

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2016

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MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
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November 16, 2016

Board of Directors  
Metro East Park and Recreation District  
Madison and St. Clair Counties, Illinois  
104 United Dr.  
Collinsville, IL 62234

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Metro East Park and Recreation District, Madison and St. Clair Counties, Illinois, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with 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. 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 entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

## Opinions

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Metro East Park and Recreation District, Madison and St. Clair Counties, Illinois, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position, 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 3 through 8, budgetary comparison information and the required notes to the budgetary comparison information on pages 31 through 33, Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios on page 34, and Schedule of Employer Contributions and its accompanying notes on pages 35 through 36 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.



Edwardsville, Illinois

**Metro East Park and Recreation District  
Madison and St. Clair Counties, Illinois**

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD & A)**

**June 30, 2016**

As management of the Metro East Park and Recreation District (MEPRD), which is a State of Illinois enabled taxing district made up of the counties of Madison and St. Clair, we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial outlook of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which begin on page 9.

**Financial Highlights**

- As noted in Exhibit B, the District's overall financial position improved as shown in the net position increase from June 30, 2015 of \$612,067.
- As noted in Exhibit A, net position for the governmental activities totaled \$32,425,176 with \$17,916,981 being invested in capital assets, \$323,681 being restricted for the Malcolm W. Martin Park property and \$1,000,000 for Scott-Troy Trail, and \$13,184,514 in unrestricted net position.
- The MEPRD's cash and investments balance as of June 30, 2016, excluding restricted cash balances, was \$12,739,505 representing an increase of \$1,651,600 from June 30, 2015.
- Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park was acquired by the District on June 7, 2005. Including the original donation of property, the Gateway Center of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. has donated in excess of \$16,500,000 to the District relating to the Park. A majority of the cash contributions were used for the construction of a Mississippi River Overlook, parking area, amphitheater, utility improvements, maintenance/security building and lighting improvements at the Park.

Listed below are the District's assets at June 30, 2016, including a column noting changes (increases/decreases) from June 30, 2015:

	Total Primary Government		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2016	2015	
Other assets	\$ 14,658,175	\$ 13,717,415	\$ 940,760
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	17,916,981	18,199,880	(282,899)
Deferred outflow of resources	49,327	30,664	18,663
Total assets and deferred outflow of resources	\$ 32,624,483	\$ 31,947,959	\$ 676,524

Listed below are the District's liabilities at June 30, 2016, including a column noting changes (increases/decreases) from June 30, 2015:

	Total Primary Government		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2016	2015	
Other liabilities	\$ 34,855	\$ 23,148	\$ 11,707
Long-term liabilities			
Net Pension Liability	92,426	51,968	40,458
Accrued vacation pay	56,163	48,697	7,466
Deferred inflow of resources	15,863	11,037	4,826
Total liabilities and deferred inflow of resources	<u>\$ 199,307</u>	<u>\$ 134,850</u>	<u>\$ 64,457</u>

As displayed below, the District's total revenues decreased by \$1,327,415, expenses decreased by \$219,332 and the District's net position increased by \$612,067.

	Total Primary Government		Increase/ (Decrease)
	2016	2015	
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Program revenues			
Capital grants and contributions	\$ 578,080	\$ 2,000,000	\$ (1,421,920)
General revenues			
Sales taxes	4,480,733	4,406,861	73,872
Gain on disposition of fixed assets	-	500	(500)
Park rental income	1,000	550	450
Investment income	82,835	62,152	20,683
Total revenues	5,142,648	6,470,063	(1,327,415)
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Governmental activities			
Cultural and recreation	4,530,581	4,749,913	(219,332)
Change in net position	612,067	1,720,150	
Net position beginning	31,813,109	30,092,959	
Net position ending	<u>\$ 32,425,176</u>	<u>\$ 31,813,109</u>	

### Overview of the Financial Statements

The discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the MEPRD's basic financial statements. The MEPRD's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains a schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual, schedule of changes in net pension liability and related ratios, and schedule of employer contributions and accompanying notes as required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

## GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

The government-wide financial statements report on the function of the MEPRD that is principally supported by intergovernmental revenues. The MEPRD's function is to provide an interconnecting system of parks and trails for the residents of Madison and St. Clair Counties, Illinois. The MEPRD is funded by a 1/10 cent sales tax in both counties for the purpose of establishing these goals. Fifty percent (50%) of the revenues of the sales tax collected is returned to the individual counties, based on their sales tax contributions to the District, the MEPRD retains the balance.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 and 10 of this report.

## FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain controls over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The MEPRD, like other state and local governments and districts, uses fund accounting to insure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Currently, the MEPRD has only one fund type, namely a governmental fund.

### **Governmental Fund**

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

The District maintains one general fund in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance. Because the focus of the governmental fund is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented in the governmental fund with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the District's near-term financial decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between the governmental fund and the *governmental activities*. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 through 14 of this report.

## ***NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS***

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 15 through 30.

### ***SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION***

The schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in the fund balance (budget and actual), schedule of changes in net pension liability and related ratios, and schedule of employer contributions and accompanying notes can be found on pages 31 through 36.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a district's financial position.

A large portion of the District's assets are cash. The District uses these assets to provide grant funding to other governmental bodies within the confines of the two county area. In addition, the District will set aside a portion in each budget year to provide a *match* to any community for projects.

The Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park and the related cash donations since June of 2005 are also a large portion of the District's assets.

#### **Fund Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to insure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District's governmental fund is described below:

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND**

The focus of the District's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, *fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending for purposes at the end of a fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental fund, which consists currently of one revenue source fund, reported an ending fund balance of \$13,448,365 which is \$1,830,698 more than the \$11,617,667 reported at June 30, 2015. The District's main source of revenue, once again, is currently the 1/10 cents sales tax. The fund balance primarily represents the accumulation of revenue, donated capital, and interest income in excess of expenditures. The fund balance is restricted for allowable program expenditures.

#### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

As of June 30, 2016 the District has total capital assets (Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park and District property) totaling \$20,404,227 with allowed accumulated depreciation expense of \$2,487,246. See Note 3 in the financial statements for more detailed information.



### **Long-Term Debt**

The District currently has no long-term debt, other than accrued vacation of \$56,163 at the end of the fiscal year. See Note 4 in the financial statements for more detailed information.

### **Comparison of Budget to Actual Results**

Actual revenues and expenditures exceeded budgeted revenues and expenditures as the funding from the regional sales tax was larger than originally anticipated.

### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The following factors were considered in preparing the District's budget for the 2017 fiscal year:

Revenue for the 2017 budget is expected to increase slightly due to a current trend in tax revenue receipts. In addition to the State, several areas in Madison and St. Clair Counties have experienced retail upturns, which benefit the District's revenues. The Executive Director and a consultant once again reviewed the tax information from the Department of Revenue (DOR) and determined the numbers provided by the DOR were accurate and reflected the actual 1/10 cent receipts forwarded to the District.

The Board of Directors continues the policy of deposit procedures by investing in area banks and in the Illinois Funds Accounts. The Certificate of Deposit Registry Account (CDARS) is still the District's largest deposit to insure the best collateral position and interest income. Money Market accounts have afforded a higher yield at times than regular CD investments and do not require long-term obligations on the part of the District. Interest rates are still below past levels, but the outlook for an increase in interest rates appears to be on the horizon, although likely minimal.

As funds become available from the donation agreement received from the Gateway Center of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc., they are deposited in a separate interest bearing account with the best possible return in mind. The office building, park property and all capital projects are debt free. A donation of \$500,000 received in November of 2015 from the Gateway Center enabled the District to continue forward with operations at no cost to the taxpayers. No July 4th celebration was held due to the VP Fair being moved to Forest Park during Arch Grounds renovations. The Arch ground renovations are now scheduled to be completed in late 2017. As noted in previous MD & A documents, it may be necessary for the District to set aside funds in the future for the continued operation of the park, once the funds from the Gateway Center are depleted. According to current estimates, that amount could be in the range of \$360,000 per year. The District continues to monitor all expenditures at the park, making changes in operations if and as needed, so the Gateway Center's funds may continue to fund the operations as long as possible. The District does expect to request an additional amount of Gateway Center funds later in the year.

The District will be assisting in the application process to the Illinois Department of Transportation for an ITEP grant for the continuation of the Riverfront Trail from a point near the intersection of Winter Street and Front Street, north to the McKinley Bridge. A Memorandum of Agreement is being written similar to the one for the Scott-Troy Trail with Madison County Transit, with the exception that St. Clair County Transit District (SCCTD) will be the contractor for the District. SCCTD will design, construct, and maintain the project and apply for the ITEP Grant, and/or additional funds that may become available for the financing of the project. MEPRD will provide all project development funding, but no ongoing costs after the project is complete. SCCTD has agreed to pay for all ongoing maintenance or operations costs.

The partnership that was formed with St. Clair County, St. Clair County Transit, the Casino Queen, Cargill and Bunge International to start the Illinois River Link has been bid and is fully funded. Construction could

begin in late fall 2016. It will include a system of roadways near the new Route 3 location and a trail system from Malcolm Martin Memorial Park to a point near the north terminus of Front Street. The estimated total amount of funding is expected to be approximately \$4,200,000. MEPRD has authorized a contribution of \$500,000 for a shared-use path in Phase 1. A new park parking area along Front Street has also been included.

Additionally, the District has been working with St. Clair County Transit District on a trail extension from SWIC to Scott Air Force Base. The project is currently under construction and should be completed in the spring of 2017.

The District has budgeted \$1,400,000 for the Park and Trail Grant Program that will begin on July 1, 2016 and end when the funds have been expended or the end of FY17. The amount was lowered from the previous year, due to the elimination of the OSLAD and PARC programs by the State of Illinois in 2016 due to budgetary constraints.

The District has budgeted \$35,000 for grant assistance in sponsorships for recreation themed events.

The District has also budgeted \$300,000 for the new Safe Parks and Trails Grant Program. The purpose is to make parks and trails safer with the installation of cameras in targeted areas in parks and along trails.

The District closed out its IDNR acquisition grant and is anticipating receiving \$174,800 for the Scott-Troy Trail for property acquisition.

#### **Future Events that May Financially Impact the District**

Grant funding from State agencies remains very competitive. For example, Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) and Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grants will be difficult to obtain because demand is high.

