NEW ISSUE – Book-Entry-Only

#### Ratings: Moody's: "Aa1" S&P: "AAA" Fitch: "AA+" (See "OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION – Ratings")

In the opinion of Bond Counsel interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law and the Bonds are not "private activity bonds." See "Tax Matters" for a discussion of the opinion of Bond Counsel, including a description of alternative minimum tax consequences for corporations.

#### \$14,485,000 CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS (Tarrant County, Texas) Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2014

#### Dated: June 1, 2014 Interest to accrue from date of delivery.

The \$14,485,000 City of Arlington, Texas, Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Bonds") will be issued in fully registered form without coupons and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Individual purchases will be made in book-entry form only, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or multiples thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds purchased. Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of their delivery to the Initial Purchasers (the "Delivery Date") and will be payable on February 15 and August 15 of each year, commencing February 15, 2015.

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE

(August 15)						(August 15)					
Maturity	An	nount	Rate	Yield	CUSIP <sup>(1)</sup>	Maturity	Amount	Rate	Yield		CUSIP <sup>(1)</sup>
2015	\$ ´	725,000	5.000%	0.200%	041796JS3	2025	\$ 725,000	2.750%	2.850%		041796KC6
2016	,	720,000	5.000%	0.400%	041796JT1	2026	725,000	3.000%	3.000%		041796KD4
2017	,	725,000	5.000%	0.750%	041796JU8	2027	725,000	3.000%	3.100%		041796KE2
2018	,	725,000	5.000%	1.100%	041796JV6	2028	725,000	3.000%	3.190%		041796KF9
2019	,	725,000	5.000%	1.460%	041796JW4	2029	725,000	3.000%	3.280%		041796KG7
2020	,	725,000	5.000%	1.740%	041796JX2	2030	725,000	3.000%	3.360%		041796KH5
2021	,	725,000	5.000%	2.000%	041796JY0	2031	725,000	3.500%	3.500%		041796KJ1
2022	,	725,000	5.000%	2.280%	041796JZ7	2032	725,000	4.000%	3.550%	(2)	041796KK8
2023	,	725,000	5.000%	2.490%	041796KA0	2033	720,000	4.000%	3.620%	(2)	041796KL6
2024	,	725,000	5.000%	2.600%	041796KB8	2034	720,000	4.000%	3.670%	(2)	041796KM4

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<sup>(2)</sup> Yield calculated based upon the assumption that the Bonds designated and sold at a premium will be redeemed on August 15, 2024, the first optional redemption date for the Bonds, at a redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

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Separate Issues. The Bonds are being offered by the City concurrently with the "City of Arlington, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014" (the "Certificates"), as well as the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A" and the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A" and the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A" and the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A" and the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A" and the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Bonds"). The Bonds and the Certificates are being offered under a common Official Statement and are hereinafter sometimes referred to collectively as the "Obligations." The Bonds, Certificates and Water and Wastewater Bonds are separate and distinct securities offerings being issued and sold independently. While the Bonds, Certificates and Wastewater Bonds share certain common attributes, each issue is separate from the others and should be reviewed and analyzed independently, including the type of obligation being offered, its terms for payment, the security for its payment, the rights of the holders, and other features.

**Optional Redemption.** The City reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Bonds having stated maturities on and after August 15, 2025, in whole or in part in the principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on August 15, 2024, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof, without premium, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption (see "THE OBLIGATIONS – Optional Redemption").

Legality. The Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued and received by the Purchasers, subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the opinion of Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, Bond Counsel. (See APPENDIX C "Form of Bond Counsel Opinion").

Delivery. It is expected that the Bonds will be delivered through the facilities of DTC on or about July 2, 2014.

Due: August 15, as shown below

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#### Ratings: Moody's: "Aa1" S&P: "AAA" Fitch: "AA+" (See "OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION – Ratings")

In the opinion of Bond Counsel interest on the Certificates is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law, and the Certificates are not "private activity bonds." See "Tax Matters" for a discussion of the opinion of Bond Counsel, including a description of alternative minimum tax consequences for corporations.

#### \$28,965,000 CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS (Tarrant County, Texas) Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014

#### Dated: June 1, 2014 Interest to accrue from date of delivery.

The \$28,965,000 City of Arlington, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014 (the "Certificates") will be issued in fully registered form without coupons and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Certificates. Individual purchases will be made in book-entry form only, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or multiples thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Certificates purchased. Interest on the Certificates will accrue from their date of delivery to the Initial Purchasers (the "Delivery Date") and Certificates will be payable on February 15 and August 15 of each year, commencing February 15, 2015.

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE \$26,075,000 Serial Certificates

(August 15)					(August 15)				
Maturity	Amount	Rate	Yield	CUSIP <sup>(1)</sup>	Maturity	Amount	Rate	Yield	CUSIP <sup>(1)</sup>
2015	\$ 1,450,000	5.000%	0.200%	041796KN2	2024	\$ 1,450,000	5.000%	2.600%	041796KX0
2016	1,445,000	5.000%	0.400%	041796KP7	2025	1,450,000	2.750%	2.850%	041796KY8
2017	1,450,000	5.000%	0.750%	041796KQ5	2026	1,450,000	3.000%	3.000%	041796KZ5
2018	1,450,000	5.000%	1.100%	041796KR3	2027	1,450,000	3.000%	3.100%	041796LA9
2019	1,450,000	5.000%	1.460%	041796KS1	2028	1,450,000	3.000%	3.190%	041796LB7
2020	1,450,000	5.000%	1.740%	041796KT9	2029	1,445,000	3.000%	3.280%	041796LC5
2021	1,450,000	5.000%	2.000%	041796KU6	2030	1,445,000	3.000%	3.360%	041796LD3
2022	1,450,000	5.000%	2.280%	041796KV4	2031	1,445,000	3.500%	3.500%	041796LE1
2023	1,450,000	5.000%	2.490%	041796KW2	2032	1,445,000	4.000%	3.550% <sup>(2)</sup>	041796LF8
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(Interest to accrue from Delivery Date)

#### \$2,890,000 Term Certificates

\$2,890,000 4.000% Term Certificates Due August 15, 2034 Priced to Yield 3.670% <sup>(2)</sup> CUSIP Number: 041796LG6

#### (Interest to accrue from Delivery Date)

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Separate Issues. The Certificates are being offered by the City concurrently with the "City of Arlington, Texas, Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2014" (the "Bonds"), as well as the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A" and the "City of Arlington, Texas, Water and Wastewater Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014B" (collectively, the "Water and Wastewater Bonds"). The Certificates and the Bonds are being offered under a common Official Statement and are hereinafter sometimes referred to collectively as the "Obligations." The Bonds, Certificates and Wastewater Bonds are separate and distinct securities offerings being issued and sold independently. While the Certificates, Bonds and Water and Wastewater Bonds share certain common attributes, each issue is separate from the other and should be reviewed and analyzed independently, including the type of obligation being offered, its terms for payment, the security for its payment, the rights of the holders, and other features.

**Optional Redemption.** The City reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Certificates having stated maturities on and after August 15, 2025, in whole or in part in the principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on August 15, 2024, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof, without premium, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption (see "THE OBLIGATIONS – Optional Redemption").

Legality. The Certificates are offered for delivery when, as and if issued and received by the Purchasers, subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the opinion of Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, Bond Counsel. (See APPENDIX C "Form of Bond Counsel Opinion").

Delivery. It is expected that the Certificates will be delivered through the facilities of DTC on or about July 2, 2014.

#### Due: August 15, as shown below

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#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

This summary is subject in all respects to the more complete information and definitions contained or incorporated in this Official Statement. The offering of the Obligations to potential investors is made only by means of this entire Official Statement. No person is authorized to detach this data page from this Official Statement or to otherwise use it without the entire Official Statement.

ТНЕ СТТУ	The City of Arlington, Texas (the "City"), is located at the center of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, between Dallas and Fort Worth and eight miles south of the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. The City, which encompasses 99.4 square miles operates under a Council/Manager form of government (see "INTRODUCTION – The Issuer").
THE BONDS	The \$14,485,000 City of Arlington, Texas, Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2014, dated June 1, 2014, will be issued as serial bonds maturing on August 15 in each of the years 2015 through 2034 (see "THE OBLIGATIONS - General").
THE CERTIFICATES	The \$28,965,000 City of Arlington, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014, dated June 1, 2014, will be issued as serial certificates maturing on August 15 in each of the years 2015 through 2032 and term certificates maturing on August 15, 2034 (see "THE OBLIGATIONS - General").
PAYMENT OF INTEREST	Interest on the Obligations accrues from the date of initial delivery. Interest on the Obligations will be paid on February 15, 2015, and on each February 15 and August 15 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption. (See "THE OBLIGATIONS - General" and "THE OBLIGATIONS – Optional Redemption").
AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE	The Bonds are authorized and issued pursuant to authority granted by the Constitution and the general laws of the State of Texas, including particularly Chapter 1331, Texas Government Code, as amended, Article XIII of the City's Home Rule Charter, an election held on November 4, 2008 (the "Election"), and an ordinance passed by the City Council authorizing the issuance of Bonds (the "Bond Ordinance").
	The Certificates are authorized and issued pursuant to the Home Rule Charter ("City Charter") of the City, the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including particularly Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, and an ordinance passed by the City Council authorizing the issuance of Certificates (the "Certificate Ordinance" and together with the Bond Ordinance, the "Ordinances").
SECURITY FOR THE Obligations	The Bonds, when issued, will be direct obligations of the City, payable from the proceeds of a continuing and direct and annual ad valorem tax levied, within the limits prescribed by law, against all taxable property within the City.
	The Certificates when issued, will be direct obligations of the City, payable as to principal and interest from a combination of (i) an ad valorem tax levied annually, within the limits prescribed by law, against all taxable property in the City and (ii) a pledge of limited surplus revenues (\$1,000) of the City's Water and Wastewater System, as provided in the Certificate Ordinance.
OPTIONAL REDEMPTION	The City reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Obligations having stated maturities on and after August 15, 2025, in whole or in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on August 15, 2024, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption (see "THE OBLIGATIONS – Optional Redemption").
TAX EXEMPTION	In the opinion of Bond Counsel, the interest on the Obligations will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law, and the Obligations are not "private activity bonds." See "TAX MATTERS" herein for a discussion of the opinion of Bond Counsel, including a description of the alternative minimum tax consequences on corporations.

USE OF PROCEEDS	The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds are being used to provide funds for (i) designing, developing, constructing, improving, extending, and expanding streets, thoroughfares, sidewalks, bridges, and other public ways of the City, including streetlighting, right-of-way protection, and related storm drainage improvements; and acquiring rights-of-way in connection therewith, (ii) acquiring, developing, renovating, and improving parks and open spaces for park and recreation purposes in and for the City, and (iii) designing, constructing, reconstructing, improving, renovating, expanding, equipping and furnishing firefighting facilities, including fire station facilities and administrative facilities, and (iv) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds.
	The proceeds from the sale of the Certificates are being used to provide funds for (i) designing, developing, constructing, improving, extending, and expanding streets, thoroughfares, sidewalks, bridges, including the Center Street Bridge, and other public ways of the City, including streetscaping, streetlighting, right-of-way protection, utility relocation, and related storm drainage improvements; and acquiring rights-of-way in connection therewith, (ii) designing, developing, constructing, improving and equipping new City Hall facilities, including a new council meeting room, library facilities and related site parking ((i) and (ii) together, the "Project"); and (iii) to pay for professional services of attorneys, financial advisors and other professionals in connection with the Project and the issuance of the Certificates.
RATINGS	The Obligations are rated "Aa1" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business, ("S&P") and "AA+" by Fitch Ratings. The City's presently outstanding tax supported debt and outstanding certificates of obligation has underlying ratings of "Aa1" by Moody's, "AAA" by S&P and "AA+" by Fitch (see "OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION – Ratings").
BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY System	The definitive Obligations will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. Beneficial ownership of the Obligations may be acquired in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof within a maturity. No physical delivery of the Obligations will be made to the beneficial owners thereof. Principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Obligations will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the beneficial owners of the Obligations (see "THE OBLIGATIONS - Book-Entry-Only System").
PAYMENT RECORD	The City has never defaulted on its revenue obligations and has not defaulted on its bonds payable from ad valorem taxation since 1935, when all such bonds were refunded at par with a reduction in interest rate.

#### **CITY OF ARLINGTON**

#### **Elected Officials**

	Length of	Term	
City Council	Service	Expires	Occupation
Robert Cluck, M.D.	13 years (1)	May, 2015	Physician
Mayor	2		
Charlie Parker	2 years	May, 2017	Community Volunteer
Council Member			
Sheri Capehart	14 years (2)	May, 2017	Computer Security Analyst, Retired
Council Member	<b>J</b>		
Robert Rivera	9 years	May, 2015	Banker/Vice President
Council Member	-	-	
Kathryn Wilemon	11 years	May, 2015	Community Volunteer
Mayor Pro Tem	·	•	
Lana Wolff	11 years	May, 2015	Community Volunteer
Council Member			
Robert Shepard	6 years	May, 2017	Attorney
Council Member			
Jimmy Bennett	6 years	May, 2017	Certified Public Accountant
Council Member			
Michael Glaspie	2 years	May, 2015	Church Minister
Council Member			

Served as Council member from May 2000 to May 2003 and elected Mayor in May 2003. Previously served as Council member from May 1999 to May 2003. (1)

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#### **Appointed Officials**

Name	Position	Years of Employment with City
Trey Yelverton	City Manager	21
Gilbert Perales	Deputy City Manager	7
Theron Bowman	Deputy City Manager	31
Don Jakeway	Deputy City Manager	2
Mike Finley	Finance Director and Chief Financial Officer	18
Jay Doegey	City Attorney	27
Mary Supino	City Secretary	4

#### ADVISORS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

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Financial Advisor	Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc., Dallas, Texas

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Certain information set forth in this Official Statement has been furnished by the City and other sources which are believed to be reliable, but such information is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a promise or guaranty by, the City or the Financial Advisor. The information and expressions of opinion contained herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the City since the date hereof. The delivery of this Official Statement at any time does not imply that the information herein is correct as to any time subsequent to its date. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" for a description of the City's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

Neither the City, nor its Financial Advisor, make any representation regarding the information contained in this Official Statement regarding The Depository Trust Company, or its book-entry-only system, as such information has been furnished by the Depository Trust Company.

THE OBLIGATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, IN RELIANCE UPON EXEMPTIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH ACT. THE REGISTRATION OF QUALIFICATION OF THE OBLIGATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF SECURITIES LAW OF THE STATES IN WHICH THE OBLIGATIONS HAVE BEEN REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED AND THE EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION IN OTHER STATES CANNOT BE REGARDED AS A RECOMMENDATION THEREOF.

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THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT CONTAINS "FORWARD-LOOKING" STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21E OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED. SUCH STATEMENTS MAY INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE THE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS TO BE DIFFERENT FROM THE FUTURE RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. INVESTORS ARE CAUTIONED THAT THE ACTUAL RESULTS COULD DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE SET FORTH IN THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS.

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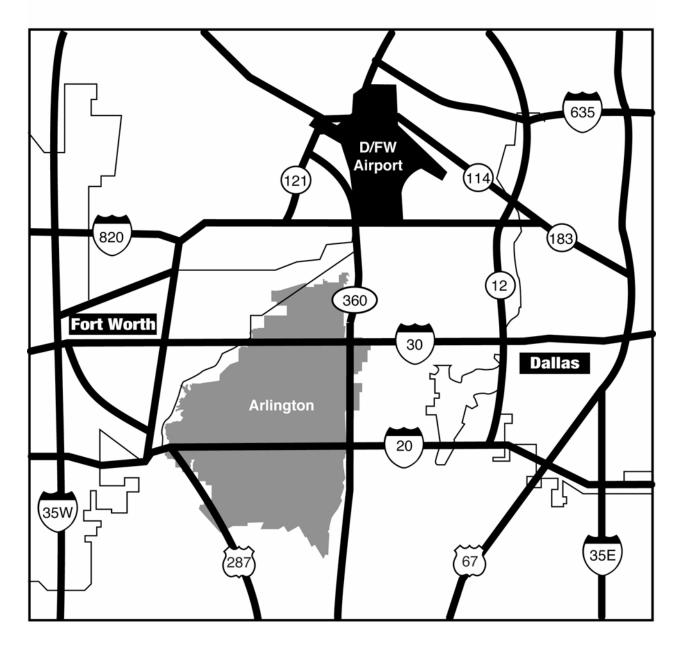
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# Dallas/Fort Worth/Arlington Metropolitan Area



#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS (Tarrant County, Texas)

#### \$14,485,000 Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2014

and

#### \$28,965,000 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates Obligation, Series 2014

#### INTRODUCTION

The following material is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement, reference to which is hereby made for all purposes.

All financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the City from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other sources, is intended to show recent historic information and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the City. No representation is made that past experience, as is shown by that financial and other information, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future (see "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS").

#### **Description of the City**

The City of Arlington, Texas (the "City"), is located at the center of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, between Dallas and Fort Worth and 8 miles south of the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. The City, which encompasses 99.4 square miles, had a 2014 estimated population of 366,000. The City operates as a home-rule City under a Council-Manager form of government as established by its Charter. There is a nine member City Council (the "Council") vested with local legislative power. Three council members and the Mayor are elected "at large" and five council members are elected in five single member districts. All members of the Council are elected for terms of two years, with the elections being held in even/odd years for approximately half the seats and provides the following services to the citizens of the City: public safety (police and fire), public works, public welfare, parks and recreation, public health, water and wastewater utilities, and general administrative services. The City operates its water and wastewater system, its storm water system and its sanitary landfill operation (currently outsourced) as self-supporting enterprise funds.

#### THE OBLIGATIONS

#### Authority for Issuance

The Bonds are authorized and issued pursuant to authority granted by the Constitution and the general laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including particularly Chapter 1331, Texas Government Code, as amended, Article XIII of the City's Home Rule Charter, an election held on November 4, 2008 (the "Election"), and an ordinance passed by the City Council authorizing the issuance of Bonds (the "Bonds Ordinance").

The Certificates are authorized and issued pursuant to the Home Rule Charter ("City Charter") of the City, the Constitution and general laws of the State, including particularly Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, and an ordinance passed by the City Council authorizing the issuance of Certificates (the "Certificate Ordinance" and together with the Bond Ordinance, the "Ordinances").

#### General

The \$14,485,000 City of Arlington, Texas, Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Bonds"), will be dated June 1, 2014, and will mature on the dates set forth on the cover of this Official Statement. Interest will accrue from the Date of Delivery and will be paid on February 15, 2015, and on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption.

\$28,965,000 City of Arlington, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014 (the "Certificates") will be dated June 1, 2014, and will mature on the dates set forth on page iii of this Official Statement. Interest will accrue from the Date of Delivery and will be paid on February 15, 2015, and on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter until maturity.

#### Security

The Bonds, when issued, will be direct obligations of the City, payable from the proceeds of the levy of a continuing, direct annual ad valorem tax levied and assessed, within the limits prescribed by law, against all taxable property within the City.

The Certificates when issued, will be direct obligations of the City, payable as to principal and interest from a combination of (i) an ad valorem tax levied annually, within the limits prescribed by law, against all taxable property in the City and (ii) a pledge of limited surplus revenues (\$1,000) of the City's Water and Wastewater System, as provided in the Certificate Ordinance.

#### **Tax Rate Limitation**

All taxable property within the City is subject to the assessment, levy and collection by the City of a continuing, direct annual ad valorem tax sufficient to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on all ad valorem tax debt within the limits prescribed by law. Article XI, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution is applicable to the City, and limits its maximum ad valorem tax rate to \$2.50 per \$100 Taxable Assessed Valuation for all City purposes. Administratively, the Attorney General of the State of Texas will permit allocation of \$1.50 of the \$2.50 maximum tax rate for all General Obligation debt service, as calculated at the time of issuance.

#### **Use of Proceeds**

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds are being used to provide funds for (i) designing, developing, constructing, improving, extending, and expanding streets, thoroughfares, sidewalks, bridges, and other public ways of the City, including streetlighting, right-of-way protection, and related storm drainage improvements; and acquiring rights-of-way in connection therewith, (ii) acquiring, developing, renovating, and improving parks and open spaces for park and recreation purposes in and for the City, and (iii) designing, constructing, reconstructing, improving, renovating, expanding, equipping and furnishing firefighting facilities, including fire station facilities and administrative facilities, and (iv) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Certificates are being used to provide funds for (i) designing, developing, constructing, improving, extending, and expanding streets, thoroughfares, sidewalks, bridges, including the Center Street Bridge, and other public ways of the City, including streetscaping, streetlighting, right-of-way protection, utility relocation, and related storm drainage improvements; and acquiring rights-of-way in connection therewith, (ii) designing, developing, constructing, improving and equipping new City Hall facilities, including a new council meeting room, library facilities and related site parking ((i) and (ii) together, the "Project"); and (iii) to pay for professional services of attorneys, financial advisors and other professionals in connection with the Project and the issuance of the Certificates.

#### Sources and Uses

The sources and uses of funds for the Bonds are as follows:

Sources:	
Par amount of the Bonds	\$ 14,485,000.00
Net Premium	965,121.07
Total Sources of Funds	\$ 15,450,121.07
Uses:	
Deposit to Construction Fund	\$ 15,345,000.00
Cost of Issuance	105,121.07
Total Uses of Funds	\$ 15,450,121.07
The sources and uses of funds for the Certificates are as follows: Sources:	
Par amount of the Certificates	\$ 28,965,000.00
Net Premium	1,935,151.66
Total Sources of Funds	\$ 30,900,151.66
Uses:	
Deposit to Construction Fund	\$ 30,730,000.00
Cost of Issuance	170,151.66
Total Uses of Funds	\$ 30,900,151.66

#### **Payment Record**

The City has never defaulted on its revenue obligations and has not defaulted on its bonds payable from ad valorem taxation since 1935, when all such bonds were refunded at par with a reduction in interest rate.

#### Paying Agent/Registrar

The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas. Payments of principal and interest on the Obligations will be payable by Bank of New York Mellon, N.A., Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar") to DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., which will then remit such payments to the DTC Participants for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners of the Obligations, as described herein under "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM."

The City covenants to maintain and provide a Paying Agent/Registrar at all times until the Obligations are duly paid and any successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall be a commercial bank or trust company organized under the laws of the State of Texas or other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve as and perform the duties and services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Obligations. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Obligations, the City agrees to promptly cause a written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Obligations by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, which notice shall also give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

In the event use of the Book-Entry-Only System should be discontinued, interest on the Obligations shall be paid to the registered owners appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date (hereinafter defined), and such interest shall be paid (i) by check sent United States Mail, first class postage prepaid to the address of the registered owner recorded in the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar or (ii) by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar requested by, and at the risk and expense of, the registered owner.

Principal of the Obligations will be payable to the registered owner at maturity or prior redemption upon presentation at the designated payment office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. Interest on the Obligations will be payable by check, dated as of the interest payment date, and mailed by the Paying Agent/Registrar to registered owners as shown on the records of the Paying Agent/Registrar on the Record Date (See "Record Date for Interest Payment" herein), or by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by and at the risk and expense of, the registered owner. If the date for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Obligations shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions in the city where the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are authorized to close; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original payment date So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Obligations, principal and interest on the Obligations will be made as described in "THE BONDS - Book-Entry-Only System".

#### Amendments

The City may amend the Ordinances without the consent of or notice to any registered owners in any manner not detrimental to the interests of the registered owners, including the curing of any ambiguity, inconsistency, formal defect or omission therein. In addition, the City may, with the written consent of the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Obligations then outstanding, as applicable, amend, add to, or rescind any of the provisions of the respective Ordinances, except that, without the consent of the registered owners of all of the Obligations, as applicable, no such amendment, addition or rescission may (1) change the date specified as the date on which the principal on any installment of interest is due payable, reduce the principal amount or the rate of interest, or in any other way modify the terms of their payment, (2) give any preference to any Obligations, as applicable, over any other Obligations or (3) reduce the aggregate principal amount required to be held by owners for consent to any amendment, addition or rescission.

#### **Optional Redemption**

The City has reserved the right and option to redeem the Obligations scheduled to mature on or after August 15, 2025, prior to their scheduled maturities, in whole or in part, on August 15, 2024, or on any date thereafter, at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. If less than all of the Obligations are to be redeemed the City reserves the right to determine the maturity or maturities and the amounts thereof to be redeemed and if less than a maturity is to be redeemed, the Paying Agent/Registrar (or DTC while the Obligations are in Book-Entry-Only form) shall determine by lot or other method that results in random selection which of the Obligations of such maturities, or portions thereof, shall be redeemed. If any Obligations (or portion of the principal amount thereof) shall have been called for redemption and notice of such redemption shall have been given, such Obligations (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) shall become due and payable on such redemption date and interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, provided funds for the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest thereon are held by the Paying Agent/Registrar on the redemption date.

**MANDATORY REDEMPTION OF THE TERM CERTIFICATES**... The Certificates maturing on August 15, 2034 (the "Term Certificates") are subject to mandatory redemption in part prior to maturity on August 15 in the years shown below at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption from payments into the Interest and Sinking Fund which are required to be made in amounts sufficient to redeem on August 15 of each year the principal amount of such Term Certificates as follows:

\$2,890,000									
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Principal									
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Year 2033	_	-							

The principal amount of the Term Certificates required to be redeemed pursuant to the operation of such mandatory redemption requirements may be reduced, at the option of the City, by the principal amount of such Term Certificates which, prior to the date of the mailing of notice of such mandatory redemption, (1) shall have been acquired by the City and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, (2) shall have been purchased and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the City, or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions described in the preceding paragraph and not therefore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

#### Notice of Redemption

Not less than 30 days prior to the redemption date, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall send a notice of redemption by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, to each registered owner (the "Owner") of a Bond to be redeemed in whole or in part at the address of the Owner as shown on the records of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

The City reserves the right, in the case of an optional redemption, to give notice of its election or direction to redeem Bonds conditioned upon the occurrence of subsequent events. Such notice may state (i) that the redemption is conditioned upon the deposit of moneys and/or authorized securities, in an amount equal to the amount necessary to effect the redemption, with the Paying Agent/Registrar, or such other entity as may be authorized by law, no later than the redemption date, or (ii) that the City retains the right to rescind such notice at any time on or prior to the scheduled redemption date if the City delivers a certificate of the City to the Paying Agent/Registrar instructing the Paying Agent/Registrar to rescind the redemption notice, and such notice and redemption shall be of no effect if such moneys and/or authorized securities are not so deposited or if the notice is rescinded. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall give prompt notice of any such rescission of a conditional notice of redemption to the affected Owners. Any obligations subject to conditional redemption if such redemption has been rescinded shall remain outstanding, and the rescission of such redemption shall not constitute an event of default. Further, in the case of a conditional redemption, the failure of the City to make moneys and/or authorized securities available in part or in whole on or before the redemption date shall not constitute an event of default.

ANY NOTICE OF REDEMPTION SO MAILED SHALL BE CONCLUSIVELY PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN DULY GIVEN IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER RECEIVED BY AN OWNER. NOTICE HAVING BEEN SO GIVEN, THE OBLIGATIONS CALLED FOR REDEMPTION SHALL BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE ON THE SPECIFIED REDEMPTION DATE AND NOTWITHSTANDING THAT ANY OBLIGATION OR PORTION THEREOF HAS NOT BEEN SURRENDERED FOR PAYMENT, INTEREST ON SUCH OBLIGATIONS OR PORTION THEREOF, SHALL CEASE TO ACCRUE.

#### **Redemption Procedures While Bonds Held by DTC**

The Paying Agent/Registrar and the City, so long as a Book-Entry-Only system is used for the Obligations, will send any notice of redemption (with respect to the Bonds), notice of proposed amendment to the Ordinances or other notices with respect to the Obligations only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC participant, or of any DTC participant or indirect participant to notify the beneficial owner, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of the Obligations called for redemption or any other action premised on any such notice. Redemption of a portion of Obligations by the City will reduce the outstanding principal amount, as applicable, of such Obligations held by DTC.

In such event, DTC may implement, through its Book-Entry-Only system, a redemption of such Obligations held for the account of DTC participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with DTC participants and then DTC participants and indirect participants may implement a redemption of such Obligations from the beneficial owners.

Any such selection of Obligations to be redeemed will not be governed by the Ordinances and will not be conducted by the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar will have any responsibility to DTC participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom DTC participants act a nominees, with respect to the payments on the Obligations or the providing of notice to DTC participants, indirect participants, or beneficial owners of the selection of portions of the Obligations selected for redemption (see "Book-Entry-Only System")

#### Defeasance

The Ordinances provide that the City may discharge its Bonds to the registered owners of any or all of the Bonds to pay principal, interest and redemption price thereon in any manner permitted by law. Under current Texas law, such discharge may be accomplished by either (i) depositing with the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas a sum of money equal to the principal of, premium, if any, and all interest to accrue on the Bonds to maturity or prior redemption or (ii) by depositing with a paying agent, or other authorized escrow agent, amounts sufficient to provide for the payment and/or redemption of the Bonds; provided that such deposits may be invested and reinvested in (a) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United State of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including Bonds that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and on the date the governing body of the City adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds to refund the obligations, that are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent. The foregoing obligations may be in book-entry-only form, and shall mature and/or bear interest in such amounts as will be sufficient to provide for the scheduled payment and/or redemption of the Bonds. If any such Bonds are to be redeemed prior to their respective dates of maturity, provision must have been made for giving notice of redemption as provided in the Ordinance.

Under current state law, after such deposit as described above, the Obligations shall no longer be regarded as outstanding or unpaid. After firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment or redemption of the Obligations have been made as described above, all rights of the City to initiate proceedings to call the Obligations for redemption or take any other action amending the terms of the Obligations are extinguished; provided, however, that the right to call the Obligations for redemption is not extinguished if the City: (i) in the proceedings providing for the firm banking and financial arrangements, expressly reserves the right to call the Obligations for redemption; (ii) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Obligations immediately following the making of the firm banking and financial arrangements; and (iii) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.

There is no assurance that the current law will not be changed in a manner which would permit investments other than those described above to be made with amounts deposited to defease the Obligations. Because the Ordinances do not contractually limit such investments, registered owners may be deemed to have consented to defeasance with such other investments, notwithstanding the fact that such investments may not be of the same investment quality as those currently permitted under Texas law.

#### Holders' Remedies

The Ordinances provide that while any of the Obligations are outstanding there shall be levied, assessed and collected a direct and continuing ad valorem tax, within the limits prescribed by law, on all taxable property within the City, sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Obligations when due and to pay the expenses necessary in collecting such taxes. If the City defaults in the payment of the principal of or interest on any Bond when due, or the City defaults in the observance or performance of any of the covenants, conditions, or obligations of the City, the failure to perform which materially, adversely affects the rights of the owners, including but not limited to, their prospect or ability to be repaid in accordance with the Ordinances, and the continuation thereof for a period of 60 days after notice of such default is given by any owner to the City, any registered owner is entitled to seek a writ of mandamus from a court of proper jurisdiction requiring the City to make such payment or observe and perform such covenants, obligations, or conditions. Such right is in addition to any other rights the registered owners of the Obligations may be provided by the laws of the State. Under Texas law, there is no right to the acceleration of maturity of the Obligations upon the failure of the City to observe any covenant under the Obligations. Although a registered owner of Obligation, such judgment could not be satisfied by execution against any property of the City. Such registered owner's only practical remedy, if a default occurs, is a mandamus or mandatory injunction proceeding to compel the City, to assess and collect an annual ad valorem tax sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Obligations as it becomes due. The enforcement of any such remedy may be difficult and time consuming and a registered owner could be required to enforce such remedy on a periodic basis.

On June 30, 2006, the Texas Supreme Court ruled in Tooke v. City of Mexia, 197 S.W.3d 325 (Tex. 2006) ("Tooke") that a waiver of sovereign immunity must be provided for by statute in "clear and unambiguous" language. In so ruling, the Court declared that statutory language such as "sue and be sued", in and of itself, did not constitute a clear and unambiguous waiver of sovereign immunity. In Tooke, the Court noted the enactment in 2005 of sections 271.151-.160, Texas Local Government Code (the "Local Government Immunity Waiver Act"), which, according to the Court, waives "immunity from suit for contract claims against most local governmental entities in certain circumstances." Because it is not clear that the Texas Legislature has effectively waived the City's immunity from suit of money damages, holders of the Obligations may not be able to bring suit against the City for breach of the Ordinances or the Obligations. As noted above, the Ordinances provide that holders may exercise the remedy of mandamus to enforce the obligations of the City under the Ordinances. Neither the remedy of mandamus nor any other type of injunctive relief was at issue in Tooke, and it is unclear whether Tooke will be construed to have any effect with respect to the exercise of mandamus, as such remedy has been interpreted by Texas courts. In general, Texas courts have held that a writ of mandamus may be issued to require public officials to perform ministerial acts that clearly pertain to their duties. Texas courts have held that a ministerial act is defined as a legal duty that is prescribed and defined with a precision and certainty that leaves nothing to the exercise of discretion or judgment, though mandamus is not available to enforce purely contractual duties. However, mandamus may be used to require a public officer to perform legally-imposed ministerial duties necessary for the performance of a valid contract to which the State or a political subdivision of the State is a party (including the payment of monies due under a contract). Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code ("Chapter 1371"), which pertains to the issuance of public securities by issuers such as the City, permits the City to waive sovereign immunity in the proceedings authorizing its obligations, but in connection with the issuance of the obligations, the City has not waived sovereign immunity in the proceedings authorizing the Obligations.

