

CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER
MAY 5, 2023

IMPORTANT COUNCIL DATES:

May 15, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (OCC)
May 16, Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. – BRC Meeting (30 Park)
May 20, Saturday – “That Day in May”
May 25, Thursday, 4 p.m. – Executive Session (30 Park)
June 5, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)
June 14, Wednesday, 6-8 p.m. – Open House re: Five Points (OCC)
June 26, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)
June 29, Thursday, 6-8 p.m. – Open House re: Five Points (OCC)
July 11, Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. – Open House re: Five Points (OCC)
July 17, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)
August 7, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)
August 13, Sunday, 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Ice Cream Social (Shafor Park)
August 21, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)

BUSINESS UPDATE:

- May 25 Executive Session: We are confirmed for an executive session for property matters beginning at 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 25.
- May 1 Council Meeting: Enclosed is a *Register* article about our May meeting addressing the traffic signal study, visitor comments and legislation.
- Traffic Signal Study: Enclosed are the following:
 - May 1 press release.
 - May 1 (online), May 3 and May 4 *DDN* articles.
 - May 2 letter to the immediate neighbors around the Five Points intersection.
- Tree City USA: Enclosed is a *DDN* article about Oakwood being designated as a Tree City USA for 41 consecutive years.
- April Income Tax Receipts: Enclosed is the April report showing that gross collections are 2.71% ahead of last year and net collections are 2.24% ahead.
- Monthly Finance Report: Enclosed are the April finance report and Cindy’s highlights memo.
- Planning Commission Meeting: The PC met on Wednesday and voted 4 – 0 to recommend approval of Zoning Code amendments addressing permitted and special uses in the business zoning districts, as well as a few minor clarification amendments. Harrison Gowdy was excused absent. This matter will come to you for a public hearing at the June 5 meeting.
- Home Sales: Enclosed is the April sales report showing that 100% of the properties sold above appraised value.
- Academic Decathlon: Enclosed are *Register* and *DDN* articles on the team’s 11th consecutive Division III National Championship.

- Styrofoam Recycling: Enclosed is a *Register* article about the April 22 Styrofoam recycling event.
- Honor Flight: Enclosed is a *Register* article about Oakwood resident Lou Illes traveling to Washington D.C. last week with Honor Flight.
- Council Salary: Enclosed is a *DDN* article about Riverside considering a significant hike in city council pay.
- Property Maintenance Board: We completed orientation sessions for the two new PMB members (Katy Tribble and Scott Fischer), and we recently conducted our annual meeting. We had a very good turnout with 19 of 24 members attending, all in person. Chuck Ellis continues as chair of the board. We provided an update on the activities of the Code Enforcement and Zoning Department, as well as a business and development update citywide.
- Leaf Mulch: Due to the heavy interest in our leaf mulch program, we extended it for one additional weekend... through Saturday, May 13. The Public Works Yard will be open from 8 a.m. to noon that day.
- 2022 Audit: Enclosed are letters from the Ohio Auditor of State (AOS) office reporting that the AOS will certify our audit report. This confirms the clean opinion. We should receive the full report with AOS' s cover letter in the next couple of weeks.
- LED Street Light Project: Our LED street light project is expected to start next week. Attached is a press release that we plan to distribute on Monday. We sent it to Miami Valley Lighting for their review before distribution.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

TRANSMITTALS NOTED WITHIN NEWSLETTER

Register Article re: May 1 Council Meeting

Traffic Signal Study

- Press Release
- *DDN* Articles
- May 2 Letter

DDN Article re: Tree City USA

April Income Tax Report

Monthly Finance Report & Highlights Memo

April Home Sales

Register & *DDN* Articles re: Academic Decathlon

Register Article re: Styrofoam Recycling

Register Article re: Honor Flight

DDN Article re: Council Salary

2022 Audit Letters

LED Street Light Project Press Release

Public meetings to consider roundabout at 5-Points, concerns about traffic at Smith School

City Council on Monday approved appropriating \$50,000 for a "significant" traffic signal study to examine the 17 signalized intersections throughout the city, and to consider a proposal to install a roundabout at what is commonly known as 5-Points - the intersection of Far Hills Avenue, Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard.

The city plans to host a series of three public meetings in coming months to discuss the proposal with residents and motorists from 6-8 p.m.

on Wednesday, June 14, Thursday, June 29, and Tuesday, July 11, at the Oakwood Community Center.

"Oakwood city leaders will solicit public input on how to best address traffic control at 5-Points," said Oakwood City Manager Norbert Klopsch. "No decision will be made until a thorough analysis is completed that details the pros and cons of traditional signalization versus a roundabout, and until city leaders receive feedback from the citizens of Oakwood and the general public."

Klopsch said the traffic study will be "heavily focused" on 5-Points, which he described as "the most important and complicated intersection" in the city. "There is enough evidence to demand that we consider a roundabout," Klopsch told Council. "That sounds crazy to a lot of people, but there is enough evidence to warrant seriously looking at that."

Council also heard traffic concerns raised by Telford Avenue resident Christine Robinson after her 8-year-old

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daughter was struck by an SUV while walking home from Smith School on April 27. Her daughter was not seriously injured in the incident. Robinson said she previously approached city officials about traffic concerns on Telford and Aberdeen — two streets bordering the elementary school — but expressed frustration with Council on failing to address the issue. “I am concerned with safety,” she told city lawmakers. “Putting up street signs and not enforcing them is not a solution. I am demanding to see changes.”

Robinson proposed Council consider making Telford and Aberdeen avenues one-way streets between Shafor Boulevard and Far Hills Avenue, restricting traffic to a westbound lane on Telford and eastbound lane on Aberdeen.”

“We will continue to study this issue,” Mayor William Duncan assured her. “We have made improvements to enforcement, but we can do better. We are a walking community and our kids should be able to walk to and from school safely.”

The city traffic study is being completed in conjunction with a multi-million dollar storm sewer reconstruction project along Far Hills Avenue slated to begin this summer and expected to last through “the better part of the year,” according to Klopsch.

“The 5-Points intersection is the most complex traffic intersection in Oakwood, and its design is central to the safe and efficient movement of traffic through the city. It also has heavy pedestrian traffic at certain times, which requires the safest possible intersection design,” the city said in a statement.

“At this point in the study, there is sufficient evidence to consider the construction of a roundabout. There is extensive support from traffic safety studies for building roundabouts, showing that they reduce accidents, particularly serious injury accidents, and improve efficiency of traffic movement. Roundabouts have been constructed in multiple locations around the Miami Valley, throughout Ohio and all around the country.”

The next phase of the Oakwood traffic signal study involves creation of videos and other materials that will present in detail how a roundabout design at 5-Points would operate. That information will be presented at the three open house events in June and July. In addition to these three events, in late May the city will mail to all Oakwood residents and businesses detailed information about the 5-Points roundabout intersection option, which will include information on how to provide input and feedback.

Council on Monday also authorized an additional appropriation of \$985,000 from the city’s general fund toward the Far Hills storm sewer project after failing to secure anticipated grant funding, and approved \$47,350 in expenditures for the purchase of three permanent easements and a temporary construction easement associated with the project on Dellwood and Devereux Drives.

The city will acquire a 710-foot permanent easement at 7 Dellwood, Dr. owned by David and Sandra Cail, at a cost of \$5,500, a 1,059-foot permanent easement at 9 Dellwood Dr., owned by Nicholas and Megan Pierce, for \$11,000, a 3,646-foot permanent easement at 1400 Devereux, owned by Bruce Henninger, for \$30,000, and a temporary construction easement of 502 square feet at 1410 Devereux, owned by Tami and Joseph Kirby, at a cost of \$850.

OR 5/3/23



PRESS RELEASE

The City of Oakwood
30 Park Avenue
Oakwood, Ohio 45419

Subject: Traffic Signal System Study

Date: May 1, 2023

OAKWOOD, OHIO:

Late last year, the city of Oakwood commissioned a traffic signal study with the primary purpose to develop a long-range plan for major capital improvements to Oakwood's traffic signal system. The ultimate goal is to create a plan that provides for the safest and most efficient movement of vehicles, pedestrians and other non-vehicle traffic through and around Oakwood.

The study is ongoing and is now heavily focused on the intersection of Far Hills Avenue, Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard, often referred to as 5-Points. The 5-Points intersection is the most complex traffic intersection in Oakwood, and its design is central to the safe and efficient movement of traffic through the city. It also has heavy pedestrian traffic at certain times, which requires the safest possible intersection design.

At this point in the study, there is sufficient evidence to consider the construction of a roundabout. There is extensive support from traffic safety studies for building roundabouts, showing that they reduce accidents, particularly serious injury accidents, and improve efficiency of traffic movement. Roundabouts have been constructed in multiple locations around the Miami Valley, throughout Ohio and all around the country.

The next phase of the Oakwood traffic signal study involves creation of videos and other materials that will show in detail how a roundabout design at 5-Points would operate. The city will host three open house events to present those videos and other details. They will be held at the Oakwood Community Center from 6-8 pm on Wednesday, June 14, Thursday, June 29 and Tuesday, July 11. In addition to these three events, in late May the city will mail to all Oakwood citizens and businesses detailed information about the 5-Points roundabout intersection option, which will include information on how to provide input and feedback.

"Oakwood city leaders will solicit public input on how to best address traffic control at 5-Points", said City Manager Norbert Klopsch. "No decision will be made until a thorough analysis is completed that details the pros and cons of traditional signalization versus a roundabout, and until city leaders receive feedback from the citizens of Oakwood and the general public."

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
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Oakwood to ask for public input on changing major intersection to roundabout



Credit: JIM NOELKER

By **Daniel Susco**

Nick Blizzard - Staff Writer

12 hours ago (DDN, May 1, 2023)

After a traffic light study, the city of Oakwood is now planning to ask for public input as it considers changing the 5-Points intersection of Far Hills Avenue (state Route 48), Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard into a roundabout.

Oakwood planned the study of the six-way intersection late last year as part of its large plan to upgrade its traffic signals, 10 of which are on Route 48/Far Hills Avenue.

At the time, Oakwood City Manager Norbert Klopsch said the study would hopefully recommend whether the city should consider “something dramatically different” like a roundabout, but he was unsure if that was feasible or practical.

In a release, Oakwood said that “At this point in the study, there is sufficient evidence to consider the construction of a roundabout.”

It added that there is “extensive” support for this choice, including other studies that found roundabouts reduce accidents and improve traffic efficiency.

From this point, Oakwood said that the traffic signal study would involve creating videos and other material to show how a roundabout at the 5-points intersection would work, and then holding three open house events to present those materials.

The open houses are scheduled for 6-8 p.m. on June 14, June 29 and July 11 at the Oakwood Community Center.

The city also said that it will mail detailed information about the roundabout option and how to provide input and feedback to all Oakwood citizens and businesses.

“No decision will be made until a thorough analysis is completed that details the pros and cons of traditional signalization versus a roundabout, and until city leaders receive feedback from the citizens of Oakwood and the general public,” Klopsch said in the release.

Study 'heavily focused' on roundabout plan

City to spend \$50,000 more, seek public input on proposal to transform Ohio 48 intersection.