The State of Illinois remains in a financial crisis. As outlined in the previous year's statements, any downturn in the economy would negatively impact the District's financial position. A Capital Plan by the State of Illinois is unlikely during the current legislative session, so opportunities for the District to increase its project participation through additional grants will be limited.

A Stopgap State budget has been passed as of this writing, and will end on December 31, 2016.

#### **Contacting the MEPRD's Financial Management**

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Executive Director, Metro East Park and Recreation District, 104 United Drive, Collinsville, Illinois 62234, or by phone at (618) 346-4905.

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2016

	Governmental Activities
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$ 5,683,771
Investments	
Certificates of deposit	7,055,734
Restricted	
Cash	330,342
Prepaid expenses	13,730
Prepaid expenses	8,542
Receivables	
Regional sales tax - net of County distributions	368,927
Interest	22,174
Intergovernmental agreements	1,174,955
Capital assets	
Land and construction in progress	3,488,089
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	14,428,892
Total assets	\$ 32,575,156
 <b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred Outflows from Pension Contributions	\$ 49,327
 Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 32,624,483
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 12,312
Payroll taxes withheld and payable	2,152
Liabilities payable from restricted assets	
Accounts payable	20,391
Noncurrent liabilities due in more than one year	
Net Pension Liability	92,426
Accrued vacation pay	56,163
Total liabilities	\$ 183,444
 <b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred Inflows from Pension Liability	\$ 15,863
 <b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 17,916,981
Restricted for	
Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park	323,681
Scott-Troy Trail	1,000,000
Unrestricted	13,184,514
Total Net Position	\$ 32,425,176
 Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position	\$ 32,624,483

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

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position Primary Government Governmental Activities</u>
			<u>Total</u>
Primary Government			
Governmental activities			
Cultural and recreation	\$ 4,530,581	578,080	\$ (3,952,501)
	General revenues:		
	Sales tax		\$ 4,480,733
	Investment income		82,835
	Park Rental Income		1,000
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	Total general revenues		\$ 4,564,568
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	Change in net position		\$ 612,067
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	Net position - beginning		31,813,109
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	Net position - ending		\$ 32,425,176
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METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2016

	<u>General Fund and Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$ 5,683,771
Investments	7,055,734
Restricted	
Cash	330,342
Prepaid expenses	13,730
Prepaid expenses	8,542
Receivables	
Regional sales taxes - net of County distributions	368,927
Interest	22,174
	13,483,220
Total assets	\$ 13,483,220
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 12,312
Payroll taxes withheld and payable	2,152
Liabilities payable from restricted assets	
Accounts payable	20,391
	34,855
Total liabilities	\$ 34,855
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
Nonspendable	
Prepaid expenses	\$ 8,542
Restricted	
Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park	323,681
Committed	
Grant awards	4,709,807
Unassigned	8,406,335
	13,448,365
Total fund balances	\$ 13,448,365
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 13,483,220

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

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL  
FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2016

TOTAL FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (EXHIBIT C)	\$ 13,448,365
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets of \$20,404,227, net of accumulated depreciation of \$2,487,246, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	17,916,981
Receivables not currently available are reported as revenue when collected or currently available in the fund financial statements but are recognized as revenue when earned in the government-wide financial statements. Grant revenue	1,174,955
Compensated absences are considered noncurrent liabilities and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds (see Note 4).	(56,163)
Net pension obligation is not due and payable in the current period, and, therefore, is not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>(58,962)</u>
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (EXHIBIT A)	<u>\$ 32,425,176</u>

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

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	General Fund		
	MEPRD	MMMP	Total
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Sales tax	\$ 4,480,733	\$ -	\$ 4,480,733
Park rental income	-	1,000	1,000
St. Clair County Transit District grant	500,000	-	500,000
Gateway Center grant	-	500,000	500,000
Other grant income	-	68,000	68,000
Interest income	75,321	1,686	77,007
Appreciation in fair value of investments	5,828	-	5,828
	<u>\$ 5,061,882</u>	<u>\$ 570,686</u>	<u>\$ 5,632,568</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Culture and recreation			
Sales tax reimbursements	\$ 2,240,367	\$ -	\$ 2,240,367
Grant payments	485,701	-	485,701
Grant payments - Scott/Troy Trail	241,077	-	241,077
Capital Expenditures	10,080	40,360	50,440
Employee related expenses	284,195	-	284,195
Professional services	66,303	167,850	234,153
Travel	2,284	311	2,595
Office expenses	11,625	1,491	13,116
Repairs and maintenance	40,792	72,237	113,029
Utilities	15,765	78,648	94,413
Other special events/sponsorships	15,001	4,730	19,731
Insurance	16,239	15,964	32,203
Dues and subscriptions	930	-	930
	<u>\$ 3,430,359</u>	<u>\$ 381,591</u>	<u>\$ 3,811,950</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ 1,631,523	\$ 189,095	\$ 1,820,618
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
Capital contributions	10,080	-	10,080
	<u>\$ 1,641,603</u>	<u>\$ 189,095</u>	<u>\$ 1,830,698</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Beginning of year			11,617,667
End of year			<u>\$ 13,448,365</u>

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

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL  
FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (EXHIBIT E)	\$ 1,830,698
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period.</p>	
Capital outlay	50,440
Depreciation expense	(333,339)
<p>Changes in compensated absences reported in the Statement of Activities does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.</p>	
	(7,466)
<p>Changes in net pension obligations are reported only in the statement of activities.</p>	
	(26,621)
<p>Payments received for intergovernmental agreements receivable are recorded as a revenue in the funds and recorded as a reduction to the loan receivable in the government-wide financial statements.</p>	
	(500,000)
<p>Some expenses in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.</p>	
Write-off of grant receivable	(401,645)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (EXHIBIT B)	\$ 612,067

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



METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2016

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Metro East Park and Recreation District (District) (MEPRD) are prepared in accordance with U. S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The District operates under a Board of Directors form of government. The primary duty of the District is the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout Madison and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the District (the primary government).

