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Auditor of State David A. Vaudt today released an audit report on the City of Center Point, Iowa.

The City's receipts totaled \$3,058,345 for the year ended June 30, 2006, a 49 percent increase over 2005. The receipts included \$524,162 in property tax, \$125,097 from tax increment financing, \$517,526 from charges for service, \$1,279,322 from operating grants, contributions and restricted interest, \$40,434 from capital grants, contributions and restricted interest, \$13,941 from unrestricted interest on investments, \$531,360 from note proceeds, \$12,844 from the sale of equipment and \$13,659 from other general receipts.

Disbursements for the year totaled \$1,684,508, an 8 percent increase over the prior year, and included \$438,354 for culture and recreation, \$373,250 for public works and \$264,861 for capital projects. Also, disbursements for business type activities totaled \$280,222.

The significant increase in receipts is due primarily to receiving a donation from an estate.

A copy of the report is available for review in the City Clerk's office, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at <u>http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/reports.htm</u>.

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### CITY OF CENTER POINT

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2006

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# Officials

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Term <u>Expires</u>
()	Before January 2006)	
Paula Freeman-Brown	Mayor	Jan 2006
Dennis Hundley	Mayor Pro tem	Jan 2006
Annette Slifka Ted Callahan Brent Schlotfeldt John Stuelke	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	Jan 2006 Jan 2008 Jan 2008 Jan 2008
Christy Dyer	Finance Director	Indefinite
LeAnn Kramer	Deputy City Clerk	Indefinite
Anne Loomis	Attorney	Indefinite
(	After January 2006)	
Paula Freeman-Brown	Mayor	Jan 2008
John Stuelke	Mayor Pro tem	Jan 2008
Ted Callahan Brent Schlotfeldt Mona Barz Connie Robinson	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	Jan 2008 Jan 2008 Jan 2010 Jan 2010
Christy Dyer	Finance Director	Indefinite
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#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Center Point, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Center Point's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Center Point as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2006 on our consideration of the City of Center Point's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulation, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government</u> <u>Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 7 through 12 and 28 through 30 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Center Point's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the three years ended June 30, 2005 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 3 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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DAVID A. VAUDT, CPA Auditor of State

WARREN G. ÆNKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

December 12, 2006

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The City of Center Point provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City's financial statements, which follow.

# 2006 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Receipts of the City's governmental activities increased 59%, or approximately \$993,000, from fiscal 2005 to fiscal 2006. Property tax increased approximately \$49,000. The City received donations for Fross Park totaling approximately \$1,005,000, or approximately \$381,000 more than the prior year. The City also received approximately \$531,000 in note proceeds.
- Disbursements increased 8.4%, or approximately \$109,000, in fiscal 2006 over fiscal 2005.
- The City's total cash basis net assets increased 94%, or approximately \$1,374,000, from June 30, 2005 to June 30, 2006. Of this amount, the assets of the governmental activities increased approximately \$1,266,000 and the assets of the business type activities increased approximately \$108,000.

### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.
- The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Statement of Activities and Net Assets. This statement provides information about the activities of the City as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.
- The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statement by providing information about the most significant funds.
- Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.
- Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year.
- Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds.

#### BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, readers should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

# **REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

#### Government-wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information which helps answer this question.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets is divided into two kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service and capital projects. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business Type Activities include the waterworks and the sanitary sewer system. These activities are financed primarily by user charges.

#### Fund Financial Statements

The City has three kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds account for most of the City's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds, and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Road Use Tax, Urban Renewal Tax Increment and Fross Park, 3) the Debt Service Fund, 4) the Capital Projects Fund and 5) the Permanent Fund. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs.

The required financial statement for governmental funds is a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

2) Proprietary funds account for the City's Enterprise Funds. Enterprise Funds are used to report business type activities. The City maintains two Enterprise Funds to provide separate information for the water and sewer funds, considered to be major funds of the City.

The required financial statement for proprietary funds is a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

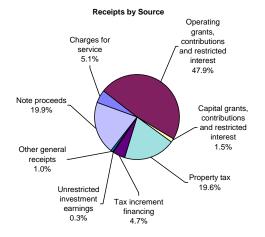
3) The Fiduciary Fund accounts for resources held for others. The Fiduciary Fund consists of an Agency, Tri-Fire Group Fund.

