,393
	84,273
Total federal grants	84,273
Total	\$ 611,024

CITY OF IONIA
DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF OPERATING AND CONTRACT EXPENSES (3)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Nonurban</u>	<u>JARC</u>	<u>EMC</u>	<u>Specialized Services</u>	<u>Total System</u>
Operating expenses					
Labor					
Salaries and wages	\$ 369,698	\$ 84,925	\$ 15,603	\$ -	\$ 470,226
Fringe benefits	44,348	8,883	1,444	-	54,675
Pension - defined contribution (457 plan)	3,003	927	485	-	4,415
Pension - defined benefit (DB)	24,235	7,855	4,154	-	36,244
Services					
Other services	90,485	68,707	18,754	56,928	234,874
Materials and supplies					
Fuel	43,917	10,250	134	-	54,301
Other materials and supplies	4,251	856	194	-	5,301
Casualty and liability costs					
Insurance	13,224	2,763	-	-	15,987
Utilities	41,657	5,260	2,546	-	49,463
Miscellaneous	45,115	478	-	-	45,593
Depreciation	<u>152,958</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>152,958</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>\$ 832,891</u>	<u>\$ 190,904</u>	<u>\$ 43,314</u>	<u>\$ 56,928</u>	<u>\$ 1,124,037</u>

The following cost allocation plans were adhered to by the Dial-a-Ride in the preparation of the financial statements:
2007 Specialized services
2008 JARC (April 2017)
2011 Central Services

Capital grants utilities utilized to pay operating expenses, auxiliary transportation and nontransportation revenue (MDOT expense codes 406xx & 407xx) are excluded for purposes of calculating operating reimbursements.

Actual pension expenses paid are reported for purposes of calculating operating reimbursement. The City does not have an OPEB plan.

Pension expense above is calculated as follows:

Defined benefit plan

Actuarially required contributions paid	\$ 37,335	
GASB 68/GASB 71 adjustments to pension expense	<u>(1,091)</u>	deducted from eligible expense

Defined benefit plan net pension expense \$ 36,244 agrees to DB pension above

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF OPERATING EXPENSES SPLIT
BETWEEN A JUNE 30 AND SEPTEMBER 30 YEAR END (3A)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Expenses	Nonurban			Operating assistance - section 5311 - JARC 2022-0074/P10		
	7/1/24 to	10/1/24 to	Total	7/1/24 to	10/1/24 to	Total
	9/30/2024	6/30/2025		9/30/2024	6/30/2025	
Labor	\$ 75,980	\$ 293,718	\$ 369,698	\$ 18,970	\$ -	\$ 18,970
Fringe benefits	7,450	36,898	44,348	1,861	-	1,861
Pension	9,070	18,168	27,238	2,253	-	2,253
Service	19,088	71,397	90,485	23,655	-	23,655
Materials and supplies	12,039	36,129	48,168	3,010	-	3,010
Casualty and liability costs	-	13,224	13,224	-	-	-
Utilities	10,956	30,701	41,657	1,746	-	1,746
Miscellaneous	986	44,129	45,115	52	-	52
Depreciation	38,240	(38,647)	(407)	-	-	-
Total expenses	\$ 173,809	\$ 505,717	\$ 679,526	\$ 51,547	\$ -	\$ 51,547

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Expenses	Operating assistance - section 5311 - JARC 2022-0074/P17			Specialized Services 2022-0074/P8		
	7/1/24 to	10/1/24 to	Total	7/1/24 to	10/1/24 to	Total
	9/30/2024	6/30/2025		9/30/2024	6/30/2025	
Labor	\$ -	\$ 65,955	\$ 65,955	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe benefits	-	7,022	7,022	-	-	-
Pension	-	6,529	6,529	-	-	-
Service	-	45,052	45,052	20,000	-	20,000
Materials and supplies	-	8,096	8,096	-	-	-
Casualty and liability costs	-	2,763	2,763	-	-	-
Utilities	-	3,514	3,514	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	426	426	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenses	\$ -	\$ 139,357	\$ 139,357	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000

Expenses	Specialized Services 2022-0074/P14			EMC 2022-0074/P15		
	7/1/24 to	10/1/24 to	Total	7/1/24 to	10/1/24 to	Total
	9/30/2024	6/30/2025		9/30/2024	6/30/2025	
Labor	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,603	\$ 15,603
Fringe benefits	-	-	-	-	1,444	1,444
Pension	-	-	-	-	4,639	4,639
Service	-	36,928	36,928	-	18,754	18,754
Materials and supplies	-	-	-	-	328	328
Casualty and liability costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities	-	-	-	-	2,546	2,546
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of capital items	-	-	-	-	153,365	153,365
Total expenses	\$ -	\$ 36,928	\$ 36,928	\$ -	\$ 196,679	\$ 196,679

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF OPERATING EXPENSES (3B)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

	Nonurban			Operating assistance - section 5311 - JARC 2022-0074/P10		
	10/1/23 to 6/30/2024	7/1/24 to 9/30/2024	Total	10/1/23 to 6/30/2024	7/1/24 to 9/30/2024	Total
	Expenses					
Labor	\$ 269,536	\$ 75,980	\$ 345,516	\$ 60,521	\$ 18,970	\$ 79,491
Fringe benefits	28,320	7,450	35,770	6,313	1,861	8,174
Pension	669	9,070	9,739	5,353	2,253	7,606
Service	137,797	19,088	156,885	46,574	23,655	70,229
Materials and supplies	34,614	12,039	46,653	8,815	3,010	11,825
Casualty and liability costs	7,915	-	7,915	1,466	-	1,466
Utilities	35,721	10,956	46,677	3,210	1,746	4,956
Miscellaneous	15,334	986	16,320	96	52	148
Depreciation	96,700	38,240	134,940	-	-	-
Total expenses	\$ 626,606	\$ 173,809	\$ 800,415	\$ 132,348	\$ 51,547	\$ 183,895

	Specialized Services 2022-0074/P8		
	10/1/23 to 6/30/2024	7/1/24 to 9/30/2024	Total
	Expenses		
Labor	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe benefits	-	-	-
Pension	-	-	-
Service	36,928	20,000	56,928
Materials and supplies	-	-	-
Casualty and liability costs	-	-	-
Utilities	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-
Total expenses	\$ 36,928	\$ 20,000	\$ 56,928

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF NONURBAN REGULAR SERVICE EXPENSES (4E)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	<u>Total System</u>
Operating expenses	
Labor	
Salaries and wages	\$ 345,516
Fringe benefits	35,770
Pension	9,739
Services	
Audit costs	3,400
Other services	153,485
Materials and supplies	
Fuel	41,123
Other materials and supplies	5,530
Insurance	
Liability	7,915
Other	-
Utilities	46,677
Miscellaneous	16,320
Depreciation	<u>134,940</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>800,415</u>
Ineligible expenses	
Ineligible depreciation	\$ 134,616
Expense associated with rentals	12,368
Ineligible (eligible) defined benefit pension*	23,236
Ineligible portion of association dues	117
RTAP	<u>1,393</u>
Total ineligible expenses	<u>171,730</u>
Total eligible expenses	<u>\$ 628,685</u>

*The June 30, 2024 year end GASB 68 adjustment (posted 6/30/24) resulted in a decrease to the pension expense of \$23,237.

CITY OF IONIA
DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF JARC SERVICE EXPENSES (4E)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	<u>Total System</u>
Operating expenses	
Labor	
Salaries and wages	\$ 79,491
Fringe benefits	8,174
Pension	7,606
Services	
Audit costs	-
Other services	70,229
Materials and supplies	
Fuel	11,825
Other materials and supplies	-
Insurance	
Liability	1,466
Other	-
Utilities	4,956
Miscellaneous	148
Depreciation	-
Total operating expenses	<u>183,895</u>
Ineligible expenses	
JARC Farebox revenue	<u>17,413</u>
Total ineligible expenses	<u>17,413</u>
Total eligible expenses	<u>\$ 166,482</u>

CITY OF IONIA
DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
OPERATING ASSISTANCE CALCULATION (5)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	<u>Nonurban</u>
State eligible expenses	
Labor	\$ 345,516
Fringe benefits	35,770
Pension	9,739
Service	156,885
Materials and supplies	46,653
Casualty and liability costs	7,915
Utilities	46,677
Miscellaneous	16,320
Depreciation	<u>134,940</u>
Total expenses	<u>800,415</u>
Less ineligible expenses	
Depreciation	134,616
Expense associated with rentals	12,368
Ineligible (eligible) defined benefit pension	23,236
Ineligible portion of association dues	117
Federal grants - RTAP	<u>1,393</u>
Total ineligible expenses	<u>171,730</u>
State eligible expenses	<u>\$ 628,685</u>
State operating assistance - 40.2993	<u>\$ 253,356</u>
Federal eligible expenses	
State eligible expenses	\$ 628,685
Less additional federal ineligible expenses	
Audit costs	<u>3,400</u>
Federal eligible expenses	<u>\$ 625,285</u>
Setion 5311 reimbursement - 18%	<u>\$ 112,551</u>

CITY OF IONIA

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF NONFINANCIAL INFORMATION**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	<u>Miles</u>		<u>Hours</u>	
	<u>Regular</u>	<u>JARC</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>JARC</u>
Demand response				
Fourth quarter (7/1/24 to 9/30/24)	26,603	10,684	2,334	737
First quarter (10/1/24 to 12/31/24)	28,757	10,649	2,343	707
Second quarter (1/1/25 to 3/31/25)	29,999	10,236	2,450	693
Third quarter (4/1/25 to 6/30/25)	<u>30,588</u>	<u>10,426</u>	<u>2,420</u>	<u>711</u>
Total	<u>115,947</u>	<u>41,995</u>	<u>9,547</u>	<u>2,848</u>

**DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT FUND
SCHEDULE OF NONFINANCIAL INFORMATION**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	<u>Miles</u>		<u>Hours</u>	
	<u>Regular</u>	<u>JARC</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>JARC</u>
Demand response				
First quarter (10/1/23 to 12/31/23)	29,069	10,349	2,333	707
Second quarter (1/1/24 to 3/31/24)	28,571	10,240	2,341	715
Third quarter (4/1/24 to 6/30/24)	28,305	10,735	2,356	740
Fourth quarter (7/1/24 to 9/30/24)	<u>26,603</u>	<u>10,684</u>	<u>2,334</u>	<u>737</u>
Total	<u>112,548</u>	<u>42,008</u>	<u>9,364</u>	<u>2,899</u>

The methodology used to compile miles and passengers has been reviewed and the recording method has been found to be adequate and reliable.

The methodology used to allocate costs between regular service and JARC has been reviewed and the allocator (hours) includes an estimate of the hours necessary for JARC activities based on the expected length of time required for JARC runs.

INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

December 16, 2025

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Ionia, Michigan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Ionia, Michigan, (the City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 16, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City'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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

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 City's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

December 16, 2025

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Ionia, Michigan

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the City of Ionia, Michigan's (the City) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of City's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2025. The City's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the City of Ionia, Michigan complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2025.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of City's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the City's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the City's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the City's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the City's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Urederseld Haefner LLC

CITY OF IONIA

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Award Amount	Pass- through Grantor's Number	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development				
Passed through Michigan Strategic Fund Community Development Block Grant	14.228	\$ 469,539	MSC222004-PGS	\$ <u>262,622</u>
U.S. Department of Justice				
Bullet proof vest grant	16.607			<u>702</u>
U.S. Department of Treasury				
Passed through Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Lead Service Line Replacement	21.027	600,000	TMF-085	309,108
Passed through Michigan Department of Transportation DART	21.027	566,380	2022-0074	<u>196,679</u>
				<u>505,787</u>
U.S. Department of Transportation				
Capital grant - section 5311	20.526			39,040
Operating assistance - section 5311	20.516			86,991
Operating assistance - section 5311	20.509			109,230
RTAP receipts	20.509			<u>5,327</u>
				<u>240,588</u>
Total Federal Awards				\$ <u>1,009,699</u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

1. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is prepared in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental funds and the accrual basis for proprietary funds.
2. Reconciliation of revenues from federal sources per financial statements and expenditures per the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards:

Federal revenue reported in governmental funds	\$ 263,324
Federal revenue reported in proprietary funds - nonoperating	386,962
Federal revenue reported in proprietary funds - contributed capital	<u>359,413</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,009,699</u>
Expenditures reported on the schedule of expenditure of federal awards	<u>\$ 1,009,699</u>

3. The City did not elect to use the 10% de minimis cost rate as covered in Uniform Guidance section 2 CFR 200.414 indirect costs.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? yes no

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> none reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance? yes no

Identification of major programs:

<u>Assistance Listing Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
21.027	State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? yes no

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None

SECTION IV - SUMMARY OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

None



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.4

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Resolution 2026-02 - Request from County Seat Brewing Company, LLC for an On-Premises Tasting Room Permit

Background:

Mr. Logan Bailey, a representative of County Seat Brewing Company, LLC, has contacted the City to request a formal recommendation for a new On-Premises Tasting Room Permit at 326 & 328 W. Main Street. County Seat Brewing Company, LLC is under contract to assume responsibility of 326 & 328 W. Main Street (the former Jewel Box) with plans to develop a brewery and upper floor residential apartments. An application process with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) is underway to obtain all necessary licenses required to manufacture beer and wine. Prior to being fully open and operational, the business intends to sell to-go drinks in a reduced taproom setting. MCL 436.1536 requires local government approval in the form of a resolution with a recommendation to the MLCC on the application.

Resolution 2026-02 was prepared in accordance with the preferred format requested by the MLCC to enable the Ionia City Council to make a recommendation on the application for an On-Premises Tasting Room Permit. In the future, County Seat Brewing Company, LLC will be required to request a Social District Permit from City Council to participate in the Discover Ionia Social District.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02, a resolution to recommend approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission of the application from County Seat Brewing Company, LLC for a new On-Premises Tasting Room Permit at 326 & 328 W. Main Street.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___



A RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF AN ON-PREMISES TASTING ROOM PERMIT FOR COUNTY SEAT BREWING COMPANY, LLC

At a regular meeting of the City of Ionia City Council called to order by Mayor Milewski, on the 7th day of January, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., at the Ionia City Hall, 114 North Kidd Street, Ionia, Michigan, there were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by City Councilmember _____ and was supported by City Councilmember _____:

WHEREAS, the City of Ionia received a request from County Seat Brewing Company, LLC for the Ionia City Council to recommend approval of a new On-Premises Tasting Room Permit to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC); and

WHEREAS, County Seat Brewing Company, LLC is proposing the On-Premises Tasting Room to be located at 326 & 328 W. Main Street, Ionia, MI 48846; and

WHEREAS, an On-Premises Tasting Room Permit is authorized by MCL 436.1536 and requires local government approval; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, it is the consensus of the Ionia City Council to recommend this application be considered for approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION 2026-02 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk
City of Ionia
114 North Kidd Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
Telephone No: (616) 527-4170

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Ionia, County of Ionia, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 6:30 PM and that the public notices of said meeting were given pursuant to Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976 and that minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Act.

Date

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk
City of Ionia
114 North Kidd Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
Telephone No: (616) 527-4170



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.5

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: City of Ionia General Policy Manual - Section 6 - Assessor Policies Update - 6-007: Poverty Exemption 2026

Background:

It is necessary to annually update Policy 6-007 Poverty Exemptions, which is part of Section Six – Assessing of the City of Ionia’s General Policy Manual, Policy 6-007 Poverty Exemption 2025. A draft of this updated policy follows this communication and reflects the most recent income limits allowed when determining a potential property tax poverty exemption.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider approving revised policy 6-007 Poverty Exemption Policy 2025 to reflect new income limits for 2026.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		

Poverty Exemption Policy - ~~2025~~2026

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the process for receiving applications for annual property tax poverty exemptions in accordance with MCL 211.7u, as last amended by Public Act 253 of 2020.

This Public Act provides those in poverty with an exemption from paying property taxes on principal residences, subject to certain conditions. To meet the exemption requirements, there are specific steps an applicant must follow, including filing and being approved an application for an exemption by the City of Ionia Board of Review.

The statute requires the City Council to adopt from time to time, the federal poverty and asset guidelines as updated annually in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

II. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF POVERTY EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

For the March 202~~5~~6 Board of Review, a complete application must be received by the office of the City Assessor by March 1, 202~~5~~6.

For the July 202~~5~~6 Board of Review, a complete application must be received by the office of the City Assessor by July 1, 202~~5~~6.

For the December 202~~5~~6 Board of Review, a complete application must be received by the office of the City Assessor by December 1, 202~~5~~6.

III. APPLICATION AND POVERTY GUIDELINES

To be eligible to receive a 100% property tax exemption based on poverty, an applicant shall do all of the following on an annual basis:

1. Be the owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is sought.
2. File a claim in the form of a complete application with the City Assessor on forms prescribed by the Michigan State Tax Commission. These forms include:
 - Form 5737 – “Application for MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption,” including all required documentation (i.e., federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns.)

- Form 5739 – “Affirmation of Ownership and Occupancy to Remain Exempt by Reason of Poverty”
 - Form 4988 – “Poverty Exemption Affidavit” – NOTE: This form is used by applicants who are not required to file federal and state income tax returns.
3. Produce a valid driver’s license or other form of identification, if requested.
 4. Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property, if requested.
 5. Meet the federal poverty guidelines for income, as published in the prior calendar year in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, which are as follows:
 6. Income is defined as, but not limited to; salaries, self-employment, Social Security, pensions, IRAs, unemployment compensation, worker’s compensation, disability, dividends, rental income, claims and judgements from lawsuits, military payments, cash, assistance, child support, alimony, food assistance, friend or family contribution, and all other sources of income.

<u>Persons Residing in Residence</u>	<u>Annual Allowable Income</u>
1 person	\$15,060 <u>\$15,650</u>
2 persons	\$20,440 <u>\$21,150</u>
3 persons	\$25,820 <u>\$26,650</u>
4 persons	\$31,200 <u>\$32,150</u>
5 persons	\$36,580 <u>\$37,650</u>
6 persons	\$41,960 <u>\$43,150</u>
7 persons	\$47,340 <u>\$48,650</u>
8 persons	\$52,720 <u>\$54,150</u>
For Each Additional Person add	\$ 5,380 <u>5,500</u>

7. Meet the poverty guidelines for assets, as established by the Ionia City Council to determine the maximum value of all assets allowable to qualify for the poverty exemption. This asset test CANNOT include the value of the principal residence. The asset test can include assets such as, but not limited to, a second home, land, vehicles including recreational vehicles, buildings other than the principal residence, jewelry, antiques, artwork, bank accounts, stocks, withdrawals of bank deposits and borrowed money, gifts, loans, lump-sum inheritances, one-time insurance payments, etc. The maximum asset limits are as follows:

<u>Persons Residing in Residence</u>	<u>Annual Allowable Assets</u>
1 person	\$20,000
2 persons	\$25,000
3 persons	\$30,000
4 persons	\$35,000

5 persons	\$40,000
6 persons	\$45,000
7 persons	\$50,000
8 persons	\$55,000
For Each Additional Person add	\$ 5,000

8. Any poverty tax exemption approved under this policy shall be for one tax year only.

Last affirmed – January 7, 202~~5~~6, to update guidelines for 202~~6~~5.