The District has developed criteria to determine whether outside agencies with activities that benefit the citizens of the District should be included within its financial reporting entity. The criteria for including organizations within the District's reporting entity, as set forth in GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity," and GASB Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus," is financial accountability. Financial accountability is defined as either 1) appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board and either the ability to impose will by the primary government or the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government or 2) the component unit is fiscally dependent on the primary government and there are potential financial benefits or burdens on the primary government. Based on these criteria, there are no component units in the reporting entity.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report financial information for the District as a whole. The effect of interfund activity, if any, has been eliminated from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, if any, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external customers. Likewise the primary government is reported separately from a certain legally separate component unit for which the primary government is financially accountable.

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

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The District has no nonmajor funds.

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NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

The District reports the following major governmental fund:

The General Fund is the District's main operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The District has no proprietary funds or fiduciary funds.

C. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the District are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds are maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

Funds are classified into one category: governmental.

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked monies (special revenue funds), the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets (capital projects funds) and the servicing of general long-term debt (debt service funds). The General Fund is used to account for all activities of the general government not accounted for in some other fund.

D. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues and additions are recorded when earned and expenses and deductions are reported when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District considered revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a fund liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Sales taxes, grant revenues and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and are recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

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E. Cash and Investments

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Investments

The District's investments are considered to be certificates of deposit and long-term investments with original maturity of greater than three months from the date of acquisition and are stated at fair value.

F. Receivables and Payables

Amounts due from individuals, organizations or other governmental units are recorded as receivables at year-end. Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts where applicable. Receivables are recognized for sales taxes, interest, and intergovernmental grants.

G. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Currently, the District has only one item that qualifies for reporting in this category, deferred amounts from pension contributions.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Currently, the District does not have any of this type of item.

H. Prepaid Items/Expenses

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond the date of this report are recorded as prepaid items/expenses.

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I. Capital Assets

Capital assets, if any, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g., land, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$10,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Property, plant and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives.

Buildings and permanent structures	75 years
Equipment (including pumps and fountains)	50 years
Office equipment	10 years
Trails	15 years

J. Compensated Absences

It is the policy of the District to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick time. Sick time is earned at a rate of 1 day per month and accumulated up to a maximum of 32.5 days. Accrued sick time has no cash value at the time of separation of employment. Vacation time is earned at a rate of 2 weeks per year upon the employee's date of hire. Once the employee has reached 5 years of employment, vacation time is earned at a rate of 3 weeks per year.

All vacation is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental fund financial statements only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignation and retirements.

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, no liability is recorded for non-vested accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits. However, a liability is recognized for the portion of accumulated sick leave benefits that are estimated to be taken as "terminal leave" prior to retirement.

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K. Equity Classifications

Government-Wide Statements

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

Net investment in capital assets – Net investment in capital assets consist of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances (excluding unspent debt proceeds) of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted – Restricted net position consist of fund balances with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted – Unrestricted net position are all other assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets”.

Fund Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the District classifies governmental fund balance as follows:

Nonspendable – Includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in spendable form or because legal or contractual requirements require them to be maintained intact.

Restricted – Includes fund balances with constraints placed on their use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or, 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – Includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority. Fund balance amounts are committed through a formal action (resolution) of the District board. This formal action must occur prior to the end of the reporting period, but the amount of the commitment, which will be subject to the constraints, may be determined in the subsequent period. Any changes to the constraints imposed require the same formal action of the District board that originally created the commitment.

Assigned – Includes spendable fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are not considered restricted or committed. Fund balance may be assigned by the District board taking action to assign amounts for a specific purpose. Assignments may take place after the end of the reporting period. As of June 30, 2016, the District does not have assigned funds.

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Unassigned – Includes residual positive fund balance within the general fund which has not been classified within the other above mentioned categories. Other governmental funds may report a negative unassigned fund balance should the total of nonspendable, restricted, committed, and assigned fund balances exceed the total net resources of the fund.

Instead of a formal fund balance policy addressing the order in which resources are to be used when amounts are available for expenditure, the District uses the default approach allowed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54. Unless specifically identified, expenditures act to reduce restricted balances first, then committed balances, next assigned balances, and finally act to reduce unassigned balances. Expenditures for a specifically identified purpose will act to reduce the specific classification of fund balance that is identified.

L. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expensed during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

M. Date of Management Evaluation

Management has evaluated subsequent events through November 16, 2016, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The District is authorized by state statute and its investment policy to make deposits/investments in insured commercial banks, savings and loan institutions, obligations of the United States of America, insured credit union shares, money market mutual funds with portfolios of securities issued or guaranteed by the United States or agreement to repurchase these same obligations, repurchase agreements, short-term commercial paper rated within the highest classifications by at least two standard rating services, and the Illinois Funds Investment Pool. The District does not enter into any reverse repurchase agreements.