The required financial statement for the Fiduciary Fund is a statement of changes in fiduciary assets and liabilities.

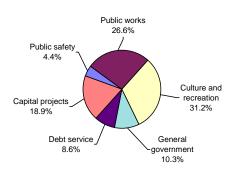
### **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for governmental activities increased from a year ago of \$607,245 to \$1,873,444. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash basis net assets of governmental activities.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets of Governn (Expressed in Thousands)	iental Act	tivities	
(		Year ended	June 30,
		2006	2005
Receipts:			
Program receipts:			
Charges for service	\$	136	135
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest		1,279	934
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest		40	86
General receipts:			
Property tax		524	475
Tax increment financing		125	26
Unrestricted investment earnings		8	8
Note proceeds		531	-
Other general receipts		27	13
Total receipts		2,670	1,677
Disbursements:			
Public safety		61	60
Public works		373	341
Culture and recreation		438	237
Community and economic development		2	-
General government		144	158
Debt service		121	66
Capital projects		265	433
Total disbursements		1,404	1,295
Increase in cash basis net assets		1,266	382
Cash basis net assets beginning of year		607	225
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$	1,873	607



#### **Disbursements by Function**



The City's total receipts for governmental activities increased by 59%, or approximately \$993,000. The total cost of all programs and services increased by \$109,940, or 8.5%, due to several capital projects being completed. The significant increase in receipts was due partially to the sale of notes to finance completed water projects and to receiving significant donations for Fross Park.

(Expressed in Thou	sands)			
		Year ended June 30,		
		2006	2005	
Receipts:				
Program receipts:				
Charges for service:				
Water	\$	207	200	
Sewer		175	168	
General receipts:				
Unrestricted interest on investments		6	4	
Total receipts		388	372	
Disbursements:				
Water		161	160	
Sewer		119	109	
Total disbursements		280	269	
Increase in cash basis net assets		108	103	
Cash basis net assets beginning of year		852	749	
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$	960	852	

Total business type activities receipts for the fiscal year were \$387,860 compared to \$371,725 last year. The cash balance increased by approximately \$108,000 over the prior year because no major projects were paid for from business type activities in 2006. Total disbursements for the fiscal year increased by only 4% to a total of \$280,222.

### INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

As the City of Center Point completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,873,444, an increase of more than \$1,266,000 over last year's total of \$607,245. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year.

- The General Fund cash balance decreased \$63,566 from the prior year to \$450,388. \$100,000 was for the transfer of prior year local option sales tax to the proper fund.
- The Road Use Tax Fund cash balance increased \$42,850 to \$225,255 during the fiscal year. This increase was primarily attributable to the City not spending all of the receipts.
- The Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund (TIF) was established to account for a major urban renewal project within the City's business district. At the end of the fiscal year, the cash balance was \$224,556, an increase of \$123,071 from the previous year. These proceeds will be used to pay off debt and fund projects within the urban renewal district.
- The Fross Park Fund cash balance increased by \$900,901 to \$1,532,280. This increase was due to donations received in fiscal year 2006.

- The Debt Service Fund cash balance decreased \$54,475 to a deficit of \$186,401 at the end of the fiscal year. A transfer of TIF funds is planned for fiscal 2007 to help reduce this deficit.
- The Capital Projects Fund is a combination of several accounts, including the Lagoon, Water and Well Projects. The fiscal year 2006 total cash balance for the Capital Projects Fund was a deficit of \$507,356, an increase of \$303,933 over the prior year. The main contributing factor to this increase was the receipt of note proceeds to fund projects.

### INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

- The Water Fund cash balance increased \$51,549 to \$529,759.
- The Sewer Fund cash balance increased \$56,089 to \$430,208, due primarily to no major projects occurring in 2006.

# **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

Over the course of the year, the City did not amend its budget. However, the City exceeded its budgeted disbursements in the public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development and debt service functions. The City had sufficient cash balances to absorb these additional costs.

The City's receipts were \$1,119,358 more than budgeted. This was primarily due to the City receiving donations of approximately \$1,005,000 for Fross Park, which was not budgeted.

Total disbursements were \$1,439,765 less than budgeted. The actual disbursements for the capital projects function was \$1,514,889 less than budgeted. This was primarily due to less projects than anticipated.

### DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2006, the City had \$713,113 in notes and other long-term debt outstanding, compared to \$279,668 last year, as shown below.

Outstanding Debt at Year-End				
		Year ended June 30,		
		2006	2005	
General obligation notes - sewer	\$	180,000	235,000	
General obligation notes - water		510,000	-	
Lease-purchase agreement		23,113	44,668	
Total	\$	713,113	279,668	

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt cities can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the City's corporate limits. The City's outstanding general obligation debt of \$713,113 is significantly below its constitutional debt limit of approximately \$4.5 million.

#### ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

The City of Center Point's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2007 budget, tax rates and fees charged for various City activities. One of those factors is the economy. The City's total assessed valuations have increased by 9.8%.

Property tax is expected to increase in fiscal year 2007 as compared to fiscal year 2006 due to the increase in assessed valuation. The total property tax levy remained consistent for fiscal year 2007.

If these estimates are realized, the City's budgeted cash balance is expected to decrease by approximately \$533,000 by the close of 2007 due to budgeted capital project activity.

#### CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Christy Dyer, City Clerk, 200 Franklin Street, City of Center Point, Iowa 52213.

**Basic Financial Statements** 

### Statement of Activities and Net Assets - Cash Basis

#### As of and for the year ended June 30, 2006

				Program Receipts	
	Dis	bursements	Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Capital Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest
Functions/Programs					
Governmental activities:					
Public safety	\$	60,847	22,450	-	-
Public works		373,250	-	192,944	-
Culture and recreation		438,354	3,624	1,086,378	-
Community and economic development		2,185	-	-	-
General government		143,741	109,597	-	-
Debt service		121,048	398	-	-
Capital projects		264,861	-	-	40,434
Total governmental activities		1,404,286	136,069	1,279,322	40,434
Business type activities:					
Water		161,001	207,044	-	-
Sewer		119,221	174,413	-	-
Total business type activities		280,222	381,457	-	-
Total	\$	1,684,508	517,526	1,279,322	40,434

Property tax levied for: General purposes Debt service Tax increment financing Unrestricted interest on investments Note proceeds Sale of capital assets Miscellaneous

Total general receipts

Change in cash basis net assets

Cash basis net assets beginning of year

Cash basis net assets end of year

#### **Cash Basis Net Assets**

Restricted: Streets Urban renewal purposes Debt service Fross Park Other purposes Cemetery perpetual care Meter deposits Unrestricted

#### Total cash basis net assets

	Net (Disb	ursements) Receipt	s and
	Changes	in Cash Basis Net A	assets
Go	vernmental	Business Tune	
	Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
	Activities	Activities	Total
	(28 207)		(20 207)
	(38,397) (180,306)	-	(38,397) (180,306)
	651,648		651,648
	(2,185)	-	(2,185)
	(34,144)	-	(34,144)
	(120,650)	-	(120,650)
	(224,427)	-	(224,427)
	51,539	-	51,539
		46.040	16.040
	-	46,043	46,043
	-	55,192	55,192
	-	101,235	101,235
	51,539	101,235	152,774
	459,487	-	459,487
	64,675	-	64,675
	125,097	-	125,097
	7,538	6,403	13,941
	531,360		531,360
	12,844		12,844
	13,659	-	13,659
	1,214,660	6,403	1,221,063
	1,266,199	107,638	1,373,837
	607,245	852,329	1,459,574
\$	1,873,444	959,967	2,833,411
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\$	225,255	-	225,255
	224,556	-	224,556
	-	365,006	365,006
	1,532,280	-	1,532,280
	193,459	-	193,459
	40,870	-	40,870 36,879
	- (342,976)	36,879 558,082	36,879 215,106
<i>ф</i>			
\$	1,873,444	959,967	2,833,411

# Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Governmental Funds

# As of and for the year ended June 30, 2006

Receipts: Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property Intergovernmental	\$	General 360,527	Road Use Tax	Special Revenue Urban Renewal Tax Increment	Fross Park
Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	\$		Use	Renewal Tax	
Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	\$				
Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	\$		Tax	Increment	Park
Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	\$	360,527			
Property tax Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	\$	360,527			
Tax increment financing Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property	Ŷ	000,01	-	-	-
Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property		-	-	125,097	_
Licenses and permits Use of money and property		17,299	-	-	_
Use of money and property		26,377	_	_	_
		7,370	9	159	41,960
		35,544	189,526	105	-
Charges for service		109,295	-	_	_
Special assessments		109,295			_
Miscellaneous		9,046	_	_	1,004,628
Total receipts		565,458	189,535	125,256	1,046,588
		000,100	109,000	120,200	1,010,000
Disbursements:					
Operating:					
Public safety		60,847	-	-	-
Public works		215,258	146,685	-	-
Culture and recreation		130,333	-	-	145,687
Community and economic development		-	-	2,185	-
General government		135,430	-	-	-
Debt service		-	-	-	-
Capital projects		-	-	-	-
Total disbursements		541,868	146,685	2,185	145,687
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	·	23,590	42,850	123,071	900,901
Other financing sources (uses):					
Note proceeds, net of \$8,640 discount		-	-	-	-
Sale of capital assets		12,844	-	-	_
Operating transfers in			_	_	-
Operating transfers out		(100,000)			
Total other financing sources (uses)		(87,156)	-		
Net change in cash balances		(63,566)	42,850	123,071	900,901
Cash balances beginning of year		513,954	182,405	101,485	631,379
Cash balances end of year	\$	450,388	225,255	224,556	1,532,280
Cash Basis Fund Balances					
Reserved for:					
Permanent fund	\$	-	-	-	-
Local option sales tax		121,956	-	-	-
Unreserved:		,			
General fund		328,432	-	-	-
Special revenue funds			225,255	224,556	1,532,280
Debt service fund		-	,00	,000	_,,,,
Capital projects fund		-	-	-	-
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Total cash basis ffund balances	\$	450,388	225,255	224,556	1,532,280

Debt	Capital		
Service	Projects	Nonmajor	Total
62,687	-	83,694	506,908
-	-	-	125,097
1,988	-	2,888	22,175
-	-	1,303	26,377 50,801
-	-	1,505	225,070
-	-	-	109,295
398	-	-	398
-	38,934	7,552	1,060,160
65,073	38,934	95,437	2,126,281
-	-	-	60,847
-	-	11,307	373,250
-	-	162,334	438,354
-	-	- 0.211	2,185 143,741
- 119,548	- 1,500	8,311	143,741 121,048
-	264,861	-	264,861
119,548	266,361	181,952	1,404,286
(54,475)	(227,427)	(86,515)	721,995
(01,110)	(221,121)	(00,010)	121,550
	501.000		521.200
-	531,360	-	531,360
-	-	-	12,844
-	-	165,990	165,990
-	-	(65,990)	(165,990)
-	531,360	100,000	544,204
(54,475)	303,933	13,485	1,266,199
(131,926)	(811,289)	121,237	607,245
(186,401)	(507,356)	134,722	1,873,444
-	-	40,870	40,870
-	-	-	121,956
-	-	-	328,432
-	-	93,852	2,075,943
(186,401)	-	-	(186,401)
	(507,356)	-	(507,356)
(186,401)	(507,356)	134,722	1,873,444
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### Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Proprietary Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30,  $2006\,$ 

	Enterprise			
		Water	Sewer	Total
Operating receipts: Charges for service	\$	207,044	174,413	381,457
Operating disbursements: Business type activities		161,001	119,221	280,222
Excess of operating receipts over operating disbursements		46,043	55,192	101,235
Non-operating receipts: Interest on investments		5,506	897	6,403
Net change in cash balances		51,549	56,089	107,638
Cash balances beginning of year		478,210	374,119	852,329
Cash balances end of year	\$	529,759	430,208	959,967
<b>Cash Basis Fund Balances</b> Reserved for:				
Debt service	\$	195,944	169,062	365,006
Meter deposits		36,879	-	36,879
Unreserved		296,936	261,146	558,082
Total cash basis fund balances	\$	529,759	430,208	959,967

# Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities Fiduciary Fund

# Year ended June 30, 2006

	Agency
	Tri-Fire
	Group
Additions: Donations	\$ 6,893
Deductions: Advertising	180
Net change in cash balance	6,713
Cash balance beginning of year	
Cash balance end of year	\$ 6,713

# Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2006

# (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Center Point is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Linn County. It was first incorporated in 1875 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a non-partisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens, including public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development and general government services. The City also provides water and sewer utilities for its citizens.