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.6

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers
FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager
DATE: January 7, 2026
RE: Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Amendment #2

Background:

It is customary that we review the City's annual budget after half of the fiscal year is completed and make amendments as necessary to adjust for actual experience and updates in budget assumptions. We are now six months through Fiscal Year 2025-2026. One prior budget adjustment was made in October 2025 following three months of experience.

Attached are spreadsheets outlining the amendments that are currently proposed on a fund basis. Here are the major highlights:

General Fund: Revenues are decreasing by a net \$17,500 to \$7,637,500, due primarily to decreased income tax collections and a larger than expected fire protection grant from the State of Michigan. Expenditures are increasing slightly by \$11,000 to \$7,959,070 due primarily to a higher than expected cost for property and liability insurance. Following these amendments, we conservatively expect expenditures will exceed revenues in the General Fund for the fiscal year by \$321,570, which is a slightly smaller gap than expected following the first budget amendment. Sufficient fund balance exists to cover this gap and remain compliant with the City's fund balance policy.

Parks – Facilities Improvement Fund: Revenue has been increased by \$382,000 due to the timing of the Hale Park grant reimbursement.

Local Development Finance Authority: Revenues were increased by \$10,000 to reflect the first year's collection of tax increment revenues under the 2024 LDFA Development and TIF Plan.

Recreation Fund: Expenditures were increased by \$11,000 to \$565,613, due primarily to increased building repair and maintenance costs. Expenses are expected to exceed revenues by \$26,713 for the fiscal year, which will be covered by available fund balance.

Theatre Fund: Expenditures were decreased by a net \$83,900 to reflect less capital outlay expenditures, consistent with the need to financially stabilize this fund.

Dial-A-Ride Fund: Revenues were increased by \$19,500 due to an increase in state grant funding. Expenditures were increased by a total of \$31,790, due primarily to increased vehicle maintenance

costs and operating supplies. Total revenues of \$2,182,449 are now expected to exceed total expenditures of \$2,180,289 by \$2,160 for the fiscal year.

Water Fund: Both revenues and expenditures were impacted in this fund due to lead service line assessment activities. Revenues were increased by \$210,500 to reflect federal grant funds received for the project and \$60,000 was added in expenditures to reflect project engineering and potholing activities.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider a motion to approve Budget Amendment #2 to the FY25-26 City of Ionia budget, which includes the General Fund and multiple special funds as detailed on the following spreadsheet.



Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		

FY 25-26 Council Budget Adjustment #2

	25-26 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund: 101 GENERAL			
101-000.000-425.000 INCOME TAX REVENUES	2,550,000.00	(140,000.00)	2,410,000.00
101-000.000-445.000 PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXS	20,000.00	6,000.00	26,000.00
101-000.000-447.000 PROPERTY TAX ADMINISTRATIVE FE	59,000.00	4,000.00	63,000.00
101-000.000-453.000 CODE ENFORCEMENT FEES	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
101-000.000-502.000 FEDERAL GRANT	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
101-000.000-569.000 STATE GRANT	200,000.00	32,000.00	232,000.00
101-000.000-628.000 CHARGE FOR SERVICES FIRE	1,800,000.00	110,000.00	1,910,000.00
Revenues	<u>7,620,000.00</u>	<u>17,500.00</u>	<u>7,637,500.00</u>
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 101.000 COUNCIL			
101-101.000-861.000 MEMBERSHIP AND DUES	22,000.00	1,000.00	23,000.00
Total Dept 101.000 - COUNCIL	<u>54,250.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>55,250.00</u>
Department: 210.000 CITY LEGAL FEES			
101-210.000-801.000 CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	45,000.00	20,000.00	65,000.00
101-210.000-801.002 LEGAL FEES - PROSECUTION	60,000.00	(20,000.00)	40,000.00
Total Dept 210.000 - CITY LEGAL FEES	<u>105,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>105,000.00</u>
Department: 265.000 BUILDINGS - GROUNDS			
101-265.000-954.000 INSURANCE	95,000.00	10,000.00	105,000.00
Total Dept 265.000 - BUILDINGS - GROUNDS	<u>356,700.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>366,700.00</u>
Expenditures	<u>7,948,070.00</u>	<u>11,000.00</u>	<u>7,959,070.00</u>
Fund 101 - GENERAL:			
TOTAL REVENUES	7,620,000.00	17,500.00	7,637,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,948,070.00	11,000.00	7,959,070.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(328,070.00)		(321,570.00)
BEG. FUND BALANCE	5,122,889.56		5,122,889.56
END FUND BALANCE	4,794,819.56		4,801,319.56

	25-26 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund: 203 LOCAL STREETS			
Revenues	676,597.00	0.00	676,597.00
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 463.000 ROUTINE MAINTENANCE - GENERAL			
203-463.000-775.000 REPAIR & MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	3,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
Total Dept 463.000 - ROUTINE MAINTENANCE - GENERAL	523,000.00	1,000.00	524,000.00
Department: 463.100 TREE TRIMMING			
203-463.100-801.000 CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	1,000.00	500.00	1,500.00
Total Dept 463.100 - TREE TRIMMING	52,000.00	500.00	52,500.00
Expenditures	702,000.00	1,500.00	703,500.00
Fund 203 - LOCAL STREETS:			
TOTAL REVENUES	676,597.00		676,597.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	702,000.00		703,500.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(25,403.00)		(26,903.00)
BEG. FUND BALANCE	939,987.10		939,987.10
END FUND BALANCE	914,584.10		913,084.10

Fund: 239 PARKS - FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

Account Category: Revenues			
239-000.000-502.600 FEDERAL GRANT	0.00	382,000.00	382,000.00
Revenues	841,000.00	382,000.00	1,223,000.00
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 545.800 STEELE ST. PARK			
239-545.800-801.000 CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	950,000.00	(100,000.00)	850,000.00
239-545.800-805.400 ARCHITECTURAL-ENGINEERING	40,000.00	100,000.00	140,000.00
Total Dept 545.800 - STEELE ST. PARK	990,000.00	0.00	990,000.00
Expenditures	1,036,000.00	0.00	1,036,000.00
Fund 239 - PARKS - FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS:			
TOTAL REVENUES	841,000.00		1,223,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,036,000.00		1,036,000.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(195,000.00)		187,000.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	619,583.70		619,583.70
END FUND BALANCE	424,583.70		806,583.70

	25-26 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund: 245 INDUSTRIAL PARK LDFA			
Account Category: Revenues			
245-000.000-430.000 TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Revenues	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Fund 245 - INDUSTRIAL PARK LDFA:			
TOTAL REVENUES	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	0.00		10,000.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	697.30		697.30
END FUND BALANCE	697.30		10,697.30
Fund: 247 BROWNFIELD DEVELOPMENT			
Account Category: Revenues			
247-000.000-450.000 LICENSES AND PERMITS	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Revenues	1,500.00	3,000.00	4,500.00
Expenditures	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Fund 247 - BROWNFIELD DEVELOPMENT:			
TOTAL REVENUES	1,500.00		4,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,000.00		10,000.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(8,500.00)		(5,500.00)
BEG. FUND BALANCE	61,847.60		61,847.60
END FUND BALANCE	53,347.60		56,347.60
Fund: 248 DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT OPERATING			
Account Category: Revenues			
248-000.000-688.000 OTHER REVENUE	500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00
Revenues	313,000.00	1,500.00	314,500.00
Expenditures	345,230.00	0.00	345,230.00
Fund 248 - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT OPERATING:			
TOTAL REVENUES	313,000.00		314,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	345,230.00		345,230.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(32,230.00)		(30,730.00)
BEG. FUND BALANCE	184,140.04		184,140.04
END FUND BALANCE	151,910.04		153,410.04

	25-26 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund: 249 RECREATION DEPARTMENT			
Revenues	538,900.00	0.00	538,900.00
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 536.000 ADMINISTRATION			
249-536.000-702.009 SALARY & WAGES - SEASONAL	7,000.00	500.00	7,500.00
Total Dept 536.000 - ADMINISTRATION	304,013.00	500.00	304,513.00
Department: 560.000 OPERATIONS			
249-560.000-762.313 YOUTH FOOTBALL ADVISORY BOARD	2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
Total Dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS	48,500.00	2,000.00	50,500.00
Department: 755.000 ARMORY			
249-755.000-931.000 BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	6,000.00	7,000.00	13,000.00
Total Dept 755.000 - ARMORY	32,600.00	7,000.00	39,600.00
Department: 770.000 PARK MAINTENANCE			
249-770.000-740.000 OPERATING SUPPLIES	7,000.00	1,500.00	8,500.00
Total Dept 770.000 - PARK MAINTENANCE	169,500.00	1,500.00	171,000.00
Expenditures	554,613.00	11,000.00	565,613.00
Fund 249 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT:			
TOTAL REVENUES	538,900.00		538,900.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	554,613.00		565,613.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(15,713.00)		(26,713.00)
BEG. FUND BALANCE	43,955.87		43,955.87
END FUND BALANCE	28,242.87		17,242.87
Fund: 250 THEATRE			
Revenues	405,100.00	0.00	405,100.00
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 442.000 OPERATIONS			
250-442.000-732.000 LIVE ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSE	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
250-442.000-980.000 CAPITAL OUTLAY	185,000.00	(85,000.00)	
Expenditures	481,850.00	(83,900.00)	397,950.00
Fund 250 - THEATRE FUND:			
TOTAL REVENUES	405,100.00		405,100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	481,850.00		397,950.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	(76,750.00)		7,150.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	291,698.30		291,698.30
END FUND BALANCE	214,948.30		298,848.30

	25-26 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund: 284 OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND			
Account Category: Revenues			
284-000.000-685.000 Opioid Settlement Revenue	5,000.00	4,200.00	9,200.00
Revenues	5,050.00	4,200.00	9,250.00
Expenditures	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Fund 284 - OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND:			
TOTAL REVENUES	5,050.00		9,250.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,000.00		1,000.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	4,050.00		8,250.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	480.39		480.39
END FUND BALANCE	4,530.39		8,730.39
Fund: 588 DIAL-A-RIDE			
Account Category: Revenues			
588-000.000-569.800 STATE GRANT - RTAP	5,500.00	19,500.00	25,000.00
Revenues	2,162,949.00	19,500.00	2,182,449.00
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 560.000 OPERATIONS			
588-560.000-743.100 OPERATING SUPPLIES-TIRES/TUBES	6,100.00	3,900.00	10,000.00
588-560.000-954.000 INSURANCE	14,645.00	855.00	15,500.00
Total Dept 560.000 - OPERATIONS	520,810.00	4,755.00	525,565.00
Department: 564.000 MAINTENANCE			
588-564.000-850.000 COMMUNICATIONS	2,470.00	1,530.00	4,000.00
588-564.000-930.000 VEHICLE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	35,000.00	15,000.00	50,000.00
588-564.000-931.000 BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	5,395.00	4,605.00	10,000.00
Total Dept 564.000 - MAINTENANCE	48,725.00	21,135.00	69,860.00
Department: 568.000 Equitable Mobility			
588-568.000-729.000 CREDIT CARD FEES	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
588-568.000-980.000 CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,600.00	3,400.00	5,000.00
Total Dept 568.000 - Equitable Mobility	264,244.00	5,900.00	270,144.00
Expenditures	2,148,499.00	31,790.00	2,180,289.00
Fund 588 - DIAL-A-RIDE:			
TOTAL REVENUES	2,162,949.00	19,500.00	2,182,449.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,148,499.00	31,790.00	2,180,289.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	14,450.00		2,160.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	1,158,926.12		1,158,926.12
END FUND BALANCE	1,173,376.12		1,161,086.12

	25-26 Amended Budget	Proposed Amendment #2	Proposed Budget After Amendment
Fund: 590 SEWER DEPT.			
Account Category: Revenues			
590-000.000-664.200 TOWNSHIP REIMB FOR EXPENSES	2,000.00	18,000.00	20,000.00
Revenues	3,667,000.00	18,000.00	3,685,000.00
Expenditures	3,420,941.00	0.00	3,420,941.00
Fund 590 - SEWER DEPT.:			
TOTAL REVENUES	3,667,000.00		3,685,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,420,941.00		3,420,941.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	246,059.00		264,059.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	14,886,242.84		14,886,242.84
END FUND BALANCE	15,132,301.84		15,150,301.84

Fund: 591 WATER DEPT.			
Account Category: Revenues			
591-000.000-502.000 FEDERAL GRANT	0.00	210,500.00	210,500.00
Revenues	3,197,000.00	210,500.00	3,407,500.00
Account Category: Expenditures			
Department: 558.000 ADMINISTRATIVE			
591-558.000-801.000 CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	225,000.00	60,000.00	285,000.00
Total Dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE	1,450,017.00	60,000.00	1,510,017.00
Expenditures	2,756,017.00	60,000.00	2,816,017.00
Fund 591 - WATER DEPT.:			
TOTAL REVENUES	3,197,000.00		3,407,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,756,017.00		2,816,017.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:	440,983.00		591,483.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE	12,891,237.01		12,891,237.01
END FUND BALANCE	13,332,220.01		13,482,720.01



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.7

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Resolution 2026-03 - Intent to Provide Public Transportation Services via IDART (10-1-25 to 9-30-26)

Background:

A majority of the operating funds for Dial-A-Ride (DAR) come from the State of Michigan through Public Act 51 of 1951. Public Act 51 authorizes the State to collect gas and weight taxes, with a portion of the funds collected earmarked for public transportation. In exchange for the funds, recipient providers are required to annually develop a work plan for delivering transportation services, which includes a budget that identifies funding sources for such services.

For the State’s 2027 Fiscal Year budget (October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027), the City has determined it will receive the following funds from indicated sources to support Dial-A-Ride operations:

Federal Funds	\$140,820 (Section 5311 Funds/18% of expenses + RTAP)
State Funds	\$251,287 (Based on 33.1804% eligible expenses)
Local Funds	\$210,000 (millage and Easton Township/Saranac Village contribution)
Local Funds – Fare	\$ 77,500 (ridership revenues)
Other Funds	\$ <u>77,860</u> (Com. tower shared expense, sale of equipment, interest advertising, etc.)
TOTAL	\$757,467

Proposed eligible operating expenses total \$909,431 with ineligible expenses (federal training funds, depreciation and costs associated with tower rental) of \$152,095.

In addition to the above proposed budget, the City will also request:

- \$525,000 in capital funding from Federal Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program Funds for replacing vault equipment, facility updates including building a new garage vehicle housing unit, replacement of the maintenance sweeper, and replacement of the AVL monitor and computer;
- \$862,500 from Federal Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program Funds for replacement of 5 buses that have met or exceeded their useful life;

- \$36,928 for State Specialized Services funding for transporting elderly persons and persons with disabilities;
- \$168,500 in Federal Section 5311 Job Access Reverse Commute in continuation funding;
- \$50,000 from STP Funds through the RTF for facility improvements, including parking lot repairs;
- \$87,500 from 5310/New Freedom Funds for a Mobility Manager.

To be programmed for the above-noted funding, the City is required to express its intent to provide public transportation services during the referenced fiscal year and identify its expected expenses and other revenue sources. Adoption of Resolution 2026-03 establishes this intent. The Resolution also designates the City Manager as the single point of contact with MDOT for public transportation matters.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider approving Resolution #2026-03, which details the City's intent to provide public transportation services for fiscal year 2027 and designates the City Manager as the single point of contact with MDOT for public transportation matters.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		



**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IONIA REGARDING
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 UNDER PUBLIC ACT 51 OF 1951,
AS AMENDED**

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Ionia, held at the Ionia City Hall, 114 North Kidd Street, Ionia, Michigan, on the 7th day of January, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., there were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by City Councilmember _____ and was supported by City Councilmember _____:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 51 of 1951, as amended (Act 51), it is necessary for the City of Ionia, a Home Rule City established pursuant to Public Act 279 of 1909, as amended, to provide a local transportation program for the state fiscal year of 2027 and, therefore, apply for state financial assistance under provisions of Act 51; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City of Ionia to name an official representative for all public transportation matters, who is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to certify that no changes in eligibility documentation have occurred during the past state fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the performance indicators for this agency have been reviewed and approved by the City of Ionia; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ionia has reviewed and approved the proposed budget with sources of estimated federal funds of \$140,820; estimated state funds of \$251,287; estimated local funds of \$210,000; estimated fare box revenues of \$77,500; estimated other funds of \$77,860 (revenues totaling \$757,467) and with total eligible expenses of \$909,431 for Fiscal Year 2027; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ionia has also reviewed and approved the additional funding requests of \$525,000 from Federal Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program Funds for replacing vault equipment, facility updates including building a new garage vehicle housing unit, replacement of the maintenance sweeper, and replacement of the AVL monitor and computer; \$862,500 from Federal Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program Funds for replacement of 5 buses; \$36,928 for State Specialized Services funding for transporting elderly persons and persons with disabilities; \$168,500 in Federal Section 5311 Job Access Reverse Commute in continuation funding; \$50,000 from STP Funds through the RTF for facility improvements, including parking lot repairs; and \$87,500 from 5310/New Freedom Funds for a Mobility Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Ionia does hereby make its intentions known to provide public transportation services and to apply for state financial assistance with this annual plan, in accordance with Act 51.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the City Manager is hereby appointed as the Transportation Coordinator for all public transportation matters, and is authorized to provide such information as deemed necessary by the State Transportation Commission or department for its administration of Act 51 for 2027.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION 2026-03 DECLARED ADOPTED.

Jonathan T. Bowman, City Clerk
City of Ionia
114 North Kidd Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
Telephone No: (616) 527-4170

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Ionia, County of Ionia, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 6:30 PM and that the public notices of said meeting were given pursuant to Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976 and that minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Act.