At year-end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits totaled \$13,069,847 and bank balances totaled \$13,147,825.

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NOTE 2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

Reconciliation to the financial statements:

	Deposits
Cash	\$ 5,683,771
Investments	7,055,734
Restricted	
Cash	330,342
Carrying amount - as above	\$ 13,069,847

A. Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The District generally invests in certificates of deposit.

B. Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its investments or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to the transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party.

Funds on deposit (checking accounts, money markets, etc.) in excess of FDIC limits must be secured by some form of collateral, witnessed by a written agreement and held at an independent – third party institution in the name of the District.

As of June 30, 2016, of the bank balances, \$10,062,138 was insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC), \$3,085,687 was covered by pledged collateral held in the District's name.

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NOTE 3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30 2016 was as follows:

Governmental activities	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Park assets				
Land	\$ 3,088,682	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,088,682
Riverpark Drive	4,409	-	-	4,409
District Assets				
Land	220,290	10,080	-	230,370
Leasehold improvements - trails construction in progress	164,628	-	-	164,628
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>\$ 3,478,009</u>	<u>\$ 10,080</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,488,089</u>
Capital assets being depreciated				
Park Assets				
Buildings	\$ 2,249,555	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,249,555
Overlook	8,761,499	-	-	8,761,499
Fountains, pumps and equipment	2,950,748	40,360	-	2,991,108
District assets				
Office building	1,552,840	-	-	1,552,840
Leaseholds improvements - trails	1,343,736	-	-	1,343,736
Office equipment	17,400	-	-	17,400
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>\$ 16,875,778</u>	<u>\$ 40,360</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16,916,138</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Park Assets				
Buildings	\$ 227,186	\$ 32,642	\$ -	\$ 259,828
Overlook	709,421	117,329	-	826,750
Fountains, pumps and equipment	629,139	71,590	-	700,729
District Assets				
Office building	177,302	20,705	-	198,007
Leasehold improvements - trails	397,713	89,333	-	487,046
Office equipment	13,146	1,740	-	14,886
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 2,153,907</u>	<u>\$ 333,339</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,487,246</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>\$ 14,721,871</u>	<u>\$ (292,979)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 14,428,892</u>
Government activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 18,199,880</u>	<u>\$ (282,899)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17,916,981</u>

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

Governmental Activities	
General government	\$ 333,339



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NOTE 4. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of changes in compensated absences for the year ended June 30, 2016:

<u>Description and Purpose</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Primary Government					
Compensated Absences					
Accumulated vacation pay	\$ 48,697	\$ 15,445	\$ 7,979	\$ 56,163	\$ -

NOTE 5. FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

As of June 30, 2016, fund balances are comprised of the following:

	<u>Nonspendable</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Committed</u>	<u>Unassigned</u>
General Fund				
Prepaid expenses	\$ 8,542	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park	-	323,681	-	-
Grant awards	-	-	4,709,807	-
Unassigned	-	-	-	8,406,335
Total	<u>\$ 8,542</u>	<u>\$ 323,681</u>	<u>\$ 4,709,807</u>	<u>\$ 8,406,335</u>

NOTE 6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Retirement Commitments

Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund

Plan Description

The District's defined benefit pension plan for regular employees provides retirement and disability benefits, post-retirement increases, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The District's plan is managed by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), the administrator of a multi-employer public pension fund. A summary of IMRF's pension benefits is provided in the "Benefits Provided" section of this document. Details of all benefits are available from IMRF. Benefit provisions are established by statute and may only be changed by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois. IMRF issues a publicly available Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that includes financial statements, detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position, and required supplementary information. The report is available for download at [www.imrf.org](http://www.imrf.org).

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NOTE 6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONT'D)

Benefits Provided

IMRF has three benefit plans. The vast majority of IMRF members participate in the Regular Plan (RP). The Sheriff's Law Enforcement Personnel (SLEP) plan is for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and selected police chiefs. Counties could adopt the Elected County Official (ECO) plan for officials elected prior to August 8, 2011 (the ECO plan was closed to new participants after that date).

All three IMRF benefit plans have two tiers. Employees hired before January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 1 benefits. Tier 1 employees are vested for pension benefits when they have at least eight years of qualifying service credit. Tier 1 employees who retire at age 55 (at reduced benefits) or after age 60 (at full benefits) with eight years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any consecutive 48 months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 48. Under Tier 1, the pension is increased by 3% of the original amount on January 1 every year after retirement.

Employees hired on or after January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 2 benefits. For Tier 2 employees, pension benefits vest after ten years of service. Participating employees who retire at age 62 (at reduced benefits) or after age 67 (at full benefits) with ten years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any 96 consecutive months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 96. Under Tier 2, the pension is increased on January 1 every year after retirement, upon reaching age 67, by the lesser of:

- 3% of the original pension amount, or
- 1/2 of the increase in the Consumer Price Index of the original pension amount.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

As of December 31, 2015, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Retirees	-
Inactive	-
Active	<u>3</u>
Total	<u><u>3</u></u>

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NOTE 6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONT'D)

Contributions

As set by statute, the District's Regular Plan Members are required to contribute 4.5% of their annual covered salary. The statute requires employers to contribute the amount necessary, in addition to member contributions, to finance the retirement coverage of its own employees. The District's annual contribution rate for calendar year 2015 was 10.36%. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the District contributed \$21,664 to the plan. The District also contributes for disability benefits, death benefits, and supplemental retirement benefits, all of which are pooled at the IMRF level. Contribution rates for disability and death benefits are set by IMRF's Board of Trustees, while the supplemental retirement benefits rate is set by statute.

