# COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

# FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

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> Karen desIslets City Clerk

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December 23, 2009

To the Members of the City Commission and Residents of the City of Decatur, Georgia:

State law requires that all general-purpose local governments publish within six months of the close of each fiscal year a complete set of financial statements presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and audited in accordance with these standards by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to that requirement, we hereby issue the comprehensive annual financial report of the City of Decatur, Georgia for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

This report consists of management's representations concerning the finances of the City of Decatur, Georgia. Consequently, management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all of the information presented in this report. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the City of Decatur, Georgia has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the government's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the City of Decatur's financial statements in conformity with GAAP. Because the cost of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, the City of Decatur, Georgia's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable rather than absolute assurance that the financial statements will be free from material misstatement. As management, we assert that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this financial report is complete and reliable in all material respects.

The City of Decatur, Georgia's financial statements have been audited by Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC, a firm of licensed certified public accountants. The goal of the independent audit is to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the City of Decatur, Georgia for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The independent auditor concluded, based upon the audit, that there was a reasonable basis for rendering an unqualified opinion that the City of Decatur, Georgia's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. The independent auditor's report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report.

In addition, the City maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the City Commission. Activities of the general fund, special revenue funds and debt service funds are included in the annual appropriated budget. The level of budgetary control (that is, the level at which expenditures cannot exceed the appropriated amount) is established by function within an individual fund (e.g., at the department level in the general fund).

GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The City of Decatur, Georgia's MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

#### PROFILE OF THE GOVERNMENT

The City of Decatur, first chartered as a municipality by the State of Georgia in 1823, provides a full range of municipal services. These services include public safety (police and fire protection, inspections, housing codes enforcement, etc.), public works (streets and sidewalk construction and maintenance, storm drainage construction and maintenance, refuse collection, street sweeping, etc.), parks and recreation, the operation of a municipal cemetery and community and economic development. In addition, the City owns a 280-space parking facility and a 25,000 square foot conference center.

The City of Decatur, Georgia currently occupies a land area of approximately 4.3 square miles and serves an estimated population of 20,000. The City of Decatur, Georgia is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal properties located within its boundaries.

The City of Decatur, Georgia operates under the commission-manager form of government. There are five City Commissioners, elected in nonpartisan elections, for overlapping four-year terms. Elections are held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in odd-numbered years. In one election, three City Commissioners are elected – one at-large, one from District 1 (north) and one from District 2 (south). At the next election, two City Commissioners are elected - one from District 1 (north) and one from District 2 (south). At its organizational meeting in January of each year, the City Commission elects one of its members to be the Mayor/Chair of the City Commission. At that same meeting the City Commission also elects a Mayor pro tem/Vice-Chair. It is the responsibility of the Mayor to preside at all meetings of the City Commission. The Mayor has no veto power but retains the right to vote on all matters brought before the City Commission.

The City Commission is the legislative and policy making arm of the City government. It is responsible, among other things, for passing ordinances, adopting the budget, appointing committees, task forces and commissions, and hiring the City Manager and appointing the City Attorney and municipal court judges. The City Commission appoints a professional administrator known as the City Manager who serves at its pleasure. The City Charter designates the City Manager as the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Administrative Officer of the City. The City Manager is responsible for carrying out the policies and ordinances of the City Commission, for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the government and the appointment of all employees except that the appointment of department heads is subject to confirmation by the City Commission. All disciplinary action is the responsibility of the City Manager in accordance with the Personnel Rules and Regulations adopted by the City Commission. The current City Manager has served since May, 1993.

The Georgia General Assembly first adopted the City Charter, under which the City operates, in 1909. In 1920, the General Assembly amended the Charter to provide for the commission/manager form of government. In 1977, acting under its home rule authority, the City recodified and revised its Charter to delete obsolete sections, to clarify meanings and to generally bring the Charter up-to-date. The Charter was updated again in 2001.

The financial activities of the Board of Education of the City Schools of Decatur, Georgia are included as a discretely presented component unit in order to conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The annual budget serves as the foundation for the City of Decatur, Georgia's financial planning and control. All agencies of the City of Decatur, Georgia are required to submit departmental budget requests to the City Manager or her designee by the first week of March. These requests are the starting point for developing the proposed budget.

The proposed budget is presented to the City Commission on the third Monday in May. The operating budget includes the proposed expenditures and the means for financing them. The City publishes the proposed budget in the official legal organ, other community newspapers, makes copies available to the residents of the City and posts the proposed budget on the City's website. Public hearings on the proposed budget are held during the month of June. The budget is then legally enacted through the passage of a resolution by the City Commission normally on the third Monday in June but no later than June 30th, the close of the City of Decatur, Georgia's fiscal year.

Budgetary control is exercised at the departmental level. The City Manager is authorized to transfer budget amounts within a department; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of a department require a budget amendment by the City Commission.

Budget-to-actual comparisons are provided in this report for the general fund. This comparison is presented on page 20 as part of the basic financial statements.

#### FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCIAL CONDITION

The information presented in the financial statements is perhaps best understood when it is considered from the broader perspective of the specific environment within which the City of Decatur, Georgia operates.

The City of Decatur is the seat of DeKalb County, a large, urban county in the Atlanta metropolitan area. With its central location within the county and as the location of county offices and the court system, Decatur's economy is primarily a service economy. Legal, banking, medical, insurance, accounting, governmental and educational services are the mainstay of this economy. The essential nature of these services provides a solid basis for the City's economic well-being.

#### **Residential Activity**

The residential housing market is stable. Applications for in-fill housing developments and subdivisions of existing lots have decreased significantly during the past eighteen months reflecting overall economic conditions. However, we continue to issue permits for renovations to existing single-family housing units. Sales of existing housing stock has slowed with a corresponding moderation in sale prices. However, unlike some national and metropolitan Atlanta markets, the City's residential property appears to be retaining its value.

The City's overall 2009 real estate property digest increased 4% from 2008 digest values. However, all of the growth for 2009 came from new construction. We are anticipating a relatively flat property digest for 2010 in part due to existing economic conditions but also because the Georgia General Assembly adopted HB 233 which freezes real property values at 2009 levels through 2011.

We do not expect significant residential development in the next 18-24 months. Developments at 233 East Trinity Place (210 apartments) and 432 East Howard Avenue (57 dwellings) have received plan approval but have not applied for permits. A 28-unit single-family development in the southeastern quadrant of the City has completed site development but has not begun construction.

#### **Commercial Activity**

In addition to government-related employers, mainly DeKalb County, the City's employer base continues to be centered on professional occupations. The City's overall commercial property digest remained constant in 2009.

Vacancy rates for available office space in the City of Decatur are generally lower than in surrounding office market areas. Vacant office space has been renovated and is being leased. Two major tenants, The Art Institute of Atlanta – Decatur and DeVry University have occupied space in the One West Court Square building. Interest in restaurant and retail activity continues to be constant in the central business district while interest in other commercial activities remains stable.

Decatur First Bank is doing well in the community banking market and has expanded operations to include a limited hours office at Clairmont Place, a senior residential community, a full-time office located in the downtown Decatur Kroger supermarket and a full-time branch office in the Wal-Mart Supercenter in Lithonia, Georgia.

The Oakhurst Business District is holding its own given the size and scope of the area. While turnover in a few of the restaurant spaces continues, others have established a stable presence and other business enterprises in the area, including the executive offices of Progressive Redevelopment Inc., an affordable housing development company, provide a steady influence. During the past year the City completed construction of Fire Station Number 2, a 4,800s.f. LEED certified building located in the business district. The station is regularly staffed with five employees and provides an institutional presence in Oakhurst. The Oakhurst Business District continues to provide a local commercial center for the surrounding neighborhood.

Development of the Avondale-Decatur MARTA Station Livable Centers Initiative Master Plan has attracted redevelopment to the East College Avenue corridor, including the redevelopment of the former Bio-Lab Corporate headquarters into a 70,000 square foot mixed-use property that currently contains a regional theatre company, a small church facility, a hair salon, a number of professional offices and three eating establishments.

#### Mixed-Use Activity

Development of mixed-use projects within the central business district provided a robust vitality since the beginning of the decade. Occupancy of the residential units continues to be strong. Rental of the commercial spaces has been consistent but had slowed over the past six months as the economy has affected retail growth ad development. Existing projects have completed all phases of construction and appear to be strong financially. However, new development has slowed significantly consistent with financing and market conditions.

A private developer has assembled several pieces of property at the end of the block bordered by East Trinity Place and East Howard Avenue. A plan to redevelop this property as a mixed-use development that includes 210 units of rental apartments and 25,000 feet of commercial space has been approved. They are currently seeking financing.

It is anticipated that there will be a temporary lull in activity for the next eighteen to twenty-four months as the credit and financial markets rebound.

#### Institutional Activity

Agnes Scott College, a four-year liberal arts college for women, remains financially healthy with an enrollment of approximately 1,000 students. Columbia Theological Seminary, a Presbyterian graduate institution, remains financially strong. It recently completed a comprehensive campus master plan and has completed construction on a new \$7.1 million dormitory facility. The City Schools of Decatur is in the midst of a \$30 million construction program. Construction of a new gymnasium building and an auditorium/performance center at Decatur High School is complete and both facilities are open. Work has begun on a new gymnasium at Renfroe Middle School.

#### MAJOR ACTIVITIES

In September, 2006, voters approved issuance of \$33,245,000 in general obligation debt to finance major capital improvement projects for the City and for the City Schools of Decatur. In December, 2006, Moody's Investors Service issued a rating of Aa3 and Standard & Poor's upgraded the City's rating to AA from A+ for the bonds. The bonds were issued in January, 2007. In May, 2009 the City issued \$5,900,000 in general obligation sales tax bonds on behalf of the City Schools of Decatur. At that time, the City's bond ratings were reconfirmed.

The City's portion of the 2007 bond issue proceeds was approximately \$16,653,000. A number of projects have been completed, including phase I of sidewalk repair and construction improvements, reconstruction of a pool at McKoy Park, installation of a Wayfinding signage system, reconstruction of Fire Station Number 2, acquisition and demolition of flood-prone properties located on Westchester Drive, construction of a new pool bathhouse at Glenlake Park, and development of a master plan for Fire Station Number 1 and for the Decatur Recreation Center. Current projects that are underway include construction of improvements at Glenlake Park, installation of Phase II of the sidewalk improvement plan, implementation of the Decatur Cemetery Master Plan and installation of bike lanes and traffic calming activities along West Ponce de Leon Avenue and West Trinity Place, Oakhurst Business District Streetscapes and Phase V of the Downtown Streetscapes Master Plan.

Future projects include a variety of transportation improvements such as intersection improvements and matching funds for transportation facility grants; acquisition of openspace and greenspace; and, reconstruction of the City's public works facility.

The City Schools of Decatur used its portion of the proceeds to construct improvements for Decatur High School.

Improvements to the City's storm drainage system have begun using funds from the City's storm water utility. The City has completed a comprehensive storm drainage master plan to guide major capital improvements to the City's drainage system. It is anticipated that in conjunction with private and institutional construction projects in the central business district, the City will be looking to finance substantial capital improvements through the storm water utility in the next several years.

In 1986 the Decatur Downtown Development Authority and the City of Decatur Parking Authority issued \$4,000,000 each in bonds to build the Decatur Conference Center and the parking deck. Those bonds were consolidated and refinanced in 1993. On November 1, 2008 the last bond payment was made on the refinanced debt.

The hotel/motel tax had been used to pay a portion of the debt service related to construction of the conference center and parking deck and since that debt was satisfied, proceeds of the hotel/motel tax have been used to fund maintenance and improvements to the conference center and parking deck; fund the Decatur Tourism Bureau, a 501 (C)(6) organization whose purpose is to encourage visitors and tourism in the City of Decatur; and, provide resources to the City's General Fund. For accounting purposes the City has determined that the Decatur Tourism Bureau should be treated as a component unit, similar to the City Schools of Decatur and the Decatur Downtown Development Authority.

The City's volume-based sanitation collection system continues to work very well. The number and types of items collected have expanded since inception of the recycling program. The City currently has reduced landfill deposits by approximately 40%, well in excess of the State of Georgia's goal of a 25% reduction in landfill deposits. The program has been an overwhelming success. The City sponsored two electronics recycling events during the past year which resulted in over 74 tons of electronic equipment being recycled and not sent to the landfill.

In 2007 the City's ISO Fire Rating was renewed at the Class 2 level, a rating that is only obtained by 1.5% of all the Fire Departments in the United States. The Police Department received recertification from the Georgia Police Chief Association. The City has implemented a reverse emergency notification system and a severe weather warning system that allows the City to send recorded telephone messages to residents and businesses regarding emergency situations. We have also been awarded a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the purchase and installation of four siren weather warning devices.

Finance and budgeting staff were awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association for every Comprehensive Annual Financial Report since 2005.

In cooperation with the City Schools of Decatur, the Children and Youth Services Division was able to secure funding of \$2.4 million over a five-year period from the federal 21st Century Learning Center program to be used to continue to strengthen after-school programs for children. The grant period was completed in 2008. For fiscal year 2008-2009 the Division was transferred to its own fund so that program finances could be easily tracked with the goal of sustaining the program over time. The balance of fees collected during the grant period have been transferred to the fund.

The City was selected as one of six communities in Georgia to receive grant funding from the Governor's Wireless Communities Georgia Program. The City has used the grant funds, City funds and funds provided through institutional partners to provide wireless broadband access throughout the City limits. The City owns the system and has contracted with a private provider to provide access and system management services. The wireless network covers approximately four square miles including the central business district, Agnes Scott College and residential neighborhoods.

#### LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING

With the exception of the item discussed below, the City of Decatur, Georgia does not anticipate major changes in either revenue sources or expenditures in the future. Unlike other communities that relied heavily on sales tax revenue and revenue from construction and other permitting activity, Decatur does not have access to sales tax income and construction activity, while important, has been a small fraction of the City's operating funds.

Two factors outside the City's control have the most potential to affect the City's overall financial position in the future. The Georgia General Assembly has enacted legal limitations on the growth of the real estate digest that prevents both residential and commercial real estate values from increasing. The limitation does not apply to a decrease in values. There continue to be indications that the legislature may take further actions which could restrict taxes collected based on real property values. There are also indications that the legislature may look to restrict other revenue sources that local governments use to finance services.

Other impacts on the City's financial statements which are beyond our control have primarily occurred due to pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Although GASB has no legal authority to impose financial obligations, they have adopted rules that affect the reporting of financial commitments for governments. One of the most recent pronouncements requires changes in the accounting for other post employment benefits (OPEB). This is an example of an "obligation" that must be accounted for on the financial statements in an attempt to show the true current and future obligations of the government rather than reporting this on a "pay-as-you-go" method.

In 1998, the City of Decatur entered into an intergovernmental agreement with DeKalb County for the equalization of tax proceeds from the Homestead Option Sales Tax (HOST). In 1999, the City received its first distribution; however, the City maintains that the distribution was not correctly calculated in accordance with the agreement's provisions. The County then took the position that the entire agreement was invalid. The Superior Court granted the County's motion for judgment on the pleadings and entered final judgment against the City in 2001. The City appealed and the Georgia Supreme Court reversed the Superior Court's decision. In December, 2006, the Superior Court entered a ruling in favor of the City, but the Court of Appeals reversed that ruling. The City appealed and the

Georgia Supreme Court reversed the Court of Appeals' decision. A hearing on remaining issues is scheduled to be heard in DeKalb County Superior Court in March, 2010. Should the City's position prevail, there would be a source of revenues for capital improvement projects.

In spite of the current economic, regulatory and legal challenges, the City continues to retain its financial security. The City has taken a conservative approach to budgeting and finance, with an emphasis on estimating expenses on the high-end and estimating revenues on the low-end. This has resulted in controlled expenditures with low to moderate growth. This has also allowed the City to contribute to fund balance over the years. While there will continue to be demands, we currently anticipate being able to manage for the next two fiscal years by using a combination of expenditure controls and fund balance transfers. Recommendations to increase property tax rates would only be considered based on meeting the community's service delivery demands.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The preparation of this report would not have been possible without the efficient and dedicated services of the entire staff of the Administrative Services Department. We would like to express our appreciation to all members of the Department who assisted and contributed to the preparation of this report. Credit also must be given to the City Commission for their unfailing support for maintaining the highest standards of professionalism in the management of the City of Decatur, Georgia's finances.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Merriss City Manager

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# PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

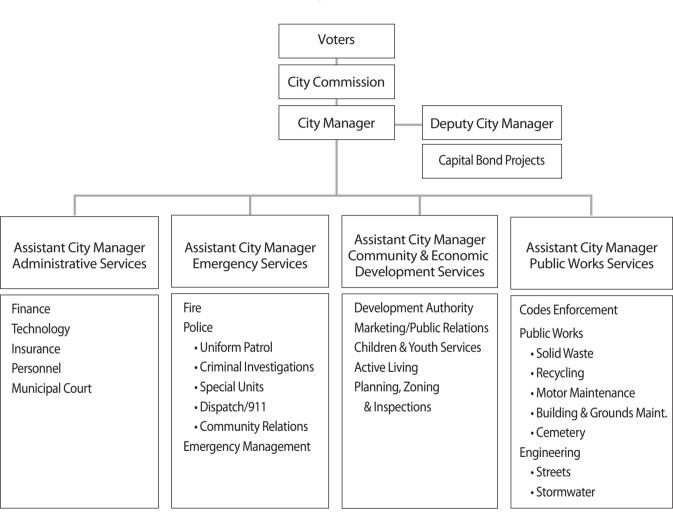
June 30, 2009

# **CITY COMMISSION**

Bill Floyd	Mayor
Jim Baskett	Mayor Pro-Tem
Fred C. Boykin, Jr.	Commissioner
Kecia Cunningham	Commissioner
Mary Alice Kemp	Commissioner
APPOINTED ADMINISTRATIVE OFFIC	IALS
Peggy Merriss	City Manager
Hugh Saxon	Deputy City Manager
Bryan Downs	City Attorney
Andrea Arnold	Assistant City Manager - Administrative Services
Lyn Menne	Assistant City Manager - Community & Economic Development
Karen desisiets	City Clerk
Jerry Malone	Fire Chief
J. Michael Booker	Police Chief



# City Organization



# **FINANCIAL SECTION**



# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

# Honorable Mayor and Members Of the City Commission City of Decatur, Georgia

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **City of Decatur**, **Georgia** as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the City of Decatur, Georgia's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Decatur, Georgia's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free 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 the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Decatur, Georgia as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 11, 2009, on our consideration of the City of Decatur, Georgia's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (on pages 3 through 15) and Schedules of Funding Progress (on pages 62 and 63) are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Decatur, Georgia's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules, and statistical section, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Mauldin & Jenlins, LLC

Atlanta, Georgia December 11, 2009

# CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the City of Decatur (the "City"), we offer readers of the City of Decatur's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City of Decatur for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the letter of transmittal, financial statements and footnotes.