Date

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CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.8

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Resolution 2026-04 - Deficit Elimination Plan for Ionia Theatre Fund

Background:

At the end of Fiscal Year 2025 (June 30, 2025), a deficit fund balance in the Ionia Theatre Fund was documented at -\$2,704. Per the Glenn Steil State Revenue Sharing Act of 1971, Public Act 140 of 1971, Section 21(2) states that units of local government that end a fiscal year in a deficit condition shall formulate a deficit elimination plan. In response to this requirement, City staff have formulated a deficit elimination plan for the Theatre Fund, detailed in Resolution 2026-04.

The Ionia Theatre Fund is currently unable to cover its operating costs without a transfer in from other sources. For the last two fiscal years, the DDA Fund has subsidized the Theatre Fund with such a transfer that is ultimately derived from the General Fund. Noted below is the history of these transfers during the past two fiscal years:

FY 25

General Fund transfer to DDA Fund - \$200,000
 DDA Fund transfer to Theatre Fund - \$ 70,000

FY24

General Fund transfer to DDA Fund - \$250,000
 DDA Fund transfer to Theatre Fund - \$ 35,000

As the deficit elimination plan states in Resolution 2026-04, the Theatre Fund deficit will be eliminated by the end of FY2026 (June 30, 2026), by making a \$20,000 transfer from the General Fund to the Theatre Fund, which will be included in the proposed January 2026 budget amendment. Additionally, efforts will continue via the Ad-Hoc Ionia Theatre Committee and city staff to work toward generating additional theater revenues to cover annual operating expenses.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider making a motion to approve Resolution 2026-04, a resolution implementing a deficit elimination plan for the City of Ionia Theatre Fund and authorize its filing with the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote: Lee ___ Winters ___
Cook ___ Patrick ___
Millard ___ Waterman ___
Starr ___ Cowling ___
Milewski ___



A RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING A DEFICIT ELIMINATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF IONIA THEATRE FUND

At a meeting of the City Council of the City of Ionia, held at the Ionia City Hall, 114 North Kidd Street, Ionia, Michigan, on the 7th day of January, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., there were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by City Councilmember _____ and was supported by City Councilmember _____:

WHEREAS, the City of Ionia’s Theatre Fund had a \$2,704 deficit fund balance as of June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, 1971 PA 140 requires that a Deficit Elimination Plan be formulated by the local unit of government and filed with the Michigan Department of Treasury; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ionia’s legislative body adopts the following as the City of Ionia’s Theatre Fund Deficit Elimination Plan:

GL Number	Description	25-26	YTD
		Amended	Balance
		Budget	12/31/202
			5
Fund: 250 THEATRE FUND			
250-000.000-633.000	MOVIE ADMISSIONS	85,000.00	26,866.00
		115,000.0	
250-000.000-634.000	MOVIE CONCESSIONS	0	45,593.90
	LIVE ENTERTAINMENT		
250-000.000-635.000	REVENUE	2,000.00	925.00
250-000.000-639.000	THEATRE RENTAL	5,000.00	1,300.00
250-000.000-640.000	ADVERTISING REVENUES	6,000.00	1,254.23
250-000.000-665.000	INTEREST	100.00	(356.08)
250-000.000-675.000	GIFTS DONATIONS	4,000.00	769.86
250-000.000-688.000	OTHER REVENUE	3,000.00	1,695.75
250-000.000-699.101	CONTRIBUTION FROM GENERAL	20,000.00	
		185,000.0	
250-000.000-699.248	CONTRIBUTION FROM DDA	0	0.00

		425,100.0	
Revenues		0	78,048.66

Account Category: Expenditures
 Department: 442.000
 OPERATIONS

		106,000.0	
250-442.000-702.000	SALARY & WAGES	0	42,362.33
	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE		
250-442.000-710.000	BENEFIT	12,000.00	5,369.99
250-442.000-727.000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	900.00	292.63
250-442.000-728.000	POSTAGE	100.00	0.00
250-442.000-729.000	CREDIT CARD FEES	5,000.00	2,373.48
	LIVE ENTERTAINMENT		
250-442.000-732.000	EXPENSE	0.00	1,083.45
250-442.000-740.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	2,000.00	575.85
	CONTRACTUAL &		
250-442.000-801.000	PROFESSIONAL SEV	16,000.00	7,102.31
250-442.000-804.000	FILM EXPENSE	45,000.00	15,265.21
250-442.000-805.000	CONCESSION EXPENSE	42,000.00	13,792.53
250-442.000-851.000	TELEPHONE	1,100.00	315.00
250-442.000-861.000	MEMBERSHIP AND DUES	750.00	0.00
250-442.000-862.000	SUBSCRIPTIONS	500.00	149.99
250-442.000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES	35,000.00	8,503.70
	BUILDING REPAIR &		
250-442.000-931.000	MAINTENANCE	20,000.00	9,338.76
250-442.000-956.001	SALES TAX	6,000.00	1,704.77
250-442.000-962.200	ADVERTISING - PROMOTION	4,500.00	1,118.60
250-442.000-968.000	DEPRECIATION	0.00	0.00
		100,000.0	
250-442.000-980.000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	0.00
Total Dept 442.000 -		396,850.0	109,348.6
OPERATIONS		0	0

		396,850.0	109,348.6
Expenditures		0	0

Fund 250 - THEATRE FUND:

		425,100.0	
TOTAL REVENUES		0	78,048.66
		396,850.0	109,348.6
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		0	0
NET OF REVENUES &			(31,299.9
EXPENDITURES:		28,250.00	4)
BEG. FUND BALANCE - ALL		291,698.3	291,698.3
FUNDS		0	0

END FUND BALANCE - ALL
FUNDS

319,948.3 260,398.3
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AYES:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

RESOLUTION 2026-04 DECLARED ADOPTED.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Ionia, County of Ionia, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 6:30 PM and that the public notices of said meeting were given pursuant to Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976 and that minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Act.

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CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.9

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Property and Liability Insurance for City of Ionia - 11/1/25 - 10/31/26 Rate Adjustment

Background:

Every five years, MMRMA conducts a review of all properties it insures on the City's behalf. A professional appraiser, CBIZ is hired to perform the appraisal. When the City was first insured in 2019 by MMRMA, it relied on the CBIZ study completed on behalf of the MML Property and Liability pool in 2019. As a result, CBIZ was contracted by MMRMA this past summer to conduct a new appraisal. A comparison sheet follows this communication, which shows several properties increased significantly in value. For the City's entire asset group (buildings, surrounding improvements + contents) values increased from \$22,851,500 to \$36,640,800; a 60% (\$13,789,300) increase.

The CBIZ report was provided to the City after MMRMA proposed its initial 2025-2026 renewal rate and less than 24 hours before City Council approved that renewal in November. This is because MMRMA took additional time to review the appraisal results with CBIZ and double-check some of the increases. Given its late delivery, City staff also requested additional time to review the new property values. It was determined that this report was more thorough than the previous report, picking up additional assets, reflecting recent park project improvements, and also reflecting the increased cost of construction in today's marketplace, especially where block and brick buildings are concerned. While we considered accepting an agreed-upon value in lieu of the new value for a few structures, ultimately it was determined the minor premium savings that would result did not justify the reduced insured value.

MMRMA has requested an additional \$6,500 in premium for \$13,789,300 in additional property loss insurance coverage. On November 5, 2025, the policy was renewed without the additional property loss coverage at a premium of \$184,665 (\$159,665 + \$25,000 self-insured retention). In total, the premium increase from last year to this year would be \$14,212 (8%).

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider making a motion to approve \$6,500 in additional premium payment to secure \$13,789,300 in added property insurance loss coverage. Funding for this premium has been budgeted and will be split proportionately across the applicable city departments.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote: Lee ___ Winters ___
Cook ___ Patrick ___
Millard ___ Waterman ___
Starr ___ Cowling ___
Milewski ___

Location Description	Address	Current Overview Values		New CBIZ Values		% Change Building	% Change Total	
		Building/SWTB	Building	Structures with the Building	Total			
City Hall	114 N Kidd St Ionia, MI 48846	\$2,580,925	\$3,378,000	\$16,400	\$3,394,400	31%	32%	
Well Field Control Center	705 Union St Ionia, MI 48846	\$158,857	\$311,000	\$0	\$311,000	96%	96%	
Well 16A	705 Union St Ionia, MI 48846	\$359,056	\$357,000	\$9,000	\$366,000	-1%	2%	
Well House 14/15	705 Union St Ionia, MI 48846	\$531,450	\$744,000	\$145,000	\$889,000	40%	67%	SWTB includes: standby generator and fencing
Well House 11a	705 Union St Ionia, MI 48846	\$321,814	\$502,000	\$276,000	\$778,000	56%	142%	SWTB includes: standby generator and fencing
Well House 5	151 E Fargo St Ionia, MI 48846	\$239,179	\$344,000	\$5,000	\$349,000	44%	46%	SWTB includes: fencing
Well House 9a	142 E Fargo St Ionia, MI 48846	\$311,721	\$497,000	\$15,000	\$512,000	59%	64%	SWTB includes: fencing
Well House 10	106 E Fargo St Ionia, MI 48846	\$394,566	\$487,000	\$288,000	\$775,000	23%	96%	SWTB includes: standby generator and fencing
Reservoir Control House	760 Cyrus St Ionia, MI 48846	\$11,099	\$126,000	\$0	\$126,000	1035%	1035%	includes 20hp pump, scada, controls
Well House 12/13	760 Cyrus St Ionia, MI 48846	\$491,888	\$565,000	\$32,000	\$597,000	15%	21%	SWTB includes: lighting, fuel tank, and fencing
Well House 13a	760 Cyrus St Ionia, MI 48846	\$252,951	\$281,000	\$11,000	\$292,000	11%	15%	
Well House	760 Cyrus St Ionia, MI 48846	\$90,169	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	-17%	-17%	
Office Maintenance Garage	330 S Jackson St Ionia, MI 48846	\$1,227,225	\$1,530,000	\$65,000	\$1,595,000	25%	30%	SWTB includes: fuel tanks, standby generator, bollards, and fencing
Vehicle Equipment Storage	303 S Jackson St Ionia, MI 48846	\$737,512	\$1,001,000	\$0	\$1,001,000	36%	36%	
Salt Storage	303 S Jackson St Ionia, MI 48846	\$91,992	\$218,000	\$0	\$218,000	137%	137%	
Theatre	205 W Main St Ionia, MI 48846	\$4,298,371	\$6,800,000	\$11,000	\$6,811,000	58%	58%	SWTB includes: dumpster enclosure, flagpole, and lighting
Dial-A-Ride Facility	251 E Adams St Ionia, MI 48846	\$1,217,235	\$1,779,000	\$13,000	\$1,792,000	46%	47%	SWTB includes: fencing, bollards, and signage
Maintenance Garage	251 E Adams St Ionia, MI 48846	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$0	\$216,000	0%	0%	
Public Safety Facility	239 Adams St Ionia, MI 48846	\$3,141,182	\$4,164,000	\$99,000	\$4,263,000	33%	36%	SWTB includes: flagpole, standby generator, bollards, picnic tables, lighting, and signage
Evidence Barn	239 Adams St Ionia, MI 48846	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	0%	0%	
Community Center	439 West Main St Ionia, MI 48846	\$3,302,457	\$6,762,000	\$107,400	\$6,869,400	105%	108%	SWTB includes: flagpole, fencing, benches, picnic tables, lighting, and signage
Water Booster Pump Station	401 Swartz Ct Ionia, MI 48846	\$546,800	\$634,000	\$77,000	\$711,000	16%	30%	SWTB includes: standby generator and fencing
Restrooms & Storage	2130 Harwood Rd Ionia, MI 48846	\$38,968	\$38,968	\$0	\$38,968	0%	0%	Under \$50K, no on CBIZ Report; Harwood Park Concession Building was removed from Property Schedule effective 10/30/2025
Storage Building	2130 Harwood Rd Ionia, MI 48846	\$0	\$66,000	\$0	\$66,000	-	-	Not on Property Schedule; should we add?
Restrooms/Shelter/Concessions	562 Division St Ionia, MI 48846	\$97,966	\$255,000	\$91,000	\$346,000	160%	253%	SWTB includes: playground equipment and signage
Perry Park Restrooms	423 N Jackson St Ionia, MI 48846	\$169,410	\$201,000	\$305,000	\$506,000	19%	199%	SWTB includes: tennis courts, playground equipment, signage, and lighting
Robinson Park Restroom	710 Forest St Ionia, MI 48846	\$253,341	\$266,000	\$153,000	\$419,000	5%	65%	SWTB includes: signage, basketball court, fencing, playground equipment, and lighting

Pole Barn	301 S Jefferson St Ionia, MI 48846	\$43,952	\$310,000	\$0	\$310,000	605%	605%
Trailhead Park Restroom	206 S Dexter St Ionia, MI 48846	\$523,635	\$511,000	\$144,000	\$655,000	-2%	25%
	Total	\$21,724,721	\$32,493,968	\$1,862,800	\$34,356,768	50%	58%

SWTB includes: splash pad, playground equipment, fencing, and signage



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.10

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: Property and Liability Insurance Renewal for IRUA - 2/1/26 - 1/31/27

Background:

Like the City of Ionia, the Ionia Regional Utilities Authority (IRUA) moved its property and liability insurance from the Michigan Municipal League (MML) Liability and Property Pool to the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) one year ago. This move resulted in an increase in liability limit coverages, a lower annual premium and access to risk reduction grant programs funded by MMRMA. Additionally, because MMRMA does not provide insurance for structures located in the floodplain (MML provided coverage limited to \$100,000), National Flood insurance Program (NFIP) insurance was also sought to cover the portion of IRUA assets (digester and oxidation towers) that are in the floodplain.

Renewal proposals for both the MMRMA property and liability insurance, plus the NFIP insurance through Auto-Owners follow this proposal. Coverage amounts are largely the same as last year, with the following noted differences:

Federal Flood Insurance (through Auto-Owners)

Coverage for structures will remain the same at \$500,000, but a slight increase in content coverage by \$2,000 to \$32,000 was also offered. The proposed premium for annual coverage is \$2,321, a decrease of \$465 (16.6%) from last year's premium of \$2,786

MMRMA:

Liability coverage proposed by MMRMA is at the same levels as last year, with highlights summarized below. Insured property coverage, which includes buildings and personal property, has increased by \$1,147,940 compared to last year, to \$19,375,254.

MMRMA:

Coverages	Limit of Liability	Agg Limit	Per Occur Deductible
Muni Gen Liability	\$5,000,000	None	\$0
Employee Benefit Liability	\$5,000,000	None	\$0
Blanket Employee Fidelity	\$1,000,000	None	\$1,000
Flood Sublimit	\$5,000,000*	\$5,000,000	\$1,000
Sewer Backup Sublimit	\$1,000,000	None	\$1,000
Property – Buildings and	\$19,375,254	\$350,000,000 all	\$1,000

Personal Property		members	
Property – Other Structures than a building	\$15,000,000	None	\$1,000
Newly acquired or constructed property	\$10,000,000	None	\$1,000
Unreported Property	\$5,000,000	None	\$1,000
Cyber liability and data breach response	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000 per member/\$17.5 million all mmbrrs	\$25,000 for most coverages

*No coverage if in floodplain

The proposed annual MMRMA premium for the 2026-2027 renewal period is **\$32,174**, a \$1,216 (3.9%) increase over the previous year.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider approving the property and liability insurance proposal from Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) of \$32,174 for February 1, 2026 -January 31, 2027 and also naming Joe Lafler, City of Ionia Utilities Director as its Member Representative regarding this proposal. It is additionally requested City Council consider making a motion to approve the NFIP insurance renewal for the same period for \$2,321. Monies have been budgeted for this expense in the IRUA Fund, 598-558.000-954.000.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	_____	Winters	_____
	Cook	_____	Patrick	_____
	Millard	_____	Waterman	_____
	Starr	_____	Cowling	_____
	Milewski	_____		



1st Mortgagee:

2nd Mortgagee:

Additional Interest:

Disaster Agency:

1. Provided your payment is received within 30 days of the expiration of your policy (expiration date + 29 days), it will be renewed without a lapse in coverage. If the last day of the grace period (expiration date plus 29 days) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the deadline does not extend to the next business day. More renewal information is available at www.floodsmart.gov/get-insured/renew-a-policy.

To ensure that your policy is renewed without a lapse in coverage you may use the electronic payment options (e-check or credit card) available to you. You may also mail your premium via USPS certified mail or other third party delivery services that provides either a proof of mailing, or that provides documentation showing the actual mailing date and the delivery date, to us at the remittance address shown on this form. In these instances the mailing date will be used as the cash receipts date even though the delivery may be after the expiration date.
2. You are encouraged to insure your property for at least 80% of the structures replacement cost to ensure adequate coverage in the event of a loss. Contact your insurance agent/producer for details.
3. If your mortgage lender pays your policy premium from an escrow account, we recommend that you confirm payment has been received.
4. If the mortgagee listed on the bill is not the current mortgagee, please forward the bill to the new financial institution (if they are responsible for premium payment) and have your agent/producer send a General Change Endorsement to correct the policy.
5. Option B is the next-higher coverage combination available and generally increases the current coverage by an inflation factor of 10% for building coverage and 5% for contents coverage. The current deductible may be used. Increases in coverage above the Option B will be subject to a 30-day waiting period.
6. You have coverage options. You can either choose to keep your current coverage or adjust your coverage for additional protection. Please indicate the option you choose on the payment page. If you have questions about your coverage options or your flood policy, contact your insurance agent/producer.

FOR QUESTIONS ON ANY OF THIS INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR INSURANCE AGENT/PRODUCER.

This policy is not subject to cancellation for reasons other than those set forth in the National Flood Insurance Program rules and regulations. In matters involving billing disputes, cancellation is not available other than for billing processing error or fraud.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

PAYMENT MAILING ADDRESS CHANGE

Effective June 18, 2025, our payment mailing address has changed. If you pay your premium by mailing a check or use online banking for payments, please make sure to update the payment mailing address to the address listed on your renewal or expiration notice.

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY COVERAGE PROPOSAL

Member:	Ionia Regional Utilities Authority	Proposal No: Q000015440
Date of Original Membership:	February 1, 2025	
Proposal Effective Dates:	February 01, 2026 To February 01, 2027	
Member Representative:	Joe Lafler	Telephone #: (616) 523-0165
Regional Risk Manager:	Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority	Telephone #: (734) 513-0300

A. Introduction

The Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (hereinafter "MMRMA") is created by authority granted by the laws of the State of Michigan to provide risk financing and risk management services to eligible Michigan local governments. MMRMA is a separate legal and administrative entity as permitted by Michigan laws. **Ionia Regional Utilities Authority** (hereinafter "Member") is eligible to be a Member of MMRMA. **Ionia Regional Utilities Authority** agrees to be a Member of MMRMA and to avail itself of the benefits of membership.