By **Nick Blizzard**
and **Daniel Susco**
Staff Writers

Oakwood is expanding a study and seeking public input on a proposal that could transform an Ohio 48 intersection into a roundabout.

It plans to spend \$50,000 more on the traffic signal study along Far Hills Avenue, which is now "heavily focused" on the 5-points intersection involving Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard just south of Dayton, according to the city.

The roundabout option is

being studied as part of a master plan Oakwood commissioned on upgrading its 17 traffic signals, 10 of which are on Ohio 48/Far Hills.

"We are heavily focused now on the single most important and the most complicated intersection in Oakwood," City Manager Norbert Klopsch told city council Monday night, noting no deci-

Oakwood continued on **B6**



A roundabout is being studied as part of Oakwood's plan to upgrade its traffic signals, 10 of which are on Ohio 48/Far Hills.

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STAFF

Oakwood

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sion has been made.

Open houses to gain public feedback on the issue are scheduled for June and July, Klopsch said.

"There's enough evidence now to really demand that we seriously consider a roundabout there in lieu of a traditional traffic light," he said. "That sounds to a lot of people as, maybe, crazy talk ... But we do believe that there's enough evidence to warrant looking much, much deeper into that as a possible way to improve safety.

"The safety of that intersection for all modes of traffic – vehicles, pedestrians ... almost every mode is the number one priority for us," Klopsch added. "Whatever we end up recommending, it will be based upon the safety analysis of a particular design."

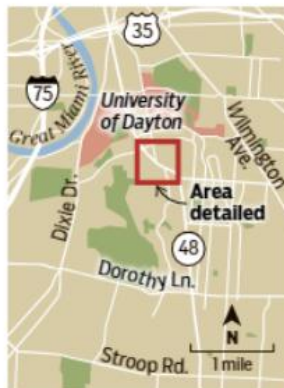
Ohio 48 is one of the most traveled roads in the Montgomery County suburbs south of Dayton. The average number of vehicles using it daily ranges from about 14,700 at Stewart Street in Dayton to more than 41,500 at Interstate 675 in Centerville, Ohio Department of Transportation records show.

There is "extensive" support for this choice, including other studies that found roundabouts reduce accidents and improve traffic efficiency, according to the city.

Roundabouts have been either planned or con-

Roundabout proposal

A roundabout on Ohio 48 (Far Hills Ave.) in Oakwood will be explored as part of a plan to improve traffic signals in the city.



structed on several state routes in Ohio, including one in Allen County and four in Butler County, according to documents.

The estimated cost for a project on Ohio 309 near Lima last year was \$4.6 million, according to ODOT.

Oakwood last year contracted with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly of Columbus to



A roundabout is being examined for the six-spoke intersection involving Oakwood Ave., Thruston Blvd., and Far Hills Ave. The intersection is just south of Dayton on Ohio 48 as you climb the hill to Oakwood. JIM NOELKER/STAFF

create a plan that "maximizes the opportunity to leverage federal and state grant dollars to assist in what will be a multi-million-dollar endeavor," city records state.

The \$50,000 approved Monday night will fund an "increased scope of work" for modeling, video animation and other materials, Oakwood Vice Mayor Steve Byington said.

Open houses are scheduled for 6-8 p.m. on June 1 and June 29 and July 11 at the Oakwood Community Center.

They will include staff and consultants presenting information about how roundabouts compare to traditional intersections.

"I anticipate a lot of citizen interest" for the sessions, Klopsch said.

The city also said that it will mail detailed information about the roundabout option and how to provide input and feedback to all Oakwood residents and businesses.

Correction

An article on Page B1 in Wednesday's edition should have said the date of an Oakwood open house regarding a proposal for a roundabout at a Far Hills Avenue intersection is June 14.

DAYTON DAILY NEWS | THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023



City of Oakwood

Government Administration

City Manager

May 2, 2023

Dear Oakwood Resident,

By now, you should have received the enclosed letter. It was mailed last week to all Oakwood residents and businesses. Given your proximity to the 5-Points intersection, we invite you and the other owners of property in the immediate vicinity of 5-Points to a meeting in advance of the community open house events that will be conducted on June 14, June 29, and July 11. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30, in the council chambers at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. At the meeting, we will give you a preview of what is planned for the open house events.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "N. Klopsch".

Norbert S. Klopsch
City Manager

cc: Oakwood City Council
Doug Spitler, PE, Engineering and Public Works Director
Chris Kuzma, PE, Staff Engineer



City of Oakwood

Government Administration

City Manager

April 20, 2023

Dear Oakwood Resident,

Late last year, the city commissioned a traffic signal study with the primary purpose of developing a long-range plan for major capital improvements to Oakwood's traffic signal system. Much of the system will reach the end of its useful life over the next 5-10 years.

In September 2022, the *Dayton Daily News* published the enclosed two newspaper articles reporting on the study and mentioned that it will include evaluation of traffic signal options, most notably a roundabout at the intersection of Far Hills Avenue, Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard, often referred to as 5-Points.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the study is ongoing and is now heavily focused on 5-Points. The 5-Points intersection is the most complex traffic intersection in Oakwood, and its design is central to the safe and efficient movement of traffic through our city. It also has heavy pedestrian traffic, which requires the safest possible intersection design. At this point in the study, we have found sufficient evidence to consider the construction of a roundabout. There is extensive support from traffic safety studies for building roundabouts, showing that they reduce accidents, particularly serious injury accidents, and improve efficiency of traffic movement. This is why we have seen roundabouts constructed in multiple locations around the Miami Valley, throughout Ohio and all around the country.

That all said, and most importantly, Oakwood city leaders are far from arriving at any conclusion on the best option for addressing traffic control at 5-Points. No decision will be made until a thorough analysis is completed that details the pros and cons of traditional signalization versus a roundabout, and until city leaders receive feedback from the citizens of Oakwood and the general public.

The next phase of the traffic signal study involves creation of videos that depict in detail how a roundabout design at 5-Points would operate. We anticipate that the videos will be done within the next month or so, after which the city will host three open house events to present the videos and other details on the study. These open house events will take place in June and July. In addition to the events, the city will mail to all Oakwood citizens detailed information about the 5-Points intersection options, which will include the ability to provide input and feedback.

Sincerely,

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Norbert S. Klopsch
City Manager

cc: Oakwood City Council
Doug Spitler, PE, Engineering and Public Works Director
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Expensive traffic signals plan 'critically important'



Oakwood plans to rebuild its traffic signal system, which includes 17 signalized intersections. The signals have not been upgraded in more than 25 years. JIM NOELKER / STAFF

City hopes to 'leverage federal and state grant dollars' to aid project.

By Nick Blizzard
Staff Writer

OAKWOOD—The city wants to create a long-term, multimillion-dollar plan to upgrade Oakwood's traffic signals, most of which are on Ohio 48, also known as Far Hills Avenue.

Ohio 48 includes 10 of Oakwood's 17 traffic signal intersections, most of which have not been assessed or upgraded in more than 25 years, according to City Manager Norbert Klopsch.

Oakwood Vice Mayor Steve Byington called the traffic lights "a critical component of the city's transportation infrastructure."

City documents say traffic signals must be upgraded from time to time "when various parts of the signal system infrastructure

approach the end of their useful life." Traffic signal replacement can be very expensive. A recent proposal to replace lights at one intersection in Kettering came in over \$340,000.

Oakwood has contracted with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly (CMT) of Columbus to provide a plan that would include the estimated cost and the duration of the proposal, Klopsch said.

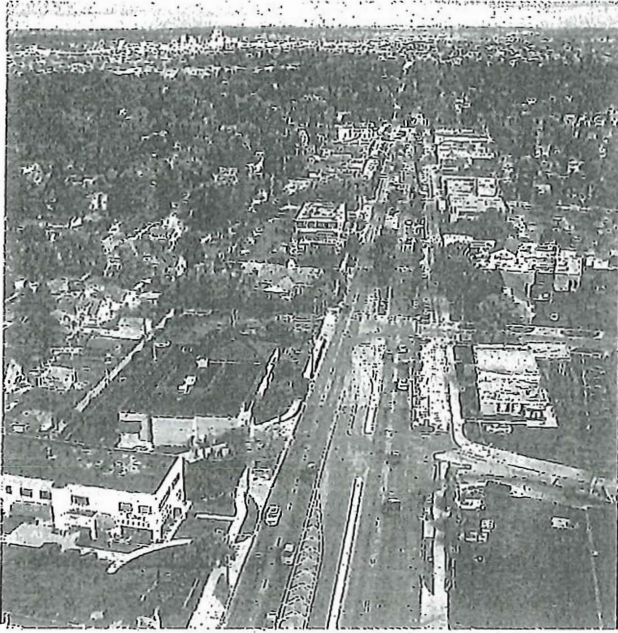
City records show the goal is to create a plan that "maximizes

the opportunity to leverage federal and state grant dollars to assist in what will be a multimillion-dollar endeavor."

Oakwood will pay CMT \$133,446 for the master plan, which is expected to be completed by Jan. 31, 2023, city records show.

Maintaining the traffic signal system on Ohio 48 "is not only important to Oakwood, it is very important to the region," Klopsch

Traffic signals continued on B6



Far Hills Avenue (Ohio 48) looking north from East Dorothy Lane in Oakwood. Ohio 48 includes 10 of Oakwood's 17 traffic signals. JIM NOELKER / STAFF

Traffic signals

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said in an email. "It is critically important for the safety of motorists, pedestrians, cyclists ... that the traffic signal system is continuously maintained and is functioning properly," he added.

Ohio 48 in Oakwood averages about 15,000 vehicles a day, most of which are passing through the city, Klopsch said.

The average number of vehicles using the road daily ranges from about 14,700 at Stewart Street in Dayton to more than 41,500 at Interstate 675 in Centerville, Ohio Department of Transportation records show.

Oakwood documents state CMT's work will include the following goals:

- Evaluate curb ramp

compliance with current ADA guidelines, a typical requirement if federal funding is used for construction.

- Prepare a safety overview of the city to identify opportunities that may be eligible for ODOT safety funding.

- Develop a construction cost estimate of upgrades that meet city criteria related to coordination, detection, and accessible pedestrian facilities.

- Develop a plan to be used for capital planning by the city and for a funding strategy.

- Prepare a Community Multiscale Air Quality application due in October to pursue federal funding for traffic signal upgrades.

Contact this reporter at 937-610-7438 or email Nick.Blizzard@coxinc.com.

Roundabout among traffic options

Oakwood will examine traffic volumes, land requirements and other issues on Far Hills Avenue.

By Nick Blizzard
Staff Writer

OAKWOOD – The creation of a roundabout on Ohio 48 in Oakwood will be explored as part of a long-term plan to improve traffic signals in the city.

The roundabout alternative will

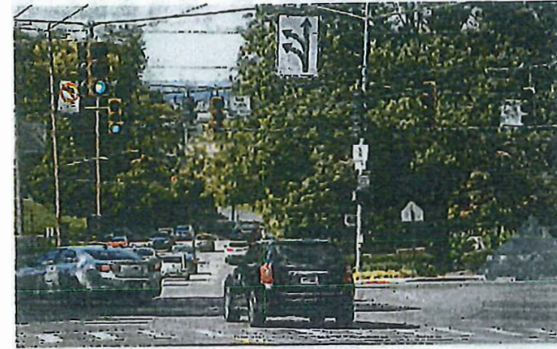
be examined for the six-spoke intersection of Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard, halfway up the Far Hills Avenue hill, just south of Dayton.