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

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Center Point has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the City. The City has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

### Jointly Governed Organizations

The City participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of the following boards and commissions: Linn County Assessor's Conference Board, Linn County Emergency Management Commission and Linn County Joint E911 Service Board.

B. <u>Basis of Presentation</u>

<u>Government-wide Financial Statement</u> - The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service. The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's nonfiduciary net assets. Net assets are reported in two categories:

*Restricted net assets* result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted net assets* consist of net assets not meeting the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statement. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

- The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for road construction and maintenance.
- The Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund is used to account for urban renewal projects financed by tax increment financing.
- The Fross Park Fund is used to account for activity related to Fross Park.
- The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.
- The Capital Projects Fund is utilized to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities, with the exception of those financed through Enterprise Funds.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

- The Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.
- The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's waste water treatment and sanitary sewer system.

Additionally, the City reports an Agency Fund to account for assets held by the City as an agent for the Tri-Fire Group.

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

- The City of Center Point maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
- Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net assets available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general receipts.
- Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from nonoperating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.
- D. <u>Budgets and Budgetary Accounting</u>

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2006, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development and debt service functions.

# (2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2006 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district. At June 30, 2006, the City had the following investments:

Туре	Amortized Cost
Edward Jones Money Market Fund	\$ 1,529,755

The investments are valued at an amortized cost pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

<u>Credit risk</u> – The City's investment in the Edward Jones Money Market Fund is rated Aaa by Standard & Poor's.

### (3) Long-Term Debt

### **General Obligation Notes**

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation notes are as follows:

Year Ending				
June 30,	]	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	\$	100,000	38,235	138,235
2008		110,000	32,998	142,998
2009		115,000	27,127	142,127
2010		55,000	20,870	75,870
2011		55,000	17,900	72,900
2012 - 2015		255,000	38,595	293,595
Total	\$	690,000	175,725	865,725

### Lease-Purchase Agreement

On July 1, 1995, the City entered into an agreement to lease property to house city offices, a community room and the public works department under a non-cancelable capital lease. The total cost was \$195,586, plus 7.00% per annum interest, to be financed over a 12-year period. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments and present value of the minimum lease payments under the agreement in effect at June 30, 2006:

Year	
Ending	
June 30,	Amount
2007	\$ 24,000
Less amount representing interest	(887)
Present value of net minimum lease payments	\$23,113

During the year ended June 30, 2006, \$24,000 was paid under this agreement.

### (4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 5.75% of annual covered payroll. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the City contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The City's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2006, 2005 and 2004 were \$14,786, \$12,754 and \$12,474, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

# (5) Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation payments payable to employees at June 30, 2006, primarily relating to the General Fund, is \$13,000. This liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2006.

### (6) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2006 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	Amount
Special Revenue:		
Library Building	General	\$ 93,787
Library Capital Equipment	General	6,213
		100,000
Special Revenue:	Special Revenue:	
Library Capital Equipment	Library Building	65,990
Total		\$ 165,990

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

# (7) Risk Management

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

## (8) Development and Rebate Agreement

During the year ended June 30, 2006, the City entered into a development and rebate agreement not to exceed \$75,000 to assist in an urban renewal project. The City agreed to rebate incremental taxes paid by the developer in exchange for infrastructure improvements and development of a commercial facility constructed by the developer as set forth in the urban renewal plan and the individual development and rebate agreement. The incremental taxes to be received by the City under Chapter 403.19 of the Code of Iowa from the developer will be rebated for a period of ten years, beginning on December 1, 2007.

# (9) Deficit Balances

- The Special Revenue, Park and Recreation Donations Fund had a deficit balance of \$99,607 at June 30, 2006. The deficit will be eliminated by future donations and transfer of local funds, as necessary.
- The Debt Service Fund had a deficit balance of \$186,401 at June 30, 2006. The deficit will be reduced by transferring urban renewal tax increment collections from the Special Revenue, Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund.
- The Capital Projects Fund had a deficit balance of \$507,356 at June 30, 2006. The deficit balance will be eliminated through the issuance of long term financing as the project nears completion.