# **Overview of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) is presented in three distinct sections:

- An Introductory Section which includes the Letter of Transmittal and general information;
- Financial Section which includes the Independent Auditor's Report, Management's Discussion and Analysis, Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements, along with Notes to these statements; and
- Statistical Section

# **Financial Highlights**

The assets of the City exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$64,975,254 (net assets). Of this amount, \$10,564,242 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations.

In September 2006, Decatur voters approved a bond referendum that provides the City of Decatur and City Schools of Decatur with \$33,245,000 for large capital improvement projects. This is the first general obligation debt for the City since 1955 and for the school system since the late 1950s. The bonds were issued in January 2007. Of the overall bond issue, \$16,500,000 was transferred to the school system. During this fiscal year, approximately \$4,163,600 was spent on capital bond projects including the construction of Fire Station #2, the bathhouse and improvements at Glenlake Park, acquisition of greenspace and design of improvements for Fire Station #1, the Decatur Recreation Center, the Decatur Cemetery and Phase II of the Sidewalk construction program.

The net assets increased by \$12,501,121 primarily due to an increase in capital assets donated by the City of Decatur School System.

At the close of the current fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$22,820,687, a decrease of \$4,503,423 in comparison with the prior year. A majority of the decrease is in the Capital Improvements Fund due to expenditures for bond projects. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$6,300,109 or 35% of total general fund expenditures. This amount is available for spending at the government's discretion, as it is unreserved fund balance.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

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

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

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

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cashflows. 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., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the City include general government, education, public safety, public works and recreation. The business-type activities of the City include the conference center and parking deck, the stormwater utility and solid waste.

The government-wide financial statements include not only the City itself (known as the primary government), but also three discretely presented component units, the Downtown Development Authority, the Decatur Tourism Bureau and the City Schools of Decatur. Financial information for these component units is reported separately from the financial information presented for the primary government itself.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 15 and 16 of this report.

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

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

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

The City maintains eleven individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund and Capital Improvement Fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other nine governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The City adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 17-19 of this report.

**Proprietary funds.** The City maintains three enterprise funds in the proprietary fund group. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City of Decatur uses enterprise funds to account for its Conference & Parking Deck activities, the Stormwater Utility and for Solid Waste functions.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 21-23 of this report.

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

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 24 and 25 of this report.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**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 financial statements can be found on pages 26-61 of this report.

### **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

#### **Net Assets**

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the City of Decatur, Georgia, assets exceeded liabilities by \$64,975,254 at the close of the most recent fiscal year. Following is a description of the City's net assets (in thousands) as compared to the previous year.

	Governmental		Busines Activ		Total Primary Activities			
	2008 2009		2008	2009	2008	2009		
Assets Current assets	\$ 29,815	\$ 26,159 75.642	\$ 2,855	\$ 3,219	\$ 32,670	\$ 29,378		
Capital assets Other non-current assets Total assets	57,661 <u>1,041</u> 88,517	75,643 951 102,753	5,553 	5,124 	63,214 <u>1,044</u> 96,928	80,767 <u>1,009</u> 111,154		
Liabilities Long-term liabilites Other liabilities Total assets	39,108 2,648 41,756	40,893 <u>3,436</u> 44,329	974 1,722 2,696	383 1,468 1,851	40,082 4,370 44,452	41,276 4,904 46,180		
Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted Total net assets	33,445 1,045 12,271 \$ 46,761	49,255 129 9,040 \$ 58,424	4,661 - 1,054 \$ 5,715	5,027 - 1,524 \$ 6,551	38,106 1,045 13,325 \$ 52,476	54,282 129 10,564 \$ 64,975		

#### City of Decatur Net Assets

By far the largest portion of the City's net assets (83%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, infrastructure, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services; consequently, these assets are not currently available for future spending. Although the City's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The remaining portions of the City's net assets are either restricted \$129,000 or unrestricted \$10,564,000. Unrestricted net assets may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations. At the end of the current fiscal year, the City is able to report positive balances in all categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its business-type activities, with the exception of the Solid Waste Fund. However, the Solid Waste Fund's negative net assets improved by \$96,683 over fiscal year 2008. The current goal is to eliminate the remaining negative net asset balance in the Solid Waste Fund in future years.

#### **Changes in Net Assets**

At the conclusion of fiscal year 2008-2009 the City's total net assets increased by \$12,501,121. This is primarily due to school system assets which are donated to the City.

The following schedule presents a summary of changes in net assets for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 (in thousands).

		ernmental ctivities		ess-type ivities	Total Primary Government			
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009		
Revenues								
Program revenues:								
Charges for services	\$ 4,030	\$ 3,659	\$ 3,446	\$ 3,373	\$ 7,476	\$ 7,032		
Operating grants &								
contributions	657	356	-	-	657	356		
Capital grants &								
contributions	7,582	16,419	-	-	7,582	16,419		
General revenues:								
Property taxes	14,852		-	-	14,852	14,585		
Franchise taxes	1,354		-	-	1,354	1,364		
Sales taxes	662	• • •	-	-	662	641		
Other taxes	1,397		-	-	1,397	1,399		
Investment earnings	1,081	307	-	-	1,081	307		
Gain on sale of		10				10		
capital assets	6		-	-	6	12		
Total revenues	31,621	38,742	3,446	3,373	35,067	42,115		
Expenses								
General government	5,406	6,382	-	-	5,406	6,382		
Education	1,945		-	-	1,945	1,314		
Public safety	8,331	10,295	-	-	8,331	10,295		
Public works	3,508	3,855	-	-	3,508	3,855		
Recreation	2,152	3,163	-	-	2,152	3,163		
Interest on long-term								
debt	1,632	1,585	-	-	1,632	1,585		
Conference center	-	-	516	363	516	363		
Stormwater	-	-	662	641	662	641		
Sanitation	-		2,085	2,016	2,085	2,016		
Total expenses	22,974	26,594	3,263	3,020	26,237	29,614		
Income before transfers	8,647	12,148	183	353	8,830	12,501		
Transfers	(483		483	483	-	-		
Special item	-	-	-	-	_	_		
Change in net assets	8,164	11,665	666	836	8,830	12,501		
Net assets beginning of	5,101	,			-,-••	,		
year	38,595	46,759	5,049	5,715	43,644	52,474		
Net assets end of year	\$ 46,759		\$ 5,715	\$ 6,551	\$ 52,474	\$ 64,975		
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#### City of Decatur Changes in Net Assets

#### Revenues

Governmental charges for services decreased by approximately (\$371,000) or (9.2%) primarily due to the drop in building permit revenue. Operating grants and contributions decreased (\$301,000) or (46%) due the phase out of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century after school grant program. Capital grants and contributions increased \$8,837,000 or 116% as a result of the contribution of school facilities to the general government by the Decatur school system. Investment earnings decreased (\$774,000) or (72%) as available interest rates have dropped. Other sources or revenue remained consistent with prior years.

#### Expenses

General Government expenses increased \$976,000 or 18%; Public Safety expenses increased \$1,964,000 or 23.6%; Recreation expenses increased \$1,011,000 or 47%; and Public Works expenses increased \$347,000 or 10%. These increases are primarily due to the implementation of accounting pronouncements related to the recording of the actuarial values of post employment benefits for retirees as well as a 30% increase in group health insurance costs. Education expenses decreased (\$631) or (32%) due to reduction in funding for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Centers Grant.

Conference Center expenses decreased (\$153,000) or (30%) because bonds were paid off and the related interest expense decreased. Stormwater and Sanitation expenses decreased slightly.

# Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the City of Decatur, Georgia's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$22,820,687, a decrease of \$4,503,423 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately forty-one percent of the total amount, \$9,335,135, constitutes unreserved fund balance, which is available for spending at the government's discretion. The remainder of fund balance (\$13,485,552) is reserved to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed 1) for the tree bank, (\$19,303); 2) to pay debt service, (\$501,268); 3) to account for long-term advances, prepaid expenditures and program expenditures (\$1,546,018); and, 4) to finance capital projects that were approved by the voters in September 2006 (\$11,418,963).

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the City of Decatur, Georgia. At the end of the current fiscal year, the fund balance of the general fund was \$6,690,864, while the total fund balance for all governmental funds reached \$22,820,687. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents thirty-five percent of total general fund expenditures.

	2008	2009	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
Revenues		 		
Taxes	\$ 14,659	\$ 14,738	79	1
Licenses & permits	758	440	(318)	(42)
Intergovernmental	267	326	59	22
Fines & forfeitures	480	511	31	6
Charges for services	1,431	1,115	(316)	(22)
Interest income	310	86	(224)	(72)
Other revenues	 170	 57	(113)	(66)
Total revenues	 18,075	 17,273	(802)	(4)
Expenditures				
General government	5,082	5,368	286	6
Public safety	7,340	7,959	619	8
Public works	2,976	3,080	104	3
Recreation	 1,985	 1,381	(604)	(30)
Total expenditures	17,383	17,788	405	2
Excess of revenues over expenditures	692	(515)	(1,207)	(174)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	7	18	11	157
Transfers in	513	645	132	26
Transfers out	 (287)	 (670)	(383)	133
Total other financing sources (uses)	 233	 (7)	(240)	(103)
Net change in fund balances	925	(522)	(1,447)	(156)
Fund balances, beginning of year	 6,288	 7,213	925	15
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 7,213	\$ 6,691	(522)	(7)

The table below compares general fund revenues and expenditures for 2008 and 2009 (in thousands).

#### **General Fund Revenues**

Revenue from taxes remained stable in spite of the current slump in housing values. Licenses and permits decreased (\$318,000) or (42%) as permits for new construction declined as the housing and commercial building markets have declined. Intergovernmental revenues increased \$59,000 or 22% due to increases in management fees charged by the City to the Decatur Downtown Development Authority. Charges for services decreased (\$316,000) or (22%) because children and youth services has been moved to a separate fund. Interest income decreased (\$224,000) or (72%) as available interest rates have declined. Other revenues decreased (\$113,000) or (66%) because a United Way grant which was not available in 2009 along with other general declines in other revenue sources.

#### **General Fund Expenditures**

General Government, Public Safety and Public Works expenses have increased 6%, 8% and 3% respectively. In light of current economic conditions, the City maintained or reduced expenditures in most categories. However, group health increased by \$468,000 or 30% which is the primary reason for the increases in these categories. Recreation expenses decreased (\$604,000) or (30%) because children and youth service expenditures were moved to a separate fund.

Transfers to other funds increased from \$287,000 to \$670,000. The City transferred \$450,000 of General funds to the Children and Youth Services Fund to start operations in that fund.

#### Other Fund Activities

*Capital Improvement Fund.* The Capital Improvement Fund's fund balance decreased by (\$3,530,377) to \$13,011,086. The reduction from the previous year is due to the budgeted expenditures from the general obligation bonds for capital projects. The purpose of the capital improvement fund is to provide for construction of major capital improvements and to purchase capital equipment items for operating departments. Major capital outlay projects in fiscal year 2009 included Glenlake Park improvement and fire station improvements.

*Debt Service Fund.* The Debt Service Fund's fund balance decreased by (\$423,145) to \$1,217,827 all of which is reserved for prepaid debt service and other future payments of debt service. The fund balance is used to cover cash flow needs for debt service payments for the City's general obligation bonds issued in 2007. The final debt payments for the conference center were made in fiscal 2009.

*Emergency Telephone System Fund.* In fiscal year 2003-2004 the Emergency Telephone System Fund was created to account for receipts from the E-911 and wireless E-911 telephone charges and for expenditures to maintain and operate an E-911 communications center. In fiscal year 2009, the fund balance increased \$73,758 to \$381,349. In April 2008, an E911 wireless fee of \$1.50 was added to voice over Internet protocol (VOIP) connections to be effective in August 2008. The General Fund transferred \$220,000 to this fund to meet operational needs.

*Children and Youth Services Fund.* This fund was created in 2009 to account for after school programs offered to elementary and middle school age children. Transfers from the General fund and Grant fund of \$450,000 and \$953,630, respectively, were made to begin operations in this fund.

The activities of other non major funds can be found on pages 64 and 65.

**Proprietary funds.** The City's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the governmentwide financial statements, but in more detail. The City maintains three enterprise funds that account for activities of the City that are operated in a business fashion. Those funds include the Conference Center and Parking Deck Fund, the Stormwater Utility Fund and the Solid Waste Fund.

*Conference and Parking Deck Fund.* Revenue from charges for services for the conference center and parking fund were comparable with the prior year. Expenses for sales and services decreased (\$11,337) or (14%) as less major maintenance expenses were necessary in the current year. Depreciation expenses decreased from \$372,433 to \$269,601 as major portions of the equipment and facilities became fully depreciated. Interest expense decreased from \$51,844 to \$13,133 as the final debt service payment was made in fiscal 2009.

*Stormwater Utility Fund*. Fund balance increased by \$120,243 to \$3,361,228. Revenue from stormwater fees increased \$38,000 or 4% due to better collection efforts. Expenditures decreased (\$20,746) or (3%). The City has initiated some storm drainage improvements in conjunction with streetscapes projects and construction of neighborhood storm drainage improvements. Over the next 12-18 months, the City will be pursuing various capital funding opportunities, including the use of revenue bonds in order to complete projects contained in the stormwater master plan.

*Solid Waste Fund*. Revenues in this fund decreased (\$83,351) or (3.55%) because of the slowdown in the local economy. Management was also able to decrease operating expenses by (\$72,642) or (3.6%). An additional \$96,683 was added to fund balance, further reducing the fund deficit to (\$145,423). The solid waste fund continued a positive cash position with cash balances at June 30, 2009 of \$878,523. The Public Works staff continues to analyze costs and service charges to confirm that fees charged cover the cost of services delivered as well as developing alternative service delivery options to reduce costs and to reduce the deficit in total net assets.

**Fiduciary Funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the City's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. The primary fiduciary fund is the Pension Trust Fund that holds assets to be used for paying pension obligations of City employees. The Pension Trust Fund had a net decrease of \$2,069,490 to net assets during fiscal year 2008-2009 due to market forces.

# **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual, can be found on page 20. The original and final budgets anticipated an appropriate use of fund balance as a result of local and national economic conditions. Actual revenues were in line with final budgeted amounts. The original adopted budget for revenues was \$592,010 or 3.3% greater than the final budget which reflected the economic realities of the current recession as they became more apparent. Actual expenditures were in line with the final budget. The original adopted budget for expenditures was \$322,000 or 1.8% more than the final budget as expenditures were reduced in order to offset the decreases in revenues.

# Capital Asset and Debt Administration

**Capital assets.** The City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business type activities as of June 30, 2009, amounts to \$80,768,284 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and fixtures, improvements, machinery and equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure (roads, bridges and drainage culverts, etc.) The City's investment in capital assets increased 28% for the current fiscal year primarily from the expenditure of bond proceeds to construct or renovate schools, parks, and public safety facilities. Additional information on the City's capital assets (net of depreciation) for governmental activities, business-type activities and the total for the primary government.

	Governmental Activities			 Business-type Activities				Total Primary Government			
		2008		2009	 2008		2009		2008		2009
Land Construction in progress Land improvements	\$	2,385 11,007 283	\$	2,759 28,113 260	\$ 280 28 -	\$	280 53 -	\$	2,665 11,035 283	\$	3,039 28,166 260
Infrastructure Building & improvements Machinery & equipment		7,922 34,164 969		7,434 35,510 847	1,742 2,885 -		1,661 2,620 -		9,664 37,049 969		9,095 38,130 847
Vehicles Furniture, fixtures, & equipment Total	\$	931 - 57,661	\$	721 - 75,644	\$ - 618 5,553	\$	- 511 5,125	\$	931 618 63,214	\$	721 511 80,769

#### Capital Assets (net of depreciation)

**Long-term Debt and Capital Leases.** At the end of the current fiscal year, the City had long-term bonded debt in the amount of \$33,476,906 including the bond issuance premium. State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt a governmental entity may issue to 10 percent of its total assessed valuation. The City's total assessed valuation for fiscal 2009 is \$1,663,080,000 with a current debt limitation for the City of \$166,308, not including current debt outstanding.

The City has entered into lease agreements for financing the acquisition of equipment, machinery and improvements. The total amount of machinery, equipment and vehicles under capital leases at June 30, 2009 was \$1,178,885.

At June 30, 2009, the City had long-term debt in the amount of \$41,275,854 which was comprised of \$33,476,906 in general obligation bonds payable, \$7,416,279 in capital leases, certificates of participation, claims and judgments, net OPEB obligation and compensated absences in the governmental activities and \$382,669 in capital leases, net OPEB obligation bonds issued in January 2007. The bond issuance will finance approximately \$16,600,000 worth of capital improvements for city-related capital projects, including transportation improvements, parks and recreation improvements, greenspace acquisition, public safety facility renovations, and public works improvements. The City Schools of Decatur will use approximately \$16,500,000 for school-related capital projects. Also included in the long-term debt are the certificates of participation issued in July 2005 in the principal amount of \$2,480,000 to finance the renovation and addition of Decatur City Hall.

Additional information on the City's long-term debt can be found in Note 7 on pages 42-46 of this report.

**Pension and Other Post Employment Benefits**. The City of Decatur, Georgia sponsors a single-employer defined benefit pension plan for all of its full-time employees. Annually, an independent actuary engaged by the Board of Trustees of the retirement system calculates the amount of the annual contribution that the City of Decatur, Georgia must make to the pension plan to ensure that the plan will be able to fully meet its obligations to retired employees on a timely basis. The City of Decatur, Georgia fully funds each year's annual required contribution to the retirement system as determined by the actuary. As a result, the City of Decatur, Georgia contributed 9.22% of covered payroll during fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 to fund the system's liability for projected benefits earned by employees.

The City of Decatur, Georgia also provides post retirement health and dental care benefits for certain retirees and their dependents. As of the end of the current fiscal year, there were 72 retired employees receiving these benefits, which are financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. For the 2008-2009 fiscal year the City had to account for other post employment benefits in accordance with GASB Standard 45. An independent actuarial analysis determined that the City's net OPEB obligation for these benefits was \$2,345,423. This amount was accounted for as a liability on the City's statement of net assets.

Additional information on the City of Decatur, Georgia's pension arrangements and other post employment benefits can be found in Notes 9 and 10 in the notes to the financial statements.

# **Economic Factors**

Since the City is not reliant on sale tax as a primary revenue source, the immediate impact of the current economic recession has been moderate. Also, the City's housing market has avoided the mass foreclosures experienced by many communities and real estate has continued to hold its value. The real property digest grew approximately 4% from 2008 to 2009. The growth in the digest is expected to hold steady with some moderate growth in the upcoming years. Based on our current experience, the City's tax collection rate has not decreased and we have not experienced an increase in delinquent accounts. Other revenue concerns include the uncertain future of franchise taxes, legislative interference in restricting local government revenue sources and local government control of finance and budgeting decisions.