The roundabout option will be studied as part of a master plan Oakwood has commissioned on upgrading its 17 traffic signals,

10 of which are on Ohio 48/Far Hills Avenue.

“This study will hopefully conclude with a recommendation on whether we should seriously talk about something dramatically different,” such as a roundabout, Oakwood City Manager Norbert Klopsch said. “At this point, I have no idea if that’s even feasible or practical.”

Roundabout continued on B8



The six-spoke intersection of Oakwood Avenue, Thruston Boulevard and Far Hills Avenue could change as part of a plan to upgrade signals. JIM NOELKER/STAFF

Roundabout

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Ohio 48 is one of the most-traveled roads in the Montgomery County suburbs south of Dayton. The average daily number of vehicles using it ranges from about 14,700 at Stewart Street in Dayton to more than 41,500 at I-675 in Centerville, Ohio Department of Transportation records show.

Roundabout projects either planned, under construction or completed on state routes in Ohio include one in Allen County and four in Butler County, according to documents.

The estimated cost for such a project on Ohio 309 near Lima is \$4.6 million, according to ODOT.

The goal of Oakwood’s study by Crawford, Murphy & Tilly (CMT) of Columbus is to create a plan that “maximizes the opportunity to leverage federal and state grant dollars to assist in what will be a multimillion-dollar endeavor,” city records state.

Whether or not Oakwood ultimately opts for a roundabout, rebuilding its traffic signals is expected to be costly. A recent proposal to replace lights at one intersection in Kettering came in at more than \$340,000.

Oakwood will pay CMT \$133,446 for the plan, which is expected to be completed by Jan. 31, 2023, city records show. CMG should provide a document that would include the estimated cost and the duration of the proposal for all traffic-signalized intersections, which Klopsch suggested could be five to 15 years.

In Oakwood’s case, “a roundabout has operational and safety benefits that may not be possible with a signalized, six-leg intersection,” CMT’s proposal states.

“The conceptual improvement plan will identify potential right-of-way impacts that will be factored into the total cost of the project.”

Roundabouts “are growing in popularity as more and more transportation agencies recognize the increased safety and traffic-moving efficiency they bring to intersections,” ODOT’s website states.

Klopsch said “the critical part of it is that you have ... land to build a roundabout. And also that traffic volumes in the various directions and the pedestrian traffic is such that a roundabout would, in fact, offer the level of service desirable.”

Aside from the land, other considerations include:

- The traffic signal at that intersection is the “controlling one in the cycle length” of Far Hills stop lights in Oakwood, Klopsch said. With six directional approaches, that length is comparatively longer than standard four-way lights.

“Typically, the longer the cycle length, the longer people have to wait on the cross street ... to get a green light,” he added.

- The downhill/uphill approach to the intersection. Ohio 48’s path in Oakwood is about two miles, with a one-mile stretch nearest Dayton involving curves and inclines, “where, naturally, the higher speeds are realized,” Klopsch said.

Contact this reporter at 937-610-7438 or email Nick.Blizzard@coxinc.com.

Roundabout proposal

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OAKWOOD

Oakwood a Tree City for 41st year

The city of Oakwood was named a Tree City USA for the 41st consecutive year by the Arbor Day Foundation.

On April 20, Carol Collins, director of leisure services and Brian Caldwell, city horticulturist, received the award on behalf of the city at a banquet held in Fairfield.

Oakwood has received the annual Tree City USA award each year since 1982.

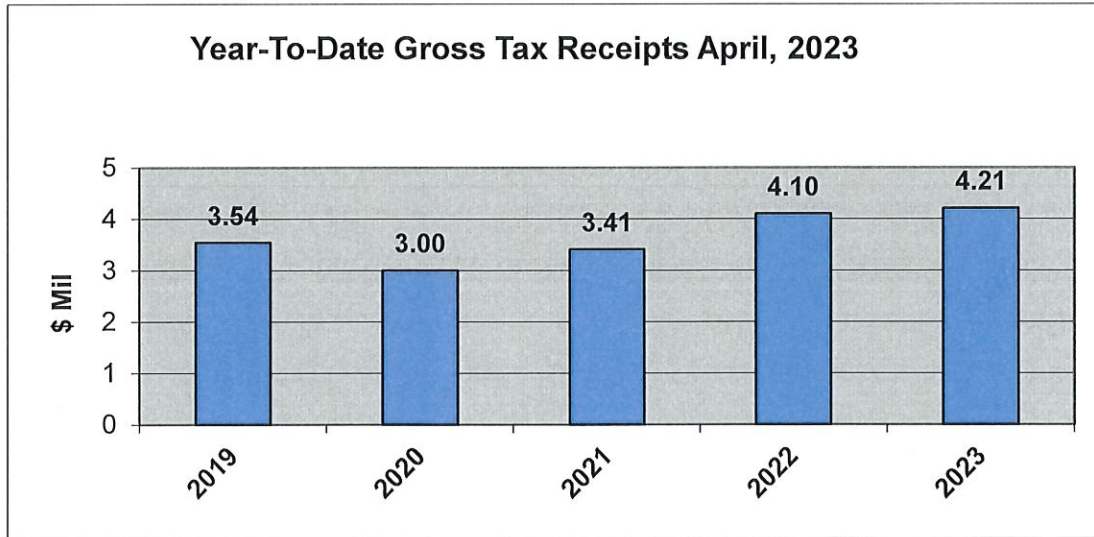
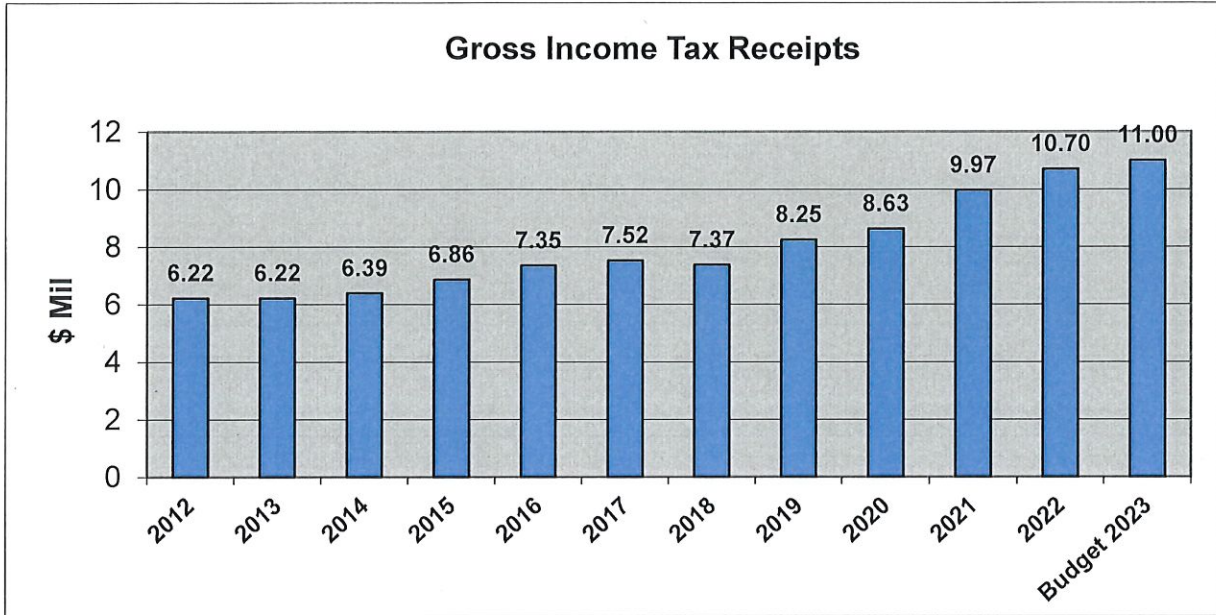
“Oakwood has always placed enormous value on trees, both on public land and private property”, said City Manager Norbert Klopsch. “Carol and Brian do an outstanding job in implementing our annual tree maintenance programs and the annual Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Program that Carol started in 1976.”

STAFF REPORT

TAX REVENUE ANALYSIS

2023

The following graphs depict total income tax receipts and do not include tax refunds issued.



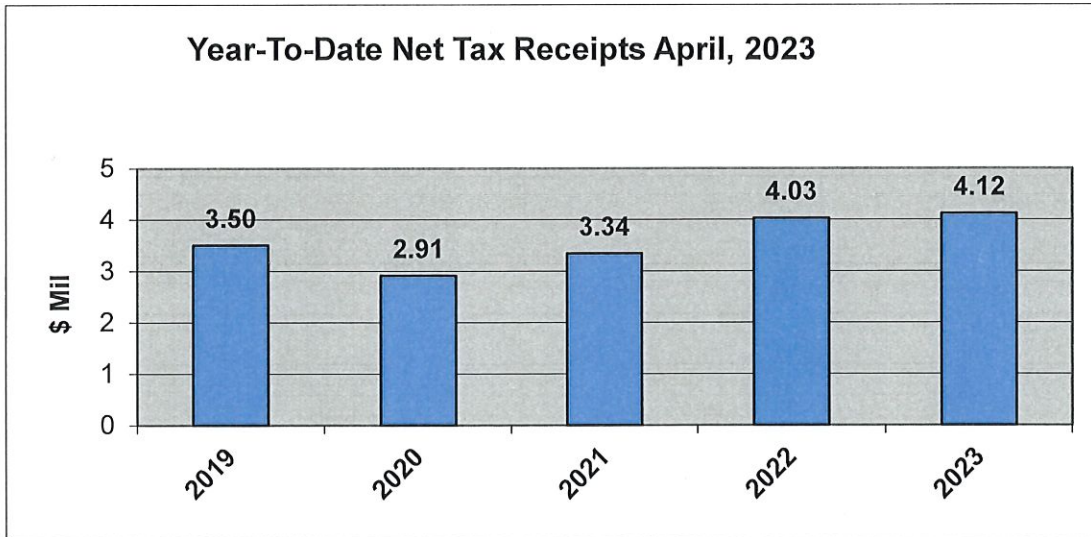
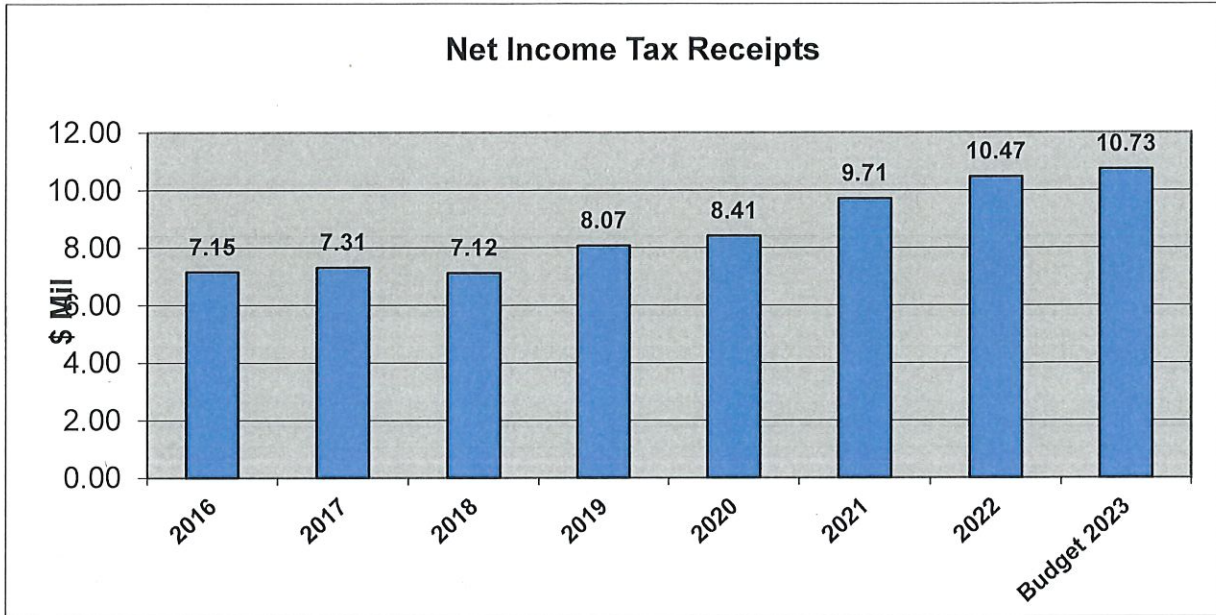
Year-To-Date Gross Collections vs Prior Year