The Ordinances do not provide for the appointment of a trustee to represent the interest of the holders upon any failure of the City to perform in accordance with the terms of the Ordinances, or upon any other condition. Furthermore, the City is eligible to seek relief from its creditors under Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code ("Chapter 9"). Although Chapter 9 provides for the recognition of a security interest represented by a specifically pledged source of revenues, the pledge of taxes in support of a general obligation of a bankrupt entity is not specifically recognized as a security interest under Chapter 9. Chapter 9 also includes an automatic stay provision that would prohibit, without Bankruptcy Court approval, the prosecution of any other legal action by creditors or Bond holders of an entity which has sought protection under Chapter 9. Therefore, should the City avail itself of Chapter 9 protection from creditors, the ability to enforce would be subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court (which could require that the action be heard in Bankruptcy Court instead of other federal or state court); and the Bankruptcy Code provides for broad discretionary powers of a Bankruptcy Court in administering any proceeding brought before it. The opinions of Bond Counsel will note that all opinions relative to the enforceability of the Ordinances and the Obligations are qualified with respect to the customary rights of debtors relative to their creditors.

#### **Registration, Transfer and Exchange**

<u>Registration and Payment</u>. The Obligations will be initially issuable only in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC which will act as securities depository for the Obligations. Principal and semiannual interest on the Obligations will be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, which shall disburse such payments to the DTC Participants who will distribute such payments to the Beneficial Owners as described herein.

For so long as DTC is the securities depository for the Obligations, then the term "Owner" shall refer solely to DTC. In the event that DTC is no longer the securities depository for the Obligations, the term "Owner" shall refer to a successor securities depository or the Beneficial Owners of the Obligations which are shown as registered Owners on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar.

<u>Future Registration</u>. In the event that DTC is no longer the securities depository for the Obligations and a successor securities depository is not appointed by the City printed certificates for the obligations will be delivered to the owners thereof, and thereafter, the Obligations may be transferred, registered and assigned only on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar and such registration shall be at the expense of the City except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration, exchange and transfer. An Obligation may be assigned by execution of an assignment form on the Obligations or by other instruments of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Bond or Bonds will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the last assignee (the new Owner) in exchange for such transferred and assigned Obligations in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinances. Such new Obligation or Bonds must be in the denomination of \$5,000 for any one maturity or any integral multiple thereof. The last assignee's claim of title to the Bond must be proved to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent/Registrar.

<u>Record Date for Interest Payment.</u> The record date ("Record Date") for the interest payment on the Obligations on an interest payment date means the close of business on the last business day of the preceding month.

In the event of a non-payment of interest on the Obligations on a scheduled payment date, and for 30 days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the City. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest ("Special Payment Date," which shall be 15 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, to the address of each Owner of an Bond appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

<u>Successor Paying Agent/Registrar</u>. Provision is made in the Ordinances for replacement of the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the Paying Agent/Registrar is replaced by the City, the new Paying Agent/Registrar shall accept the previous Paying Agent/Registrar's records and act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. The Paying Agent/Registrar selected by the City shall be a commercial bank, a trust company organized under the laws of the State of Texas, or other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve as and perform the duties and services of paying agent and registrar for the Obligations. A successor Paying Agent/Registrar, if any, shall be determined by the City. Upon a change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Obligations, the City agrees to promptly cause written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Obligations. Neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to issue, transfer or exchange any Obligation or portion thereof, called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to the date fixed for redemption.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM**

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Obligations. The Obligations will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Obligations, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 100 countries that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation, and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTC is owned by the users of its registered subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, arid clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com and www.dtc.org.

Purchases of Obligations under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Obligations on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Obligation ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Obligations are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Obligations, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Obligations are discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Obligations deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Obligations with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Obligations; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Obligations are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Obligations may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Obligations, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Obligations may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Obligations for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Paying Agent/Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Obligations within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Obligations unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to City as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Obligations are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Obligations will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC [nor its nominee], the Paying Agent/Registrar, or the City, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar, disbursement of such payments to Direct and Indirect Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Obligations at any time by giving reasonable notice to the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Obligation certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The City may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Obligation certificates will be printed and delivered.

# The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry-only system has been obtained from sources that the City believes to be reliable, but the City takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

#### Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of this Official Statement

In reading this Official Statement it should be understood that while the Obligations are in the Book-Entry-Only System, references in other sections of this Official Statement to registered owners should be read to include the person for which the Participant acquires an interest in the Obligations, but (i) all rights of ownership must be exercised through DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System, and (ii) except as described above, notices that are to be given to registered owners under the Ordinances will be given only to DTC. Information concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been obtained from DTC and is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a representation by the City or the Initial Purchaser.

#### Effect of Termination of Book-Entry-Only System

In the event the Book-Entry-Only System with respect to the Obligations is discontinued by DTC, or the use of the Book-Entry-Only System with respect to the Obligations is discontinued by the City, printed certificates will be issued to the respective holders of the Obligations, as the case may be, and the respective Obligations will be subject to transfer, exchange, and registration provisions as set forth in the Ordinances, summarized under "Registration."

#### LEGAL HOLDINGS AND ELIGIBILITY TO SECURE PUBLIC FUNDS IN TEXAS

Under the Texas Public Security Procedures Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 1201), the Obligations (i) are negotiable instruments, (ii) are investment securities to which Chapter 8 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code applies, and (iii) are legal and authorized investments for (A) an insurance company, (B) a fiduciary or trustee, or (C) a sinking fund of a municipality or other political subdivision or public agency of the State of Texas. The Obligations are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies and political subdivisions, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their market value. For political subdivisions in Texas which have adopted investment policies and guidelines in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 2256), the Obligations may have to be assigned a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency before such obligations are eligible investments for sinking funds and other public funds. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Obligations are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with at least \$1 million of capital and savings and loan associations.

The City has made no investigation of other laws, rules, regulations or investment criteria which might apply to such institutions or entities or which might limit the suitability of the Obligations for any of the foregoing purposes or limit the authority of such institutions or entities to purchase or invest in the Obligations for such purposes. The City has made no review of laws in other states to determine whether the Obligations are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

#### **INVESTMENTS**

The City invests its funds in investments authorized by Texas law in accordance with investment policies approved by the City Council of the City. Both state law and the City investment policies are subject to change.

#### Legal Investments

Under Texas law, the City is authorized to invest in (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including letters of credit; (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which is guaranteed or insured by or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State of Texas or the United States or their respective agencies and instrumentalities; (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) certificates of deposit (i) issued by a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State of Texas, that are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, or are secured as to principal by Bonds described in clauses (1) through (6) or in any other manner and amount provided by law for City deposits, or a) where the funds are invested by an investing entity through: (i) a broker that has its main office or a branch office in this state and is selected from a list adopted by the City; or (ii) a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in this state and that is selected by the investing entity; (b) where the broker or the depository institution selected by the investing entity under (a) arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the City; (iii) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and (iv) the investing entity appoints the depository institution selected by the investing entity under (a), an entity described by Section 2257.041(d), or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and operating pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3) as custodian for the investing entity with respect to the certificates of deposit issued for the account of the City, (8) fully collateralized repurchase agreements that have a defined termination date, are fully secured by a combination of cash and obligations described in clause (1), which are pledged to the City, held in the City's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the City with a third party selected and approved by the City and are placed through a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State of Texas, (9) securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations that are described in clauses (1) through (6) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than "A" or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (6) above, clauses (11) through (13) below, or an authorized investment pool; (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the City, held in the City's name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the City or a third party designated by the City; (iii) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State of Texas; and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less, (10) certain bankers' acceptances with the remaining term of 270 days or less, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank or its parent are rated at least "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency, (11) commercial paper with a stated maturity of 270 days or less that is rated at least "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by either (a) two nationally recognized credit rating agencies or (b) one nationally recognized credit rating agency if the paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a U.S. or state bank, (12) no-loan money market mutual funds registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission that have a dollar weighted average stated maturity of 90 days or less and include in their investment objectives the maintenance of a stable net asset value of \$1 for each share and (13) no-load mutual funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission that have an average weighted maturity of less than two years, invest exclusively in obligations described in this paragraph, and are continuously rated as to investment quality by at least one nationally recognized investment rating firm of not less than "AAA" or its equivalent. In addition, bond proceeds may be invested in guaranteed investment contracts that have a defined termination date and are secured by obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract, other than the prohibited obligations described in the next succeeding paragraph.

The City may invest in such obligations directly or through government investment pools that invest solely in such obligations provided that the pools are rated no lower than "Aaa" or "AAAm" or an equivalent by at least one nationally recognized rating service. The City is specifically prohibited from investing in: (1) obligations whose payment represents the coupon payments on the outstanding principal balance of the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and pays no principal; (2) obligations whose payment represents the principal stream of cash flow from the underlying mortgage-backed security and bears no interest; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations that have a stated final maturity of greater than 10 years; and (4) collateralized mortgage obligations the interest rate of which is determined by an index that adjusts opposite to the changes in a market index.

#### **Investment Policies**

Under Texas law, the City is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity and that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management, and all City funds must be invested in investments that protect principal, and consistent with the operating requirements of the City, and yield a market rate of return. Under Texas law, City investments must be made "with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived." No person may invest City funds without express written authority from the City Council or Chief Financial Officer of the City.

At least quarterly the investment officers of the City shall submit an investment report detailing: (1) the investment position of the City, (2) that all investment officers jointly prepared and signed the report, (3) the beginning market value, the ending market value and fully accrued interest during the reporting period of each pooled fund group, (4) the book value and market value of each separately listed asset at the beginning and end of the reporting period, (5) the maturity date of each separately invested asset, (6) the account or fund or pooled fund group for which each individual investment was acquired, and (7) the compliance of the investment portfolio as it relates to: (a) adopted investment strategy statements and (b) state law. No person may invest City funds without express written authority from the City Council.

#### **Additional Provisions**

Under Texas law the City is additionally required to: (1) annually review its adopted policies and strategies; (2) adopt an order or resolution stating that it has reviewed its investment policy and investment strategies and records any changes made to either its investment policy or investment strategy in the said order or resolution, (3) require any investment officers' with personal business relationships or relatives with firms seeking to sell securities to the entity to disclose the relationship and file a statement with the Texas Ethics Commission and the City Council; (4) require the registered principal of firms seeking to sell securities to the City to: (a) receive and review the City's investment policy, (b) acknowledge that reasonable controls and procedures have been implemented to preclude imprudent investment activities, and (c) deliver a written statement attesting to these requirements; (5) perform an annual audit of the management controls on investment officers; (7) restrict reverse repurchase agreements to not more than 90 days and restrict the investment of reverse repurchase agreement funds to no greater than the term of the reverse repurchase agreement; (8) restrict the investment in mutual funds in the aggregate to no more than 15% of the City's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt services, and to invest no portion of bond proceeds, reserves and funds held for debt service in mutual funds; (9) require local government investment pools to conform to the new disclosure, rating, net asset value, yield calculation, and advisory board requirements; and (10) at least annually review, revise, and adopt a list of qualified brokers that are authorized to engage in investment transactions with the City.

#### **Table 1 – Current Investments**

As of March 31, 2014, the following percentages of the City's operating funds were invested in the following categories of investments:

Type of Investment	% Invested
Federal Agencies	60.28%
Statewide Pools <sup>(1)</sup>	22.01%
Municipals	10.38%
Certificates of Deposit	6.01%
Cash	1.32%
Totals	100.00%

Source: City of Arlington, Finance Department.

<sup>(1)</sup> Currently in TexStar, TexPool, and Texas Daily.

The City's primary investment objective is to provide for the protection of principal with an emphasis on safety and liquidity. The City maintains a comprehensive cash management program that includes prudent investment of its available funds. Investment maturities are targeted to provide available cash for the operating requirements of the City.

As of March 31, 2014, the weighted average maturity of the City's operating portfolio was 343 days and the market value of the operating portfolio was 100 percent of its book value. No funds of the City are invested in derivative securities, i.e., securities whose rate of return is determined by reference to some other instrument, index, or commodity.

#### Table 2 - Authorized Permanent Improvement Bonds and Use of Proceeds

The following table provides information on the outstanding permanent improvement bond authorizations.

Election Purpose	Authoriz Amount		Previ Issue		The Bonds	:	Uniss	ued
1993 Library Mobile and Portable Facilities	\$	570	\$	-	\$	-	\$	570
1997 Parks and Recreation	31	7,860		37,860		-		-
2003 Erosion Control		1,900		-		-		1,900
2003 Streets	83	3,635		83,635		-		-
2003 Traffic Management		400		-		-		400
2005 Park and Recreation	13	3,600		13,600		-		-
2008 Parks and Recreation	1:	5,500		9,941		1,550		4,009
2008 Streets	103	3,735		52,284	13	3,455		37,996
2008 Library		500		-		-		500
2008 Fire	(	9,090		6,780		340		1,970
2008 Johnson Creek	12	2,000		-		-		12,000
Total	\$ 278	8,790	\$	204,100	\$ 1	5,345	\$	59,345

(in thousands)

Source: City of Arlington Finance and Management Resources Department.

#### **DEBT INFORMATION**

Information on the City's indebtedness is presented in the following tables. Included is information on key debt ratios, rapidity of principal retirement and selected debt service schedules.

In addition to the currently outstanding ad valorem tax-supported debt previously issued by the City, the City has also issued certain combination ad valorem tax and revenue supported debt and has incurred contractual and other indebtedness and liabilities payable from ad valorem taxation. Additionally, the City has issued revenue bonds and other indebtedness payable from specific pledged revenues. Various other political subdivisions, which overlap all or a portion of the area of the City are also empowered to incur debt to be paid from revenues raised or to be raised through taxation.

#### Table 3 - Key Debt Ratios

			Та	x - Supported Principal	Ratio of Tax-Supported		upported Debt
Fiscal Year	Estimated Population <sup>(1)</sup>	Estimated Taxable Valuation <sup>(2)</sup>		Year Ended ptember 30 <sup>(3)</sup>	Per	Capita	Assessed Valuation
2005	361,300	\$ 15,599,320,395	\$	280,766,546	\$	777	1.80%
2006	362,393	16,143,581,172		251,003,392		693	1.55%
2007	364,300	16,793,424,763		223,965,822		615	1.33%
2008	369,150	17,591,230,061		325,807,010		883	1.85%
2009	370,450	18,246,819,671		299,291,666		808	1.64%
2010	365,438	18,251,104,674		335,210,885		917	1.84%
2011	365,530	17,179,112,308		323,860,825		886	1.89%
2012	365,860	17,323,444,005		315,941,350		864	1.82%
2013	365,930	17,677,891,333		312,040,000		853	1.77%
2014	366,000	17,908,723,951		325,315,000 (4	ł)	889	1.82%

Source: City Financial and Management Resources Department.

<sup>(1)</sup> Population estimates are based on percent of occupancy in available residences and census data.

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated taxable valuation is obtained from Tarrant County Appraisal District and the City Finance Department.

(3) Includes self-supporting debt. See "Table 5 – Computation of Self-Supporting Debt. If revenues or other available funds of the City are not sufficient to pay the self-supporting debt, the City will be obligated to assess an ad valorem tax to pay the difference.
 (4) A state of the City are not sufficient to pay the self-supporting debt, the City will be obligated to assess an ad valorem tax to pay the difference.

Includes the Obligations.

#### **Table 4 – DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

The following schedule sets forth the principal and interest requirements on the City's outstanding debt payable from ad valorem taxation pledged thereto.

Fiscal Year Ended 9/30	Outstand Principal	ling Debt Interest	The Series 2 Principal	014 Bonds <sup>(2)</sup> Interest	The Series 2014 Principal	4 Certificates <sup>(3)</sup> Interest	Less: Self- Supporting Debt Service <sup>(1)</sup>	Net Tax Supported Debt Service Requirements	Percentage of Principal Retired
.,	- I interput	Interest	11110.00	merese	111101-put				
2014	\$ 30,175,000	\$ 12,300,625	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,859,934	\$ 36,615,691	
2015	29,850,000	11,155,120	725,000	674,927	1,450,000	1,349,826	6,860,965	38,343,909	
2016	28,215,000	9,995,916	720,000	566,663	1,445,000	1,133,300	6,685,154	35,390,724	
2017	26,310,000	8,899,521	725,000	530,663	1,450,000	1,061,050	6,318,366	32,657,868	
2018	22,405,000	7,853,043	725,000	494,413	1,450,000	988,550	4,957,113	28,958,892	40.97%
2019	21,115,000	6,975,779	725,000	458,163	1,450,000	916,050	4,645,079	26,994,912	
2020	18,340,000	6,164,900	725,000	421,913	1,450,000	843,550	3,468,612	24,476,751	
2021	16,670,000	5,466,146	725,000	385,663	1,450,000	771,050	3,442,499	22,025,360	
2022	15,410,000	4,828,036	725,000	349,413	1,450,000	698,550	3,364,134	20,096,864	
2023	14,240,000	4,223,770	725,000	313,163	1,450,000	626,050	3,335,883	18,242,099	68.16%
2024	13,155,000	3,653,806	725,000	276,913	1,450,000	553,550	3,306,957	16,507,312	
2025	12,085,000	3,137,084	725,000	240,663	1,450,000	481,050	3,285,374	14,833,423	
2026	12,170,000	2,642,870	725,000	220,725	1,450,000	441,175	3,270,589	14,379,181	
2027	11,750,000	2,140,548	725,000	198,975	1,450,000	397,675	3,250,234	13,411,964	
2028	10,755,000	1,621,773	725,000	177,225	1,450,000	354,175	3,235,628	11,847,545	88.07%
2029	8,555,000	1,195,541	725,000	155,475	1,445,000	310,675	3,219,300	9,167,392	
2030	6,730,000	864,056	725,000	133,725	1,445,000	267,325	3,205,798	6,959,308	
2031	5,770,000	590,381	725,000	111,975	1,445,000	223,975	3,185,329	5,681,002	
2032	4,895,000	353,975	725,000	86,600	1,445,000	173,400	3,167,832	4,511,143	
2033	3,445,000	153,206	720,000	57,600	1,445,000	115,600	3,147,845	2,788,562	99.39%
2034	-	-	720,000	28,800	1,445,000	57,800	547,771	1,703,829	100.00%
	\$ 312,040,000	\$ 94,216,096	\$ 14,485,000	\$ 5,883,652	\$ 28,965,000	\$ 11,764,376	\$ 81,760,396	\$ 385,593,729	

<sup>(1)</sup> Self-Supporting debt includes a portion of the Permanent Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2005, a portion of the Combination Tax and Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2008B, a portion of the Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2009A and 2009B, Combination Tax & Revenue Certificates of Obligations, Series 2010, Permanent Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, Permanent Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2010A, and Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014. If revenues or other available funds of the City are not sufficient to pay the selfsupporting debt, the City will be obligated to assess an ad valorem tax to pay the difference.

See "Table 5 – Computation of Self-Supporting Debt."

<sup>(2)</sup> Interest calculated at the rates shown on page i herein.

<sup>(3)</sup> Interest calculated at the rates shown on page iii herein.

# Table 5 - Computation of Self-Supporting Debt <sup>(1)</sup>

Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenue	
Gross Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenues for FYE 9/30/14	\$ 6,750,000
Debt Service Requirements for Convention Center portion of 2005 bonds, FY 2014	1,364,812
Percent of Tax Increment Self-Supporting	100%
Water and Wastewater System (WWS) Revenues	
Revenue Available for Debt Service from WWS Revenues, FYE 9/30/13	\$ 41,574,000
Less: Revenue Bond requirements, FY 2014	14,729,678
Balance Available for Other Purposes	26,844,322
Debt Service Requirements for Water for Portions of the 2005, 2010 and 2010A Bonds, FY 2012	70,054
Percentage of Water and Wastewater System CO Debt, Self-Supporting	100%
Tax Incremental Reinvestment Zone 5 (TIRZ 5) <sup>(2)</sup>	
Beginning Fund Balance TIRZ 5 Core, 9/30/13	\$
Beginning Fund Balance TIRZ 5 Surrounding, 9/30/13	
Tax Revenue TIRZ 5 Core, FY 2013	190.039
Tax Revenue TIRZ 5 Surrounding, FY 2013	646,984
Total Balance Available for Debt Service FY 2013	837,023
Debt Service Requirements 2008B CO for TIRZ 5, FY 2014	2,577,431
Percentage of TIRZ 5 Obligations Self-Supporting	32%
<u>Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone 4 (TIRZ 4)</u>	
Beginning Fund Balance TIRZ 4, 9/30/13	\$ 1,103,361
Tax Revenue TIRZ 4, FY 2014	1,796,367
Total Balance Available for Debt Service FY2014	 2,899,728
Debt Service Requirement for 2010 CO and 2014 CO portion for TIRZ 4, FY 2014	895,850
Percentage of TIRZ 4 Obligations Self-Supporting	100%
Park Performance Fund (PPF) Revenues	
Revenue Available for Debt Service from PPF Revenues, FYE 9/30/13	\$ 9,597,136
Debt Service Requirements for PPF Portion of PIB 2005, FY 2014	799,019
Percentage of Park Performance Fund Portion of PIB 2005 Debt, Self-Supporting	100%
Airport General Gas Lease Fund Revenues	
Revenue Available for Debt Service from Airport General Gas Lease Revenues, FYE 9/30/14	\$ 175,000
Debt Service Requirements for Airport Portion of 2009A-B CO, FY 2014	623,358
Percentage of Airport Portion of CO 2009A and B Debt, Self-Supporting	28%
Total Debt Service Requirements, FY 2014	\$ 6,330,524

<sup>(1)</sup> If funds are not sufficient for any of the below debt service payments, the City will be obligated to assess an ad valorem tax to pay the

<sup>(2)</sup> The interest and sinking fund tax rate was established with the expectation that the shortfall would be funded from funds on deposit in the Debt Service Fund.

## Table 6 - Tax Adequacy (1)

The following analysis assumes 98 percent collection of ad valorem taxes levied against the City's fiscal year 2014 Net Assessed Valuation. Tax Adequacy

Tax Mucquacy		
Average Annual Requirement (2	.014 - 2034)	\$ 18,361,606
A tax rate of \$0.1046 per \$10	0 assessed valuation produces	18,361,606
Average Annual Requirement (1	0 year) (2014 - 2023)	28,380,307
A tax rate of \$0.1617 per \$10	0 assessed valuation produces	28,380,307
Maximinum Annual Requirement	nt (2015)	38,343,909
A tax rate of \$0.2185 per \$10	0 assessed valuation produces	38,343,909

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts do not include self supporting debt. Includes the Obligations.

#### ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT

The following table indicates the indebtedness, defined as outstanding obligations payable from ad valorem taxes, of governmental entities within which the City is located or with which taxable property is jointly levied against, and the estimated percentages and amounts of such indebtedness attributable to taxable property within the City. Such figures do not indicate the tax burden levied by the applicable taxing jurisdictions for operation and maintenance purposes. Furthermore, certain of the entities listed may have issued additional obligations payable from ad valorem taxes since the date stated in the table, and such entities may have programs requiring the issuance of substantial additional amounts of indebtedness, the amount of which cannot be determined.

#### **Overlapping Debt**

Taxing Jurisdiction	Total Tax Supported Debt as of 7/2/2014 <sup>(1)</sup>		Percent	C	Amount Overlapping
Arlington ISD	\$	404,324,720	77.60%	\$	313,755,982
Ft. Worth ISD		747,639,995	0.52%		3,887,728
Hurst-Euless-Bedford ISD		302,122,934	0.99%		2,991,017
Kennedale ISD		43,366,049	52.08%		22,585,039
Mansfield ISD		719,518,374	29.06%		209,092,040
Tarrant Co		336,635,000	13.96%		46,994,246
Tarrant Co College Dist		7,935,000	13.96%		1,107,726
Tarrant Co Hosp Dist		24,425,000	13.96%		3,409,730
Viridian Municipal Management District		20,975,000	100.00%		20,975,000
Total Net Overlapping Debt				\$	624,798,507
Arlington, City of <sup>(2)</sup>		355,490,000	100.00%	\$	355,490,000
Total Direct and Overlapping Debt				\$	980,288,507
Total Direct and Overlapping Debt % of AV					5.47%
Total Direct and Overlapping Debt Per Capita				\$	2,678

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Municipal Advisory Council, net debt outstanding per representative of each jurisdiction.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes the Obligations and includes self-supporting debt.

#### TAX-SUPPORTED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The City's Capital Improvement Program ("CIP") provides for multi-year improvements to the City's public facilities along with the means of financing these improvements. The City's Capital Improvement Program is prepared annually and primarily driven by recent bond election results. The City's most recent permanent improvement bond election, totaling \$140,825,000, was held on November 4, 2008 with all propositions passing. The propositions on the ballot included \$115,735,000 for Public Works; \$15,500,000 for Parks; \$9,090,000 for Fire; and \$500,000 for Libraries. Combined with the authorized but unissued bonds from prior elections, the City has \$94,690,000 in unissued permanent improvement bonding authority prior to the issuance of the Obligations (see "Table 2 - Authorized Permanent Improvement Bonds and Use of Proceeds").

The approved CIP is the result of a process that balances the need for public facilities against the fiscal capability of the City to provide for those needs. The City's tax-supported CIP for fiscal year 2014 is budgeted at \$15,345,000. The projects include funds for fire improvements, parks and recreation and for public works and transportation.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **Basis of Accounting and Accounting Structure**

The accounting records of the City are maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Capital Projects Funds and Trust and Agency Funds and on the accrual basis of accounting for the Enterprise Funds, and the Internal Service Funds. In general, under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded as received in cash except for material revenues considered to be both measurable and available to finance current year appropriations, which are recognized as revenue when earned. Expenditures are recorded in the period in which liabilities are incurred. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when liabilities are incurred without regard to receipts or disbursements of cash.

#### **Certificate of Achievement**

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Arlington for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2012. The City was awarded a Certificate of Excellence for its CAFR for the year ended April 30, 1966 and then annually from 1977 to 2003 and 2005 to 2010 and 2012. The City has also received GFOA's Award for Distinguished Budget Presentation for fiscal years 1986 through 2012.

#### ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The basic financial statements are prepared in conformity with GAAP which requires the government-wide financial statements to be prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus. Government-wide financial statements do not provide information by fund, but distinguish between the City's governmental activities and activities of its discretely presented component units on the statement of net assets and statement of activities. Significantly, the City's statement of net assets includes both non-current assets and non-current liabilities of the City. In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reflects depreciation expenses on the City's capital assets, including infrastructure.

In addition to the government-wide financial statements, the City has prepared fund financial statements, which continue to use the modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus for governmental funds. Accordingly, the accounting and financial reporting of the City's governmental funds is similar to that previously presented in the City's financial statements, although the format of financial statements has been modified by Statement No. 34. The accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus is utilized by proprietary fund types and the pension trust fund. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

GAAP also requires supplementary information presented as Management's Discussion and Analysis which includes an analytical overview of the City's financial activities. In addition, a budgetary comparison schedule is presented that compares the originally adopted and final General Fund budget with actual results

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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 statements. Agency funds, however, report only assets and liabilities and therefore have no measurement focus. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a 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.

Government fund level 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 collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenue to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting, except debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, which are recorded only when the liability has matured and payment is due.

Ad valorem, franchise and sales tax revenues in the General Fund and ad valorem tax revenues recorded in the Debt Service Fund are recognized under the susceptible to accrual concept. The City has agreements with various entities in which a portion of the sales tax is rebated. The sales tax revenue is reported net of the rebate. Licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, contributions, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash as the resulting receivable is not measurable. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available. In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. Intergovernmental grant revenues are recognized when all eligibility requirements have been met. Additionally, funds received in advance for which all eligibility requirements have not been met are considered deferred revenue.

Business-type activities and all proprietary funds, and the pension trust fund are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets. Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating 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 City's water and sewer fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprise fund and internal service funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide business-type activities and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

The following major funds are used by the City:

1. Governmental Funds:

The focus of Governmental fund measurement (in the Fund Financial Statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position(sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the City:

a. General Fund accounts for several of the City's primary services (Public Safety, Public Works, Public Health, Public Welfare, Parks and Recreation, etc.) and is the primary operating unit of the City.

b. Debt Service Fund accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of governmental funds.

c. Stadium Venue Fund, a capital project fund, accounts for the planning, acquisition, establishment, development, and construction of the Dallas Cowboys Complex Development Project. Funds are provided primarily through bond sales and interest earnings.

d. Street Capital Projects Fund accounts for the purchase of rights of way and land, construction of streets and related facilities, and to account for various other projects related to street construction. Funds are provided primarily through bond sales, interest earnings, and impact fees.

e. Other Governmental Funds is a summarization of all of the nonmajor governmental funds.

#### 2. Enterprise Funds:

The focus of Enterprise Fund measurement is upon determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position, and cash flows, which is similar to businesses. The City's Enterprise Funds are the Water and Sewer Fund and the Storm Water Utility Fund. The Water and Sewer Fund accounts for the administration, operation and maintenance of the water and sewer utility system, and the billing and collection activities. The Fund also accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt principal and interest for revenue bonds and obligations under capital leases when due throughout the year. All costs are financed through charges made to utility customers with rates reviewed regularly and adjusted if necessary to ensure integrity of the Fund. The City's solid waste function is contracted out. The billings for this function are done by the City as a conduit for the contractor. The fee for this service is accounted for in the Water fund, while revenues from landfill fees are accounted for in the General Fund. The Storm Water Utility Fund accounts for the design, construction and maintenance of the City's storm water drainage systems. This Fund was previously set up as a capital project fund and was converted to an enterprise fund in Fiscal Year 2009.

#### 3. Other Fund Types:

The City additionally reports for the following Fund types:

a. Internal Service Funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the City, generally on a cost reimbursement basis. These services include printing, mailing and duplicating; fleet services; self insurance; technology services; workers' compensation insurance: and group health Insurance.

b. Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the City in an agency capacity for payroll related benefits, escheat property for the state, and other assets held for individuals, local law enforcement agencies and developers.

c. Pension Trust Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources to be used for the retirement and disability benefit payments to qualified City employees and for thrift savings plans for City employees.

#### GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

The General Fund is the primary operating Fund maintained by the City to account for revenue derived from City-wide ad valorem taxes, other local taxes, licenses, fees, permits, and certain other miscellaneous revenues. General Fund expenditures are the cost of general City government. The following is a discussion of the General Fund revenue structure and major classifications of General Fund expenditures.

#### CERTAIN OPERATIONS OF THE GENERAL FUND

The General Fund of the City is that accounting entity which is used to account for all transactions which are not accounted for in another fund and which, specifically, receives all revenues and records all expenditures relating to the ordinary operations of general government. Other major funds of the City are the Special Revenue Funds, the Capital Project Funds, the Enterprise Funds, and the Debt Service Funds.

Summaries for fiscal years 2009 to 2013 have been compiled from the audited financial statements included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports of the City. These unaudited summaries should be read in conjunction with their related audited financial statements and notes. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013, the General Fund had revenues less than expenditures and transfers by \$6,757,000 or - 3.48% percent of General Fund revenues, leaving a General Fund balance at September 30, 2013, of \$56,740,000. The following table presents a comparison of the City's General Fund balance for fiscal years 2009 to 2013.

	Fiscal Years Ended September 30,					
	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 63,497	\$ 66,775	\$ 66,567	\$ 58,281	\$ 56,189	
Revenues						
Taxes	131,069	126,158	122,816	127,350	128,231	
Franchise Fees	25,550	25,600	27,260	25,769	25,038	
Service Charges	5,100	5,355	6,904	5,091	4,371	
Interest	1,909	2,168	2,009	956	1,854	
All Other	30,562	30,875	30,281	30,878	27,850	
Total Revenues	\$ 194,190	\$ 190,156	\$ 189,270	\$ 190,044	\$ 187,344	
Expenditures						
Total Expenditures	\$ 205,802	\$ 198,279	\$ 189,505	\$ 186,835	\$ 191,612	
Net Expenditures Over (Under)						
Expenditures	(11,612)	(8,123)	(235)	3,209	(4,268)	
Other Financing Sources						
Issuance of Capital Leases						
Operating Transfers	4,855	4,845	443	5,077	6,360	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 56,740	\$ 63,497	\$ 66,775	\$ 66,567	\$ 58,281	
General Fund Balance as a						
Percent of General Fund Expenditures	27.57%	32.02%	35.24%	35.63%	30.42%	

# Table 7 - General Fund Revenue and Expenditure History (amounts in thousands)

Source: Audited Financial Statements.

The following table shows the City's estimated revenues and budgeted expenditures for fiscal year 2014, as reported in the adopted Budget.

#### Table 8 - DEBT SERVICE FUND BUDGET Fiscal Year 2014

Beginning Balance	\$ 4,474,935
Property Tax Revenue	37,406,150
Interest Revenue	82,463
Transfers In <sup>(1)</sup>	4,220,087
Total Available for Debt Service	46,183,635
Debt Service Expenditures	(42,600,625)
Estimated Ending Fund Balance	\$ 3,583,010

Source: Financial and Management Resources.

Includes transfers to the Debt Service Fund from the Convention and Event Service Fund, Park Performance Fund, TIRZ 5, TIRZ 4, ATF Airport interest earnings and Water and Wastewater surplus revenues.

