

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**December 31, 2024**



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Certified Public Accountants

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



Wall,  
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To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Trustees  
City of Creede, Colorado  
Creede, Colorado

## ***Opinions***

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Creede, Colorado (the City), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City, as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## ***Basis for Opinions***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

## ***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material

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misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, major fund budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

***Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The individual fund financial schedules and the Local Highway Finance Report are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the individual fund financial schedules and the Local Highway Finance Report are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

*Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.*

Wall, Smith, Bateman Inc.  
Alamosa, Colorado

August 27, 2025

**City of Creede, Colorado**  
**Management’s Discussion and Analysis**  
**December 31, 2024**

Management’s discussion and analysis provides a narrative overview of the financial activities and changes in the financial position of the City of Creede (the City) for the year ended December 31, 2024. It is offered here by the management of the City to the readers of its financial statements.

**Financial Highlights**

- The assets of the City exceed its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at December 31, 2024 by \$16,013,718 (net position). Of this amount, \$2,970,291 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the City’s ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The City’s total net position increased \$729,200. The highlights of this increase can be found on page 5 of this report.
- At December 31, 2024, the City’s governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$8,466,734. This amount is classified into the following categories:

Nonspendable	\$ 1,480	-
Restricted	5,724,584	67.6%
Committed	1,591,927	18.8%
Assigned	103,305	1.2%
Unassigned	1,045,438	12.3%

- The \$1,045,438 unassigned fund balance in the General Fund represents 55.5% of total General Fund expenditures.
- The City’s total debt decreased by \$68,240 (4.0%) during the current year. The highlights of this decrease can be found on pages 23 and 24 of this report.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City’s basic financial statements. The reporting focus is on the City as a whole and on individual major funds. It is intended to present a more comprehensive view of the City’s financial activities.

The basic financial statements are comprised of three components (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information and other supplemental information in addition to the basic financial statements.

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**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the City's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business. Both are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, meaning that all the current year's revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the City's assets, deferred outflows of resources (if any), and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, including capital assets and long-term obligations. The difference is reported as net position. Over time, the increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating. Other indicators of the City's financial position should be taken into consideration, such as the change in the City's property tax base and condition of the City's infrastructure (i.e., roads, drainage systems, water and sewer lines, etc.) to more accurately assess the overall financial condition of the City.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the City's net position changed during the most recent year. It focuses on both the gross and net costs of the government's various activities and thus summarizes the cost of providing specific government services. This statement includes all current year revenues and expenses.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities divide the City's activities into two types:

*Governmental Activities.* Most of the City's basic services are reported here, including general government, planning for future land use, traffic control, building inspection, public health, neighborhood integrity, park and recreational activities, and cultural events. Property taxes, sales taxes, franchise fees, investment earnings, intergovernmental grants and lottery revenue provide the majority of the financing for these activities.

*Business-Type Activities.* Activities for which the City charges a fee to customers to pay most or all of the costs of a service it provides are reported here. The City's business-type activities include water distribution and sewer collection.

**Fund Financial Statements**

The City, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. 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. These statements focus on the most significant funds and may be used to find more detailed information about the City's most significant activities. All of the funds of the City can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary fund.

*Governmental Funds.* Governmental funds are used to account for the majority of the City's activities, which are essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide 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 spendable resources available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

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The focus of the governmental funds financial statements is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements. Therefore, 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 funds Balance Sheet and the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison. These reconciliations explain the differences between the government's activities as reported in the government-wide statements and the information presented in the governmental fund financial statements.

The City maintains four individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds Balance Sheet and in the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for each fund.

*Proprietary Funds.* When the City charges customers for services it provides, the activities are generally reported in proprietary funds. The City Water/Sewer Fund is reported as a Business-Type Activity – Enterprise Fund.

The enterprise fund is used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City uses the enterprise fund to account for its water and sewer operations. These services are primarily provided to outside or nongovernmental customers.

Proprietary fund financial statements provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the water and sewer operations.

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to gain a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

### **Other Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, the City adopts an annual appropriated budget for all major and non-major governmental funds and for the proprietary fund. Budgetary comparison schedules have been provided for the governmental funds and the proprietary fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

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

Total assets of the City at December 31, 2024 were \$18,285,439, while total liabilities were \$2,139,769. Total deferred inflows of resources were \$131,952, resulting in a net position balance of \$16,013,718.

A large portion of the City's net position, \$5,663,584 (35.4%), reflects the amount held in a permanent endowment held in the Virginia Christensen Fund. Earnings and allowed distributions from this endowment are used for certain parks and recreation projects, however, this balance is restricted and to be held for future growth and earnings. \$7,192,420 (44.9%) of the net position reflects the City's net investment in capital assets (land and

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improvements, buildings, infrastructure, vehicles, machinery, and equipment), less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The City uses these assets to provide services to its citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the City reports its capital assets net of related debt, 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.

At the end of the current year, the City is able to report positive balances in all categories of net position. For detail of the Statement of Net Position, reference page 4 of the Basic Financial Statements.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business Type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 3,550,758	\$ 3,559,717	\$ 93,247	\$ 29,059	\$ 3,644,005	\$ 3,588,776
Restricted assets	5,631,183	5,123,854	772,962	1,214,554	6,404,145	6,338,408
Capital assets, net	3,941,065	3,823,002	4,296,224	3,649,756	8,237,289	7,472,758
Total assets	<u>13,123,006</u>	<u>12,506,573</u>	<u>5,162,433</u>	<u>4,893,369</u>	<u>18,285,439</u>	<u>17,399,942</u>
Current liabilities	273,436	202,716	219,841	57,992	493,277	260,708
Long-term debt	25,809	34,285	1,620,683	1,688,923	1,646,492	1,723,208
Total liabilities	<u>299,245</u>	<u>237,001</u>	<u>1,840,524</u>	<u>1,746,915</u>	<u>2,139,769</u>	<u>1,983,916</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	131,952	131,508	-	-	131,952	131,508
Net investment in capital assets	3,941,065	3,823,002	3,251,355	2,985,933	7,192,420	6,808,935
Restricted	5,724,584	5,157,559	126,423	119,681	5,851,007	5,277,240
Unrestricted	3,026,160	3,157,503	(55,869)	40,840	2,970,291	3,198,343
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 12,691,809</u>	<u>\$12,138,064</u>	<u>\$3,321,909</u>	<u>\$3,146,454</u>	<u>\$16,013,718</u>	<u>\$15,284,518</u>

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Revenues</b>						
<u>Program Revenues</u>						
Charges for services	\$ 65,988	\$ 51,340	\$ 399,200	\$ 368,673	\$ 465,188	\$ 420,013
Grants and contributions	414,221	404,395	259,393	143,613	673,614	548,008
<u>General revenues</u>						
Property Taxes	138,343	102,681	-	-	138,343	102,681
Sales Taxes	1,106,438	1,105,704	-	-	1,106,438	1,105,704
Other Taxes	114,224	96,034	-	-	114,224	96,034
Investment Earnings and Other	770,473	832,922	2,543	1,893	773,016	834,815
Total Revenues	<u>2,609,687</u>	<u>2,593,076</u>	<u>661,136</u>	<u>514,179</u>	<u>3,270,823</u>	<u>3,107,255</u>
<b>Expenses</b>						
General Government	1,286,421	513,534	-	-	1,286,421	513,534
Highways and Streets	320,635	322,724	-	-	320,635	322,724
Culture and Recreation	317,465	391,581	-	-	317,465	391,581
Water and Sewer	-	-	617,102	643,650	617,102	643,650
Total Expenses	<u>1,924,521</u>	<u>1,227,839</u>	<u>617,102</u>	<u>643,650</u>	<u>2,541,623</u>	<u>1,871,489</u>
Increase(decrease) in net position	685,166	1,365,237	44,034	(129,471)	729,200	1,235,766
Transfers in/(out)	<u>(131,421)</u>	<u>(206,803)</u>	<u>131,421</u>	<u>206,803</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Changes in net position	553,745	1,158,434	175,455	77,332	729,200	1,235,766
Net position, January 1	<u>12,138,064</u>	<u>10,979,630</u>	<u>3,146,454</u>	<u>3,069,122</u>	<u>15,284,518</u>	<u>14,048,752</u>
Net position, December 31	<u>\$12,691,809</u>	<u>\$12,138,064</u>	<u>\$3,321,909</u>	<u>\$3,146,454</u>	<u>\$16,013,718</u>	<u>\$15,284,518</u>

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**Governmental Activities**

Net position increased \$553,745. Key revenue transactions are as follows:

- Total revenues increased approximately \$17,000 over the prior year.
- Property tax revenues increased approximately \$36,000.
- Sales tax revenues remained consistent.
- Charges for services increased approximately \$15,000.
- Investment earnings decreased by approx. \$62,000.
- Grants and contributions increased by approx. \$10,000.