2022	\$4,098,180.58
2023	\$4,209,090.05
Change	2.71%

TAX REVENUE ANALYSIS

2023

The following graphs depict total income tax receipts less refunds issued.



Year-To-Date Net Collections vs Prior Year

2022	\$4,026,279.16
2023	\$4,116,385.06
Change	2.24%

Financial Reports



**thru the Month of April
Fiscal Year 2023**

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances
for the period ended April 30, 2023
GENERAL CITY SERVICES FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
General Fund												
101	General	9,305,059	80,227	9,385,286	5,842,475	15,227,761	7,370,432	7,857,329	648,761	7,208,568	(1,527,957)	(2,096,491)
Major Operating Funds												
220	Street Maintenance and Repair	500,000	54,257	554,257	668,785	1,223,042	563,775	659,267	159,267	500,000	105,010	-
228	Leisure Activity	500,000	18,680	518,680	544,945	1,063,625	298,523	765,102	228,066	537,036	246,422	37,036
230	Health	154,819	583	155,402	16,493	171,895	61,916	109,979	18,400	91,579	(45,423)	(63,240)
510	Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	200,000	-	200,000	216,373	416,373	769	415,604	225,000	190,604	215,604	(9,396)
308	Equipment Replacement	1,216,820	273,454	1,490,274	609,962	2,100,236	144,601	1,955,635	364,596	1,591,039	465,361	374,219
309	Capital Improvement	1,218,874	395,362	1,614,236	1,200,000	2,814,236	183,430	2,630,806	377,659	2,253,147	1,016,570	1,034,273
707	Service Center	100,000	14,136	114,136	508,766	622,902	259,795	363,107	263,107	100,000	248,971	-
Other Funds												
208	Bullock Endowment Trust	50,852	-	50,852	284	51,136	-	51,136	-	51,136	284	284
209	MLK Community Recognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Special Improvement District Assessment	5,586	-	5,586	58,653	64,239	64,239	-	-	-	(5,586)	(5,586)
211	Smith Memorial Gardens	400,000	2,686	402,686	68,777	471,463	22,637	448,826	29,835	418,991	46,140	18,991
212	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	39,648	-	39,648	762	40,410	-	40,410	-	40,410	762	762
213	Enforcement and Education	9,875	-	9,875	-	9,875	-	9,875	-	9,875	-	-
214	Law Enforcement	18,272	-	18,272	-	18,272	-	18,272	-	18,272	-	-
215	Drug Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
216	Police Pension	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
217	Court Clerk Computerization	45,914	1,123	47,037	2,198	49,235	412	48,823	6,739	42,084	1,786	(3,830)
218	Court Computerization	41,425	-	41,425	991	42,416	895	41,521	3,753	37,768	96	(3,657)
219	Court Special Projects	50,442	-	50,442	1,673	52,115	-	52,115	3,500	48,615	1,673	(1,827)
221	OneOhio Fund	5,750	-	5,750	7,373	13,123	-	13,123	-	13,123	7,373	7,373
224	State Highway Improvement	149,602	18,462	168,064	14,725	182,789	18,403	164,386	32,318	132,068	(3,678)	(17,534)
240	Public Safety Endowment	193,684	-	193,684	1,094	194,778	125	194,653	26,625	168,028	969	(25,656)
250	Special Projects	3,522,798	-	3,522,798	1,024,672	4,547,470	-	4,547,470	-	4,547,470	1,024,672	1,024,672
310	Issue 2 Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Public Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
312	Local Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
313	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	939,792	-	939,792	-	939,792	-	939,792	-	939,792	-	-
414	Bond Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
508	Electric Street Lighting	100,000	30,600	130,600	181,257	311,857	60,689	251,168	55,294	195,874	120,568	95,874
706	Self-Funding Insurance Trust	25,000	-	25,000	4,272	29,272	3,110	26,162	1,162	25,000	1,162	-
810	Fire Insurance Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
811	Contractors Permit Fee	-	-	-	500	500	-	500	-	500	500	500
Total		18,794,212	889,570	19,683,782	10,975,030	30,658,812	9,053,751	21,605,061	2,444,082	19,160,979	1,921,279	366,767

CHART NE1

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023
GENERAL CITY SERVICES FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
General Fund											
101	General	14,212,502	5,842,475	41	(8,370,027)	-	-	-	14,212,502	5,842,475	41
Major Operating Funds											
220	Street Maintenance and Repair	610,500	182,252	30	(428,248)	889,488	486,533	55	1,499,988	668,785	45
228	Leisure Activity	537,150	206,308	38	(330,842)	785,555	338,637	43	1,322,705	544,945	41
230	Health	161,224	16,493	10	(144,731)	23,716	-	-	184,940	16,493	9
510	Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	95,000	84,673	89	(10,327)	131,700	131,700	100	226,700	216,373	95
308	Equipment Replacement	-	9,962	-	9,962	600,000	600,000	100	600,000	609,962	102
309	Capital Improvement	-	-	-	-	1,200,000	1,200,000	100	1,200,000	1,200,000	100
707	Service Center	309,671	191,794	62	(117,877)	460,304	316,972	69	769,975	508,766	66
Other Funds											
208	Bullock Endowment Trust	300	284	95	(16)	-	-	-	300	284	95
209	MLK Community Recognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Special Improvement District Assessment	117,306	58,653	50	(58,653)	-	-	-	117,306	58,653	50
211	Smith Memorial Gardens	54,600	39,981	73	(14,619)	87,515	28,796	33	142,115	68,777	48
212	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	2,600	762	29	(1,838)	-	-	-	2,600	762	29
213	Enforcement and Education	200	-	-	(200)	-	-	-	200	-	-
214	Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
215	Drug Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
216	Police Pension	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
217	Court Clerk Computerization	8,000	2,198	27	(5,802)	-	-	-	8,000	2,198	27
218	Court Computerization	4,200	991	24	(3,209)	-	-	-	4,200	991	24
219	Court Special Projects	7,000	1,673	24	(5,327)	-	-	-	7,000	1,673	24
221	OneOhio Fund	5,750	7,373	128	1,623	-	-	-	5,750	7,373	128
224	State Highway Improvement	47,250	14,725	31	(32,525)	-	-	-	47,250	14,725	31
240	Public Safety Endowment	1,300	1,094	84	(206)	-	-	-	1,300	1,094	84
250	Special Projects	4,800	24,672	514	19,872	1,000,000	1,000,000	100	1,004,800	1,024,672	102
310	Issue 2 Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Public Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
312	Local Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
313	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
414	Bond Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
508	Electric Street Lighting	125,000	133,857	107	8,857	47,400	47,400	100	172,400	181,257	105
706	Self-Funding Insurance Trust	-	-	-	-	17,500	4,272	24	17,500	4,272	24
810	Fire Insurance Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
811	Contractors Permit Fee	2,000	500	25	(1,500)	-	-	-	2,000	500	25
Total		16,306,353	6,820,720	42	(9,485,633)	5,243,178	4,154,310	79	21,549,531	10,975,030	51

Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023

GENERAL CITY SERVICES FUNDS

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
General Fund													
101	General	9,855,270	3,353,826	34	648,761	4,002,587	41	5,041,990	4,016,606	80	14,897,260	8,019,193	54
Major Operating Funds													
220	Street Maintenance and Repair	1,360,657	432,327	32	159,267	591,594	43	193,588	131,448	68	1,554,245	723,042	47
228	Leisure Activity	1,337,585	295,395	22	228,066	523,461	39	3,800	3,128	82	1,341,385	526,589	39
230	Health	172,948	58,788	34	18,400	77,188	45	3,800	3,128	82	176,748	80,316	45
510	Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	226,700	769	-	225,000	225,769	100	-	-	-	226,700	225,769	100
308	Equipment Replacement	946,954	144,601	15	364,596	509,197	54	-	-	-	946,954	509,197	54
309	Capital Improvement	1,831,962	183,430	10	377,659	561,089	31	-	-	-	1,831,962	561,089	31
707	Service Center	784,111	259,795	33	263,107	522,902	67	-	-	-	784,111	522,902	67
Other Funds													
208	Bullock Endowment Trust	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	-
209	MLK Community Recognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Special Improvement District Assessment	122,892	64,239	52	-	64,239	52	-	-	-	122,892	64,239	52
211	Smith Memorial Gardens	144,801	22,637	16	29,835	52,472	36	-	-	-	144,801	52,472	36
212	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-
213	Enforcement and Education	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-
214	Law Enforcement	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	-	-
215	Drug Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
216	Police Pension	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
217	Court Clerk Computerization	9,623	412	4	6,739	7,151	74	-	-	-	9,623	7,151	74
218	Court Computerization	9,000	895	10	3,753	4,648	52	-	-	-	9,000	4,648	52
219	Court Special Projects	5,500	-	-	3,500	3,500	64	-	-	-	5,500	3,500	64
221	OneOhio Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
224	State Highway Improvement	59,062	18,403	31	32,318	50,721	86	-	-	-	59,062	50,721	86
240	Public Safety Endowment	33,000	125	-	26,625	26,750	81	-	-	-	33,000	26,750	81
250	Special Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
310	Issue 2 Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Public Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
312	Local Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
313	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	939,793	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	939,793	-	-
414	Bond Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
508	Electric Street Lighting	203,000	60,689	30	55,294	115,983	57	-	-	-	203,000	115,983	57
706	Self-Funding Insurance Trust	17,500	3,110	18	1,162	4,272	24	-	-	-	17,500	4,272	24
810	Fire Insurance Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
811	Contractors Permit Fee	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	-
Total		18,068,858 (1)	4,899,441	27	2,444,082	7,343,523	41	5,243,178	4,154,310	79	23,312,036	11,497,833	49