#### TAX DATA

#### General

A major source of operational revenue and funds for tax-supported debt service payments is the receipts from ad valorem taxation. The following is a recapitulation of (1) the authority for taxation, including methodology, limitations, remedies and procedures; (2) historical analysis of collection and trends of tax receipts and provisions for delinquencies; and (3) an analysis of (a) the base, (b) the principal taxpayers, and (c) other ad valorem taxation that may compete with the City's tax collections. Additionally, sales tax, hotel occupancy tax and short term motor vehicle rental tax authority and collections are described.

#### Authority for Ad Valorem Taxation

Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, applicable to cities of more than 5,000 in population, limits the ad valorem tax rate to \$2.50 per \$100 assessed valuation for all city purposes and makes no allocation of such tax rate between debt service requirements and expenses of general city government. The City operates under a Home Rule Charter that adopts these provisions of the Constitution. For fiscal year 2014, the Council has levied a tax rate equal to \$0.6480 per \$100 assessed valuation of which \$0.2057 was allocated to pay debt service on outstanding tax-supported Bonds and notes. See "Table 9 - Tax Rate Distribution and Collection Ratios."

#### Effective Tax Rate and Rollback Tax Rate

Before the later of September 30 or the 60th day after the date the certified appraisal roll is received by the City, the City Council must adopt a tax rate per \$100 taxable value for the current year. If the City Council does not adopt a tax rate by such required date the tax rate for that tax year is the lower of the effective tax rate calculated for that tax year or the tax rate adopted by the City for the preceding tax year. The tax rate consists of two components: (1) a rate for funding of maintenance and operation expenditures, and (2) a rate for debt service.

Under the Property Tax Code, the City must annually calculate and publicize its "effective tax rate" and "rollback tax rate". A tax rate cannot be adopted by the City Council that exceeds the lower of the rollback tax rate or the effective tax rate until two public hearings have been held on the proposed tax rate following notice of such public hearings (including the requirement that notice be posted on the City's website if the City owns, operates or controls an internet website and public notice be given by television if the City has free access to a television channel) and the City Council has otherwise complied with the legal requirements for the adoption of such tax rate. If the adopted tax rate exceeds the rollback tax rate the qualified voters of the City by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether or not to reduce the tax rate adopted for the current year to the rollback tax rate.

"Effective tax rate" means the rate that will produce last year's total tax levy (adjusted) from this year's total taxable values (adjusted). "Adjusted" means lost values are not included in the calculation of last year's taxes and new values are not included in this year's taxable values.

"Rollback tax rate" means the rate that will produce last year's total maintenance and operations tax levy (adjusted) from this year's values (adjusted) multiplied by 1.08 plus a rate that will produce this year's debt service from this year's values (unadjusted) divided by the anticipated tax collection rate.

The Property Tax Code provides that certain cities and counties in the State may submit a proposition to the voters to authorize an additional one-half cent sales tax on retail sales of taxable items. If the additional sales tax is levied, the effective tax rate and the rollback tax rate calculations are required to be offset by the revenue that will be generated by the sales tax in the current year.

Reference is made to the Property Tax Code for definitive requirements for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes and the calculation of the various defined tax rates.

#### **Property Subject to Taxation**

All real property and tangible personal property in the City is subject to taxation except for certain mandated and discretionary exemptions granted pursuant to State law and Title I of the Texas Tax Code (the "Property Tax Code"). The Property Tax Code mandates exemption of public property, property exempt by federal law from ad valorem taxes, household goods, personal effects of an individual, and certain property of religious and charitable organizations, schools, and disabled veterans. Under Article VIII, Section 1-b, and State law, the governing body of a political subdivision, at its option, may grant an exemption of not less than \$3,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled from all ad valorem taxes thereafter levied by the political subdivision. Once authorized, such exemption may be repealed or decreased or increased in amount (i) by the governing body of the political subdivision, which election must be called upon receipt of a petition signed by at least 20% of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election of the political subdivision. In the case of a decrease, the amount of the exemption may not be reduced to less than \$3,000 of the market value.

The surviving spouse of an individual who qualifies for the foregoing exemption for the residence homestead of a person 65 or older (but not the disabled) is entitled to an exemption for the same property in an amount equal to that of the exemption for which the deceased spouse qualified if (i) the deceased spouse died in a year in which the deceased spouse qualified for the exemption, (ii) the surviving spouse was at least 55 years of age at the time of the death of the individual's spouse and (iii) the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the deceased spouse died and remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse. The Council currently exempts up to \$60,000 of the appraised value of such residential homesteads. The FYE 2014 tax rolls reflect the Council granting persons 65 years of age and older, disabled persons and disabled veterans exemptions totaling \$1,001,232,293.

Article VIII, Section 1-b of the Texas Constitution provides the City with the authority to exempt a percentage of the market value of residential homesteads. The percentage may not exceed 20 percent in FY 2008 and each subsequent year. Where an ad valorem tax has previously been pledged for the payment of debt, the Council may continue to levy and collect the tax against the value of the exempt homesteads until the debt is discharged if the cessation of the levy would impair the obligation. The Council granted 20 percent residential homestead exemptions on the FY 2013 tax roll, which totaled \$1,762,220,363 or 19.60 percent of the FY 2014 taxable assessed valuation. In addition, \$69,532,566 of value was reduced from the FY 2014 tax rolls in accordance with State law to reflect value of agricultural land based upon production rather than market value.

Article VIII of the Texas Constitution provides that eligible owners of both agricultural land (Section 1-d) and open-space land (Section 1-d-1), including open-space land devoted to farm or ranch purposes or open-space land devoted to timber production, may elect to have such property appraised for property taxation on the basis of its productive capacity. The same land may not be qualified under both Section 1-d and 1-d-1.

Nonbusiness personal property, such as automobiles or light trucks, are exempt from ad valorem taxation unless the governing body of a political subdivision elects to tax this property. Boats owned as nonbusiness property are exempt from ad valorem taxation.

Article VIII, Section 1-n of the Texas Constitution provides for the exemption from taxation of "goods-in-transit." Under Section 11.253 of the Texas Tax Code, "Goods-in-Transit" are exempt from taxation unless a taxing unit opts out of the exemption. The City did opt out. Goods-in-Transit are defined as tangible personal property that: (i) is acquired in or imported into the state to be forwarded to another location in the state or outside the state; (ii) is detained at a location in the state in which the owner of the property does not have a direct or indirect ownership interest for assembling, storing, manufacturing, processing, or fabricating purposes by the person who acquired or imported the property; (iii) is transported to another location in the state or outside the state not later than 175 days after the date the person acquired the property in or imported the property into the state; and (iv) does not include oil, natural gas, petroleum products, aircraft, dealer's motor vehicle inventory, dealer's vessel and outboard motor inventory, dealer's heavy equipment inventory, or retail manufactured housing inventory.

Section 23.83 of the Property Tax Code allows taxes to be deferred on property that is restricted to scenic use. Deferrals were first claimed under this section in 1990. The FY 2014 tax roll reveals an exempt value of \$8,344,115 due to scenic deferrals.

State law and Section 2, Article VIII, mandate an additional property tax exemption for disabled veterans or the surviving spouse or children of a deceased veteran who died while on active duty in the armed forces; the exemption applies to either real or personal property with the amount of assessed valuation exempted ranging from \$5,000 to a maximum of \$12,000 depending upon the degree of disability or whether the exemption is applicable to a surviving spouse or children. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a disabled veteran who receives from the United States department of Veterans Affairs or its successor 100% disability compensation due to a service-connected disability and a rating of 100% disabled or of individual unemployability is entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the veteran's residence homestead.

Following the approval by the voters at a November 5, 2013 statewide election, a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption equal to the percentage of the veteran's disability, if the residence was donated at no cost to the veteran by a charitable organization.

Also approved by the November 5, 2013 election, was a constitutional amendment providing that the surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces who is killed in action is entitled to a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of such surviving spouse's residences homestead, if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the service member's death and said property was the service member's residence homestead at the time of death. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received.

With the passage of Proposition 5 on November 7, 1989, the State Constitution was amended to allow for the taxation of temporarily located inventory on a local option basis. To continue taxation of this so called "freeport" property, the governing body of a taxing entity, such as the Council, was required to take action prior to January 1, 1990. The Council adopted an ordinance, which allowed for the continued taxation of "freeport" property for 1990 and subsequent years. On January 13, 1998, the Council repealed the aforementioned ordinance, which has the effect of exempting "freeport" property from taxation effective January 1, 1999. This exemption is irrevocable under current State law. The amount of "freeport" assessed value subject to exemption for the FY 2013 tax roll is \$874,076,077, with \$416,287,809 actually exempt. A taxpayer may receive only one of the Freeport exemptions or the goods-in-transit exemptions for items of personal property.

Cities are also authorized, pursuant to Chapter 380, Texas Local Government Code ("Chapter 380") to establish programs to promote state or local economic development and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the City. In accordance with a program established pursuant to Chapter 380, the City may make loans or grant of public funds for economic development purposes; however, no obligations secured by ad valorem taxes may be issued for such purposes unless approved by voters of the City.

Under Article VIII and State law, the governing body of a county, municipality or junior college district, may freeze the total amount of ad valorem taxes levied on the residence homestead of a disabled person or persons 65 years of age or older to the amount of taxes imposed in the year such residence qualified for such exemption. Also, upon receipt of a petition signed by five percent of the registered voters of the county, municipality or junior college district, an election must be held to determine by majority vote whether to establish such a limitation on taxes paid on residence homesteads of persons 65 years of age or who are disabled. Upon providing for such exemption, such freeze on ad valorem taxes is transferable to a different residence homestead. Also, a surviving spouse of a taxpayer who qualifies for the freeze on ad valorem taxes is entitled to the same exemption so long as the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the deceased spouse died and remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse and the spouse was at least 55 years of age at the time of the death of the individual's spouse. If improvements (other than repairs or improvements required to comply with governmental requirements) are made to the property, the value of the improvements is taxed at the then current tax rate, and the total amount of taxes imposed is increased to reflect the new improvements with the new amount of taxes then serving as the ceiling on taxes for the following years. Once established, the tax rate limitation may not be repealed or rescinded. The City can make no representations or predictions concerning the impact such tax limitation would have on the City's tax rate, financial condition or ability to make debt service payments

Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code allows the Council to designate reinvestment zones and to enter into tax abatement agreements with property owners within these zones. The abatement value loss on the FY 2013 tax roll is \$34,095,479.

#### **Tax Increment Financing Districts**

The City and the other taxing bodies within its territory may agree to jointly create tax increment financing zones, under which the tax values on property in the zone are "frozen" at the value of the property at the time of creation of the zone. Other overlapping taxing units may agree to contribute all of part of future ad valorem taxes levied and collected against the value of property in the zone in excess of the "frozen value" to pay or finance the costs of certain public improvements in the zone. The difference between any increase in the assessed valuation of taxable real property in the TIF in excess of the base value of taxable real property in the TIF is known as the "Incremental Value," and during the existence of the TIFs, taxes levied by the City against the Incremental Value in the TIFs are restricted to paying project and financing costs within the TIFs and are not available for the payment of other obligations of the City, except for obligations that are expressly secured from the Incremental Value within a particular zone.

The City Council adopted an ordinance on November 3, 1998, establishing a tax increment financing district (the "TIF District #1") encompassing approximately 533 acres in the City's downtown area. TIF District #1 took effect on January 1, 1999 and will terminate on December 31, 2018. The City Council can terminate the TIF District at an earlier date by subsequent ordinance. The taxable value for the TIF for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 was approximately \$71,740,857 more than the taxable value in the TIF during the year in which it was created.

The City Council adopted an ordinance on September 27, 2005, establishing a tax increment financing district (the "TIF District #2") encompassing approximately 2,000 acres in the northeast quadrant of the City. TIF District #2 took effect on January 1, 2006 and was dissolved by the City Council on March 27, 2007. TIF District #2 was replaced by TIF District #6.

The City Council adopted an ordinance on November 8, 2005, establishing a tax increment financing district (the "TIF District #4") encompassing approximately 320 acres in the City's south central area. TIF District #4 took effect on January 1, 2005 and will terminate on December 31, 2025. The taxable value for the TIF for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 was approximately \$195,962,309 more than the taxable value in the TIF during the year in which it was created.

The City Council adopted an ordinance on December 19, 2006, establishing a tax increment financing district (the TIF District #5 Entertainment District") encompassing 2,187 acres generally defined by Lamar Boulevard to the north, the Union Pacific Railroad to the south, State Highway 360 to the east and Collins Street to the west. TIF District #5 Entertainment District took effect on January 1, 2007 and will terminate on December 31, 2036. The taxable value for the TIF for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 was approximately \$107,933,799 more than the taxable value in the TIF during the year in which it was created.

The City Council adopted an ordinance on December 18, 2007, establishing a tax increment financing district (the "TIF District #6") encompassing approximately 2,000 acres in the northeast quadrant of the City. The TIF District took effect on January 1, 2007 and will terminate on December 31, 2036. The taxable value for the TIF for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 was approximately \$71,051,370 more than the taxable value in the TIF during the year in which it was created.

#### **Appraisal of Taxable Property**

The Property Tax Code established a county-wide appraisal district in each county of the State. Each appraisal district assumes the responsibility of appraising all taxable property and preparing and certifying the tax rolls for each unit of government that levies ad valorem tax in that county. The appraisal of property within the City is the responsibility of the Tarrant Appraisal District. Under the 1981 amendment to the Property Tax Code, the City is now entitled to vote, in the proportion to its taxes levied in Tarrant County, in selecting the governing board of appraisal district. In determining market value of property, different methods of appraisal may be used, including the cost method of appraisal, the income method of appraisal and the market data comparison method of appraisal, and the method considered most appropriate by the chief appraiser is to be used. Effective January 1, 2010, State law requires the appraised value of a residence homestead to be based solely on the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether residential use is considered to be the highest and best use of the property. State law further limits the appraised value of a residence homestead for a tax year to an amount that would not exceed either the lesser of (1) the market value of the property's appraised value in the preceding tax year, plus (b) the property's appraised value of all new improvements to the property. The Appraisal District is required to review the value of property within the Appraisal District at least every three years. A city, or other taxing unit, may challenge the appraisals assigned to property within the Appraisal District at least every three years. These entities can also sue the appraisal district to compel it to comply with the Property Tax Code.

The City's FY 2013 appraisal roll was prepared and certified by the Tarrant Appraisal District's Chief Appraiser and Appraisal Review Board. Such appraisal rolls are used by the City in establishing its tax rate. The City Council is responsible for setting the rate, levying and collecting the taxes. All taxable property in the City is presently valued on the City's tax roll at 100 percent of its estimated market value as of January 1. The rate of taxation was determined and set by the Council based upon the January 1 valuation. Taxes are due of the subject year (or when billed) and become delinquent after January 31 of the following year, except for a split payment option. Under the split payment option, adopted by the City beginning with fiscal year 2003, taxpayers can make one-half payment prior to December 1, and the final one-half payment prior to July 1 of the following year without penalty or interest. Since October 1, 2002 ad valorem taxes for the City have been collected by the Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector. Taxpayers 65 years old or older are permitted by State law to pay taxes on homesteads in four installments with the first due on February 1 of each year and the final installment due on August 1.

#### City's Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies

Charges for penalty and interest on th	ne unpaid balance of delinquent ta	xes are made as follows:	
Month	Cumulative Penalty	Cumulative Interest	Total
February	6%	1%	7%
March	7	2	9
April	8	3	11
May	9	4	13
June	10	5	15
July	12	6	18

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After July, penalty remains at 12%, and interest increases at the rate of 1% each month or portion of the month the tax remains unpaid. A delinquent tax continues to accrue interest as long as the tax remains unpaid, regardless of whether a judgment for the delinquent tax has been rendered. In addition, if an account is delinquent in July, an attorney's collection fee of up to 20% may be added to the total tax penalty and interest charge. Under certain circumstances, taxes which become delinquent on the homestead of a taxpayer 65 years old or older incur a penalty of 8% per annum with no additional penalties or interest assessed.

In general, property subject to the City's lien may be sold, in whole or in parcels, pursuant to court order to collect the amounts due. Federal law does not allow for the collection of penalty and interest against an estate in bankruptcy. Federal bankruptcy law provides that an automatic stay of action by creditors and other entities, including governmental units, goes into effect with the filing of any petition in bankruptcy. The automatic stay prevents governmental units from foreclosing on property and prevents liens for post-petition taxes from attaching to property and obtaining secured creditor status unless, in either case, an order lifting the stay is obtained from the bankruptcy court. In many cases post-petition taxes are paid as an administrative expense of the estate in bankruptcy or by order of the bankruptcy court.

#### **Tax Limitation Election**

A City election was approved on February 5, 2005, which adopted a homestead property tax limitation for disabled individuals and individuals 65 years of age or older. This limitation on the residential homesteads of qualifying property owners is defined under the Texas Property Tax Code, section 11.261. The limitation cannot be repealed by any action of the City or through an election of the City under current state law. The homestead property tax ceiling limits the amount of taxes paid to the City based on the taxes paid in the first year that the property qualifies for the disabled exemption or the 65 years of age or older exemption. The limitation is a dollar amount and does not increase unless improvements (other than repairs or improvements required to comply with governmental requirements) are made to the residential homestead. For those property owners who qualified in 2005 for either exemption, the tax ceiling was set based on the taxes levied in September 2005 by the City. The tax ceiling carries forward to a surviving spouse age 55 or older of an individual who is 65 years of age or older.

The City has 66,056 residential homestead properties in FY 2014 and 16,758 of these properties received an exemption for a disabled individual or individual 65 years of age or older.

#### **Tax Revenue**

The following table shows the City's principal tax revenues by source for each of the last five fiscal years.

			Tax Rate				% Co	llectio	ons	
Fiscal Year	Estir	nated Net Taxable Valuation <sup>(1)</sup>	General Fund	Debt Service Fund Rate	Total Tax Rate	Tax Levy	Current Year		Prior Years <sup>(2)</sup>	
2010	\$	18,251,104,674	\$ 0.4467	\$ 0.2013	\$ 0.6480	\$ 118,267,158	97.87		99.39	
2011		17,179,112,308	0.4330	0.2150	0.6480	111,320,648	98.00		99.80	
2012		17,323,444,005	0.4393	0.2087	0.6480	112,255,917	98.13		99.46	
2013		17,677,641,683	0.4423	0.2057	0.6480	114,551,118	97.82		99.06	
2014		17,908,723,951	0.4423	0.2057	0.6480	116,048,531	94.62	(3)	95.76	(3)

#### Table 9 – Tax Rate Distribution and Collection Ratios

Source: City Financial and Management Resources Department.

<sup>(1)</sup> Net Taxable Valuation is the certified roll as of September of each year including minimum estimated value of property under protest.

<sup>(2)</sup> Prior year's collections include current year collections, prior year delinquent collections and all penalty and interest collections.

 $^{(3)}$  As of March 31, 2014.

#### Table 10 - Tax Base Distribution Fiscal Years 2009 to 2013

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Residential	58.3%	59.0%	59.5%	61.8%	61.1%
Commercial, Industrial, Retail	37.6%	37.0%	38.0%	39.6%	37.0%
Mineral	2.1%	2.3%	0.8%	0.8%	0.0%
Undeveloped	2.0%	2.2%	2.3%	2.1%	1.9%

Source: City Financial and Management Resources Department.

# Table 11 - Top Ten Taxpayers (1)

Taxpayer	Type of Business	FYE 2014
General Motors Corporation	Automobile Assembly	\$ 205,667,494
Parks at Arlington	Retail	165,545,717
Arlington Highlands LLP	Retail	165,448,090
Oncor Electric Delivery Co.	Public Utility	149,551,844
Chesapeake Operating	Natural Gas Producer	127,925,180
Six Flags Fund	Amusement Park	84,252,537
Wal-Mart Real Estate	Retail	65,898,878
DFW Midstream LLP	Natural Gas Producer	65,838,553
Lincoln Square Dunhill	Real Estate Holdings	63,490,196
Carrizo Oil & Gas	Oil & Gas	61,712,350
Total		\$ 1,155,330,839
Above ten taxpayers as % of total tax rolls		6.45%
Total tax roll		\$ 17,908,723,951

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Tarrant County Appraisal District.

#### **Municipal Sales Tax**

The City has adopted the provisions of Sections 321.101 and 321.103 of the Texas Tax Code, which grants the City the power to impose and levy a one percent sales tax for general purposes of the City. On September 14, 2002, an election to adopt an additional one-quarter cent city sales and use tax for municipal street maintenance as permitted under Chapter 327 of the Texas Tax Code was held and the additional one-quarter cent sales and use tax was approved. The additional one-quarter cent sales and use tax became effective on January 1, 2003. On November 2, 2004, an election to adopt an additional one-half cent sales and use tax for the Dallas Cowboys Complex Development Project (the "Cowboys Project") as permitted by Chapter 334 of the Texas Local Government Code was held and the additional one-half cent sales and use tax was approved. The additional one-half cent sales and use tax became effective on April 1, 2005. The Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, after the deduction of a two percent service fee, currently remits monthly the City's portion of sales tax collections to the City. The statute provides the Comptroller must remit at least twice annually. Revenue from sales tax levied for general purposes of the City may not be pledged, under the applicable statutes, to the payment of debt service of the City's debt obligations.

Table	12 -	Munici	pal Sale	s Tax	History

Fiscal Year	Sale	s Tax Receipts	Ad	Valorem Tax Levy	Sales Tax as a % of Tax Levy	Population Estimate	Sale	Capita es Tax lection
2009	\$	45,873,000	\$	118,435,518	39%	370,450	\$	124
2010		46,875,684		118,267,158	40%	365,438 <sup>(2)</sup>		128
2011		48,982,079		111,143,006	44%	365,530		134
2012		50,724,512		112,255,917	45%	365,860		139
2013		54,198,622		114,551,118	47%	365,930		148

<sup>(1)</sup> Receipts reflect the City's 1% sales tax.

<sup>(2)</sup> 2010 Census population. Decease in population due to overestimation in non-census years.

Source: City Financial and Management Resources Department.

#### PENSION FUND

The City provides pension benefits for all of its full-time employees through a nontraditional, joint contributory, hybrid defined benefit plan in the state-wide Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS), one of 849 administered by TMRS, an agent, multiple-employer public employee retirement system. Each of the municipalities has an annual individual actuarial valuation performed. All assumptions for the December 31, 2012 valuations are contained in the 2012 TMRS comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), a copy of which may be obtained by writing to P.O. Box 149153, Austin, Texas 78714-9153 or accessing the CAFR on line at www.tmrs.com.

Benefits depend upon a sum of the employee's contributions to the plan, with interest, and the City-financed monetary credits, with interest. At the date the plan began, the City granted monetary credits for service rendered before the plan began of a theoretical amount equal to two times what would have been contributed by the employee, with interest, prior to establishment of the plan. Monetary credits for service since the plan began are 200 percent of the employee's accumulated contributions and the monetary credits for service since the plan began, would be the total monetary credits and employee contributions accumulated with interest if the current employee contribution rate and City matching percent had always been in existence and if the employee's salary had always been the average of his salary in the last three years that are one year before the effective date. At retirement, the benefit is calculated as if the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions with interest and the employee-financed monetary credits with interest were used to purchase an annuity. Additionally, initiated in 1998, the City provides on an annually repeating basis annuity increases for retirees. In 2013, that amount was equal to 50% of the change in the consumer price index (CPI).

Members can retire at age 60 and above with 5 or more years of service or with 20 years of service regardless of age. A member is vested after 5 years. The plan provisions are adopted by the governing body of the City, within the options available in the state statutes governing TMRS. The contribution rate for the employees is 7%, and the City matching ratio is currently 2 to 1, both as adopted by the governing body of the City.

#### **Funding Policy**

Under the state law governing TMRS, the contribution rate for each city is determined annually by the actuary, using the Projected Unit Credit actuarial cost method. The rate consists of the normal cost contribution rate and the prior service cost contribution rate, which is calculated to be a level percent of payroll from year to year. The normal cost contribution rate finances the portion of an active member's projected benefit allocated annually; the prior service contribution rate amortizes the unfunded (overfunded) actuarial liability (asset) over the applicable period for that city. Both the normal cost and prior service contribution rates include recognition of the projected impact of annually repeating benefits, such as Updated Service Credits and Annuity Increases. The City discloses the annual pension costs (which equal the required contributions) based on the calculated rates for the City's fiscal year. The rate is 16.77% of covered payroll for the months in calendar year 2012, and 16.47% for the months in calendar year 2013. This rate consists of the normal cost contribution rate and the prior service contribution rate. The normal cost contribution rate finances the currently accruing monetary credits due to City matching percent, which are the obligation of the City as of an employee's retirement date, not at the time the employee's contributions are made. The normal cost contribution rate is the actuarially determined percent of payroll necessary to satisfy the obligation for the City to each employee at the time his/her retirement becomes effective. The prior service contribution rate amortizes the unfunded actuarial liability. Both the employees and the City make contributions monthly. Since the City needs to know its contribution rate in advance for budgetary purposes, there is a one-year delay between the actuarial valuation that serves as basis for the rate and the calendar year when the rate goes into effect (i.e. December 31, 2011 valuation is effective of rates beginning January 1, 2013). If a change in plan provisions is elected by the City, this rate can change.

#### **Changes in Actuarial and Amortization Methods**

Since its inception, TMRS has used the Unit Credit actuarial funding method. This method accounts for liability accrued as the valuation date, but does not project the potential future liability of provisions adopted by the City. Two-thirds of the cities participating in TMRS have adopted the Updated Service Credit and Annuity Increases provisions on an annually repeating basis. For the December 31, 2007 valuation, The TMRS Board determined that the Projected Unit Credit (PUC) funding method should be used, which facilitates advance funding for future updated service credits and annuity increases that are adopted on an annually reporting basis. In addition, the Board also adopted a change in the amortization period from a 25-year "open" to a 25-year "closed" period. TMRS Board of Trustee rules provide that, whenever a change in actuarial assumptions or methods results in a contribution rate increase in an amount greater than .5%, the amortization period will be increased to 30 years, unless a city requests that the period remain at 25 years. The statutes further provide that plan members may request up to a forty year amortization period. For cities with repeating features, these changes would likely result initially in higher required contributions and lower funded ratios; however, the funded ratio should show steady improvement over time. To assist in this transition to higher rates, the Board also approved an eight-year phase-in period, which will allow cities the opportunity to increase their contributions gradually (approximately 12.5% each year) to their full rate (or their required contribution rate).

#### Funding Status and Funding Process

In June 2011, SB 350 was enacted by the Texas Legislature, resulting in a restructure of the TMRS funds. This legislation provided for the actuarial valuation to be completed, as if restructuring had occurred on December 31, 2010. In addition, the actuarial assumptions were updated for the new fund structure, based on an actuarial experience study that was adopted by the TMRS Board at their May 2011 meeting (the review compared actual to expected experience for the four-year period of January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2009). For a complete description of the combined impact of the legislation and new actuarial assumptions, including the effects on TMRS city rates and funding ratios, please see the December 31, 2010 TMRS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

As of December 31, 2012, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 87.1 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$904,236,326, and the actuarial value of assets was \$787,497,396, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$116,738,930. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$145,368,879, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 80.3%.

#### **Actuarial Methods and Assumptions**

Actuarial Valuation Date:	Ι
Actuarial Cost Method:	F
Amortization Method:	Ι
Remaining Amortization Period:	2
Asset Valuation Method:	A
Investment Rate of Return:	7
Projected Salary Increases:	V
Payroll growth:	3
Withdrawal rates (low, mid or high) for Male/Female:	Ν
Inflation Rate:	3
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	1

December 31, 2012 Projected Unit Credit Level Percent of Payroll 25.2 Years – Closed Period Amortized Cost 7.0% Varies by age and service 3% Mid-High/Mid-High 3%: 1.5%

#### Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation

The City's annual pension cost of \$24,352,889 was \$57,213 lower than the City's contributions.

Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 24,202,609
Interest	1,237,694
Adjustment to the ARC	(1,087,414)
Annual pension cost (expense)	24,352,889
Contributions made	24,410,102
Increase (Decrease) in net pension obligation	(57,213)
Net pension obligation beginning of the year	17,681,349
Net pension obligation end of the year	\$ 17,624,136

The following table discloses five-year historical trend information relating to the TMRS plan.

			Percentage of	
Fiscal Year	Α	Innual Pension	APC	Net Pension
Ending 9/30		Cost (APC)	Contribution	Obligation
2009	\$	29,582,321	75.4%	7,287,773
2010		30,852,449	77.4%	14,266,151
2011		28,051,791	87.7%	17,717,160
2012		25,111,256	100.1%	17,681,349
2013		24,352,889	100.2%	17,624,136

#### **OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

#### **Retiree Health Insurance**

*Plan Description.* The City of Arlington administers a single-employer defined benefit health care plan. The plan provides postretirement health care benefits to eligible retirees and their spouses.

An eligible employee can continue their health care coverage in retirement if their age plus service is at least 70 with a minimum age requirement of 50 years and a minimum of ten years of service with the City. Employees hired after December 31, 2005 are not eligible for postretirement health care benefits. As of January 1, 2013, 669 retirees met those eligibility requirements. The City plan has a non-duplication coordination of benefits with Medicare and other primary plans for retirees and/or their dependants.

The following table shows the components of the City's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the City's net OPEB obligation (dollar amounts in thousands):

Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 9,133
Interest on Net OPEB obligation	1,224
Adjustment to the ARC	 (1,634)
Annual pension cost (expense)	 8,723
Contributions made	 (5,697)
Increase (Decrease) in OPEB obligation	3,026
Net OPEB obligation beginning of the year	 27,203
Net OPEB obligation end of the year	\$ 30,229

The City's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2013 are as follows (dollar amounts in thousands).

Fiscal Year		Annual OPEB	OPEB
Ending 9/30	OPEB Cost	Contribution	Obligation
2013	8,723	65.31%	30,229

#### **Disability Income Plan**

*Plan Description.* DIP is a single-employer defined benefit disability income plan that covers the employees of the City. The plan originally provided in-service death benefits and long term disability benefits commencing upon disablement. The plan was amended to eliminate the in-service death benefit and to start disability payments at age 65. The plan contemplates that long term disability benefits will be provided through a separate LTD insurance contract prior to age 65. The retired life liability for current disabled employees (many of whom are under age 65) is retained under the plan.

Membership of the plan consisted of the following at July 1, 2013, the date of the latest actuarial valuation.

Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits:

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#### **Supplemental Death Benefits Plan**

*Plan Description.* The City of Arlington contributes to the Supplemental Death Benefit Fund (SDBF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit group term life insurance plan operated by the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). This is a separate trust administered by the TMRS Board of Trustees. SDBF provides a death benefit of \$7,500 for retirees. TMRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for SDBF. That report may be obtained from the TMRS website at www.TMRS.com.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In the Ordinances, the City made the following agreement for the benefit of the owners and beneficial owners of the Obligations. The City is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Obligations. Under the agreement, the City will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of specified material events, to the Municipal Securities Rule Making Board (the "MSRB"). This information will be available free of charge via the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") System at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Annual Reports**

The City will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB annually via EMMA. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the City of the general type included in this Official Statement under Tables numbered 1 through 12 and in Appendix B. The City will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year. The City will provide the updated information to the MSRB.

The City may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"). The updated information will include audited financial statements, if the City commissions an audit and it is completed by the required time. If audited financial statements are not available by the required time, the City will provide notice that audited financial statements are not available and will provide unaudited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB, and audited financial statements when they become available. Any such financial statements will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Appendix B or such other accounting principles as the City may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulations.

The City's current fiscal year end is September 30. Accordingly, it must provide updated information by March 31 in each year for the preceding year, unless the City changes its fiscal year. If the City changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change.

#### **Disclosure Event Notices**

The City shall notify the MSRB, in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of the event, of any of the following events with respect to the Obligations: (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Obligations, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Obligations; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Obligations, if material; (8) Obligation calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) Defeasances; (10) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Obligations, if material; (11) Rating changes; (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the City<sup>(1)</sup>; (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the City or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the City, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and (14) Appointment of a successor or additional Paying Agent/Registrar or change in the name of the Paying Agent/Registrar, if material.

<sup>(1)</sup> For the purposes of the event identified in (12), the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the City in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the City, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the City.

#### Availability of Information from MSRB

The City has agreed to provide the foregoing information, only as described above to the MSRB. Investors will be able to access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB free of charge at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

The City has agreed to update information and to provide notices of material events only as described above. The City has not agreed to provide other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of its financial results of operations, condition, or prospects or agreed to update any information that is provided, except as described above. The City makes no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date. The City disclaims any contractual or tort liability for damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its continuing disclosure agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although owners of Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the City to comply with its agreement.

The City may amend its continuing disclosure agreement from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status or type of operations of the City, if (i) the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell the Bonds in the offering described herein in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (ii) either (a) the owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds consent to the amendment or (b) any person unaffiliated with the City (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the owners and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. If the City so amends the agreement, it has agreed to include with the next financial information and operating data provided in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports" an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information and operating data so provided.