The unemployment rate for DeKalb County is currently 10.6 percent. Unemployment rates are not available for the City of Decatur but due to the diversity of the employment base, it is likely that the City's rate would be slightly lower. The occupancy rate of the government's central business district is approximately ninety percent as compared to surrounding areas that average a seventy-five percent occupancy rate. Inflationary trends in the region compare favorably to national indices. Vacancies in two downtown office buildings created by downsizing and the completion of the new permanent campus for CDC have been reduced by the relocation of DeVry Institute and the opening of a Decatur campus for the Art Institute of Atlanta. Residential living units in the central business district continue to add to the economic vitality of the district.

# Next Year's Budget

At June 30, 2009, unreserved fund balance in the general fund was approximately \$6,300,000. The City has appropriated (\$702,000) of this amount for spending in the 2010 fiscal year budget. This use of fund balance was recommended to avoid a millage rate increase. Next year's budget does not include funding for salary step increases but does include a one-time one pay period merit based adjustment. Other activities will include an emphasis on conservation of City resources; initiation of the ten-year strategic planning effort; development of environmental initiatives; performance measurement; and, capital investments through the general obligation bond financing that was approved in September 2006.

# **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Decatur's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the City Manager, 509 North McDonough Street, City of Decatur, Georgia 30030. This report and other financial reports can be viewed on the City of Decatur's website at <u>www.decaturga.com</u> within the Administrative Services Department section.

#### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2009

	P	rimary Governme	nt		Component Units				
	·			Downtown	Decatur	City			
	Governmental	Business-type		Development	Tourism	Schools of			
ASSETS	Activities	Activities	Total	Authority	Board	Decatur			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 22,333,783	\$ 3,420,538	\$ 25,754,321	\$ 503,477	\$ 35,941	\$ 22,643,488			
Taxes receivable	870,570	-	870,570	34,189	-	1,470,569			
Other receivables	360,815	-	360,815		-	163,426			
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	-	321,978	321,978	-	-	-			
Due from primary government	-	-	-	110,450	-	3,857,102			
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-	-	2,513,822			
Due from component unit	360,923	-	360,923	-	-	-			
Internal balances	523,779	(523,779)	-	-	-	-			
Inventory	-	-	-	-	-	21,639			
Prepaid items	1,164,214	-	1,164,214	9,635	-	-			
Restricted investments	518,017	-	518,017	-	-	-			
Other current assets	26,500	-	26,500	-	-	-			
Deferred charges, unamortized balance	342,522	-	342,522		-	-			
Capital assets:									
Non-depreciable	30,871,224	333.368	31,204,592	-	-	-			
Depreciable, net of accumulated depreciation	44,772,513	4,791,179	49,563,692		-	3,857,903			
Other non-current assets	608,522	57,991	666,513		-	-			
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Total assets	102,753,382	8,401,275	111,154,657	677,802	35,941	34,527,949			
LIABILITIES									
Accounts payable	1,012,651	128,656	1,141,307	20,497	5,633	1,368,557			
Accrued liabilities	2,373,189	144	2,373,333	-	-	5,078,922			
Unearned revenue	17,446	1,339,036	1,356,482	-	-	9,661,072			
Due to primary government	-	-	-	320,870	-	40,053			
Due to component unit	32,427	-	32,427	-	-	-			
Net OPEB obligation	2,141,357	204,066	2,345,423	-	-	-			
Certificates of participation due within one year	105,000	-	105,000	-	-	-			
Certificates of participation due in more than one year	3,695,000	-	3,695,000	-	-	-			
Claims and judgments payable due within one year	79,814	-	79,814	-	-	-			
Compensated absences, current	612,233	44,003	656,236	-	-	70,154			
Compensated absences, long-term	252,574	36,633	289,207	-	-	28,363			
Capital leases due within one year	166,221	31,511	197,732	-	-	245,039			
Capital leases due in more than one year	364,080	66,456	430,536	-	-	3,078,920			
Bonds payable due within one year	275,000	-	275,000		-	-			
Bonds payable due in more than one year	33,201,906		33,201,906						
Total liabilities	44,328,898	1,850,505	46,179,403	341,367	5,633	19,571,080			
NET ASSETS									
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	49,255,493	5,026,580	54,282,073	_	-	533,944			
Restricted for capital projects	+0,200,400	5,520,500	07,202,070	-	-	7,443,692			
Restricted for grant programs	- 128,939	-	- 128,939	-	-	7,440,092			
Unrestricted	9,040,052	- 1,524,190	10,564,242		30,308	- 6,979,233			
	0,040,002	1,024,100	10,007,242		00,000	0,010,200			
Total net assets	\$ 58,424,484	\$ 6,550,770	\$ 64,975,254	\$ 336,435	\$ 30,308	\$ 14,956,869			

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		Program Revenues							
					Operating		Capital		
	Charges for				Grants and	Grants and			
Functions/Programs	 Expenses		Services	С	ontributions	C	ontributions		
Primary government:									
Governmental activities:									
General government	\$ 6,382,117	\$	838,656	\$	52,436	\$	33,365		
Education	1,313,755		-		-		16,270,012		
Public safety	10,295,348		1,657,148		2,905		-		
Public works	3,855,322		88,550		-		98,374		
Recreation	3,162,768		1,074,569		300,384		17,500		
Interest on long-term debt	1,585,357		-		-		-		
Total governmental activities	 26,594,667		3,658,923		355,725		16,419,251		
Business-type activities:									
Conference center	363,040		84,093		-		-		
Stormwater	640,913		1,022,586		-		-		
Solid waste	2,016,506		2,266,119		-		-		
Total business-type activities	 3,020,459		3,372,798		-		-		
Total primary government	\$ 29,615,126	\$	7,031,721	\$	355,725	\$	16,419,251		
Component units:									
Downtown Development Authority	\$ 643,416	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
Decatur Tourism Board	24,702		-		-		-		
City Schools of Decatur	53,441,235		1,627,380		13,716,062		-		
Total component units	\$ 54,109,353	\$	1,627,380	\$	13,716,062	\$	-		

General revenues:

Property taxes

Franchise taxes

Sales taxes

Other taxes

Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs

Unrestricted investment earnings

Gain on sale of capital assets

Miscellaneous

Transfers

Total general revenues and transfers

Change in net assets

Net assets, beginning of year

Net assets, end of year

				I	Net (Expenses)	Rever	nues and					
					Changes in	Net A	ssets					
		Prima	ary Governmer	nt				Com	ponent Units			
6	overnmental	в.	isiness-type				owntown velopment		Decatur Fourism		City Schools of	
Ŭ	Activities		Activities	Total		Authority			Board	Decatur		
	Activities		Activities		Total				Doard		Decatur	
\$	(5,457,660)	\$	-	\$	(5,457,660)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
	14,956,257		-		14,956,257		-		-		-	
	(8,635,295)		-		(8,635,295)		-		-		-	
	(3,668,398)		-		(3,668,398)		-		-		-	
	(1,770,315)		-		(1,770,315)		-		-		-	
	(1,585,357)		-		(1,585,357)		-		-		-	
	(6,160,768)		-		(6,160,768)		-		-		-	
	-		(278,947)		(278,947)		-		-		-	
	-		381,673		381,673		-		-		-	
	-		249,613		249,613		-		-		-	
	-		352,339		352,339		-		-		-	
	(6,160,768)		352,339		(5,808,429)		-		-		-	
	-		-		-		(643,416)		-		-	
	-		-		-		-		(24,702)			
	-		-		-		-		-		(38,097,793)	
\$	-	\$		\$		\$	(643,416)	\$	(24,702)	\$	(38,097,793)	
\$	14,585,000	\$	-	\$	14,585,000	\$	446,568	\$	-	\$	24,151,999	
	1,364,341		-		1,364,341		, _		-		-	
	641,108		-		641,108		-		-		2,534,853	
	1,399,170		-		1,399,170		-		55,000		-	
	-		-		-		-		-		17,915	
	307,389		-		307,389		-		10		138,262	
	12,542		-		12,542		-		-		-	
	-		-		-		251,340		-		640,779	
	(483,640)		483,640		-		-		-		-	
	17,825,910		483,640		18,309,550		697,908		55,010		27,483,808	
	11,665,142		835,979		12,501,121		54,492		30,308		(10,613,985	
	46,759,342		5,714,791		52,474,133		281,943		-		25,570,854	
\$	58,424,484	\$	6,550,770	\$	64,975,254	\$	336,435	\$	30,308	\$	14,956,869	

#### BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

ASSETS	General Fund		In	Capital nprovement Fund	Go	Other overnmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	7,791,072	\$	12,356,349	\$	2,186,362	\$	22,333,783	
Taxes receivable		638,366		78,750		153,454		870,570	
Other receivables		207,209		11,962		141,644		360,815	
Due from other funds		306,848		182,565		615,130		1,104,543	
Due from component unit		320,870		-		40,053		360,923	
Restricted investments		-		518,017		-		518,017	
Advances to other funds		-		252,865		-		252,865	
Prepaid expenditures		390,755		48,484		724,975		1,164,214	
Other current assets		26,500		-		-		26,500	
Total assets	\$	9,681,620	\$	13,448,992	\$	3,861,618	\$	26,992,230	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
LIABILITIES									
Accounts payable	\$	993,026	\$	-	\$	19,625	\$	1,012,651	
Accrued liabilities		1,217,645		374,946		2,283		1,594,874	
Deferred revenue:		496,401		62,960		138,601		697,962	
Due to other funds		276,257		-		482,425		758,682	
Due to component unit Advances from other funds		7,427		-		25,000 74,947		32,427 74,947	
Total liabilities		2,990,756		437,906		742,881	·	4,171,543	
FUND BALANCES Fund balances: Reserved for:									
Long-term advances		-		252,865		-		252,865	
Prepaid expenditures		390,755		48,484		724,975		1,164,214	
Program expenditures		-		11,856		117,083		128,939	
Tree preservation		-		-		19,303		19,303	
Debt service Capital projects		-		- 11,418,963		501,268		501,268 11,418,963	
Unreserved, reported in				11,410,000				11,410,000	
General fund		6,300,109		-		-		6,300,109	
Special revenue funds		-		-		1,474,595		1,474,595	
Capital projects funds		-		1,278,918		281,513		1,560,431	
Total fund balances		6,690,864		13,011,086		3,118,737		22,820,687	
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	9,681,620	\$	13,448,992	\$	3,861,618			
Amounts reported for governmen Capital assets used in gover					e diffe	rent because:			
resources and, therefore, a Some receivables are not av		•		od				75,643,737	
expenditures and therefore	are de	ferred in the fu	nds					680 516	

Some receivables are not available to pay for current-period	
expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	680,516
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and,	
therefore are not reported in the funds.	(41,328,978)
Net pension asset that is not a financial resource used in governmental	
activities and therefore not reported in governmental funds.	 608,522
Net assets of governmental activities	\$ 58,424,484

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		General Fund	In	Capital nprovement Fund	Go	Other overnmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Revenues								
Taxes	\$	14,737,972	\$	1,122,397	\$	2,052,001	\$	17,912,370
Licenses and permits		439,945		-		-		439,945
Intergovernmental		326,370		113,247		7,915		447,532
Fines and forfeitures		510,648		-		950		511,598
Charges for services		1,114,800		-		1,197,317		2,312,117
Interest income		86,250		208,069		13,070		307,389
Contributions		6,128		-		290,488		296,616
Other revenues		50,809		35,992		69,278		156,079
Total revenues		17,272,922		1,479,705		3,631,019	·	22,383,646
Expenditures								
Current:								
General government		5,368,157		269,039		167,089		5,804,285
Education		-		-		9,626		9,626
Public safety		7,959,125		-		707,605		8,666,730
Public works		3,080,526		-		-		3,080,526
Recreation		1,380,644		-		1,446,635		2,827,279
Capital outlay		-		4,181,776		-		4,181,776
Debt service:								
Principal retirements		-		259,390		-		259,390
Interest and fiscal charges		-		150,408		1,441,226		1,591,634
Total expenditures		17,788,452		4,860,613		3,772,181		26,421,246
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	. <u> </u>	(515,530)		(3,380,908)		(141,162)		(4,037,600)
Other financing sources (uses):								
Proceeds from sale of capital assets		17,817		-		-		17,817
Transfers in		644,829		-		1,623,630		2,268,459
Transfers out		(670,000)		(149,469)		(1,932,630)		(2,752,099)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(7,354)		(149,469)		(309,000)		(465,823)
Net change in fund balance		(522,884)		(3,530,377)		(450,162)		(4,503,423)
Fund balances, beginning of year		7,213,748		16,541,463		3,568,899		27,324,110
Fund balances, end of year	\$	6,690,864	\$	13,011,086	\$	3,118,737	\$	22,820,687

#### RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (4,503,423)
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 capital outlay exceeded depreciation in the current period.	1,717,717
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e. donations and sales) is to increase net assets.	16,264,737
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	77,249
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmentalfunds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	255,368
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	 (2,146,506)
Change in net assets - governmental activities	\$ 11,665,142

#### GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Bu	dget		Variance With Final Budget	
	Original	Final	Actual		
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 14,706,200	\$ 14,725,100	\$ 14,737,972	\$ 12,872	
Licenses and permits	615,500	400,100	439,945	39,845	
Fines and forfeitures	660,000	519,500	510,648	(8,852)	
Interest	300,000	90,000	86,250	(3,750)	
Charges for services	1,159,830	1,110,800	1,114,800	4,000	
Intergovernmental	319,650	320,870	326,370	5,500	
Contributions	-	-	6,128	6,128	
Miscellaneous	61,100	63,900	50,809	(13,091)	
Total revenues	17,822,280	17,230,270	17,272,922	42,652	
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government:					
Commission	146,920	154,120	130,699	23,421	
Manager	921,250	917,670	881,687	35,983	
Administrative services	1,564,380	1,556,770	1,541,820	14,950	
Attorney	450,000	150,000	80,453	69,547	
Community & economic development	1,002,290	1,023,320	1,026,031	(2,711)	
Development and inspection	479,940	486,170	492,717	(6,547)	
Accounting, collection and records Total general government	<u>1,289,650</u> 5,854,430	<u> </u>	<u>1,214,750</u> 5,368,157	<u>53,770</u> 188,413	
Public safety:					
General management	914,880	1,006,210	1,037,153	(30,943)	
Fire	3,216,660	3,329,190	3,502,127	(172,937)	
Police	3,621,800	3,477,640	3,419,845	57,795	
Total public safety	7,753,340	7,813,040	7,959,125	(146,085)	
Public works:					
Engineering	786,540	687,820	627,890	59,930	
Motor maintenance	527,970	526,690	598,161	(71,471)	
Buildings and grounds maintenance	1,480,690	1,497,790	1,478,810	18,980	
Cemetery	414,820	397,710	375,665	22,045	
Total public works	3,210,020	3,110,010	3,080,526	29,484	
Recreation	1,324,370	1,340,010	1,380,644	(40,634)	
Total expenditures	18,142,160	17,819,630	17,788,452	31,178	
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(319,880)	(589,360)	(515,530)	73,830	
Other financing sources (uses)					
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	15,000	12,000	17,817	5,817	
Transfers out	(890,000)	(670,000)	(670,000)	-	
Transfers in	673,900	640,360	644,829	4,469	
Total other financing sources (uses)	(201,100)	(17,640)	(7,354)	10,286	
Net change in fund balances	(520,980)	(607,000)	(522,884)	84,116	
Fund balances, beginning of year	7,213,748	7,213,748	7,213,748		
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 6,692,768	\$ 6,606,748	\$ 6,690,864	\$ 84,116	

#### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS June 30, 2009

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds							
ASSETS	Conference & Parking Deck Fund	Stormwater Utility Fund	Solid Waste Fund	Totals				
CURRENT ASSETS								
Cash	\$ 526,439	\$ 2,015,576	\$ 878,523	\$ 3,420,538				
Accounts receivable	6,000	104,270	211,708	321,978				
Total current assets	532,439	2,119,846	1,090,231	3,742,516				
NONCURRENT ASSETS								
Construction in progress	-	53,303	-	53,303				
Land	194,860	85,205	-	280,065				
Infrastructure	-	3,749,424	-	3,749,424				
Buildings	8,469,375	-	-	8,469,375				
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	<u>184,882</u> 8,849,117	<u>189,807</u> 4,077,739	<u>1,784,370</u> 1,784,370	2,159,059				
Accumulated depreciation	(6,002,181)	(2,237,392)	(1,347,106)	(9,586,679)				
Total capital assets	2,846,936	1,840,347	437,264	5,124,547				
	· · · · · ·	i	. <u> </u>	i				
Other noncurrent assets	-	17,784	40,207	57,991				
Total noncurrent assets	2,846,936	1,858,131	477,471	5,182,538				
Total assets	3,379,375	3,977,977	1,567,702	8,925,054				
LIABILITIES								
CURRENT LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	44,410	5,848	78,398	128,656				
Accrued liabilities	-	144	-	144				
Compensated absences payable	-	13,699	30,304	44,003				
Due to other funds	-	93,073	252,788	345,861				
Deferred revenue	-	408,421	930,615 31,511	1,339,036 31,511				
Capital lease, due within one year			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Total current liabilities	44,410	521,185	1,323,616	1,889,211				
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES								
Capital lease, due in more than one year	-	-	66,456	66,456				
Compensated absences - long term	-	-	36,633	36,633				
Net OPEB obligation	-	62,579	141,487	204,066				
Advances from other funds		32,985	144,933	177,918				
Total noncurrent liabilities		95,564	389,509	485,073				
Total liabilities	44,410	616,749	1,713,125	2,374,284				
NET ASSETS								
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	2,846,936	1,840,347	339,297	5,026,580				
Unrestricted	488,029	1,520,881	(484,720)	1,524,190				
Total net assets	\$ 3,334,965	\$ 3,361,228	\$ (145,423)	\$ 6,550,770				

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		Bu	sines	s-type Activit	ies -	Enterprise Fu	nds		
		Parking Utility Waste				Solid Waste Fund	ste		
OPERATING REVENUE Storm water fees Sanitation fees Charges for sales and services Miscellaneous	\$	- - 84,093 -	\$	1,022,487 - - 99	\$	- 2,258,351 - 7,768	\$	1,022,487 2,258,351 84,093 7,867	
Total operating revenues		84,093		1,022,586		2,266,119		3,372,798	
OPERATING EXPENSES Cost of sales and services Depreciation and amortization		80,307 269,601		549,858 91,055		1,868,032 143,866		2,498,197 504,522	
Total operating expenses		349,908		640,913		2,011,898		3,002,719	
Operating income (loss)		(265,815)		381,673		254,221		370,079	
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES Interest expense Total non-operating expenses		(13,132) (13,132)		-		(4,608) (4,608)		(17,740) (17,740)	
Income (loss) before transfers		(278,947)		381,673		249,613		352,339	
Transfers in Transfers out		898,000 - 898,000		- (261,430) (261,430)		- (152,930) (152,930)		898,000 (414,360) 483,640	
Change in net assets		619,053		120,243		96,683		835,979	
Total net assets, beginning		2,715,912		3,240,985		(242,106)		5,714,791	
Total net assets, ending	\$	3,334,965	\$	3,361,228	\$	(145,423)	\$	6,550,770	