Net Pension Liability

The District's net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2015. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions

The following are the methods and assumptions used to determine total pension liability at December 31, 2015:

- The **Actuarial Cost Method** used was Entry Age Normal.
- The **Asset Valuation Method** used was Market Value of Assets.
- The **Inflation Rate** was assumed to be 3.5%.
- **Salary Increases** were expected to be 3.75% to 14.50%, including inflation.
- The **Investment Rate of Return** was assumed to be 7.49%.
- **Projected Retirement Age** was from the Experience-based Table of Rates, specific to the type of eligibility condition, last updated for the 2014 valuation according to an experience study from years 2011 to 2013.
- The IMRF-specific rates for **Mortality** (for non-disabled retirees) were developed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar Health Annuitant Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.
- For **Disabled Retirees**, an IMRF-specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF-specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Disabled Retirees Mortality Table, applying the same adjustments that were applied for non-disabled lives.
- For **Active Members**, an IMRF-specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF-specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.

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- The **long-term expected rate of return** on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense, and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return to the target asset allocation percentage and adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table as of December 31, 2015:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Return 12/31/2015	Projected Returns/Risk	
			One Year Arithmetic	Ten Year Geometric
Equities	38.00%	0.02%	8.85%	7.39%
International Equities	17.00%	-1.90%	9.55%	7.59%
Fixed Income	27.00%	-0.09%	3.05%	3.00%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.99%	7.20%	6.00%
Alternatives	9.00%			
Private Equity		N/A	13.15%	8.15%
Hedge Funds		N/A	5.55%	5.25%
Commodities		N/A	4.40%	2.75%
Cash Equivalents	1.00%	N/A	2.25%	2.25%
Total	100.00%			

Single Discount Rate

A Single Discount Rate of 7.50% was used to measure the total pension liability. The projection of cash flow used to determine this Single Discount Rate assumed that the plan members' contributions will be made at the current contribution rate, and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. The Single Discount Rate reflects:

- The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (during the period in which the fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and
- The tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating (which is published by the Federal Reserve) as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate of return are not met).

For the purpose of the most recent valuation, the expected rate of return on plan investments is 7.50%, the municipal bond rate is 3.57%, and the resulting single discount rate is 7.48%.

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NOTE 6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONT'D)

Changes in System's Net Pension Liability

Changes in the System's net pension liability for the year ended December 31, 2015, were as follows:

	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Liability (Asset)
Balance, December 31, 2014	\$ 412,507	\$ 360,539	\$ 51,968
Changes for the year:			
Service Cost	\$ 22,920	\$ -	\$ 22,920
Interest	31,755	-	31,755
Difference between expected and actual experience	(6,435)	-	(6,435)
Changes in assumptions	753	-	753
Contributions - employees	-	9,405	(9,405)
Contributions- employer	-	21,652	(21,652)
Net investment income	-	1,880	(1,880)
Other (Net Transfer)	-	(24,402)	24,402
Net Changes	\$ 48,993	\$ 8,535	\$ 40,458
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ 461,500	\$ 369,074	\$ 92,426

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

The following presents the plan's net pension liability, calculated using a Single Discount Rate of 7.48%, as well as what the plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a Single Discount Rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher:

	<u>Discount Rate</u>	<u>Net Pension Liability (Asset)</u>
1% decrease	6.48%	\$ 174,850
Current discount rate	7.48%	92,426
1% increase	8.48%	25,992

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NOTE 6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONT'D)

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

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the District recognized pension expense of \$48,285. At June 30, 2016, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 15,863
Changes of assumptions	15,510	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on Plan investments	23,059	-
Contributions after measurement date	10,758	-
Total	\$ 49,327	\$ 15,863

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense in future periods as follows:

Year ending December 31,	
2016	\$ 16,756
2017	5,998
2018	5,999
2019	5,088
2020	6
Thereafter	(383)
Total	\$ 33,464

Payable

At December 31, 2015, the District did not report any amount payable to IMRF.

NOTE 7. OTHER DISCLOSURES

A. Risk Management - Claims and Judgments

Description

Losses are covered by commercial insurance for the District's workers' compensation and general and property liability insurance coverage. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the fiscal year. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

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NOTE 7. OTHER DISCLOSURES (CONT'D)

B. Committed Fund Balance - Grant Awards

In fulfilling its creation purpose, the District periodically makes financial grants to governmental organizations within Madison and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. The District Board is responsible for reviewing grant applications and approving grant awards. The District has awarded, through board resolution, grants to various other governmental entities. The amount of grant payments outstanding is \$4,709,807.