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of April 30, 2023: \$ 9,154

CHART NE3

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS

5-YEAR HISTORY

YTD at April 30, 2023

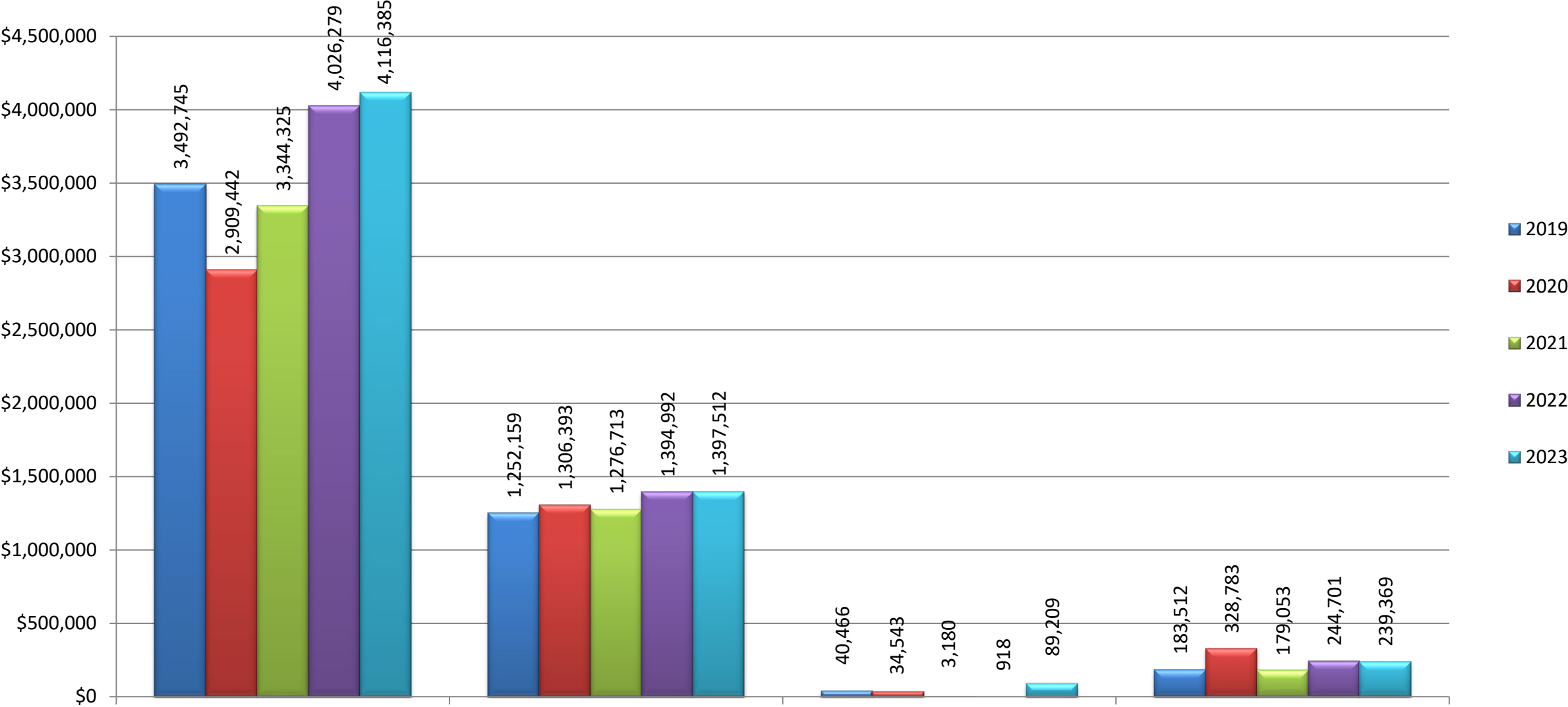
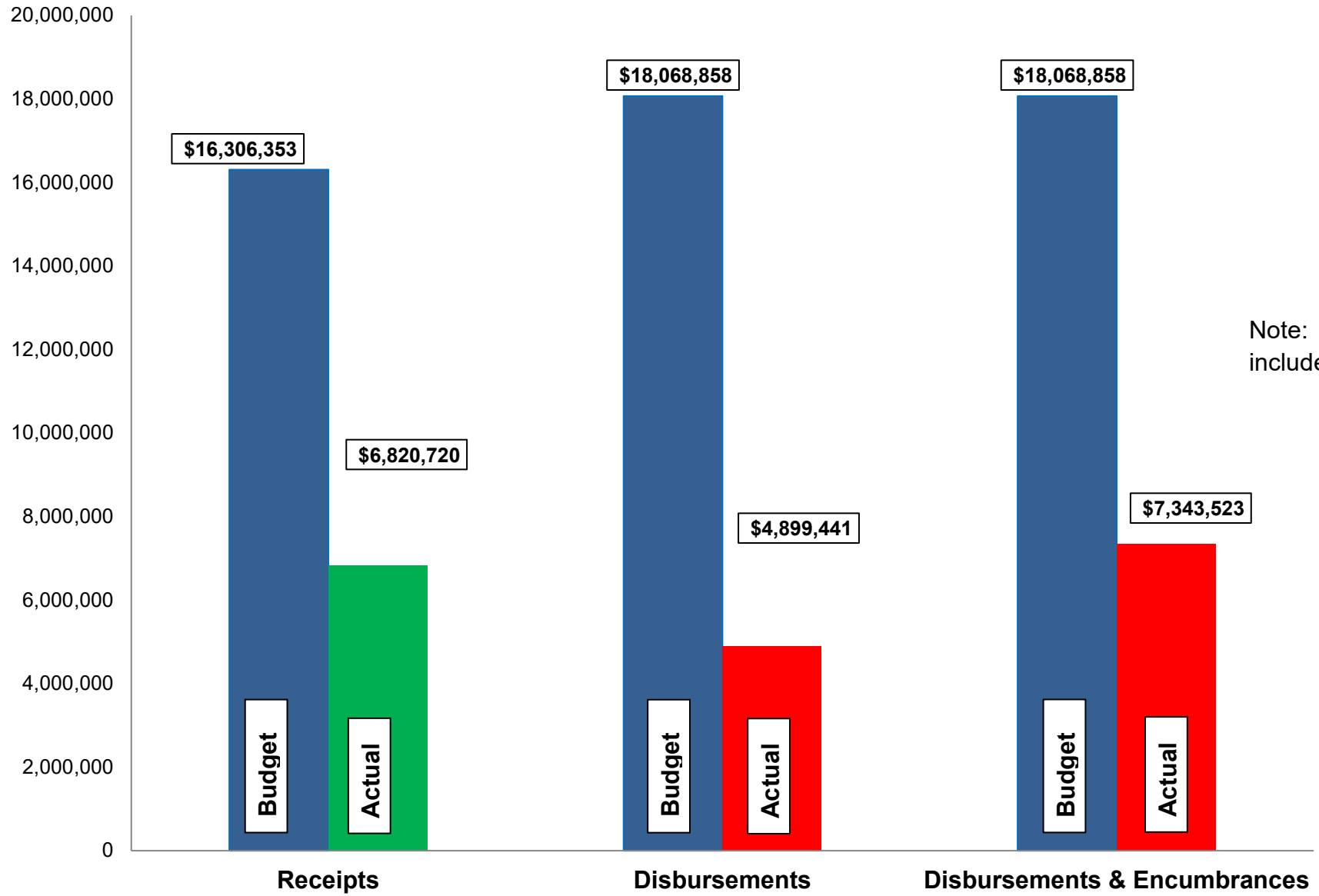


Chart NE4

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures
as of April 30, 2023
GENERAL CITY SERVICES
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$889,570 appropriated from prior year budgets.

CHART NE5

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances
for the period ended April 30, 2023
REFUSE FUND**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
205	Refuse	418,683	21,587	440,270	470,063	910,333	521,146	389,187	195,326	193,861	(51,083)	(224,822)
206	Refuse Equipment Replacement	58,713	67,246	125,959	-	125,959	-	125,959	67,246	58,713	-	-
	Total	477,396	88,833	566,229	470,063	1,036,292	521,146	515,146	262,572	252,574	(51,083)	(224,822)

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
205	Refuse	1,387,100	470,063	34	(917,037)	-	-	-	1,387,100	470,063	34
206	Refuse Equipment Replacement	-	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	50,000	-	-
	Total	1,387,100	470,063	34	(917,037)	50,000	-	-	1,437,100	470,063	33

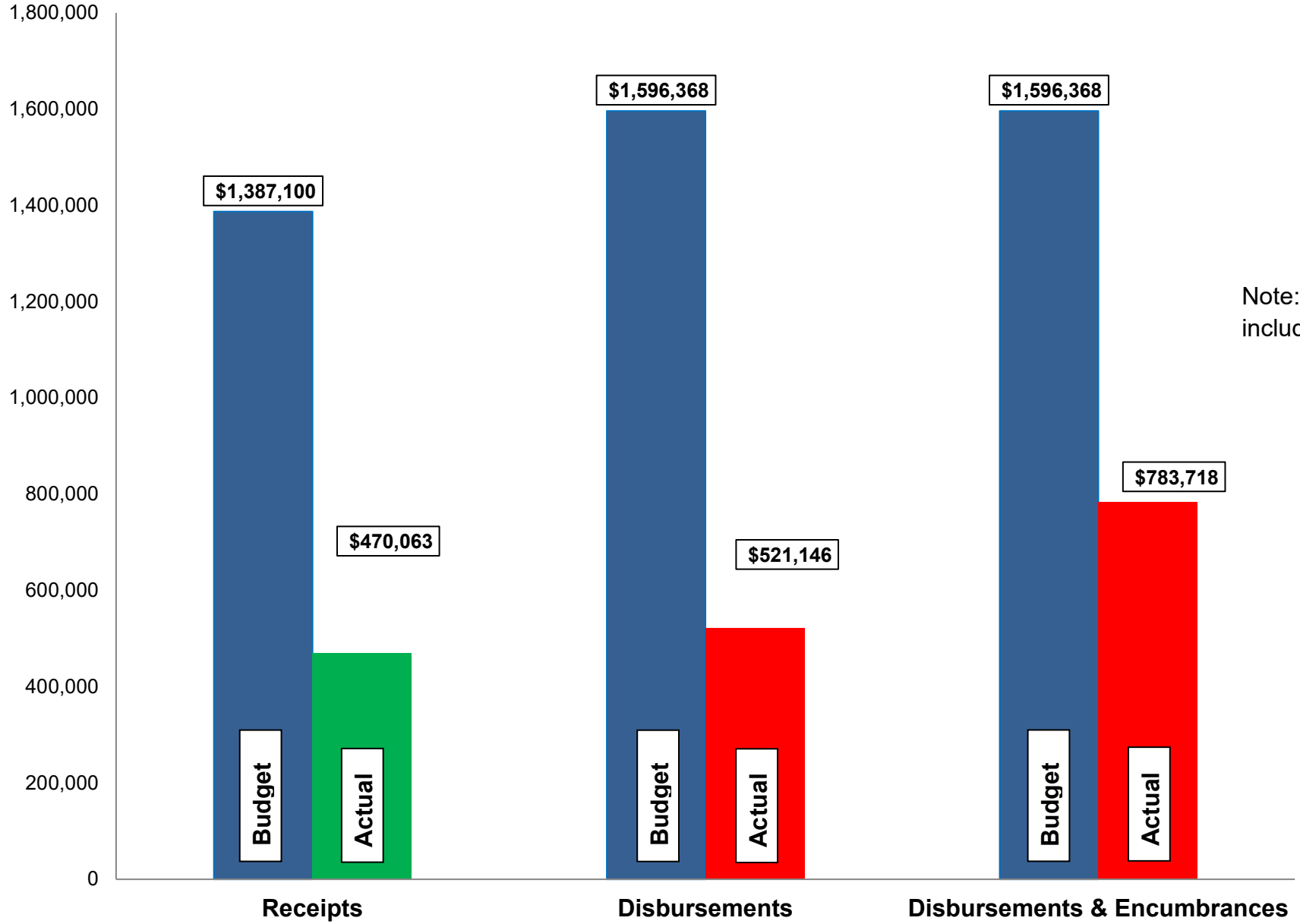
**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
205	Refuse	1,474,122	521,146	35	195,326	716,472	49	50,000	-	-	1,655,302	716,472	43
206	Refuse Equipment Replacement	122,246	-	-	67,246	67,246	55	-	-	-	122,246	67,246	55
	Total	1,596,368	521,146	33	262,572	783,718	49	50,000	-	-	1,777,548	783,718	44