Total expenditures for the year 2024 increased by \$696,682 when compared to the year 2023. Key expenditure changes are as follows:

- Total general government expenditures increased by approximately \$773,000.
- Total highway and street expenditures decreased by approximately \$3,000.
- Total culture and recreation expenditures decreased by approximately \$74,000.

**Business-Type Activities**

Business-type activities increased net position by \$175,455. Key elements to the change in net position are as follows:

- Water and sewer operational revenues for the current year were \$191,053 lower than expenses generated. There was a \$30,527 increase in charges for services and a \$26,548 decrease in overall expenses which led to an overall improvement in the operating loss of approx. \$58,000. Capital contributions also increased by \$115,780 and transfers in decreased by \$75,382 from the prior year. The net increase in net position is a result of increased operational income as well as increases in grants.

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**Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**

**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, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the City's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

As of the current year, the City's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$8,466,734. Approximately 12.3%, or \$1,045,438, constitutes unassigned fund balance, which is available for spending at the government's discretion.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At the end of the current year, the total fund balance is \$1,211,223. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both the unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 55.5% of total General Fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 64.3% of total General Fund expenditures.

The General Fund's fund balance decreased \$275,428 this year. This decrease is primarily the result of capital-related grant revenue of \$165,184 that was not received within the City's availability period of 60 days after year end. This increased the fund's deferred inflows of resources and reduced the amount of grant revenue reported in 2024. The revenue will be reported when received and it becomes available to meet the current needs of the fund.

The Capital Improvement Fund balance decreased by \$18,575.

The Virginia Christensen Fund balance increased by \$552,803.

The Conservation Trust Fund balance increased \$3,222.

Detail for Governmental Funds is found on pages 6-8 of the Basic Financial Statements.

**Proprietary Funds:** The City's proprietary fund provides the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position in the Water and Sewer Fund at the end of the year was negative \$(55,869). Total net position in the Water and Sewer Fund increased \$175,455. The investment in capital assets increased by \$646,468.

Water and Sewer rate increases were implemented in mid-year 2024 and resulted in an 8.3% increase in charges for services. Further increases are expected in 2025, as these rates are fully implemented throughout the year.

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**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

City Board of Trustees adopted the 2024 budget as outlined on page 30. Total revenues were \$566,945 less than the final budgeted amounts. Total expenditures were \$7,642 less than the final budget. A complete budget comparison report appears on page 30 of the financial statements.

**Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets:** The City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of December 31, 2024 amounts to \$8,237,289 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, vehicles, machinery and equipment, infrastructure, and construction in progress. The total increase in the City's investment in capital assets for the current year was 10.2%. Additional capital projects planned to be completed in the near term include replacing additional sewer lines, replacing the town hall and public works buildings, and making pedestrian improvements to Main street.

**Long-Term Debt:** Long-Term Liabilities decreased by \$68,240 in 2024. The year-end balance was \$1,620,683, which is comprised of a \$1,250,000 1.75% interest loan (current balance of \$677,533) with Colorado Water Resources and Development Authority (CWRDA) and a new Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund loan also with CWRDA of \$1,000,000, 1.5% interest loan (current balance of \$943,150).

Additional information on the City's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 on pages 23 and 24 of this report.

**Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City's finances. Questions regarding any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the City of Creede, P.O. Box 457, Creede, CO 81130.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2024**

	Primary Government		TOTAL
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Investments	\$ 2,249,816	\$ 557,602	\$ 2,807,418
Restricted Cash and Investments	5,631,183	222,361	5,853,544
Property Taxes Receivable	131,952	-	131,952
Accounts Receivable	1,099	8,444	9,543
Due from Other Governments	665,384	22,706	688,090
Bond proceeds held by CWRPDA	-	550,601	550,601
Inventory	1,480	5,522	7,002
Internal Balances	501,027	(501,027)	-
Total Current Assets	<u>9,181,941</u>	<u>866,209</u>	<u>10,048,150</u>
<b>Capital Assets</b>			
Construction in Progress	573,317	156,125	729,442
Land	109,898	32,457	142,355
Buildings	1,077,481	1,982,823	3,060,304
Equipment	42,691	15,983	58,674
Vehicles	122,089	-	122,089
Infrastructure	2,015,589	2,108,836	4,124,425
Total Capital Assets	<u>3,941,065</u>	<u>4,296,224</u>	<u>8,237,289</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>13,123,006</u>	<u>5,162,433</u>	<u>18,285,439</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	273,436	208,813	482,249
Unearned Revenue	-	11,028	11,028
Long-Term Liabilities			
Due within One Year	21,009	69,371	90,380
Due in More Than One Year	4,800	1,551,312	1,556,112
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>299,245</u>	<u>1,840,524</u>	<u>2,139,769</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Unavailable Revenue - Property Tax (Current)	131,952	-	131,952
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	3,941,065	3,251,355	7,192,420
Restricted for			
TABOR	61,000	-	61,000
Parks and Recreation Facilities	5,663,584	-	5,663,584
Capital Projects	-	126,423	126,423
Unrestricted	3,026,160	(55,869)	2,970,291
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<u>\$ 12,691,809</u>	<u>\$ 3,321,909</u>	<u>\$ 16,013,718</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Capital Grants & Contributions	Primary Government		TOTAL	
					Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities		
<b>Primary Government:</b>								
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>								
General Government	\$ 1,286,421	\$ 35,949	\$ 12,911	\$ 350,122	\$ (887,439)	\$ -	\$ (887,439)	
Highways and Streets	320,635	-	-	-	(320,635)	-	(320,635)	
Culture and Recreation	317,465	30,039	43,297	7,891	(236,238)	-	(236,238)	
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>1,924,521</b>	<b>65,988</b>	<b>56,208</b>	<b>358,013</b>	<b>(1,444,312)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,444,312)</b>	
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>								
Water	413,556	283,432	2,194	18,000	-	(109,930)	(109,930)	
Sewer	203,546	115,768	896	238,303	-	151,421	151,421	
<b>Total Business-Type Activities</b>	<b>617,102</b>	<b>399,200</b>	<b>3,090</b>	<b>256,303</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,491</b>	<b>41,491</b>	
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<b>\$ 2,541,623</b>	<b>\$ 465,188</b>	<b>\$ 59,298</b>	<b>\$ 614,316</b>	<b>(1,444,312)</b>	<b>41,491</b>	<b>(1,402,821)</b>	
<b>General Revenues:</b>								
Taxes:								
					138,343	-	138,343	
					1,106,438	-	1,106,438	
					114,224	-	114,224	
					10,762	-	10,762	
					759,711	2,543	762,254	
					(131,421)	131,421	-	
					<b>1,998,057</b>	<b>133,964</b>	<b>2,132,021</b>	
					Change in Net Position	553,745	175,455	729,200
					<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>	12,138,064	3,146,454	15,284,518
					<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 12,691,809</b>	<b>\$ 3,321,909</b>	<b>\$ 16,013,718</b>