C. Gateway Center of Metropolitan St. Louis - Malcolm W. Martin Donation

On June 6, 2005, the District received a significant donation of approximately 31.686 acres of land located in St. Clair County, Illinois, including improvements known as the "Gateway Geyser" and four other fountains, pumps and related equipment, which have been valued at \$6,441,276. In addition, the District received \$2,500,000 in "initial funds" for the continued operation and maintenance of the above property. The District receives additional periodic donations and received \$500,000 in FY 2016. The District's obligations with regard to these donations are to maintain the property for use as a park and to use the funds provided solely for the maintenance of said property. The park is named "Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park" as a memorial to Mr. Martin.

D. Construction in Progress

As of June 30, 2016, the District is involved in various construction projects related to the Malcolm W. Martin Memorial Park and various trails within Madison and St. Clair Counties including:

	Accumulated Cost to June 30, 2016
Metro East Park and Recreation District	
McKinley Bridge to Cahokia Trail	\$ 80,076
Eads Bridge to Malcolm Park connector	19,075
McKinley Bridge to Malcolm Memorial	65,477
Total	\$ 164,628

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NOTE 7. OTHER DISCLOSURES (CONT'D)

E. Outstanding Grants Awarded to the Metro East Park and Recreation District

The District has the following outstanding grant awards:

<u>District Project</u>	<u>Granting Agency</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Scott-Troy Bike Trail	Illinois Department of Transportation	\$ 1,000,000
Scott-Troy Bike Trail	Illinois Department of Transportation	1,300,000
Scott-Troy Bike Trail	Illinois Department of Transportation	2,000,000
Scott-Troy Bike Trail	Illinois Department of Transportation	2,218,330
Scott-Troy Trail Phase II	St. Clair County Transit District	1,000,000
Scott-Troy Bike Trail	Illinois Department of Natural Resources	174,955
		<u>\$ 7,693,285</u>

The Scott-Troy Trail grants from the Illinois Department of Transportation are 80/20 grants with 20% being provided from District funds. Madison County Mass Transit District is providing construction with the District (grant recipient) providing funding net of the 80% federally funded grant reimbursement. These grants are to be used for the payment of preliminary engineering and construction of the related trail.

The Scott-Troy Trail grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) was a 50/50 grant with 50% of the costs being provided from the Park District funds. Madison County Mass Transit District is acquiring the trail properties with the Park District (grant recipient) providing funding net of the 50% state funded grant reimbursement. During the prior fiscal years, the Park District notified the IDNR that it spent \$1,537,046 in acquisition costs and accrued \$576,600 in grant income receivable (government-wide financial statements only) in relation to the grant for trail property acquisition. However, due to a large portion of these costs being incurred prior to approval, the Park District and the Illinois Department of Resources determined that the Park District is only eligible for reimbursement of approximately \$175,000 of grant income.

F. Contingencies

The District has received funding from state and federal grants in the current and prior years which are subject to audits by granting agencies. The District Board believes any adjustments that may arise from these audits will be insignificant to District operations.



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SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (CASH BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
GENERAL FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	General Fund - MEPRD		
	Original and Final Budget	Actual	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Over) Under Budget
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Sales tax	\$ 4,300,000	\$ 4,488,888	\$ (188,888)
Grant income	3,618,601	500,000	3,118,601
Interest income	55,000	74,192	(19,192)
Park management fees	3,000	-	3,000
	<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>\$ 5,063,080</b>	<b>\$ 2,913,521</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Culture and recreation			
Current			
Sales tax reimbursements	\$ 2,150,000	\$ 2,244,444	\$ (94,444)
Grant payments	6,962,483	485,700	6,476,783
Grant payments - Scott/Troy Trail	3,164,212	241,078	2,923,134
Employee related expenses	293,500	280,282	13,218
Professional services	81,250	65,268	15,982
Travel	6,000	1,895	4,105
Office expenses	26,550	11,240	15,310
Repairs and maintenance	42,200	40,427	1,773
Utilities	23,350	15,765	7,585
Other special events/sponsorships	35,000	15,001	19,999
Insurance	16,400	16,239	161
Dues and publications	1,000	930	70
Contingency	20,000	-	20,000
	<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 3,418,269</b>	<b>\$ 9,403,676</b>
	<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash balances</b>	<b>\$ 1,644,811</b>	<b>\$ (6,490,155)</b>
<b>Reconciliation to Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance</b>			
Net increase in cash balances - above		\$ 1,644,811	
Adjustments to reconcile increase in cash balances to net changes in fund balance - Exhibit "E"			
Appreciation in fair market value of investments		5,828	
Increases (decreases) in assets which are not recorded using the cash basis			
Prepaid expenses		(365)	
Receivables			
Regional sales tax - net of County distributions		(4,078)	
Accrued interest receivable		1,129	
Other receivables		(390)	
(Increases) decreases in liabilities which are not recorded using the cash basis			
Accounts payable		(5,332)	
Net changes in fund balance - Exhibit "E"		<b>\$ 1,641,603</b>	

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SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
BUDGET (CASH BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
GENERAL FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	General Fund - MMMP		
	Original and Final Budget	Actual	Actual Revenues/ Expenditures (Over) Under Budget
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Gateway Center donation	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -
Other grant income	30,000	68,000	(38,000)
Interest income	500	1,686	(1,186)
Other income	1,500	1,000	500
	<u>532,000</u>	<u>570,686</u>	<u>(38,686)</u>
Total revenues	\$	\$	\$
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Culture and recreation - District			
Current			
Professional services	\$ 170,750	\$ 167,850	\$ 2,900
Travel	850	311	539
Office expenses	5,275	1,491	3,784
Repairs and maintenance	76,075	70,909	5,166
Utilities	111,850	72,274	39,576
Other special events/sponsorships	15,500	4,730	10,770
Insurance	16,200	15,964	236
Capital Expenditures	30,000	40,360	(10,360)
Park management fees	2,000	-	2,000
	<u>428,500</u>	<u>373,889</u>	<u>54,611</u>
Total expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Net increase in cash balances	<u>\$ 103,500</u>	<u>\$ 196,797</u>	<u>\$ (93,297)</u>
<b>Reconciliation to Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance</b>			
Net increase in cash balances - above		\$ 196,797	
Adjustments to reconcile increase in cash balances to net changes in fund balance - Exhibit "E"			
Increases (decreases) in assets which are not recorded using the cash basis			
Prepaid expenses		(1,327)	
(Increases) decreases in liabilities which are not recorded using the cash basis			
Accounts payable		<u>(6,375)</u>	
Net changes in fund balance - Exhibit "E"		<u>\$ 189,095</u>	

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE "A"  
JUNE 30, 2016

NOTE 1. BUDGET AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The district followed these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reported in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016:

1. Prior to June 30, the Director prepared a budget which was distributed to the District Board for their review.
2. Formal Board adoption of the budget was on June 15, 2015.
3. No amendments were made to the budget subsequent to its approval.
4. Annual budgets lapse at the fiscal year end.

The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual presents a comparison of budgetary data to actual results. The District budgets on the cash basis.

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
 MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

LAST 10 CALENDAR YEARS (schedule to be built prospectively from 2014)

Calendar year ending December 31,	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
<b>Total Pension Liability</b>										
Service Cost	\$ 22,920	\$ 24,279								
Interest on the Total Pension Liability	31,755	27,525								
Benefit Changes	0	0								
Difference between Expected and Actual Experience	(6,435)	(12,081)								
Assumption Changes	753	17,921								
Benefit Payments and Refunds	-	-								
<b>Net Change in Total Pension Liability</b>	48,993	57,644								
<b>Total Pension Liability - Beginning</b>	412,507	354,863								
<b>Total Pension Liability - Ending (a)</b>	\$ 461,500	\$ 412,507								
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>										
Employer Contributions	\$ 21,652	\$ 19,451								
Employee Contributions	9,405	9,108								
Pension Plan Net Investment Income	1,880	19,951								
Benefit Payments and Refunds	-	-								
Other	(24,402)	(765)								
<b>Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>	8,535	47,745								
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning</b>	360,539	312,794								
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Ending (b)</b>	\$ 369,074	\$ 360,539								
<b>Net Pension Liability/(Asset) -Ending (a)-(b)</b>	92,426	51,968								
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of Total Pension Liability</b>	79.97%	87.40%								
<b>Covered Valuation Payroll</b>	\$ 208,998	\$ 202,391								
<b>Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Valuation Payroll</b>	44.22%	25.68%								

Notes to Schedule:

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
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SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

LAST 10 CALENDAR YEARS

<u>Calendar Year</u> <u>Ending</u> <u>December 31,</u>	<u>Actuarially</u> <u>Determined</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Contribution</u> <u>Deficiency</u> <u>(Excess)</u>	<u>Covered</u> <u>Valuation</u> <u>Payroll</u>	<u>Actual Contribution</u> <u>as a % of</u> <u>Covered Valuation Payroll</u>
2014	\$ 19,450	\$ 19,451	\$ (1)	\$ 202,391	9.61%
2015	21,652	21,652	-	208,998	10.36%

**Notes to Schedule:**

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METRO EAST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
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NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS  
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS  
USED IN THE CALCULATION OF THE 2015 CONTRIBUTION RATE

**Valuation Date:**

Notes Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of December 31 each year, which are 12 months prior to the beginning of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

**Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine 2015 Contribution Rates:**

Actuarial Cost Method	Aggregate Entry Age Normal
Amortization Method	Level Percentage of Payroll, Closed
Remaining Amortization Period	Non-Taxing bodies: 10-year rolling period. Taxing bodies (Regular, SLEP and ECO groups): 28-year closed period until remaining period reaches 15 years (then 15-year rolling period). Early Retirement Incentive Plan liabilities: a period up to 10 years selected by the Employer upon adoption of ERI. SLEP supplemental liabilities attributable to Public Act 94-712 were financed over 23 years for most employers (two employers were financed over 32 years).
Asset Valuation Method	5-Year smoothed market; 20% corridor
Wage Growth	4.00%
Price Inflation	3.00% - approximate; No explicit price inflation assumption is used in this valuation.
Salary Increases	4.40% to 16.00% including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	7.50%
Retirement Age	Experience-based table of rates that are specific to the type of eligibility condition. Last updated for the 2011 valuation pursuant to an experience study of the period 2008-2010.
Mortality	RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Table, adjusted for mortality improvements to 2020 using projected scale AA. For men 120% of the table rates were used. For women 92% of the table rates were used. For disabled lives, the mortality rates are the rates applicable to non-disabled lives set forward 10 years.

**Other Information:**

Notes There were no benefit changes during the year.

\*Based on Valuation Assumptions used in the December 31, 2013 actuarial valuation