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of April 30, 2023: \$ -

CHART R1

Budget, Revenues & Expenditures as of April 30, 2023 REFUSE FUNDS



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$88,833 appropriated from prior year budgets.

CHART R2

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances
for the period ended April 30, 2023
WATER FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
602	Waterworks	897,792	53,863	951,655	349,213	1,300,868	594,291	706,577	309,982	396,595	(245,078)	(501,197)
603	Water Improve/Equip Replace	392,154	64,332	456,486	205,370	661,856	60,449	601,407	48,255	553,152	144,921	160,998
Total		1,289,946	118,195	1,408,141	554,583	1,962,724	654,740	1,307,984	358,237	949,747	(100,157)	(340,199)

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

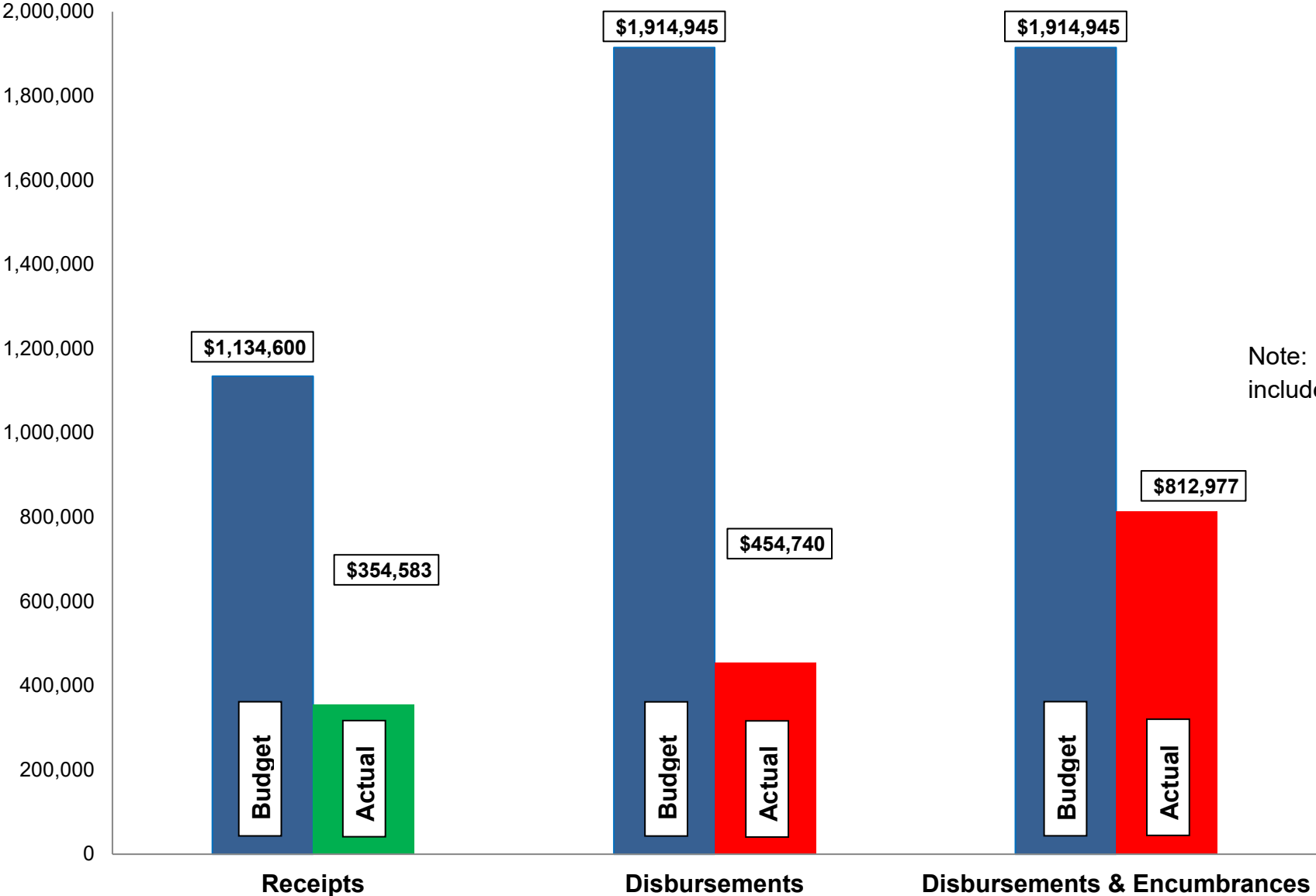
#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
602	Waterworks	1,134,600	349,213	31	(785,387)	-	-	-	1,134,600	349,213	31
603	Water Improve/Equip Replace	-	5,370	-	5,370	200,000	200,000	100	200,000	205,370	103
Total		1,134,600	354,583	31	(780,017)	200,000	200,000	-	1,334,600	554,583	42

**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
602	Waterworks	1,371,113	394,291	29	309,982	704,273	51	200,000	200,000	100	1,657,869	904,273	55
603	Water Improve/Equip Replace	543,832	60,449	11	48,255	108,704	20	-	-	-	543,832	108,704	20
Total		1,914,945	454,740	24	358,237	812,977	42	200,000	200,000	-	2,201,701	1,012,977	46

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of April 30, 2023: \$ 817

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures
as of April 30, 2023
WATER FUNDS
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$118,195 appropriated from prior year budgets.

CHART W2

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances
for the period ended April 30, 2023
SANITARY SEWER FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
607	Sanitary Sewer Disp. and Maint.	1,586,617	161,599	1,748,216	605,267	2,353,483	849,785	1,503,698	36,296	1,467,402	(244,518)	(119,215)
608	Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	313,748	214,012	527,760	200,000	727,760	104,999	622,761	222,350	400,411	95,001	86,663
Total		1,900,365	375,611	2,275,976	805,267	3,081,243	954,784	2,126,459	258,646	1,867,813	(149,517)	(32,552)

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
607	Sanitary Sewer Disp. and Maint.	1,883,200	605,267	32	(1,277,933)	-	-	-	1,883,200	605,267	32
608	Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	-	-	-	-	200,000	200,000	100	200,000	200,000	100
Total		1,883,200	605,267	32	(1,277,933)	200,000	200,000	-	2,083,200	805,267	39

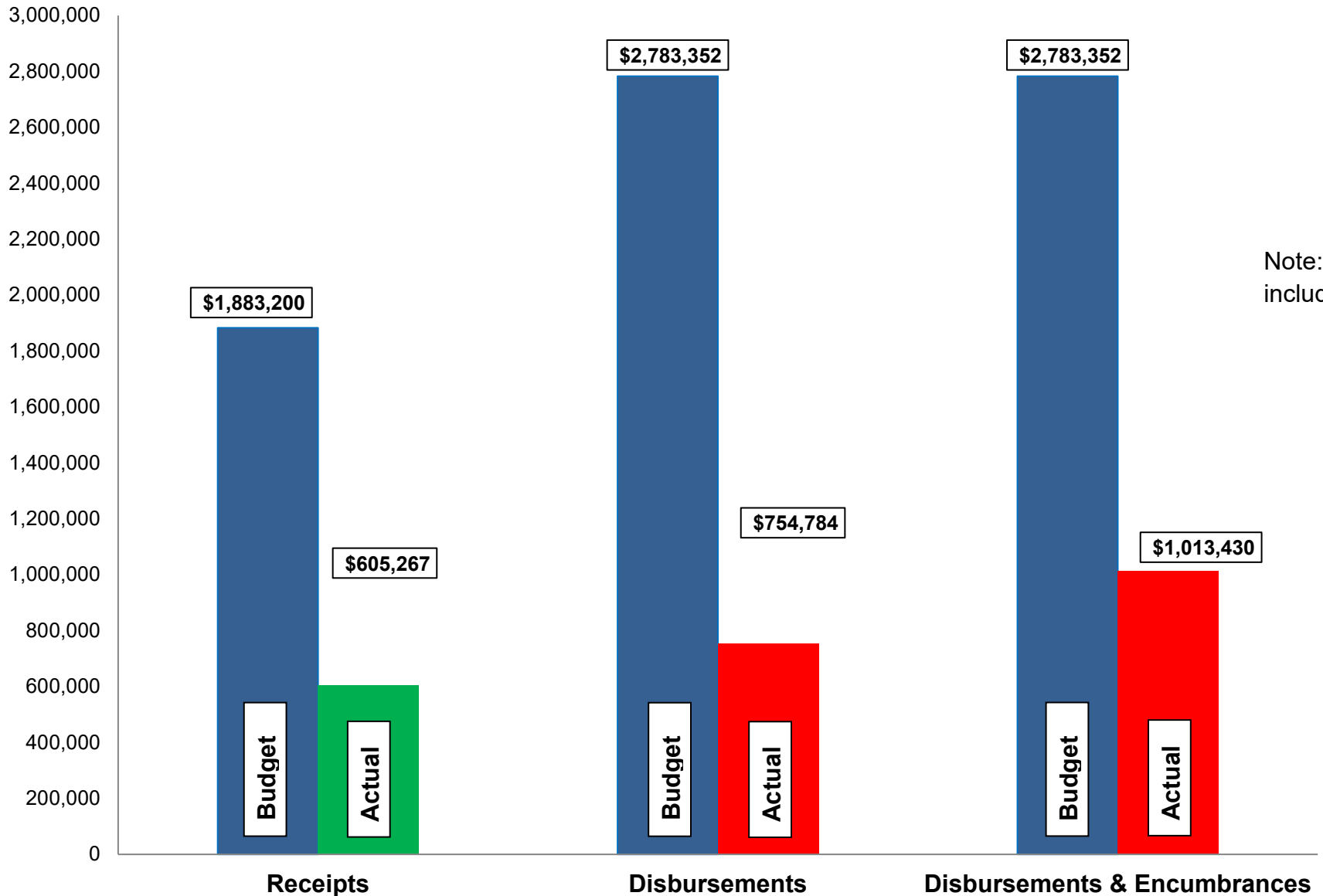
**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
607	Sanitary Sewer Disp. and Maint.	2,374,340	649,785	27	36,296	686,081	29	200,000	200,000	100	2,615,226	886,081	34
608	Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	409,012	104,999	26	222,350	327,349	80	-	-	-	409,012	327,349	80
Total		2,783,352	754,784	27	258,646	1,013,430	36	200,000	200,000	-	3,024,238	1,213,430	40

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of April 30, 2023: \$ -

CHART S1

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures
as of April 30, 2023
SANITARY SEWER FUNDS
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$375,611 appropriated from prior year budgets.