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**December 31, 2024**

	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND</b>	<b>VIRGINIA G. CHRISTENSEN TRUST</b>	<b>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and Investments	\$ 942,631	\$ 1,274,784	\$ -	\$ 32,401	\$ 2,249,816
Restricted Cash and Investments	-	-	5,631,183	-	5,631,183
Accounts Receivable	1,099	-	-	-	1,099
Property Taxes Receivable	131,952	-	-	-	131,952
Due From Other Funds	245,807	486,459	-	-	732,266
Due From Other Governments	603,461	61,923	-	-	665,384
Inventory	1,480	-	-	-	1,480
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,926,430</b>	<b>\$ 1,823,166</b>	<b>\$ 5,631,183</b>	<b>\$ 32,401</b>	<b>\$ 9,413,180</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>					
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accounts Payable	243,600	-	-	-	243,600
Accrued liabilities	29,836	-	-	-	29,836
Due to Other Funds	-	231,239	-	-	231,239
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>273,436</b>	<b>231,239</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>504,675</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>					
Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes	131,952	-	-	-	131,952
Unavailable Revenue - Grants	309,819	-	-	-	309,819
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>441,771</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>441,771</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>					
Nonspendable	1,480	-	-	-	1,480
Restricted:					
Tabor Amendment Reserve	61,000	-	-	-	61,000
Parks and Recreation	-	-	5,631,183	32,401	5,663,584
Committed:					
Capital Improvements	-	1,591,927	-	-	1,591,927
Assigned:					
Subsequent Year Expenditures	103,305	-	-	-	103,305
Unassigned	1,045,438	-	-	-	1,045,438
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>1,211,223</b>	<b>1,591,927</b>	<b>5,631,183</b>	<b>32,401</b>	<b>8,466,734</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 1,926,430</b>	<b>\$ 1,823,166</b>	<b>\$ 5,631,183</b>	<b>\$ 32,401</b>	<b>\$ 9,413,180</b>

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES**  
**TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2024**

<b>Total Governmental Fund Balances</b>		\$ 8,466,734
<p>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:</p>		
<p>Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental fund financial statements.</p>		
Capital Assets	\$ 5,322,911	
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(1,381,846)</u>	3,941,065
<p>Long-term liabilities are not due and payable from current resources, and therefore, are not reported as liabilities on the fund financial statements. Long-term liabilities consist of:</p>		
Compensated Absences Payable		(25,809)
<p>Certain revenue was earned and accrued in the statement of net position, but has been deferred in the governmental funds balance sheet.</p>		
Other Deferred Inflows of Resources (Unavailable Revenue)		<u>309,819</u>
<b>Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>		<u><u>\$ 12,691,809</u></u>

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND</b>	<b>VIRGINIA G. CHRISTENSEN TRUST</b>	<b>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Taxes	\$ 785,124	\$ 573,881	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,359,005
Licenses and Permits	23,713	-	-	-	23,713
Intergovernmental Revenue	245,830	-	-	3,207	249,037
Charges for Services	42,275	-	-	-	42,275
Investment Earnings	47,190	49,644	662,862	15	759,711
Other Revenue	10,588	174	-	-	10,762
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>1,154,720</b>	<b>623,699</b>	<b>662,862</b>	<b>3,222</b>	<b>2,444,503</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Current					
General Government	827,287	9,392	-	-	836,679
Highways and Streets	243,515	-	-	-	243,515
Culture and Recreation	223,723	-	55,559	-	279,282
Capital Outlay	590,083	101,501	-	-	691,584
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,884,608</b>	<b>110,893</b>	<b>55,559</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,051,060</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(729,888)	512,806	607,303	3,222	393,443
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Transfers In	454,460	-	-	-	454,460
Transfers Out	-	(531,381)	(54,500)	-	(585,881)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>454,460</b>	<b>(531,381)</b>	<b>(54,500)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(131,421)</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>(275,428)</b>	<b>(18,575)</b>	<b>552,803</b>	<b>3,222</b>	<b>262,022</b>
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>1,486,651</b>	<b>1,610,502</b>	<b>5,078,380</b>	<b>29,179</b>	<b>8,204,712</b>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 1,211,223</b>	<b>\$ 1,591,927</b>	<b>\$ 5,631,183</b>	<b>\$ 32,401</b>	<b>\$ 8,466,734</b>

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

**Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds** \$ 262,022

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

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 activity in capital assets in the current period.

Capital Outlays	\$	691,584	
Depreciation Expense		<u>(146,248)</u>	545,336

Certain assets that had been capitalized on the government-wide statement of net position were disposed of in the current year which had no impact on the governmental fund statements			(427,273)
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Payment of compensated absences is reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when actually paid. However, on the government-wide statement activities compensated absences are expensed as they are accrued. Change in the compensated absences liability.			8,476
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Certain revenue was earned and accrued in the statement of net position, but has been deferred in the governmental funds balance sheet.			<u>165,184</u>
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**Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities** \$ 553,745

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**December 31, 2024**

	<b>WATER AND SEWER FUND</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 557,602
Restricted Cash and Investments	222,361
Accounts Receivable	8,444
Bond proceeds held by CWRPDA	550,601
Due from other Governments	22,706
Inventory	5,522
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>1,367,236</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>	
<b>Capital Assets</b>	
Construction in Progress	156,125
Land	32,457
Buildings & Infrastructure	6,858,156
Equipment	119,450
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(2,869,964)
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>4,296,224</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>5,663,460</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	181,541
Accrued Payroll	10,549
Accrued Compensation	12,246
Accrued Interest Payable	4,477
Unearned Revenue	11,028
Due to Other Funds	501,027
Notes and Loan Payable	69,371
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>790,239</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	
Notes and Loan Payable	1,551,312
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>1,551,312</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,341,551</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	3,251,355
Restricted for Capital Projects	126,423
Unrestricted	(55,869)
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 3,321,909</b>

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>WATER AND SEWER FUND</b>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>	
Charges for Services	\$ 399,200
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	399,200
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	
Personnel Services	214,362
Materials and Supplies	11,458
Testing Fees	35,038
Professional Services	50,784
Repairs	42,934
Insurance	14,756
Utilities	57,367
Depreciation Expense	137,485
Other Expenses	26,069
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	590,253
Operating Income (Loss)	(191,053)
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	
Interest Income	2,543
Debt Service Payments	(26,849)
Other Revenue	3,090
<b>TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	(21,216)
Income (Loss) Before Other Revenue	(212,269)
Transfers In	131,421
Capital Contributions	256,303
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	175,455
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>	3,146,454
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	\$ 3,321,909

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<u><b>WATER AND SEWER FUND</b></u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 399,193
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(204,911)
Cash Payments to Employees	(166,144)
Cash Payments for Employee Benefits and Taxes	(48,202)
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<u>(20,064)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Donations and Non-Capital Grants	3,090
Cash Received (Payments) from Other Activities	182,596
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<u>185,686</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Capital Contributions	270,750
Transfers In	93,847
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(654,485)
Advances on cash held by CWRPDA	449,399
Interest Paid on Notes and Bonds	(26,849)
Principal Paid on Notes and Bonds	(68,240)
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<u>64,422</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Interest Income	2,543
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<u>232,587</u>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>547,376</u>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 779,963</u>
<b>Reported in the Accompanying Statement of Net Position as follows:</b>	
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	\$ 557,602
<b>Restricted Cash and Investments</b>	<u>222,361</u>
	<u>\$ 779,963</u>
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>	\$ (191,053)
<b>Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:</b>	
Depreciation Expense	137,485
Change in Assets and Liabilities	
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(4,531)
Increase (Decrease) in Unearned Revenue	11,028
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Expenses	4,418
(Increase) Decrease in Inventory	1,237
Increase (Decrease) in Customer Deposits	(6,504)
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Payroll	2,456
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Compensation	(2,441)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	27,841
<b>Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities</b>	<u>\$ (20,064)</u>
<b>Additional Information Non-Cash Transactions</b>	
Fixed Assets Purchased with Accounts Payable	\$ 129,468

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**December 31, 2024**

**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**REPORTING ENTITY**

***Primary Government***

The City of Creede, Colorado, was incorporated on June 13, 1892, under an act entitled "An Act in Relation to Municipal Corporations" passed by the First General Assembly on April 4, 1877. The City operates under a Town council form of government and provides the following services: public safety, highway and street maintenance, culture and recreation, debt service and general government activities, including financial administration, planning and zoning and municipal court services. A Board of Trustees elected by eligible voters of the City governs the City of Creede. The financial statements of the City have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the City of Creede, a primary government. Based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 14, the City has no component units.

**MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION**

***Government-wide Statements***

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government (the City) and its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double reporting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the City. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the City and for each function of the City's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the statement of activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meet the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including taxes levied by the City, are presented as general revenues.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating 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 Water and Sewer Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. The Water and Sewer Fund also recognize as operating revenue the portion of the tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating 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.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
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**December 31, 2024**

***Fund Financial Statements***

The fund financial statements provide information about the City's funds. Separate statements for each fund category — governmental and propriety — are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each is displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. The City does not have fiduciary fund types.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

- The ***General Fund*** is the general operating fund of the City. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The ***Capital Improvements Fund*** is used for the aggregation of monies for future capital purchases. Sources of revenue are derived from sales tax designated for capital improvements.
- The ***Virginia G. Christensen Trust Fund*** is used to account for revenue earned from the trust and the expenditures are to be used for parks and recreation facilities.

The City reports the following major enterprise funds:

- The ***Water and Sewer Fund*** accounts for user charges and expenses for operating, financing and maintaining the city's water and sewer system.

The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the City gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchanges, include sales taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenues from sales taxes are recognized in the period for which the taxes are collected by vendors. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available.

The City considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. Sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liabilities are incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues or operating funds transfers. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by general revenues or operating fund transfers.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**December 31, 2024**

**ASSETS, LIABILITIES, FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION**

***Deposits and Investments***

The cash balances of substantially all funds are pooled for the purpose of increasing earnings through investment activities. The pool's investments are reported at fair value at December 31, 2024, based on market prices. The individual funds' portions of the pool's fair value are presented as cash and cash equivalents or certificates of deposit. Earnings on the pooled funds are apportioned and paid or credited to the funds monthly based on the average monthly balance of each participating fund. Negative balances incurred in pooled cash at year-end are treated as interfund receivables of the General Fund and interfund payables of the deficit fund.

***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The City considers all cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term highly liquid investments with an original maturing of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

***Property Taxes***

Property taxes are levied on December 22 and attached as a lien on property the following January 1. They are payable in full by April 30 or in two equal installments due February 28 and June 15. Property taxes levied in the current year and collected in the following year are reported as a deferred inflows of resources at December 31.

***Inventory***

Water and Sewer Fund supply inventory is valued at cost. Supplies purchased in the General Fund consist of expendable items held for consumption. The cost is recorded as expenditures at the time individual inventory items are purchased.

***Capital Assets***

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are defined by the City as assets with an initial, individual cost of at least \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years.

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. General infrastructure assets are reported at estimated historical cost. 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.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of such assets.

Capital assets acquired by capital lease are depreciated over the estimated useful lives and are included in depreciation expense in the appropriate fund. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Assets	Years
Buildings	15-40 Years
Equipment	5-7 Years
Vehicles	5 Years
Infrastructure	20-25 Years

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GASB No. 34 requires the City to report and depreciate infrastructure assets. Infrastructure assets include roads, bridges, underground pipe, (other than related to utilities), traffic signals, etc. These infrastructure assets are likely to be the largest asset class of the City.

***Long-term Debt***

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 position.

The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

***Compensated Absences***

City employees receive paid time off per year depending on employee classification. Salary and full-time employees can accumulate up to 176 hours per year for the first 4 years of service, 216 hours per year for 5-9 years of service and 256 hours per year for 10 years of service or more. Accumulated paid time off is limited by the City to 320 hours per employee. Accrued paid time off over 320 hours is paid to the employee at year end. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only if amounts are actually due to employees as a result of termination or retirement.

***Fund Balance***

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.

***Deferred Outflows / Inflows of Resources***

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section of deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section of deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Property taxes revenue that are related to a future period have been recorded as deferred inflows. Grants and entitlements received before eligibility requirements are met (e.g., cash advances) are recorded as deferred inflows of resources. Revenues received after the availability period of 60-days are considered deferred inflows of resources. These amounts will be recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available or the requirements are met.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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***Encumbrances***

The City does not record purchase orders in the accounting system until invoices are ready for payment. Unfulfilled purchase commitments outstanding at the end of the budget year are rebudgeted in the succeeding year. End of the year fund balance intended to be used in the succeeding year is reported as assigned fund balance.

***Use of Estimates***

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

***New Accounting Standards***

For 2024, the City implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences. GASB Statement No. 101 updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The implementation of this standard did not require an adjustment to the City's beginning net position due to immateriality. However, it changed the calculation of the balance in the current year and future years.

**NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

***Budgets and Budgetary Accounting***

The City follows these procedures in establishing funds.

1. Budgets are required by state law for all governmental and proprietary funds.
2. During October the proposed budget is submitted to the City Board for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1.
3. Prior to December 15, the budget is adopted and appropriations are authorized by ordinance at the fund level for all funds. The legal level of budgetary control is at the individual fund level for all funds.
4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for all funds of the City. The governmental funds and expendable trust funds budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The proprietary funds budgets are adopted using the same accounting methods as governmental fund types; this procedure follows Colorado State Statute, but is not in accordance with GAAP.
5. Appropriations lapse at the end of each year, and the City Board may adopt supplemental appropriations during the year. The City Board may add to, subtract from or change appropriations, but may not change the form of the budget. Any changes in the budget must be within the revenues and reserves estimated as available by the City's administrator or the revenue estimates must be changed by the City Board when adopting supplemental appropriations. The City did adopt a supplemental appropriation in 2024.

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**NOTE 3 CASH, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS**

***Cash and Deposits***

Colorado State Statutes govern the City's deposits of cash. The statutes specify eligible depositories for public cash deposits, which must be Colorado institutions and must maintain federal insurance (FDIC) on deposits held.

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act, (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories determined by state regulators. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized in accordance with the PDPA. PDPA allows the institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits. All deposits in 2024 were in eligible public depositories, as defined by the Public Deposit Protection Act of 1989.

***Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits***

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the City's deposits may not be returned to it. The City does not have deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of year-end, \$2,796,319 of the City's bank balance of \$3,296,319 was exposed to custodial credit risk. Deposits exposed to credit risk are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution through PDPA.

***Investments***

The City's investments are subject to interest rate, credit risk and concentration of credit risk. The types of investments which are authorized to be made with City funds are controlled by state statute and the investment policies of the City. Colorado statutes and the City's investment policies specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which the City may invest:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- Commercial paper
- Local government investment pools
- Repurchase agreements
- Money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts
- Corporate or bank debt issued by eligible corporations or banks

***Credit Risk***

As of December 31, 2024, the local government investment pool, (ColoTrust) was stated at net asset value and was rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

The City of Creede received 20% of the Virginia G. Christensen Trust Estate in 1997. According to the trust agreement the trust income is to be distributed to the City at least annually. The trust principal may also be distributed to the City at the discretion of the trustee. JP Morgan Chase Trust Department in Boulder, Colorado is serving as the trustee. The Trust is accounted for as a special revenue fund in the City's financial statements.