Ionia Regional Utilities Authority is aware of and agrees that it will be bound by all of the provisions of the Joint Powers Agreement, Coverage Documents, MMRMA rules, regulations, and administrative procedures.

This Coverage Proposal summarizes certain obligations of MMRMA and the Member. Except for specific coverage limits, attached addenda, and the Member's Self Insured Retention (SIR) and deductibles contained in this Coverage Proposal, the provisions of the Joint Powers Agreement, Coverage Documents, reinsurance agreements, MMRMA rules, regulations, and administrative procedures shall prevail in any dispute. The Member agrees that any dispute between the Member and MMRMA will be resolved in the manner stated in the Joint Powers Agreement and MMRMA rules.

B. Member Obligation - Deductibles and Self Insured Retentions

Ionia Regional Utilities Authority is responsible to pay all costs, including damages, indemnification, and allocated loss adjustment expenses for each occurrence that is within the Member's Self Insured Retention (hereinafter the "SIR"). **Ionia Regional Utilities Authority's** SIR and deductibles are as follows:

Table I
Member Deductibles and Self Insured Retentions

COVERAGE	DEDUCTIBLE	SELF INSURED RETENTION
Liability	N/A	State Pool Member
Vehicle Physical Damage	\$250 Per Vehicle	State Pool Member
Fire/EMS Replacement Cost	N/A	N/A
Property and Crime	\$1,500 Per Occurrence	N/A
Sewage System Overflow	N/A	N/A

The member must satisfy all deductibles before any payments are made from the Member's SIR or by MMRMA.

The **Ionia Regional Utilities Authority** is afforded all coverages provided by MMRMA, except as listed below:

1. Sewage System Overflow
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

All costs including damages and allocated loss adjustment expenses are on an occurrence basis and must be paid first from the Member's SIR. The Member's SIR and deductibles must be satisfied fully before MMRMA will be responsible for any payments. The most MMRMA will pay is the difference between the Member's SIR and the Limits of Coverage stated in the Coverage Overview.

Ionia Regional Utilities Authority agrees to maintain the Required Minimum Balance as defined in the Member Financial Responsibilities section of the MMRMA Governance Manual. The Member agrees to abide by all MMRMA rules, regulations, and administrative procedures pertaining to the Member's SIR.

C. MMRMA Obligations - Payments and Limits of Coverage

After the Member's SIR and deductibles have been satisfied, MMRMA will be responsible for paying all remaining costs, including damages, indemnification, and allocated loss adjustment expenses to the Limits of Coverage stated in Table II. The Limits of Coverage include the Member's SIR payments.

The most MMRMA will pay, under any circumstances, which includes payments from the Member's SIR, per occurrence, is shown in the Limits of Coverage column in Table II. The Limits of Coverage includes allocated loss adjustment expenses.

Table II
Limits of Coverage

Liability and Motor Vehicle Physical Damage	Limits of Coverage Per Occurrence		Annual Aggregate	
	Member	All Members	Member	All Members
1 Liability	5,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
2 Judicial Tenure	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 Sewage System Overflows	0	N/A	0	N/A
4 Volunteer Medical Payments	25,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
5 First Aid	2,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
6 Vehicle Physical Damage	1,500,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
7 Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage (per person)	100,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage (per occurrence)	250,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
8 Michigan No-Fault	Per Statute	N/A	N/A	N/A
9 Terrorism	5,000,000	N/A	N/A	5,000,000

Property and Crime	Limits of Coverage Per Occurrence		Annual Aggregate	
	Member	All Members	Member	All Members
1 Buildings and Personal Property	19,375,254	350,000,000	N/A	N/A
2 Personal Property in Transit	2,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 Unreported Property	5,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
4 Member's Newly Acquired or Constructed Property	10,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
5 Fine Arts	2,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
6 Debris Removal (25% of Insured direct loss plus)	25,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
7 Money and Securities	1,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
8 Accounts Receivable	2,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
9 Fire Protection Vehicles, Emergency Vehicles, and Mobile Equipment (Per Unit)	5,000,000	10,000,000	N/A	N/A
10 Fire and Emergency Vehicle Rental (12 week limit)	2,000 per week	N/A	N/A	N/A
11 Structures Other Than a Building	15,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
12 Dam/Dam Structures/Lake Level Controls	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
13 Transformers	2,500,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
14 Storm or Sanitary Sewer Back-Up	1,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
15 Marine Property	1,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
16 Other Covered Property	20,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
17 Income and Extra Expense	5,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
18 Blanket Employee Fidelity	1,000,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
19 Faithful Performance	Per Statute	N/A	N/A	N/A
20 Earthquake	5,000,000	N/A	5,000,000	100,000,000
21 Flood	5,000,000	N/A	5,000,000	100,000,000
22 Terrorism	50,000,000	50,000,000	N/A	N/A

Table III

Network and Information Security Liability, Media Injury Liability, Network Security Loss, Breach Mitigation Expense, PCI Assessments, Social Engineering Loss, Reward Coverage, Telecommunications Fraud Reimbursement, Extortion.				
	Limits of Coverage Per Occurrence/Claim	Deductible Per Occurrence/Claim		Retroactive Date
	\$2,000,000			
Coverage A Network and Information Security Liability: Regulatory Fines:	Each Claim Included in limit above Each Claim Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Claim	2/1/2025
Coverage B Media Injury Liability	Each Claim Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Claim	2/1/2025
Coverage C Network Security Loss Network Security Business Interruption Loss:	Each Unauthorized Access Included in limit above Each Business Interruption Loss Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Unauthorized Access Retention Period of 72 hours of Business Interruption Loss	Occurrence
Coverage D Breach Mitigation Expense:	Each Unintentional Data Compromise Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Unintentional Data Compromise	Occurrence
Coverage E PCI Assessments:	Each Payment Card Breach \$1,000,000 Occ./\$1,000,000 Agg. Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Payment Card Breach	Occurrence
Coverage F Social Engineering Loss:	Each Social Engineering Incident \$100,000 Occ./\$100,000 Agg. Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Social Engineering Incident	Occurrence
Coverage G Reward Coverage	Maximum of 50% of the Covered Claim or Loss; up to \$25,000 Included in Limit above		Not Applicable	Occurrence
Coverage H Telecommunications Fraud Reimbursement	\$25,000 Included in limit above		Not Applicable	Occurrence
Coverage I Extortion Coverage	Each Claim Included in limit above	\$25,000	Each Extortion Loss	Occurrence

Annual Aggregate Limit of Liability

Each Member Aggregate	All Members Aggregate
\$2,000,000	\$30,000,000

The Each Member Aggregate Limit of Liability for the combined total of all coverage payments of MMRMA and MCCRMA shall not exceed \$2,000,000 per Member for all Subjects of Coverage in any Coverage Period, regardless of the number of coverage events.

The All Member Aggregate Limit of Liability for the combined total of all coverage payments of MMRMA and MCCRMA shall not exceed \$30,000,000 for All Members for all Subjects of Coverage in any Coverage Period, regardless of the number of Members or the number of coverage events.

It is the intent of MMRMA that the coverage afforded under the Subjects of Coverage be mutually exclusive. If however, it is determined that more than one Subject of Coverage applies to one coverage event ensuing from a common nexus of fact, circumstance, situation, event, transaction, or cause, then the largest of the applicable Deductibles for the Subjects of Coverage will apply.

D. Contribution for MMRMA Participation

Ionian Regional Utilities Authority

Period: February 01, 2026 To February 01, 2027

Coverages per Member Coverage Overview: \$32,174

TOTAL ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS: \$32,174

E. List of Addenda

This document is for the purpose of quotation only and does not bind coverage in the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, unless accepted and signed by both the authorized Member Representative and MMRMA Representative below.

Accepted By:

Ionian Regional Utilities Authority

Proposal No:

Q000015440

MMRMA

Member Representative

MMRMA Representative

Date

Date

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Ionia Regional Utilities Authority
QUOTE NUMBER Q000015440
SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TYPES
EFFECTIVE 2/1/2026 - 2/1/2027

<u>Type of Vehicle</u>	<u>Liability Coverage</u>		<u>ACV</u>	<u>Physical Damage Coverage</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Renewal Exposure</u>			<u>Renewal Exposure Data</u>			
	<u>Units</u>	<u>Contribution</u>		<u>Replacement</u>	<u>Agreed</u>	<u>Contribution</u>	
All Other Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial - Historical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMS/Ambulance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fire Vehicles - Large	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fire Vehicles - Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garbage Trucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcycles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcycles - Historical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Police - All Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Police PPT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Private Passenger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Private Passenger - Historical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Service Trucks	4	2,278	120,000	0	0	779	3,057
Vans	1	854	30,000	0	0	195	1,049
Totals	5	3,132	150,000	0	0	974	4,106

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Ionia Regional Utilities Authority QUOTE NUMBER Q000015440 SUMMARY EFFECTIVE 2/1/2026 - 2/1/2027

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Expiring Annual Exposure</u>	<u>Proposed Annual Exposure</u>	<u>Limits of Liability</u>	<u>SIR</u>	<u>Deductible</u>	<u>Expiring Contribution</u>	<u>Proposed Contribution</u>
Automobile Liability	5 Total Vehicles	5 Total Vehicles	5,000,000	50,000	N/A	3,549	3,132
Automobile Physical Damage	\$190,000 ACV	\$150,000 ACV		15,000/ 30,000	250 / Vehicle	942	974
Fire/EMS Replacement Cost	\$0 Replacement Cost	\$0 Replacement Cost		None	None	0	0
General Liability	\$2,165,000 Exposure Equivalents	\$2,165,000 Exposure Equivalents	5,000,000	50,000	N/A	3,770	3,904
Law Enforcement Liability	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0
Public Officials' Liability	\$2,165,000 Exposure Equivalents	\$2,165,000 Exposure Equivalents	5,000,000	50,000	N/A	5,480	5,178
Property	\$18,373,500	\$18,375,254		None	1,500/ Occurrence	11,217	12,986
Data Breach and Privacy Liability			2,000,000		25,000 See Table IV	0	0
Sewers	N/A	N/A	N/A	None	None	0	0
Subtotal						24,958	26,174
MCCA Assessment	5 Total Vehicles	5 Total Vehicles				450	450
MCCA Assessment Discount						-450	-450
Total						24,958	26,174
Stop Loss Charge	\$0 Stop Loss entry point	\$0 Stop Loss entry point				0	0
Total Contribution without Retention Fund Allocation						24,958	26,174
Retention Fund Allocation						6,000	6,000
Total Contribution including Retention Fund Allocation						30,958	32,174

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Member: Ionia Regional Utilities Authority
QUOTE NUMBER Q000015440
QUOTE PROPERTY LIST REPORT
EFFECTIVE DATES 2/1/2026 To 2/1/2027

Location Address		Location Description		
1.	720 Wells Street, Ionia, MI 48846--	Wastewater Treatment Plant		
	Building Description	Building Value	Contents Value	Total Value
	Administration Building	\$9,229,500	\$111,122	\$9,340,622
	Oxidation Complex	\$6,781,000	\$30,306	\$6,811,306
	Pump Station	\$1,153,000	\$0	\$1,153,000
	Maintenance Building	\$821,000	\$22,224	\$843,224
	Garage	\$217,000	\$10,102	\$227,102
	Location Totals	\$18,201,500	\$173,754	\$18,375,254

Grand Totals		
Building Value	Contents Value	Total Value
\$18,201,500	\$173,754	\$18,375,254

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

**QUOTE NUMBER Q000015440
 QUOTE AUTO SCHEDULE REPORT
 EFFECTIVE DATES 2/1/2026 To 2/1/2027**

Scheduled Vehicles

Year	Make	Model	VIN	License Plate	Type	Department
2024	Ford	F250	1FTBF2BA2REC19230	034x165	Service Trucks	Water/Sewer
2022	Ford	F250	1FTBF2B64NEE70725	034x163	Service Trucks	Water/Sewer
2019	Ford	F250	1FTBF2B64KEC34734	034x162	Service Trucks	Water/Sewer
2015	Ford	F250	1FTBF2B64FEB89283	034x161	Service Trucks	Water/Sewer
2015	Ford	Transit Van	1FTNR1ZM1FKA27759	034x168	Vans	Water/Sewer

Summary

Vehicle Group	Vehicles
All Other Vehicles	0 Vehicles
Buses	0 Vehicles
Buses - Type R	0 Vehicles
Commercial - Historical	0 Vehicles
EMS/Ambulance	0 Vehicles
Fire Vehicles Large	0 Vehicles
Fire Vehicles - Other	0 Vehicles
Garbage Trucks	0 Vehicles
Motorcycles	0 Vehicles
Motorcycles - Historical	0 Vehicles
Police - All Other	0 Vehicles
Police PPT	0 Vehicles
Private Passenger	0 Vehicles
Private Passenger - Historical	0 Vehicles
Service Trucks	4 Vehicles
Vans	1 Vehicles

Grand Totals

Vehicles
5 Vehicles

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Member: Ionia Regional Utilities Authority

QUOTE NUMBER Q000015440

QUOTE STRUCTURES OTHER THAN A BUILDING (SOTB) LIST REPORT

EFFECTIVE DATES 2/1/2026 To 2/1/2027

Location / Description	Value
720 Wells St. Sludge Storage Tank	\$1,180,000
317 S Dexter St. Lift Station	\$124,600
990 Skyview Trl. Lift Station	\$122,800
1495 W Main St. Lift Station	\$125,000
201 Miller St. Lift Station (incl. Sewage Pump Replacements)	\$379,739
Digester #4 (incl. Sewage Pump Replacements)	\$539,878
Digester #3	\$275,000
Digester #2	\$275,000
Digester #1	\$475,000
Return Flow Basin	\$305,000
Final Clarifier (South)	\$880,000
Final Clarifier (North)	\$880,000
Primary Clarifier (North)	\$570,000
Primary Clarifier (South)	\$570,000

Grand Totals	
	Total Value
	\$6,702,017



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.11

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers

FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager

DATE: January 7, 2026

RE: WWTP #3 Firetube Boiler - Tube Replacement Project

Background:

The #3 Firetube Boiler is used at the wastewater treatment plant to heat the plant building and the digester system all year. This boiler was originally installed with the major plant expansion project in 1991. Recently, a leak was noticed in part of the boiler tubing, resulting in a comprehensive inspection that discovered numerous leaks throughout the tubing system. It was suggested by the boiler contractor conducting the inspection that a total tube replacement project (42 tubes) be performed, which is a typical maintenance practice with older boilers. With the upcoming cold weather, this boiler is essential to maintaining heat throughout the digester system. Given the expected cost of this project, competitive quotes were sought from multiple boiler contractors. Four quotes were received as follows:

Contractor	Location	Bid Quote
Dean Boiler	Grand Rapids, MI	\$30,841.02
Northern Boiler Mechanical Contractors	Muskegon, MI	\$21,458.00
Pleune Service Company	Grand Rapids, MI	\$20,362.52
Vierson Boiler & Repair Co.	Grand Rapids, MI	\$35,467.00

After careful review and consideration, city staff recommends the second low bid from Northern Boiler Mechanical Contractors be awarded. As part of its bidding process, Northern traveled to the WWTP, conducted a basic inspection and demonstrated a good understanding of the tube boiler and its necessary repair. Northern was also recommended to us by another contractor that has completed significant pump and valve work at the WWTP, which gives us confidence in their workmanship. The low bidder, Pleune Service, did not make a trip to the WWTP for boiler evaluation and provided its quote based only on a phone conversation with staff.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider making a motion to approve the bid from Northern Boiler Mechanical Contractors of Grand Rapids, MI in the amount of \$21,458.00 to complete the WWTP #3 Firetube Boiler Project with a 20% contingency (\$4,292), in the event difficulties are incurred, as described in the bid statement (i.e., excessive scale build-up). Funds are available to complete this project from the IRUA Fund account #598-563.000-801.000.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote:	Lee	___	Winters	___
	Cook	___	Patrick	___
	Millard	___	Waterman	___
	Starr	___	Cowling	___
	Milewski	___		



**NORTHERN BOILER
MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS**
2025 LATIMER DRIVE • MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN 49442
TELEPHONE: [231] 777-2525 FAX: [231] 777-2853

**Joe Lafler
Ionia Public Utilities**

12/12/2025

Subject: Ionia Wastewater Boiler Retube

Dear Joe:

Northern Boiler Mechanical Contractors will provide all labor, material, and equipment to replace (42) Forty-two tubes in your Walker Heat X Boiler as follows.

Scope of work to include:

- Removal of all current tubes.
- Installation of (42) forty-two tubes mechanically rolled and beaded like factory installation.
- Hydro testing of boiler to do a final leak check.

Clarifications:

- The tubes will be mechanically rolled and beaded like all the existing tubes.
 - No tube Welding.
- This estimate includes a boiler permit.
- No overtime is included in this estimate.
- This estimate assumes normal scale build up on the tube OD. If there is excessive scale build up, the tubes will come out extremely hard. If this is the case, it will take more time to remove the tubes and it will be at an additional cost from this estimate.
- This estimate assumes LOTO by Ionia Public Utilities / Ionia filling the boiler/ and operating the boiler up to pressure for the hydro test leak inspection after installation.
- This estimate assumes using your steel dumpster for the scrap tubes.
- The time and material cost estimate to perform the above work is \$21,458.00

We thank you for considering Northern Boiler for this project and look forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please give me a call. 231-206-9865.

Sincerely,

Northern Boiler Mechanical Contractors

Ken Swiftney

Ken Swiftney
Project Manager



CITY OF IONIA

STAFF REPORT FOR COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: VII.12

TO: Mayor Milewski and Councilmembers
 FROM: Precia Garland, City Manager
 DATE: January 7, 2026
 RE: 2026 Street Reconstruction Project - Bid Award

Background:

Plans and specifications were recently prepared by Fishbeck, the City's engineering firm of record, to improve the following sections of City streets in 2026:

1. W. Main Street — full depth repaving from Yeomans Street to west City limit
2. E. Main Street — Sections of full depth repaving and complete reconstruction from Stevenson Place to east City limit
3. Stevenson Place — full depth repaving
4. Fargo Street — full depth repaving from State Street to Roselawn Drive

Following a bidding period that began on November 26 and ended with a public bid opening on December 22, the following bids were received:

Bidder	Location	Bid Amount
CL Trucking & Excavating	Ionia, MI	\$1,111,048.00
Michigan Paving & Materials	Grand Rapids, MI	\$1,117,755.00
Rieth-Riley Construction	Wyoming, MI	\$1,416,674.75
TBD Construction	Zeeland, MI	\$1,221,541.25

Bids were reviewed by Fishbeck for tabulation accuracy and overall completeness. Based on this review and per the attached letter, Fishbeck recommends the low bid of \$1,111,048 from CL Trucking & Excavating be awarded, as detailed on the following bid documentation. The engineer's estimate for this overall project was \$1,172,055. All construction is expected to be completed during the 2026 construction season.