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		В	usine	ess-type Activ	/ities	- Enterprise F	unds	i
		nference & Parking eck Fund	S	tormwater Utility Fund	Solid Waste Fund			Totals
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Receipts from customers and users Payments to suppliers Payments to employees		84,093 (69,918)	\$	979,631 (588,604) (281,295)	\$	2,268,676 (2,224,486) (582,783)	\$	3,332,400 (2,883,008) (864,078)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		14,175		109,732		(538,593)		(414,686)
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Transfers in from other funds Transfers out to other funds Repayment of advances from other funds		1,248,000 - -		(261,430) (21,990)		- (152,930) (204,892)		1,248,000 (414,360) (226,882)
Net cash provided by (used in) non-capital financing activities		1,248,000		(283,420)		(357,822)		606,758
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Principal payments on capital leases Interest paid Purchases of capital assets Net cash used in capital and related		(765,000) (19,698) (20,163)		(185,063)		(30,419) (4,608) (26,800)		(795,419) (24,306) (232,026)
financing activities		(804,861)		(185,063)		(61,827)		(1,051,751)
Net increase (decrease) in cash		457,314		(358,751)		(958,242)		(859,679)
Cash, beginning of year		69,125		2,374,327		1,836,765	<u> </u>	4,280,217
Cash, end of year	\$	526,439	\$	2,015,576	\$	878,523	\$	3,420,538
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	\$	(265,815)	\$	381,673	\$	254,221	\$	370,079
Depreciation and amortization Change in assets and liabilities:		269,601		91,055		143,866		504,522
Decrease (increase) in fees receivable Decrease in due from other funds		-		(39,955) -		35,168 376,840		(4,787) 376,840
Increase in other noncurrent assets Increase (decrease) in accounts payable Decrease in accrued liabilities		- 35,612 -		(17,784) (3,657) (37,257)		(40,207) (23,865) (69,782)		(57,991) 8,090 (107,039)
Increase in compensated absences payable Increase in Net OPEB obligation Decrease in deferred revenue		- -		8,923 62,579 (3,000)		36,723 141,487 (32,611)		45,646 204,066 (35,611)
Decrease in due to other funds		(25,223)		(332,845)		(1,360,433)		(1,718,501)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	14,175	\$	109,732	\$	(538,593)	\$	(414,686)

#### STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

ASSETS	Pension Trust Fund	Agency Funds
Cash Mutual funds Benefits receivable	\$	\$ 3,998,212 - -
Total assets	20,589,783	3,998,212
LIABILITIES		
Due to others	-	63,087
Due to component unit		3,935,125
Total liabilities		3,998,212
NET ASSETS		
Assets held in trust for pension benefits	\$ 20,589,783	<u>\$</u>

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS PENSION TRUST FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

ADDITIONS Contributions	
Plan member contributions	\$ 811,233
Employer contributions	 763,973
Total contributions	 1,575,206
Investment income	
Net depreciation in fair value of investmets	(2,791,314)
Interest and dividends	 498,823
Total investment income	 (2,292,491)
Total additions	 (717,285)
DEDUCTIONS	
Benefit payments	1,130,213
Refunds paid to Plan members and beneficiaries	108,886
Administrative fees	 113,106
Total deductions	 1,352,205
Net decrease in net assets	(2,069,490)
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS: Beginning of year	22,659,273
	 22,003,210
End of year	\$ 20,589,783

# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the City of Decatur, Georgia (the "City") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. 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 City's accounting policies are described below.

# A. Reporting Entity

The City operates under a commission/manager form of government and provides the following services to its citizens: public safety, public works, parks and recreation, public improvements, and general and administrative services. Additionally, the City owns and contracts for management of a parking deck and convention center for the benefit of the downtown Decatur area.

The accompanying financial statements present the City and its component units, entities for which the City is considered to be financially accountable. Each discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the City.

The City Schools of Decatur has been included as a discretely presented component unit in the accompanying financial statements. The City Schools of Decatur does not have the power to levy taxes, determine its own budget without the approval of the City of Decatur, Georgia, or issue bonded debt. Separate financial statements for the City Schools of Decatur can be obtained from their administrative offices at 758 Scott Boulevard, Decatur, Georgia 30030.

The Decatur Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") has been included as a discretely presented component unit in the accompanying financial statements. The City levies and collects its taxes and appoints its board. Financial information with regard to the DDA can be obtained from the DDA's administrative offices at 509 North McDonough Street, Decatur, Georgia 30030. Separate financial statements for the Downtown Development Authority are not prepared.

The Decatur Tourism Board (the "DTB") has been included as a discretely presented component unit in the accompanying financial statements. The Board does not have the power to levy taxes or issue bonded debt. Financial information with regard to the DTB can be obtained from the DTB's administrative offices at 509 North McDonough Street, Decatur, Georgia 30030. Separate financial statements for the Decatur Tourism Board are not prepared.

#### B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. Government-wide financial statements do not provide information by fund, but distinguish between the City's governmental activities and business-type activities. Governmental activities, which are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from discretely presented component units. The statement of net assets will include non-current assets and non-current liabilities. In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reflects depreciation expense on the City's capital assets. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. However, any interfund services provided and used are not eliminated as this process would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported in the various functions.

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

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

#### C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Agency funds have no measurement focus; however, they use the accrual basis of accounting to recognize assets and liabilities. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to accounting. compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

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

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 33, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions," the corresponding assets (receivables) in non-exchange transactions are recognized in the period in which the underlying exchange occurs, when an enforceable legal claim has arisen, when all eligibility requirements have been met, or when resources are received, depending on the revenue source.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

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

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

The **Capital Improvement Fund** accounts for the receipts and expenditures of money for major capital projects. This fund is general in nature and may be used to finance any capital project that the City Commission designates.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The **Conference and Parking Deck Fund** accounts for the activity of the conference center and parking deck.

The **Stormwater Utility Fund** accounts for the collection of fees for upgrades to stormwater drains and related expenses.

The **Solid Waste Fund** accounts for the collection of fees for garbage collection, disposal and recycling programs and related expenses.

The City also reports the following fund types:

The **Pension Trust Fund** accounts for the accumulation of resources to be used for retirement annuity payments at appropriate amounts and times in the future. Resources are contributed by employees and the City at rates determined by actuarial computations.

**Agency funds** are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting, and are used to account for funds that the City holds for others in an agency capacity, including municipal court bonds and property taxes.

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

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise funds are charges for goods and services provided. Operating expenses of the enterprise funds include the cost of these goods and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the City's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### D. Budgets

Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for all funds. The budgets for the proprietary funds are for management control purposes and are not required to be reported. Budgets are adopted on a modified accrual basis, which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for governmental funds. All appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. Encumbrance accounting - under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation - is not employed by the City.

## E. Deposits and Investments

Georgia statutes authorize the City to invest in the following: (1) obligations of Georgia or any other state; (2) obligations of the United States; (3) obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the United States government or one of its agencies; (4) obligations of any corporation of the United States government; (5) prime bankers' acceptances; (6) the State of Georgia local government investment pool; (7) repurchase agreements; and (8) obligations of any other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia. Any investment or deposit in excess of the federal depository insured amounts must be collateralized by an equivalent amount of state or U.S. obligations. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of less than 90 days are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments are reported at fair value as determined by quoted market prices.

#### F. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year as well as all other outstanding balances between funds is reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, represent long-term borrowing arrangements with established repayment schedules, and are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

#### G. Inventories

The costs of governmental fund type inventories (which are not significant to the City) are recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed (purchase method).

#### H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2009, are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### I. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the City as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Infrastructure (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) prior to July 1, 2002 have been reported.

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

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

Assets	Years
Machinery and equipment	3-20
Vehicles	5
Land improvements	15-20
Infrastructure	15-50
Buildings and improvements	30-50

#### J. Compensated Absences

It is the City's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. There is no liability for non-vesting accumulated rights to receive sick pay benefits since the City does not have a policy to pay any amounts when employees separate from service with the City. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

## K. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable discount or premium. Issuance costs are reported as deferred charges.

Proprietary fund type loans payable are reported as liabilities at their outstanding value. Loan issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the loan using the effective interest method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types report the face amount of debt issued and related premiums or discounts as other financing sources and bond issuance costs as expenditures.

## L. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

#### M. Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTE 2. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# A. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Government-wide Statement of Net Assets

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between *fund balance – total governmental funds* and *net assets – governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of net assets. One element of that reconciliation explains that "long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds." The details of this \$41,328,978 difference are as follows:

Capital leases payable	\$ (530,301)
Certificates of participation	(3,800,000)
Claims and judgements payable	(79,814)
Accrued interest payable	(778,315)
Net OPEB obligation	(2,141,357)
Bonds payable	(33,245,000)
Bond issuance costs	342,522
Unamortized premium	(231,906)
Compensated absences	 (864,807)

Net adjustment to reduce fund balance - total governmental funds to arrive at net assets - governmental activities \$ (41,328,978)

#### B. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-wide Statement of Activities

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between *net changes in fund balances – total governmental funds* and *changes in net assets of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation explains that "Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their useful lives and reported as depreciation expense." The details of this \$1,717,717 difference are as follows:

Capital outlay	\$ 4,256,916
Depreciation expense	 (2,539,199)
Net adjustment to increase net changes in fund balances - total	
governmental funds to arrive at changes in net assets of	
governmental activities	\$ 1,717,717

# NOTE 2. RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# B. Explanation of Certain Differences Between the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances and the Government-wide Statement of Activities (Continued)

Another element of that reconciliation explains that "The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets." The details of this \$255,368 difference are as follows:

Amortization of premium and deferred charges	\$ (4,022)
Principal retirement of long-term debt	259,390
Net adjustment to increase net changes in fund balances - total	
governmental funds to arrive at changes in net assets of	
governmental activities	\$ 255,368

Another element of that reconciliation explains that "Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds." The details of this \$2,146,506 difference are as follows:

Compensated absences	\$ 114,674
Claims and judgments	(149,132)
Net arbitrage rebate	(27,464)
Net other post-employement benefits (OPEB) obligation	2,141,357
Net pension asset	77,370
Accrued interest	 (10,299)
Net adjustment to decrease net changes in fund balances - total	
governmental funds to arrive at changes in net assets of	
governmental activities	\$ 2,146,506

## NOTE 3. LEGAL COMPLIANCE - BUDGETS

The City of Decatur, Georgia employs the following procedures in establishing its annual budget:

- 1. In accordance with the Fiscal Control Ordinance of the City, the City Manager submits a proposed operating budget to the City Commissioners. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means for financing them.
- 2. Prior to any action by the Commissioners, the City publishes the proposed budget in the official legal organ, other community newspapers and makes copies available to the residents of the City.
- 3. Public meetings are held to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 4. The budget is then legally enacted through passage of a resolution by the City Commission.
- 5. Budgetary control is exercised at the department level. The City Manager is authorized to transfer budget amounts within a department; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of a department require a budget amendment by the City Commissioners. Budget amounts shown in these financial statements reflect amendments approved by the City Commissioners. Such amendments resulted in no supplemental appropriations.

The following funds and General Fund departments had excesses of actual expenditures over appropriations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009:

Economic Development Fund Hotel/Motel Tax Fund Debt Service Fund	\$ (4,847) (1,000) (3,856)
General Fund departments:	
Community & economic development	(2,711)
Development and inspection	(6,547)
General management	(30,943)
Fire	(172,937)
Motor maintenance	(71,471)
Recreation	(40,634)

These over expenditures were funded by greater than anticipated revenues and by available fund balance.

# NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

As of June 30, 2009, the City had \$19,634,252 invested on behalf of a defined pension fund and \$518,017 invested for its governmental funds. The City has adopted a separate policy for pension fund assets in compliance with state law. The City's pension fund assets are invested in U.S. Government money market funds, stock mutual funds, and taxable bond funds based on asset allocation ranges and performance benchmarks.

Investment	Maturities	Fair Value			
Guaranteed Investment Contract	June 1, 2028	\$	518,017		
Stock mutual funds	(1)		8,629,071		
Taxable bond mutual funds	5.58 average effective duration		11,005,181		
Georgia Fund 1	41 days		11,418,963		
Total		\$	31,571,232		

(1) Stock mutual funds are not impacted by changes in interest rates.

**Interest rate risk:** The Pension program investment policy limits the duration of fixed income investments to a range of +/- one year of the Lehman Brothers Aggregate Index. The Lehman Brothers Aggregate Index at June 30, 2009 was 4.32 years. The City does not have a formal investment policy, outside of the policy for the pension investments, which limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

**Credit risk:** State statutes authorize the City to invest in obligations of the State of Georgia or other states; obligations issued by the U.S. government; obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the U.S. government or by a government agency of the United States; obligations of any corporation of the U.S. government; prime bankers' acceptances; the local government investment pool established by state law; repurchase agreements; and obligations of other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia. As of June 30, 2009, the City's investment in Georgia Fund 1 was rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's.

It is the City's policy to limit its pension investments to mutual funds, separate accounts, or collective unit trusts that invest in any combination of the following permitted categories:

- Cash and cash equivalents, including money market funds and stable value funds;
- Fixed income (bonds of U.S. corporate and government issuers, asset-backed securities, commercial paper or similar fixed income contracts);
- Domestic Equities (Stocks).

The underlying investments in the taxable bond mutual funds had average ratings ranging from AAA to BBB-.

#### NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The local government investment pool, "Georgia Fund 1," created by OCGA 36-83-8, is a stable net asset value investment pool, which follows Standard and Poor's criteria for AAAm rated money market funds and is regulated by the Georgia Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services. However, Georgia Fund 1 operates in a manner consistent with Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and is considered to be a 2a-7 like pool. The pool is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. The pool's primary objectives are safety of capital, investment income, liquidity and diversification while maintaining principal (\$1 per share value). Net asset value is calculated weekly to ensure stability. The pool distributes earnings (net of management fees) on a monthly basis and determines participant's shares sold and redeemed based on \$1 per share. The regulatory oversight agency for Georgia Fund 1 is the Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services of the State of Georgia. As of June 30, 2009, the City considers amounts held in Georgia Fund 1 as cash equivalents for financial statement presentation.

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits:** Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes, and City policy, require all deposits and investments (other than federal or state government instruments) to be collateralized by depository insurance, obligations of the U.S. government, or bonds of public authorities, counties, or municipalities. As of June 30, 2009, the City had a bank balance of \$448,151 that was uninsured and uncollaterized.

#### NOTE 5. RECEIVABLES

Property taxes are levied on property values assessed as of January 1. The tax levy is divided into two billings. The first billing is mailed April 1, and the second billing is mailed no later than October 20. The billings are considered due upon receipt by the taxpayer; however, the actual due dates are June 1 and December 20. After these dates, the bill becomes delinquent and penalties and interest may be assessed by the City.

Property taxes are recorded as receivables and deferred revenues when assessed. Revenues are recognized when available.

Enterprise fund solid waste fees and stormwater fees are billed annually on April 1 for the calendar year and are due June 1.

Receivables at June 30, 2009, for the City's individual major funds and nonmajor funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts are as follows:

	General	Capital rovement	&	nference Parking Deck	St	ormwater Utility	 Solid Waste	 Other vernmental Funds
Receivables:								
Taxes	\$ 654,642	\$ 82,715	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 155,215
Accounts	-	-		6,000		154,070	367,557	-
Other	207,209	11,962		-		-	-	141,644
Less allowance								
for uncollectible	(16,276)	(3,965)		-		(49,800)	(155,849)	(1,761)
Net total receivable	\$ 845,575	\$ 90,712	\$	6,000	\$	104,270	\$ 211,708	\$ 295,098

# NOTE 6. CAPITAL ASSETS

#### **Primary Government**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, is as follows:

	 Beginning Balance	Increases			Decreases	Ending Balance	
Governmental activities:							
Capital assets, not being depreciated:							
Land	\$ 2,384,951	\$	373,565	\$	-	\$	2,758,516
Construction in progress	11,007,511		18,260,568		(1,155,371)		28,112,708
Total	 13,392,462		18,634,133		(1,155,371)		30,871,224
Capital assets, being depreciated:							
Land improvements	960,347		25,000		-		985,347
Infrastructure	20,908,186		30,950		-		20,939,136
Buildings and improvements	50,915,180		2,819,710		-		53,734,890
Machinery and equipment	3,670,357		37,810		-		3,708,167
Vehicles	3,862,812		134,696		(221,050)		3,776,458
Total	80,316,882		3,048,166		(221,050)		83,143,998
Less accumulated depreciation for:							
Land improvements	(677,136)		(47,886)		-		(725,022)
Infrastructure	(12,986,126)		(518,821)		-		(13,504,947)
Buildings and improvements	(16,750,986)		(1,474,238)		-		(18,225,224)
Machinery and equipment	(2,701,799)		(159,350)		-		(2,861,149)
Vehicles	(2,932,014)		(338,904)		215,775		(3,055,143)
Total	 (36,048,061)		(2,539,199)		215,775		(38,371,485)
Total capital assets, being							
depreciated, net	 44,268,821		508,967		(5,275)		44,772,513
Governmental activities							
capital assets, net	\$ 57,661,283	\$	19,143,100	\$	(1,160,646)	\$	75,643,737

Included in buildings and improvements and construction in progress for governmental activities are school facilities used by the City Schools of Decatur but owned by the City.

# NOTE 6. CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Business-type activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	\$ 27,998	\$ 25,305	\$-	\$ 53,303
Land	280,065			280,065
Total	308,063	25,305		333,368
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Infrastructure	3,749,424	-	-	3,749,424
Buildings	8,469,375	-	-	8,469,375
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	2,112,096	46,963		2,159,059
Total	14,330,895	46,963		14,377,858
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	(2,007,787)	(80,690)	-	(2,088,477)
Buildings	(5,584,115)	(265,153)	-	(5,849,268)
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	(1,494,137)	(154,797)	-	(1,648,934)
Total	(9,086,039)	(500,640)	-	(9,586,679)
Total capital assets, being	5.244.856	(452 677)		4 701 170
depreciated, net	0,244,800	(453,677)		4,791,179
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 5,552,919	\$ (428,372)	\$ -	\$ 5,124,547
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Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 121,628
Education	367,828
Public safety	615,677
Public works	129,937
Recreation	 1,304,129
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 2,539,199
Business-type activities:	
Conference and Parking Deck	\$ 265,719
Stormwater	91,055
Sanitation	 143,866
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	\$ 500,640

# NOTE 6. CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

#### **City Schools of Decatur**

	Beginning Balance		Increases		Decreases		 Ending Balance
Governmental activities:							
Capital assets, being depreciated: Leasehold improvements Equipment Total	\$	3,615,047 1,942,684 5,557,731	\$	277,344 277,344	\$	- -	\$ 3,615,047 2,220,028 5,835,075
Less accumulated depreciation for: Leasehold improvements Equipment Total		(682,842) (770,247) (1,453,089)		(241,003) (283,080) (524,083)		-	(923,845) (1,053,327) (1,977,172)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		4,104,642		(246,739)		-	3,857,903
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	4,104,642	\$	(246,739)	\$	_	\$ 3,857,903

# NOTE 7. LONG-TERM DEBT

#### Primary Government

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2009, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions		Reductions		Ending Balance		Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:								
General obligation bonds	\$ 33,245,000	\$ -	\$	-	\$	33,245,000	\$	275,000
Plus issuance premium	 240,339	 -		(8,433)		231,906		
Total bonds payable	 33,485,339	 -		(8,433)		33,476,906		
Capital leases	689,691	-		(159,390)		530,301		166,221
Certificates of participation	3,900,000	-		(100,000)		3,800,000		105,000
Claims and judgments	228,946	11,168		(160,300)		79,814		79,814
Other long-term liability	54,553	-		(54,553)		-		-
Net OPEB obligation	-	2,141,357		-		2,141,357		-
Compensated absences	 750,133	 645,725		(531,051)		864,807		612,233
Governmental activity								
Long-term liabilities	\$ 39,108,662	\$ 2,798,250	\$	(1,013,727)	\$	40,893,185	\$	1,238,268

	eginning Balance	 Additions	R	eductions	 Ending Balance	_	ue Within Dne Year
Business-type activities: Capital leases - due to							
component unit	\$ 765,000	\$ -	\$	(765,000)	\$ -	\$	-
Less deferred amounts	(1,120)	-		1,120	-		
	763,880	 -		(763,880)	 -		
Capital lease	128,386	-		(30,419)	97,967		31,511
Net OPEB obligation	-	204,066		-	204,066		-
Compensated absences	81,812	55,641		(56,817)	80,636		44,003
Business-type activity Long-term liabilities	\$ 974,078	\$ 259,707	\$	(851,116)	\$ 382,669	\$	75,514

For governmental funds, compensated absences, OPEB obligations, and claims and judgments are liquidated by the General Fund. For business-type activities, compensated absences and OPEB obligations are liquidated by the Stormwater Utility Fund and the Solid Waste Fund.

**Capital Leases - Equipment.** The City has entered into lease agreements as lessee for financing the acquisition of equipment (including communication equipment), machinery, and improvements used in general governmental activities and business-type activities. The lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes (titles transfer at the end of the lease terms) and, therefore, have been recorded at the present values of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inceptions. As of June 30, 2009, the City had \$1,016,427 and \$162,458 for governmental activities and business-type activities, respectively, of machinery and equipment under capital leases.

The City's total capital lease debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

	Governmental Activities		iness-type ctivities
Fiscal Year Ending June 30,			
2010	\$	189,020	\$ 35,028
2011		148,366	35,028
2012		148,366	35,028
2013		96,650	 -
Total minimum lease payments		582,402	 105,084
Less amount representing interest		52,101	7,117
Present value of future minimum lease payments	\$	530,301	\$ 97,967

**Certificates of Participation.** In June 1998, the City entered into a lease pool agreement with the Georgia Municipal Association (the "Association"). The funding of the lease pool was provided by the issuance of \$150,126,000 Certificates of Participation by the Association. The Association passed the net proceeds through to the participating municipalities with the City's participation totaling \$1,320,000. The lease pool agreement with the Association provides that the City owns their portion of the assets invested by the pool and is responsible for the payment of their portion of the principal and interest of the Certificates of Participation. The principal of \$1,320,000 is due in a lump sum payment on June 1, 2028. Interest is payable at a rate of 4.75% each year. The City draws from the investment to lease equipment from the Association. The lease pool agreement requires the City to make lease payments back into its investment account to fund the principal and interest requirements of the 1998 GMA Certificates of Participation.

In July 2005, the City issued certificates of participation, Series 2005, in the principal amount of \$2,810,000 with principal and interest payments beginning January 1, 2006 through January 1, 2026 at an interest rate of 3.91%. Proceeds were used to acquire, construct, install and equip certain renovations and additions to its City Hall.

Principal	Interest	Total
The City's total certificates of participation debt service requireme		e as ioliows.

The City's total partificator of participation dobt convice requirements to maturity are as follows:

	Principal	Interest	lotal
Fiscal Year Ending June 30,			
2010	\$ 105,000	\$ 159,668	\$ 264,668
2011	110,000	155,563	265,563
2012	115,000	151,262	266,262
2013	120,000	146,765	266,765
2014	125,000	142,073	267,073
2015-2019	690,000	634,120	1,324,120
2020-2024	835,000	488,277	1,323,277
2025-2028	1,700,000	210,583	1,910,583
Total	\$ 3,800,000	\$ 2,088,311	\$ 5,888,311

**General Obligation Bonds.** In January 2007 the City issued \$33,245,000 of Various Purpose Series 2007 General Obligation Bonds, with a premium of \$252,988. The proceeds from the bonds will be used to pay for the costs of acquiring, constructing, equipping and renovating certain transportation projects, parks and recreation projects, public safety projects, public works projects and projects for the City Schools of Decatur as well as the issuance costs.

General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the government. The bonds were issued as 30-year serial bonds with interest rates ranging from 3.75% to 5.00%. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

	Principal	Interest		Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30,				
2010	\$ 275,000	\$	1,441,769	\$ 1,716,769
2011	355,000		1,431,456	1,786,456
2012	440,000		1,418,144	1,858,144
2013	475,000		1,400,544	1,875,544
2014	520,000		1,381,544	1,901,544
2015-2019	3,315,000		6,558,919	9,873,919
2020-2024	4,790,000		5,784,519	10,574,519
2025-2029	6,730,000		4,621,194	11,351,194
2030-2034	9,275,000		2,771,500	12,046,500
2035-2037	 7,070,000		613,063	 7,683,063
Total	\$ 33,245,000	\$	27,422,652	\$ 60,667,652

#### **City Schools of Decatur**

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2009, is as follows:

	Beginning Balance		Additions	Reductions			Ending Balance		ue Within Dne Year
Governmental activities:									
Capital leases	\$	3,645,136	\$ -	\$	(321,177)	\$	3,323,959	\$	245,039
Compensated absences Other long term liability,		99,881	70,286		(71,650)		98,517		70,154
due to primary government		27,089	 -		(27,089)		-		
Governmental activity Long-term liabilities	\$	3,772,106	\$ 70,286	\$	(419,916)	\$	3,422,476	\$	315,193

Future required minimum payments on the City Schools of Decatur's capital leases are as follows at June 30, 2009:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,

2010	\$ 454,697
2011	251,590
2012	251,590
2013	251,590
2014	251,590
2015-2019	1,257,950
2020-2024	1,257,950
2025-2026	293,523
	 4,270,480
Less amount representing interest	(946,521)
Net present value of capitalized lease obligation	\$ 3,323,959

# NOTE 8. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2009, is as follows:

Due to / from other funds:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount		
General Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$	101,814	
General Fund	Solid Waste Fund		121,984	
General Fund	Storm water Utility Fund		83,050	
Capital Projects Fund	General Fund		4,265	
Capital Projects Fund	Solid Waste Fund		130,804	
Capital Projects Fund	Stormwater Utility Fund		10,023	
Capital Projects Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds		37,473	
Nonmajor governmental funds	General Fund		271,992	
Nonmajor governmental funds	Nonmajor governmental funds		343,138	
		\$	1,104,543	

All interfund balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

# NOTE 8. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS (Continued)

Due to/from primary government and component units:

Receivable Entity	Payable Entity	 Amount
Primary government -	Component unit - Downtown	
General Fund	Development Authority	\$ 320,870
Primary government -	Component unit - City Schools	
Grant Fund	of Decatur	40,053
Component unit - Downtown	Primary government -	
Development Authority	General Fund	7,427
Component unit - Downtown	Primary government -	
Development Authority	Grant Fund	25,000
Component unit - Downtown	Primary government - Downtown	
Development Authority	Development Authority Fund (Agency)	78,023
Component unit - City Schools	Primary government - Board	
of Decatur	of Education Fund (Agency)	 3,857,102
		\$ 4,328,475

Interfund transfers:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	Amount
Nonmajor governmental funds	General Fund	\$ 670,000
General Fund	Solid Waste Fund	\$ 152,930
General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	149,469
General Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds	81,000
General Fund	Stormwater Utility Fund	261,430
	-	\$ 644,829
Nonmajor governmental funds	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 953,630
Conference & Parking Deck Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 898,000

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires collecting them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounts for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

# NOTE 8. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS (Continued)

Advances to/from other funds are as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount	
Capital Improvement Fund	Solid Waste Fund	\$	144,933
Capital Improvement Fund	Stormwater Fund		32,985
Capital Improvement Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds		74,947
		\$	252.865

The amounts payable from the Solid Waste Fund, Stormwater Fund and the Nonmajor governmental funds relate to equipment purchased through the Capital Improvement Fund and transferred to these funds.

# NOTE 9. PENSION PLANS

#### **Primary Government**

#### **Plan Description**

All of the City's full-time regular employees are covered by the City's single-employer defined benefit pension plan (the "Plan") which is administered by the Decatur Employees' Retirement System. The Plan was established in 1947 by the Decatur City Commission. The Board of Trustees of the Plan has the authority to establish and amend the Plan. The Plan is contributory in nature with contributions coming from both the City and its covered employees. All eligible employees become participants in the Plan upon employment, while elected officials are not covered. Employees become fully vested after 10 years of service. The Plan does not issue a separate financial statement.

As of July 1, 2009 the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan membership included the following categories of participants:

Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	73
Terminated vested participants not yet receiving benefits	6
Active participants	198
	277

#### **Employee Contributions**

Plan members are required to contribute to the Plan in the following manner:

Public Safety Employee	11% of compensation
General Employee	4% of compensation up to \$2,000 plus 8%
	of compensation in excess of \$2,000

Plan members who were active employees on July 1, 1997, and elected not to have the Unreduced Early Retirement Option are required to contribute to the Plan in the following manner:

Public Safety Employee	9% of compensation
General Employee	2% of compensation up to \$2,000 plus 6%
	of compensation in excess of \$2,000

Employee contributions are made on a pre-tax basis as permitted under Section 414(h) of the Internal Revenue Code. Public Safety employees consist of firefighters and police officers.

#### **City Contributions**

The City contribution is determined by the actuary as necessary to keep the Plan in compliance with the funding requirements of the State of Georgia.

#### **Benefits**

Benefits are calculated as a percentage of the average basic earnings in the 60 consecutive months in which the employee received the highest compensation multiplied by the number of years of service, as described in the Plan document. The minimum benefit is \$3,000 per year, upon retirement.

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Contributions from the City and employees are recognized as revenue in the period in which the contributions are due. Investment earnings are recognized by the Plan when earned. Benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Administrative costs are paid from the earnings of the fund.

Investments are reported at fair value. Short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Securities traded on exchanges are valued at last reported sales price. Investments which represent more than 5% of Plan Net Assets at June 30, 2009, were as follows: State Street Equity Investments Mutual Fund of \$19,634,252. The method for determining the actuarial valuation of assets is the 20% write up method.

#### **Funding Policy**

The contribution requirements of Plan members and the City are established and may be amended by the Board of Trustees. Normal cost is funded on a current basis. There is no unfunded actuarial accrued liability. Periodic contributions for normal costs are based on the level percentage of payroll method. Current contributions are sufficient to fund the normal costs as required by state law.

The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the July 1, 2009, actuarial valuation using the aggregate actuarial cost method. This method does not identify or separately amortize unfunded actuarial liabilities. The actuarial assumptions included:

- 7.5% rate of return on investments.
- Projected salary increases of 4% per year (3% for inflation and 1% for merit).
- The post-retirement benefit limits increase 5% per year.
- Minimum monthly benefit of \$250.

Although the actuarial valuation method is the aggregate actuarial cost method, the following is a schedule of funding progress, using the entry age actuarial cost method. As of the most recent valuation date, July 1, 2009, the funded status of the Plan was as follows:

	Actuarial	Actuarial Accrued	Unfunded			UAAL as a
Actuarial	Value of	Liability (AAL)	AAL	Funded	Covered	Percentage of
Valuation	Assets	Entry Age	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Covered Payroll
Date	(a)	(b)	(b-a)	(a/b)	(C)	(b-a/c)
6/30/2009	24,993,639	31,834,462	6,840,823	78.5%	10,518,679	65.1%

The required schedule of funding progress immediately following the notes to the financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan net assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability.

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. Calculations are based on the substantive plan in effect as of July 1, 2009.

#### **Annual Pension Cost**

The City's actuarially determined contribution, pension cost and increase in net pension obligation (asset) for the year ended June 30, 2009, is as follows:

Annual required contribution	\$ 733,779
Interest on net pension obligation (asset)	(51,442)
Adjustments to annual required contribution	 101,015
Annual pension cost	783,352
Contributions made	 763,973
Increase in net pension obligation	 19,379
Net pension obligation (asset), beginning of year	(685,892)
Net pension obligation (asset), end of year	\$ (666,513)

The City's net pension asset is reported as other non-current assets on the statement of net assets.

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the City's contribution was 9.22% of covered payroll.

The funding policy for the Plan is to contribute an amount equal to the recommended contribution as determined by the Plan's actuary. The recommended contribution was determined as part of the July 1, 2008 actuarial valuation. The chart below shows the annual pension cost for the current year and prior two years along with the percentage actually contributed by the City.

Trend Information

Fiscal Year Ending	Ann	ual Pension Cost	Percentage Contributed	-	et Pension ation (Asset)
June 30, 2009	\$	783,352	98%	\$	(666,513)
June 30, 2008		779,541	96%		(685,892)
June 30, 2007		822,448	95%		(716,159)

#### Schedule of Employer Contributions

Fiscal Year Ending	Annual Required Contribution (ARC)		mployer ntribution	Percentage of ARC Contributed	
June 30, 2009 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2007	\$ 733,779 729,462 770,443	\$	763,973 749,274 783,658	104% 103% 102%	
June 30, 2006 June 30, 2005 June 30, 2004	790,460 436,262 394,624		790,460 442,921 386,188	100% 102% 98%	

#### **City Schools of Decatur**

**Teachers Retirement System** Substantially all teachers, administrators, and clerical personnel employed by the District are members of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS), a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system administered by the TRS Board of Trustees. TRS provides retirement and disability benefits and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Title 47, Chapter 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the TRS Board of Trustees issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for TRS. That report may be obtained by writing to TRS of Georgia, Two Northside 75, Suite 400, Atlanta GA 30331, or by calling 1-800-352-0650.

Covered employees are required by state law to contribute 5% of their annual covered salary to the plan and the District is required to contribute 9.28% of current covered payroll. Covered employees' contributions for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007, were \$1,013,913, \$938,709, and \$920,730, respectively. The District's contributions to TRS for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007, were \$1,866,733, \$1,710,630, and \$1,702,336, respectively, equal to the required contribution for each year.

Active members may retire and receive benefits after 30 years of creditable service regardless of age, or after 10 years of creditable service and reaching age 60. Upon retirement, an employee receives a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life. The amount is determined by multiplying 2% by the years of service up to 40 years. This amount in turn is multiplied by the employee's average monthly salary for the two highest paid consecutive years of service. Early retirement benefits are reduced by the lesser of 1/12 of 7% for each month the member is below age 60, or by 7% for each year or fraction thereof by which the member has less than 30 years of service. It is also assumed that certain cost-of-living adjustments, based on the CPI, will be made in future years. Retirement benefits are payable monthly for life. Options are available for distribution of the member's monthly pension at a reduced rate to a designated beneficiary at the member's death.

**Public School Employees Retirement System** Substantially all bus drivers, maintenance, custodial, and lunchroom personnel employed by the District are members of the Public School Employees Retirement System of Georgia (PSERS), which is also a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system. The Board of the Public School Employees Retirement System of Georgia issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and supplementary information for PSERS. That report may be obtained by writing Public School Employee Retirement System, Two Northside 75, Atlanta, Georgia 30318-7778, or by calling 1-800-805-4609.

#### **City Schools of Decatur (Continued)**

#### Public School Employees Retirement System (Continued)

PSERS provides service retirement, disability retirement and survivor's benefits for its members. A member is eligible for normal service retirement after 10 years of service and attainment of age 65. A member applying for service retirement with 10 years of services and retirees between the ages of 60 and 65 received a reduced benefit. Monthly retirement benefits paid to members are equal to eight dollars per month multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Retirement provisions include death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

Covered employees are required by state statute to contribute \$4 dollars per month for the ninemonth school year. Unlike TRS, the District makes no contribution to PSERS. Total contributions from employees of the District made during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 totaled \$2,116, \$1,850, and \$2,076, respectively.

The State of Georgia is required by statute to make an annual contribution to PSERS based upon an actuarial calculation. The state's contribution for employees for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 for District employees were \$10,668, \$2,408, and \$2,068, respectively.

Members become fully vested after ten (10) years of service. If a member terminates with less than ten years of service, no vesting of employer contributions occurs, but the member's contributions are refunded with interest.

There were 59 employees covered under PSERS for the year ended June 30, 2009.

# NOTE 10. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### **Primary Government**

#### Plan Description

The City of Decatur Other Post-Retirement Benefits Plan (the "OPEB Plan") is a single-employer defined benefit post-retirement health care, dental and vision plan, or other post employment benefit (OPEB) plan. The City has not elected to advance fund the plan, but rather maintains the plan on a "pay as you go" basis, in that claims are paid as they arise, rather than establishing an irrevocable trust to accumulate restricted funds.

#### **Benefits**

Eligible retirees and former employees are offered the same health, prescription drug, vision and dental coverage as active employees. The City pays 100% of the premiums for eligible employees.

#### **Eligibility**

Eligible participants for Other Post-Employment Benefits include: 1.The City requires all employees to enroll in the OPEB plan. 2.Surviving spouses/beneficiaries enrolled in the Plan prior. 3.Certain disabled former employees.

#### Plan Membership

As of July 1, 2008, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the Plan membership included the following categories of participants:

Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	72
Fully eligible actives	23
Active participants	166
	261

#### **City Contributions**

The City contribution is determined by the actuary as necessary to keep the Plan in compliance with the funding requirements of the State of Georgia.

The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the July 1, 2008, actuarial valuation. The actuarial assumptions included:

Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal Actuarial
Actuarial Asset Valuation Method	Not applicable
Assumed Rate of Return on Investments	3.5% (Includes inflation of 3.0%)
Healthcare Cost Trend Rate	7.0% (Includes inflation of 3.0%)
Ultimate Healthcare Cost Trend Rate	5.0%
Year of Ultimate Trent Rate	2029
Amortization Method	2.5% Payroll Growth (open)
Remaining Amortization Period	30 years

#### **City Contributions (Continued)**

The following is a schedule of funding progress using the entry age actuarial cost method. As of the most recent valuation date, July 1, 2008, the funded status of the Plan was as follows:

Actuarial	Actuarial Value of	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Unfunded AAL	Funded	Covered	UAAL as a Percentage of
Valuation	Assets	Entry Age	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Covered Payroll
Date	(a)	(b)	(b-a)	(a/b)	(C)	(b-a/c)
7/1/2008	-	47,747,107	47,747,107	0.0%	10,518,679	453.9%

The required schedule of funding progress immediately following the notes to the financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan net assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability.

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. Calculations are based on the substantive plan in effect as of July 1, 2008.

#### **Annual Pension Cost**

The City's actuarially determined contribution, OPEB cost and increase in net OPEB obligation for the year ended June 30, 2009, is as follows:

Annual required contribution	\$ 3,372,964
Interest on net pension obligation	-
Adjustments to annual required contribution	 
Annual pension cost	3,372,964
Contributions made	 1,027,541
Increase in net pension obligation	 2,345,423
Net pension obligation, beginning of year	-
Net pension obligation, end of year	\$ 2,345,423

#### Annual OPEB Cost

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the City's contribution was 9.77% of covered payroll.

The recommended contribution was determined as part of the July 1, 2008 actuarial valuation. The chart below shows the annual pension cost for the current year, along with the percentage actually contributed by the City.

#### Schedule of Employer Costs and Contributions

Fiscal Year	An	nual OPEB	Employer		Percentage of		Net OPEB	
Ending		Cost	Contribution		ARC Contributed		Obligation	
June 30, 2009	\$	3,372,964	\$	1,027,541		30%	\$	2,345,423

#### City Schools of Decatur

#### Georgia Retiree Health Benefit Fund

*Plan Description*: The School District contributes to the Georgia Retiree Health Benefit Fund ("GRHBF"), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan administered by the Department of Community Health. GRHBF provides health insurance benefits to eligible retirees and their qualified beneficiaries. Pursuant to Title 45, Chapter 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions of the plan is assigned to the Board of Community Health. The Department of Community Health issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for GRHBF. That report may be obtained from the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

*Funding Policy*. The contribution requirements of the plan members and participating employers are established and may be amended by the Board of Community Health. Contributions of plan members or beneficiaries receiving benefits vary based on plan election, dependent coverage, and Medicare eligibility and election. On Average, plan members pay approximately twenty-five percent (25%) of the cost of health insurance coverage.

#### **City Schools of Decatur (Continued)**

#### Georgia Retiree Health Benefit Fund (Continued)

Participating employers are statutorily required to contribute in accordance with the employer contribution rate established to fund both the active and retired employee health insurance plans based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements. The employer contribution rates for the combined active and retiree plans for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, were as follows:

Teachers	15.503% of State-Based Salaries
Non-Certified Employees	\$162.72 per month

The City Schools of Decatur's contribution to the health insurance plans for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, was \$793,540, which equaled the required contribution.

## NOTE 11. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN

The City of Decatur's Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Plan (the "Plan") is a deferred compensation plan and qualifies as a defined contribution pension plan. The Plan is administered by ICMA Retirement Corporation and Vantage Trust for all full time employees. Plan provisions and contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the City's Commission. At June 30, 2009, there were 70 plan members.

Employees are not required to contribute to the Plan. Employees may contribute a portion of their gross salary, not to exceed the IRS guidelines, into the Plan. The Plan allows employees to increase, decrease, stop and restart deferrals as often as they wish without penalties or fees. The City's Commission has approved discretionary employer contributions for six employees. Total employer and employee contributions for the year ended June 30, 2009, was \$53,987 and \$136,295, respectively.

#### NOTE 12. FUND DEFICITS

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the City's Solid Waste Fund had deficit net assets of \$145,423. The fund deficit in the Solid Waste Fund will be reduced through increased user charges, reduced collection fees and General Fund appropriations, as needed.

## NOTE 13. JOINT VENTURE

Under Georgia law, the City, in conjunction with other cities and counties in the Atlanta, Georgia area, is a member of the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC). Dues to the ARC are assessed at the County level and are, accordingly, paid by DeKalb County. Membership in the ARC is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-8-34 which provides for the organizational structure of the ARC in Georgia. The ARC Board membership includes the chief elected official of each county and various municipalities of the area. OCGA 50-8-39.1 provides that the member governments are liable for any debts or obligations of the ARC. Separate financial statements may be obtained from ARC, 40 Courtland Street, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

### NOTE 14. RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

The City's mayor is responsible for appointing all board members of the Decatur Housing Authority. However, the City has no further accountability for the authority.

#### NOTE 15. RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of losses related to: torts; thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The City is partially self-insured for both medical and workers' compensation claims. These self-insurance plans are described below. The City has purchased insurance for all other risks of loss. Losses have not exceeded insurance coverage in the last three fiscal years.

#### Medical Self-Insurance

**Active Employees.** The City is partially self-insured for employee medical claims. The City pays 80% of the employees' medical expenses, with a maximum out-of-pocket cost to the employee of \$2,200/\$4,400, individual/family, per year. Each employee's portion of the medical premium cost is withheld from that employee's paycheck.

The City pays aggregate claims up to \$1,000,000 per year. After the claims reach this amount, a private insurance carrier will pay the remaining claims. In addition to the aggregate limit, the City's self-insurance is limited to \$60,000 per individual per calendar year. After an individual's claims reach this amount, the private insurance carrier will begin covering them. The City has entered into a contract with a third party to administer the program. This activity is reported in the General Fund and in the governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City has accrued a liability for medical claims that were incurred but not paid before fiscal year end.

## NOTE 15. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The following describes the activity for the past two fiscal years.

Fiscal Year			Claims	urrent Year s and Changes Estimates	Claims Paid	Ye	End of Year Claims Liability		
2009	\$	118,863	\$	1,686,609	\$ 1,760,472	\$	45,000		
2008	\$	89,008	\$	2,048,088	\$ 2,018,233	\$	118,863		

#### **Workers' Compensation Insurance**

The City is partially self-insured for workers' compensation claims. The City pays annual aggregate claims up to \$1,000,000 over a two-year period. After the claims reach this amount, a private insurance carrier pays the remaining claims. In addition to the biennial aggregate limit, individual limits for City payments are \$300,000 per claim. After the individual limits are met, the private insurance carrier covers the claims. The City has entered into a contract with a third party to administer the program. This activity is recorded in the General Fund. The following describes the activity related to these claims based on actual claims presented after year-end and historical experience.

Fiscal Year	Yea	inning of r Claims iability	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates		Claims Paid		End of Year Claims Liability		
2009	\$	75,503	\$	10,978	\$	70,365	\$	16,116	
2008	\$	32,041	\$	132,344	\$	88,882	\$	75,503	

#### **NOTE 16. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

#### Litigation:

The City is a defendant in certain legal actions in the nature of claims for alleged damages to persons and property and other similar types of actions rising in the course of City operations. Liability, if any, which might result from these proceedings, would not, in the opinion of management and legal counsel, have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the City.

## NOTE 16. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

#### **Contractual Commitments:**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, contractual commitments on uncompleted contracts were \$1,695,389.

#### Grant Contingencies:

The City has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to the disallowance of certain expenditures previously reimbursed by those agencies. Based upon prior experience, management of the City believes such disallowances, if any, will not be significant.

## **City Schools of Decatur:**

The District has a contingent liability related to various special education services for three students of the District. At present, the District is required to pay approximately \$898,628 over the next four years for special service needs, which will be provided by an outside professional. The District is continuing settlement negotiations. The future commitments are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,

2010	\$ 298,373
2011	265,623
2012	221,568
2013	113,064
Total future payments	\$ 898,628

## NOTE 17. HOTEL/MOTEL LODGING TAX

The City imposes a hotel/motel tax on lodging facilities within the City. The tax was assessed at 7%. Revenues were \$342,170 for the year ended June 30, 2009. Of this amount 100% was expended. Expenditures of the tax were used to promote tourism, conventions, and trade shows to operate, maintain, and market a conference center facility as required by O.C.G.A. 48-13-51.

## NOTE 18. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In July 2009, the City of Decatur, Georgia, issued Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 in the amount of \$5.9 million on behalf of the City of Decatur Board of Education for capital projects. The bonds will be paid back by the City of Decatur Board of Education with special purpose local option sales tax (SPLOST) revenues.

# **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RETIREMENT PLAN SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) Entry Age	Unfunded AAL (UAAL)	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
6/30/2009	(a) 24,993,639	(b) 31,834,462	(b-a) 6,840,823	(a/b) 78.5%	(c) 10,518,679	(b-a/c) 65.1%
6/30/2008	23,974,434	28,554,857	4,580,423	84.0%	9,424,366	48.6%
6/30/2007	22,454,254	26,137,175	3,682,921	85.9%	8,305,214	44.3%
6/30/2006	20,626,000	24,449,540	3,823,540	84.4%	7,909,378	48.3%
6/30/2005	19,124,046	23,110,843	3,986,797	82.7%	7,499,611	53.2%
6/30/2004	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

N/A - Not Available

Note: See assumptions used for the Schedule of Funding Progress in Note 9 to the financial statements.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION OTHER POST EMPLOYEMENT BENEFITS SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Actuarial	Actuarial Accrued	Unfunded			UAAL as a
Actuarial	Value of	Liability (AAL)	AAL	Funded	Covered	Percentage of
Valuation	Assets	Entry Age	(UAAL)	Ratio	Payroll	Covered Payroll
Date	(a)	(b)	(b-a)	(a/b)	(C)	(b-a/c)
7/1/2008	-	47,747,107	47,747,107	0.0%	10,518,679	453.9%

Note: See assumptions used for the Schedule of Funding Progress in Note 10 to the financial statements.

## NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

- **Emergency Telephone System Fund** To account for emergency services which are provided to all City taxpayers. Financing is provided through user fees and charges.
- **<u>Confiscated Drug Fund</u>** To account for the use of confiscated drug money by the City's Police Department.
- <u>Children and Youth Services Fund</u> To account for charges for the City's after school program and the expenditures incurred in operating the program.
- Grant Fund To account for grants received and the expenditures related to the grants.
- **Economic Development Fund** To account for monies received from various grantor donors.
- <u>Greenspace Fund</u> To account for amounts received and expended for greenspace acquisitions.

Hotel/Motel Tax Fund – To account for the 7% lodging tax levied in the City.

- **Debt Service Fund** To account for the accumulation of resources and payment of general obligation bond principal and interest from governmental resources.
- <u>Cemetery Capital Improvement Fund</u> To account for the financing and expenditure activity of a capital nature occurring within the cemetery. Financing is provided by one-half of the proceeds from cemetery lot sales. This fund is intended to provide for the capital needs of the cemetery into perpetuity.

#### COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

	Special Revenue Funds										
ASSETS		mergency elephone System Fund	Co	nfiscated Drug Fund	Cł	hildren and hth Services Fund		Grant Fund			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	543,454	\$	36,763	\$	230,127	\$	417,037			
Taxes receivable		-		-		-		-			
Other receivables		60,574		-		77,117		-			
Due from other funds		-		-		614,880		-			
Due from component unit		-		-		-		40,053			
Prepaids	·	-	·	-		8,416		-			
Total assets	\$	604,028	\$	36,763	\$	930,540	\$	457,090			
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES											
LIABILITIES											
Accounts payable	\$	8,445	\$	-	\$	11,180	\$	-			
Accrued payables		-		-		2,283		-			
Due to other funds		139,287		-				343,138			
Due to component unit		-		-		-		25,000			
Deferred revenue		-		-		26,594		-			
Advances from other funds		74,947									
Total liabilities		222,679				40,057		368,138			
FUND BALANCES											
Reserved for:											
Program expenditures		-		-		28,131		88,952			
Tree preservation		-		-		-		-			
Prepaids		-		-		8,416		-			
Debt service		-		-		-		-			
Unreserved		381,349		36,763		853,936		-			
		381,349		36,763		890,483		88,952			
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	604,028	\$	36,763	\$	930,540	\$	457,090			

	Economic evelopment Fund	Gro	Hotel/Motel Greenspace Tax Fund Fund		Greenspace Fund		Тах		Debt Service Fund	 ital Projects <u>Fund</u> Cemetery Capital provement Fund	Total Nonmajor overnmental Funds
5	129,702	\$	18,234	\$	54,018	\$	477,114	\$ 279,913	\$ 2,186,362		
	-		-		27,146		126,308	-	153,454		
	-		-		-		2,353	1,600	141,644		
	-		250		-		-	-	615,130		
	-		-		-		-	-	40,053		
	-		-		-		716,559	 -	 724,975		
6	129,702	\$	18,484	\$	81,164	\$	1,322,334	\$ 281,513	\$ 3,861,618		
6	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 19,625		
	-		-		-		-	-	2,283		
	-		-		-		-	-	482,425		
	-		-		-		-	-	25,000		
	-		7,500		-		104,507	-	138,601		
			-		-			 	 74,947		
			7,500				104,507	 	 742,881		
	-		-		-		-	-	117,083		
	19,303		-		-		-	-	19,303		
	-		-		-		716,559	-	724,975		
	-		-		-		501,268	-	501,268		
	110,399		10,984		81,164		-	 281,513	 1,756,108		
	129,702		10,984		81,164		1,217,827	 281,513	 3,118,737		
6	129,702	\$	18,484	\$	81,164	\$	1,322,334	\$ 281,513	\$ 3,861,618		

#### COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		Special Rev	evenue Funds			
	Emergency Telephone System Fund	Confiscated Drug Fund	Children & Youth Services Fund	Grant Fund		
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$-	\$ -	\$ -	\$-		
Charges for services	554,638	-	642,679	-		
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	7,915		
Fines and forfeitures	-	950	-	-		
Interest	-	99	321	-		
Miscellaneous	-	5,015	-	-		
Contributions			290,488			
Total revenues	554,638	6,064	933,488	7,915		
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
General government	-	-	-	-		
Education	-	-	-	9,626		
Public safety	700,880	6,725	-	-		
Recreation	-	-	1,446,635	-		
Debt service:						
Interest expenditures						
Total expenditures	700,880	6,725	1,446,635	9,626		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	(146,242)	(661)	(513,147)	(1,711)		
Other financing sources (uses)						
Transfers in	220,000	-	1,403,630	-		
Transfers out				(953,630)		
Total other financing sources (uses)	220,000		1,403,630	(953,630)		
Net change in fund balances	73,758	(661)	890,483	(955,341)		
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	307,591	37,424	<u> </u>	1,044,293		
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$ 381,349	\$ 36,763	\$ 890,483	\$ 88,952		

Economic Development Fund	Greenspace Fund	Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund Cemetery Capital Improvement Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds		
\$ -	\$-	\$ 342,170	\$ 1,709,831	\$ -	\$ 2,052,001		
-	-	-	-	-	1,197,317		
-	-	-	-	-	7,915		
-	-	-	-	-	950		
-	-	-	12,650	-	13,070		
13,067	2,775	-	-	48,421	69,278		
-	-				290,488		
13,067	2,775	342,170	1,722,481	48,421	3,631,019		
67,847	21,942	65,000	4,400	7,900	167,089		
-	-	-	-	-	9,626		
-	-	-	-	-	707,605		
-	-	-	-	-	1,446,635		
-			1,441,226		1,441,226		
67,847	21,942	65,000	1,445,626	7,900	3,772,181		
(54,780)	(19,167)	277,170	276,855	40,521	(141,162)		
-	-	-	-	-	1,623,630		
-		(279,000)	(700,000)		(1,932,630)		
-		(279,000)	(700,000)		(309,000)		
(54,780)	(19,167)	(1,830)	(423,145)	40,521	(450,162)		
184,482	30,151	82,994	1,640,972	240,992	3,568,899		
\$ 129,702	\$ 10,984	\$ 81,164	\$ 1,217,827	\$ 281,513	\$ 3,118,737		

## CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM FUND

	Buc	dget		,		Var	Variance With	
	 Original		Final		Actual	Fin	al Budget	
REVENUES								
Charges for services	\$ 570,000	\$	550,000	\$	554,638	\$	4,638	
EXPENDITURES								
Public safety	858,140		792,845		700,880		91,965	
Debt service								
Principal	 37,500		37,500		-		37,500	
Total expenditures	 895,640		830,345		700,880		129,465	
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(325,640)		(280,345)		(146,242)		134,103	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES								
Transfers in	 270,000		220,000		220,000			
Net change in fund balances	 (55,640)		(60,345)		73,758		134,103	
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	 307,591		307,591		307,591		-	
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$ 251,951	\$	247,246	\$	381,349	\$	134,103	

### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA CONFISCATED DRUG FUND

	Budget					Varia	ance With
	0	riginal		Final	 Actual	Final Budget	
REVENUES							
Fines and forfeitures	\$	-	\$	950	\$ 950	\$	-
Interest		140		100	99		(1)
Miscellaneous					 5,015		5,015
Total revenue		140		1,050	 6,064		5,014
EXPENDITURES							
Public safety		2,000		6,800	 6,725		75
Total expenditures		2,000		6,800	 6,725		75
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures		(1,860)		(5,750)	(661)		5,089
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Proceeds from sale of capital assets				5,020	 		(5,020)
Net change in fund balances		(1,860)		(730)	 (661)		69
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year		37,424		37,424	 37,424		
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$	35,564	\$	36,694	\$ 36,763	\$	69

#### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES FUND

	В	ıdget		Variance With
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 596,355	\$ 558,000	\$ 642,679	\$ 84,679
Intergovernmental	-	56,550	-	(56,550)
Interest	-	-	321	321
Contributions	269,500	324,000	290,488	(33,512)
Total revenue	865,855	938,550	933,488	(5,062)
EXPENDITURES				
Recreation	1,614,420	1,510,910	1,446,635	64,275
Total expenditures	1,614,420	1,510,910	1,446,635	64,275
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(748,565)	(572,360)	(513,147)	59,213
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfer in	450,000	450,000	1,403,630	953,630
Net change in fund balances	(298,565)	(122,360)	890,483	1,012,843
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year				
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$ (298,565)	\$ (122,360)	\$ 890,483	\$ 1,012,843

### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA GRANT FUND

	Budge Original			Final	Actual		ance With al Budget
REVENUES							
Intergovernmental	\$	7,910	\$	7,910	\$	7,915	\$ 5
EXPENDITURES							
Education		9,790		9,790		9,626	 164
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures		(1,880)		(1,880)		(1,711)	169
OTHER FINANCING USES							
Transfer out	(1	,042,410)		(1,042,410)		(953,630)	 88,780
Net change in fund balances	(1	,044,290)		(1,044,290)		(955,341)	 88,949
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	1	,044,293		1,044,293		1,044,293	 -
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$	3	\$	3	\$	88,952	\$ 88,949

#### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

		Budget					Var	iance With	
	Original			Final		Actual		Final Budget	
REVENUES									
Miscellaneous	\$	16,000	\$	13,000	\$	13,067	\$	67	
EXPENDITURES									
General government		70,000		63,000		67,847		(4,847)	
Net change in fund balances		(54,000)		(50,000)		(54,780)		(4,780)	
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year		184,482		184,482		184,482			
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$	130,482	\$	134,482	\$	129,702	\$	(4,780)	

### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA GREENSPACE FUND

	Budget Original			Final	 Actual		ance With al Budget
REVENUES							
Miscellaneous	\$	-	\$	2,350	\$ 2,775	\$	425
EXPENDITURES							
General government		20,000		52,000	 21,942		30,058
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures		(20,000)		(49,650)	(19,167)		30,483
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Transfers in		20,000		20,000	 -		(20,000)
Net change in fund balances		-		(29,650)	(19,167)		10,483
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year		30,151		30,151	 30,151		-
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$	30,151	\$	501	\$ 10,984	\$	10,483

### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND

	Budget Original Final		Final	Actual		Variance With Final Budget		
<b>REVENUES</b> Taxes	\$	380,000	\$	342,000	\$	342,170	¢	170
Taxes	φ	360,000	φ	342,000	φ	342,170	\$	170
EXPENDITURES								
General government		55,100		64,000		65,000		(1,000)
Total expenditures	. <u></u>	55,100		64,000		65,000		(1,000)
Excess of revenues over expenditures		324,900		278,000		277,170		(830)
OTHER FINANCING USES								
Transfers out		(324,000)		(279,000)		(279,000)		
Net change in fund balances		900		(1,000)		(1,830)		(830)
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year		82,994		82,994		82,994		
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$	83,894	\$	81,994	\$	81,164	\$	(830)

# CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA DEBT SERVICE FUND

	Buc	lget		Variance With
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$-	\$ 1,687,000	\$ 1,709,831	\$ 22,831
Interest	20,000	13,500	12,650	(850)
Total revenues	20,000	1,700,500	1,722,481	21,981
EXPENDITURES				
General government	-	-	4,400	(4,400)
Debt service:				
Interest	1,441,770	1,441,770	1,441,226	544
Total expenditures	1,441,770	1,441,770	1,445,626	(3,856)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,421,770)	258,730	276,855	18,125
OTHER FINANCING USES				
Transfers out	(700,000)	(700,000)	(700,000)	
Net change in fund balances	(2,121,770)	(441,270)	(423,145)	18,125
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	1,640,972	1,640,972	1,640,972	
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$ (480,798)	\$ 1,199,702	\$ 1,217,827	\$ 18,125

# CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA CEMETERY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	Bue	dget			Variance With		
	Original		Final	 Actual	Final Budget		
REVENUES							
Miscellaneous	\$ 153,000	\$	47,500	\$ 48,421	\$	921	
Total revenues	 153,000		47,500	 48,421		921	
EXPENDITURES							
General government	 25,000		25,000	 7,900		17,100	
Total expenditures	 25,000		25,000	 7,900		17,100	
Net change in fund balances	128,000		22,500	40,521		18,021	
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	 240,992		240,992	 240,992			
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$ 368,992	\$	263,492	\$ 281,513	\$	18,021	

#### CITY OF DECATUR, GEORGIA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	Buc	dget			Variance With		
	 Original		Final	 Actual	F	inal Budget	
REVENUES							
Taxes	\$ 1,083,300	\$	1,083,300	\$ 1,122,397	\$	39,097	
Intergovernmental	238,300		238,300	113,247		(125,053)	
Interest	240,000		240,000	208,069		(31,931)	
Miscellaneous	 35,990		35,990	 35,992		2	
Total revenues	 1,597,590		1,597,590	 1,479,705		(117,885)	
EXPENDITURES							
General government	267,270		267,270	269,039		(1,769)	
Capital outlay	4,951,500		4,951,500	4,181,776		769,724	
Debt service:							
Principal retirements	467,880		467,880	259,390		208,490	
Interest and fiscal charges	 197,280		197,280	 150,408		46,872	
Total expenditures	 5,883,930		5,883,930	 4,860,613		1,023,317	
Deficiency of revenues over							
expenditures	 (4,286,340)		(4,286,340)	 (3,380,908)		905,432	
OTHER FINANCING USES							
Transfers out	 (145,000)		(145,000)	 (149,469)		(4,469)	
Net change in fund balances	(4,431,340)		(4,431,340)	(3,530,377)		900,963	
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	 16,541,463		16,541,463	 16,541,463		-	
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$ 12,110,123	\$	12,110,123	\$ 13,011,086	\$	900,963	

## **FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

- <u>Municipal Court Fund</u> To account for the collection of court fines and miscellaneous charges and payments to the General Fund and other governments.
- **Board of Education Fund** To account for the collection and payment of property taxes levied and collected by the City for the City of Decatur Board of Education.
- **Downtown Development Authority Fund** To account for the collection and payment of property taxes levied and collected by the City for the Decatur Downtown Development Authority.

#### COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

ASSETS	unicipal ourt Fund	Board of Education Fund	Dev	owntown velopment uthority Fund	 Totals
Cash	\$ 63,087	\$ 3,857,102	\$	78,023	\$ 3,998,212
LIABILITIES					
Due to others Due to component unit	\$ 63,087 -	\$ 3,857,102	\$	- 78,023	\$ 63,087 3,935,125
Total liabilities	\$ 63,087	\$ 3,857,102	\$	78,023	\$ 3,998,212

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	 Balance July 1, 2008	Additions Deletions					Balance June 30, 2009		
MUNICIPAL COURT									
Assets - cash	\$ 48,650	\$	789,720	\$	775,283	\$	63,087		
Liabilities:									
Due to others	\$ 48,650	\$	789,720	\$	775,283	\$	63,087		
BOARD OF EDUCATION									
Assets - cash	\$ 8,694,259	\$	23,771,024	\$	28,608,181	\$	3,857,102		
Liabilities - due to component unit	\$ 8,694,259	\$	23,771,024	\$	28,608,181	\$	3,857,102		
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY									
Assets - cash	\$ 167,667	\$	444,685	\$	534,329	\$	78,023		
Liabilities - due to component unit	\$ 167,667	\$	444,685	\$	534,329	\$	78,023		
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS									
Assets - cash	\$ 8,910,576	\$	25,005,429	\$	29,917,793	\$	3,998,212		
Liabilities:									
Due to others	\$ 48,650	\$	789,720	\$	775,283	\$	63,087		
Due to component unit	 8,861,926		24,215,709		29,142,510		3,935,125		
Total liabilities	\$ 8,910,576	\$	25,005,429	\$	29,917,793	\$	3,998,212		

# **COMPONENT UNITS**

# BALANCE SHEET COMPONENT UNIT - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY JUNE 30, 2009

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 503,477
Taxes receivable	34,189
Other receivables	20,051
Due from primary government	110,450
Prepaids	 9,635
Total assets	\$ 677,802
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 20,497
Due to primary government	320,870
Deferred revenue	 24,798
Total liabilities	 366,165
FUND BALANCE	
Reserved for prepaids	9,635
Unreserved	 302,002
Total fund balance	 311,637
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 677,802

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE COMPONENT UNIT - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

REVENUES Taxes Miscellaneous	\$ 445,363 251,340
Total revenues	 696,703
EXPENDITURES Downtown development	 643,416
Total expenditures	 643,416
Net change in fund balance	 53,287
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	 258,350
FUND BALANCE, end of year	\$ 311,637

# BALANCE SHEET COMPONENT UNIT - DECATUR TOURISM BOARD JUNE 30, 2009

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 35,941
Total assets	\$ 35,941
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES Accounts payable	\$ 5,633
FUND BALANCE Unreserved	 30,308
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 35,941

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE COMPONENT UNIT - DECATUR TOURISM BOARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

REVENUES	
Taxes	\$ 55,000
Interest	 10
Total revenues	 55,010
EXPENDITURES	
Tourism	24,702
Total expenditures	 24,702
Net change in fund balance	 30,308
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	 
FUND BALANCE, end of year	\$ 30,308

# STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the City of Decatur's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the City's overall financial health.

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# NET ASSETS BY COMPONENT LAST SEVEN YEARS

(accrual basis of accounting) (amounts expressed in thousands)

	 2009	 2008		2007	2006		
Governmental activities							
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 49,255	\$ 33,445	\$	28,897	(1) \$	46,046	
Restricted	129	1,044		823		595	
Unrestricted	 9,040	 12,270		8,875		7,517	
Total governmental activities net assets	\$ 58,424	\$ 46,759	\$	38,595	\$	54,158	
Business-type activities							
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 5,027	\$ 4,661	\$	4,154	\$	3,387	
Unrestricted	 1,524	 1,054		895		929	
Total business-type activities net assets	\$ 6,551	\$ 5,715	\$	5,049	\$	4,316	
Primary government							
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 54,282	\$ 38,106	\$	33,051	\$	49,433	
Restricted	129	1,044		823		595	
Unrestricted	 10,564	 13,324		9,770	_	8,446	
Total primary government net assets	\$ 64,975	\$ 52,474	\$	43,644	\$	58,474	

**NOTE:** (1) The decrease in 2007 is due to the issuance of \$33,245,000 in general obligation bonds, with \$16,500,000 paid to the City Schools of Decatur rather than to capital assets of the City.

	2005		2004	2003			
\$	42,667	\$	42,074	\$	43,864		
	-		-		-		
	8,822		10,051		9,997		
\$	51,489	\$	52,125	\$	53,861		
\$	3,021	\$	2,658	\$	2,444		
	618		585		656		
\$	3,639	\$	3,243	\$	3,100		
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\$	45,688	\$	44,732	\$	46,308		
	-		-		-		
	9,440		10,636		10,653		
\$	55,128	\$	55,368	\$	56,961		

#### CHANGES IN NET ASSETS LAST SEVEN YEARS

(accrual basis of accounting)

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	 2009		2008		2007		2006		2005	 2004	 2003
Expenses	 									 	 
Governmental activities:											
General government	\$ 6,382	\$	5,406	(6)\$	8,589	\$	8,729	(1) \$	5,233	\$ 4,118	\$ 4,030
Education	1,314		1,945		2,007		1,845		1,926	1,914	1,499
Public safety	10,295	(9)	8,331		8,043		8,414		7,659	7,133	6,340
Public works	3,855		3,508		3,310		3,544		3,380	3,163	2,758
Recreation	3,163		2,152		1,865		1,873		1,605	1,818	1,649
Community & economic development	-		-		-		-		-	-	318
Interest on long-term debt	 1,586	_	1,632	(7)	804		106		99	 24	 35
Total governmental activities expenses	26,595		22,974		24,618		24,511		19,902	18,170	16,629
Business-type activities:											
Conference center	363	(10)	516		516		561		595	611	671
Stormwater	641		662		552		793		1,588	670	648
Solid waste	 2,017		2,085		2,076		1,945		1,796	 1,830	 1,857
Total business-type activities expenses	3,021		3,263		3,144		3,299		3,979	3,111	3,176
Total primary government expenses	\$ 29,616	\$	26,237	\$	27,762	\$	27,810	\$	23,881	\$ 21,281	\$ 19,805
Program Revenues						· · · · ·					
Governmental activities:											
Charges for services:											
General government	\$ 839	\$	1,229	\$	905	\$	773	\$	433	\$ 588	\$ 414
Education	-		249		230	(2)	-		-	-	-
Public safety	1,657		1,672		1,500		1,214		1,241	1,257	1,246
Public works	89		103		88		379		84	117	149
Recreation	1,075		776		639		618		524	677	712
Community & economic development	-		-		-		261		197	214	-
Operating grants and contributions	356		657		790		997		1,065	479	435
Capital grants and contributions	 16,419	(11)	7,582	(8)	3,362		8,153	(1)	1,786	 1,949	 7,493
Total governmental activities program revenues	 20,435		12,268		7,514		12,395		5,330	5,281	10,449
Business-type activities:										 	
Charges for services:											
Solid waste	84		84		79		76		106	66	74
Stormwater	1,023		984		1,000		973		889	780	924
Conference center	2,266		2,377		2,342		2,332		2,154	2,043	2,039
Capital grants and contributions	-		-		-		-		-	-	47
Total business-type activities program revenues	3,373		3,445		3,421		3,381		3,149	 2,889	3,084
Total primary government program revenues	\$ 23,808	\$	15,713	\$	10,935	\$	15,776	\$	8,479	\$ 8,170	\$ 13,533

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## CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

LAST SEVEN YEARS

(accrual basis of accounting) (amounts expressed in thousands)

	2009			2008		2007		2006		2005		2004		2003	
Net (expense)/revenue															
Governmental activities	\$	(6,160)	\$	(10,706)	\$	(17,104)	\$	(12,116)	\$	(14,572)	\$	(12,889)	\$	(6,180)	
Business-type activities		352		182	-	277	_	82		(830)	-	(222)		(92)	
Total primary government net expense	\$	(5,808)	\$	(10,524)	\$	(16,827)	\$	(12,034)	\$	(15,402)	\$	(13,111)	\$	(6,272)	
General Revenues and Other Changes															
in Net Assets															
Governmental activities:															
Property taxes	\$	14,585	\$	14,852	\$	14,456 (	3)\$	11,847	\$	11,287	\$	9,848	\$	10,322	
Franchise taxes		1,364		1,354		1,227		1,254		1,067		1,034		1,047	
Sales taxes		641		662		608		579		250		261		219	
Other taxes		1,399		1,397		1,495		1,363		1,252		1,220		1,125	
Unrestricted investment earnings		307		1,081		710 (	4)	312		188		40		35	
Gain on sale of capital assets		13		7		1		24		8		16		11	
Transfers		(484)		(483)		(456)		(595)		(116)		(110)		(50)	
Special item		-	-		(16,500) (5)		5)	j) -		-		-		-	
Total governmental activities		17,825		18,870		1,541		14,784		13,936		12,309		12,709	
Business-type activities:															
Other taxes		-		-		-		-		275		254		259	
Gain on sale of capital assets		-		-		-		-		835		-		-	
Transfers		484		483		456		595		116		110		50	
Total business-type activities		484		483		456		595		1,226		364		309	
Total primary government	\$	18,309	\$	19,353	\$	1,997	\$	15,379	\$	15,162	\$	12,673	\$	13,018	
Change in Net Assets															
Governmental activities	\$	11,665	\$	8,164	\$	(15,563)	\$	2,668	\$	(636)	\$	(580)	\$	6,529	
Business-type activities		836		665		733		677		396		142		217	
Total primary government	\$	12,501	\$	8,829	\$	(14,830)	\$	3,345	\$	(240)	\$	(438)	\$	6,746	

**NOTES:** (1) 2006 capital grant revenues and general government expenses include grants received from the U.S. Department of Transportation for MARTA transit station improvements.

(2) This amount was reclassified from other categories in 2007 to more accurately report the activity.

(3) The increase in 2007 is the result of an increase in the debt service millage rate associated with the issuance of the 2007 general obligation bonds, as well as an increase in the assessed value of taxable property due to growth in the City.

- (4) Interest income increased due to the increase in cash and investments resulting from the general obligation bond proceeds to be used for construction.
- (5) The special item is the payment of bond proceeds to the City Schools of Decatur.
- (6) General governmental expenditures no longer include Marta Station improvements; this project was ongoing during the 2006 and 2007 fiscal years, but was completed in the 2007 fiscal year.
- (7) Interest expenses increased, as the interest payments on the 2007 bonds began during January 2008.

(8) City Schools of Decatur contributed nearly \$6 million of construction on City owned assets. The contributions vary year to year primarily due to the projects being undertaken by the City's school system.

- (9) 2009 was the first year which the City recorded the Other Post-Employment Benefits liability, and a majority of the costs are allocated to the public safety function.
- (10) A large portion of the Conference Center assets were fully depreciated in FY 2008 and the debt was paid in full during FY 2009, thus incurring less in interest expense.
- (11) In 2009 the City Schools of Decatur used the 2007 bond proceeds to begin large construction projects on City owned assets, which are reported as contributions from the School System.

#### GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES TAX REVENUES BY SOURCE LAST SEVEN YEARS

(accrual basis of accounting)

(amounts expressed in thousands)

Fiscal Year	Property Tax		Franchise Tax		_	ales Tax	Ins	urance Tax	-	)ther axes	Total		
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2003	\$	10,322	\$	1,047	\$	219	\$	752	\$	373	\$	12,713	
2004		9,848		1,034		261		820		400		12,363	
2005		11,287		1,067		250		844		408		13,856	
2006		11,847		1,254		579		909		454		15,043	
2007		14,456 (1	1)	1,227		608		951		544		17,786	
2008		14,852		1,354		662		992		405		18,265	
2009		14,585		1,364		641		1,016		383		17,989	

**NOTE:** (1) The increase in 2007 is the result of an increase in the debt service millage rate associated with the issuance of the 2007 general obligation bonds, as well as an increase in the assessed value of taxable property due to growth in the City.

### FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### LAST TEN YEARS

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	2009		2008		2007			2006
General fund								
Reserved	\$	391	\$	11	\$	64	\$	10
Unreserved		6,300		7,203		6,224		5,524
Total general fund	\$	6,691	\$	7,214	\$	6,288	\$	5,534
All other governmental funds								
Reserved	\$	13,095	\$	17,131	\$	19,952	(1) \$	1,193
Unreserved, reported in:								
Special revenue funds		1,475		623		482		347
Capital projects funds		1,560		2,356		542		1,578
Total all other governmental funds	\$	16,130	\$	20,110	\$	20,976	\$	3,118

**NOTE:** (1) The increase in 2007 is the result of fund balance reserved for capital projects to be funded by the 2007 general obligation bonds.

	2005		2004	2003			2002	2001			2000
\$ \$	- 5,689 5,689	\$ \$	- 6,144 6,144	\$ \$	- 6,476 6,476	\$ \$	- 4,923 4,923	\$ \$	3,379 3,379	\$ \$	- 3,789 3,789
\$	1,425	\$	922	\$	539	\$	725	\$	685	\$	462
\$	(1) 1,314 2,738	\$	- 545 1,467	\$	- 450 989	\$	- 327 1,052	\$	- 333 1,018	\$	- 204 666

#### CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS LAST TEN YEARS

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	2009		2008		2007		2006	_
Revenues								
Taxes	\$ 17,91		17,789	\$	17,796	(2) \$	15,133	
Licenses and permits	44	· · /	758		603		721	
Intergovernmental	44	( )	2,323		3,179		3,693	(1)
Fines and forfeitures	51	2	485		575		653	
Charges for services	2,31		2,264		1,867		1,542	
Interest income	30	7	1,081		710		312	
Other revenues	45		391		287		1,155	_
Total revenues	22,38	3	25,091		25,017		23,209	_
Expenditures								
General government	5,80	4	5,327	(5)	8,353		8,518	(1)
Education	1	<b>0</b> (10)	561		751		693	
Public safety	8,66	7	8,074		7,793		7,736	
Public works	3,08	0	2,976		2,663		2,839	
Recreation	2,82	7	2,035		1,752		1,656	
General services		-	-		-		-	
Non-departmental		-	-		-		-	
Capital outlay	4,18	2	4,023	(6)	1,373		3,597	
Debt service								
Principal retirements	25	9	323		316		262	
Interest and fiscal charges	1,59	2	1,472	(7)	543	_	108	_
Total expenditures	26,42	1	24,791		23,544		25,409	_
Excess of revenues over (under)								
expenditures	(4,03	8)	300		1,473		(2,200)	)
Other financing sources (uses)								
Proceeds from capital leases		-	235		596	(3)	186	
Issuance of long-term debt		-	-		33,245		2,810	
Premium on bond issuance		-	-		253		-	
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	1	8	7		1		24	
Transfers in	2,26	8	830		722		1,338	
Transfers out	(2,75	2)	(1,314)		(1,178)	)	(1,933)	)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(46	6)	(242)		33,639		2,425	_
Special item		-	-		(16,500)	(4)	-	
Net change in fund balances	\$ (4,50	4) \$	58	\$	18,613	\$	225	=
Debt service as a percentage								
of noncapital expenditures	8.35	%	8.64%		3.87%	1	1.70%	)

NOTE: (1) 2006 capital grant revenues include grants received from the U.S. Department

of Transportation for MARTA transit station improvements.

- (2) The increase in 2007 is due to additional property taxes resulting from an increase in the debt service millage rate associated with the issuance of the 2007 general obligation bonds, as well as an increase in the assessed value of taxable property due to growth in the City.
- (3) The City entered into additional capital leases and issued general obligation bonds during fiscal year 2007.
- (4) The special item is the payment of bond proceeds to the City Schools of Decatur.

2005	 2004	 2003	 2002	 2001	 2000
\$ 13,845	\$ 12,477	\$ 12,281	\$ 11,474	\$ 9,465	\$ 8,998
354	517	398	410	471	984
1,701	1,105	1,855	1,966	1,127	1,289
523	530	821	736	845	863
1,321	1,473	1,404	1,260	1,686	2,393
188	40	35	66	225	226
190	 554	 350	 293	 339	 479
18,122	 16,696	 17,144	 16,205	 14,158	 15,232
4,733	4,085	3,175	1,903	1,858	1,922
777	458	545	445	-	487
7,585	6,948	6,545	5,636	5,723	5,512
2,821	2,592	2,290	1,874	1,761	3,458
1,525	1,777	1,683	1,705	1,610	1,417
-	-	-	307	656	634
-	-	883	760	903	766
692	401	385	2,260	802	833
189	309	415	404	360	259
101	 25	 36	 31	 25	 24
18,423	 16,595	 15,957	 15,325	 13,698	 15,312
(301)	101	1,187	880	460	(80
210	123	167	750	517	470
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
8	32	11	1	12	4
1,018	1,012	535	499	480	325
(1,135)	 (1,122)	 (903)	 (552)	 (970)	 (500
101	 45	 (190)	 698	 39	 299
-	-	-	-	-	-
\$ (200)	\$ 146	\$ 997	\$ 1,578	\$ 499	\$ 219
1.64%	2.06%	2.90%	3.33%	2.99%	1.95%

(5) General governmental expenditures no longer include Marta Station improvements; this project was ongoing during the 2006 and 2007 fiscal years, but was completed in the 2007 fiscal year.

(6) The increase is due to to the City expending more of the 2007 bond proceeds for capital improvements.

(7) Interest expenses increased, as the interest payments on the 2007 bonds began during January 2008.

(8) In 2009 the downtown in the economy caused the sales of building license and permits to decrease.

(9) In 2008 the City completed large projects which were funded with Department of Education and FEMA grants. These grants were not available in 2009.

(10) The DOE no longer offered funding to the City, due to federal budget cuts.

# GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL TAX REVENUES BY SOURCE

LAST TEN YEARS

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

(amounts expressed in thousands)

Fiscal Year	P	roperty Tax	Fr	anchise Tax	 Sales Tax	In	surance Tax	Other Taxes	 Total
2000	\$	6,235	\$	1,238	\$ 245	\$	871	\$ 410	\$ 8,999
2001		7,094		1,062	210		747	352	9,465
2002		9,220		973	222		695	364	11,474
2003		9,894		1,048	219		752	368	12,281
2004		9,962		1,034	261		820	400	12,477
2005		11,276		1,067	250		844	408	13,845
2006		11,937		1,254	579		909	454	15,133
2007		14,466 (	1)	1,227	608		951	544	17,796
2008		14,376		1,354	662		992	405	17,789
2009		14,508		1,364	641		1,016	383	17,912

**NOTE:** (1) The increase in 2007 is the result of an increase in the debt service millage rate associated with the issuance of the 2007 general obligation bonds, as well as an increase in the assessed value of taxable property due to growth in the City.

## ASSESSED VALUE AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE - ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY LAST TEN YEARS

(amounts expressed in thousands)

Fiscal		Real F	Propert	ty	Р	ersonal	Public	
Year	R	esidential	Commercial		Property		Utility	
2000	\$	513,136	\$	229,244	\$	22,039	\$	19,951
2001		612,295		423,643		30,700		20,111
2002		673,048		562,535		27,168		18,873
2003		712,820		560,003		26,680		20,539
2004		747,556		590,609		21,952		18,617
2005		793,006		603,435		18,082		19,869
2006		874,604		650,039		18,630		19,348
2007		924,649		659,387		19,132		18,632
2008		964,371		601,018		18,438		17,462
2009		996,450		637,632		19,903		16,474

Source: Dekalb County, Georgia Board of Tax Assessors

Source: City of Decatur Revenue Division

		tal Taxable essed Value	Total Direct Tax Rate	 mated Actual exable Value	Assessed Value as a Percentage of Actual Value
\$ 124,353	\$	660,017	0.987	\$ 1,320,034	50.00%
306,520		780,229	1.114	1,560,458	50.00%
445,274		836,350	1.114	1,672,700	50.00%
449,109		870,933	1.087	1,741,866	50.00%
463,811		914,923	1.166	1,829,846	50.00%
466,989		967,403	1.166	1,934,806	50.00%
505,041		1,057,580	1.264	2,115,160	50.00%
515,016		1,106,784	1.266	2,213,568	50.00%
442,559		1,158,730	1.266	2,317,460	50.00%
414,068		1,256,391	1.266	2,512,782	50.00%

#### PROPERTY TAX RATES - ALL OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS (Per \$1000 of Assessed Value) LAST TEN YEARS

					School	Downtown Development		
	City	of Decatur, Geor	gia		District	Authority		Total Direct &
Calendar	Operating	Debt Service	Total City	Dekalb	Operating	Operating		Overlapping
Year	Millage	Millage	Millage	County	Millage	Millage	State	Rates
2000	0.914	0.073	0.987	37.91	1.850	0.038	0.25	41.035
2001	1.047	0.067	1.114	37.16	1.850	0.038	0.25	40.412
2002	1.057	0.057	1.114	37.26	1.961	0.038	0.25	40.623
2003	1.030	0.057	1.087	37.81	2.024	0.038	0.25	41.209
2004	1.109	0.057	1.166	38.81	1.965	0.038	0.25	42.229
2005	1.112	0.054	1.166	38.71	1.905	0.038	0.25	42.069
2006	1.110	0.154	1.264	38.71	1.895	0.038	0.25	42.157
2007	1.122	0.144	1.266	39.30	1.890	0.038	0.25	42.744
2008	1.122	0.144	1.266	39.30	1.990	0.038	0.25	42.594
2009	1.122	0.144	1.266	39.30	1.990	0.040	0.25	44.112

Source: City of Decatur Tax Department and Dekalb County

#### PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS CURRENT AND NINE YEARS AGO

(amounts expressed in thousands)

			2009				2000	
Taxpayer	A	axable ssessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Taxable Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value		Rank	Percentage of Taxable Assessed Value
Bell South Communications	\$	11,578	1	0.92 %	\$	15,294	1	2.32 %
Decatur Towncenter Association		9,854	2	0.78		7,086	3	1.07
06 QCC 0110 LLC		6,676	3	0.53		-	-	-
Lexington Decatur, LLC		6,640	4	0.53		-	-	-
Decatur Plaza, LLC		6,456	5	0.51		-	-	-
DCP Decatur Investors, LLC		6,437	6	0.51		-	-	-
CGCK		6,225	7	0.50		-	-	-
Fairview Partnership		5,275	8	0.42		-	-	-
Ashton Park Trace, LLC		4,530	9	0.36		-	-	-
Hearthstone Group		4,302	10	0.34		-	-	-
First Union Bank		-	-	-		7,584	2	1.15
Ackerman Decatur LP		-	-	-		5,421	4	0.82
Prime Bank		-	-	-		5,012	5	0.76
Leper CQ Corporate Income Fund LP		-	-	-		4,885	6	0.74
Basic Decatur Hotel, LLC		-	-	-		4,128	7	0.63
Avery Properties		-	-	-		3,640	8	0.55
Georgia Power		-	-	-		3,402	9	0.52
Park Trace Properties, LTD		-	-	-		3,369	10	0.51
	\$	67,973		5.41 %	\$	59,821		9.06 %

Source: City of Decatur Revenue Division

#### PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS LAST TEN YEARS

(amounts expressed in thousands)

			Collected v Fiscal Year of		Collections in		Total Collections to Dat		
Тах		Total		Percentage	Su	bsequent			Percentage
Year*	Тах	Levy (1)	Amount	of Levy		Years		mount	of Levy
1999	\$	16,715 (2) \$	9,583	57.3%	\$	7,126	\$	16,709	99.96%
2000		18,029	9,636	53.4%		8,390		18,026	99.98%
2001		19,948	10,451	52.4%		9,497		19,948	100.00%
2002		21,936	10,067	45.9%		11,869		21,936	100.00%
2003		24,746	11,092	44.8%		13,641		24,733	99.95%
2004		25,960	11,732	45.2%		14,228		25,960	100.00%
2005		26,397	12,335	46.7%		13,906		26,241	99.41%
2006		30,568	12,185	39.9%		18,023		30,208	98.82%
2007		31,135	11,274	36.2%		19,358		30,632	98.38%
2008		33,106	14,364	43.4%		18,082		32,446	98.01%

**NOTES:** (1) Includes all taxes levied for the General Fund, Board of Education Fund, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund and the Decatur Downtown Development Authority Fund.

(2) For the tax year 1999 and thereafter, sanitation taxes were converted to an annual fee for property tax billing and collection dates.

\* Taxes are billed twice a year in April and October for the calendar year. The billing in April is an estimated billing based on the prior years assessed values. The ten year presentation above is for completed tax years only.

#### RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE LAST TEN YEARS

(amounts expressed in thousands, except per capita amount)

		Gov	vernme	ntal Activiti	es		Bu	siness-t	ype A	ctivities					
Fiscal Year	Obl	eneral igation onds		Certificates of Participation		Capital Leases		Notes Payable		Capital Leases		Total rimary /ernment	Percentage of Personal Income (1)	Per Capita (1)	
2000	\$	-	\$	1,320	\$	662	\$	600	\$	5,564	\$	7,750	2.78%	\$	447
2001		-		1,320		837		525		5,068		7,605	1.43%		419
2002		-		1,320		1,002		445		4,838		6,910	1.30%		381
2003		-		1,320		754		365		4,471		5,330	1.00%		294
2004		-		1,320		324		270		3,416		4,646	0.87%		256
2005		-		1,320		345		170		2,811		6,625	1.24%		365
2006		-		4,090		308		62		2,165		39,406	7.40%		2,171
2007		33,245	(2)	3,995		682		-		1,484		38,727	7.27%		2,134
2008		33,245		3,900		690		-		892		37,673	7.07%		2,076
2009		33,245		3,800		530		-		98		37,673	7.07%		2,076

(1) See the Demographic and Economic Statistics for personal income and population data.

(2) The City issued general obligation bonds in fiscal year 2007.

#### DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DEBT JUNE 30, 2009

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Obliga	et General ation Bonded Outstanding	Percentage Applicable to City of Decatur (1)	Ар	Amount blicable to of Decatur
Overlapping General Obligation Debt:					
Dekalb County	\$	372,641	4.479%	\$	16,691
Fulton Dekalb Hospital Authority		222,671	4.479%		9,973
Total overlapping debt		595,312			26,664
City direct debt		33,245	100.000%		33,245
Total direct and overlapping debt	\$	628,557		\$	59,908

Source: Assessed value data used to estimate applicable percentages provided by the Dekalb County Finance Department. Debt outstanding data provided by Dekalb County Finance Departments.

Note: Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic boundaries of the City. This schedule estimates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the residents and businesses of the City of Decatur, Georgia. This process recognizes that, when considering the government's ability to issue and repay long-term debt, the entire debt burden borne by the residents and businesses should be taken into account. However, this does not imply that every taxpayer is a resident, and therefore responsible for repaying the debt, of each overlapping government.

(1) The percentage of overlapping debt applicable is estimated using taxable assessed property values. Applicable percentages were estimated by determining the portion of the county's taxable assessed value that is within the City's boundaries and dividing it by the county's total taxable assessed value.

# LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS (amounts expressed in thousands)

	Fiscal Year					
		2007		2008		2009
Debt limit	\$	162,180	\$	160,129	\$	167,046
Total net debt applicable to limit		31,414		31,604		32,027
Legal debt margin	\$	130,766	\$	128,525	\$	135,019
Assessed Value					\$	1,256,391
Add back: exempt real property						414,068
Total assessed value						1,670,459
Debt limit (10% of total assessed value) Debt applicable to limit:						167,046
General obligation bonds Less: Amount set aside for repayment of						33,245
general obligation debt						(1,218)
Total net debt applicable to limit						32,027
Legal debt margin					\$	135,019
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a						
percentage of debt limit						19.17%

Note: Under state finance law, the City's outstanding general obligation debt should not exceed 10 percent of total assessed property value. By law, the general obligation debt subject to the limitation may be offset by amounts set aside for repaying general obligation bonds.

The City did not have any general obligation debt outstanding prior to fiscal year 2007.

#### DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS LAST TEN YEARS

Fiscal Year	Population (1)	li	ersonal ncome nousands)	Ρ	er Capita ersonal come (1)	Median _Age (1)	Percentage of Population Age 25 and Older with Greater then 12 Years of Formal Schooling (3)	School Enrollment (2)	Unemployment Rate (4)
2000	17,336	\$	278,676	\$	16,075	N/A	60%	2,682	5.8%
2001	18,147	Ŷ	532,850	Ψ	29,363	36	75%	2,593	4.1%
2002	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,521	4.1%
2003	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,568	4.1%
2004	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,499	4.1%
2005	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,487	4.1%
2006	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,514	4.1%
2007	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,535	4.1%
2008	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,484	4.1%
2009	18,147		532,850		29,363	36	75%	2,715	10.6% (5)

(1) Source: U.S. Census (available every tenth year)

(2) Source: Provided by City of Decatur School Board

(3) Source: U.S. Census and Department of Community Affairs

(4) Source: U.S. Census and Department of Labor

#### PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS CURRENT AND THREE YEARS AGO

-	2009			2006			
Employer	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total City Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total City Employment	
Dekalb County Government	1,732	1	N/A %	1,100	1	N/A %	
The City Schools of Decatur (education)	477	2	N/A /0	481	2	N/A /0	
Agnes Scott College (education)	395	3	N/A	400	3	N/A	
Emory University (satellite offices)	365	4	N/A	239	4	N/A	
City of Decatur	210	5	N/A	206	5	N/A	
Decatur Hospital	175	6	N/A	178	6	N/A	
McCurdy & Calendar	214	7	N/A	74	9	N/A	
Columbia Theological Sem	107	8	N/A	116	8	N/A	
Third Millennium	50	9	N/A	50	10	N/A	
Decatur First Bank	27	10	N/A	-	-	-	
Allied Systems	-	-	N/A	175	7	N/A	
-	3,752		N/A %	3,019		N/A %	

Source: Various City departments

Note: Information for principal employers prior to 2006 is currently not available.

N/A - Information not available

### FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT CITY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	2009	2008	2007		2006	2005
Function						
General government	24	28	29		28	25
Public safety						
Police						
Officers	41	33	34	(2)	53	50
Civilians	16	18	15	(2)	27	29
Fire						
Firefighters and officers	38	39	39		39	40
Highways and streets						
Engineering	14	13	13	(2)	20	20
Maintenance	24	28	27	(2)	39	34
Sanitation	19	13	17		17	17
Culture and recreation	18	19	16		18	17
Total	194	191	190		241	232

Source: City of Decatur department records

Notes: (1) In 2002, engineering personnel were moved to maintenance.

(2) The decrease in 2007 represents position vacacies which occurred during fiscal year 2007, but were not filled until after year end.

2004	2003	2002		2001	2000
25	21	22		22	23
51	52	53		54	52
28	27	29		28	28
40	39	39		39	39
19	19	20	(1)	45	47
36	36	34	(1)	6	6
15	15	16		16	16
18	14	17		21	13
232	223	230		231	224

### OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Function					
Police					
Physical arrests	1,054	1,179	1,308	1,874	1,655
Parking violations	9,554	11,411	4,230	5,699	4,126
Traffic violations	6,820	5,563	8,454	8,011	8,195
Fire					
Number of calls answered	2,975	2,927	2,552	2,430	2,353
Inspections	1,023	971	884	370	427
Highways and streets					
Street resurfacing (miles)	0.71	-	-	-	0.65
Potholes repaired	38	35	40	48	24
Sanitation					
Refuse collected (tons/day)	28.00	36.70	42.28	46.43	46.91
Recyclables collected (tons/day)	18.25	13.67	10.58	11.92	10.40
Culture and recreation					
Athletic field permits issued	169 *	** 209	542	608	642
Community center admissions	13,008	14,409	5,081	6,135	6,268

Source: City of Decatur Departments

N/A - Information not available

Note: Fluctuations experienced in traffic violations from year to year result from the number of officers on the streets during these periods.

Note: Increases in recyclables collected due to recycling program starting in 1999.

Note: Decreases in refuse collected due to State of Georgia mandates and recycling.

Note: Parking violations increased due to the City hiring four additional PAL employees in the 2008 fiscal year, as well as the implementation of new electronic ticketing equipment.

Note: Community center admissions increased due to increased number of classes/programs being offered and increased citizen participation

\* City of Decatur recreation program Trac Program started in March 2004.

\*\* The number of permits issued decreased due to construction at Glenlake Park facilities.

2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
1,758	1,869	1,455	1,969	2,583
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
9,129	6,991	4,154	5,673	7,632
2,200	2,551	2,216	2,077	2,226
278	213	N/A	N/A	N/A
0.75	4.05	4.05		4.40
0.75	1.65	1.65	0.08	1.43
31	34	30	15	26
49.93	51.64	52.48	56.58	53.00
10.98	10.89	8.95	9.35	8.39
513 *	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4,143 *	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

## CAPITAL ASSET STATISTICS BY FUNCTION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Function					
Public safety					
Police					
Stations	1	1	1	1	1
Patrol units	37	37	35	35	40
Fire stations	2	1	A 2	2	2
Sanitation					
Collection trucks	9	9	8	7	7
Highways and streets					
Streets (miles)	62	62	62	62	62
Culture and recreation					
Parks acreage	66.7	64.7	56.5	56.5	56.5
Parks	14	13	13	13	13
Swimming pools	3	3	3	3	3
Tennis courts	9	9	11	11	11
Community centers	3	3	2	2	2

Source: Various City departments

Note: Capital asset indicators are not available for the general government function

A: Fire Station #2 is under construction during 2008

2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
1	1	1	1	1
42	40	36	42	40
2	2	2	2	2
7	7	7	7	7
62	62	62	62	62
56.5	56.5	56.5	56.5	56.5
13	13	13	13	13
3	3	3	3	3
11	11	11	11	11
2	2	2	2	2