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The Virginia Christensen Trust Fund's investment policy calls for investment diversification within the portfolio to avoid unreasonable risks inherent in over investing in specific instruments, individual financial institutions or maturities.

Nine of the Virginia Christensen Trust Fund's investments are exposed to the following foreign currency risk:

	Fair Market Value December 31, 2024
Ishares MSCI EAFE ETF	\$ 159,461
JPMorgan BetaBuilders Canada	107,014
Six Circles Intl Uncon Eq	431,341
JPMorgan BetaBuilders Japan ETF	145,019
JPMorgan Betbuilders Dev Asia X-JPN	74,539
Vanguard TTL INTL BND-ETF	148,474
Vanguard TTL INTL BND-ADM	145,829
Six Circles Global Bond	396,133
Six Circles Credit Opport	200,426
Total	\$ 1,808,236

These funds are highly diversified, which minimize the impact any currency could have on the overall investments. Ratings from Moody's or Standard and Poor's are not available for these products. The Virginia Christensen Trust Fund is also exposed to possible interest rate risk on fixed income investments. These funds hold several types of fixed income securities without a concentration of any one issuer.

Fair value investments classified at Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Fair value investments classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using the active market rates for the underlying securities. Fair value investments classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using non-observable inputs.

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<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value Measurements December 31, 2024 Using: Level 2</u>	<u>1-5 years</u>	<u>Credit Risk</u>
J.P. Morgan (Investments)	\$ 5,024,487	\$ 5,024,487	N/R
Cash on hand and in banks	3,281,718		
Money market funds	\$ 22,913		N/R
ColoTrust	<u>331,844</u>		
Cash and investments in custody of others	<u>354,757</u>		
Total deposits and investments	<u>\$ 8,660,962</u>		

The carrying amounts of deposits and investments are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as:

<u>Government-wide Statement of Net Position</u>	
Cash and investments	2,807,418
Restricted cash and investments	<u>5,853,544</u>
	<u>\$ 8,660,962</u>

***Interest Rate Risk***

Colorado Revised Statutes and the City's investment policy limit investment maturities to five years or less from the date of purchase. This limit on investment maturities is a means of limiting exposure to fair values arising from increasing interest rates.

The Colorado Government Liquid Asset Trust (ColoTrust), is an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado pursuant to Part 7 of Article 75 of Title 24 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to pool surplus funds for investment purposes. ColoTrust operates similarly to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$ 1.00. The fair value of the position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares. The designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal functions. Substantially all securities owned by the pool are held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by the pool. Investments of the pool consist of U.S. Treasury bills, notes and note strips and repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury Notes. The investments do not have any unfunded commitments or redemption notice periods.

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**NOTE 4 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS**

***Interfund Receivables/Payables***

The City reports interfund balances between its funds. The balances result 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. Interfund balances are generally expected to be repaid within one year of the financial statement date.

Interfund balances for the year ended December 31, 2024 were as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Water and Sewer Fund	\$ 14,568
General Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	231,239
Capital Improvements Fund	Water and Sewer Fund	486,459
		\$ 732,266

***Interfund Transfers***

The City reports interfund transfers between its funds. The transfers in the current year included amounts transferred from the Virginia Christensen Trust Fund to the General Fund for parks-related projects. The Capital Improvements Fund also made transfers to the General Fund for capital-related projects and to the Water & Sewer Fund to offset the current and prior two year's capital-related debt payments.

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2024 were as follows:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	Amount
General Fund	Virginia Christensen Fund	\$ 54,500
General Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	399,960
Water & Sewer Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	131,421
		\$ 585,881

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**NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2024, was as follows:

	Balance 12/31/2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance 12/31/2024
<i>Governmental Activities</i>				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 109,898	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109,898
Construction in Progress	435,574	565,016	427,273	573,317
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>545,472</u>	<u>565,016</u>	<u>427,273</u>	<u>683,215</u>
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and Improvements	1,521,065	41,059	-	1,562,124
Infrastructure	2,594,096	-	-	2,594,096
Equipment	296,363	12,858	-	309,221
Vehicles	101,604	72,651	-	174,255
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>4,513,128</u>	<u>126,568</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,639,696</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and Improvements	426,333	58,310	-	484,643
Infrastructure	507,042	71,465	-	578,507
Equipment	260,956	5,574	-	266,530
Vehicles	41,267	10,899	-	52,166
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>1,235,598</u>	<u>146,248</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,381,846</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>3,277,530</u>	<u>(19,680)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,257,850</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 3,823,002</u>	<u>\$ 545,336</u>	<u>\$ 427,273</u>	<u>\$ 3,941,065</u>
<i>Business-type Activities</i>				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 32,457	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,457
Construction in Progress	74,307	749,476	667,658	156,125
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>106,764</u>	<u>749,476</u>	<u>667,658</u>	<u>188,582</u>
Capital assets being depreciated				
Utility Plant, Buildings & Distribution	4,244,742	34,477	-	4,279,219
Sewer Plant & Infrastructure	1,911,279	667,658	-	2,578,937
Equipment	119,450	-	-	119,450
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>6,275,471</u>	<u>702,135</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,977,606</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Utility Plant, Buildings & Distribution	2,206,567	89,629	-	2,296,196
Sewer Plant & Infrastructure	424,907	45,394	-	470,301
Equipment	101,005	2,462	-	103,467
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>2,732,479</u>	<u>137,485</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,869,964</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>3,542,992</u>	<u>564,650</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,107,642</u>
Business-type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 3,649,756</u>	<u>\$ 1,314,126</u>	<u>\$ 667,658</u>	<u>\$ 4,296,224</u>

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

Governmental activities:	
General Government	\$ 34,531
Highways and Streets	75,540
Culture and recreation	<u>36,177</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 146,248</u>
Business-type activities:	
Water services	\$ 92,091
Sewer services	<u>45,394</u>
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	<u>\$ 137,485</u>

Construction in progress in governmental activities was reduced by \$427,273 and included in current year general government expenses because of the determination that the micro-hydroelectricity plant project was no longer feasible due to increased regulatory requirements and anticipated construction costs.

**NOTE 6 LONG-TERM DEBT**

	Balance 12/31/2023	Additions	Repayments	Balance 12/31/2024	Due Within One Year
<i>Governmental Activities</i>					
Compensated Absences	\$ 34,285	\$ -	\$ 8,476	\$ 25,809	\$ 21,009
Governmental Activities Total	<u>\$ 34,285</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,476</u>	<u>\$ 25,809</u>	<u>\$ 21,009</u>

	Balance 12/31/2023	Additions	Repayments	Balance 12/31/2024	Due Within One Year
<i>Business-type Activities</i>					
Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund	\$ 970,674	\$ -	\$ 27,524	\$ 943,150	\$ 27,939
Joint water and sewer Loan payable	718,249	-	40,716	677,533	41,432
Business-type Activities Total	<u>\$1,688,923</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 68,240</u>	<u>\$1,620,683</u>	<u>\$ 69,371</u>

***Loans payable***

The City entered into a loan with Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority for \$1,250,000 on April 15, 2009, to finance a portion of the new waterlines, due in bi-annual payments of \$26,554 on May 1, and November 1 for 30 years beginning November 1, 2009 and ending May 1, 2039, including interest of 1.75%, to be repaid with revenues derived from the operation of the City water and sewer system.