Requested Action / Motion:

It is requested the Ionia City Council consider making a motion to approve the recommended bid from CL Trucking & Excavating of Ionia, in the amount of \$1,111,048 for the 2026 Street Improvement Project. Funds will be budgeted for this project in the appropriate accounts from the Water Fund, Sanitary Sewer Fund, Major Street Fund, and Local Street Fund.

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Roll Call Vote: Lee ___ Winters ___
Cook ___ Patrick ___
Millard ___ Waterman ___
Starr ___ Cowling ___
Milewski ___

December 23, 2025
Project No. 2501467

Precia Garland
City Manager
City of Ionia
114 N Kidd Street
Ionia, MI 48846

**City of Ionia – 2026 Resurfacing
Bid Results for Executed Contract Documents**

On December 22, 2025, we received bids for the referenced project. The three low bids are:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. CL Trucking & Excavating, LLC | \$1,111,148.00 |
| 2. Michigan Paving & Materials Co. | \$1,117,755.00 |
| 3. TBD Construction, Inc. | \$1,221,541.25 |

Engineer's Estimate: \$1,172,055.00

Fishbeck has reviewed the bids and discussed the project with John Lepien of CL Trucking & Excavating, LLC. We recommend the project be awarded to CL Trucking & Excavating, LLC.

For the ECD process, we have attached the following documents for your review.

- This letter
- Bid Tabulation
- Notice of Award

Please execute the Notice of Award and return to Lisa Lopez at llopez@fishbeck.com when complete. We will proceed to work with CL Trucking & Excavating in assembling bonds and insurance documents, etc.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 616.575.3824 or lkeener@fishbeck.com.

Sincerely,



Luke Keener, PE
Civil Engineer

Attachments

By email

Copy: Jeremy N. Kramer, PE – Fishbeck
Ashley Powers, PE – Fishbeck
Mike Berrevoets, PE – Fishbeck

Bid Item Tracking													
Project Name:		City of Ionia - 2026 Resurfacing											
Project Location:		City of Ionia											
Project Number:		2501467											
Bid Opening Date:		Monday, December 22, 2025											
Time:		10:00 a.m.											
Engineer's Estimate By/Date:		November 23, 2025											
				ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE									
				Apparent Low Bid		2nd Lowest Bid		3rd Lowest Bid		4th Lowest Bid			
Checked By/Date:				CL Trucking & Excavating LLC		Michigan Paving & Materials Co.		TBD Construction, Inc.		Reith Riley Construction Co Inc.			
Item No.	Item Description	Unit	Total Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Amount	Unit Price	Amount	Unit Price	Amount	Unit Price	Amount	Unit Price	Amount
1	Mobilization, 5% max	L.Sum	1	\$ 57,900.00	\$ 57,900.00	\$55,500.00	\$55,500.00	\$48,057.60	\$48,057.60	\$54,000.00	\$54,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
2	Maintaining Traffic	L.Sum	1	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$41,150.00	\$41,150.00	\$72,107.60	\$72,107.60	\$6,800.00	\$6,800.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
3	Soil Erosion Control	L.Sum	1	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
4	Cash Allowance - Testing	Dollar	29,000	\$ 1.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$1.00	\$29,000.00	\$1.00	\$29,000.00	\$1.00	\$29,000.00	\$1.00	\$29,000.00
5	Dewatering	L.Sum	1	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
6	Remove Pavement, Surface	Sq. Yard	9,430	\$ 5.50	\$ 51,865.00	\$2.65	\$24,989.50	\$3.00	\$28,290.00	\$2.50	\$23,575.00	\$5.00	\$47,150.00
7	Remove Pavement, Full Depth	Sq. Yard	3,780	\$ 10.00	\$ 37,800.00	\$3.15	\$11,907.00	\$4.00	\$15,120.00	\$2.50	\$9,450.00	\$5.00	\$18,900.00
8	Remove Concrete Curb and Gutter	Foot	1,425	\$ 10.00	\$ 14,250.00	\$6.00	\$8,550.00	\$6.00	\$8,550.00	\$10.00	\$14,250.00	\$6.00	\$8,550.00
9	Remove Concrete Sidewalk and Drive Approach	Sq. Yard	690	\$ 7.50	\$ 5,175.00	\$7.50	\$5,175.00	\$7.50	\$5,175.00	\$45.00	\$31,050.00	\$7.50	\$5,175.00
10	Remove, Salvage, and Reinstall Sign Assembly	Each	13	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,950.00	\$75.00	\$975.00	\$75.00	\$975.00	\$150.00	\$1,950.00	\$75.00	\$975.00
11	Remove Structure	Each	3	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$800.00	\$2,400.00	\$800.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$800.00	\$2,400.00
12	Subgrade Undercutting, Type II	C. Yard	430	\$ 30.00	\$ 12,900.00	\$23.00	\$9,890.00	\$23.00	\$9,890.00	\$18.00	\$7,740.00	\$23.00	\$9,890.00
13	Pre- and Post- Construction CCTV	Foot	1,700	\$ 2.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$3.00	\$5,100.00	\$3.00	\$5,100.00	\$10.00	\$17,000.00	\$1.50	\$2,550.00
14	Sanitary Sewer, 8 inch, SDR 26	Foot	500	\$ 100.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$149.00	\$74,500.00	\$149.00	\$74,500.00	\$98.00	\$49,000.00	\$149.00	\$74,500.00
15	Sanitary Structure, 48 inch dia	Each	3	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$5,750.00	\$17,250.00	\$5,750.00	\$17,250.00	\$14,500.00	\$43,500.00	\$5,750.00	\$17,250.00
16	Sanitary Sewer, Drop Connection, 8 inch	Each	1	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
17	Sanitary Sewer Wye or Tee, 8 inch	Each	19	\$ 650.00	\$ 12,350.00	\$600.00	\$11,400.00	\$600.00	\$11,400.00	\$60.00	\$1,140.00	\$600.00	\$11,400.00
18	Sanitary Sewer Lateral, 6 inch	Foot	400	\$ 85.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$100.00	\$40,000.00	\$100.00	\$40,000.00	\$89.00	\$35,600.00	\$100.00	\$40,000.00
19	Core and Seal 8 inch Sanitary Sewer into Manhole	Each	1	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
20	Drainage Structure Cover, MDOT Cover C	Each	1	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
21	Aggregate base, 8 inch	Sq. Yard	4,670	\$ 16.00	\$ 74,720.00	\$17.50	\$81,725.00	\$17.50	\$81,725.00	\$12.00	\$56,040.00	\$17.50	\$81,725.00
22	Subbase, CIP, 12 inch	C. Yard	4,510	\$ 20.00	\$ 90,200.00	\$12.00	\$54,120.00	\$12.00	\$54,120.00	\$25.00	\$112,750.00	\$12.00	\$54,120.00
23	Underdrain, Subgrade, Open-Graded, 6 inch	Foot	1,300	\$ 10.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$17.50	\$22,750.00	\$17.50	\$22,750.00	\$22.00	\$28,600.00	\$17.50	\$22,750.00
24	Underdrain, Subbase, 6 inch	Foot	950	\$ 8.00	\$ 7,600.00	\$5.00	\$4,750.00	\$5.00	\$4,750.00	\$36.00	\$34,200.00	\$5.00	\$4,750.00
25	Grading, Roadway	Station	48	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$1,750.00	\$84,000.00	\$1,750.00	\$84,000.00	\$500.00	\$24,000.00	\$1,750.00	\$84,000.00
26	Curb, Header	Foot	55	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,375.00	\$40.00	\$2,200.00	\$36.00	\$1,980.00	\$55.00	\$3,025.00	\$31.00	\$1,705.00
27	Curb and Gutter, Conc, Det F4	Foot	1,395	\$ 20.00	\$ 27,900.00	\$22.25	\$31,038.75	\$19.70	\$27,481.50	\$55.00	\$76,725.00	\$29.25	\$40,803.75
28	Curb and Gutter, Conc, E Curb	Foot	15	\$ 20.00	\$ 300.00	\$36.75	\$551.25	\$33.00	\$495.00	\$55.00	\$825.00	\$31.00	\$465.00
29	Sidewalk Ramp, Concrete, ADA	Sq. Foot	999	\$ 15.00	\$ 14,985.00	\$7.25	\$7,242.75	\$6.80	\$6,793.20	\$10.00	\$9,990.00	\$9.00	\$8,991.00
30	ADA Sidewalk Ramp Tactile Warning Plate	Sq. Foot	145	\$ 50.00	\$ 7,250.00	\$44.00	\$6,380.00	\$44.00	\$6,380.00	\$80.00	\$11,600.00	\$40.00	\$5,800.00
31	Sidewalk, Concrete, 4 Inch	Sq. Foot	1,600	\$ 6.00	\$ 9,300.00	\$5.70	\$9,120.00	\$5.45	\$8,720.00	\$6.00	\$9,600.00	\$6.00	\$9,600.00
32	Sidewalk, Concrete, 6 inch	Sq. Foot	100	\$ 8.00	\$ 800.00	\$6.60	\$660.00	\$6.25	\$625.00	\$20.00	\$2,000.00	\$8.20	\$820.00
33	Pavement, Brick	Sq. Yard	25	\$ 450.00	\$ 11,250.00	\$350.00	\$8,750.00	\$315.00	\$7,875.00	\$225.00	\$5,625.00	\$350.00	\$8,750.00
34	HMA, 4EL	Ton	2,000	\$ 100.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$101.35	\$202,700.00	\$96.51	\$193,020.00	\$108.00	\$216,000.00	\$173.00	\$346,000.00
35	HMA, 5EL	Ton	1,405	\$ 115.00	\$ 161,575.00	\$122.45	\$172,042.25	\$116.62	\$163,851.10	\$110.00	\$155,550.00	\$188.00	\$264,140.00
36	Driveway Approach, Concrete, 6 inch	Square Foot	4,155	\$ 8.00	\$ 33,240.00	\$6.50	\$27,007.50	\$6.00	\$24,930.00	\$6.75	\$28,046.25	\$8.20	\$34,071.00
37	Casting, Adjust	Each	35	\$ 550.00	\$ 19,250.00	\$650.00	\$22,750.00	\$650.00	\$22,750.00	\$550.00	\$19,250.00	\$650.00	\$22,750.00
38	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, yellow	Foot	7,000	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$0.18	\$1,260.00	\$0.18	\$1,260.00	\$0.65	\$4,550.00	\$0.18	\$1,260.00
39	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 2nd application, 4 inch, yellow	Foot	7,000	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$0.14	\$980.00	\$0.14	\$980.00	\$0.65	\$4,550.00	\$0.14	\$980.00
40	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 6 inch, white	Foot	200	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$0.25	\$50.00	\$0.25	\$50.00	\$0.85	\$170.00	\$0.25	\$50.00
41	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 2nd application, 6 inch, white	Foot	200	\$ 1.00	\$ 200.00	\$0.22	\$44.00	\$0.22	\$44.00	\$0.85	\$170.00	\$0.22	\$44.00
42	Stop Bar, Ovly Cold Plastic, 18"	Foot	76	\$ 60.00	\$ 4,560.00	\$20.00	\$1,520.00	\$20.00	\$1,520.00	\$60.00	\$4,560.00	\$20.00	\$1,520.00
43	Turf Establishment	Syd	2,120	\$ 8.00	\$ 16,960.00	\$6.00	\$12,720.00	\$7.00	\$14,840.00	\$18.00	\$38,160.00	\$7.00	\$14,840.00
Construction Cost Subtotal (calculated)					\$1,172,055.00		\$1,111,148.00		\$1,117,755.00		\$1,221,541.25		\$1,416,674.75
As-Read (from submitted bid)							\$1,112,048.00		\$1,117,755.00		\$1,221,541.25		\$1,416,674.75
Contingency				10%	\$117,205.50								
Total Construction Cost					\$1,289,260.50								



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Monthly Department Reports

December 2025



CITY OF IONIA
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
8:00 AM, Wednesday, October 15, 2025
IONIA THEATRE

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III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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IV. CONSENT AGENDA

(IV.1.) To approve October 15, 2025 meeting agenda.

With no changes or additions, Member Garland made a motion, seconded by Member Sommer, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

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XI. OTHER

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Member Sommer made a motion, seconded by Member Wilson, to adjourn.

MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie Rice, Recording Secretary
for Heather Poland-Sizemore, Secretary



**Ionia Downtown Development Authority Director's Report
October 2025**

Economic Development / Special Events / District Activity / Business Updates

- Responded to and assisted with multiple event inquiries, including scheduling, coordination, and follow-up for both confirmed and prospective downtown activities.
- Attended MiPitch, where two downtown businesses successfully received grant funding.
- Submitted a grant application for the Ionia Theatre to support ongoing preservation and improvement efforts.
- Bulldogs Unleashed – coordinated all logistics including securing bulldogs, staging displays, launching and promoting the online auction, and coordinating community engagement efforts.
- Provided event assistance for ICOA and Independent Bank's Alzheimer's Walk, including logistics, set-up, and day-of support.
- Met with potential participants regarding Social District expansion, discussing licensing requirements, participation interest, and economic benefits.
- Continued engagement with local property and business owners (current and prospective) regarding vacant properties, redevelopment interest, façade improvements, and grant opportunities.
- Assisted with holiday preparation planning and early coordination for seasonal downtown promotions.

Meetings / Seminars / Webinars / Education

- Attended and contributed to:
 - Regular City Council, Department Head, DDA Board of Directors, City Manager connection, IBPW, DDA Marketing Committee monthly meeting
 - ICOA and Independent Bank Alzheimer's Walk Planning/Prep
 - Downtown speaker training

Additional Notes

- Theatre counter work for special weekend event

Respectfully submitted,
Cassie Rice, Ionia DDA and Theatre Director

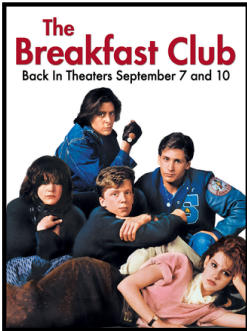
Upcoming DDA Events:

- Autumn Celebration – Thursday, October 23rd 4:30-7:30pm (Co-sponsored with IACC, Independent Bank and Restore Church)
- FREE MOVIE – October 27th 7pm "Gremlins"
- DDA Appreciate Night – November 2025
- Town Tree Lighting and Twinkle Town Parade – December 5th

IONIA THEATRE MONTHLY REPORT

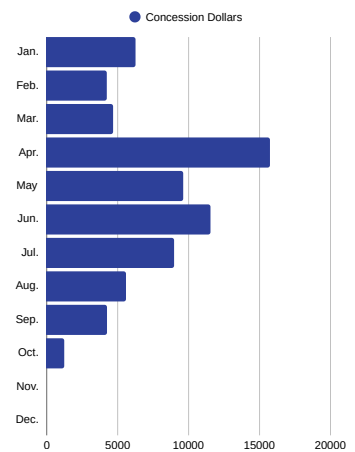
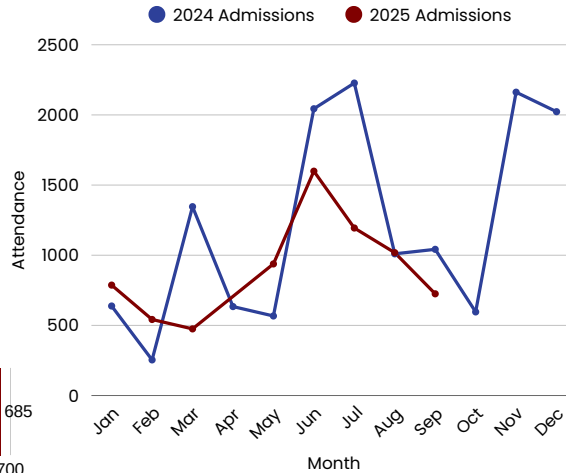
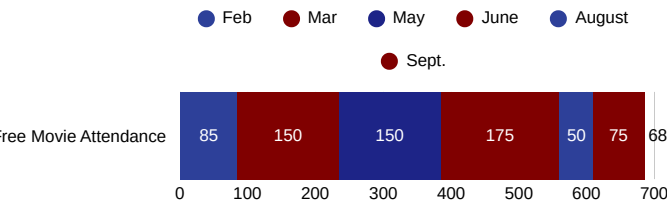


MOVIES PLAYED IN SEPTEMBER



BY THE NUMBERS...

MONTHLY SHOWINGS	MONTHLY ATTENDANCE
84	725
Compared to Last Year -2	Compared to Last Year -317



UPCOMING @ THE THEATRE

EVENTS

10/23 Autumn Celebration	10/27 WION Free Movie Monday	10/28 ISD Night Out	NOV DDA Appreciation Event	NOV Movie Mix Up	11/29 Small Biz Saturday	NOV/DEC Multiple District Class Field Trips	FIRST 2 WEEKS OF DEC. IPS Holiday Programs	12/5 Tree Lighting and Twinkle Town Parade



CITY OF IONIA
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
8:00 AM, Wednesday, November 19, 2025
IONIA THEATRE

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The IACC Director reported that the Holiday Shopping Passport program will run from November 24 through January 5, encouraging shoppers to visit participating businesses for a chance to win prizes. They also announced the launch of a Community Cash Scavenger Hunt, which will award a total of \$1,000 in Community Cash. The holiday edition of Thirsty Thursday is scheduled for December 11 and will feature a best dressed award. Lastly, the IACC is hiring for a part-time administrative position, approximately 20 hours per week.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

(IV.1.) To approve the November 19, 2025 meeting agenda.

With no changes or additions, Member Wilson made a motion, seconded by Member Weller, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(V.1.) To approve the minutes from the October 15, 2025 meeting.

Minutes from the regular meeting of the Downtown Development Authority were reviewed. Member Garland made a motion, seconded by Member Wilson, to approve the October 15, 2025 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT

(VI.1.) To accept the Accounts Payables for the DDA: September 26, 2025 – October 25, 2025 in the amount of \$1,877.63

To accept the Accounts Payables for the Theatre: September 26, 2025 – October 25, 2025 in the amount of \$7,433.13

Member Weller made a motion, seconded by Member Sheehan, to accept the financials as

presented.

MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

VII. DDA DIRECTOR REPORT

(VII.1.) Report included in Board Agenda Packet.

Director Rice provided a wrap-up of the Bulldogs Unleashed project and shared updates on recent event support efforts. She also outlined ongoing preparation for upcoming Christmas activities, including the parade and downtown garland installation.

Director Rice attended the Michigan Downtown Association's Annual Conference in Rochester, MI, where she gained valuable insight into funding opportunities, programming ideas from comparable downtowns, marketing strategies, and best practices for effective downtown management.

VIII. THEATRE REPORT

(VIII.1.) Report included in Board Agenda Packet.

Director Rice reviewed the October financial and attendance numbers, along with key operational items for the theatre. Holiday programming is scheduled, and volunteer support is currently being secured. Additionally, three free movies sponsored by various community partners are planned before the end of 2025.

IX. BOARD DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

(IX.1.) DDA Bylaw Update - Confirmation of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Designee on the DDA Board

The Board reviewed background information from a 2022 City administration guidance letter regarding statutory requirements under the Recodified Tax Increment Financing Act (MCL 125.4204(1) and MCL 125.4201(h)). The statute requires that the municipality's Chief Executive Officer—defined as the Mayor or City Manager—serve on the DDA Board or designate a representative.

It was noted that while the intent in 2022 was for the City Manager to serve as the CEO representative on the City of Ionia DDA Board, the change was never updated and reflected in the bylaws.

The Board reviewed the proposed redline updates to Sections 3.1 and 3.4 of the DDA Bylaws, clarifying membership requirements and specifying that the Mayor or City Manager is not eligible to serve as Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson.

It was requested to provide the full bylaws versus the excerpts provided with the updated verbiage for future changes.

Member Wilson made a motion, seconded by Member Garland, to approve suggested changes to

the bylaws in sections 3.1 and 3.4 to add specific language to include the city manager and not just the mayor.

Member Wilson made a motion, seconded by Member Garland, to approve the proposed amendments to Sections 3.1 and 3.4 of the bylaws, adding language formally identifying the City Manager as the Chief Executive Officer.

MOTION BY VOICE VOTE.

MOTION APPROVED 6-1

X. DISCUSSION ITEMS

(X.1.) Marketing Committee Update

Director Rice provided a recap of Bulldogs Unleashed, including participation and financial figures. The committee also reviewed a set of identified core brand truths: Creative, Timeless, Rooted, Charming, Comfortable, Eclectic, and Playful, to guide future marketing efforts.

The Festival of Trees concept for next year was approved. The event will encourage downtown businesses and residents to display decorated trees throughout the community, complemented by a cookie walk and a social district stroll.

Lastly, the marketing committee approved moving forward with pursuing funding for a mosaic mural project to be installed in the downtown district.

XI. OTHER

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Sheehan made a motion, seconded by City Manager Garland, to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

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DDA REPORT GL FOR CITY OF IONIA
Balance As of 10/31/2025

GL Number	Description	End Balance 06/30/2025	25-26 Amended Budget	YTD Balance 10/31/2025	% Bdgt Used
Fund: 248 DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT OPERATING					
Account Category: Revenues					
Department: 000.000					
248-000.000-415.000	2 MILL LEVY	46,148.09	46,000.00	44,323.72	96.36
248-000.000-655.000	PROMOTIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS	9,604.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
248-000.000-655.000-248.001	PROMOTIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS	50.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00
248-000.000-665.000	INTEREST	5,484.28	3,500.00	704.93	20.14
248-000.000-676.002	Reimbursement for IFF Agreeemnt	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
248-000.000-688.000	OTHER REVENUE	171.64	500.00	570.21	114.04
248-000.000-699.101	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM GENERAL FUN	200,000.00	250,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 000.000		268,958.01	313,000.00	45,598.86	14.57
Revenues		268,958.01	313,000.00	45,598.86	14.57
Account Category: Expenditures					
Department: 558.000 ADMINISTRATIVE					
248-558.000-702.000	SALARY & WAGES	103,614.08	73,200.00	20,365.92	27.82
248-558.000-710.000	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE BENEFIT	43,049.06	19,330.00	5,874.49	30.39
248-558.000-727.000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,627.72	1,800.00	136.95	7.61
248-558.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	1,556.11	1,000.00	210.90	21.09
248-558.000-851.000	TELEPHONE	900.00	900.00	410.00	45.56
248-558.000-860.000	TRANSPORTATION AND TRAINING	1,925.00	2,300.00	1,905.00	82.83
248-558.000-954.000	INSURANCE	5,286.26	6,000.00	0.00	0.00
248-558.000-980.700	CAPITAL OUTLAY - THEATRE	70,000.00	185,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 558.000 - ADMINISTRATIVE		227,958.23	289,530.00	28,903.26	9.98
Department: 600.000 DOWNTOWN MAINTENANCE					
248-600.000-740.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	3,826.87	7,000.00	63.26	0.90
248-600.000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES	8,607.82	8,700.00	2,689.09	30.91
Total Dept 600.000 - DOWNTOWN MAINTENANCE		12,434.69	15,700.00	2,752.35	17.53
Department: 610.000 DDA DEVELOPMENT					
248-610.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	19,679.52	20,000.00	2,075.00	10.38
248-610.000-972.000	PROMOTIONS AND FIREWORKS	1,371.50	5,000.00	340.00	6.80
248-610.000-972.000-248.001	PROMOTIONS AND FIREWORKS	14,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 610.000 - DDA DEVELOPMENT		35,051.02	40,000.00	2,415.00	6.04
Expenditures		275,443.94	345,230.00	34,070.61	9.87
Fund 248 - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT OPERATING:					
TOTAL REVENUES		268,958.01	313,000.00	45,598.86	14.57
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		275,443.94	345,230.00	34,070.61	9.87
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:		(6,485.93)	(32,230.00)	11,528.25	

DDA REPORT GL FOR CITY OF IONIA
Balance As of 10/31/2025

GL Number	Description	End Balance 06/30/2025	25-26 Amended Budget	YTD Balance 10/31/2025	% Bdgt Used
Fund: 250 THEATRE FUND					
Account Category: Revenues					
Department: 000.000					
250-000.000-633.000	MOVIE ADMISSIONS	88,103.00	85,000.00	16,765.00	19.72
250-000.000-634.000	MOVIE CONCESSIONS	126,406.35	115,000.00	23,528.65	20.46
250-000.000-635.000	LIVE ENTERTAINMENT REVENUE	297.98	2,000.00	925.00	46.25
250-000.000-639.000	THEATRE RENTAL	7,805.00	5,000.00	(300.00)	(6.00)
250-000.000-640.000	ADVERTISING REVENUES	5,555.88	6,000.00	1,254.23	20.90
250-000.000-665.000	INTEREST	(720.73)	100.00	(286.49)	(286.49)
250-000.000-675.000	GIFTS DONATIONS	7,664.76	4,000.00	314.35	7.86
250-000.000-688.000	OTHER REVENUE	2,639.00	3,000.00	184.25	6.14
250-000.000-699.248	CONTRIBUTION FROM DDA	70,000.00	185,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 000.000		307,751.24	405,100.00	42,384.99	10.46
Revenues		307,751.24	405,100.00	42,384.99	10.46
Account Category: Expenditures					
Department: 442.000 OPERATIONS					
250-442.000-702.000	SALARY & WAGES	106,271.63	106,000.00	26,671.79	25.16
250-442.000-710.000	PAYROLL TAXES & FRINGE BENEFIT	8,738.71	12,000.00	2,592.67	21.61
250-442.000-727.000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,113.68	900.00	146.45	16.27
250-442.000-728.000	POSTAGE	21.44	100.00	0.00	0.00
250-442.000-729.000	CREDIT CARD FEES	4,998.49	5,000.00	1,600.38	32.01
250-442.000-732.000	LIVE ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSE	0.00	0.00	1,083.45	100.00
250-442.000-740.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	745.85	2,000.00	535.03	26.75
250-442.000-801.000	CONTRACTUAL & PROFESSIONAL SEV	13,884.02	16,000.00	6,480.55	40.50
250-442.000-804.000	FILM EXPENSE	54,668.03	45,000.00	10,900.42	24.22
250-442.000-805.000	CONCESSION EXPENSE	38,725.49	42,000.00	9,515.85	22.66
250-442.000-851.000	TELEPHONE	1,020.00	1,100.00	285.00	25.91
250-442.000-861.000	MEMBERSHIP AND DUES	500.00	750.00	0.00	0.00
250-442.000-862.000	SUBSCRIPTIONS	222.50	500.00	149.99	30.00
250-442.000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES	36,083.05	35,000.00	8,503.70	24.30
250-442.000-931.000	BUILDING REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	19,243.22	20,000.00	8,247.38	41.24
250-442.000-956.001	SALES TAX	6,693.76	6,000.00	1,281.94	21.37
250-442.000-962.200	ADVERTISING - PROMOTION	7,697.85	4,500.00	423.64	9.41
250-442.000-968.000	DEPRECIATION	25,399.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
250-442.000-980.000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	185,000.00	0.00	0.00
Total Dept 442.000 - OPERATIONS		326,026.82	481,850.00	78,418.24	16.27
Expenditures		326,026.82	481,850.00	78,418.24	16.27
Fund 250 - THEATRE FUND:					
TOTAL REVENUES		307,751.24	405,100.00	42,384.99	10.46
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		326,026.82	481,850.00	78,418.24	16.27
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:		(18,275.58)	(76,750.00)	(36,033.25)	
Report Totals:					
TOTAL REVENUES - ALL FUNDS		576,709.25	718,100.00	87,983.85	12.25
TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS		601,470.76	827,080.00	112,488.85	13.60
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES:		(24,761.51)	(108,980.00)	(24,505.00)	



Ionia Downtown Development Authority Director's Report **November 2025**

Economic Development / Special Events / District Activity / Business Updates

- Responded to and assisted with multiple event inquiries, including scheduling, coordination, and follow-up for both confirmed and prospective downtown activities.
- Attended the ribbon cutting for Samantha Ringler's new location at 537 W. Main St.
- Continued work on *Bulldogs Unleashed*, including auction marketing, payment collection, coordinating pick-ups/deliveries, closing out the project, and preparing for the next round.
- Maintained ongoing engagement with local property and business owners—both current and prospective—regarding vacant properties, redevelopment opportunities, façade improvements, and available grants.
- Provided event support for the Autumn Celebration on October 23, including logistics, set-up, and day-of coordination.
- Finalized and sent the Garland and Parade sponsorship packets to engage potential sponsors.
- Successfully hosted the first DDA Appreciation Event on November 9.

Meetings / Seminars / Webinars / Education

- Attended and contributed to:
 - Regular City Council, Department Head, DDA Board of Directors, City Manager connection, DDA Marketing Committee monthly meeting, IACC Legislative Update, IACC Coffee and Connect, Theatre Ad Hoc Committee,
 - RRC Virtual Academy 2025 - Sessions included: RRC 101, Community Plans & Public Engagement, Zoning & Alignment to Plan, Development Review Processes, Development-Ready Sites (Including Priority Sites), Economic Development & Marketing, Redevelopment, Housing, & Local Financial Tools
- MDA Annual Conference – Attended the Michigan Downtown Association's Annual Conference in Rochester. Conference sessions focused on best practices for downtown management, including: Updating TIF plans, Storytelling and marketing strategies, Placemaking and public space design, Small business recruitment and zoning considerations, etc. A tour highlighted redevelopment efforts in Downtown Rochester, showcasing successful investment, public space improvements and destination marketing efforts. The conference provided valuable insights, practical strategies, and networking opportunities to support the DDA's ongoing economic development and downtown management efforts.

Additional Notes

- Private event walk throughs of facility were up this month

Respectfully submitted,
Cassie Rice, Ionia DDA and Theatre Director

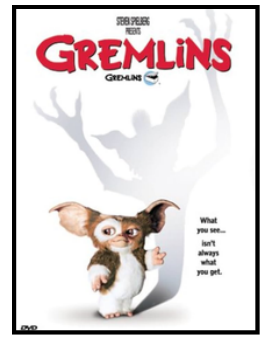
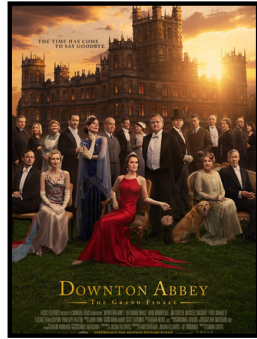
Upcoming DDA Events:

- Town Tree Lighting and Twinkle Town Parade – December 5th

IONIA THEATRE MONTHLY REPORT



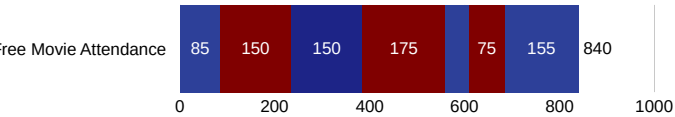
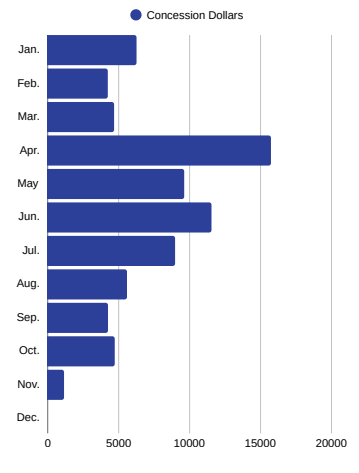
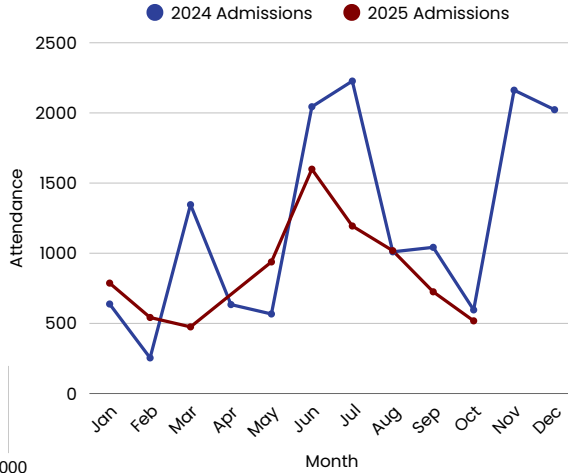
MOVIES PLAYED IN OCTOBER



BY THE NUMBERS...

MONTHLY SHOWINGS	MONTHLY ATTENDANCE
68	518
Compared to Last Year -2	Compared to Last Year -78

● Feb ● Mar ● May ● June ● August
● Sept. ● Oct.



UPCOMING @ THE THEATRE

EVENTS

NOV Movie Mix Up	11/24 Private Showing - King of Kings	11/29 Small Biz Saturday	FIRST 2 WEEKS OF DEC. IPS Holiday Programs	12/5 Tree Lighting and Twinkle Town Parade	12/13 Starfish Monthly Seminar	12/19 Independent Bank Staff Movie	12/22 WION Free Movie	12/29 Free Movie Sponsored by LDC



March 11, 2022

CITY HALL
ADMINISTRATION
114 North Kidd Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
ph 616-527-4170
fx 616-527-0810

Mike Kirgis, Chair
City of Ionia DDA
759 Ridgewood Court
Ionia MI 48846

ARMORY
COMMUNITY CENTER &
PARKS AND RECREATION
DEPARTMENT
439 West Main Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
ph 616-523-1800
fx 616-523-1803

RE: DDA Board Designee

Dear Mike:

As you may know, the Recodified Tax Increment Financing Act, specifically MCL 125.4101 *et seq*, provides the statute under which Downtown Development Authorities in the State of Michigan are established and operated.

PUBLIC SAFETY
DEPARTMENT
239 East Adams Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
ph 616-527-4431
fx 616-527-5717

In MCL 125.4204, Section 204(1), it states,

“Except as provided in subsections (7), (8), and (9), an authority shall be under the supervision and control of a board consisting of the chief executive officer of the municipality or his or her designee from the governing body of the municipality and not less than 8 or more than 12 members as determined by the governing body of the municipality. Members shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the municipality, subject to approval by the governing body of the municipality.”

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
DEPARTMENT (Dial-A-Ride)
251 East Adams Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
ph 616-527-4000
fx 616-527-5788

Furthermore, in MCL 125.4201, Section 201(h), it states,

“Chief executive officer means the mayor or city manager of a city....”

PUBLIC UTILITIES
DEPARTMENT
720 Wells Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
ph 616-527-0370
fx 616-527-6002

In accordance with the statute, please be advised that the city manager shall now serve as the chief executive officer member of the City of Ionia DDA Board. Please contact me should you have any questions regarding this letter.

PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT
303 South Jackson Street
Ionia, Michigan 48846
ph 616-527-2760
fx 616-527-5787

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Balice
Mayor

2025 BULLDOGS UNLEASHED

Recap

Bulldogs Unleashed was a public art project in downtown Ionia, featuring hand-painted bulldog sculptures designed by local art students. The initiative celebrated creativity, engaged the community, and brought vibrant, playful art to the heart of the city.

In 2025, twelve bulldogs were designed and painted by the Ionia High School Art Department. In 2026, twelve additional dogs will be designed and painted to continue this positive and engaging partnership.



Artists Participated

Fun fact: one artist was an exchange student, making this an international display



Unique Bids from 10/3-10/25

Fun fact: every bulldog received at least 2 bids, with one receiving 35



Individual Auction Winners

Fun fact: (2) individuals from outside of Ionia bid on and won two bulldogs

Locations included:

Ionia Community Library, Izzy's Barbershop, Ionia Armory, Ionia Theatre, Cook's, Ionia Lock and Key, The Jewel Box, Mane Stage Salon, Horrocks, Brick Street Studio, El Mariachi, Ionia DDA

Sample Clue for ICL:

Where stories unfold and knowledge takes flight,
In a place where silence feels just right.
Look where wisdom and wonder align—
Your Bulldog waits, where books intertwine!



\$1,444

Raised in auction!