**Required Supplementary Information** 

### Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Balances -Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) – All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds

### Required Supplementary Information

#### Year ended June 30, 2006

	Go	vernmental	Proprietary	
		Funds	Funds	
		Actual	Actual	Total
Receipts:				
Property tax	\$	506,908	-	506,908
Tax increment financing		125,097	-	125,097
Other city tax		22,175	-	22,175
Licenses and permits		26,377	-	26,377
Use of money and property		50,801	6,403	57,204
Intergovernmental		225,070	-	225,070
Charges for service		109,295	381,457	490,752
Special assessments		398	-	398
Miscellaneous		1,060,160	-	1,060,160
Total receipts		2,126,281	387,860	2,514,141
Disbursements:				
Public safety		60,847	-	60,847
Public works		373,250	-	373,250
Health and social services		-	-	-
Culture and recreation		438,354	-	438,354
Community and economic development		2,185	-	2,185
General government		143,741	-	143,741
Debt service		121,048	-	121,048
Capital projects		264,861	-	264,861
Business type activities			280,222	280,222
Total disbursements		1,404,286	280,222	1,684,508
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements		721,995	107,638	829,633
Other financing sources, net		544,204	-	544,204
Excess of receipts and other financing sources				
over disbursements and other financing uses		1,266,199	107,638	1,373,837
Balances beginning of year		607,245	852,329	1,459,574
Balances end of year	\$	1,873,444	959,967	2,833,411

Budgeted Amounts	Final to
Original	Total
and Final	Variance
513,650	(6,742)
122,895	2,202
11,409	10,766
30,300	(3,923)
10,650	46,554
223,779	1,291
478,500	12,252
-	398
3,600	1,056,560
1,394,783	1,119,358
	_,,
58,649	(2,198)
334,357	(38,893)
8,000	8,000
127,792	(310,562)
-	(2,185)
273,977	130,236
62,708	(58,340)
1,779,750	1,514,889
479,040	198,818
3,124,273	1,439,765
(1,729,490)	2,559,123
2,273,500	(1,729,296)
544,010	829,827
1,130,841	328,733
1,674,851	1,158,560

### Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting

### June 30, 2006

- The budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.
- In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.
- Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund. These ten functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, business type activities and non-program. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, the Permanent Fund and the Proprietary Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. The City did not amend its budget during the year ended June 30, 2006.
- During the year ended June 30, 2006, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development and debt service functions.

Other Supplementary Information

# Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2006

			Spec	cial Revenue
		Library		Cemetery
	Employee	Capital	Library	Stone
	 Benefits	Equipment	Building	Repair
Receipts:				
Property tax	\$ 83,694	-	-	-
Other city tax	2,888	-	-	-
Use of money and property	-	885	418	-
Miscellaneous	 -	2,600	220	
Total receipts	 86,582	3,485	638	-
Disbursements:				
Operating:				
Public works	11,307	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	22,463	8,981	29,168	-
General government	 8,311	-	-	-
Total disbursements	 42,081	8,981	29,168	-
Excess (deficiency) of receipts				
over (under) disbursements	 44,501	(5,496)	(28,530)	-
Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	-	72,203	93,787	-
Operating transfers out	-	-	(65,990)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	 -	72,203	27,797	-
Net change in cash balances	44,501	66,707	(733)	-
Cash balances beginning of year	 26,189	15,761	733	430
Cash balances end of year	\$ 70,690	82,468	-	430
Cash Basis Fund Balances				
Reserved for permanent fund Unreserved:	\$ -	-	-	-
Special revenue funds	 70,690	82,468	-	430
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 70,690	82,468	-	430

	Permanent			
	Cemetery	Capital	Park and	
	Perpetual	Equipment	Recreation	Municipal
Total	Care	Replacement	Donations	Building
83,694	-	-	-	-
2,888	-	-	-	-
1,303	-	-	-	-
7,552	6	-	4,726	-
95,437	6	_	4,726	-
11,307	-	-	-	-
162,334	-	-	101,722	-
8,311	-	-	-	-
181,952	-	-	101,722	-
(86,515)	6	-	(96,996)	-
165,990	-	-	-	-
(65,990)	-	-	-	-
100,000	-	-	-	-
13,485	6	-	(96,996)	-
121,237	40,864	37,470	(2,611)	2,401
134,722	40,870	37,470	(99,607)	2,401
40,870	40,870	-	-	-
93,852	-	37,470	(99,607)	2,401
134,722	40,870	37,470	(99,607)	2,401