#### **Compliance with Prior Undertakings**

Except as disclosed below, the City has complied in all material respects with all continuing disclosure undertakings made by the City in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12. During the last five years, the City had outstanding water and wastewater revenue bonds, special-tax revenue bonds, and ad valorem tax revenue obligations (the "Insured Obligations"), insured by MBIA Insurance Company ("MBIA"), FSA Insurance Company ("FSA"), Ambac Assurance Corporation ("AMBAC"), XL Capital Assurance ("XL Capital"), CFIG Assurance North America ("CFIG"), and Berkshire Hathaway Assurance Corp. ("Berkshire," and together with MBIA, FSA, AMBAC, XL Capital, CFIG, and any successors thereto, the "Insurers"). The City did not timely file certain material events notices with respect to Insurer rating changes (downgrades and upgrades) from 2009 to the present. However, under the City's Continuing Disclosure Agreements in effect for Insured Obligations issued from 2004 through 2010, the City's requirement to provide timely notice of certain events was subject to the qualifier "if such event is material to a decision to purchase or sell Obligations." During such Insurer downgrades, the City's underlying, unenhanced credit rating with respect to the Insured Obligations remained higher than the credit rating of the Insurers and as such, the City does not believe such Insurer downgrades were material. Also, in 2009,2010 and 2013, the City did not timely file notice of the upgrading of its underlying, unenhanced credit rating with respect to its water and wastewater system revenue bonds, ad valorem tax revenue bonds, and special-tax revenue bonds by S&P, Fitch and Moody's. The City has now filed an events notice with respect to its rating upgrades in 2009, 2010 and 2013, and procedures have been implemented by the City to ensure that all event notices are timely filed in the future.

In addition, the City believed that it had timely filed the required quantitative financial information and operating data for the City's outstanding bonds and the City's September 30, 2013 audited financial statements (the "2013 Audit") within six months of the end of City's 2013 fiscal year on March 31, 2014 with both EMMA and the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas ("MAC"). The 2013 Audit was completed prior to March 31, 2014 and was available to be posted with EMMA. The MAC website also incorrectly indicated that the 2013 Audit was available for download from EMMA as of March 31, 2014. The City has subsequently determined that due to an inadvertent filing error, the 2013 Audit was not filed concurrently with the required quantitative financial information and operating data that was filed by the City with EMMA on March 31, 2014. On May 22, 2014, the City filed the 2013 Audit with EMMA. The City has also filed a notice of late filing with respect to the 2013 Audit.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information regarding this document please contact Mr. Mike Finley, Director of Finance, City of Arlington, Texas, at (817) 459-6100.

#### TAX MATTERS

#### **Tax Exemption**

In the opinion of Bracewell & Giuliani, Bond Counsel, under existing law, (i) interest on the Obligations is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, under existing law and (ii) the Obligations are not "private activity bonds" under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and as such, interest on the Obligations is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals and corporations, except as described below in the discussion regarding the adjusted current earnings adjustment for corporations.

The Code imposes a number of requirements that must be satisfied for interest on state or local obligations, such as the Obligations, to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. These requirements include limitations on the use of bond proceeds and the source of repayment of bonds, limitations on the investment of bond proceeds prior to expenditure, a requirement that excess arbitrage earned on the investment of bond proceeds be paid periodically to the United States and a requirement that the issuer file an information report with the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"). The City has covenanted in the Ordinances authorizing the issuance of the Obligations that it will comply with these requirements.

Bond Counsel's opinion will assume continuing compliance with the covenants of the Ordinances pertaining to those sections of the Code that affect the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Obligations for federal income tax purposes and, in addition, will rely on representations by the City, the City's Financial Advisor and the Initial Purchasers, respectively, with respect to matters solely within the knowledge of the City, the City's Financial Advisor and the Initial Purchasers, respectively, which Bond Counsel has not independently verified. If the City fails to comply with the covenants contained in the Ordinances or if the foregoing representations or report should be determined to be inaccurate or incomplete, interest on the respective Obligations could become includable in gross income from the date of delivery, regardless of the date on which the event causing such inclusion occurs.

The Code also imposes a 20% alternative minimum tax on the "alternative minimum taxable income" of a corporation if the amount of such alternative minimum tax is greater than the amount of the corporation's regular income tax. Generally, the alternative minimum taxable income of a corporation (other than any S corporation, regulated investment company, REIT, or REMIC), includes 75% of the amount by which its "adjusted current earnings" exceeds its other "alternative minimum taxable income." Because interest on tax-exempt obligations, such as the Obligations, is included in a corporation's "adjusted current earnings," ownership of the Obligations could subject a corporation to alternative minimum tax consequences.

Except as stated above, Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any federal, state or local tax consequences resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or acquisition, ownership or disposition of, the Obligations.

Bond Counsel's opinions are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on Bond Counsel's knowledge of facts as of the date thereof. Bond Counsel assumes no duty to update or supplement its opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to Bond Counsel's attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, Bond Counsel's opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Service; rather such opinions represent Bond Counsel's legal judgment based on its review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that it deems relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given as to whether or not the Service is likely to treat the City as the taxpayer and the Owners may not have a right to participate in such audit. Public awareness of any future audit of the Obligations could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Obligations regardless of the outcome of the audit.

#### **Additional Federal Income Tax Consequences**

#### **Collateral Tax Consequences**

Prospective purchasers of the Obligations should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to financial institutions, life insurance and property and casualty insurance companies, certain S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, low and middle income taxpayers qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit, and individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income credit. In addition, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States may be subject to the "branch profits tax" on their effectively connected earnings and profits, including tax-exempt interest such as interest on the Obligations. These categories of prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability of these consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Obligations should also be aware that, under the Code, taxpayers are required to report on their returns the amount of tax-exempt interest, such as interest on the Obligations, received or accrued during the year.

#### Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Premium Obligations

The issue price of all or a portion of the Obligations may exceed the stated redemption price payable at maturity of such Obligations. Such Obligations (the "Premium Obligations") are considered for federal income tax purposes to have "bond premium" equal to the amount of such excess. The basis of a Premium Obligation in the hands of an initial owner is reduced by the amount of such excess that is amortized during the period such initial owner holds such Premium Obligation in determining gain or loss for federal income tax purposes. This reduction in basis will increase the amount of any gain or decrease the amount of any loss recognized for federal income tax purposes on the sale or other taxable disposition of a Premium Obligation by the initial owner. No corresponding deduction is allowed for federal income tax purposes for the reduction in basis resulting from amortizable bond premium. The amount of bond premium obligation that is amortizable each year (or shorter period in the event of a sale or disposition of a Premium Obligation based on the initial offering price of such Obligation.

The federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and redemption, sale or other disposition of Premium Obligations that are not purchased in the initial offering at the initial offering price may be determined according to rules that differ from those described above. All owners of Premium Obligations should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state, and local income tax purposes of amortized bond premium upon the redemption, sale or other disposition of a Premium Obligation and with respect to the federal, state, local, and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and sale, redemption or other disposition of such Premium Obligations.

#### Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Discount Obligations

The issue price of all or a portion of the Obligations may be less than the stated redemption price payable at maturity of such Obligations (the "Original Issue Discount Obligations"). In such case, the difference between (i) the amount payable at the maturity of each Original Issue Discount Obligation, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount Obligation constitutes original issue discount with respect to such Original Issue Discount Obligation. Generally, such initial owner is entitled to exclude from gross income (as defined in Section 61 of the Code) an amount of income with respect to such Original Issue Discount Obligation continues to be owned by such owner. Because original issue discount is treated as interest for federal income tax purposes, the discussion regarding interest on the Obligations under the captions "TAX MATTERS – Tax Exemption" and "TAX MATTERS – Additional Federal Income Tax Consequences – Collateral Tax Consequences" generally apply and should be considered in connection with the discussion in this portion of the Official Statement.

In the event of the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original Issue Discount Obligation prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Original Issue Discount Obligation in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Original Issue Discount Obligation was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income.

The foregoing discussion assumes that (i) the Purchaser has purchased the Obligations for contemporaneous sale to the public and (ii) all of the Original Issue Discount Obligations have been initially offered, and a substantial amount of each maturity thereof has been sold, to the general public in arm's-length transactions for a price (and with no other consideration being included) not more than the initial offering prices thereof stated on the cover pages of this Official Statement. Neither the City nor Bond Counsel has made any investigation or offers any comfort that the Original Issue Discount Obligations will be offered and sold in accordance with such assumptions.

Under existing law, the original issue discount on each Original Issue Discount Obligation accrues daily to the stated maturity thereof (in amounts calculated as described below for each six-month period ending on the date before the semiannual anniversary dates of the date of the Obligations and ratably within each such six-month period) and the accrued amount is added to an initial owner's basis for such Original Issue Discount Obligation for purposes of determining the amount of gain or loss recognized by such owner upon the redemption, sale or other disposition thereof. The amount to be added to basis for each accrual period is equal to (i) the sum of the issue price and the amount of original issue discount accrued in prior periods multiplied by the yield to stated maturity (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period) less (ii) the amounts payable as current interest during such accrual period on such Obligation.

The federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and redemption, sale or other disposition of Original Issue Discount Obligations which are not purchased in the initial offering at the initial offering price may be determined according to rules which differ from those described above. All owners of Original Issue Discount Obligations should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state, and local income tax purposes of interest accrued upon redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Obligations and with respect to the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Obligations.

#### **Tax Legislative Changes**

Current law may change so as todirectly or indirectly reduce or eliminate the benefit of the exclusion of interest on the Certificates from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any proposed legislation, whether or not enacted, could also affect the value and liquidity of the Certificates. Prospective purchasers of the Certificates should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to any proposed, pending or future legislation.

#### Ratings

#### **OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

The Obligations are rated "Aa1" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business, ("S&P") and "AA+" by Fitch Ratings. The City's presently outstanding tax supported debt of the City has underlying ratings of "Aa1" by Moody's, "AAA" by S&P and "AA+" by Fitch.

An explanation of the significance of such ratings may only be obtained from the rating agency furnishing the same. The City furnished to such rating agencies the information contained in this Official Statement and certain publicly available materials and information about the City. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings on such materials and information, as well as investigations, studies, and assumptions of the rating agencies. Such ratings may be changed at any time, and no assurance can be given that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by either or both of such rating agencies if, in the judgment of either or both, circumstances so warrant. Such circumstances may include, without limitation, changes in or unavailability of information relating to the City. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of either of such ratings may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Obligations.

#### Litigation

The City accrued a \$1,250,000 liability for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011 to account for agreed-upon settlement of an APFA lawsuit filed against the City in 2002. The City paid the settlement amount in January, 2012, to a bankruptcy trustee with the understanding that after collection of the judgement and repayment of creditors, any excess amount would be returned to the City.

The City is currently involved in a lawsuit on appeal with potential liability for the City. Various other claims and lawsuits are pending against the City. In the opinion of City management, the potential losses, in excess of APFA limitations of insurance coverage, if any, on all claims will not have a materially adverse effect on the City's financial position.

#### Legal Matters

The City will furnish a complete transcript of proceedings had incident to the authorization and issuance of the Obligations, including the unqualified approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of Texas approving the Initial Bonds and to the effect that the Obligations are valid and legally binding special obligations of the City, and based upon examination of such transcript of proceedings, the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel, to like effect and to the effect that the interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law and the Obligations are not private activity bonds, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein, including alternative minimum tax consequences for corporations. The customary closing papers, including a certificate to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending to restrain the issuance and delivery of the Obligations, or which would affect the provision made for their payment or security, or in any manner questioning the validity of said Obligations will also be furnished. Bond Counsel was not requested to participate, and did not take part, in the preparation of the Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, the Official Bid Form and the Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained therein, except that, in its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information describing the Bonds in the Official Statement to verify that such description conforms to the provisions of the Goligations in the and elivery of the Obligations. The legal opinion will accompany the Bonds deposited with DTC or will be printed on the Obligations in the event of the discontinuance of the Book-Entry- Only System.

#### **Registration and Qualification**

The sale of the Obligations has not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon exemptions provided therein; the Obligations have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Obligations been registered or qualified under the securities act of any jurisdiction. The City assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Obligations under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Obligations may be offered, sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated, or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Obligations shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemptions from securities registration or qualification provisions.

#### **Initial Purchaser of the Bonds**

After requesting competitive bids for the Bonds, the City accepted the bid of Fidelity Capital Markets (the "Bonds Initial Purchaser") to purchase the Bonds at the interest rates shown on the cover page of the Official Statement at a price of 106.6629% of par. The Bonds Initial Purchaser can give no assurance that any trading market will be developed for the Bonds after their sale by the City to the Bonds Initial Purchaser. The City has no control over the price at which the Bonds are subsequently sold and the initial yield at which the Bonds will be priced and reoffered will be established by and will be the responsibility of the Bonds Initial Purchaser.

#### **Initial Purchaser of the Certificates**

After requesting competitive bids for the Certificates, the City accepted the bid of Fidelity Capital Markets (the "Certificates Initial Purchaser") to purchase the Certificates at the interest rates shown on page (iii) of the Official Statement at a price of 106.681% of par. The Certificates Initial Purchaser can give no assurance that any trading market will be developed for the Certificates after their sale by the City to the Certificates Initial Purchaser. The City has no control over the price at which the Certificates are subsequently sold and the initial yield at which the Certificates will be priced and reoffered will be established by and will be the responsibility of the Certificates Initial Purchaser.

#### **Financial Advisor**

Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc. is employed as Financial Advisor to the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Bonds. Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc., in its capacity as Financial Advisor, does not assume any responsibility for the information, covenants and representations contained in any of the legal documents with respect to the federal income tax status of the Bonds, or the possible impact of any present, pending or future actions taken by any legislative or judicial bodies. The Financial Advisor to the City has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the City and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

#### **Forward - Looking Statements**

The statements contained in this Official Statement and in any other information provided by the City that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the City's expectations, hopes, intentions, or strategies regarding the future. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to the City on the date hereof, and the City assumes no obligations to update any such forward-looking statements. It is important to note that the City's actual results could differ materially from those in such forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements included herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal, and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners, and competitors, and legislative, judicial, and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond the control of the City. Any of such assumptions could be inaccurate and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement will prove to be accurate.

#### **Certification of the Official Statement**

At the time of payment for and delivery of the Obligations, the Purchasers of the Obligations will be furnished a certificate, executed by proper officers, acting in their official capacity, to the effect that to their knowledge and belief: (a) the descriptions and statements of or pertaining to the City contained in this Official Statement and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, for its Obligations, on the date of such Official Statement, on the date of said Obligations and on the date of the delivery, were and are true and correct in all material respects; (b) insofar as the City and its affairs, including its financial affairs, are concerned, such Official Statement did not and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; (c) insofar as the descriptions and statements, including financial data, of or pertaining to entities other than the City and their activities contained in such Official Statement are concerned, such statements and data have been obtained from sources which the City believes to be reliable and the City has no reason to believe that they are untrue in any material respect; and (d) there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the City, since September 30, 2013, the date of the last audited financial statements of the City appearing in the Official Statement.

#### Miscellaneous

The financial data and other information contained herein have been obtained from the City's records, audited financial statements and other sources which are believed to be reliable. There is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. All of the summaries of the statutes, documents and resolutions contained in the Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such statutes, documents and resolution. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such documents for further information. Reference is made to original documents in all respects.

The Ordinances authorizing the issuance of the Obligations also approve the form and content of this Official Statement, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, and authorize its further use in the reoffering of the Obligations by the Initial Purchasers.

/s/ Robert Cluck Mayor City of Arlington, Texas

ATTEST:

/s/ Mary Supino City Secretary

City of Arlington, Texas

APPENDIX A

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITY

#### THE CITY OF ARLINGTON

#### The City

The City is located in the eastern part of Tarrant County, equidistant between Dallas and Fort Worth on Interstate Highways 20 and 30, which are limited access highways. The City's location places it at the geographical center of the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area. The land area of the City contained within its corporate boundaries is approximately 99.4 square miles.

The City was incorporated January 17, 1920, under the provisions of the Home Rule Amendment to the Texas State Constitution. The City provides the following services to the citizens of the City: public safety (police and fire), public works, public welfare, parks and recreation, public health, water and wastewater utilities, and general administrative services.

#### General

The City operates under the Council-Manager form of government as established by its Charter. There is a nine member City Council (the "Council") vested with local legislative power. Three council members and the Mayor are elected "at large" and five council members are elected in five single member districts. All members of the Council are elected for terms of two years, with the elections being held in even/odd years for approximately half the seats. The Council elects a Mayor Pro Tem from among its members.

#### Mayor and City Council

Policy-making and supervisory functions are the responsibility of and are vested in the Council under provisions of the City Charter. Ordinances, resolutions and zoning decisions are presented at Council meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Council meetings are broadcast on the local cable public access station and webcast. A simple majority of the Council constitutes a quorum. The Mayor is required to vote on all matters considered by the Council, but has limited power to veto Council actions that can be overridden by simple majority action of the Council.

#### Administration

The City Manager is the administrative head of the municipal government and carries out the policies of the Council. With the assistance of three Deputy City Managers, he coordinates the functions of the various municipal agencies and departments responsible for the delivery of services to residents. The City Manager is appointed by the Council and serves at the pleasure of the Council.

Excluding the positions and offices of the City Attorney, City Auditor and certain others whose appointments are reserved for Council action, the City Manager appoints and removes all City employees. The City Manager exercises control over all City departments and divisions and supervises their personnel; recommends Council legislative actions; advises Council on the City's financial conditions and needs; prepares and submits to Council the annual budget; and performs such duties required by Council.

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#### Population

# ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC FACTORS

The 2014 estimated population for the City of Arlington is 366,000. The following table presents population figures for selected years.

## Population and Rates of Change Arlington and the United States Selected Years

Year		Arlington	Annual Rate of Change	United States	Annual Rate of Change
1950	(1)	7,692		151,325,798	
1960	(1)	44,775	19.26%	179,323,175	1.71%
1970	(1)	90,643	7.31%	203,211,926	1.26%
1980	(1)	160,113	5.85%	226,545,805	1.09%
1990	(1)	261,721	5.04%	248,709,873	0.94%
2000	(1)	332,969	2.44%	281,421,906	1.24%
2010	(1)	365,438	0.93%	308,745,538	0.93%
2011	(2)	365,530	0.03%	312,759,230	1.30%
2012	(2)	365,860	0.09%	316,825,100	1.30%
2013	(2)	365,930	N/A	315,812,763	N/A

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census, and the Community Development and Planning Department Estimates.

(1) Actual Census population.

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated population for City of Arlington calculated at 1% annual growth per the City of Arlington, TX. Estimated population from the United States is calculated at 1.28% annual growth rate, per the United States Census Bureau.

#### Employment

Employment date for the City, Texas, and the United States is shown below.

#### Unemployment Rate Annual Average Rates 2010 to 2014

	March	March	March	March	March
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Arlington	5.0%	5.8%	6.5%	7.7%	8.1%
Texas	5.3%	6.3%	7.0%	7.9%	8.3%
United States	6.8%	7.6%	8.4%	9.2%	10.2%

Source: Texas Workforce Commission

Arington Wajor Employers							
Employer	Type of Business	Number of employees					
Texas Health Resources	Medical	8,252					
Arlington Independent School District	Public Education	8,000					
University of Texas at Arlington	Higher Education	5,300					
Six Flags Over Texas	Amusement Park	3,800					
The Parks Mall at Arlington	Retail	3,500					
General Motors	Automobile Assembly	2,900					
City of Arlington	Municipality	2,315					
J.P. Morgan Chase	Banking Services	1,965					
Texas Rangers Baseball Club	Major League Baseball	1,881					
Americredit	Automobile Finance	1,591					
Total		39,504					

# Arlington Major Employers (1)

<sup>(1)</sup> Arlington Chamber of Commerce. Includes part-time and peak seasonal employees.

# **Building Permits**

During the FY 2013 the City issued 4,595 building permits with a total value of \$316,690,123. Presented below is a table covering building permit activity for the last three years:

	2013		2012		2011	
	Permits	Declared Value	Permits	Declared Value	Permits	Declared Value
New Single Family	580	\$ 128,592,698	395	\$ 74,809,709	228	\$ 40,670,582
New Multifamily	-	-	-	-	2	16,612,505
New Commercial	125	94,840,703	146	148,544,196	94	71,945,351
Other (Residential and Commercial)	3,890	93,256,722	3,669	101,201,784	2,120	82,057,019
Grand Total	4,595	316,690,123	4,210	324,555,689	2,444	211,285,457

Source: City of Arlington Building Inspections Division

## APPENDIX B

# AUDITED BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE CITY OF ARLINGTON FISCAL YEAR 2013



# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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The Honorable Mayor, City Council and City Manager The City of Arlington, Texas

# Report on the financial statements

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 Arlington, Texas (the "City") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We did not audit the financial statements of the Arlington Housing Authority or the Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc., which are discretely presented component units which represent 5%, 5%, and 58%, respectively, of assets, net position, and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for those component units, is based on the reports of the other auditors.

# Management's responsibility 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; this includes 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.

# Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.



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

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

# Opinions

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 of Arlington, Texas as of September 30, 2013, 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.

#### Other matters

# 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 20, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund, the Schedule of Funding Progress - TMRS, the Schedule of Funding Progress - Part Time Deferred Income Trust Plan, the Schedule of Funding Progress - Disability Income Plan, and the Schedule of Funding Progress -Postemployment Healthcare Plan on pages 77 through 81, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a required 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. This required supplementary information is the responsibility of management. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These limited procedures 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 combining financial statements, individual fund budgetary comparison schedules, and the schedules of capital assets used in the operation of governmental funds listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures. These additional procedures included comparing and reconciling the 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 supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

# Other information

The introductory section and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. 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.

# Other reporting required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report, dated March 4, 2014, 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 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.

GRANT THORNTON LLP

Dallas, Texas March 4, 2014



# **CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS**

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited)

# **SEPTEMBER 30, 2013**

This discussion and analysis of the City of Arlington's financial performance provides an overview and analysis of the City's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013. It should be read in conjunction with the accompanying letter of transmittal and financial statements.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The City's net position of governmental activities **increased** by \$1.8 (<1%) this year, primarily due to a decrease in net governmental bonds payable.
  - The City's **increase** in total net position of \$20.7M for the year was \$2.8M lower than the \$23.5M increase last year. The change is primarily related to a decrease in the amount added to net investment in capital assets in the enterprise funds. Net investment in capital assets represent the capital assets and construction in progress of the City (net of depreciation), less the related outstanding debt liability. The Water and Sewer Utility fund added \$16.5M in fiscal year 2013 compared to \$21.5M in fiscal year 2012.
  - The City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$265M, an increase of \$2.5M over last year. This increase is due to a combination of:
    - An **increase** in Street Capital Project fund balance of \$2.1M and an **increase** in Park Capital Project fund balance of \$4.2M, both related to current year bond proceeds.
    - An **increase** in Street Maintenance fund balance of \$3M due to timing of sales tax revenue receipts vs. street maintenance expenditures.
    - A **decrease** in General Fund balance of \$6.8M as more fully described below.
  - The 2013 General Fund assigned fund balance was \$53.6M with \$1.5M unassigned, a **decrease** in the aggregate from prior year. In 2012, the comparable balances were \$61.7 and \$0. Total assigned and unassigned fund balance of \$55.1M is \$6.6M lower than last year primarily due to the budgeted use of beginning fund balance in fiscal year 2013. Fund balance assignment changes in the General Fund include decreases to the business continuity reserve, encumbrances, and future initiatives of \$1.1M, \$2.5M, and \$4.3M respectively.
  - Total debt of \$685.6M decreased \$32.1M during the year. Debt issues in 2013 include \$26.0M in Permanent Improvement and Refunding bonds and \$18.1M and in Water and Wastewater System Revenue bonds and \$1M in bonds related to the 2008 Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Clean and Drinking Water Programs. Bond principal payments for 2013 total \$48.3M on existing obligations with an additional \$27.9M in principal refunded. Exclusive of Cowboy's Stadium debt, City of Arlington debt is allocated 68% for general government, with the remaining 32% to water, wastewater and storm water activities.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The City's "basic financial statements" have three parts: government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements and notes to the financial statements. This is the portion of the CAFR on which the auditors express an opinion. The 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 the City's finances.

- The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the 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 is improving or deteriorating. The Statement of Net Position combines governmental funds' current financial resources (short-term spendable resources) with additional accruals, capital assets and long-term obligations. Other non-financial factors should also be taken into consideration to assess the overall health or financial condition of the City, such as changes in the City's property tax base and the condition of the City's infrastructure.
- The Statement of Activities shows how the net position changed during the most recent year. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but not used vacation leave). Both the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities are prepared utilizing the accrual basis of accounting.

In the aforementioned statements, the City's business is divided into three kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities Most of the City's basic functions are reported here, including general
  government, public safety, public works, public health, parks and recreation, public welfare,
  convention and event services and interest and fiscal charges. Property taxes, sales taxes and
  franchise fees provide the majority of funding for these activities, with the addition of charges for
  services, grants and contributions.
- Business-type Activities The City charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The City's water and sewer system is reported here, as well as storm water utilities.
- Component Units The City includes one blended component unit with financial activity in 2013 in its report – Arlington Property Finance Authority, Inc. For fiscal year 2013, the City includes six discretely presented component units in its report – Arlington Housing Authority (AHA), Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau (ACVB) d/b/a Experience Arlington, Arlington Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), Arlington Tomorrow Foundation (ATF), Arlington Industrial Corporation (AIC) and the Arlington Convention Center Development Corporation (ACCDC). Although legally separate, these component units are important because the City is financially accountable for them.

## **REPORTING THE CITY'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS**

## **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds – not the City as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by state law and by bond covenants. However, the City establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants and other money.

The majority of the City's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method identified as the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted into cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. By comparing information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide statements, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. The relationships or differences between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds are defined in a reconciliation following the fund financial statements.

The City maintains twenty-one 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, Debt Service Fund, and the Streets Capital Projects Fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other eighteen governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregate, nonmajor fund presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The City charges customers for water and sewer services and storm water runoff. These services are reported in enterprise funds, a type of proprietary fund. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. The internal service funds, another component of proprietary funds, report activities that provide supplies and services for the City such as self-insurance and fleet maintenance functions.

# THE CITY AS TRUSTEE

# **Reporting the City's Fiduciary Responsibilities**

The City is the trustee, or fiduciary, for several funds, including the Part-Time Deferred Income Trust, Thrift Savings Plan, and Disability Income Plan, as well as certain amounts held on behalf of developers, property owners and others. All of the City's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Position and Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. While individual funds are provided in the report, the assets and activities of these funds are excluded from the City's government-wide financial statements, because the City cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report presents certain required supplementary information concerning the City's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits and postemployment healthcare to the employees.

#### THE CITY AS A WHOLE – Government-wide Financial Analysis

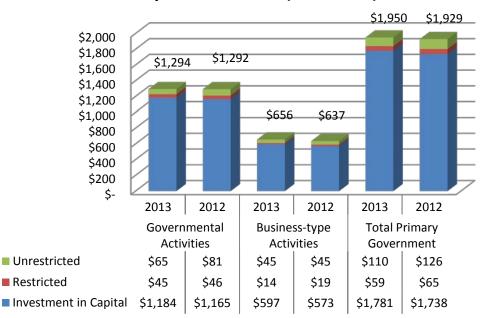
The City's combined net position was \$1.95B as of September 30, 2013. Analyzing the net position and net expenses of governmental and business-type activities separately, the governmental activities net position is \$1.3B and the business-type activities net position is \$656M. This analysis focuses on the net position and changes in general revenues and significant expenses of the City's governmental and business-type activities.

# Table 1 Summary of Net Position (Amounts Expressed in Millions)

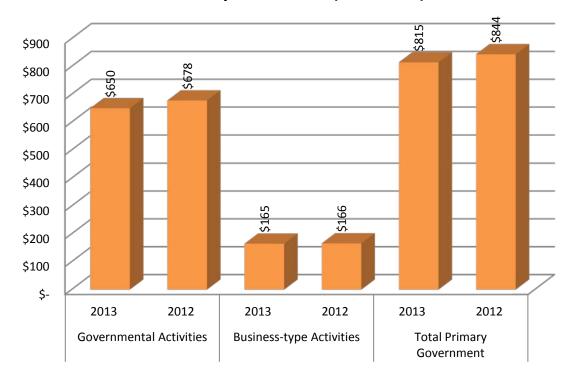
	Governmental Activities		Business	-type	Total Prin	nary
			Activit	ies	Government	
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	2012
Current and other assets	\$ 351	\$ 350	\$ 136	\$ 145	\$ 487	\$ 495
Capital assets	1,593	1,620	685	658	2,278	2,278
Total assets	1,944	1,970	821	803	2,765	2,773
Long-term liabilities	586	614	136	138	722	752
Other liabilities	64	64	29	28	93	92
Total liabilities	650	678	165	166	815	844
Net position: Invested in capital assets, net						
of related debt	1,184	1,165	597	573	1,781	1,738
Restricted	45	46	14	19	59	65
Unrestricted	65	81	45	45	110	126
Total net position	\$1,294	\$ 1,292	\$ 656	\$ 637	\$ 1,950	\$ 1,929

By far the largest portion of the City's net position (91.3%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, infrastructure, machinery, and equipment); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding.

# Summary of Net Position (in Millions)



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.



# **Summary of Liabilities (in Millions)**

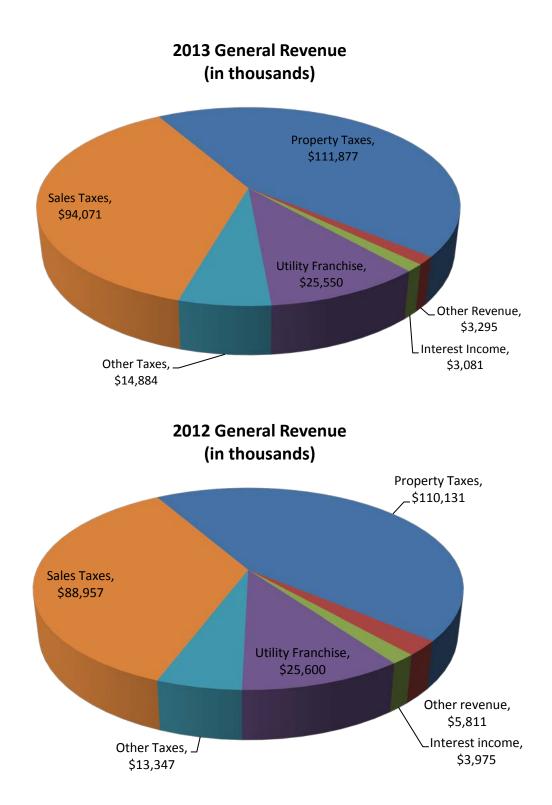
#### **Governmental Activities**

The City's general revenues remained substantially the same compared to the prior year, increasing overall by 2.0%. Sales tax revenue accounted for the majority of the increase this year compared to last.

Property tax collections were up slightly from the prior year by about \$1.7M. Residential property value decreased slightly (.73%), while commercial property values increased by 5.02%. Mineral lease property value decreased by 6.92%, however as a tax revenue generator, they are considerably less predictive or reliable in the long-term than other kinds of property. This is due to the nature of mineral lease property; the valuation is based on a temporary activity with value only as long as mineral recovery is taking place. The City anticipates other property values to increase slowly with the overall economic recovery. As a lagging economic indicator, property tax improvements are typically seen only after changes in the economy as a whole have taken effect. The property tax rate for 2013 was set at \$0.6480 per \$100 assessed valuation; remaining unchanged for the tenth consecutive year.

Sales tax collections were up by more than five percent partly due to a sales tax audit adjustment received by the City. The increase was also attributable to stronger-than-anticipated improvement in the retail economy. Because sales tax is a coincident economic indicator, sales tax collections reflect the current economic conditions: the increase is indicative of the economic recovery Arlington is experiencing.

Utility franchise fee collections were virtually unchanged from 2012.



Governmental activities increased the City's net position by \$1.8M, and Business-type activities increased net position by \$18.9M, for a total increase of \$20.7M. Changes from 2012 to 2013 are shown in Table 2.

#### Table 2 Changes in Net Position (amounts expressed in thousands)

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		Business-ty	pe Activities	То	tal
	2013	<u>2012</u>	2013	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Revenues						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 59,066	\$ 60,940	\$ 125,049	\$ 125,255	\$ 184,115	\$ 186,195
Operating grants and						
contributions	19,483	26,270	-	-	19,483	26,270
Capital grants and						
contributions	4,481	6,132	3,663	1,253	8,144	7,385
General Revenues:						
Taxes	220,832	212,435	-	-	220,832	212,435
Utility franchise fees	25 <i>,</i> 550	25,600	-	-	25,550	25,600
Interest income	3,081	3,975	353	569	3,434	4,544
Other	3,295	5,811	(131)	(101)	3,164	5,710
Total revenues	335,788	341,163	128,934	126,976	464,722	468,139
Expenses						
General government	65,321	66,080	-	-	65,321	66,080
Public safety	139,309	137,561	-	-	139,309	137,561
Public works	68 <i>,</i> 633	71,957	-	-	68,633	71,957
Public health	2,489	4,320	-	-	2,489	4,320
Parks and recreation	30,599	32,515	-	-	30,599	32,515
Public welfare	11,453	9,475	-	-	11,453	9,475
Convention and event						
services	6,711	6,821	-	-	6,711	6,821
Interest and fiscal charges	25,017	24,898	-	-	25,017	24,898
Water, sewer and storm						
water	-	-	94,488	91,012	94,488	91,012
Total expenses	349,532	353,627	94,488	91,012	444,020	444,639
Increase (decrease) in net						
position before transfers	(13,744)	(12,464)	34,446	35,964	20,702	23,500
Transfers and capital						
contributions	15,556	14,770	(15,556)	(14,770)	-	-
Increase in net position	1,812	2,306	18,890	21,194	20,702	23,500
Net Position, October 1	1,292,467	1,290,161	637,156	615,962	1,929,623	1,906,123
Net Position, September 30	\$ 1,294,279	\$ 1,292,467	\$ 656,046	\$ 637,156	\$ 1,950,325	\$ 1,929,623

The decrease in grants and contributions compared to prior year is the result of the end of ARRA funding which included funding for the COPS Hiring Program, COPS Southern Border Protection programs and partial funding for Handitran.