Vibrant & Forward-Looking

**Dynamic • Bold • Thriving • Creative • Inspiring • Visionary •
Hopeful • Innovative • Trendy • Modern • Lively • Thriving •
Entrepreneurial • Spirited**

Authentic & Rooted

**Historic • Timeless • Rooted • Proud • Nostalgic • Authentic •
Resilient • Unforgettable • Charming • Picturesque • Genuine •
Comfortable • Diverse**

Welcoming & Connected

**Warm • Friendly • Inviting • Inclusive • Welcoming • Heartfelt •
Connected • Community-Focused • Joyful • Colorful •
Comfortable**

Expressive & Artistic

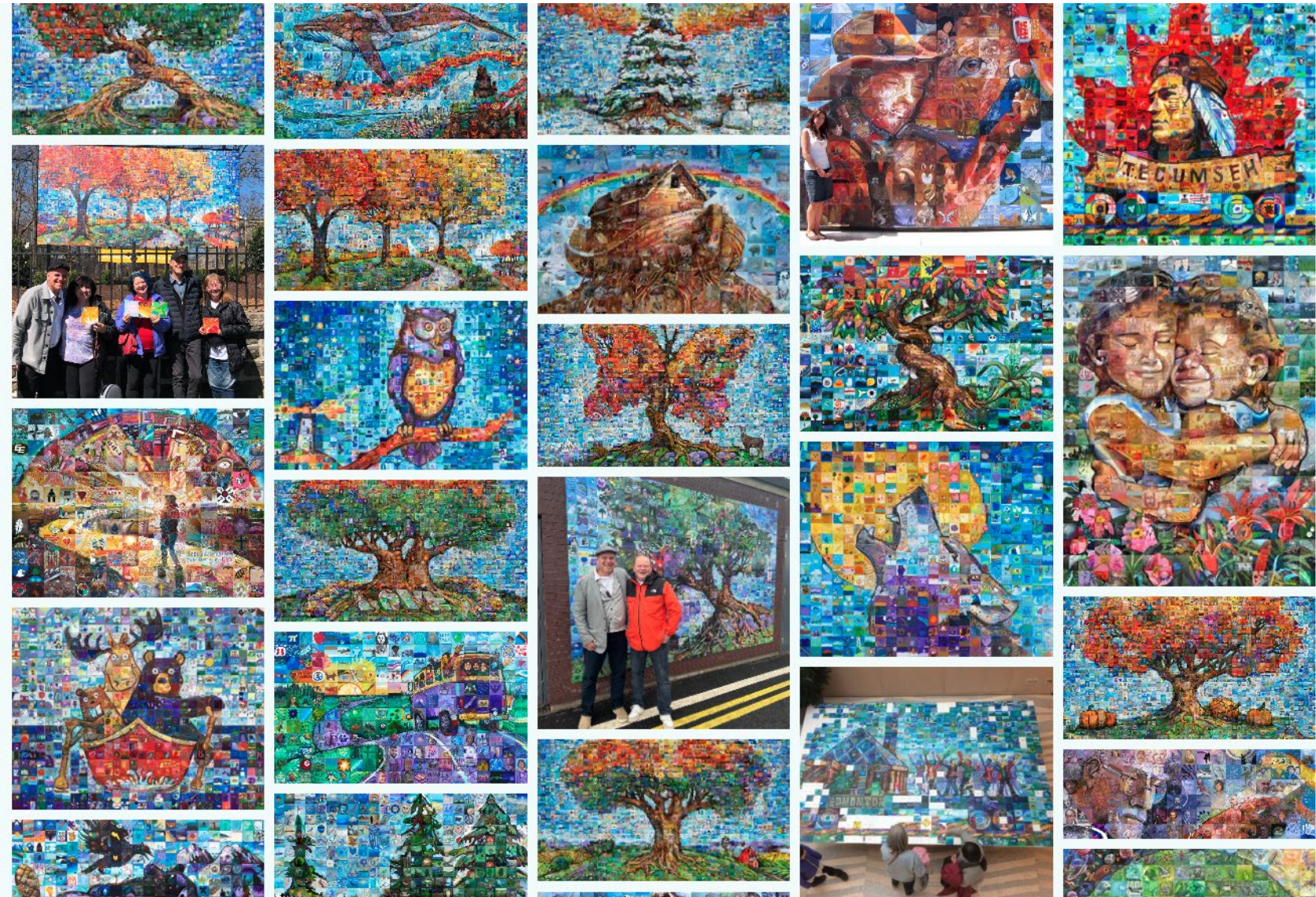
**Eclectic • Artistic • Quirky • Vibrant • Inspiring • Bold • Trendy •
Playful**

Core Truths

Mural Mosaic

Mural mosaics are artworks created by arranging small pieces into a larger image or design. Each tile contributes to a vibrant, durable, and textured piece of public art. Beyond their beauty, mosaic murals can tell stories, celebrate local history, and reflect a community's character.

The goal is to involve residents, schools, and local artists in a collaborative project that builds pride and connection while transforming a wall or public space into a landmark that attracts visitors and enhances downtown Ionia. The marketing committee seeks to move forward with a unique mural mosaic, pursuing funding through grants and fundraising, and identifying a permanent downtown location.



Downtown Ionia – Festival of Trees

Concept

Event Duration: December 1–31, 2026

Location: Downtown Ionia

Overview

The Festival of Trees celebrates the holiday season throughout December in Downtown Ionia. Businesses are encouraged to participate by lighting a tree in or outside their location, whether a classic Christmas tree, birch, palm, or other creative design, to create a warm and festive downtown atmosphere.

In addition to the month-long displays, three themed weekends will highlight community engagement and encourage visitors to shop, dine, and celebrate downtown.

Weekend Breakdown

Weekend 1: Kickoff Celebration (Tree Lighting, Parade, Santa Visits)

Dates: December 4–6, 2026

Activities:

- Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Holiday Parade
- Visits with Santa at Armory
- **Goal:** Launch the holiday season with community participation and family-friendly events that bring energy and excitement downtown.

Weekend 2: Downtown Cookie Walk

Dates: December 11–13, 2026

Activities:

- DDA sells cookie tins for participating businesses offer cookies or treats to registered guests
- Encourages shopping and exploration of multiple storefronts
- **Goal:** Increase foot traffic and promote holiday sales through a fun and interactive downtown experience.

Weekend 3: Social District Holiday Stroll

Dates: December 18–20, 2026

Activities:

- Holiday Social District beverages and specials
- Evening shopping and festive storefront displays
- Optional live music or entertainment or downtown speaker music
- **Goal:** Showcase the Social District and create a lively, inviting holiday atmosphere for adults and families.

Business Participation

- All downtown businesses are encouraged to display a lit tree of

any style or theme throughout December.

- Additional tree decorating options in Gateway Park.
- Participation signage or a shared map may be created to highlight businesses taking part.

Overall Goals and Outcomes

- Strengthen the sense of community and downtown holiday spirit.
- Encourage collaboration and participation among local businesses.
- Attract visitors to Downtown Ionia throughout December.
- Support local commerce during the holiday shopping season.

Event Name Ideas

- Festival of Trees: Downtown Ionia
- Downtown Ionia Winter Festival
- A Season of Trees
- Ionia's Holiday Tree Celebration
- A Merry Downtown
- Downtown Ionia Lights & Trees
- Downtown Decked Out
- Tinsel Town Ionia
- Light Up Downtown
- Downtown Ionia Sparkles

- The Heart of Ionia for the Holidays
- Trees & Traditions: A Downtown December
- Glow on Main
- Tree-mendous Downtown
- The Great Downtown Tree Walk
- Once Upon a Tree: Downtown Ionia in December
- Winter Whimsy on Main
- A Tale of Trees & Lights
- The Magic of Downtown Ionia
- Downtown Ionia Holiday Festival
- Downtown Ionia: Season of Trees
- Downtown Ionia Lights Up!
- Holiday Nights in Downtown Ionia
- Downtown Ionia for the Holidays
- Ionia's Hometown Holidays
- A Downtown Ionia December
- Downtown Ionia: A Community of Trees
- Downtown Ionia Glows

Name and Tag Combination

Example:

Season of Trees: Downtown Ionia
»Where.every.window.shines.and.
every.tree.tells.a.story»

EXPENDITURES

PERIOD: Nov 26th through Dec 25th

DATE: 12/29/2025

ACCOUNT	Description	12/3/2025	12/4/2025	12/17/2025	HANDCHECKS	Total
	PAYROLL	\$ 174,048.47	\$ 130,860.86	\$ 182,871.94		\$ 487,781.27
	CITY'S SHARE OF FICA	\$ 12,800.46	\$ 10,002.89	\$ 13,440.15		\$ 36,243.50
	PAYROLL TOTAL	\$ 186,848.93	\$ 140,863.75	\$ 196,312.09		\$ 524,024.77

ACCOUNT	Description	12/4/2025	12/18/2025		HANDCHECKS	Total
101	GENERAL FUND	\$ 239,340.27	\$ 62,932.42			\$ 302,272.69
202	MAJOR STREET	\$ 2,747.85	\$ 62,400.33			\$ 65,148.18
203	LOCAL STREET		\$ 98,875.62			\$ 98,875.62
228	SOLID WASTE	\$ 1,344.27	\$ 25,074.90			\$ 26,419.17
239	PARKS-FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT		\$ 40,567.30			
245	INDUSTRIAL PARK					\$ -
249	RECREATION	\$ 5,621.79	\$ 419.59			\$ 6,041.38
265	DRUG FORFEITURE					\$ -
266	PUBLIC SAFETY DONATIONS					\$ -
406	SIDEWALK	\$ 76.70				\$ 76.70
412	ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE		\$ 3,706.28			\$ 3,706.28
420	CAPITAL PROJECTS					\$ -
588	DIAL-A-RIDE	\$ 59,151.85	\$ 1,431.32			\$ 60,583.17
590	SEWER	\$ 12,348.56	\$ 964.95			\$ 13,313.51
591	WATER	\$ 265,765.93	\$ 23,208.81			\$ 288,974.74
598	IRUA	\$ 89,549.86	\$ 61,407.01			\$ 150,956.87
661	CENTRAL GARAGE (DPW)	\$ 12,362.35	\$ 41,091.49			\$ 53,453.84
701	CURRENT TAXES	\$ 19,854.41	\$ 126,946.81			\$ 146,801.22
703	PAYROLL CLEARING					\$ -
TOTAL CITY OF IONIA:		\$ 708,163.84	\$ 549,026.83	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,257,190.67

248	DDA	\$ 447.15	\$ 985.93			\$ 1,433.08
250	THEATRE	\$ 3,756.52	\$ 7,252.08			\$ 11,008.60
TOTAL DDA & THEATRE:		\$ 4,203.67	\$ 8,238.01	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,441.68

TOTAL OF CHECKS		\$ 712,367.51	\$ 557,264.84	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,269,632.35
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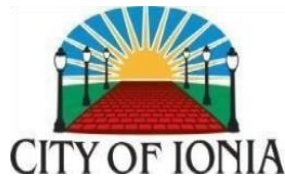
CHECKS OVER \$25,000

DATE	NAME	DESCRIPTON		TYPE	AMOUNT
12/4/2025	CL TRUCKING	LAWTON ST WATERMAIN		AP	\$29,073.76
12/4/2025	CONSUMERS ENERGY	ENERGY SERVICES		AP	\$30,229.87
12/4/2025	DISTINCTIVE CONCRETE	2025 SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT		AP	\$35,607.00
12/4/2025	FEDEWA INC	PWR WASH, PAINT LINCOLN TANK		AP	\$37,200.00
12/4/2025	FISHBECK	ENGINEER/WWTP/GEN CONSULT/ ESA		AP	\$72,269.94
12/4/2025	HAMBLIN BODY SHOP	D2-ACCIDENT REPAIR		AP	\$25,024.45
12/4/2025	PEERLESS MIDWEST	PUMP WELL 16A/OVERHAUL WELL 13A		AP	\$117,227.47
12/4/2025	PRIORITY HEALTH	DEC 2025 PREMIUMS		AP	\$64,062.52
12/4/2025	W.W. WILLIAMS	GENERATOR REPAIRS		AP	\$39,349.27
12/18/2025	FRANKLIN HOLWERDA COMPANY	25 WWTP IMPROVEMENTS APP #11		AP	\$46,647.00
12/18/2025	GRANGER	CONTAINERS		AP	\$25,000.00
12/18/2025	MICHIGAN PAVING & MATERIALS	25 ST RESURFACING APP #2		AP	\$146,698.72
12/18/2025	SPAULDING MFG INC	2 TON ROADSaver ASPHALT TRAILER		AP	\$34,179.00

12/18/2025	SUNTITLE AGENCY	PARKING LOT FOR STEELE PK		AP	\$26,540.66
12/18/2025	IONIA COUNTY TREASURER	TAX DISBURSEMENT		TAX	\$79,997.41
12/18/2025	NORTH LEVALLEY SCHOOL	TAX DISBURSEMENT		TAX	\$34,219.67

INVESTMENTS

NOVEMBER	RATE	Mercantile	Independent Bank	Other-Outside City	Michigan One	Total
	MERCANTILE Property Tax account	0.17%	0			
MERCANTILE VISA Settlement Account	0.10%	1,009				
INDEPENDENT H.S.A. Settlement	0.00%		2,500			
MERCANTILE Pooled Payroll Account	0.30%	250,000				
INDEPENDENT Pooled Cash	0.00%		2,278,050			
INDEPENDENT Accounts Payable	0.00%		20,000			
MICHIGAN ONE Savings	0.00%				109	
INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS						
INDEPENDENT Eagle Advantage	1.70%		534,922			
MICHIGAN ONE Money Market Account	2.86%				1,491,144	
MBIA - CLASS Cemetery Trust	4.0664%			6,106		
MBIA - CLASS LCSA & METRO Funds	4.0664%			3,055,227		
MBIA - CLASS Pooled Investment	4.0664%			4,464,532		
MERCANTILE Money Market	4.10%	3,936,981				
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS						
MERCANTILE CD 2/7/2026	4.25%	847,061				
PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PORTFOLIO						
		5,035,051	2,835,472	7,525,865	1,491,253	16,887,642
		29.82%	16.79%	44.56%	8.83%	100.00%
		LIMIT				
1. Not more than 25% outside the city		4,221,910				
2. Not more than 60% with any one institution		10,132,585				
3. Not more than 10% with a savings and loan		1,688,764				
5. Maturities shall not exceed two years.						



Ionia Downtown Development Authority Director's Report December 2025

Economic Development & Business Engagement

- Continued active engagement with local property owners and business operators, both existing and prospective, regarding vacant properties, redevelopment opportunities, façade improvements, and available grant programs.
- Provided ongoing support and information to encourage investment, occupancy, and improvement within the district.

Special Events & Community Programming

- Hosted a Free Movie Night for Small Business Saturday, sponsored by Live Local Realty, to support local businesses and drive downtown foot traffic.
- Coordinated and hosted the Flag Unveiling Ceremony.
- Conducted downtown speaker testing in preparation for upcoming events.
- Organized and hosted the annual Tree Lighting Event.
- Managed Garland Sponsorships
- Hosted Twinkle Town Parade, expanding seasonal programming for DDA.

Meetings, Seminars & Professional Engagement

Boards, Committees & Partnerships

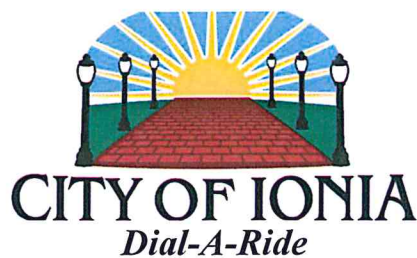
- Attended and contributed to meetings with:
 - Department Heads
 - DDA Board of Directors
 - City Manager connections
 - Theatre Ad Hoc Committee
 - Ionia Business & Professional Women (IBPW)

Follow-Up & Business Outreach

- Conducted follow-up engagement with **FIT Impressions** to support continued collaboration and business development.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassie Rice, Ionia DDA and Theatre Director



Monthly Update
December 2025

Operations

- Ionia Dial-A-Ride provided 144 lift equipped services for individuals with disabilities from November 1-30, 2025.
- Ionia Dial-A-Ride provided 3,328 passenger trips and our vehicles logged 12,378 revenue miles from November 1-30, 2025.
- I-Go provided 933 passenger trips from November 1 – 30, 2025.
- We are currently transporting 50+ riders one/both ways for school purposes.
- The Saranac expansion has been going well and ridership is increasing. In October there were 137 trips to and/or from Saranac. We have multiple people using it to get to work, school, appointments, and shopping.
- Bi-weekly meetings with KFH Group for the COS and TDP Planning process have continued. The lead on the project has sent over the preliminary TDP and COS for review by the Advisory Committee. We will be looking to complete both plans in January 2026.
- A new mobility manager was hired on December 15, 2025, Amanda Compo. She has been settling into the role and already been with me to do a community outreach meeting and has put together a flyer and advertisement for travel training along with other training materials.
- I am continuing work on the Annual Application for MDOT which is due February 20th. The new PTIMS portal for OPT is operational, so I can begin submitting information directly to the state. The FY26-27 budget has been submitted to council for approval.
- The Budget Adjustment was made to the existing award authorization to allow us to purchase replacement buses instead of replacement vans. This decision was made after the feedback received from customers regarding the ETransit vans verse our cutaways. Council approval to purchase two new buses with the funding has already been received, so the buses will be ordered shortly.
- I was notified this month that we received the requested 5339 Federal funds from the competitive grant process through the State. Ionia Transit was awarded \$349,318 for two replacement vehicles and \$60,000 to seal the garage floors to prevent further wear.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Heidi Wenzel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Heidi Wenzel



December Report
Ionia Parks and Recreation



Programs

- Youth Floor Hockey: There were 2 divisions of ages, 4 teams in 5 to 8 and 4 teams in the 9 to 12 age. Games ended December 9th. We had 80 kids participating. Games were on either Tuesday or Thursday in Armory Gym. Ionia Family Chiropractic was our sponsor at \$500.
- Tae Kwon Do: Classes are Tuesdays from 6:15-8:00 PM and Saturdays from 1-2:30. Classes are instructed by Pat Ramos.
- 1st-4th Grade Basketball: Registration has ended. There are 86 boy and girl participants. There will be 6 co-ed teams in 1st and 2nd grade division and 4 co-ed teams in the 3rd and 4th grade division. Practices will be on Saturday mornings at the middle school from 9am-2pm. Games will be on Monday and Wednesday evenings at the Armory Gym. Practices started December 13th and games will begin January 5th.
- Santa Mailbox: Opened November 24th and closed December 18th. "Santa" AKA Keegan Rice returned letters to kids of the Ionia area on behalf of our department. 200 letters were written and returned.
- Santa Visits: December 5th from 4-6 and after parade, 7-8:30pm. Saturday December 6th 9am-11am. Knights of Columbus served breakfast with Santa. The gymnasium was decorated for Santa.
- Youth Tumbling: We have 58 participants. Classes offered are Mommy and Me ages 18month-age 3, Tumbling Tots ages 4-6, and Terrific Tumblers ages 7-9. There will be 3 class session on Monday and 3 class sessions on Wednesdays. Classes will be held in the M1 tumbling center in the Armory basement starting January 5th. Classes are instructed by Alana Moser. This will be her second session of instructing classes for us.
- Pickleball: Play Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-1pm in the Armory Gym. Cost is \$5 with drop in play and open to anyone. This is the third winter season we have offered pickleball. There are anywhere from 8 to 16 participants that come play.

Armory Rentals

- Gymnasium: December 7th, Christmas Party, \$100 paid, Wellman
- Gymnasium: December 14th, Birthday Party, \$235 paid, Martin

Program Coordinator Position Highlights

- Working on sponsorships/relationships
- Updating website and Facebook for our department
- Santa Letters
- 1st-4th Grade Basketball preparation for 1-5 start
- Tumbling preparation for 1-5 start

Submitted by,

Matt Painter

Director, Parks and Recreation



IONIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



Corland J McDiarmid
Director

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Kevin C. Heinlein
Deputy Director

December 26, 2025

Honorable Mayor John Milewski II
Members of Council
City Manager Precia Garland

For the month of December, the Department handled a total of one hundred and ninety-six criminal complaints to this point. The breakdown of most of those complaints, including all significant incidents, is listed below:

- Criminal Sexual Conduct - 6
- Assault – 11
- Larceny of Motor Vehicle - 1
- Larceny or Fraud – 5
- Destruction of Property – 1
- Drug Crime - 2
- Child Abuse – 3
- Flee and Elude Police – Resist/Obstruct - 3
- Warrant Arrest / Injunctive Order Violation – 6
- Hit and Run Crash – 6
- License / Registration / Insurance Violation – 2
- Trespassing - 2
- Juvenile Complaint / Curfew – 4
- School Threat Investigation - 3
- Animal Complaint / Other – 8
- Mental Health Complaints – 6
- Motor Vehicle Crashes / Driving complaints –19
- Parking / Abandoned Vehicle – 7
- Civil Complaints – 23
- Death Investigation - 2
- General Assistance – 38

Code Enforcement / Rental Inspections:

- Blight Inspections – 4
- Snow Complaint - 53
- Rental Inspections – 36

There were 16 calls for fire service to this point this month and they are listed below:

- Township Vehicle Crashes - 3
- Structure Fires - 3
- Wires Down / Arcing - 2
- False Fire Alarm - 3
- Smoke Investigation - 1
- Gas Leak - 3
- Smoke Investigation - 1
- Medical Emergencies - 73

December has been a busy month for our PSOs. We've handled several felonies over the past month including several sexual assault investigations, three vehicle pursuits, a stolen vehicle complaint, and at least nine domestic violence investigations. Several of our officers are taking some well-deserved vacation time over the holidays.

While our police related calls for service have been significant this month, our fire related calls... Well, I'm a bit too superstitious to finish that sentence. It's the holiday season, fingers crossed.

Our fire training this month focused on medical first responder continuing education credits. I've noted in the past that the State requires 15 credit hours every 3 years to maintain our MFR licenses. Our contract with LIFE EMS includes instruction on those mandated topics.

We helped facilitate law enforcement training this month with the Ionia Sheriff's Department. The Ionia County Critical Incident Team (ICCIT) is a multi-agency Ionia County tactical unit comprised of police officers from IOSH and Ionia DPS. We currently have 5 officers assigned to ICCIT. The primary uses for the team are hostage rescue, active violence, high risk arrests and search warrants, barricaded subjects, and riot control. All members of the team receive extensive tactical training including a formal SWAT school. Each December the team conducts active violence training where members work with all area law enforcement officers to pass on those skills necessary to mitigate worst-case calls. The training is high stress, dynamic, scenario-based exercises using simulation marking rounds. Having been both a trainer and trainee, I'll echo what nearly every officer says after the 2-day training: it's a fantastic and eye-opening learning experience for both students and instructors.

You will find attached a copy of our statistics for the month of November, as well as a list of all Fire, Rescue, and Medical emergency calls for that month. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call, e-mail, or stop by the Department.

Sincerely,

Corland J McDiarmid

Corland J McDiarmid
Director

Ionia Department of Public Safety

Monthly Statistics

December 2025

Individual Assignments

Director
 Deputy Director / Captain
 Sergeant
 Det. / Sergeant
 Chaplin
 Administrative Assistant
 Fleet Manager
 (10) Public Safety Officers
 (13) Paid on Call Firefighters
 Code Enforcement Officer
 Rental Inspector Officer



Hours

Criminal Complaint Hours	228
Traffic Related Hours	33
Patrol Time	657
Court & Prosecutor Office	24
M.F.R. Hours	76.5
Non-Criminal	385
Report Writing	296.5
Fleet Manager	33
Fire Service Hours	41
Training Hours	97.5
School Liaison Officer	93.5
D.A.R.E. Hours	0

Total Hours: 1965

Overtime Hours: 159.5

Total Arrests: 37

Complaints

Criminal Investigation	304
Patrol Originated	15

Follow-up Complaints 119

Other Activity

Property Inspections	375
Liquor Inspections	13.5
Fire Inspections	0

Moving Violations

Parking Violations	1
Traffic Stops	90
O.W.I. Tickets	0
Hazardous Citations	3
Radar Citations	2
License Violations	2
Equipment Violations	0
Seatbelt Violations	0
Registration Violations	5
Insurance Violations	6
Verbal Warnings	52

Fire Runs

City of Ionia	11
Ionia Township	6
Easton Township	5
Mutual Aid	1
M.F.R. Runs	66

Total Fire/Medical Service

Runs: 89

Ionia Public Safety- Fire/ Medical Runs					
Number	Date	Time	Street	F/M	Type of Call
1091	11/3/2025	1:58 PM	Crawford St	M	General Sickness
1092	11/3/2025	2:47 PM	Valley View Dr	M	General Sickness
1093	11/3/2025	8:47 AM	Prospect B	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1101	11/6/2025	4:39 PM	Jones St	M	Falls
1102	11/7/2025	3:42 PM	Rich St	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1109	11/8/2025	10:07 PM	W Lincoln Ave	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1113	11/11/2025	11:23 AM	Blanch St	M	Difficulty Breathing
1115	11/11/2025	6:41 PM	N Dexter St	M	Falls
1116	11/11/2025	10:14 AM	E Main St	M	Difficulty Breathing
1117	11/12/2025	9:59 AM	W Main St	M	Difficulty Breathing
1119	11/12/2025	5:15 PM	Mill St	M	Abdominal Pain
1121	11/13/2025	2:57 PM	Union St	M	Possible Drug Overdose
1125	11/13/2025	10:37 PM	Mill St	M	Abdominal Pain
1127	11/14/2025	12:57 AM	Harrison St	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1128	11/14/2025	2:16 PM	Mill St	M	General Sickness
1131	11/14/2025	5:27 PM	E Lincoln Ave	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1133	11/14/2025	2:20 PM	W Main St Apt D	M	Chest Pain
1135	11/16/2025	12:53 PM	W Main St / N Kidd St	M	Abdominal Pain
1137	11/17/2025	9:19 AM	Valley View Apt 220	M	Falls
1139	11/17/2025	6:37 PM	N State St	M	Chest pain
1140	11/14/2025	10:35 PM	Melody Ln	M	Other Medical
1143	11/18/2025	6:49 AM	Chapman St	M	Falls
1151	11/21/2025	9:29 AM	Jones	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1155	11/22/2025	2:10 PM	Railroad St Apt C	M	Chest Pain
1159	11/23/2025	3:57 PM	E Main St Apt 1	M	Other Medical
1165	11/18/2025	11:05 PM	Prospect St Apt B	M	Difficulty Breathing
1168	11/24/2025	8:31 PM	Lafayette St	M	Other Medical
1169	11/24/2025	10:20 PM	Prospect St	M	Other Medical
1171	11/26/2025	11:56 AM	Valley View Dr Apt F	M	Falls
1174	11/27/2025	12:28 AM	Union St	M	Lift Assist to Life
1176	11/27/2025	8:03 PM	Crawford St Apt 7	M	Lift Assist to Life
1098	11/5/2025	5:42 PM	Union St Apt 203	F	Smoke Investigation
1099	11/5/2025	6:23 PM	S Dexter St	F	Illegal Burns
1105	11/7/2025	11:07 PM	W Main St	F	CO Alarms/Tests
1108	11/8/2025	2:28 PM	Harrison St	F	Wires Down/Arcing
1111	11/9/2025	12:02 PM	Bellevue Dr Apt 5	F	Other Fires
1134	11/15/2025	6:36 PM	Hackett St	F	False Alarms
1136	11/16/2025	2:12 PM	Lafayette St	F	Structure Fire
1145	11/19/2025	9:59 PM	Johnson St	F	False Alarms
1150	11/21/2025	6:16 PM	W Washington St	F	False Alarms
1156	11/22/2025	3:29 PM	King St	F	Illegal Burns
1164	11/18/2025	7:01 PM	W Main St	F	Gas Leak

Ionia Township- Fire/ Medical Runs					
Number	Date	Time	Street	F/M	Type of Call
1114	11/11/2025	11:21 AM	E Tuttle Rd Lot 83	M	Other Medical
1118	11/12/2025	1:18 PM	E Tuttle Rd, Lot 94	M	Chest Pain
1120	11/11/2025	5:32 AM	E Main St	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1122	11/13/2025	3:19 PM	Yeomans St, lot 3	M	Falls
1123	11/13/2025	5:25 AM	E Tuttle Rd, Lot 328	M	Other Medical
1132	11/14/2025	9:22 AM	N State Rd Lot 22	M	Difficulty Breathing
1141	11/18/2025	7:27 AM	Red Pine Dr	M	Difficulty Breathing
1144	11/18/2025	5:11 PM	S State Rd	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1148	11/24/2025	4:24 AM	Hill St	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1149	11/21/2025	12:37 AM	Yeomans St	M	Other Medical
1152	11/21/2025	11:39 AM	E Stage Rd	M	Chest Pain
1154	11/21/2025	2:08 PM	Valley View Apt F	M	Other Medical
1158	11/23/2025	12:06 PM	N State Rd Lot 40	M	Abdominal Pain
1160	11/24/2025	2:50 AM	Prairie Creek Rd	M	Other Medical
1161	11/24/2025	10:56 AM	E Stage Rd	M	Falls
1163	11/24/2025	3:34 PM	N State Rd Lot 109	M	Lift Assist to Life
1166	11/19/2025	2:13 AM	Hillcrest Dr	M	Lift Assist to Life
1167	11/19/2025	3:45 AM	N State Rd Lot 87	M	Chest Pain
1177	11/30/2025	7:50 PM	Kelsey Hwy	M	Difficulty Breathing
1088	11/1/2025	7:15 PM	Kelsey Hwy / Clyde Rd	F	Accident - Vehicle No Injury
1089	11/1/2025	11:08 PM	Gallager Dr	F	Smoke Investigation
1095	11/4/2025	1:14 PM	N State Rd / Parmeter	F	Other Fires
1100	11/6/2025	3:26 PM	E Washington St	F	Illegal Burns
1129	11/14/2025	9:29 PM	E Bluewater Hwy	F	Wires Down/Arcing
1172	11/26/2025	12:40 PM	Horizon Dr	F	Wires Down/Arcing
Easton Township- Fire/ Medical Runs					
Number	Date	Time	Street	F/M	Type of Call
1087	11/1/2025	11:14 AM	N State Rd / Parmeter	M	Vehicle Accident w/Injury
1094	11/3/2025	1:31 PM	Yeomans Lot 90	M	Difficulty Breathing
1103	11/7/2025	9:33 AM	Butterfly Ct	M	Other Medical
1104	11/7/2025	7:51 PM	Hawkins Dr	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1112	11/9/2025	12:53 PM	Butterfly Ct	M	Difficulty Breathing
1147	11/20/2025	10:31 AM	Yeomans St Lot 122	M	Unconscious/Unresponsive
1153	11/21/2025	11:18 AM	Yeomans St	M	Chest Pain
1157	11/23/2025	6:10 AM	W Bluewater	M	Abdominal Pain
1162	11/24/2025	2:58 PM	Yeomans St Lot 83	M	Possible Stroke
1170	11/25/2025	5:45 PM	N State Rd	M	Other Medical
1173	11/26/2025	1:36 PM	Butterfly Ct	M	Lift Assist to Life
1175	11/27/2025	2:21 AM	Wildwood Dr	M	Lift Assist to Life
1096	11/4/2025	1:39 PM	Yeomans St	F	Vehicle Fires
1107	11/8/2025	8:11 AM	W Main St	F	Wires Down/Arcing
1126	11/13/2025	10:57 PM	Dildine & Haynor Rd	F	Smoke Investigation
1142	11/18/2025	2:20 PM	W Main St	F	Structure Fire
1146	11/20/2025	1:16 PM	W Parameter	F	False Alarms



CITY OF IONIA

Department of Public Works

*Staff; Geoffrey Petersen, Griff Lamphere, Christopher Springsteen,
Scott Ruehs, Chris White, Chris Perry, Bryan McKendry, Tony Humphreys, Steven Smith*

Monthly Report

December 2025

- Clean up trash downtown and in the parks
- Repairing City street lights
- Finish putting up the Christmas decorations
- Complete pick up for bagged leaves
- Trim trees in right of way
- Cut down trees on City Property
- Patching pot holes
- Jetting Berlin sewer system
- Assisted Village of Pewamo with water main repair
- Plow City Streets after snow fall
- Clear city sidewalks after snow fall
- Picked up snow in the DDA
- Shovel snow for sidewalk Code enforcement
- Reorganize the DPW Conference room

Respectfully submitted,

Geoffrey Petersen, DPW Director



CITY OF IONIA

Department of Public Utilities

Joe Lafler, Director

*Staff: Scott Baker, Cullen Badder, Abram Butler, Jacob Trierweiler,
Al Helmes, Ryan Masengale, Denis Martindale, Curtis Blair*

December 2025

Produced 38.6 million gallons of water in November 2025

Treated 42.1 million gallons of wastewater in November 2025

DPU

- Responded to 70 work orders.
- Performed 52 MISS DIGS.
- Changed, repaired, or installed 16 water meters.
- Performed 20 Cross Connection inspections.
- DPU staff have completed our weekly generator inspections at Wells 10A,13A,14A, BPS, WWTP, Lift Station, Tower Site, IDAR.
- DPU staff have continued to work through Phase 2 of our CDSMI Interior inspections.

WWTP

- Monthly PFAS, Sulfate and Chloride sampling were completed as required by the NPDES Permit.
- FHC has completed the 2025 WWTP pump improvement project.
- DPU staff have begun preparing for Winter painting projects throughout the WWTP.
- DPU staff and Fishbeck have continued the work on the NPDES permit renewal due in 2025.

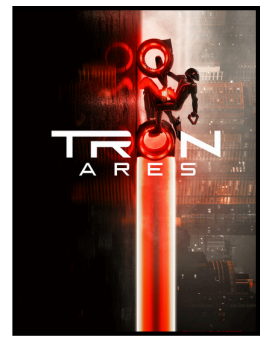
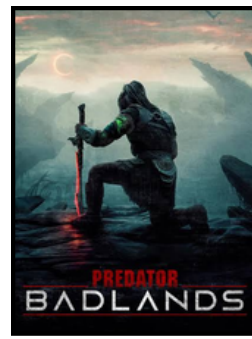
Well Field

- Analyzed several bacteriological samples for surrounding communities and private water systems.
- Monthly maintenance. (Clean chemical injectors and well pre-lube lines)
- DPU staff have begun preparing for Winter painting projects at each wellhouse.
- DPU staff have continued to work with Peerless Midwest on our updated SWPP.

IONIA THEATRE MONTHLY REPORT



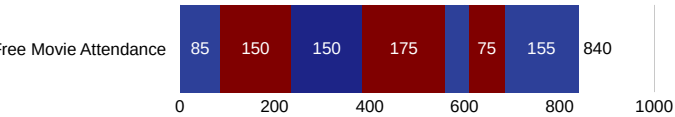
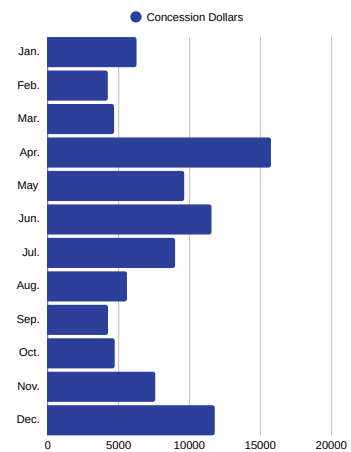
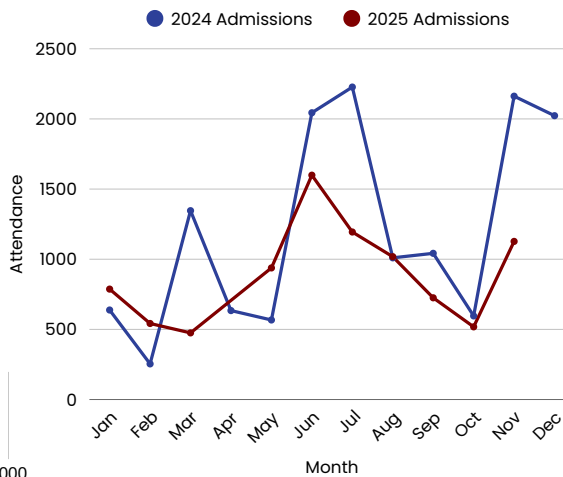
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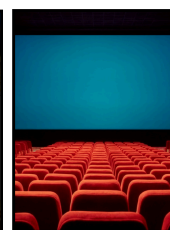
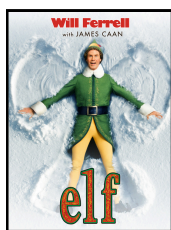
MONTHLY SHOWINGS	MONTHLY ATTENDANCE
75	1,127
Compared to Last Year -24	Compared to Last Year -1,035

● Feb ● Mar ● May ● June ● August
● Sept. ● Oct.



UPCOMING @ THE THEATRE

EVENTS



12/19
Independent Bank Staff Movie

12/20
Private Showing - FNAF 2

12/22
WION Free Movie

12/29
Free Movie Sponsored by LDC

1/10
Starfish Monthly Seminar

2/14
Starfish Monthly Seminar

2/25
ICCF Grant Awards Ceremony

3/16
WION Free Movie

APRIL
Spring Break