# Schedule of Indebtedness

# Year ended June 30, 2006

Obligation	Date of Issue	Interest Rates	Amount Originally Issued	
General obligation notes: Sewer improvements Water improvements	Sep 01, 1996 Sep 15, 2005	4.40-5.55% 4.85-6.00	\$ 620,000 540,000	
Total				
Lease-purchase agreement: City hall	Jul 01, 1995	7.00%	\$ 195,586	

Balance Beginning of Year	Issued During Year	Redeemed During Year	Balance End of Year	Interest Paid
235,000	- 540,000	55,000 30,000	180,000 510,000	12,707 21,241
\$ 235,000	540,000	85,000	690,000	33,948
44,668	-	21,555	23,113	2,445

# Schedule of Receipts By Source and Disbursements By Function -All Governmental Funds

### For the Last Four Years

	 2006	2005	2004	2003
Receipts:				
Property tax	\$ 506,908	459,136	421,080	385,358
Tax increment financing	125,097	25,832	23,478	23,692
Other city tax	22,175	20,332	24,751	194,641
Licenses and permits	26,377	40,134	37,569	20,894
Use of money and property	50,801	9,229	6,306	5,797
Intergovernmental	225,070	212,934	267,500	414,282
Charges for service	109,295	174,998	85,289	82,807
Special assessments	398	431	863	662
Miscellaneous	 1,060,160	733,613	24,243	23,947
Total	\$ 2,126,281	1,676,639	891,079	1,152,080
Disbursements:				
Operating:				
Public safety	\$ 60,847	60,281	66,848	58,820
Public works	373,250	340,356	282,499	312,660
Culture and recreation	438,354	237,317	242,168	126,442
Community and economic development	2,185	-	-	-
General government	143,741	158,133	132,257	104,684
Debt service	121,048	65,682	130,700	80,311
Capital projects	 264,861	432,576	230,168	428,945
Total	\$ 1,404,286	1,294,345	1,084,640	1,111,862



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#### Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Center Point, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated December 12, 2006. Our report expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City of Center Point's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the City of Center Point's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we believe items (A) and (C) are material weaknesses.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

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

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2006 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of the City of Center Point and other parties to whom the City of Center Point may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the City of Center Point during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

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DAVID A. VAUDT, CPA Auditor of State

December 12, 2006

WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2006

# Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

# **REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:**

- (A) <u>Segregation of Duties</u> One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. When duties are properly segregated, the activities of one employee act as a check on those of another. One person had control over each of the following areas for the City:
  - (1) Accounting system performing all general accounting functions and having custody of assets.
  - (2) Cash preparing bank account reconciliations, initiating cash receipts and disbursement functions and handling and recording cash.
  - (3) Investments detailed record keeping, custody of investments and reconciling earnings.
  - (4) Receipts collecting, depositing, journalizing and posting.
  - (5) Utility receipts billing, collecting, depositing, posting and reconciling.
  - (6) Disbursements purchasing, check signing, recording and reconciling.
  - (7) Payroll preparing and distributing.
  - (8) Information system (computer usage) performing all general accounting functions and controlling all data input and output.
  - (9) Financial reporting Preparing, reconciling and distributing.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.
  - <u>Response</u> The City will continue to review it's procedures in order to improve on the segregation of duties and maximize the internal control of our finances and make changes as needed and as our resources allow.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

# Schedule of Findings

# Year ended June 30, 2006

(B) <u>Information System</u> – The City does not have written policies for requiring computer users to change their passwords every 60 to 90 days.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should develop written policies addressing passwords in order to improve the City's control over its information system.

<u>Response</u> – Resolution 12-06-03 was presented to the City Council on December 19, 2006 asking for their approval to amend the current policy to require computer users to change their passwords every 90 days in order to improve the City's control over its information system. This resolution was approved.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (C) <u>Reconciliation of Utility Billings, Collections and Delinquencies</u> Utility billings, collections and delinquent accounts were not reconciled.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> Procedures should be established to reconcile utility billings, collections and delinquencies each month. The Council should review the reconciliation and monitor delinquencies each month.
  - <u>Response</u> Procedures will be established to reconcile the utility billings, collections and delinquencies each month and reports will be presented to the Council for their review.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

# **INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:**

No matters were noted.

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2006

### Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- (1) <u>Certified Budget</u> Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2006 exceeded the amounts budgeted in the public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development and debt service functions. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "Public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation."
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

<u>Response</u> – The City will comply with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa in the future.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (2) <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> No disbursements we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25 were noted.
- (3) <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.
- (4) <u>Business Transactions</u> No business transactions between the City and City officials or employees during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 were noted.
- (5) <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- (6) <u>Council Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Council minutes but were not.
  - The City minutes publications did not include a recap of actual receipts, as required, and, in one instance, the minutes were not published.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The City should publish a recap of actual receipts as required by Chapter 372.13 of the Code of Iowa and ensure all minutes are published in a timely manner.
  - <u>Response</u> The recap of actual receipts are now being published as required. We will strive to ensure all publication requirements be met in the future.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

(7) <u>Deposits and Investments</u> – No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the City's investment policy were noted.

#### Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2006

- Interest earned on invested funds for the Special Revenue, Road Use Tax Fund and the Permanent, Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund were directly credited to the respective funds for which the investments were held. Chapters 12C.7(2) and 566.15 of the Code of Iowa require the interest earned on these funds be credited to the General Fund.
- <u>Recommendation</u> The City should make corrective transfers to the General Fund from the Special Revenue, Road Use Tax Fund for \$82 and the Permanent, Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund for \$181 to correct these errors for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 and from the Special Revenue Road, Use Tax Fund for \$9 for fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. Additionally, all interest earned on the above noted investments should be credited to the General Fund as required by the Code of Iowa.
- <u>Response</u> Resolution 12-06-05 was presented to the City Council on December 19, 2006 asking for authorization to make the recommended transfers. This resolution was approved and the transfers will be completed in the accounting system.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

(8) <u>Financial Condition</u> – The Special Revenue, Park and Recreation Donations Fund, the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund had deficit balances at June 30, 2006 of \$99,607, \$186,401 and \$507,356, respectively.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should investigate alternatives to eliminate these deficits in order to return these funds to a sound financial position.

<u>Response</u> – These deficits will be eliminated with transfers from other funds and by consolidating duplicate project funds.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (9) <u>Local Option Sales Tax</u> Local option sales tax collections in the fiscal years ended June 30, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 were posted directly to the General Fund. On June 25, 2003, the City Council approved the allocation of these collections for Library (\$100,000), Streets (\$75,000) and Sidewalk revolving fund (\$25,000), leaving \$21,956 unallocated.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The City should ensure local option sales tax collections are disbursed in accordance with voter approval and City Resolution No. 4-7-01. Additionally, future local option sales tax collections should be recorded directly to a Special Revenue, Local Option Sales Tax Fund and then be transferred to the appropriate fund(s) as the City Council directs based on previous voter approval.
  - <u>Response</u> Resolution 12-06-04 was presented to the City Council on December 19, 2006 asking for authorization to make the recommended transfers. This resolution was approved and the transfers will be completed in the accounting system.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

# Schedule of Findings

# Year ended June 30, 2006

- (10) <u>Tax Increment Financing Collections</u> Fiscal year 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 tax increment financing collections were properly posted to the Special Revenue, Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund. However, the collections were not used to reduce applicable tax increment debt being paid from the Debt Service Fund.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The City should transfer the tax increment financing collections to the Debt Service Fund to repay the portion of TIF debt originally paid from the Debt Service Fund. This will aid in eliminating the deficit balance in the Debt Service Fund as of June 30, 2006.
  - <u>Response</u> These recommended transfers will be presented to the City Council for approval along with other modifications being recommended by a special consultant the City has hired to help make improvements to the financial system.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (11) <u>Annual Financial Report</u> The 2006 Annual Financial Report was not filed by December 1 as required by Chapter 384.22 of the Code of Iowa.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The Annual Financial Report should be completed and filed in accordance with Chapter 384.22 of the Code of Iowa.
  - <u>Response</u> The Annual Report was filed with the State Auditor by December 1 as required but the publication deadline was not met. We will strive to meet all required deadlines in the future.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (12) <u>Transfers</u> The City transfers money to and from various funds and accounts periodically. However, these transfers were not always approved by the Council prior to the actual transfer.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The City should approve all fund/account transfers prior to the actual transfer and document approval and amount(s) as part of the minutes record.
  - <u>Response</u> The Council has been notified of all fund/account transfers in the past. In the future all fund/account transfers will be presented to the Council for their approval.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

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