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The City entered into another loan agreement with the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority (CWRPDA) for \$1,000,000 on December 17, 2021, to finance a portion of the rehabilitation of the existing collection system, consisting of replacing collection system pipe with new collection system pipe; due in bi-annual payments of \$20,991 on May 1, and November 1 for 30 years beginning November 1, 2022 and ending May 1, 2052, including interest of 1.5%, to be repaid with revenues derived from any source the City has available. The following is a detail breakdown of the loan payments as of December 31, 2024 owed on the outstanding loan. This loan was disbursed in 2022, however, the City had not drawn all of these funds as of December 31, 2024 and full amount of the loan is held by CWRPDA. A balance of \$550,601 remains held by CWRPDA as of December 31, 2024 and is intended to be used as matching funds to complete the Phase 4 sewer project.

The following schedule shows the remaining principal and interest payments due on the outstanding debt as of December 31, 2024:

	Joint Water and Sewer		Water Pollution Control		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 41,432	\$ 11,676	\$ 27,939	\$ 14,043	\$ 69,371	\$ 25,719
2026	42,160	10,948	28,359	13,622	70,519	24,570
2027	42,901	10,207	28,786	13,195	71,687	23,402
2028	43,655	9,453	29,220	12,762	72,875	22,215
2029	44,423	8,686	29,660	12,322	74,083	21,008
2030-2034	234,103	31,438	155,133	54,775	389,236	86,213
2035-2039	228,859	10,129	167,169	42,739	396,028	52,868
2040-2044	-	-	180,138	29,770	180,138	29,770
2045-2049	-	-	194,113	15,794	194,113	15,794
2050-2052	-	-	102,633	2,321	102,633	2,321
	<u>\$ 677,533</u>	<u>\$ 92,537</u>	<u>\$ 943,150</u>	<u>\$ 211,343</u>	<u>\$ 1,620,683</u>	<u>\$ 303,880</u>

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**Rate Maintenance – Water and Sewer Fund** - The City has pledged future water and sewer customer revenues, as discussed above, relating to the 2009 joint water and sewer loan and the 2021 CWRPDA loan to repay the outstanding revenue bonds, equal to 120%, 110% respectively, of the amount necessary to pay all principal and interest on outstanding debt. **The City has not complied with these rate covenants.** The computation for compliance is as follows:

	<b>Water/Sewer Fund</b>	
<b>Revenues</b>		
Charges for services	\$	399,200
Investment income		2,543
Miscellaneous		3,090
Capital contributions		235,553
Tap fees		20,750
Less: Capital Contributions		(235,553)
Transfers in to cover debt service		95,090
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>520,673</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Operating expenses		590,253
Less: Depreciation		(137,485)
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>452,768</b>
<b>Net Revenue Available for Debt Service</b>		<b>67,905</b>
<b>Debt Service Requirements</b>		
Joint Water and Sewer CWRPDA loan		53,108
Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund		41,982
<b>Total Debt Service</b>		<b>95,090</b>
<b>Debt Coverage Ratio Requirement</b>	120%	110%
<b>Debt Coverage Requirement</b>	114,108	104,599
<b>Coverage Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>\$ (46,203)</b>	<b>\$ (36,694)</b>

The City is in compliance with Operations and Maintenance Reserve Fund covenants and Lien Representation requirements for both the 2009 and 2021 CWRPDA bond issuances.

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**NOTE 7 PENSION PLANS**

The City of Creede participates in a pension plan offered by the Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association, with Denver U.S. National Bank as trustee. The plan is a defined contribution plan and the City has no liability other than to make the required monthly contributions. All individuals employed by the City on a full-time basis are eligible for the plan. The financial report can be obtained by writing to the Colorado County Officials and Employees Retirement Association, 4949 S Syracuse St., Ste. 430, Denver, Co 80237 or by calling 1-303-713-9400.

The City agrees to contribute a minimum of 3% and a maximum of 6% of the compensation of each employee. Currently, the City contributes 3%. Each participant contributes an amount equal to the City's contribution. Participants may contribute an extra voluntary amount not to exceed 10% of their compensation.

The plan provides for various methods of withholding money and vesting schedules. Upon retirement, an annuity is purchased for the participant. The City is not involved in making pension payments and is only liable for their monthly contribution. The authorization for and the basic requirements of the plan are described in section 24-51-901 through 24-51-911 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (1973).

For the year ended December 31, 2024, employee contributions totaled \$21,841 and the City recognized pension expense of \$21,841. The City recognized \$0 of forfeitures in retirement expense during 2024. Fourteen employees were enrolled in the plan in 2024.

**NOTE 8 RESTRICTED ASSETS**

*Governmental Activities*

Cash in the amount of \$583,783 and investments in the amount of \$5,047,400 are restricted by the Virginia G. Christensen Trust agreement.

*Business-type Activities*

In accordance with the Drinking Water Revolving Fund loan agreement, cash in the amount of \$95,938 has been restricted to maintain a debt and maintenance reserve.

In accordance with the contract with the Deep Creek Water and Sanitation District cash in the amount of \$96,423 has been restricted for a sewer treatment facility expansion.

Cash in the amount of \$30,000 is restricted per the pre-annexation agreement with The Creede America Group, LLC in the Water and Sewer Fund.

**NOTE 9 DEEP CREEK WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT**

In 2009, the City signed an agreement with the Deep Creek Water and Sanitation District which allows the District to connect to the City's sewage treatment plant. The District pays a monthly user fee for the services and a one-time Sewer System Development fee per user. The fees are established by resolution at the beginning of each year by the City of Creede Board of Trustees. The agreement states that the Sewer System Development fees received from the District will be restricted for sewer treatment facility expansion or capital improvement projects. User connection fees of \$96,423 are recorded as restricted cash at December 31, 2024.

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**NOTE 10 RISK MANAGEMENT**

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions' injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by participation in the Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency and the City continues to carry commercial insurance for employee health and life insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in the current year or any of the prior three years.

***Risk Pool***

The City participates in the Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency, (CIRSA). The public entity risk pool does not meet criteria for inclusion within the reporting entity because CIRSA is:

- Financially independent and responsible for its own financing deficits and entitled to its own surpluses,
- Has a separate governing board from that of the City,
- Has a separate management, which is responsible for day to day operations and is accountable to a separate governing board,
- The governing board and management have the ability to significantly influence operations by approving budgetary requests and adjustments, signing contracts, hiring personnel, exercising control over facilities and determining the outcome or disposition of matters affecting the recipients of service provided, and
- Has absolute authority over all funds and fiscal responsibility including budgetary responsibility and reporting to state agencies and controls.

The purpose of the risk pool is to provide members the coverage's authorized by law, through joint self-insurance, insurance, reinsurance or any combination thereof, to provide claims services related to such coverages and to provide risk management and loss control services to assist members in preventing and reducing losses and injuries.

**NOTE 11 SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The City of Creede, Colorado, provides water and sewer service for City residents. The City has one enterprise fund to account for these activities. The following segment information is provided:

	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total</u>
Operating Revenue	\$ 283,432	\$ 115,768	\$ 399,200
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	(92,091)	(45,394)	(137,485)
Other Operating Expenses	<u>(321,465)</u>	<u>(131,303)</u>	<u>(452,768)</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	(130,124)	(60,929)	(191,053)
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	(1,835)	(19,381)	(21,216)
Transfers In	26,554	104,867	131,421
Capital Contributions	<u>18,000</u>	<u>238,303</u>	<u>256,303</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (87,405)</u>	<u>\$ 262,860</u>	<u>\$ 175,455</u>

Because water and sewer services are provided for in one fund, several items cannot be allocated between water and sewer. Therefore, some line items have been omitted in the segment information.

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**NOTE 12 TABOR EMERGENCY RESERVE**

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State Constitution, Article X, Section 20, which has several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities and other specific requirements of state and local compliance with the requirements of the amendment.