The decrease in public works expenses in fiscal year 2013 is due primarily to a reduction in project spending this year versus last.

The decrease in public health expenses is primarily due to 2012 spending related to an energy conservation block grant that did not renew in 2013.

Revenue and expense variances in business activities (Water and Wastewater/Storm Water Utility) were largely a result of an increase for the cost of purchasing water and sewage treatment. Water sales continued to be high in 2013. Additionally, the cost of maintenance and repairs were higher in 2013 than in 2012.

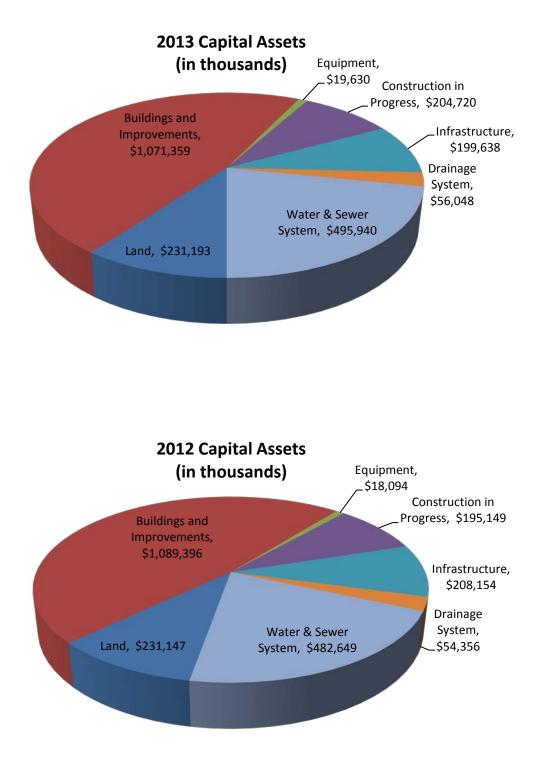
#### CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

#### **Capital Assets**

At the end of the fiscal year 2013, the City had \$2.28B invested in a broad range of capital assets. This amount is virtually unchanged from the prior fiscal year. Footnote 5 in the notes to the financial statements provides more detailed information regarding the City's capital asset activity.

# Table 3 Capital Assets, net of Accumulated Depreciation (in thousands)

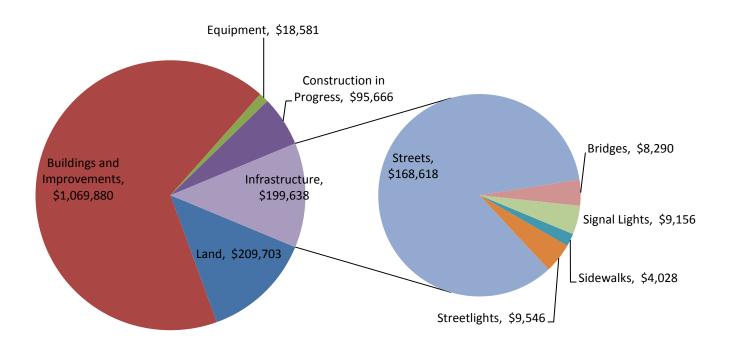
	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities			Total		
	2013	2012	2013 2012		2013	2012		
Land	\$ 209,703	\$ 209,703	\$ 21,490	\$	21,444	\$ 231,193	\$ 231,147	
Buildings and improvements	1,069,880	1,087,860	1,479		1,536	1,071,359	1,089,396	
Equipment	18,581	17,158	1,049		936	19,630	18,094	
Construction in progress	95,666	97,618	109,054		97,531	204,720	195,149	
Infrastructure	199,638	208,154	-		-	199,638	208,154	
Drainage system	-	-	56,048		54,356	56,048	54,356	
Water and sewer system	-	-	495,940		482,649	495,940	482,649	
Totals	\$ 1,593,468	\$ 1,620,493	\$ 685,060	\$	658,452	\$ 2,278,528	\$ 2,278,945	



The City's governmental activities infrastructure investment, including accumulated depreciation, breaks down as follows (in thousands):

	Accumulated							
Asset	В	ook Value		Depreciation	Net Value			
Sidewalks	\$	65,784	\$	(61,756)	\$ 4,028			
Streetlights		19,202		(9 <i>,</i> 656)	9,546			
Streets		684,130		(515,512) 168				
Bridges		32,097		(23 <i>,</i> 807)	8,290			
Signal Lights	17,032			(7 <i>,</i> 876)	9,156			
	\$	818,245	\$	(618,607)	\$ 199,638			

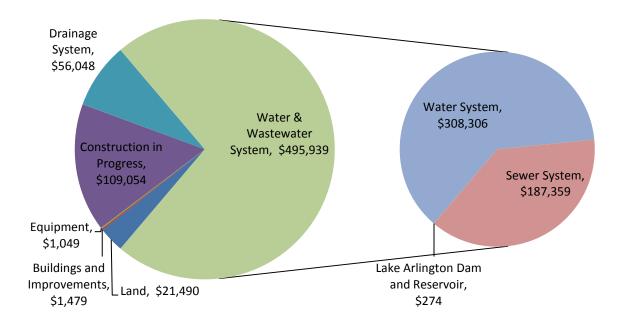
# 2013 Capital Assets – Governmental Infrastructure Detail (in thousands)



The City's water and sewer enterprise infrastructure investment, including accumulated depreciation, breaks down as follows (in thousands):

	Accumulated							
Asset	Book Value		Depreciation	Net Value				
Lake Arlington	\$ 2,619	\$	(2,345)	\$ 274				
Water System	\$ 470,151	\$	(161,845)	\$ 308,306				
Sewer System	\$ 273,347	\$	(85,988)	\$ 187,359				
	\$ 746,117	\$	(250,178)	\$ 495,939				

# 2013 Capital Assets – Enterprise Infrastructure Detail (in thousands)

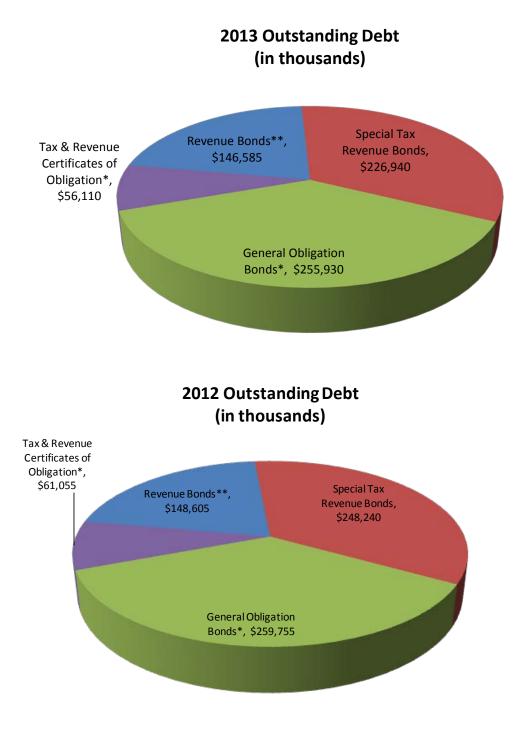


Major capital asset additions during the fiscal year include the following:

- Private developer capital contributions of \$3.7M to the City's water and sewer infrastructure in connection with various residential and commercial developments
- Water and sewer system capital improvements and expansion of \$28.2M
- Storm drainage system capital improvements and expansion of \$7.6M
- Street construction projects capital outlay totaling \$13.5M
- Improvements to parks and recreation facilities of \$3.9M

#### Debt

At year-end, the City had \$685.6M in debt, a decrease of \$32.0 from 2012. The City refunded \$6.4M in permanent improvement and refunding bonds, \$8.1M in water and wastewater system revenue bonds, and \$13.4M in special tax revenue bonds. Reductions in certificates of obligation, revenue bonds and general obligation debt, account for the remaining \$4.1M decrease.



\*Secured by City Tax Base \*\*Secured by Water and Sewer or Drainage Revenue

# Table 4 Outstanding Debt (Amounts Expressed In Thousands)

	Governmental		Busines	s-type		
	Activi	ities	Activi	ties	Total	
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
General obligation bonds						
(backed by the City)	\$ 255,930	\$ 259,755	\$-	\$-	\$ 255,930	\$ 259,755
Combination tax and revenue						
certificates of obligation						
(backed by the City)	56,110	61,055	-	-	56,110	61,055
Special tax revenue bonds	226,940	248,240	-	-	226,940	248,240
Revenue bonds						
(backed by fee revenues)	-	-	146,585	148,605	146,585	148,605
Totals	\$ 538,980	\$ 569,050	\$ 146,585	\$ 148,605	\$ 685,565	\$ 717,655

During the current fiscal year, the City issued \$26.0M in Permanent Improvement and Refunding bonds to refund certain debt obligations of the City, to make various capital improvements, and to pay costs related to the issuance of the bonds. The City issued no new certificates of obligation or special obligation bonds in 2013. In 2013, the City issued \$8.93M in Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds for the purpose of improving and expanding existing water and wastewater infrastructure. Additionally, the City issued \$0.91M related to the 2008 debt issues held by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) as part of the TWDB Clean and Drinking Water Programs. Footnote 8 in the notes to the financial statements provides more detailed information regarding the City's long-term debt activity.

In 2013, the City's tax supported debt rating was AA+ by Fitch, Inc. and was an Aa1 rating by Moody's Investor Services. The City upgraded its rating by Standard and Poor's Corporation on its tax supported debt to AAA. The City also upgraded its rating by Standard and Poor's Corporation on its water and wastewater revenue bonds to AAA. The City maintained water and wastewater revenue bond rating at Aa2 rating from Moody's Investor Service and AAA from Fitch, Inc. The ratings on the Cowboys Complex Special Obligations are rated A1 by Moody's, A+ by Fitch, Inc. and A by Standard and Poor's. The ratings for Municipal Drainage Utility System Revenue Bonds (Storm Water) are Aa2 by Moody's and AAA by Standard and Poor's Corporation.

General bonded debt per capita decreased from \$864 in 2012 to \$842 in 2013.

The City is permitted by Article XI, Section 5, of the State of Texas Constitution to levy taxes up to \$2.50 per \$100 assessed valuation for general governmental services including the payment of principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt. The current ratio of net bonded debt to assessed value of all taxable property is 1.74%.

The City maintains a self-insurance program for bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, advertising injury, regulatory injury and worker's compensation. Claims for worker's compensation over \$500,000 per occurrence are covered by a private insurance company. Claim liabilities are actuarially determined and take into consideration claim experience, adjustment expenses, economic, and other factors which can vary considerably from year to year. Total estimated claims liability at September 30, 2013 was \$8.4M.

# COWBOYS COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

The Stadium Complex opened in July 2009, and the Dallas Cowboys began playing their home season games there. The City and the Complex hosted Super Bowl XLV in 2011 and is annual host to the Cotton Bowl. In 2014, the City will host the NCAA Final Four Basketball Championship.

In February of 2005, the City, as landlord, and the Cowboys Stadium, L.P., as tenant, entered into a funding and closing agreement for the Cowboys Complex Development Project. Pursuant to the agreement, the City paid \$325M, to build the Complex. In July of 2005, the City issued \$298M Cowboy Complex Special Obligations Series A, B, and C, pledging one-half cent sales tax, 2% hotel occupancy tax and 5% car rental tax. The 2005B bonds were refunded partially by Series 2008 in November of 2008, and the remainder was refunded by Series 2009 in April of 2009. The proceeds of debt issuance, along with interest earnings, and revenues from the pledged taxes, which are not required for debt service, provide the City's funding for the Complex.

As part of the closing agreement, the City entered into a lease agreement with the Cowboys Stadium, L.P. (tenant) for lease of the Complex. The lease calls for an initial term of 30 years at a rental rate of \$2M per year and contains several renewal options. The lease also provides the tenant with an option to purchase the Complex from the City at the end of the initial lease term and each renewal option thereafter. Under the lease, the tenant pays for all costs of operation and maintenance of the Complex. In 2013 the naming rights to the stadium were sold and the stadium is officially known as AT&T Stadium. The City will receive 5% of the net naming rights revenue received by the tenant capped at \$500,000 per year.

In July of 2006, \$148M Cowboy Complex Admissions and Parking Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2006 were issued with a pledge of a 10% admissions tax and a \$3 parking tax for events held at the Cowboys Complex, with security provided by a Guaranty Agreement from The Cowboys Stadium, L.P. The proceeds of the bond sale, along with interest earnings, provided a portion of the Cowboy's funding for the project. The bonds are not payable from or secured by any money raised or to be raised from property taxes or any other of the City's revenue sources. The bonds do not constitute a debt or pledge of the faith and credit of the City and are not reported as a liability in the City's financial statements but are disclosed as conduit debt.

The City and the Dallas Cowboys Football Club, LTD. entered into a franchise agreement that requires the Dallas Cowboys NFL football franchise to remain in Arlington and to play all of the team's home games in the Complex for a minimum of 30 years with four ten-year renewal options.

# THE CITY'S FUNDS

The governmental funds of the City reported a combined fund balance of \$265M. The General Fund balance was \$56.7M, a decrease of \$6.8M from prior year. This decrease can be attributed to the budgeted use of beginning fund balance in fiscal year 2013. \$4.3M in fund balance assigned to future initiatives was used to purchase wheeled recycling carts and \$1.1M in fund balance assigned to the business continuity reserve was used to fund various one-time projects. The Debt Service fund balance decreased \$3.3M, ending the year with \$35.8M. The decrease was a result of general obligation debt issuance and the refunding and retirement of principal on existing debt. Other changes in fund balances should be noted:

- Street Capital Projects fund spending decreased in fiscal year 2013, down from \$14.2M to \$13.5M. Fund balance increased with capital contributions of \$2.3M and another debt issuance during fiscal year 2013 of \$12.6M, adding a total of \$2.1M to the fund for ongoing street projects.
- The City's water and sewer fund net position of \$577.2 increased by \$14.4M over the prior year net asset balance. The increase in net position is primarily due to operating revenues exceeding expenses by \$26.6M.

• The Storm Water Utility fund, created in 2009 to address the City's need to manage issues associated with storm water runoff, saw an increase to fund balance in 2013; storm water fee revenues exceeded fund expenses by \$6.3M, increasing fund balance to \$81.0M at the end of the fiscal year.

# **GENERAL FUND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

During fiscal year 2013, there was a budget amendment in the General Fund in the amount of \$4,335,674 to fund costs associated with wheeled recycling carts.

Actual expenditures on a budgetary basis of \$216.3M were slightly less than budgeted expenditures of \$216.9M. Savings in administrative and support functions created by greater than anticipated vacancy savings offset overages in public safety related to employee health insurance increases.

Revenues on a budgetary basis were lower than the budgeted amount of \$214.4M by \$1.4M. Utility franchise fees and service charges were lower than expected by \$3.1M and \$4.0M respectively. Lower than expected water and telephone utility fees accounted for the decrease in utility franchise fees, while lower gas well related fees led the decrease in service charges. There decreases were offset by higher than expected tax collections and licenses and permits which exceeded budgetary expectations by \$4.0M and \$1.8M respectively. Sales tax revenue accounted for most of the increase in taxes primarily attributable to a large sales tax audit adjustment received by the City. Building permit fees accounted for most of the licenses and permit fees increase.

# ECONOMIC FACTORS AND FISCAL YEAR 2014

The City's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2014 budget, tax rates, and fees that will be charged for the business-type activities. The City of Arlington is continuing to see modest progress in our economic recovery. Home sales are increasing, for FY 2014 the City expects the increases to continue. General Fund sales tax revenues reached \$50 million for the first time in FY 2012, and increased to \$54M in 2013. Nevertheless, City Council and management remain committed to prudent, conservative fiscal planning. Key budget strategies in 2014 are:

- Maintaining assets
- Code compliance enhancement
- Street maintenance
- Customer service enhancements
- Public safety investment
- Compensation

The City's total General Fund revenues and transfers for 2014 are budgeted at \$211.6M, and total General Fund expenditures are expected to be \$211.6M, an increase of \$6.5M over 2013.

The General Fund's largest single revenue source is property taxes. This revenue represents 37.0% of the General Fund budget. The property tax rate for 2014 is \$0.6480 per \$100 valuation, unchanged since 2004. The tax rate is broken into two pieces, operations and maintenance, \$0.4423 per \$100 valuation, to the General Fund, and interest and sinking, \$0.2057 per \$100 valuation, for debt service. The General Fund property tax revenue for 2014 is estimated to be \$78.2M, up \$1.4M (1.8%) from last year's estimate.

The City's portion of the local 8 cent sales tax rate is one and three-quarter cents. The General Fund receives one cent, one-quarter cent is dedicated to the Street Maintenance Fund, and one-half cent provides for debt service for the Cowboy Project debt. Sales tax revenue for the General Fund for fiscal year 2014 is estimated at \$54.2M, substantially unchanged from 2013 collections.

The City's Water and Sewer Fund accounts for nearly 30% of the City's revenue. The mission of the Water Utilities Department is to provide a continuous supply of high quality drinking water and ensure safe disposal of wastewater in a responsive, cost-effective manner while continuing to improve service to citizens and planning for future needs. The largest revenue sources for the Water and Sewer Fund is water sales and wastewater treatment budgeted at \$64.03M and \$52.9M respectively for FY 2014. The City maintains a rate structure designed to ensure that each category of service is self-supporting.

Details of the City of Arlington Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget can be accessed on the City's website: www.arlingtontx.gov.

# CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's fiscal accountability. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Assistant Director of Finance, Sherry Wright (sherry.wright@arlingtontx.gov), in the Finance Department, at the City of Arlington, 101 S. Mesquite St., Suite 800, Arlington, TX 76010. The City is also an active member of MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA), which keeps the Arlington CAFR on file. Additionally, the CAFR can be found on the City's website at www.arlingtontx.gov.

#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Governmental	Primary Governmer Business-type		Component	
	Activities	Activities	Total	Units	
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 269,394	\$ 39,259	\$ 308,653	\$ 19,839	
Investments	-	-	-	88,160	
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):					
Taxes	4,964	-	4,964	-	
Sales taxes	15,526	-	15,526	-	
Trade accounts	5	8,907	8,912	-	
Franchise fees	6,704	-	6,704	-	
Unbilled trade accounts	-	7,521	7,521	-	
Special assessments	137	-	137	-	
Accrued interest	1,228	-	1,228	74	
Ballpark lease	14,246	-	14,246	-	
Settlement agreement	8,842	-	8,842	-	
Other	4,437	2	4,439	359	
Internal balances	2,152	(2,152)	-	-	
Due from other governments	6,656	-	6,656	-	
Deferred charge - issuance costs	5,670	-	5,670	-	
Inventory of supplies	1,482	460	1,942	-	
Prepaid expenses	104	-	104	47	
Net other post employment benefit asset	518	-	518	-	
Restricted assets-					
Bond contingency-					
Investments	-	12,655	12,655	-	
Accrued interest receivable	-	3	3	-	
Capital construction-					
Investments	-	60,934	60,934	-	
Escrow	-	2,942	2,942	-	
Meter deposits-					
Investments	-	5,107	5,107	-	
Closure/Post-closure trust fund					
Investments	8,526	-	8,526	-	
Capital Assets-					
Land	209,703	21,490	231,193	-	
Buildings and improvements	1,286,267	2,833	1,289,100	563	
Water and sewer system	-	746,116	746,116	-	
Machinery and equipment	91,903	11,846	103,749	1,158	
Infrastructure	818,245	-	818,245	-	
Drainage systems	-	89,651	89,651	-	
Construction in progress	95,666	109,054	204,720	-	
Accumulated depreciation	(908,316)	(295,930)	(1,204,246)	(1,119)	
Total Assets	\$ 1,944,059	\$ 820,698	\$ 2,764,757	\$ 109,081	

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

#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (CONTINUED) (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Governmental	Business-type		Component
	Activities	Activities	Total	Units
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 15,835	\$ 5,277	\$ 21,112	\$ 996
Retainage payable	1,094		1,094	-
Accrued interest	2,987	-	2,987	-
Unearned revenue	1,399	-	1,399	115
Payable from restricted assets-				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	1,834	1,834	-
Retainage payable	-	1,258	1,258	-
Accrued interest	-	1,620	1,620	-
Meter deposits	-	5,107	5,107	-
Non-current liabilities				
Due within one year:				
Estimated claims payable	3,757	-	3,757	-
General obligation and certificates				
of obligation debt	30,175	-	30,175	-
Special tax revenue debt	7,710	-	7,710	-
Accrued compensated absences	1,265		1,425	-
Revenue bonds	-	13,370	13,370	-
Due in more than one year:		- ,	-,	
Estimated claims payable	4,665	-	4,665	-
Net other post-employment	,		,	
benefit obligation	30,229	-	30,229	-
Net pension obligation	17,624	-	17,624	-
General obligation and certificates	,		,	
of obligation debt	283,428	-	283,428	-
Special tax revenue debt	218,008		218,008	-
Landfill closure accrued liabilities	8,526		8,526	-
Accrued compensated absences	23,078	1,774	24,852	-
Revenue bonds		134,252	134,252	-
Total Liabilities	649,780		814,432	1,111
	010,700	104,002	014,402	
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	1,183,621	597,114	1,780,735	602
Restricted for debt service	38,130	,	52,429	
Restricted for use of impact fees	7,039		7,039	-
Restricted for housing assistance		-	- ,000	860
Restricted for endowments	-	-	-	102,455
Unrestricted	65,489	44,633	110,122	4,053
Total Net Position	\$ 1,294,279	\$ 656,046	\$ 1,950,325	\$ 107,970
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



# CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

				Program Revenues					
					0	perating	(	Capital	
			Ch	arges for	Gr	ants and	Gra	ants and	
Functions/Programs		Expenses		Services		Contributions		Contributions	
Primary Government:									
Governmental Activities:									
General government	\$	65,321	\$	21,023	\$	123	\$	1,357	
Public safety		139,309		19,344		6,775		-	
Public works		68,633		1,416		2,392		2,731	
Public health		2,489		3,488		65		-	
Parks and recreation		30,599		10,977		796		393	
Public welfare		11,453		224		9,332		-	
Convention and event services		6,711		2,594		-		-	
Interest and fiscal charges		25,017		-		-		-	
Total Governmental Activities		349,532		59,066		19,483		4,481	
Business-Type Activities:									
Water and sewer		89,437		114,234		-		3,663	
Storm water utility		5,051		10,815		-		-	
Total Business-Type Activities		94,488		125,049		-		3,663	
Total Primary Government	\$	444,020	\$	184,115	\$	19,483	\$	8,144	
Component Units:									
Arlington Housing Authority	\$	29,117	\$	-	\$	26,449	\$	-	
Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau	-	4,350		4,361		-		-	
Arlington Tomorrow Foundation		1,983		-		-		-	
Arlington Housing Finance Corporation		-		-		5		-	
Arlington Convention Center Development Corp		12,826		-		-		12,819	
Total Component Units	\$	48,276	\$	4,361	\$	26,454	\$	12,819	

General Revenues: Property taxes Sales taxes Criminal justice tax State liquor tax Bingo tax TIF/TIRZ Occupancy tax Franchise fees based on gross receipts Interest Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments Other Transfers Total general revenues and transfers Change in net position Net position - beginning Net position - ending

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

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Primary Government										
Gov	/ernmental	Co	mponent							
Activities			siness-type Activities		Total	Units				
\$	(42,818)	\$	-	\$	(42,818)	\$	-			
	(113,190)		-		(113,190)		-			
	(62,094)		-		(62,094)		-			
	1,064		-		1,064		-			
	(18,433)		-		(18,433)		-			
	(1,897)		-		(1,897)		-			
	(4,117)		-		(4,117)		-			
	(25,017)		-		(25,017)		-			
	(266,502)		-		(266,502)		-			
	-		28,460		28,460		-			
	-		5,764		5,764		-			
	-		34,224		34,224		-			
\$	(266,502)	\$	34,224	\$	(232,278)	\$	-			
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\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(2,668			
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	-		-		-		(1,983			
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	-		-		-		(7			
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(4,642			
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	111,877		-		111,877		-			
	94,071		-		94,071		-			
	467		-		467		-			
	1,324		-		1,324		-			
	113		-		113		-			
	4,467		-		4,467		-			
	8,513		-		8,513		-			
	25,550		-		25,550		-			
	3,081		353		3,434		2,428			
	(962)		(131)		(1,093)		388			
	4,257		-		4,257		10,220			
	15,556		(15,556)		-,201		. 5,0			
	268,314		(15,334)		252,980		13,036			
	1,812		18,890		202,000		8,394			
	1,292,467		637,156		1,929,623		99,576			
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Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	General	Debt Service	Street Capital Projects	N	Other Nonmajor Funds		Total /ernmental Funds
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 48,289	\$ 30,447	\$ 69,191	\$	103,994	\$	251,921
Closure/Post-closure restricted cash	8,526	-	-		-		8,526
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles)							
Taxes	2,535	580	-		1,849		4,964
Sales taxes	8,872	4,436	-		2,218		15,526
Franchise fees	6,704	-	-		-		6,704
Special assessments	-	-	137		-		137
Accrued interest	861	367	-		-		1,228
Lease and settlement agreements	23,088	-	-		-		23,088
Other	3,555	-	-		882		4,437
Due from other funds	4,916	-	-		-		4,916
Due from other governments	-	-	-		6,656		6,656
Inventory of supplies, at cost	1,172	-	-		243		1,415
Prepaid Expenditures	20	-	-	-	58	-	78
Total Assets	\$ 108,538	\$ 35,830	\$ 69,328	\$	115,900	\$	329,596
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:	\$ 10,287	\$2	\$ 1,280	\$	3,820	\$	15 200
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 10,207 7	φ Z -	\$    1,280 592	φ	3,820 495	Φ	15,389 1,094
Retainage payable Due to other funds	/	-	592				
Closure/Post-closure trust fund	- 0 506	-	-		4,916		4,916
Deferred revenue-	8,526	-	-		-		8,526
Taxes	2,318						2,318
Landfill liability	2,318 5,258	-	-		-		5,258
Gas lease	5,256	-	-		- 18		5,258 18
	- 23,088	-	-		10		23,088
Lease and settlement agreements Other	2,314	-	- 137		- 1,179		3,630
Total Liabilities	51,798	2	2,009		10,428		64,237
Fund Balances: Nonspendable:							
Inventory	1,172	-	-		243		1,415
Prepaids	20	-	-		58		78
Restricted for:		05 000					05 000
Debt Service	-	35,828	-		-		35,828
Capital Projects	-	-	67,319		17,895		85,214
Other purposes	-	-	-		38,361		38,361
Committed to:	500						500
Utility rate case	500	-	-		- 24,592		500 24,592
Capital Projects	-	-	-		24,592		22,010
Other purposes	-	-	-		22,010		22,010
Assigned to: Encumbrances	5,235						5,235
Working capital	17,076	-	-		-		17,076
Subsequent years' expenditures	6,147	-	-		-		6,147
Compensated absences	1,263	-	-		-		1,263
•	1,203	-	-		-		1,203
Other post employment benefits Future initiatives	1,718	-	-		-		1,718
Dispatch	615	-	-		-		615
	236	-	-		-		
Information Technology		-	-		-		236
Business continuity	4,062	-	-		-		4,062
Park performance	-	-	-		2,320		2,320
Unassigned Total Fund Balances	<u>1,490</u> 56,740	35,828	67,319		<u>(7)</u> 105,472		1,483 265,359
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 108,538	\$ 35,830	\$ 69,328	\$	115,900	\$	329,596
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#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE BALANCE SHEET AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

Total fund balance per balance sheet		\$	265,359					
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position a different because:	re							
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds (excluding \$13,690 recorded in the internal service funds).								
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-p and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	period expenditures							
	Deferred & Unearned	Unearned						
Taxes Landfill Gas lease Grant revenue Ballpark lease Settlement	\$ 2,318 5,258 18 649 14,246 8,842	\$ - 5,258 18 (3,877) - -						
Other	<u>2,981</u> 34,312	1,399	32,913					
Internal service funds are used by management to charge t general services, APFA, technology services, workers' com health to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the ir included in governmental activities in the statement of net p	pensation and group nternal service funds are		24,758					
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, arbitrage and absences, are not due and payable in the current period an reported in the funds (excluding \$8,208 recorded in the inte Bonds payable Less: Deferred charge for issuance costs	l compensated d therefore, are not	\$(538,980)						
(to be amortized as interest expense) Premium general obligation debt Discount on bonds Deferred loss refunding Accrued interest payable Compensated absences Net other post-employment benefit obligation Net other post-employment asset TMRS net pension obligation Estimated claims		5,670 (10,023) 2,837 6,845 (2,987) (24,336) (30,229) 518 (17,624) (220)	(608 520)					
Net position of governmental activities		\$	(608,529) 5 1,294,279					

## CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	General	Debt Service			Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES	<b>•</b> • • • • • • • •	<b>•</b> •= •••	٠	<b>•</b> • • • • • •	<b>A</b> 004.000
Taxes	\$ 131,069	\$ 65,281	\$ <del>-</del>	\$ 24,988	\$ 221,338
Licenses and permits	6,823	-	-	-	6,823
Utility franchise fees	25,550	-	-	-	25,550
Fines and forfeitures	15,419	-	-	-	15,419
Leases, rents and concessions	6,932	2,000	-		8,932
Service charges	5,100	-	-	15,202	20,302
Interest revenue	1,909	829	222	309	3,269
Net decrease in fair value of investments	(100)	(653)	(87)	(95)	(935)
Contributions	1,425	-	2,315	741	4,481
Intergovernmental revenues	9	-	-	19,474	19,483
Gas lease royalty	-	-	-	7,561	7,561
Gas lease other	-	-	-	107	107
Other	54	161	108	3,226	3,549
Total Revenues	194,190	67,618	2,558	71,513	335,879
EXPENDITURES					
Current-					
General government	37,554	-	-	2,634	40,188
Public safety	128,437	-	-	4,392	132,829
Public works	23,736	-	-	20,415	44,151
Public health	1,928	-	-	421	2,349
Public welfare	-	-	-	9,391	9,391
Parks and recreation	14,147	-	-	12,591	26,738
Convention and event services	-	-	-	6,711	6,711
Capital outlay	-	-	13,492	13,833	27,325
Debt service-					
Principal retirement	-	49,625	-	-	49,625
Redemption premium	-	299	-	-	299
Interest and fiscal charges	-	25,062	-	-	25,062
Total Expenditures	205,802	74,986	13,492	70,388	364,668
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over (under) expenditures	(11,612)	(7,368)	(10,934)	1,125	(28,789)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Issuance of bonds	-	-	12,625	7,010	19,635
Issuance of refunding bonds	-	6,345	-	85	6,430
Amount used for refunding bond refunding escrow	-	(6,585)	-	-	(6,585)
Bond premium	-	328	360	147	835
Transfers in	18,710	3,946	-	19,812	42,468
Transfers out	(13,855)	-	-	(17,590)	(31,445)
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	4,855	4,034	12,985	9,464	31,338
Net Change in Fund Balances	(6,757)	(3,334)	2,051	10,589	2,549
Fund Balances, October 1,	63,497	(3,334) 39,162	65,268	94,883	2,549 262,810
Fund Balances, September 30	\$ 56,740	\$ 35,828	\$ 67,319	\$ 105,472	\$ 265,359
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#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

unts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are erent because:		
eren because.		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the		
statement of activities, the cost of those assets is capitalized and allocated over their		
estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount of		
capital assets recorded in the current period.		
Depreciation on capital assets is reported in the statement of activities but does not		
require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, depreciation is not reported		
as expenditures in the governmental funds.		(
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial		
resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial		
resources to governmental funds, while repayment of the principal of long-term		
debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither		
transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds		
report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when		
debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the		
statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the		
treatment of long-term debt and related items.	()	
Interest on bond payoff	(776)	
Repayment of general obligation debt	49,625	
Proceeds from issuance of bonds Repayment of capital lease	(19,395) 17	
Amortization of deferred loss on bond refunding	(518)	
Amortization of bond premium	1,176	
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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		
governmental funds.		
Compensated absences	1,015	
Accrued interest expense	194	
Post-employment benefit obligation expense	(3,026)	
Post-employment benefit asset	128	
TMRS net pension obligation	57	
Amortization of issuance cost	(331)	
Estimated salary expense Sales tax	(220) 55	
Sales lax		
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of fleet		
management and management information systems, property liability loss, health		
claims and offices services to individual funds. The net expenses of certain activities		
of internal service funds is reported within governmental activities.		

#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds							Gov	ernmental
		ater and Sewer		m Water Jtility		Total	Ac li S	ctivities- nternal Service Funds
ASSETS								
Current Assets:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	15,564	\$	23,695	\$	39,259	\$	17,473
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles): Trade accounts		7,914		993		8,907		5
Unbilled trade accounts		7,030		491		7,521		5
Other		2				2		
Prepaid Expenditures		-		-		-		25
Inventory of supplies, at cost		460		-		460		67
Subtotal		30,970	-	25,179		56,149		17,570
Restricted Assets:				-, -		, -		,
Bond contingency-cash and cash equivalents		3,604		-		3,604		-
Capital construction-cash and cash equivalents		11,053		-		11,053		-
Total Current Assets		45,627		25,179		70,806		17,570
Non-Current Assets:								
Restricted Assets:								
Bond contingency-								
Investments		9,051		-		9,051		-
Accrued interest		3		-		3		-
Capital construction-								
Investments		49,881		-		49,881		-
Escrow		2,942		-		2,942		-
Meter deposit investments		5,107		-		5,107		-
Capital Assets: Land		7.067		14 400		21 400		
Buildings and improvements		7,067 2.833		14,423		21,490 2,833		- 467
Water and sewer system		2,033 746,116		-		2,033 746,116		407
Machinery and equipment		11,846				11,846		41,910
Drainage system		-		89,651		89,651		
Construction-in-progress		97,576		11,478		109,054		-
Accumulated depreciation		(262,327)		(33,603)		(295,930)		(28,687)
Total Capital Assets Net of Accumulated		<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>		(		(,		( - / · /
Depreciation		603,111		81,949		685,060		13,690
Total Noncurrent Assets		670,095		81,949		752,044		13,690
Total Assets	\$	715,722	\$	107,128	\$	822,850	\$	31,260

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

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#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (CONTINUED) (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds							
		ater and Sewer		m Water Jtility		Total	Act In Se	ernmental tivities- ternal ervice Funds
LIABILITIES								
Current Liabilities:	•	0.744	•	4 500	<b>^</b>	5 077	•	440
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	3,711 151	\$	1,566 9	\$	5,277 160	\$	446
Accrued compensated absences Revenue bonds payable from unrestricted assets		7,120		9 1,280		8,400		-
Revenue bonds payable from unrestricted assets		7,120		1,200		0,400		-
Current Liabilities Payable From								
Restricted Assets:								
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		1,834		-		1,834		-
Retainage payable		1,153		105		1,258		-
Accrued interest		1,299		321		1,620		-
Estimated claims payable		-		-		-		3,537
Revenue bonds payable		4,970		-		4,970		-
Meter deposits		5,107		-		5,107		-
Total Current Liabilities		25,345	. <u> </u>	3,281		28,626		3,983
Noncurrent Liabilities:								
Estimated claims payable		-		-		-		4,665
Compensated absences		1,599		175		1,774		6
Revenue bonds payable from restricted assets		-		22,701		22,701		-
Revenue bonds payable from unrestricted assets		111,551		-		111,551		-
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		113,150		22,876		136,026		4,671
Total Liabilities		138,495		26,157		164,652		8,654
NET POSITION								
Net investment in capital assets		539,251		57,863		597,114		13,690
Restricted for debt service		14,299		· -		14,299		-
Unrestricted		23,677		23,108		46,785		8,916
Total Net Position	\$	577,227	\$	80,971	\$	658,198	\$	22,606

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Reconciliation to government-wide statements of net position: Adjustment to reflect the consolidation of internal service fund activities related to enterprise funds

Net position of business-type activities

## CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Business-type Activities Enterprise Funds							
	Water and Sewer			n Water ility	Total		Ac Ii	ernmental ctivities- nternal ice Funds
Operating Revenues:								
Water sales	\$	59,007	\$	-	\$	59,007	\$	-
Sewer service		50,162		-		50,162		-
Storm water fee - commercial		-		4,966		4,966		-
Storm water fee - residential		-		5,849		5,849		-
Service charges		-		-		-		33,173
Sundry		5,065		-		5,065		-
Total Operating Revenues		114,234		10,815		125,049		33,173
Operating Expenses:								
Purchase of water		18,821		_		18,821		-
Purchase of sewage treatment		25,274		_		25,274		-
Salaries and wages		12,540		1,429		13,969		334
Employees' retirement		1,873		226		2,099		56
Supplies		3,456		72		3,528		4,381
Maintenance and repairs		3,831		375		4,206		130
Utilities		2,831		8		2,839		58
Claims (net of adjustments)		_,001		-		_,000		24,731
Legal and professional		-		-		-		824
Depreciation		14,658		1,698		16,356		3,385
Miscellaneous services		4,315		735		5,050		4,310
Total Operating Expenses		87,599		4,543		92,142		38,209
Operating Income (Loss)		26,635		6,272		32,907		(5,036)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):								
Interest revenue		281		72		353		48
Net decrease in the fair								
value of investments		(111)		(20)		(131)		(27)
Gain on sale of assets		-		-		-		189
Interest expense and fiscal charges		(1,555)		(508)		(2,063)		-
Total Nonoperating Revenues		· ·						
(Expenses)		(1,385)		(456)		(1,841)		210
Income (loss) before transfers								
and contributions		25,250		5,816		31,066		(4,826)
Contributions in aid of construction		3,663		-		3,663		-
Transfers in		-		-		-		4,552
Transfers out		(14,448)		(1,108)		(15,556)		(19)
Change in Net Position		14,465		4,708		19,173		(293)
Total Net Position, October 1		562,762		76,263		639,025		22,899
Total Net Position, September 30	\$	577,227	\$	80,971	\$	658,198	\$	22,606
Net change in net position - total proprietary funds Adjustment to reflect the consolidation of intern	al servi	ce			\$	19,173		
fund activities related to enterprise funds						(283)		
Change in net position of business-type activities					\$	18,890		

#### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Business-type Activities- Enterprise Funds							
		ater and Sewer		m Water Jtility		Total	Ac	ernmental tivities- aternal ice Funds
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:								
Cash received from customers	\$	114,551	\$	10,676	\$	125,227	\$	33,173
Cash payments to suppliers Cash payments to employees		(58,991) (14,274)		(233) (1,650)		(59,224) (15,924)		(34,371) (493)
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities		41,286		8,793		50,079		(1,691)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:								4.550
Transfers in Transfers out		(14,448)		(1.108)		- (15,556)		4,552 (19)
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Noncapital Financing Activities		(14,448)		(1,108)		(15,556)		4,533
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CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		(00 5 45)		(7.554)		(00.000)		(4 707)
Acquisition and construction of capital assets Decrease in escrow balance		(28,545) 3.666		(7,551)		(36,096) 3,666		(4,767)
Proceeds from sales of capital assets		- 3,000		-		-		224
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		18,716		-		18,716		
Repayment of long-term debt		(18,830)		(1,280)		(20,110)		-
Interest payment long-term debt		(4,931)		(1,107)		(6,038)		-
Net Cash Used For Capital And Related Financing Activities		(29,924)		(9,938)		(39,862)		(4,543)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:								
Proceeds from interest earnings		365		81		446		56
Net decrease in the fair value of investments		(111)		(20)		(131)		(27)
Purchase of investments		41,260		-		41,260		-
Maturities/sales of investments Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Investing Activities		(49,495) (7,981)		61		(49,495) (7,920)		2,010
Net out in torned by (oscal of) investing Activities		(1,001)		01		(1,020)		2,000
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash And Cash Equivalents		(11,067)		(2,192)		(13,259)		338
Cash And Cash Equivalents, October 1 Cash And Cash Equivalents, September 30	\$	41,288 30,221	\$	25,887 23,695	¢	67,175 53,916	\$	17,135
Cash And Cash Equivalents, September 50	- <b>Þ</b>	30,221	ð	23,095	\$	53,910	ą	17,473
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided								
by (used for ) operating activities:								
Operating income (loss)	\$	26,635	\$	6,272	\$	32,907	\$	(5,036)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:								
Depreciation		14,658		1,698		16,356		3,385
Amortization of bond premium		292		105		397		-
Amortization of deferred loss on bond refunding		(190)		-		(190)		-
Provision for bad debts		212		5		217		-
(Increase) decrease in- Receivables		(96)		(139)		(235)		
Inventory of supplies		(96)		(139)		(235)		(23)
Prepaid expenses		-		-		-		(25)
Increase (decrease) in-								. ,
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		420		816		1,236		(483)
Estimated claims payable		-		- 31		- (792)		547
Retainage payable Meter deposits		(814) 134		31		(783) 134		-
Accrued compensated absences		83		5		88		(56)
Total adjustments		14,651		2,521		17,172		3,345
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	\$	41,286	\$	8,793	\$	50,079	\$	(1,691)
Noncash investing, capital, and financing activities:								
Contributions of capital assets from developers		3,663		-		3,663		-
		0,000				2,000		

## CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Pension Trust Funds			gency unds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	_	\$	7,845
Investments	Ψ		Ψ	1,010
Money market fund		36,980		-
Corporate bonds		1,591		-
Fixed income mutual bond funds		15,363		-
Common stock mutual bond funds		67,259		111
Balanced mutual funds		20,808		-
Participant borrowing		4,938		-
Self directed brokerage accounts		3,168		-
Total Investments		150,107		111
Total Assets	\$	150,107	\$	7,956
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued liabilities IRC 401 deferred compensation plans Total Liabilities	\$	- - -	\$	7,845 <u>111</u> 7,956
<b>NET POSITION</b> Held in trust for pension benefits	\$	150,107	<u> </u>	

### CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

	Pension Trust Funds		
ADDITIONS			
Employer contributions	\$	2,788	
Employee contributions		6,098	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments		19,282	
Total Additions		28,168	
DEDUCTIONS		0.022	
Benefits		9,832	
Plan administration		147	
Total Deductions		9,979	
Increase in Net Position		18,189	
Net Position, October 1		131,918	
Net Position, September 30	\$	150,107	



#### **CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS**

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

## I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The City of Arlington, Texas (the "City") was incorporated April 19, 1884 and the city charter was adopted January 17, 1920, under the provisions of the Home Rule Amendment to the State Constitution. The City operates under a Council Manager form of government and provides the following services to the citizens of the City: public safety (police and fire), public works, public welfare, parks and recreation, public health, water and sewer utilities, and general administrative services.

The accompanying financial statements of the City include all funds and component units. The financial statements of the City have been prepared to conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting and reporting policies and practices used by the City are described below.

#### A. Financial Statement Presentation

The basic financial statements are prepared in conformity with GAAP which requires the government-wide financial statements to be prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus. Government-wide financial statements do not provide information by fund, but distinguish between the City's governmental activities, business-type activities and activities of its discretely presented component units on the statement of net position and statement of activities. Significantly, the City's statement of net position includes both non-current assets and non-current liabilities of the City. In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reflects depreciation expenses on the City's capital assets, including infrastructure.

In addition to the government-wide financial statements, the City has prepared fund financial statements, which continue to use the modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus for governmental funds. Accordingly, the accounting and financial reporting of the City's governmental funds is similar to that previously presented in the City's financial statements, although the format of financial statements has been modified by GASB Statement No. 34. The accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus is utilized by proprietary fund types and the pension trust fund. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

GAAP also requires supplementary information presented as Management's Discussion and Analysis which includes an analytical overview of the City's financial activities. A budgetary comparison statement is presented that compares the originally adopted and final General Fund budget with actual results, and schedules of funding progress for pension and retirement plans are provided, as required, in the Required Supplementary Information section.

## B. <u>Reporting Entity</u>

The City is governed by an elected mayor and eight-member council. As required by GAAP, these financial statements present the City (the primary government) and its component units, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable.

GASB Statement No. 61. The Financial Reporting Entity, defines component units as legally separate entities that meet any one of the following tests:

- The City appoints the voting majority of the board of the component unit and:
  - o Is able to impose its will on the component unit and/or
  - $\circ$  ~ Is in a relationship of financial benefit or burden with the component unit

- The component unit is both:
  - fiscally dependent upon the City, and
  - there is a financial benefit or burden.
- The financial statements of the City would be misleading if data from the component unit were omitted.

The financial statements of the component units may be discretely presented in a separate column from the primary government or blended with the financial statements of the primary government.

## Arlington Property Finance Authority, Inc.

Arlington Property Finance Authority, Inc. (the "APFA") provides the City with a defined and funded selfinsurance program for general and automotive liability. The financial statements of APFA, a component unit, have been "blended" with those of the City because its board of directors is appointed by the City Council, and the City management maintains significant continuing management oversight with respect to APFA's policies. Additionally, APFA provides services entirely to the City and its employees.

The financial statements of the following component units have been "discretely presented" in the accompanying report because (i) their governing boards are not substantially the same as the governing body of the City, or (ii) the component unit provides services entirely or almost entirely to the citizenry and not the City.

## Arlington Housing Authority

The Arlington Housing Authority (the "AHA") provides low income housing assistance within the City. The AHA's board of commissioners is appointed by the Mayor. The AHA's management is designated by the City. The employees who are responsible for daily operations of the AHA are City employees. The City has financial accountability over the AHA's activities. The audited financial statements of the AHA are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Separate AHA component unit financial statements can be obtained from the AHA at 501 W. Sanford Street, Suite 20, Arlington, Texas 76010.

# Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc.

The Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. d/b/a Experience Arlington, Inc. (the "ACVB") promotes tourism within the City. The ACVB's board of directors is appointed by the City Council. The primary source of revenue for the ACVB is a professional services support contract with the City; therefore, the City has financial accountability over the ACVB's activities. Separate ACVB component unit financial statements can be obtained from the ACVB at 1905 E. Randol Mill Road, Arlington, Texas 76011.

## Arlington Tomorrow Foundation

The Arlington Tomorrow Foundation (ATF) oversees an endowment fund created by natural gas revenues to be used for the benefit of the Arlington community. The ATF's board of directors is appointed by the Mayor. The ATF's management is designated by the City, and City employees are responsible for the daily activities of the ATF; accordingly, the City has financial accountability over ATF's activities. Separate ATF component unit financial statements are not prepared.

## Arlington Housing Finance Corporation

The Arlington Housing Finance Corporation (the "AHFC") provides financial assistance to low income, multi-family residences and single-family homebuyers within the City. The AHFC's board of directors is appointed by the City Council. The AHFC's management is designated by the City, and City employees are responsible for the daily activities of the AHFC; accordingly, the City has financial accountability over AHFC's activities. Separate AHFC component unit financial statements are not prepared.

## Arlington Industrial Development Corporation

The Arlington Industrial Development Corporation (the "AIDC") promotes industrial and commercial development within the City. The AIDC's board of directors is appointed by the City Council. The AIDC's

management is designated by the City, and City employees are responsible for the daily activities of the AIDC; accordingly, the City has financial accountability over AIDC's activities. Separate AIDC component unit financial statements are not prepared.

#### Arlington Convention Center Development Corporation

Arlington Convention Center Development Corporation (the "ACCDC") was formed to encourage and assist with planning, designing, constructing and maintaining a convention center complex, sports facility or hotel facility. The City Council serves as the board of directors. Separate ACCDC component unit financial statements are not prepared.

#### C. <u>Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements</u>

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the City as a whole) 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 non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. The exception is that inter-fund services provided and used are not eliminated. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely significantly 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 government-wide statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a functional category (Public Safety, Public Works, etc.) or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with 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, 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. All franchise fees are based on gross receipts and are included in general revenues.

The net cost by function is normally covered by general revenue (property and sales taxes, franchise fees, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

Separate fund-based 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. The major governmental funds are the General Fund, Debt Service Fund and Street Capital Projects Fund. The enterprise funds are made up of the Water Utility and Storm Water Utility funds. GAAP sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category for the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The nonmajor funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements. The nonmajor funds are detailed in the combining section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Internal Service Funds, which provide services primarily to other funds of the government, are presented in summary form as part of the proprietary fund financial statements. Financial statements of internal service funds are allocated between the governmental and business-type activities column when presented at the government-wide level. To the extent possible, the costs of these services are reflected in the appropriate functional activity (Public Safety, Public Works, etc.).

The City's fiduciary funds are presented in the fund financial statements by type. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, individuals, pension participants, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the City as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The focus of the fund financial statements is on

the major individual funds of the governmental and business-type categories, as well as the fiduciary funds, (by category) and the component units. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared to enhance the usefulness of the information.

## D. <u>Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting</u>

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary funds and fiduciary fund statements. Agency funds, however, report only assets and liabilities and therefore have no measurement focus. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a 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.

Government fund level 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 collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers taxes and other revenue to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period, while grants typically are received within 90 days. Expenditures are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting, except debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, which are recorded only when the liability has matured and payment is due.

Ad valorem, franchise and sales tax revenues in the General Fund and ad valorem tax revenues recorded in the Debt Service Fund are recognized under the susceptible to accrual concept. The City has agreements with various entities in which a portion of the sales tax is rebated. The sales tax revenue is reported net of the rebate. Licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, contributions, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash as the resulting receivable is not measurable. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available. In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. Intergovernmental grant revenues are recognized when all eligibility requirements have been met. Additionally, funds received in advance for which all eligibility requirements have not been met are considered deferred revenue.

Business-type activities and all proprietary funds, and the pension trust fund are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total position. Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating 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 City's water and sewer fund and storm water utility fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprise funds and internal service funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide business-type activities and proprietary funds financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

The following major funds are used by the City:

1. Governmental Funds:

The focus of Governmental fund measurement (in the Fund Financial Statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the Governmental Funds of the City:

- a. General Fund accounts for several of the City's primary services (Public Safety, Public Works, Public Health, Public Welfare, Parks and Recreation, etc.) and is the primary operating unit of the City.
- b. Debt Service Fund accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of governmental funds.
- c. Street Capital Projects Fund accounts for the purchase of rights of way and land, construction of streets and related facilities, and to account for various other projects related to street construction. Funds are provided primarily through bond sales, interest earnings, and impact fees.
- d. Other Governmental Funds is a summarization of all of the nonmajor governmental funds, including capital project and special revenue funds.

## 2. Enterprise Funds:

The focus of Enterprise Fund measurement is upon determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows, which is similar to businesses. The City's Enterprise Funds are the Water Utility Fund and the Storm Water Utility Fund. The Water Utility Fund accounts for the administration, operation and maintenance of the water and sewer utility system, as well as billing and collection activities. The Fund also accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt principal and interest for revenue bonds and obligations under capital leases when due throughout the year. All costs are financed through charges made to utility customers with rates reviewed regularly and adjusted if necessary to ensure integrity of the Fund. The City's solid waste function is contracted out. The billings for this function are done by the City as a conduit for the contractor. The fee for this service is accounted for in the Water Utility Fund, while revenues from solid waste franchise fees and landfill royalties are accounted for in the General Fund. The Storm Water Utility Fund accounts for the design, construction and maintenance of the City's storm water drainage systems.

## 3. Other Fund Types:

The City additionally reports for the following fund types:

- a. Internal Service Funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the City, generally on a cost reimbursement basis. These services include printing, mailing and duplicating; fleet services; self insurance; workers' compensation insurance; and group health insurance.
- b. Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the City in an agency capacity for payroll related benefits, escheat property for the state, and other assets held for individuals, local law enforcement agencies and developers.
- c. Pension Trust Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources to be used for the retirement and disability benefit payments to qualified City employees and for thrift savings plans for City employees.

## E. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

To facilitate cash management, the operating cash of certain funds and component units is pooled into a cash management pool for the purpose of increasing income through combined investment activities. This cash and investment pool is available for use by all funds and component units except the Trust Funds and the AHA, which maintain separate investments. Each fund's portion of this pool is allocated through its cash and cash equivalent account on the balance sheet. In addition, certain investments are separately held by several of the City's funds. Interest is allocated on a monthly basis to all funds in the investment pool based on their average balance at the end of each month. Interest earned by separate investments is credited to the respective funds.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the City considers all unrestricted investments included in its cash management pool to be cash equivalents as these balances are used essentially as demand deposit accounts by the individual funds. Investments included in the cash management pool which are restricted for use are reported as investments. Additionally, certificates of deposit and temporary investments held separately from the City's cash

management pool and which are purchased with original maturities at the time of purchase of three months or less are reported as cash equivalents.

The City elects to exclude investments with an original maturity of one year or less from date of purchase from fair value reporting. These investments are reported at amortized cost.

Texas statutes authorize the City to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities, fully collateralized certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, commercial paper, and direct obligations of cities within the state of Texas. The City is also authorized to invest in direct obligations of the state of Texas or its agencies, obligations of states, agencies, counties, and other political subdivisions, money market mutual funds, prime bankers' acceptances, and reverse repurchase agreement.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, investments with maturities greater than one year at time of purchase are recorded at fair value based on quoted market prices. Fair value is the amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged in a transaction between willing parties.

#### F. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories are valued at cost. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption. Inventories are capitalized under the consumption method, whereby expenditures are capitalized as inventory until used.

## G. Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased or acquired are carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time received. Public domain (infrastructure) capital assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems have been recorded at estimated historical cost. 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.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are completed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. Net revenue bond interest cost incurred during construction periods is capitalized.

Capital assets of the primary government, as well as the component units, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	Years
Buildings	45 - 50
Improvements other than buildings	20 - 40
Equipment	4 - 10
Drainage improvements	35 - 50
Meters	10
Streets	20 - 25
Storm/sanitary sewer	50
System infrastructure	20 - 50

## H. Capitalization of Interest

The City capitalizes interest costs for business-type activities only, net of related interest earned, from the date of the borrowing until the projects acquired with those funds are ready for their intended use. During 2013, \$2,835,548 of interest cost, net of \$67,235 interest earned, was capitalized as capital assets in the Water and Sewer Fund as part of the costs of constructing various projects. Interest expensed (net of capitalized interest) and interest earned in fiscal 2013 for the Water and Sewer Fund amounted to approximately \$1,555,000 and \$281,000, respectively. In the Storm Water Utility Fund \$368,392 of interest cost, net of \$10,492 interest earned, was capitalized as capital assets as part of the costs of constructing various projects. Interest expensed (net of capitalized as capital assets as part of the costs of constructing various projects. Interest expensed (net of capitalized interest) and interest earned in fiscal 2013 for the Storm Water Utility Fund \$368,392 of interest cost, net of \$10,492 interest earned, was capitalized interest) and interest earned in fiscal 2013 for the Storm Water Utility Fund \$368,392 of constructing various projects. Interest expensed (net of capitalized interest) and interest earned in fiscal 2013 for the Storm Water Utility Fund amounted to approximately \$508,000 and \$72,000, respectively.

## I. Arbitrage Liability

The City accrues a liability for an amount of arbitrage rebate resulting from investing low-yielding, tax-exempt bond proceeds in higher-yielding, taxable securities. Such investment activities can result in interest revenue exceeding interest cost. The arbitrage liability is payable to the federal government every five years; however, the City calculates and records its arbitrage liability annually. The arbitrage liability is recorded as a liability in the government-wide and proprietary fund types, as applicable, on the accrual basis and as a reduction of interest income on the invested debt proceeds.

## J. <u>Compensated Absences</u>

The City's employees earn vacation leave for each month of work performed. The accrual rate increases with years of service up to a maximum of 20 days per year for 15 years of service and over. On specified anniversary dates, additional days are credited, up to certain amounts, according to length of service. Accrued vacation is paid to the employees upon termination of employment for employees who have completed at least six months of continuous service.

The City's employees accumulate 1.25 days of sick leave per month with a maximum accrual of 150 days (180 for fire fighters). The full amount of accumulated sick pay up to 120 days maximum is paid if termination is through retirement or death.

Accumulated vacation and sick leave is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements. The General Fund is typically used to liquidate the liability for governmental activities' compensated absences.

## K. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, longterm debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums/ discounts and issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method and straight line method, respectively. 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, as other financing sources or uses or expenditures at the time of the debt issuance. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

## L. Nature and Purpose of Classifications of Fund Equity

Governmental Funds fund balances classified as restricted are balances with constraints placed on the use of resources by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Fund balances classified as committed can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by the City Council

through an ordinance. Assigned fund balances are constrained by the intent to be used for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. The City Council has, by resolution 11-361 dated September 27, 2011 adopting the fund balance policy, authorized the City Manager or his designee to assign fund balance to a specific purpose.

The City may fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance. In order to calculate the amounts reported as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which resources are considered to be applied. It is the City's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance.

## M. Minimum Fund Balance Policy

It is the desire of the City to maintain adequate General Fund balance to maintain liquidity and in anticipation of economic downturns or natural disasters. The City Council has adopted a financial standard to maintain a General Fund working capital reserve at a minimum level of 8.33% (1/12<sup>th</sup>) of annual General Fund expenditures. Total General Fund balances shall be maintained at a minimum of 15% of annual General Fund expenditures.

## N. Net position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in net capital assets consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of any borrowing spent for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation adopted by the City through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for the same purpose, it is the City's policy to consider restricted net position to be depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

#### O. <u>New Accounting Pronouncements</u>

During fiscal year 2013, the City adopted the following Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statements:

Statement No. 60, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Service Concession Arrangements. This Statement addresses how to account for and report service concession arrangements (SCAs) by establishing recognition, measurement, and disclosure requirements for SCAs for both transferors and governmental operators. This pronouncement had no impact on current financial statements.

Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus - an amendment of GASB Statements No.* 14 and No. 3. This Statement improves financial reporting for a governmental financial reporting entity by improving guidance for including, presenting, and disclosing information about component units and equity interest transactions of the entity. This pronouncement had no impact on current financial statements.

Statement No. 62, *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements.* The objective of this Statement is to incorporate into the GASB's authoritative literature certain accounting and financial reporting guidance included in the FASB and AICPA pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989. This Statement will improve financial reporting by contributing to the GASB's efforts to codify all sources of generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments so that they derive from a single source. This pronouncement had no impact on current financial statements.

Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position*. This Statement standardizes the presentation of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources and their effects on a government's net position. Current financial statements reflect this presentation.

The GASB has issued the following statements which will be effective in future years as described below:

Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities,* which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2014. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities.

Statement No. 66, *Technical Corrections-2012-an amendment of GASB Statements No. 10 and No.* 62, which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2014. The objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for a government financial reporting entity by resolving conflicting guidance that resulted from the issuance of two pronouncements, Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, and No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements.

Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans-an amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*, which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2014. This Statement enhances note disclosures and Required Supplementary Information for pension plans.

Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions-an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2015. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting for pension plans. This statement requires recognition of a long-term obligation for pension benefits as a liability.

Statement No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*, which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2014. This statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations.

Statement No. 70, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Financial Guarantees, which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2014. This statement specifies the information required to be disclosed by governments that extend nonexchange financial guarantees and requires new information to be disclosed.

Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date,* which is effective for the City beginning in fiscal year 2015. This statement amends Statement 68 to eliminate the source of a potential significant understatement of restated beginning net position and expense in the first year of implementation of Statement 68.

The City has not yet determined the impact of implementing the above new pronouncements.

## II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

## A. Budgetary Data

The City Council adopts an annual legal budget, which covers the General Fund, the Debt Service Fund, the Enterprise Funds, and certain Special Revenue Funds (Park Performance, Convention and Event Services and Street Maintenance). All unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end, except certain of those of the Special Revenue Funds. The budgets for the General Fund, the Debt Service Fund, and certain Special Revenue Funds are prepared on the modified accrual basis except for encumbrances which are treated as expenditures on the budgetary basis and interdepartmental expenses which are eliminated. The budgets for the Enterprise Funds are prepared on the modified accrual basis and include encumbrances, debt principal retirements and capital outlays as expenses. Additionally, the Enterprise Funds do not include depreciation as a budgetary expense. The schedules comparing budget and actual amounts for these governmental funds include adjustments to those

budgetary bases for the differences noted above and for certain other revenue and expenditure items which are reported in the City's budget differently than they are reported for accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Budgetary level of control is exercised at the fund level. The City Manager is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within and among departments; however, any revisions that alter total expenditures of the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, and certain Special Revenue funds must be approved by the City Council. During fiscal year 2013, there were budget amendments in the General Fund in the amount of \$4,335,674 to fund costs associated with wheeled recycling carts. Additionally, \$817,000 was added to the Park Performance Fund's appropriated budget to pay for equipment and infrastructure improvements.

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule presents a comparison of budgetary data to actual results of operations for the General Fund, for which an annual operating budget is legally adopted. This fund utilizes the same basis of accounting for both budgetary purposes and actual results, with the following exceptions:

The portion of ad valorem tax revenues in the General Fund from "rolled back" tax payments (taxes, up to five years back, on properties previously taxed at special use exemption values and currently changed to full values) are excluded from the budgetary basis tax revenues and from the general governmental expenditures.

Certain interdepartmental revenues and expenses are included in budgetary basis revenues and expenditures, but are eliminated from actual revenues and expenditures.

General Fund encumbrances are added to the actual expenditures for budgetary comparison. Budgetary data for the project-length Special Revenue Funds and Capital Projects Funds have not been presented. Receipts of revenues are not estimable for all Special Revenue Funds and are not budgeted. Expenditures are limited to total revenues over the life of the funds. Capital Projects Funds are budgeted over the life of the respective project and are reviewed and approved by the City Council in an annual Capital Improvements Program plan.

The City utilizes encumbrance accounting to ensure appropriated funds are adequately committed and remaining unspent balances are carried forward into the next fiscal year. Encumbrances are created for purchase order, grant match requirements, and capital project funding. These amounts are reported in fund balance as follows:

General	Stree	t Capital	Other	Nonmajor				
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Proje</u>	Projects Fund		<u>cts Fund</u> <u>Funds</u>		<u>Funds</u>		<u>Total</u>
\$ 5,235	\$	16,672	\$	17,793	\$	39,700		

## B. Excess of expenditures over appropriations

For the year ended September 30, 2013, there were no expenses exceeding budget in the aggregate.

## C. Deficit fund equity

The Viridian TIRZ #6 fund has a deficit balance of \$7,000. This fund is not separately reported, but is included as part of the Other Special Revenue Funds of the City. This deficit will be funded from future TIF assessments.

#### **III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

#### 1. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes, the City's Investment Policy and the City's Depository Agreement govern the investments of the City. The City is authorized to invest in United States Treasuries, its agencies or instrumentalities, other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by or backed by the full faith and credit of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, obligations of Texas and its agencies, counties and cities, and other political subdivisions rated not less than AA, obligations of other states, its agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions rated not less than AA, fully insured or collateralized certificates of deposit,

fully collateralized repurchase agreements, Guaranteed Investment Contracts, commercial paper rated A-1+, P-1 with an underlying long-term rating of AA or better, government pools and money market funds consisting of any of these securities listed. Major provisions of the City's investment policy include the following: depositories must be FDIC-insured institutions, depositories must fully insure or collateralize all deposits, and investments must be purchased in the name of the City and be delivered to the City's agent for safekeeping.

Deposits - At September 30, 2013, the carrying amount of the City's demand deposits was \$15,013,000 (bank balance, \$17,741,000). The \$15,013,000 balance consisted of a \$14,411,000 balance in City Funds and a \$602,000 balance in Component Unit Funds. The balance in cash on hand was \$34,000 at year end.

Investments – The City elects to exclude investments with an original maturity of one year or less from date of purchase from fair value reporting. These investments are reported at amortized cost.

The City is the beneficiary of a Closure/Post Closure Trust in the amount of \$8,526,000. This amount is recorded as an investment in trust and as a landfill closure accrued liability. Under the landfill lease agreement, the lessee must maintain a trust equal to the amount of the City's closure/post closure liability. The lessee contributed \$5,154,000 at closing and makes annual contributions of approximately \$600,000. The funds in this trust are to be used solely by the City to pay for closure and post closure expenses as they are incurred.

As of September 30, 2013, the City had the following cash, cash equivalents and investments (amounts in thousands):

		Weighted average
<u>City Funds</u>	Fair Value	<u>Maturity (in days)</u>
Demand Deposits	\$14,411	n/a
Cash on Hand	34	n/a
Other Cash in Bank	(52)	n/a
General Operating/Internal Pool	345,340	560
Debt Service and Working Capital Reserve	1,601	1,792
Dallas Cowboy Complex Development Project		
Debt Service Reserve	26,015	721
Closure/Post-closure trust fund	8,526	1
Total City	\$395,875	

		Weighted average
Fiduciary Funds	Fair Value	<u>Maturity (in days)</u>
Agency Funds-Internal Pool	\$7,902	560
Agency Funds- Cash in Bank	(57)	n/a
Agency Funds- Mutual Funds	111	n/a
Pension Trust Funds – Money Market Fund	36,980	n/a
Pension Trust Funds – Corporate Bonds	1,591	n/a
Pension Trust Funds- Mutual Funds	111,536	n/a
Total Fiduciary Funds	\$158,063	

Component Units	Fair Value	<u>Weighted average</u> Maturity (in days)
Demand Deposits	\$602	n/a
Cash in Bank	3,507	n/a
ATF – Internal Pool	15,730	560
ATF – Investments	86,592	1536
AHA – Bank Cert. of Deposit	1,568	273
Total Component Units	\$107,999	
Total Entity – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments	\$661,937	

Interest Rate Risk. In accordance with its investment policy, the City manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the maximum maturity of any single investment and the weighted average maturity of combined investments by fund groups. The following table lists the fund groups authorized in the City's investment policy and the maximum maturity and maximum weighted average maturity ("WAM"):

Fund	Maximum Maturity	Maximum WAM
General Operating	3 Years	18 Months
Capital Project	3 Years	18 Months
Working Capital Reserve	5 Years	4 Years
Dallas Cowboy Complex Development Debt Service Reserve	10 Years	10 Years
Debt Service Sinking & Debt Service	10 Years	10 Years
Closure/Post-closure Trust Fund	10 Years	8 Years

*Credit Risk.* In accordance with its investment policy, the City minimizes credit risk by limiting investments to the safest type of investments.

*Concentration of Credit Risk.* The City's investment policy places the following limits on the amount the City may invest in any one issuer. All securities are rated AA or better.

<u>Security</u>	<u>% of Portfolio</u>
United States Treasury	100% of portfolio per Issuer
U.S. Agencies and Instrumentalities	100% of portfolio 35% per Issuer
Other Obligations guaranteed by U.S.	100% of portfolio 10% per Issuer
Obligations of Texas and its subdivisions	100% of portfolio 2% per Issuer
Obligations of other states and its subdivisions	10% of portfolio 2% per Issuer
Certificates of Deposit	50% of portfolio 20% per Issuer
Repurchase Agreements	40% of portfolio 15% per counterparty
Guaranteed Investment Contract	100% of bond funds
Commercial Paper	20% of portfolio 5% per Issuer
Money Market Mutual Fund	100% of portfolio 15% per MMF
Local Government Investment Pools	100% of portfolio 25% per pool

As of September 30, 2013 the City's overall portfolio consisted of:

<u>City Funds</u>	Fair Value
Develop d Developite	<i>64.4.444</i>
Demand Deposits	\$14,411
Cash on Hand	34
Cash in Bank	(52)
Federal Home Loan Bank	
Bonds	52,951
Federal Home Loan Mortgage	
Corp. Bonds	66,361
Federal National Mortgage	
Association Bonds	30,053
Federal Farm Credit Bonds	116,372
Farmer Mac	22,567
Wells Fargo Money Market	14,175
City of San Antonio	1,292
State of Texas	730
Other	40,035
TexPool	7,305
TexasDaily	70
TexStar	6,064
Chase of Texas	23,507
Total City	\$395,875

Fiduciary Funds	Fair Value
Agency Funds - Cash in Bank	\$(57)
Agency Funds - Mutual Funds	111
Agency Funds - Federal Home	
Loan Bank	950
Agency Funds - Federal Home	
Loan Mortgage Corp.	1,499
Agency Funds - Federal	
National Mortgage	
Association	684
Agency Funds – Federal Farm	
Credit	2,456
Agency Funds – Farmer Mac	514
City of San Antonio	29
State of Texas	17
Other	912
Agency Funds - TexPool	166
Agency Funds - TexasDaily	2
Agency Funds - TexStar	138
Pension Trust Funds - Money	
Market Fund	36,980
Pension Trust Funds -	
Corporate Bonds	1,591
Pension Trust Funds - Mutual	
Funds	111,536
Chase of Texas	535
Total Fiduciary Funds	\$158,063

Component Units	Fair Value
Demand Deposits	\$602
Cash in Bank	3,507
ATF - Federal Home Loan Bank	1,890
ATF - Federal Home Loan	
Mortgage Corp.	2,985
ATF - Federal National	
Mortgage Association	1,363
ATF - City of San Antonio	59
ATF - State of Texas	33
ATF - Other	1,815
ATF - Farmer Mac	1,023
ATF - Federal Farm Credit	4,887
ATF - TexPool	331
ATF - TexasDaily	3
ATF - TexStar	275
AHA – Bank Cert. of Deposit	1,568
Chase of Texas	1,066
ATF Dodge & Cox	33,248
JP Morgan Core Bond	32,749
Vanguard Inter'l Equity	20,595
Total Component Units	\$107,999
-	
Total Entity – Cash, Cash	
Equivalents and Investments	\$661,937

*Custodial Credit Risk.* State statutes require that all City deposits in financial institutions be fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) collateralized by U. S. Government obligations or obligations of Texas and its agencies that have a market value of not less than the principal amount of the deposits or by a Letter of Credit from a Federal Agency.

The City's investments in public funds investment pools include investments in TexPool, TexasDaily and TexStar. These are public funds investment pools operating as an SEC 2a-7 like pool in full compliance with the Public Funds Investment Act. TexPool, TexasDaily and TexStar are rated as AAA money market funds by Standard & Poor's. As of September 30, 2013, the City's investment in TexPool was \$7,802,000, the City's investment in TexasDaily was \$75,000 and the City's investment in TexStar was \$6,477,000, all at market value.

## 2. PROPERTY TAXES

Property Taxes are levied on October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 and are due and payable at that time. All unpaid taxes attach as a lien on property as of January 1 and become enforceable February 1. Penalties and interest are charged at 7 percent on delinquent taxes beginning February 1 and increase each month to 18 percent on July 1.

Appraised values are established by the Tarrant Appraisal District at 100 percent of estimated market value and certified by the Appraisal Review Board. The assessed value for the tax roll of September 1, 2012, upon which the original FY13 levy was based, was \$17,677,642,000.

City property tax revenues are recorded as receivables and deferred revenues at the time the tax levy is billed. Current year revenues recognized are those collected within the current period, or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities, generally within sixty days after year-end. An allowance is provided for delinquent property taxes not expected to be collected in the future.

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013, the City had a tax rate of \$0.6480 (\$0.4423 for general government and \$0.2057 for debt service) per \$100 assessed valuation with a tax margin of \$1.8520 per \$100 valuation based upon a maximum ad valorem tax of \$2.50 per \$100 valuation permitted by Article XI, Section 5, of the State of Texas Constitution. Additional revenues up to approximately \$327,389,930 could be raised per year before the limit is reached, based on the current year's appraised net taxable value of approximately \$17,677,642,000.

In Texas, county-wide central appraisal districts are required to assess all property within the appraisal district on the basis of 100 percent of its appraised value and are prohibited from applying any assessment ratios. The value of property within the appraisal district must be reviewed every three years. The City may challenge appraised values established by the appraisal district through various appeals, and, if necessary, legal action. Under this system, the City sets tax rates on City property. However, if the effective tax rate, excluding tax rates for bonds and other contractual obligations, adjusted for new improvements, exceeds the rate for the previous year by more than 8 percent, qualified voters of the City may petition for an election to determine whether to limit the tax rate to no more than 8 percent above the tax rate of the previous year.

## 3. COWBOYS COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

In 2004, the voters authorized the City to provide the planning, acquisition, construction and financing for the Cowboys Complex Development Project (the "Complex"), approving an increase in the City's sales tax of one-half cent, a two percent increase in the hotel occupancy tax and a five percent short-term motor vehicle rental tax. The Complex was completed in July 2009 and is a multi-functional enclosed facility with a retractable roof and seating for approximately 85,000. The final cost of the project was \$1.1 billion and in accordance with the funding and closing agreement, the City paid a portion of the projected costs, \$325 million, to build the Complex.

Stadium Lease - As part of the Funding Agreement, the City entered into a lease agreement with the Cowboys Stadium, L.P. (the "Tenant") for lease of the Complex. The Lease Agreement calls for an initial term of 30 years. Monthly lease payments of \$166,666.67 began in June, 2009 for an annualized rental rate of \$2 million per year. The Lease Agreement contains several renewal options at guaranteed annual rental payments of \$1 million per year for the first 10 years and \$1.25 million per year for all remaining renewals. The Lease Agreement also provides the Tenant with an option to purchase the Complex from the City at the end of the initial lease term and each renewal

option thereafter. Under the lease, the Tenant pays for all costs of operation and maintenance of the Complex. The tenant will also make separate annual payments to the City, beginning during the construction period, equal to five percent of the net naming rights revenue, if any, received by the Tenant, capped at \$500 thousand per year. There was no such naming rights revenue for the latest fiscal year. The lease is accounted for as an operating lease. The cost of the stadium is \$1,109,951,954 with an accumulated depreciation of \$102,835,594.

City Debt – In 2005, the City issued \$297,990,000 Cowboys Complex Special Obligations to fund the City's share of the project costs for the Complex, including \$164,265,000 Cowboys Complex Special Obligation Tax-Exempt Special Tax Bonds, Series 2005B (the "Multi-Modal Bonds"). In December, 2008 the City issued \$112,185,000 in Special Tax Revenue Bonds to refund \$104,265,000 of the Series 2005B bonds and in May 2009 issued \$62,820,000 to refund the remaining \$60,000,000 of the Series 2005B bonds.

Conduit Debt - In 2006, \$147,865,000 Cowboy Complex Admissions and Parking Taxes Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2006 (the "Cowboys Admission and Parking Taxes Revenue Bonds") with a pledge of a 10% admissions tax and a \$3 parking tax for events held at the Complex, with additional security provided by a Guaranty Agreement from The Cowboys Stadium, L.P., were issued to fund a portion of the Dallas Cowboy's funding for the Complex. The Cowboys Admission and Parking Taxes Revenue Bonds are not payable from or secured by any money raised or to be raised from property taxes or any other of the City's revenue sources and accordingly have not been reported as a liability in the City's financial statements but are disclosed here as conduit debt. At September 30, 2013, outstanding conduit debt was \$141,465,000.

Franchise - The City and the Dallas Cowboys Football Club, LTD. entered into a franchise agreement that requires the Dallas Cowboys NFL football franchise to remain in Arlington and to play all of the team's home games in the Complex for a minimum of 30 years after the Complex opens. If the lease renewal options are exercised, the Cowboys' obligation to stay in Arlington is extended for the renewal term.

In July 2013, an agreement was reached between the Cowboys and AT&T for naming rights to the stadium. The City will receive 5% of the revenue from the naming rights deal, up to \$500,000 annually, to help pay off the City's debt. Once all the debt for the stadium is paid off, both naming rights and lease income will go to the General Fund.

## 4. RECEIVABLES

Receivables at September 30, 2013 for the government's individual major funds and nonmajor, and fiduciary funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, consist of the following (amounts expressed in thousands):

												Other			
					S	torm			S	treet	I	Nonmajor	Ir	nternal	
				Debt	W	/ater	۷	Water &	С	apital	Go	vernmental	S	ervice	
	G	ieneral	S	ervice	U	tility		Sewer	Pr	rojects		Funds	F	Funds	Total
Receivables:															
Taxes	\$	9,583	\$	580	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,849	\$	-	\$ 12,012
Franchise Fees		6,704		-		-		-		-		-		-	6,704
Trade Accounts		-		-		1,047		10,190		-		-		5	11,242
Unbilled Trade Accounts		-		-		491		7,285		-		-		-	7,776
Special Assessments		-		-		-		-		137		-		-	137
Sales Taxes		8,872		4,436		-		-		-		2,218		-	15,526
Lease and settlement															
agreements		23,088		-		-		-		-		-		-	23,088
Accrued Interest		861		367		-		-		-		-		-	1,228
Other		3,555		-		-		2		-		882		-	4,439
Gross Receivables		52,663		5,383		1,538		17,477		137		4,949		5	82,152
Less: Allowance for Uncollectibles		(7,048)		-		(54)		(2,531)		-		-		-	(9,633)
Net total Receivables	\$	45,615	\$	5,383	\$	1,484	\$	14,946	\$	137	\$	4,949	\$	5	\$ 72,519

# 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2013 was as follows:

capital asset activity for the year ended septemb					i ha	n thousand	c )	
	Ba	lance at	inou	ints express	eui	ii tiibusailu		alance at
		eginning						End
		<u>Of Year</u>	<u>Additions</u>			<u>tirements</u>		<u>Of Year</u>
Governmental activities:	-							
Capital assets, not being depreciated:								
Land	\$	209,703	\$	-	\$	-	\$	209,703
Construction in progress-other		97,618		24,969		(26,921)		95,666
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		307,321		24,969		(26,921)		305,369
Capital assets, being depreciated:		1 222 242		12 5 20				1 296 267
Buildings and improvements		1,272,747		13,520		- (2.201)		1,286,267
Equipment Infrastructure		84,834 806,899		9,350 11,346		(2,281)		91,903 818,245
Total capital assets, being depreciated		2,164,480		34,216		(2,281)		2,196,415
iotal capital assets, being depreciated		2,104,480		54,210		(2,201)		2,190,415
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Buildings and improvements		184,888		31,499		-		216,387
Equipment		67,675		7,890		(2,243)		73,322
Infrastructure		598,745		19,862		-		618,607
Total accumulated depreciation		851,308		59,251		(2,243)		908,316
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		1,313,172 (25,035)						1,288,099
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ :	1,620,493	\$	(66)	\$	(26,959)	\$	1,593,468
	Ba	lance at					В	alance at
	Be	eginning						End
	<u>(</u>	<u>Of Year</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>dditions</u>	Re	<u>tirements</u>		<u>Of Year</u>
Business-type activities:								
Capital assets, not being depreciated:								
Land	\$	21,444	\$	46	\$	-	\$	21,490
Construction in progress		97,531		38,929		(27,406)		109,054
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		118,975		38,975		(27,406)		130,544
Capital assets, being depreciated:								
Buildings and improvements		2,833		-		-		2,833
Drainage System		86,261		3,390		-		89,651
Water and sewer system		718,464		27,652		-		746,116
Machinery and equipment		11,494		352		-		11,846
Total capital assets, being depreciated		819,052		31,394		-		850,446
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Buildings and improvements		1,297		57		_		1,354
Drainage System		31,905		1,698		-		33,603
		235,814		14,362		-		250,176
Water and sewer system				1,502				
Water and sewer system Machinery and equipment				239		-		10 797
Machinery and equipment		10,558		239 16.356		-		<u>10,797</u> 295.930
				239 16,356 15,038		- - -		10,797 295,930 554,516
Machinery and equipment Total accumulated depreciation	\$	10,558 279,574	\$	16 <i>,</i> 356	\$		\$	295,930

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows (in thousands):

Governmental activities:	
General Government	\$ 26,740
Public Safety	2,641
Parks and recreation	5,034
Public works	21,451
Capital assets held by the government's internal service	
funds are charged to the various functions based on	
their usage of the assets	3,385
Total depreciation expense – governmental activities	<u>\$59,251</u>
Business-type activities:	
Storm Water Utility	1,698
Water and sewer	<u>\$ 14,658</u>
Total depreciation expense – business-type activities	<u>\$ 16,356</u>

# Discretely presented component units:

Discretely presented component units:								
		(a	mount	ts expres	sed in	thousand	ds)	
	Ba	alance at		•				
		ginning of	Trans	sfer and	Trans	fers and	Bal	lance at End
		Year	-	litions	-	rements		of Year
Arlington Housing Authority, Inc.								
Capital assets, being depreciated:								
Buildings and improvements	\$	563	Ś	_	Ś	-	\$	563
Machinery and equipment	Ŷ	369	Ŷ	_	Ŷ	-	Ŷ	369
Totla capital assets, being depreciated		932						932
Totra capital assets, being depreciated		932		_				332
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Buildings and improvements		(251)		(14)		-		(265)
Machinery and equipment		(263)		(51)		-		(314)
Total accumulated depreciation		(514)		(65)		-		(579)
Arlington Housing Authority, Inc.								
Capital assets, net	\$	418	\$	(65)	\$	-	\$	353
	Ba	<u>alance at</u>						
	Beg	<u>ginning of</u>	<u>Trans</u>	sfer and	<u>Trans</u>	fers and	Bal	lance at End
		Year	<u>Adc</u>	<u>ditions</u>	<u>Reti</u>	rements		<u>of Year</u>
Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc.								
Capital asset, being depreciated:								
Machinery and equipment	\$	737	\$	52	\$	-	\$	789
Total capital assets, being depreciated		737		52		-		789
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Machinery and equipment		(467)		(73)		-		(540)
Total accumulated depreciation		(467)		(73)		-		(540)
•								
				(				
Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc.		,		(				
Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. Capital assets, net	\$	270	\$	(21)	\$	_	\$	249

#### 6. PENSION AND EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

#### Texas Municipal Retirement System

#### Plan Description:

The City provides pension benefits for all of its full-time employees through a nontraditional, joint contributory, hybrid defined benefit plan in the state-wide Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS), one of 849 administered by TMRS, an agent, multiple-employer public employee retirement system. Each of the municipalities has an annual individual actuarial valuation performed. All assumptions for the December 31, 2012 valuations are contained in the 2012 TMRS comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), a copy of which may be obtained by writing to P.O. Box 149153, Austin, Texas 78714-9153 or accessing the CAFR on line at www.tmrs.com.

Benefits depend upon a sum of the employee's contributions to the plan, with interest, and the City-financed monetary credits, with interest. At the date the plan began, the City granted monetary credits for service rendered before the plan began of a theoretical amount equal to two times what would have been contributed by the employee, with interest, prior to establishment of the plan. Monetary credits for service since the plan began are two times the employee's accumulated contributions and the monetary credits for service since the plan began, would be the total monetary credits and employee contributions accumulated with interest if the current employee contribution rate and City matching percent had always been in existence and if the employee's salary had always been the average of his salary in the last three years that are one year before the effective date. At retirement, the benefit is calculated as if the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions with interest and the employer-financed monetary credits with interest were used to purchase an annuity. Additionally, initiated in 1998, the City provides on an annually repeating basis annuity increases for retirees. In 2013, that amount was equal to 50% of the change in the consumer price index (CPI).

Members can retire at age 60 and above with 5 or more years of service or with 20 years of service regardless of age. A member is vested after 5 years. The plan provisions are adopted by the governing body of the City, within the options available in the state statutes governing TMRS. The contribution rate for the employees is 7%, and the City matching ratio is currently 2 to 1, both as adopted by the governing body of the City.

#### Funding Policy:

Under the state law governing TMRS, the contribution rate for each city is determined annually by the actuary, using the Projected Unit Credit actuarial cost method. The rate consists of the normal cost contribution rate and the prior service cost contribution rate, which is calculated to be a level percent of payroll from year to year. The normal cost contribution rate finances the portion of an active member's projected benefit allocated annually; the prior service contribution rate amortizes the unfunded (overfunded) actuarial liability (asset) over the applicable period for that city. Both the normal cost and prior service contribution rates include recognition of the projected impact of annually repeating benefits, such as Updated Service Credits and Annuity Increases. The City discloses the annual pension costs (which equal the required contributions) based on the calculated rates for the City's fiscal year. The rate is 16.77% of covered payroll for the months in calendar year 2012, and 16.47% for the months in calendar year 2013. This rate consists of the normal cost contribution rate and the prior service contribution rate. The normal cost contribution rate finances the currently accruing monetary credits due to City matching percent, which are the obligation of the City as of an employee's retirement date, not at the time the employee's contributions are made. The normal cost contribution rate is the actuarially determined percent of payroll necessary to satisfy the obligation for the City to each employee at the time his/her retirement becomes effective. The prior service contribution rate amortizes the unfunded actuarial liability. Both the employees and the City make contributions monthly. Since the City needs to know its contribution rate in advance for budgetary purposes, there is a one-year delay between the actuarial valuation that serves as basis for the rate and the calendar year when the rate goes into effect (i.e. December 31, 2011 valuation is effective of rates beginning January 1, 2013). If a change in plan provisions is elected by the City, this rate can change.

Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation:

The City's annual pension cost of \$24,352,889 was \$57,213 lower than the City's contributions.

Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 24,202,609
Interest	1,237,694
Adjustment to the ARC	 (1,087,414)
Annual pension cost (expense)	24,352,889
Contribution made	 24,410,102
Increase (decrease) in net pension obligation	(57 <i>,</i> 213)
Net pension obligation beginning of year	 17,681,349
Net pension obligation end of year	\$ 17,624,136

**Three-Year Trend Information** 

		<u>Percentage</u>	Net Pension
	<u>Annual</u>	of APC	<u>Obligation</u>
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Pension Cost	<u>Contribution</u>	<u>(Asset)</u>
2013	\$24,352,889	100.23%	\$17,624,136
2012	\$25,111,256	100.14%	\$17,681,349
2011	\$28,051,791	87.70%	\$17,717,160

The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets in increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits.

#### Changes in Actuarial and Amortization Methods:

Since its inception, TMRS has used the Unit Credit actuarial funding method. This method accounts for liability accrued as the valuation date, but does not project the potential future liability of provisions adopted by the City. Two-thirds of the cities participating in TMRS have adopted the Updated Service Credit and Annuity Increases provisions on an annually repeating basis. For the December 31, 2007 valuation, The TMRS Board determined that the Projected Unit Credit (PUC) funding method should be used, which facilitates advance funding for future updated service credits and annuity increases that are adopted on an annually reporting basis. In addition, the Board also adopted a change in the amortization period from a 25-year "open" to a 25-year "closed" period. TMRS Board of Trustee rules provide that, whenever a change in actuarial assumptions or methods results in a contribution rate increase in an amount greater than .5%, the amortization period will be increased to 30 years, unless a city requests that the period remain at 25 years. The statutes further provide that plan members may request up to a forty year amortization period. For cities with repeating features, these changes would likely result initially in higher required contributions and lower funded ratios; however, the funded ratio should show steady improvement over time. To assist in this transition to higher rates, the Board also approved an eight-year phase-in period, which will allow cities the opportunity to increase their contributions gradually (approximately 12.5% each year) to their full rate (or their required contribution rate).

#### Funding Status and Funding Progress:

In June 2011, SB 350 was enacted by the Texas Legislature, resulting in a restructure of the TMRS funds. This legislation provided for the actuarial valuation to be completed, as if restructuring had occurred on December 31, 2010. In addition, the actuarial assumptions were updated for the new fund structure, based on an actuarial

experience study that was adopted by the TMRS Board at their May 2011 meeting (the review compared actual to expected experience for the four-year period of January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2009). For a complete description of the combined impact of the legislation and new actuarial assumptions, including the effects on TMRS city rates and funding ratios, please see the December 31, 2010 TMRS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

As of December 31, 2012, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 87.1 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$904,236,326, and the actuarial value of assets was \$787,497,396, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$116,738,930. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$145,368,879, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 80.3%.

## Actuarial Methods and Assumptions:

A summary of actuarial assumptions is as follows:

Actuarial valuation date
Actuarial cost method
Amortization method
Remaining amortization period
Asset valuation method
Investment rate of return
Projected salary increases
Payroll growth
Withdrawal rate (low, mid or high) for male/female
Inflation rate
Cost of living adjustments

12/31/2012 Projected Unit Credit Level percent of payroll 25.2 years (closed) Amortized cost 7.0 percent Varies by age and service 3 percent Mid-High/Mid-High 3 percent 1.5 percent

## Thrift Savings Plan

All full-time City employees may participate in the Thrift Savings Plan (the "Thrift"), a single-employer defined contribution plan administered by the Retirement Committee at the City. The plan provisions and contribution savings are adopted and amended by the City Council, within the options available in the federal statutes governing Internal Revenue Code, section 401(k). This voluntary IRS Code 401(k) plan allows all full-time City employees to contribute between 1 percent to 10 percent of their salary with the City matching the first 6 percent of employee contributions at 50 cents to the dollar. Partial vesting of employer contributions begins after three years of participation with full vesting taking place after six years of participation. At September 30, 2013, the Thrift plan was fully funded and the fair market value of plan assets, including accrued interest, was \$146,221,000.

The City's total payroll during fiscal 2013 was \$153,444,000. The current year contribution was calculated based on a covered payroll of \$90,286,000, resulting in a required and actual employer contribution of \$2,524,000 and actual employee contributions of \$6,004,000. The employer contribution represents 2.80 percent of the covered payroll. The employee contribution represents approximately 6.65 percent of the covered payroll.

There were no material changes to the Thrift plan during fiscal 2013. There were no related-party transactions. The Thrift Plan does not issue separate stand-alone financial statements.

# Part-Time Deferred Income Trust

The City provides retirement benefits for all part-time, seasonal, and temporary employees through the Part-time Deferred Income Trust Plan (the "PDIT"), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the City of Arlington's Workforce Services Department. The PDIT was adopted by the City Council in accordance with the

safe harbor rules of the Internal Revenue Service regulations. The PDIT does not issue separate stand-alone financial statements.

As of July 1, 2013, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 117.4 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$2,085,050, and the actuarial value of assets was \$2,448,438, resulting in an excess funded actuarial accrued liability (EAAL) of \$363,388. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$2,791,558, and the ratio of the EAAL to the covered payroll was 13.0 percent.

The contribution rate for employees is 3 percent, and the City's actuarially determined matching percent is zero for fiscal year 2012, however a rate of .5 percent was chosen to provide a cushion for future adverse experience (particularly investment experience, which can be volatile). For fiscal year 2013, the contribution rate required is .5 percent. The City's required contribution rate was determined as part of the July 1, 2013, actuarial valuation (the most recent actuarial valuation) using the aggregate cost method, which does not identify or separately amortize unfunded actuarial liabilities. Under this method the City's contribution rate is equal to the level percentage of future pay that is equivalent to the present value of future benefits less the plan assets.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2013 actuarial valuation included were (a) 5.50 percent investment return, (b) no inflation rate adjustment, and (c) 3.50 percent salary increases. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by the PDIT fund. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Administrative costs of the plan are financed through investment earnings. Cash and cash equivalents are stated at cost that approximates fair value. Investments are stated at the approximate value of the financial asset based on either the month end price, the last available price, or the last available activity. Because the assets of the plan exceed the actuarial liability, amortization of the unfunded liability is discontinued and the contribution required for the plan was developed under the aggregate cost method. This method does not identify or separately amortize unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities; the information presented is intended to serve as a surrogate for the funded status and funding progress of the plan.

The following table discloses three-year historical trend information relating to the Part-Time Deferred Income Trust Plan.

Fiscal	Annual	Percentage	Net
Year	Required	of ARC	Pension
<u>Ending</u>	<u>Contribution (ARC)</u>	<u>Contributed</u>	<u>Obligation</u>
9/30/13	\$16,000	100.00%	-
9/30/12	\$15,000	100.00%	
9/30/11	\$75,000	100.00%	-

Benefits depend on length of service to the City and the employee's total contributions. At normal retirement age (65), the benefit consists of monthly payments equal to a percentage of the employee's average pay multiplied by years of service. The percentage of the employee's pay ranges from 1.50 percent to 2.00 percent, depending on the number of months of service.

City contributions for the above plans for the year ended September 30, 2013, are as follows (amounts in thousands):

TMRS	\$24,410
THRIFT	2,524
PTDIT	16
	\$26 950

#### IRC 457 Deferred Compensation Plans

The City offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 which is administered by the International City Management Associations Retirement Corporation (the "ICMA"). In addition, the City offers its executive employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 which is also administered by the ICMA. Since the City does not administer these plans, these plans are not included in the City's financial statements.

#### Statement of Net Position and Statement of Changes in Net Position

The Part-Time Deferred Income Trust and Thrift Savings Plans do not issue separate GAAP financial reports. Their financial statements are presented below as of and for the year-ended September 30, 2013 (amounts in thousands):

	NET POSITION				
	Part-Time				
	De	<u>ferred</u>	Thr	ift Savings	
	Incor	<u>me Trust</u>		<u>Plan</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS					
Investments	\$	2,506	\$	146,221	\$ 148,727
Total Assets		2,506		146,221	148,727
NET POSITION, Held in Trust for					
Pension Benefits	\$	2,506	\$	146,221	\$ 148,727

	Changes in Net Position				
	Part	<u>-Time</u>			
	Def	<u>erred</u>	<u>Thr</u>	<u>ift Savings</u>	
	Incon	<u>ne Trust</u>		<u>Plan</u>	<u>Total</u>
ADDITIONS					
Employer contributions	\$	16	\$	2,524	\$ 2,540
Employee contributions		94		6,004	6 <i>,</i> 098
Net appreciation in fair value of					
investments		103		19,123	 19,226
Total Additions		213		27,651	 27,864
				-	
DEDUCTIONS					
Benefits		(111)		(9 <i>,</i> 557)	(9 <i>,</i> 668)
Plan administration		(47)		(76)	 (123)
Total Deductions		(158)		(9,633)	(9,791)
Increase in Net Position		55		18,018	18,073
NET POSITION, October 1		2,451		128,203	 130,654
NET POSITION, September 30	\$	2,506	\$	146,221	\$ 148,727

## 7. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### **Disability Income Plan**

Effective October 1, 1992, the City began providing active employees with disability insurance through a policy obtained from a commercial carrier. Previously, all City employees had participated in a Disability Income Plan (DIP), a single-employer other postemployment benefit disability plan, which had been funded by actuarially

determined contributions. This plan had been accounted for in the DIP fund. Benefits to employees who were disabled while participating under the previous plan will continue to be paid from the remaining assets of the DIP fund, a fiduciary fund of the City.

## Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

*Basis of Accounting.* DIP's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Employer contributions to the plan are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

*Method Used to Value Investments.* Cash and cash equivalents with original maturity dates less than one year are stated at cost that approximates fair value. Investments are stated at fair value based on either the month end price, the last available price or the last available activity.

## Plan Description and Contribution Information

Membership of the plan consisted of the following at July 1, 2013, the date of the latest actuarial valuation:

## Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits: 16

*Plan Description*. DIP is a single-employer defined benefit disability income plan that covers the employees of the City. The plan originally provided in-service death benefits and long term disability benefits commencing upon disablement. The plan was amended to eliminate the in-service death benefit and to start disability payments at age 65. The plan contemplates that long term disability benefits will be provided through a separate LTD insurance contract prior to age 65. The retired life liability for current disabled employees (many of whom are under age 65) is retained under the plan.

*Contributions.* The retirement committee of the City has the authority to establish and amend contribution requirements of the plan. The City's contribution is determined through an actuarial valuation. For the year ended September 30, 2013, the City contributed \$248,000 to the plan. Administrative costs of DIP are financed through investment earnings.

# Funded Status and Funding Progress

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment and mortality. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial values of plan assets are increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

As of July 1, 2013, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 78.7 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$1,708,448, and the actuarial value of assets was \$1,344,216, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$364,232.

The accompanying schedule of employer contributions present trend information about the amounts contributed to the plan by employers in comparison to the ARC, an amount that is actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 43. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost for each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan, (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long term perspective of the calculations. Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows:

Valuation date	7/1/2013
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Amortization method	Level dollar amortization
Remaining amortization period	9 years (closed)
Asset valuation method	Market value
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	5.5 percent
Inflation rate	3.0 percent

*Funding Policy.* The retirement committee of the City has the authority to establish and amend contribution requirements of the plan. The City fully funds the required contributions each year.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The City's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the *annual required contribution of the employer (ARC)*, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The following table shows the components of the City's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the City's net OPEB asset (dollar amounts in thousands):

Annual required contribution	\$ 91
Interest on net OPEB asset	(21)
Adjustment to annual required contribution	50
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	120
Contributions made	(248)
Increase in net OPEB asset	(128)
Net OPEB asset - beginning of year	(390)
Net OPEB asset - end of year	\$ (518)

The City's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB asset for 2013 and the five preceding years are as follows:

Fiscal Year <u>Ending</u>	Annual OPEB <u>Cost</u>	Percentage Annual OPEB <u>Contribution</u>	Net OPEB Obligation <u>(Asset)</u>
9/30/13	\$120,000	206.70%	(\$518,000)
9/30/12	\$283,000	126.10%	(\$390,000)
9/30/11	\$249,000	149.80%	(\$316,000)
9/30/10	\$305,000	127.21%	(\$192,000)
9/30/09	\$358,000	142.25%	(\$109,000)
9/30/08	\$364,000	100.00%	-

DIP does not issue separate GAAP financial reports. Its financial statements are presented below as of September 30, 2013 (in thousands):

Net Position	
Assets	
Investments	\$ 1,380
Total assets	1,380
Net position, held in trust for	
Other postemployment benefits	\$ 1,380
Changes in Net Position	
Additions	
Employer contributions	\$ 248
Net appreciation in fair value	
Of investments	56
Total additions	\$ 304
Deductions	
Benefits	(164)
Plan Administration	 (24)
Total deductions	 (188)
Increase in net position	116
Net position, October 1, 2012	 1,264
Net position, September 30, 2013	\$ 1,380

### **Retiree Health Insurance**

Plan Description. The City of Arlington administers a single-employer defined benefit health care plan. The plan provides postretirement health care benefits to eligible retirees and their spouses.

An eligible employee can continue their health care coverage in retirement if their age plus service is at least 70 with a minimum age requirement of 50 years and a minimum of ten years of service with the City. Employees hired after December 31, 2005 are not eligible for postretirement health care benefits. As of January 1, 2013, 669 retirees met those eligibility requirements. The City plan has a non-duplication coordination of benefits with Medicare and other primary plans for retirees and/or their dependants.

## Retiree Contributions for Pre-2008 Retirees

For retirees who are below age 65, the City subsidizes the premium rate for the three PPO options with a dollar amount that is based upon a defined percentage of the total premium for the Core Plan. This same dollar amount is the subsidy for the Plus Plan and the Premium Plan as well. The percentage subsidy for the Core Plan varies by years of service at retirement, ranging from 40% to 100%. The percentage subsidy for spouse coverage ranges from 30% to 50% based on years of service. Retirees pay the balance of the total premium rates. The City also subsidizes the AARP Plan K and Secure Horizons premium rates for retirees age 65 and over, and the percentage subsidy varies by years of service.

### Retiree Contributions for January 1, 2008 and After

The subsidy for future retirees will be a defined dollar amount, increasing with trend each year for 15 years. After 15 years, the subsidy will remain fixed. Retirees as of January 1, 2008 are grandfathered and their subsidy will not become fixed after 15 years.

*Funding Policy.* The retirement committee of the City has the authority to establish and amend contribution requirements of the plan. Currently the plan is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The City's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years.

The following table shows the components of the City's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the City's net OPEB obligation (dollar amounts in thousands):

Annual required contribution	\$ 9,133
Interest on net OPEB Obligation	1,224
Adjustment to annual required contribution	 (1,634)
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	8,723
Contributions made	 (5,697)
Increase in net OPEB obligation	3,026
Net OPEB obligation – beginning of year	 27,203
Net OPEB obligation – end of year	\$ 30,229

The City's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2013 and the five preceding years are as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

Ending	<u>Cost</u>	<b>Contribution</b>	<u>Ob</u>	igation
9/30/13	\$ 8,723	65.31%	\$	30,229
9/30/12	\$ 12,133	46.66%	\$	27,203
9/30/11	\$ 8,379	56.14%	\$	20,731
9/30/10	\$ 8,398	31.80%	\$	17,056
9/30/09	\$ 8,947	26.72%	\$	11,328
9/30/08	\$ 8,100	41.09%	\$	4,772

Funded Status and Funding Progress. As of July 1, 2013, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was zero percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$107.5 million, and the actuarial value of assets was zero, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$107.5 million. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$131.8 million, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was \$1.5 percent.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions. Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan, (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long term perspective of the calculations.

Valuation date Actuarial cost method Amortization method Remaining amortization period Healthcare Cost trend rate - medical 7/1/2013 Projected Unit Credit Level dollar, open 30 years 7.5% initial (2013) 4.5% ultimate (2023) 3.00%

Inflation rate

## **Supplemental Death Benefits Plan**

*Plan Description.* The City of Arlington contributes to the Supplemental Death Benefit Fund (SDBF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit group term life insurance plan operated by TMRS. This is a separate trust administered by the TMRS Board of Trustees. SDBF provides a death benefit of \$7,500 for retirees. TMRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for SDBF. That report may be obtained from the TMRS website at <u>www.TMRS.com</u>.

*Funding Policy.* Contribution requirements of the participating employers are established and may be amended by the TMRS Board of Trustees. The City is required to contribute at a rate assessed each year by the TMRS Board of Trustees, currently .14 percent of covered payroll. The TMRS Board of Trustees sets the employer contribution rate based on the mortality and service experience of all employees covered by the plan and the demographics specific to the workforce of the City. There is a one-year delay between the actuarial valuation that serves as the basis for the employer contribution rate and the calendar year when the rate goes into effect. Contributions are made monthly based on covered payroll of employee members of the City. Contributions are utilized to fund active member deaths on a pay-as-you-go basis. Any excess contributions over payments then become net position available for OPEB. The City's contributions to SDBF for the years ended September 30, 2013, 2012, and 2011, were \$207,493, \$209,933, and \$201,409, respectively, which equaled the required contributions each year.

## 8. DEBT AND LIABILITIES

## **General Obligation Bonds**

On June 1, 2013, the City issued Permanent Improvement Bonds, Series 2013A of \$19,635,000 with an interest rate of 3.0 to 4.0 percent and serial maturities on August 15 from 2014 through 2033. Interest on the bonds is due every February and August 15, beginning February 15, 2014. The bonds were issued for designing, developing, constructing, improving, extending and expanding streets, thoroughfares, sidewalks, bridges and other public ways of the City; acquiring, developing, renovating and improving parks and open spaces for parks and recreation purposes; designing, constructing, improving, renovating, expanding, equipping, and furnishing fire fighting facilities; and paying costs related to the issuance of the 2013A Bonds. Total interest requirements for the Series A bonds at a rate from 3.00 to 4.00 percent is \$7,452,166 in the aggregate.

In June, 2013 the City issued \$6,345,000 in Permanent Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2013B for the purpose of refunding a portion of the City's outstanding debt, and paying the cost of issuance of the bonds. The Series B bonds mature on August 15 over a period from 2014 to 2023. Interest is payable February 15 and August 15 of each year commencing August 15 2013. Total interest requirements for the Series B bonds at a rate from 2.00 to 3.00 percent is \$623,050 in the aggregate. The refunding was undertaken to achieve a present value savings on debt service payments of \$653,770. The following is a breakdown of the refunded obligations (amounts in thousands):

Bonds	Original Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Amount Refunded
Permanent Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series	8/15/2014	5.00	\$2 <i>,</i> 335
2003	8/15/2015	5.00	775
	8/15/2016	5.00	405
	8/15/2017	5.00	405
	8/15/2018	5.00	405
	8/15/2019	5.00	405
	8/15/2020	5.00	405
	8/15/2021	5.00	405
	8/15/2022	5.00	405
	8/15/2023	5.00	405
			\$6,350
Bonds	Original	Interest	Amount
	Maturity Date	Rates	Refunded
Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates			
of Obligation, Series 2003	8/15/2014	4.00	\$75
	Total Refunded	Obligations	\$6,425

General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows (amounts in thousands):

Purpose	Interest Rates	Amount
Governmental activities	3.0-5.500%	\$ 90,295
Governmental activities - refunding	1.0-5.000%	165,635
Total Governmental		\$ 255,930

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds are as follows (amounts in thousands):

Year Ending		
September 30	Principal	<u>Interest</u>
2014	\$ 25,440	\$ 9,957
2015	25,315	8,957
2016	23,920	7,934
2017	23,245	6,966
2018	20,105	6,037
2019-2023	73,335	20,173
2024-2028	46,715	8,729
2029-2033	17,855	 1,526
	\$ 255,930	\$ 70,279

### Governmental Activities, General Obligation

General obligation debt authorized and unissued as of September 30, 2013, amounted to \$75,690,000.

### **Certificates of Obligation**

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for certificates of obligation of the primary government are as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Gov	Governmental Activities, Certificates of			
		Oblig	ation		
Year Ending					
September 30		<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>	
2014	\$	4,735	\$	2,344	
2015		4,535		2,198	
2016		4,295		2,062	
2017		3,065		1,934	
2018		2,300		1,816	
2019-2023		12,440		7,486	
2024-2028		13,200		4,466	
2029-2033		11,540		1,631	
	\$	56,110	\$	23,937	

### **Special Obligation Bonds**

In 2005, the City issued \$297,990,000 Dallas Cowboys Complex Special Obligations to fund the City's share of the project costs for the Complex, including \$164,265,000 Dallas Cowboys complex Special Obligation Tax-Exempt Special Tax bonds, Series 2005B (the "Multi-Modal Bonds"). In 2008-2009, the City issued \$112,185,000, Series 2008, and \$62,820,000, Series 2009, in Special Tax Revenue Bonds, refunding a total of \$164,265,000 of the 2005B issue principal.

	Gov	vernmental Activit	ies, Spec	cial Revenue
Year Ending				
September 30		<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>
2014	\$	7,710	\$	11,601
2015		8,070		11,239
2016		8,530		10,854
2017		8,570		10,427
2018		13,235		10,019
2019-2023		76,805		39,844
2024-2028		88,390		17,217
2029-2032		15,630		2,382
	\$	226,940	\$	113,583

The debt service requirements of the above special obligation debt are as follows (amounts in thousands):

The City has pledged future revenues consisting of one-half cent sales tax, two percent hotel occupancy tax, five percent car rental tax, future stadium base rental revenue of \$2 million per year and five percent of any future naming rights up to a maximum of \$500,000 annually to repay the Dallas Cowboys Stadium Bonds. Annual principal and interest payments are expected to require 100 percent of these revenues. Series 2005A are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption to the extent that there are moneys on deposit available for such purpose. In 2013, the City redeemed \$13,300,000 of the 2005A Term Bonds maturing August 15, 2032. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the Dallas Cowboys Stadium Bonds is \$340,523,000. Principal and interest payments and total pledged revenues for the year ended September 30, 2013 were \$20,632,000 and \$21,371,000, respectively, exclusive of the redemption.

## Revenue Bonds

The City also issues bonds where the government pledges income derived from the operations of the Water and Sewer Fund or the Storm Water Utility Fund.

In fiscal year 2013, the City issued \$910,000 related to the 2008 debt issue held by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) as part of the TWDB Clean and Drinking Water Programs. The City also drew down \$3,666,000 related to previously issued 2010 TWDB Clean Water Debt. Funds from the 2010 debt are held in escrow until the City requests a draw down of funds for a specific purpose. This brings the total outstanding TWDB balance to \$37,675,000. These bonds will mature June 2014 to June 2024 at interest rates to 1.7 percent.

In June, 2013, the City issued \$8,930,000 in Water and Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, Series 2013A. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds will be used to provide funds to improve and extend the System and to pay cost of issuance associated with the Bonds. These bonds mature June 1 over a period from 2014 to 2033. Interest, at a rate of 2.00 to 4.00 percent, is \$3,395,217 in the aggregate.

In June, 2013 the City issued \$8,250,000 in Water and Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013B for the purpose to provide funds to refund certain outstanding obligations and to pay costs of issuance associated with the sale of the bonds. The bonds mature on June 1 over a period from 2014 to 2033. Interest is payable June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing December 1, 2013. Total interest requirements for these bonds at a rate from 2.00 to 3.00 percent is \$1,139,269 in the aggregate. The refunding was undertaken to achieve a present value savings on debt service payments of \$483,204. The difference between the reacquisition price and the carrying amount of the debt resulted in a loss of \$290,838 which has been recorded in the Proprietary Funds financial statements.

Following is the schedule of refunded obligations (amounts in thousands):

Bonds	Original Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Amount Refunded
Water and Wastewater System Revenue			
Refunding Bonds, Series 2003	6/1/2014	4.00	\$530
	6/1/2015	4.00	520
			\$1,050
Water & Wastewater System Revenue			
Bonds, Series 2004	6/1/2015	3.60	\$790
Bollus, Selles 2004	6/1/2016	3.00	3790 790
	6/1/2017	3.80	790
	6/1/2018	3.90	790
	6/1/2019	4.00	790
	6/1/2020	4.10	790
	6/1/2021	4.20	790
	6/1/2022	4.25	785
	6/1/2023	4.30	785
		-	\$7,100
	Total Refunded O	bligations	\$8,150

		Business Activities				
Year Ending	Water/Wa	astewater	•	Vastewater VDB	Storm W	ater Utility
September 30	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2014	8,110	3,158	2,595	776	1,280	963
2015	8,060	2,903	2,595	747	1,280	925
2016	7,490	2,629	2,595	710	1,280	874
2017	6,855	2,356	2,595	669	1,280	822
2018	6,825	2,098	2,595	626	1,280	771
2019-2023	27,495	6,949	12,975	2,346	6,400	3,037
2024-2028	14,515	2,740	10,345	781	6,400	1,629
2029-2033	6,520	615	1,380	35	3,840	339
	85,870	23,448	37,675	6,690	23,040	9,360

The revenue bond debt service requirements to maturity are as follows (amounts in thousands):

Net revenues of the City's water operations have been pledged for repayment of the City's revenue bonds. The amount of the pledge is equal to the remaining outstanding debt service requirements for these bonds, which were all originally issued to provide funding for construction of the water and wastewater systems. The pledge continues for the life of the bonds. For the year ended September 30, 2013, net pledged revenues for the water enterprise fund were \$41,574,000 and debt service on the revenue bonds was \$12,222,000. The same pledge for repayment applies to the City's Storm Water Utility revenue of \$8,042,000 for the bonds issued in fiscal year 2013.

The following is a summary of long-term liability transactions of the City for the year ended September 30, 2013 (amounts expressed in thousands):

	10/01/2012	Increases	Reductions	09/30/2013	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
General obligation debt	\$ 259,755	\$ 25,980	\$ (29,805)	\$ 255 <i>,</i> 930	\$25,440
Special tax revenue debt	248,240	-	(21,300)	226,940	7,710
Certificates of obligation	61,055	-	(4,945)	56,110	4,735
Premium on general bonds	6,269	920	(1,530)	5,659	-
Premium on special bonds	4,678	-	(314)	4,364	-
Deferred loss on refunding	(4,487)	(313)	704	(4,096)	-
Deferred loss on special bond refund	d (2,886)	-	137	(2,749)	-
Discount on special bonds	(3,125)		288	(2,837)	
Net governmental bonds payable	569 <i>,</i> 499	26,587	(56,765)	539,321	37,885
Compensated absences	25,435	263	(1,355)	24,343	1,265
Capital leases	17	-	(17)	-	-
Claims	7,643	4,227	(3,448)	8,422	3,757
Landfill Closure	7,657	869	-	8,526	-
Sales tax	55	-	(55)	-	-
Net other post-employ benefit oblg.	27,203	3,026	-	30,229	-
Net pension oblg	17,681		(57)	17,624	
Total governmental long-term					
liabilities	\$ 655,190	\$ 34,972	\$ (61,697)	\$ 628,465	\$42,907
Business-type activities:					
Water and sewer bonds	\$ 124,285	\$ 18,090	\$ (18,830)	\$ 123,545	\$12,090
Premium on water and sewer bonds	1,113	626	(292)	1,447	-
Deferred loss on refunding	(1,345)	(291)	286	(1,350)	-
Storm water utility bonds	24,320	-	(1,280)	23,040	1,280
Premium on storm water utility bond	1,044		(104)	940	
Net water and sewer bonds payable	149,417	18,425	(20,220)	147,622	13,370
Compensated Absences	1,846	228	(140)	1,934	160
Total busines-type long term					
liabilities	\$ 151,263	\$ 18,653	\$ (20,360)	\$ 149,556	\$13,530

## 9. PRIOR YEAR BOND REFUNDINGS

In prior years, the City legally defeased certain general obligation, revenue, and other bonds by placing cash and/or proceeds of refunding bond issues in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the refunded bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and the liability for the defeased bonds are not included in the City's report. As of September 30, 2013, previously defeased debt still outstanding amounted to \$12,055,000.

### **10. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

A summary of interfund receivables and payables at September 30, 2013, is as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Interfund	Interfund
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Receivables</u>	Payables
General Fund	\$4,916	\$ -
Nonmajor Funds	<u> </u>	4,916
	<u>\$4,916</u>	<u>\$4,916</u>

The General Fund receivable represents cash provided to nonmajor funds and will be reimbursed in 2014.

Transfers between funds during the year were as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Transfers Out	Transfers In
Major Governmental Funds: General Fund Debt Service Fund	\$ 13,855	\$ 18,710 3,946
Total Major Governmental Funds	13,855	22,656
Major Enterprise Fund-Water and Sewer Major Enterprise Fund-Storm Water Utility	14,448 1,108	-
Other Funds: Nonmajor Governmental Funds Internal Service Funds	17,590 <u>19</u>	19,812 4,552
Total All Funds	<u>\$47,020</u>	<u>\$47,020</u>

The Water and Sewer, Storm Water Utility, and Convention and Event Services transferred \$4,709,000 to the General Fund to cover their budgeted indirect costs.

The General Fund transferred \$11,061,000 to Street Maintenance Fund, Special Transportation (Handitran), Parks Performance Fund, Arlington Property Finance Authority to cover budgeted operating expenses.

The other General Fund transfers were to cover budgeted operating expenses in other funds.

The Debt Service Fund received transfers of \$1,344,000 from the Convention and Event Services and Water and Sewer Funds to cover debt service repayments.

## 11. MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE CARE COSTS

The City accounts for its landfill closure and post-closure care costs in accordance with GASB No. 18, "Accounting for Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Care Costs."

State and federal laws and regulations require the City to place a final cover on its municipal landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance functions at the site for thirty years after closure. Although closure and post-closure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the City reports a portion of the closure and post-closure care costs as a liability on the Statement of Net position in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. This liability is offset

by an asset recorded for a trust account established for the purpose of paying the closure and post-closure costs as more fully described below. In 2004 the City received a permit for vertical expansion which increased the capacity and the life of the landfill. The \$8,526,000 reported as a landfill closure and post-closure accrued liability at September 30, 2013, represents the cumulative amount reported to date based on the use of approximately 68 percent of the estimated capacity of the landfill. The City will recognize the remaining estimated cost of closure and post-closure care of \$2,946,000 as the remaining capacity is filled. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and post-closure care in 2013. The City expects to close the landfill in 2028. Actual costs may change due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

On March 18, 2005, the City entered into a contract with Republic Waste Services of Texas, Ltd. (Republic) for a 20 year renewable operating lease of the landfill. The City received an initial payment of \$15 million; the remaining balance of deferred revenue of \$5,258,000 will be amortized over the life of the lease. Republic is responsible for the funding of monthly contributions to a trust account that will pay closure and post-closure costs as required by state and federal laws and regulations. Republic is in compliance with these requirements and at September 30, 2013, cash and cash equivalents are held for these purposes.

## **12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

## Trinity River Authority

The City entered into a 50 year contract dated October 10, 1973, with the Trinity River Authority (TRA) whereby the TRA agrees to provide supplemental sewage treatment for consideration. Payments by the City are based on metered usage, at rates designed to charge the City a pro rata share of the TRA's annual operating and maintenance expenses, and principal and interest requirements on bonds issued by the TRA.

### Grant Audits

The City receives federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. City management believes such disallowances, if any, would be insignificant.

## Construction Commitments

The City has various active construction projects as of September 30, 2013. The projects include street construction, park construction, police construction, traffic construction, and the construction of water and sewer facilities. At year-end the City's commitments with contractors are as follows (amounts in thousands):

		Re	maining	
<u>Spe</u>	Spent-to-Date		<u>Commitment</u>	
\$	43,770	\$	15,728	
	18,441		2,005	
	-		-	
	5,818		543	
	11,478		3,767	
	97,576		19,222	
\$	177,083	\$	41,265	
		\$ 43,770 18,441 - 5,818 11,478 97,576	Spent-to-Date         Con           \$         43,770         \$           18,441         -         -           5,818         11,478         97,576	

The street, police and traffic construction projects are funded primarily by permanent improvement bonds proceeds. The park construction projects are funded by permanent improvement bond proceeds, certificate of obligation proceeds, and park fee revenues. Water and sewer and storm water utility construction projects are funded by revenue bond proceeds and cash from operating revenues of the water and sewer and storm water systems.

### Litigation

The City is currently involved in several lawsuits in which some liability is probable. The potential liability as of September 30, 2013, cannot be determined. Pursuant to the Texas Tort Claims Act, damages would be capped at \$250,000.

The City is currently involved in an employment lawsuit in which the plaintiff alleges that the City's termination of an Arlington police officer was a violation of the City's personnel policies. The plaintiff elected to appeal his termination to an arbitrator. The arbitrator ruled that the officer be reinstated with back pay. The City appealed the arbitrator's decision. The Court ordered the City to reinstate the officer provided he passes certain requirements, which he has now done. The court has not ruled on whether the officer is entitled to back pay, but a ruling on this issue is anticipated soon. Liability with regard to the officer's back wages is probable. To the extent owed, back pay continues to accrue and a \$220,000 accrual has be recorded at September 30, 2013.

Various other claims and lawsuits are pending against the City. In the opinion of City management, the potential losses, in excess of APFA limitations (see Note 13) of insurance coverage, if any, on all claims will not have a materially adverse effect on the City's financial position as a whole.

## **13. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The City's risk management activities are administered through various internal service funds.

## Arlington Property Finance Authority (APFA)

The APFA was created for the purpose of acting on the City's behalf in financing various governmental programs as prescribed by ordinance or resolution of the City Council. In October 1986, the City Council adopted an ordinance to establish the City's Self-insurance and Risk Management Program (the "Program"). The purpose of the Program is to provide the City a defined and funded self-insurance program for bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, advertising injury, and regulatory injury.

Annual transfers from the General Fund and the Water Fund based on actuarial projections of Ultimate Losses, are made to support the program. Under the Program Ordinance, the annual surplus on deposit in the APFA Fund may be withdrawn upon order of the City's APFA Claims Board and used for any lawful purpose. The payments out of the APFA Fund for all purposes cannot exceed \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 in aggregate in one annual period. Should claims exceed this amount, the excess claims are to be funded by other available City resources.

The APFA claims liabilities are actuarially determined annually to include the effects of specific incremental claims, adjustment expenses, and if probable and material, salvage and subrogation. The actuarially determined liabilities are reported at their present values using an expected future investment yield assumption of 1.0 percent.

## Workers' Compensation

The City's workers' compensation plan provides City employees with workers' compensation insurance through the Workers' Compensation Fund (the "WCF"). Under this program, the WCF provides coverage for up to a maximum of \$500,000 per claim. The City purchases commercial insurance for claims in excess of coverage provided by the WCF. No settlements have utilized this commercial insurance coverage for the past three years. All City departments participate in the workers' compensation program. Payments to the WCF from such departments are based on actuarial estimates of the amounts needed to pay prior and current year claims and related administrative expenses. The WCF claims liabilities are actuarially determined annually to take into consideration recently settled claims, the frequency of claims and other economic and social factors. The actuarially determined liabilities are reported at their present values using an expected future investment yield assumption of 1.0 percent.

## Group Health

Group medical benefits are paid through the Group Health Fund. Revenues are recognized from payroll deductions and from City contributions for employee and dependent coverage. Changes in the balances of claims liabilities during fiscal 2013 and 2012 were as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Workers				
	Compensation Health		APFA	Other	
	2013 2012	2013 2012	2013 2012	2013 2012	
Unpaid claims, Oct 1	\$ 4,307 \$ 6,296	\$ 1,540 \$ 1,790	\$ 1,796 \$ 3,407	\$ - \$ -	
Incurred Claims (including					
IBNRs and changes in	2,586 (1,989)	21,143 18,761	1,549 (1,402)	232 -	
Claim payments	(2,101) -	(21,202) (19,011)	(1,428) (209)		
Unpaid claims, Sept 30	\$ 4,792 \$ 4,307	\$ 1,481 \$ 1,540	\$ 1,917 \$ 1,796	\$ 232 \$ -	

### 14. LEASES

#### As Lessor

Effective October 1, 1983, the City entered into a contract to lease a tract of land for the purpose of constructing and developing a hotel. The term of the lease is for an initial period of fifty years with renewal options for two additional terms of fifteen years each. The rental payments are based upon a percentage (ranging from 1.0 percent - 1.75 percent) of gross revenues (as defined in the agreement) through December 31, 2006. After December 31, 2006, the lessee shall pay the total annual rent of \$250,000. For each year thereafter the lessee shall pay an annual rent amount equal to the previous year's rent plus an increase not to exceed the effective percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (Specifically CPI-U for Dallas-Fort Worth region) for the previous 12 month period. Total rental payments received in 2013 were approximately \$277,687.

### **15. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

On April 27, 1999, the City entered into a Dispute Settlement Agreement and Agreement\_Not To Pursue Claim (the "Dispute Settlement Agreement") with the Texas Rangers baseball club (the "Rangers"). The Dispute Settlement Agreement relates to the amount of costs of acquiring certain tracts of land for the Project, which the City alleged should be paid by the Rangers (the "Claim").

The Dispute Settlement Agreement requires the Rangers to make annual installment payments, without interest, to the City on or before December 31 of each year as follows:

<u>Year</u>	Amount
2013	\$ 1,000,000
2014	1,000,000
2015	1,000,000
2016	1,000,000
2017	1,000,000
2018 to 2022	5,000,000
2023 to 2024	2,000,000
	12,000,000
Less Discount	3,158,000
	<u>\$8,842,000</u>

The total is reported as a settlement agreement receivable by the City. The payment in 2024 is due on or before March 1. By entering into this agreement, the City agreed to release and discharge the Rangers from the Claim.

### **16. CAPITAL LEASE**

A lease agreement was executed on June 23, 1992 between the Texas Rangers, Ltd. (the Rangers) and the City for the Ballpark Complex Development (the Facility). The lease is a triple net lease to the Rangers, with the Rangers retaining all concession and signage rights. The Rangers agreed to pay a base rent of \$2,000,000 per year for the 30-year term of the lease. At the end of the lease, the Rangers have the option to purchase the Facility, excluding the linear park, at a cost of \$60,000,000, with full credit given for all base and additional rents paid, as well as up to

\$1,500,000 annual credit for maintenance costs paid on the Facility by the Rangers. If the purchase option is exercised, the Rangers are committed to play baseball in the City for ten additional years. Pursuant to applicable accounting standards, the lease of the Facility to the Rangers has been accounted for as a capital lease.

Minimum future rentals are as follows:

September 30	
2014	\$ 2,000,000
2015	2,000,000
2016	2,000,000
2017	2,000,000
2018	2,000,000
2019-2023	10,000,000
2024	1 <u>,055,556</u>
	21,055,556
Less Discount	6,809,247
Minimum future lease rentals	<u>\$14,246,309</u>

## **17. CONDENSED COMPONENT UNIT INFORMATION**

The City includes six discretely presented component units in its reporting entity (see note I.B.). Condensed component unit information for the year ended September 30, 2013, for all discretely presented component units is as follows (amounts in thousands):

## Condensed Schedule of Net position

	Arlington Tomorrow Foundation	Housing <u>Authority</u>	Other Discretely Presented Component <u>Units</u>	Total Discretely Presented Component <u>Units</u>
Current and other assets	\$102,573	\$4,889	\$1,017	\$ 108,479
Capital assets		353	249	602
Total assets	102 <u>,573</u>	5,242	<u>1,266</u>	109,081
Other liabilities	118	752	241	1,111
Total liabilities	118	752	241	1,111
Net position:				
Net investment in capital assets	-	353	249	602
Restricted	102,455	860	-	103,315
Unrestricted		3,277	776	4,053
Total net position	\$102,455	<u>\$4,490</u>	<u>\$1,025</u>	<u>\$107,970</u>

# Condensed Schedule of Activities

	Arlington Tomorrow <u>Foundation</u>	Housing <u>Authority</u>	Other Discretely Presented Component <u>Units</u>	Total Discretely Presented Component <u>Units</u>
Expenses	<u>\$1,983</u>	<u>\$29,117</u>	<u>\$17,176</u>	<u>\$48,276</u>
Program Revenues:				
Charges for services	-	-	4,361	4,361
Operating grants and				
contributions		26,449	5	26,454
Capital grants and				
Contributions			<u>12,819</u>	<u>12,819</u>
Net Program (Expense) Revenue	(1,983)	(2,668)	9	(4,642)
Interest Revenues	2,414	12	2	2,428
Other NonTax General Revenues	8,934	1,674		10,608
Change in Net position	9,365	(982)	11	8,394
Net position, October 1,	93,090	5,472	1014	99,576
Net position, September 30	<u>\$102,455</u>	<u>\$ 4,490</u>	<u>\$ 1,025</u>	<u>\$107,970</u>

APPENDIX C

FORMS OF BOND COUNSEL OPINION

[Form of Bond Counsel Opinion]

# [Date]

# \$14,485,000 CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT BONDS SERIES 2014

WE HAVE represented the City of Arlington, Texas (the "Issuer"), as its bond counsel in connection with an issue of bonds (the "Bonds") described as follows:

CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT BONDS SERIES 2014, dated June 1, 2014 in the principal amount of \$14,485,000.

The Bonds mature, bear interest, are subject to redemption prior to maturity and may be transferred and exchanged as set out in the Bonds and in the ordinance adopted by the City Council of the Issuer authorizing their issuance (the "Ordinance").

WE HAVE represented the Issuer as its bond counsel for the purpose of rendering an opinion with respect to the legality and validity of the Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and with respect to the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. We have not investigated or verified original proceedings, records, data or other material, but have relied solely upon the transcript of proceedings described in the following paragraph. We have not assumed any responsibility with respect to the financial condition or capabilities of the Issuer or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Bonds. Our role in connection with the Issuer's Official Statement prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Bonds has been limited as described therein.

IN OUR CAPACITY as bond counsel, we have participated in the preparation of and have examined a transcript of certified proceedings pertaining to the Bonds, on which we have relied in giving our opinion. The transcript contains certified copies of certain proceedings of the Issuer and customary certificates of officers, agents and representatives of the Issuer, and other public officials, and other certified showings relating to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds. We have also examined such applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), court decisions, United States Department of the Treasury regulations, and rulings of the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") as we have deemed relevant. We have also examined executed Bond No. 1 of this issue.

# BASED ON SUCH EXAMINATION, IT IS OUR OPINION THAT:

- (A) The transcript of certified proceedings evidences complete legal authority for the issuance of the Bonds in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas presently effective and, therefore, the Bonds constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer; and
- (B) A continuing ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City of Arlington, necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, has been levied and pledged irrevocably for such purposes, within the limit prescribed by law, and the total indebtedness of the Issuer, including the Bonds, does not exceed any constitutional, statutory or other limitations.

THE RIGHTS OF THE OWNERS of the Bonds are subject to the applicable provisions of the federal bankruptcy laws and any other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions generally, and may be limited by general principles of equity which permit the exercise of judicial discretion.

IT IS OUR FURTHER OPINION THAT:

- (1) Interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law; and
- (2) The Bonds are not "private activity bonds" within the meaning of the Code, and interest on the Bonds is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals and corporations, except that interest on the Bonds may be included in the "adjusted current earnings" of a corporation (other than an S corporation, regulated investment company, REIT, or REMIC) for purposes of computing its alternative minimum tax.

In providing such opinions, we have relied on representations of the Issuer, the Issuer's Financial Advisor and the initial Purchaser with respect to matters solely within the knowledge of the Issuer, the Issuer's Financial Advisor and the initial Purchaser, respectively, which we have not independently verified, and have assumed continuing compliance with the covenants in the Ordinance pertaining to those sections of the Code that affect the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes. If such representations are determined to be inaccurate or incomplete or the Issuer fails to comply with the foregoing provisions of the Ordinance, interest on the Bonds could become includable in gross income from the date of original delivery, regardless of the date on which the event causing such inclusion occurs.

Except as stated above, we express no opinion as to any federal, state or local tax consequences resulting from the ownership of, receipt of interest on, or disposition of the Bonds.

Owners of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to financial institutions, life insurance and property and casualty insurance companies, certain S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, low and middle income taxpayers qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit and individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income credit. In addition, certain foreign corporations doing business in the U.S. may be subject to the "branch profits tax" on their effectively-connected earnings and profits (including tax-exempt interest such as interest on the Bonds).

The opinions set forth above are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement these opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may hereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Service; rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that we deem relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given as to whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures, the Service is likely to treat the Issuer as the taxpayer. We observe that the Issuer has covenanted in the Ordinance not to take any action, or omit to take any action within its control, that if taken or omitted, respectively, may result in the treatment of interest on the Bonds as includable in gross income for federal income tor federal income for federal income tax purposes.

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# \$28,965,000 CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION SERIES 2014

WE HAVE represented the City of Arlington, Texas (the "Issuer"), as its bond counsel in connection with an issue of bonds (the "Certificates") described as follows:

CITY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS, COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2014, dated June 1, 2014, in the principal amount of \$28,965,000.

The Certificates mature, bear interest, are subject to redemption prior to maturity and may be transferred and exchanged as set out in the Certificates and in the ordinance adopted by the City Council of the Issuer authorizing their issuance (the "Ordinance").

WE HAVE represented the Issuer as its bond counsel for the purpose of rendering an opinion with respect to the legality and validity of the Certificates under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and with respect to the exclusion of interest on the Certificates from gross income for federal income tax purposes. We have not investigated or verified original proceedings, records, data or other material, but have relied solely upon the transcript of proceedings described in the following paragraph. We have not assumed any responsibility with respect to the financial condition or capabilities of the Issuer or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Certificates. Our role in connection with the Issuer's Official Statement prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Certificates has been limited as described therein.

IN OUR CAPACITY as bond counsel, we have participated in the preparation of and have examined a transcript of certified proceedings pertaining to the Certificates, on which we have relied in giving our opinion. The transcript contains certified copies of certain proceedings of the Issuer, customary certificates of officers, agents and representatives of the Issuer and other public officials and other certified showings relating to the authorization and issuance of the Certificates. We have examined such applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), court decisions, United States Department of Treasury regulations, and rulings of the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") as we have deemed relevant. We have also examined executed Certificate No. 1 of this issue.

# BASED ON SUCH EXAMINATION, IT IS OUR OPINION THAT:

- (A) The transcript of certified proceedings evidences complete legal authority for the issuance of the Certificates in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas presently effective and, therefore, the Certificates constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer; and
- (B) A continuing ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City of Arlington necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the Certificates, has been levied and pledged irrevocably for such purposes, within the limit prescribed by law, and the total indebtedness of the Issuer, including the Certificates, does not exceed any constitutional, statutory or other limitations. In addition, the Certificates are further secured by a limited pledge of the surplus net revenues of the Issuer's water and wastewater system as provided in the Ordinance.

THE RIGHTS OF THE OWNERS of the Certificates are subject to the applicable provisions of the federal bankruptcy laws and any other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions generally, and may be limited by general principles of equity which permit the exercise of judicial discretion.

# IT IS OUR FURTHER OPINION THAT:

- (1) Interest on the Certificates is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law; and
- (2) The Certificates are not "private activity bonds" within the meaning of the Code, and interest on the Certificates is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals and corporations, except that interest on the Certificates may be included in the "adjusted current earnings" of a corporation (other than an S corporation, regulated investment company, REIT or REMIC) for purposes of computing its alternative minimum tax.

In providing such opinions, we have relied on representations of the Issuer, the Issuer's Financial Advisor and the initial purchasers of the Certificates with respect to matters solely within the knowledge of the Issuer, the Issuer's Financial Advisor and the initial purchasers, respectively, which we have not independently verified, and have assumed continuing compliance with the covenants in the Ordinance pertaining to those sections of the Code that affect the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Certificates for federal income tax purposes. If such representations are determined to be inaccurate or incomplete or the Issuer fails to comply with the foregoing provisions of the Ordinance, interest on the Certificates could become includable in gross income from the date of original delivery, regardless of the date on which the event causing such inclusion occurs.

Except as stated above, we express no opinion as to any federal, state or local tax consequences resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or acquisition, ownership or disposition of, the Certificates.

Owners of the Certificates should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to financial institutions, life insurance and property and casualty insurance companies, certain S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, low and middle income taxpayers qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit and individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income credit. In addition, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States may be subject to the "branch profits tax" on their effectively-connected earnings and profits (including tax-exempt interest such as interest on the Certificates).

The opinions set forth above are based on existing law which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement these opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may hereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Service; rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that we deem relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given as to whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Certificates. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures the Service is likely to treat the Issuer as the taxpayer. We observe that the Issuer has covenanted in the Ordinance not to take any action, or omit to take any action within its control, that if taken or omitted, respectively, may result in the treatment of interest on the Certificates as includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

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