CHART S2

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances
for the period ended April 30, 2023
STORMWATER FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
615	Stormwater Utility	404,427	4,475	408,902	180,116	589,018	297,485	291,533	62,966	228,567	(117,369)	(175,860)
616	Stormwater Improve/Equip Replace	104,390	275,000	379,390	200,000	579,390	2,650	576,740	327,350	249,390	197,350	145,000
Total		508,817	279,475	788,292	380,116	1,168,408	300,135	868,273	390,316	477,957	79,981	(30,860)

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
615	Stormwater Utility	466,600	180,116	39	(286,484)	-	-	-	466,600	180,116	39
616	Stormwater Improve/Equip Replace	985,000	-	-	(985,000)	200,000	200,000	100	1,185,000	200,000	17
Total		1,451,600	180,116	12	(1,271,484)	200,000	200,000	-	1,651,600	380,116	23

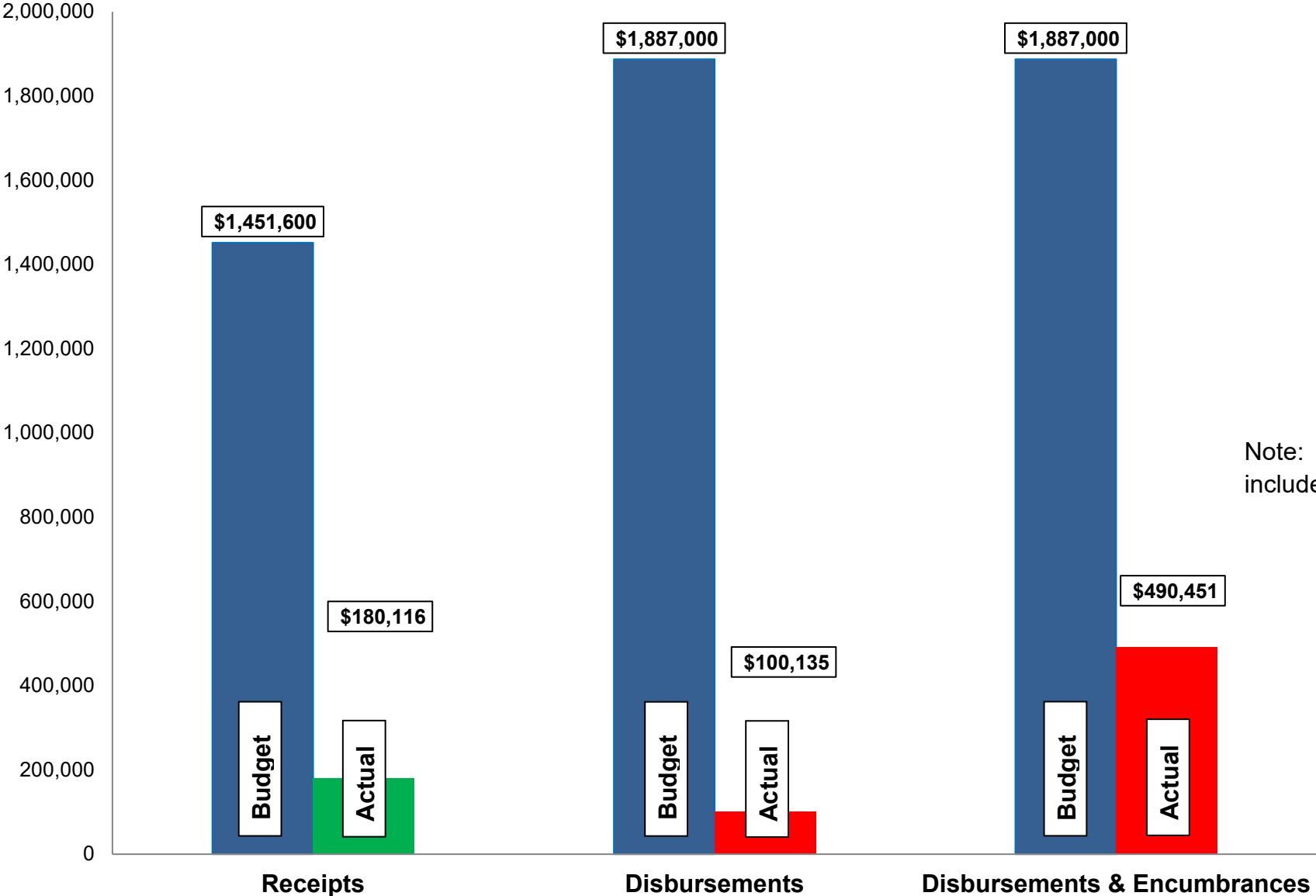
**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates
for the period ended April 30, 2023**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
615	Stormwater Utility	353,399	97,485	28	62,966	160,451	45	200,000	200,000	100	579,248	360,451	62
616	Stormwater Improve/Equip Replace	1,533,601	2,650	-	327,350	330,000	-	-	-	-	1,533,601	330,000	-
Total		1,887,000	100,135	5	390,316	490,451	26	200,000	200,000	-	2,112,849	690,451	33

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of April 30, 2023: \$ -

CHART ST1

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures
as of April 30, 2023
STORMWATER FUNDS
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$279,475 appropriated from prior year budgets.

CHART ST2

Subject: Monthly Financials – April

The following are the items to note when reviewing April's financials:

General City Services:

- Gross Income Tax collections are at 38.26% of the budgeted \$11.00M. April and May are normally our largest collection months. The gross and net 2023 collections are more than YTD April 2022 by 2.71% and 2.24%, respectively.
- Our Real Estate tax collections total \$1,397,512; 50.04% of budget.
- General Fund revenues are 41% of budget and total General City Services revenues are 42% of budget.
- General Fund expenditures, including encumbrances, are 41% of budget and total General City Services expenditures, including encumbrances, are 41% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for General City Services include \$17,179,288 in original appropriations.
- No unusual items in the month of April.

Refuse Fund:

- Refuse revenues are approximately 34% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 49% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for Refuse include \$1,507,535 in original appropriations.
- No unusual items in the month of April.

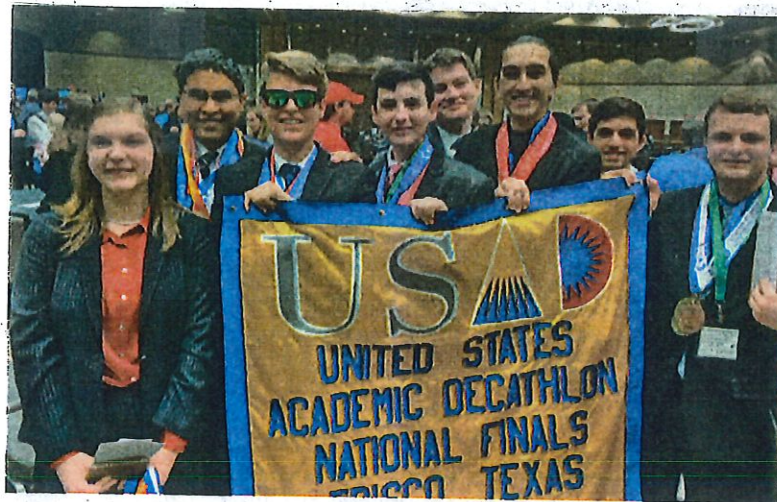
Enterprise Funds:

- Water revenues are approximately 31% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 42% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for Water include \$1,796,750 in original appropriations.
- Sewer revenues are approximately 32% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 36% of budget. 63% of our 2022 costs were a result of payments to Dayton and Montgomery County for wastewater treatment.
- Budgeted disbursements for Sanitary Sewer include \$2,407,741 in original appropriations.
- Stormwater revenues are approximately 12% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 26% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for Stormwater include \$1,607,525 in original appropriations.
- No unusual items in the month of April.

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APRIL 2023 OAKWOOD PROPERTY SALES

SALES ABOVE APPRAISED VALUE					
<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE SOLD</u>	<u>SALE PRICE</u>	<u>DATE LAST SOLD</u>	<u>LAST SALE PRICE</u>	<u>COUNTY APPRAISED VALUE</u>
63 E DIXON AVE	4/24/23	\$ 515,000	9/11/20	\$ 220,000	\$ 239,690
15 GRANDON RD	4/11/23	\$ 435,700	5/9/18	\$ 368,000	\$ 340,690
144 LONSDALE AVE	4/18/23	\$ 431,000	7/27/15	\$ 225,000	\$ 229,120
252 ABERDEEN AVE	4/19/23	\$ 370,000	9/26/22	\$ 235,000	\$ 195,610
320 TRIANGLE AVE	4/24/23	\$ 353,000	8/8/22	\$ 189,900	\$ 139,920
402 TELFORD AVE	4/19/23	\$ 320,000	2/2/99	\$ 122,500	\$ 182,890
419 HARMAN BLVD	4/12/23	\$ 315,000	11/2/20	\$ 265,000	\$ 194,140
114 OAK KNOLL DR	4/19/23	\$ 300,000	11/23/20	\$ 225,000	\$ 165,520
215 RUBICON RD	4/24/23	\$ 300,000	2/16/22	\$ 274,900	\$ 168,270
405 HADLEY AVE	4/7/23	\$ 282,500	3/11/19	\$ 160,000	\$ 156,130
2610 SHROYER RD	4/11/23	\$ 246,900	12/16/21	\$ 214,900	\$ 131,410
959 E SCHANTZ AVE	4/26/23	\$ 239,400	7/9/19	\$ 272,500	\$ 239,320
253 CLARANNA AVE	4/25/23	\$ 230,000	1/12/22	\$ 185,000	\$ 161,280
109 MONTERAY AVE	4/19/23	\$ 228,650	4/15/21	\$ 192,000	\$ 142,040
2401 SHROYER RD	4/18/23	\$ 220,000	6/5/18	\$ 151,900	\$ 160,270
665 FAR HILLS AVE	4/26/23	\$ 192,060	6/6/96	\$ 148,500	\$ 186,400
327 PATTERSON RD	4/4/23	\$ 180,000	NOT LISTED	NOT LISTED	\$ 141,650
100% ABOVE APPRAISED VALUE					
SALES BELOW APPRAISED VALUE					
<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE SOLD</u>	<u>SALE PRICE</u>	<u>DATE LAST SOLD</u>	<u>LAST SALE PRICE</u>	<u>COUNTY APPRAISED VALUE</u>



Oakwood High School AcaDec wins 11th D-III National title

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The team earned 47 individual medals across the subject areas and achieved 7 out of 9 total individual overall score awards in the three G.P.A. divisions, earning a combined total of \$6000 in scholarship awards. Taking individual overall score awards were: Rohan Haack, 1st overall Honors division and highest scoring student for OHS; Alex Deygan, 3rd overall Honors division; Charli Kulka,

1st overall Scholastic division; Jack Campbell, 2nd overall Scholastic; Brian Fischer, 3rd overall Scholastic; Danny Vásconez, 1st overall Varsity division; and Ian Brooks, 2nd overall Varsity. Charli Kulka received special recognition as the Most Valuable Team Member.

The team was sponsored by Ashley's Pastry Shop, Chiropractic Health and Wellness Center of Dayton, David Parcels, DDS, Metropolitan Dry Cleaners, Robert K. Jones Insurance Agency, and Roderer Shoe Center.

The 2022-23 team members are Ian Brooks, Jack Campbell, Alex Deygan, Brian Fischer, Rohan Haack, Charli Kulka, Michael Ritschel, Danny Vásconez and Daniel Wang. Lori Morris is the team coach.



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OAKWOOD

Academic team wins national title

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Kulka was also named the most valuable team member.

STAFF REPORT

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS



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Green Oakwood Earth Day styrofoam recycling event proved to be a day of mixed emotions

Green Oakwood is happy to announce that, coordinated by Laura Burris and Joleen and Rachelle Cook, a total of 20 vehicles took Styrofoam from Foell Public Works to the Montgomery County event at Huber Heights. Being Earth Day, many of our regular Green Oakwood drivers were otherwise engaged, but we fielded a team of nine, many of whom did multiple runs. The remaining runs were supported by fantastic residents who, having brought a larger load, were asked to go directly to the event. A huge thanks to all who saved and donated styrofoam to keep it out of landfill, and especially to those who did a shuttle.

However, sadly, the event has left some ill-feeling due to abuse of the kindness of our volunteers. The accompanying photos were taken upon arrival of our volunteers for the two-hour window, and the day after we left a styrofoam-free Public Works. Furthermore, one resident harangued a volunteer (having turned up with a large load 50 minutes after closing).

These behaviors were totally unacceptable given that:

1. Green Oakwood has a limited number of volunteers, who are using their own time, vehicles and fuel to assist private residents reduce landfill charges within City taxes.

2. Shuttle operating hours and details of inadmissible items were published in *The Oakwood Register*, seven Facebook sites and the City website, with those having large quantities being requested to go directly to the event (this includes businesses).

3. Outside of the window in which volunteers can accept it, abandoned styrofoam can become a litter hazard.

4. The City of Oakwood does not store abandoned styrofoam.

Consequently, as the abandoned

styrofoam caused Green Oakwood to receive negative feedback from the City, firstly we will be reviewing our procedures, again requesting County Environmental Services to allow a single larger delivery, along with the City, we will be increasing advertising of acceptable items and times, and finally, if violations occur, we will request the City review security camera footage from the recycling area to identify violators.

In short, we kindly request that approaching the next event, currently scheduled for July 29, you make note of timings, inadmissible products (which will be published in *The Oakwood Register* and City outlets) and please respect the volunteer efforts in supporting the Oakwood community. Thank you.

Cheryl Lloyd
Green Oakwood



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Oakwood vet on Honor Flight

Longtime Oakwood resident Lou Illes, escorted by his grandson William Case, visited Washington last week with Honor Flight. Illes was an ambulance driver with the 34th Medical Battalion attached to a M.A.S.H. unit in Korea. He and his grandson visited the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, WWII Memorial, Korean and Vietnam Memorials, as well as the Marine Corps Memorial. They arrived home to a hero's welcome at the Dayton International Airport on April 29, greeted by dozens of family members, community supporters, and a military band.

Honor Flight is a non-profit program

designed to honor America's senior veterans with trips to Washington, D.C. to visit the nation's memorials, share stories with fellow veterans and to celebrate their service. The trips are free to any qualified veteran. At the conclusion of the 2022 flight season, Honor Flight had flown 119 missions, transporting over 8,600 veterans.

Honor Flight Dayton, Inc. is a federal nonprofit organization. Donations are tax deductible. If you would like to support the local chapter of Honor Flight, donations may be made to: Honor Flight Dayton, Inc., 200 Canary Ct., Enon, OH 45323.

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RIVERSIDE

City latest to mull raises for elected officials

Riverside wants to double pay for mayor, council members – the first bump since the mid-1990s.

By Nick Blizzard
Staff Writer

Pay increases are being considered in Riverside for the mayor and city council jobs, a move some more populated Dayton-area cities have approved in recent years.

Riverside's proposal calls for a

100% hike for the mayor position and city council members, jobs which have not had pay raises since the city incorporated in the mid-1990s, officials said.

If approved, the mayor's compensation would increase from \$6,000 a year to \$12,000 effective Jan. 1, after this year's elec-

tion, Riverside records show.

Passage would also double the current rate of \$4,000 for each council seat following the next election for each of those positions, starting in 2024.

"Part of my thinking is you'd be hard pressed to find one item or one service that cost a certain dollar amount in 1994 and costs the same dollar amount in 2023," Riverside Mayor Pete Williams said.

Williams said he plans to vote for the increase – set to be considered at the next council meeting – and he has not decided on seeking re-election this fall.

"But I'm certainly leaning in that direction," Williams said. "I'm not voting for an increase for Pete Williams. I'm voting for an increase for whoever happens to be mayor in January."

Beavercreek, Huber Heights and Kettering are among local

cities which have approved pay hikes for their legislative members since 2019. Kettering's increase two years ago was the highest among the three at 50%, Dayton Daily News records show.

Raises were rejected for West Carrollton city councilmembers six years ago by that panel in a 6-1 vote.

Kettering's pay hikes were voted

Pay raise continued on B4

Pay raise

continued from B1

on in May 2021 before current Mayor Peggy Lehner, and councilmembers Lisa Duvall, Jyl Hall and Bob Scott were elected.

The change raised the annual compensation for the mayor from \$12,000 to \$18,000 and city council members from \$8,000 to \$12,000, officials said.

Similar to Riverside's proposal, it did not apply to Kettering elected officials holding office at that time, according to that city's charter. Councilwoman Jacque Fisher was facing re-election that fall and abstained from the vote.

Beavercreek and Huber Heights city councils both approved pay increases for those jobs in 2019, Dayton Daily News records show.

Beavercreek's annual compensation went from \$6,000 to \$10,800 for terms start-

ANNUAL PAY FOR AREA OFFICIALS

The following are cities current annual compensation for mayors and city council members.

CITY	MAYOR	COUNCIL	POP. ('21)
Beavercreek	\$10,800	\$10,800	46,636
Brookville	\$5,000	\$1,800*	5,968
Centerville	\$18,351	\$17,101	24,729
Clayton	\$7,200	\$4,800	13,249
Huber Heights	\$12,000	\$8,100	43,272
Kettering	\$18,000	\$12,000**	57,377
Miamisburg	\$14,515	\$10,640	19,790
Oakwood	\$4,000	\$2,800	9,471
Riverside	\$6,000	\$4,000	24,350
Vandalia	\$11,008	\$10,508	15,090
West Carrollton	\$7,500***	\$3,000	13,012

*Brookville council members earn \$75 per meeting they attend. Amount in the chart is based on two meetings per month each year, its regular schedule.

**Kettering approved an increase in 2021 stipulating that the new rate would start after the next election for each council seat.

***West Carrollton's compensation includes pay for mayor's court.

SOURCES: CITIES LISTED ABOVE, DDN ARCHIVES AND THE U.S. CENSUS.

ing on or after Jan. 1, 2020. Huber Heights approved a hike equivalent to \$12,000

for the mayor and \$8,100 for council members. It had been \$7,452 and \$3,600 for

those jobs, respectively.

When West Carrollton voted down an increase, that city's legislators had not received a pay raise in more than two decades and their compensation remains at \$3,000 a year. Longtime Mayor Jeff Sanner said he was against including an increase for that job in the proposal.

In Riverside's case, council discussed the issue at length in a March regular meeting and again in a work session a few weeks later, records show.

Council members expressed concern that it shouldn't be rushed. Some said inflation has increased overall costs significantly the past 30 years.

Staff Writers Aimee Hancock and Eric Schwartzberg contributed to this report.

Contact this reporter at 937-610-7438 or email Nick.Blizzard@coxinc.com

OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE
KEITH FABER



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May 5, 2023

Cindy S. Stafford, Finance Director
City of Oakwood
30 Park Avenue
Dayton, OH 45419

Dear Ms. Stafford:

Please be advised the enclosed letter regarding the audit of the City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, for the year ended December 31, 2022 was sent to your public accountant, Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (614) 466-3597.

Sincerely,

KEITH FABER
Auditor of State

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brad Blake".

Brad Blake
Director of Quality Assurance

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May 5, 2023

Kevin Vaughn
Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.
8260 Northcreek Drive, Suite 330
Cincinnati, Ohio 45236

Dear Mr. Vaughn:

A desk review of the audit report has been performed for the City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, for the year ended December 31, 2022. Based on the desk review, this report is acceptable and requires no modifications.

We will certify this audit report. As a reminder, the final invoice for this project must be submitted to the Auditor of State for approval no later than 90 days after the release of the report. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (614) 466-3597.

Sincerely,

KEITH FABER
Auditor of State

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brad Blake".

Brad Blake
Director of Quality Assurance

cc: Donna Waldron, Chief Auditor
Cindy S. Stafford, Finance Director, City of Oakwood

PRESS RELEASE



DRAFT

The City of Oakwood
30 Park Avenue
Oakwood, Ohio 45419

Subject: LED Street Light Project

Date: May 8, 2023

OAKWOOD, OHIO:

Miami Valley Lighting (MVL) is upgrading the majority of the street lights throughout Oakwood. Work is scheduled to begin within the next few days and will last an estimated 6-8 weeks. The work will be completed by Capital Electric, a contractor working for MVL, and will take place in all Oakwood neighborhoods.

The city contracts with MVL for street light services. Prior to 1998, the vast majority of Oakwood street lights consisted of incandescent bulb fixtures, with some mercury vapor fixtures. In 1998, Dayton Power & Light completed a citywide conversion to High Pressure Sodium (HPS) lights. Now, consistent with the street lighting industry, the city is converting to LED fixtures. The citywide project involves replacement of about 500 HPS fixtures, nearly all of the residential street lights in Oakwood.

MVL will install LED fixtures that emit light at a color temperature of 2700 degrees Kelvin. These fixtures were specially selected to provide illumination in the warm or soft white range, as opposed to the bright white light often seen with LEDs. "This is an important and necessary upgrade to our street lights," said City Manager Norbert Klopsch. "We look forward to watching the project unfold."

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

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