Fiscal year spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior years' spending adjusted for inflation and local growth. Revenue in excess of the limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

The amendment also requires that emergency reserves be established. These reserves must be at least 3%. This emergency reserve has been presented as a reservation of fund balance in the General Fund. The entity is not allowed to use emergency reserves to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or benefit increases.

The voters of the City passed a ballot issue in 1996 that allowed the retention of excess revenues as defined by the Tabor Amendment.

**NOTE 13 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

***Grant Programs***

The City participates in a number of federal and state grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the City expects such amount, if any, to be immaterial.

***Insurance Pools***

The City is a member of the Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency, (CIRSA), and the Colorado Workers' Compensation Pool, (CWCP). CIRSA and CWCP have a legal obligation for claims against its members to the extent that funds are available in their annually established loss funds and amounts are available from insurance providers under excess specific and aggregate insurance contracts. Losses incurred in excess of loss funds are direct liabilities of the participating members in proportion to their contributions in the year such excess occurs, although, they are not legally required to do so. The ultimate liability to the City's resulting from claims not covered by CIRSA and CWCP is not presently determinable.

***Construction Commitment***

During 2021, the City began construction on an installation of two micro-hydroelectric generating facilities to provide a renewable energy source which was intended to be funded by a \$975,000 grant from Colorado Department of Local Affairs and a \$425,000 grant from U.S. Department of Energy (DOLA). At December 31, 2024, approximately \$555,722 was expended on this project. As a result of increasing cost estimates and required permitting, the project was changed to planning only that will be partially funded by the DOLA grant with matching funds from the Capital Improvement Fund. There is no planned construction date at this time.

Construction and engineering contracts were entered into during 2024 for Phase 4 of a sewer improvement project. Total commitments on this project were \$1,517,162. This project is expected to be completed in 2025 using unspent CWRPDA bond proceeds along with grant funds of \$863,000, and the City's Capital Improvement Fund.

Engineering contracts were executed related to planned improvements to Main St. that totaled \$258,042 which will be funded by a Colorado Department of Transportation Grant and transfers in from the Capital Improvement Fund.

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**NOTE 14 FUND BALANCES**

GASB Statement 54 clearly defines fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balance more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- Non-spendable fund balance-amounts that are not in spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact;
- Restricted fund balance-amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions or by enabling legislation;
- Committed fund balance-amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its highest level of decision making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint;
- Assigned fund balance-amounts a government intends to be use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority;
- Unassigned fund balance-amounts that are available for any purpose; amounts are reported only in the general fund.

When an expenditure is incurred for a purpose for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the City considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the City considers amounts to have been spent first out of the committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless City Council has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

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**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

In addition to the basic financial statements, a budgetary comparison schedule is required for the General Fund and, if applicable, each of the City's major special revenue funds.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</b>		<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</b>
	<b>ORIGINAL</b>	<b>FINAL</b>		
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes	\$ 613,065	\$ 613,065	\$ 785,124	\$ 172,059
Licenses and Permits	10,500	10,500	23,713	13,213
Intergovernmental Revenue	1,030,000	1,030,000	200,740	(829,260)
Contributions	22,000	22,000	45,090	23,090
Interest Income	7,500	7,500	47,190	39,690
Other Revenue	38,600	38,600	52,863	14,263
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>1,721,665</b>	<b>1,721,665</b>	<b>1,154,720</b>	<b>(566,945)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
General Government	466,750	466,750	827,287	(360,537)
Highways and Streets	352,150	352,150	243,515	108,635
Culture and Recreation	201,000	201,000	223,723	(22,723)
Capital Outlay	872,350	872,350	590,083	282,267
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,892,250</b>	<b>1,892,250</b>	<b>1,884,608</b>	<b>7,642</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(170,585)	(170,585)	(729,888)	(559,303)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers From Other Funds	120,000	120,000	454,460	334,460
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>120,000</b>	<b>120,000</b>	<b>454,460</b>	<b>334,460</b>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(50,585)	(50,585)	(275,428)	(224,843)
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>1,574,349</b>	<b>1,574,349</b>	<b>1,486,651</b>	<b>(87,698)</b>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 1,523,764</b>	<b>\$ 1,523,764</b>	<b>\$ 1,211,223</b>	<b>\$ (312,541)</b>

**Notes to Required Supplementary Information**

The basis of budgeting is the same as GAAP.

The schedule is presented on the GAAP basis.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**VIRGINIA G. CHRISTENSEN TRUST**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</b>		<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</b>
	<b>ORIGINAL</b>	<b>FINAL</b>		
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Investment Earnings	\$ 192,239	\$ 192,239	\$ 662,862	\$ 470,623
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>192,239</u>	<u>192,239</u>	<u>662,862</u>	<u>470,623</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Culture and Recreation	<u>64,080</u>	<u>64,080</u>	<u>55,559</u>	<u>8,521</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>64,080</u>	<u>64,080</u>	<u>55,559</u>	<u>8,521</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>128,159</u>	<u>128,159</u>	<u>607,303</u>	<u>479,144</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers to Other Funds	<u>(128,159)</u>	<u>(128,159)</u>	<u>(54,500)</u>	<u>73,659</u>
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<u>(128,159)</u>	<u>(128,159)</u>	<u>(54,500)</u>	<u>73,659</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	552,803	<u>\$ 552,803</u>
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>			<u>5,078,380</u>	
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>			<u>\$ 5,631,183</u>	

**Notes to Required Supplementary Information**

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**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND**  
**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to be expended for particular purposes.

*Conservation Trust Fund* – This fund is used to account for the City share of the state lottery program. The monies may be expended only for the acquisition, development, and maintenance of parks, and other public recreational facilities.

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**December 31, 2024**

	<b>Special Revenue Fund</b>
	<b>CONSERVATION TRUST FUND</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 32,401
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$ 32,401
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts Payable	\$ -
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	-
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>	
Restricted:	
Parks and Recreation	32,401
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	32,401
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	\$ 32,401

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>Special Revenue Fund</b>
	<b>CONSERVATION TRUST FUND</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>	
Intergovernmental Revenue	
State Lottery	\$ 3,207
Interest Income	15
	3,222
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>3,222</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Culture and Recreation	-
	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>-</b>
Net Change in Fund Balance	3,222
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>29,179</b>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 32,401</b>

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</b>		<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</b>
	<b>ORIGINAL</b>	<b>FINAL</b>		
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 573,881	\$ (26,119)
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-
Interest Income	3,600	3,600	49,644	46,044
Other Revenue	-	-	174	174
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>603,600</b>	<b>603,600</b>	<b>623,699</b>	<b>20,099</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
General Government	-	-	9,392	(9,392)
Capital Outlay	760,000	760,000	101,501	658,499
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>760,000</b>	<b>760,000</b>	<b>110,893</b>	<b>649,107</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(156,400)	(156,400)	512,806	669,206
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers To Other Funds	(140,000)	(140,000)	(531,381)	(391,381)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(140,000)</b>	<b>(140,000)</b>	<b>(531,381)</b>	<b>(391,381)</b>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (296,400)</u>	<u>\$ (296,400)</u>	(18,575)	<u>\$ (1,020,389)</u>
<b>Fund Balance at Beginning of year</b>			<u>1,610,502</u>	
<b>Fund Balance at End of year</b>			<u>\$ 1,591,927</u>	

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**CONSERVATION TRUST FUND**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</b>		<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</b>
	<b>ORIGINAL</b>	<b>FINAL</b>		
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Intergovernmental Revenue				
State Lottery	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,207	\$ 3,207
Interest Income	-	-	15	15
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,222</u>	<u>3,222</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Culture and Recreation	<u>2,709</u>	<u>2,709</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,709</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>2,709</u>	<u>2,709</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,709</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (2,709)</u>	<u>\$ (2,709)</u>	3,222	<u>\$ 5,931</u>
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>			<u>29,179</u>	
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>			<u>\$ 32,401</u>	

**CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**NET POSITION - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**WATER AND SEWER FUND**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

	<b>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</b>		<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</b>
	<b>ORIGINAL</b>	<b>FINAL</b>		
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>				
Charges for Services	\$ 430,800	\$ 430,800	\$ 399,200	\$ (31,600)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<u>430,800</u>	<u>430,800</u>	<u>399,200</u>	<u>(31,600)</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>				
Personnel Services	245,500	245,500	214,362	31,138
Materials and Supplies	25,000	25,000	11,458	13,542
Testing Fees	22,000	22,000	35,038	(13,038)
Professional Services	75,000	75,000	50,784	24,216
Repairs	50,000	50,000	42,934	7,066
Insurance	7,500	7,500	14,756	(7,256)
Utilities	49,200	49,200	57,367	(8,167)
Other Expenses	18,900	18,900	26,069	(7,169)
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<u>493,100</u>	<u>493,100</u>	<u>452,768</u>	<u>40,332</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>(62,300)</u>	<u>(62,300)</u>	<u>(53,568)</u>	<u>8,732</u>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>				
Interest Income	500	500	2,543	2,043
Debt Service Payments	(140,000)	(140,000)	(95,089)	44,911
Capital Outlay	(617,300)	(702,300)	(783,953)	(81,653)
Other Revenue	11,500	11,500	3,090	(8,410)
<b>TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	<u>(745,300)</u>	<u>(830,300)</u>	<u>(873,409)</u>	<u>(43,109)</u>
Income (Loss) Before Other Revenue	<u>(807,600)</u>	<u>(892,600)</u>	<u>(926,977)</u>	<u>(34,377)</u>
Transfers In	258,000	258,000	131,421	(126,579)
Capital Contributions	342,000	342,000	256,303	(85,697)
<b>Net Income (Loss) - Budgetary Basis</b>	<u>\$ (207,600)</u>	<u>\$ (292,600)</u>	<u>(539,253)</u>	<u>\$ (246,653)</u>
Less: Depreciation Expense			(137,485)	
Add: Capital Outlay			783,953	
Add: Principal Payments on Debt			<u>68,240</u>	
Change in Net Position - GAAP Basis			175,455	
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>			<u>3,146,454</u>	
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>			<u>\$ 3,321,909</u>	

<b>LOCAL HIGHWAY FINANCE REPORT</b>	City or County: City of Creede
	YEAR ENDING : December 31, 2024

This Information From The Records Of (example - City of _ or Count City of Creede	Prepared By: clerk@creedetownhall.com Phone: 719-658-2276
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**I. DISPOSITION OF HIGHWAY-USER REVENUES AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE**

ITEM	A. Local Motor-Fuel Taxes	B. Local Motor-Vehicle Taxes	C. Receipts from State Highway- User Taxes	D. Receipts from Federal Highway Administration
1. Total receipts available				
2. Minus amount used for collection expenses				
3. Minus amount used for nonhighway purposes				
4. Minus amount used for mass transit				
5. Remainder used for highway purposes				

<b>II. RECEIPTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES</b>	<b>III. DISBURSEMENTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES</b>
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ITEM	AMOUNT	ITEM	AMOUNT
<b>A. Receipts from local sources:</b>		<b>A. Local highway disbursements:</b>	
1. Local highway-user taxes		1. Capital outlay (from page 2)	0
a. Motor Fuel (from Item I.A.5.)		2. Maintenance:	19,784
b. Motor Vehicle (from Item I.B.5.)		3. Road and street services:	
c. Total (a.+b.)		a. Traffic control operations	145
2. General fund appropriations	0	b. Snow and ice removal	
3. Other local imposts (from page 2)	0	c. Other	0
4. Miscellaneous local receipts (from page 2)	0	d. Total (a. through c.)	145
5. Transfers from toll facilities		4. General administration & miscellaneous	0
6. Proceeds of sale of bonds and notes:		5. Highway law enforcement and safety	0
a. Bonds - Original Issues		6. Total (1 through 5)	19,929
b. Bonds - Refunding Issues		<b>B. Debt service on local obligations:</b>	
c. Notes		1. Bonds:	
d. Total (a. + b. + c.)	0	a. Interest	
7. Total (1 through 6)	0	b. Redemption	
<b>B. Private Contributions</b>		c. Total (a. + b.)	0
<b>C. Receipts from State government</b> (from page 2)	19,929	2. Notes:	
<b>D. Receipts from Federal Government</b> (from page 2)	0	a. Interest	0
<b>E. Total receipts (A.7 + B + C + D)</b>	19,929	b. Redemption	0
		c. Total (a. + b.)	0
		3. Total (1.c + 2.c)	0
		<b>C. Payments to State for highways</b>	
		<b>D. Payments to toll facilities</b>	
		<b>E. Total disbursements (A.6 + B.3 + C + D)</b>	19,929

**IV. LOCAL HIGHWAY DEBT STATUS**  
(Show all entries at par)

	Opening Debt	Amount Issued	Redemptions	Closing Debt
<b>A. Bonds (Total)</b>				0
1. Bonds (Refunding Portion)				
<b>B. Notes (Total)</b>				0

**V. LOCAL ROAD AND STREET FUND BALANCE**

	Beginning Balanc	B. Total Receipts	C. Total Disbursements	D. Ending Balance	E. Reconciliation
	0	19,929	19,929	0	

**Notes and Comments:**

## LOCAL HIGHWAY FINANCE REPORT

STATE:

Colorado

YEAR ENDING (mm/yy):

December 2024

## II. RECEIPTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES - DETAIL

ITEM	AMOUNT	ITEM	AMOUNT
<b>A.3. Other local imposts:</b>		<b>A.4. Miscellaneous local receipts:</b>	
a. Property Taxes and Assessments		a. Interest on investments	
b. Other local imposts:		b. Traffic Fines & Penalties	
1. Sales Taxes		c. Parking Garage Fees	
2. Infrastructure & Impact Fees	0	d. Parking Meter Fees	
3. Liens		e. Sale of Surplus Property	
4. Licenses		f. Charges for Services	
5. Specific Ownership &/or Other	0	g. Other Misc. Receipts	
6. Total (1. through 5.)	0	h. Other	
c. Total (a. + b.)	0	i. Total (a. through h.)	0
	(Carry forward to page 1)		(Carry forward to page 1)

ITEM	AMOUNT	ITEM	AMOUNT
<b>C. Receipts from State Government</b>		<b>D. Receipts from Federal Government</b>	
1. Highway-user taxes	19,786	1. FHWA (from Item I.D.5.)	
2. State general funds		2. Other Federal agencies:	
3. Other State funds:		a. Forest Service	0
a. State bond proceeds		b. FEMA	
b. Project Match		c. HUD	
c. Motor Vehicle Registrations	143	d. Federal Transit Admin	
d. Other (Specify)		e. U.S. Corps of Engineers	
e. Other (Specify)		f. Other Federal	
f. Total (a. through e.)	143	g. Total (a. through f.)	0
4. Total (1. + 2. + 3.f)	19,929	3. Total (1. + 2.g)	
			(Carry forward to page 1)

## III. DISBURSEMENTS FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES - DETAIL

	ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM (a)	OFF NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM (b)	TOTAL (c)
<b>A.1. Capital outlay:</b>			
a. Right-Of-Way Costs			0
b. Engineering Costs			0
c. Construction:			
(1). New Facilities			0
(2). Capacity Improvements			0
(3). System Preservation		0	0
(4). System Enhancement & Operation		0	0
(5). Total Construction (1) + (2) + (3) + (4)	0	0	0
d. Total Capital Outlay (Lines 1.a. + 1.b. + 1.c.5)	0	0	0
			(Carry forward to page 1)

Notes and Comments: