

City of Lakewood, WA Popular Annual Financial Report

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022



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What is the Popular Annual Financial Report?

The report provides an overview of the City's financial position (the government as a whole), including its sources of revenues and expenditures, as well as economic information about the community. The Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) of the City of Lakewood (The City) is designed to be readily accessible and easily understandable to the public and other interested parties without a background in public finance. A glossary of financial terms can be found at the end of the report.

The highly summarized financial activity presented in the 2022 PAFR was extracted from the 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) with additional historical data taken from the 2022 and 2021 reports. The ACFR is prepared in conformance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) which requires presentation of complete financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and required supplementary information, including management's discussion and analysis. The City's 2022 ACFR received an unmodified (clean) opinion from the Washington State Auditor's Office (SAO).

The PAFR, in contrast to the ACFR, is unaudited and omits significant GAAP requirements. In terms of scope, only financial data for the governmental activities (those normally supported by taxes, grants and other financial assistance) are presented. Excluded is the City's lone business-type fund, Surface Water Management, a self-supporting operation funded mostly from user fees. Other deviations from GAAP are the non-inclusion of individual funds and the absence of certain required disclosures and analyses. The PAFR uses the same basis of accounting and measurement focus as the government-wide statements in the ACFR.

Individuals who desire to read the City's ACFR can access the report from the City's website at www.cityoflakewood.us, or by contacting the Finance Division at 6000 Main Street SW, Lakewood, WA 98499, phone (253) 983-7706 or email tkraus@cityoflakewood.us.

The City of Lakewood

Lakewood is an optional code city that was incorporated in 1996. The City is the second-largest city in Pierce County and the 18th largest in the state of Washington. It encompasses 18.95 square miles, of which 17.17 square miles is land and 1.78 square miles is water. The City is the host community to Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM), the largest joint-base on the West Coast and one of the largest in the U.S. The City is strategically located along the I-5 corridor, situated 42 miles from the City of Seattle to the north and 22 miles from Olympia, the State capital, to the south. It is also only 38 miles from SeaTac International Airport. The city borders Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM), Camp Murray (home to the Washington National Guard), and the City of Tacoma. The City is a hub for activity at the Ports of Tacoma, Olympia and Seattle and is the home to several beautiful lakes and wonderful historic treasures such as Fort Steilacoom Park. Lakewood Gardens and Thornewood Castle. Lakewood is an ideal place to shop or lodge while visiting local destinations such as Mount Rainier or Chambers Bay.



Snapshot of the Community

- 63,800 residents
- 4,492 businesses
- 32,263 jobs
- 25,323 households
- Median age: 36
- Median household income: \$60.5K
 - ✓ Lakewood Industrial Park is fourth-largest private, for-profit employer in Pierce County and third-largest industrial business park in Washington.
 - ✓ Interstate 5 and State Highway 512 pass through Lakewood. *Pierce Transit* and the *Sound Transit* (ST) systems, with stations adjacent to the I-5 Corridor and the *Lakewood Towne Center*, serve the community. The combination of services from these agencies provides excellent transportation to the greater Tacoma/Seattle area.
 - ✓ Lakewood delivers a full range of local municipal services, including: police, jail and municipal court services; construction and maintenance of streets and traditional municipal infrastructure; stormwater collection and treatment; economic development and public improvements; building, planning and zoning; park and recreational activities; social and senior services; cultural events; and general administrative services.
 - Fire services are provided by West Pierce Fire and Rescue.
 - Garbage and recycling services are under contract with Waste Connections.
 - Tacoma Power, Puget Sound Energy and Lakeview Light and Power deliver power to the area.
 - Water is provided by the Lakewood Water District and sewer services are provided through Pierce County.
 - ✓ Received the 2022 Governor's Smart Communities Award for achievements by local leaders who promote smart growth planning and projects that contribute to thriving communities, a prosperous economy and sustainable infrastructure.
 - ✓ Received the 2022 Smart Communities Judges Merit Award for the Lakewood Station District Subarea Plan, Code and Planned Action.
 - ✓ Boasts one of the only true "International Districts" in Pierce County, influenced by Korean, Vietnamese, Latino, Filipino and other ethnic cultures.
 - ✓ Served by:
 - Clover Park School District, a modern K-12 public system with three schools in the 2020 U.S. News and World Report high school rankings
 - o Pierce College Fort Steilacoom, a community college
 - o Clover Park Technical Colleges
 - ✓ Named one of the nation's "One Hundred Best Communities for Young People" by America's Promise Alliance six- years in a row.
 - ✓ Colonial Plaza was recognized by The Economic Development Board for Tacoma-Pierce County as one of its "Excellent 10" projects because of its public space elements and its function as a catalyst for redevelopment in the city's downtown area. Similarly, the City received the "Platinum Healthy Community Award" from the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department for its redevelopment of Colonial Plaza.



By the Numbers

Top 7 Property Taxpayers (Amounts in thousands)									
2022			2021			2020			
*AV = Assessed Value	Taxable	% of	*AV = Assessed Value	Taxable	% of	*AV = Assessed Value	Taxable	% of	
Taxpayer	AV*	TAV	Taxpayer	AV*	TAV	Taxpayer	AV*	TAV	
Northwest Building LLC	\$ 266,985	2.4%	Northwest Building LLC	\$ 231,299	2.5%	Northwest Building LLC	\$ 201,460	2.5%	
Seattle MSA Multifamily DST	135,173	1.2%	Seattle MSA Multifamily DST	112,688	1.2%	Seattle MSA Multifamily DST	102,470	1.3%	
RPAI Lakewood LLC	78,624	0.7%	RPAI Lakewood LLC	73,723	0.8%	RPAI Lakewood LLC	72,210	0.9%	
Lakewood Project LLC	73,168	0.7%	Lakewood Project LLC	58,557	0.6%	Lakewood Project LLC	53,233	0.7%	
CLPF C&O Lakewood LLC	64,684	0.6%	CLPF C&O Lakewood LLC	53,929	0.6%	Lakewood 231 LLC	49,026	0.6%	
SP/BGO Beaumont Owner LLC	58,064	0.5%	Tacoma Gateway Lakewood	49,451	0.5%	Beaumont Grand Owner LLC	43,696	0.5%	
Tacoma Gateway Lakewood	57,031	0.5%	SP/BGO Beaumont Owner LLC	48,387	0.5%	Tacoma Gateway Lakewood LLC	43,116	0.5%	
Total Top 7 Taxpayer	\$ 733,729	6.6%	Total Top 7 Taxpayer	\$ 628,034	6.7%	Total Top 7 Taxpayer	\$ 565,210	7.0%	
Total Assessed Value	\$ 10,	952,643	Total Assessed Value	\$ 9,3	88,375	Total Assessed Value	\$ 8	3,111,199	

Top 7 Employers										
		2022				2021		2020		
		Number of		% of Total City	Number of		% of Total City	Number of		% of Total City
Taxpayer	Type of Business	Employees	Rank	Employment	Employees	Rank	Employment	Employees	Rank	Employment
Western State Hospital	Public - Mental Health	2,190	1	6.8%	2,600	1	8.2%	2,600	1	7.4%
Clover Park School District	Public - Education	1,667	2	5.2%	1,596	2	5.1%	1,782	2	4.8%
Pierce Transit	Public Sector - Transportation	863	3	2.7%	854	3	2.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Camp Murray	Military - National Guard	854	4	2.6%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pierce College	Public - Education	830	5	2.6%	831	4	2.6%	822	3	3.5%
St. Clare Hospital	Health Care	730	6	2.3%	814	5	2.6%	598	4	1.9%
Korean Woman's Assn	Health Care	660	7	2.0%	533	7	1.7%	510	5	1.6%
Aacres WA LLC	Private Social Services	598	8	1.9%	540	6	1.7%	450	6	1.5%
McClane Northwest	Transportation/Warehousing	540	9	1.7%	440	8	1.4%	400	8	1.3%
Wal-Mart	Retail	470	10	1.5%	380	10	1.2%	450	7	1.5%
Clover Park Technical College	Public Sector - Education	385	11	1.2%	385	9	1.2%	370	9	1.2%
Greater Lakes Mental Health	Health Care	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	365	10	1.2%
		7,794		24.2%	7,228		22.9%	6,312		19.3%

Crime Statistics									
Category	2022	2021	2020						
Offenses:									
Forcible Rape (including attempts)	32	29	34						
Robbery	112	113	73						
Criminal Homicide	4	8	4						
Aggravated Assault	484	414	371						
Vehicle Theft	1,013	657	480						
Burglary (commercial & residential)	517	488	499						
Larceny	1,825	1,990	1,788						
Arson	19	21	9						
Citations:									
Traffic	1,012	1,482	2,615						
Red Light Photo	15,830	14,833	10,525						
Fixed Speed Photo	10,292	10,597	2,242						

Demographic and Economic Statistics									
Category 2022 2021 202									
Lakewood Population	63,800		63,600		63,612				
School Enrollment	12,736		12,022		12,019				
Median Household Income	\$ 91,092	\$	81,720	\$	80,236				
Unemployment Rate	5.0%		4.5%		9.6%				

Building Related Permits & Values								
Category	2022	2021	2020					
Number of building permits	1734	1,562	1,771					
Estimated Value (in millions)	89	\$ 157	\$ 161					

Source: Condensed from 2022 ACFR – Statistical Section

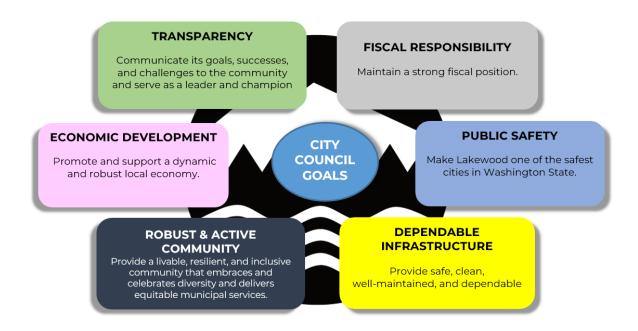
Elected Officials

The City of Lakewood is organized under the council-manager plan of government. The City Council is responsible for enacting all legislation and making general policy decisions governing the City. The Mayor is selected by the Council from among its members to facilitate Council meetings and represent the City in a ceremonial capacity. The City Manager, who serves as the CEO, is appointed by the City Council. The City Manager reports directly to the Council and serves at the pleasure of the legislative body. The City Manager implements the policies and goals of the City Council, manages and coordinates the overall operations of the City and provides leadership, coordination, and development of City departments, while ensuring the delivery of quality service and serving the needs of the public. This is accomplished at the expressed direction of the Lakewood City Council.

2022 Lakewood City Council



Our Goals



Our Vision

Our VISION for Lakewood is a thriving, urban, South Puget Sound city, possessing the core values of family, community, education, and economic prosperity. We will advance these values by recognizing our past, taking action in the present, and pursuing a dynamic future.

The City Council's VISION for Lakewood at its 30-Year Anniversary is a community:

- Inspired by its own sense of history and progress;
- Known for its safe and attractive neighborhoods, vibrant downtown, active arts and cultural communities;
- Sustained by robust economic growth and job creation;
- Recognized for the excellence of its public and private schools, and its community and technical colleges;
- Characterized by the beauty of its lakes, parks and natural environment;
- Acknowledged for excellence in the delivery of municipal services;
- Leveraging and embracing of our diversity; and,
- > Supportive of Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM), Camp Murray, service members and their families.

- Lakewood City Council, Adopted Oct. 19, 2015

Financial Reporting Awards

The City of Lakewood's Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the year ended December 31, 2022 received recognition from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) in the form of the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting. This award is a prestigious national award-recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports.

In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting, a government unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability, and reader appeal.

An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Popular Annual Financial Reporting requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another Award.

The City of Lakewood's annual comprehensive financial reports for the years ended 2013-2021, from which the information on pages 9-13 has been drawn, were awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local government financial reporting.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report, whose contents conform to program standards. Such

Government Finance Officers Association

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City of Lakewood Washington

For its Annual Financial Report For the Fiscal Year Ended

December 31, 2021

Christopher P. Morrill

Executive Director/CEO

an Annual Comprehensive Financial Report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current Annual Comprehensive Financial Report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another Certificate.

In addition, the City of Lakewood also recently received the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its 2021/2022 Biennial Budget. In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications medium.

Financial Info – Governmental Activities

The City's Equity or Net Position

Net position (assets and deferred outflows of resources minus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources) may serve as an indicator of a government's financial condition over time. Net investment in capital assets makes up the biggest portion of net position. This amount is associated with the City's ownership of capital assets (land, buildings, roads infrastructure, and machinery & equipment) net of any borrowing used to acquire them. Because capital assets are acquired to provide services over several periods or indefinitely, through maintenance and replacement, this portion is not available for current or future spending. Although this portion is calculated net of any related debt, the resources needed to pay down the debt must come from other liquid resources, such as cash from the general fund. A smaller portion of net position is legally restricted as to use by law or contract, such as bond proceeds for capital construction, resources earmarked for debt service, or grants mandated to be spent on specific federal programs. The remaining portion of net position is unrestricted, representing resources that are available for current and future services. The following schedule is intended to demonstrate the difference between the City's assets and deferred outflows and its liabilities and deferred inflows as of December 31, 2022 compared to December 31, 2021.

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION Governmental Activities									
December 31									
	2022 2021								
Current and other assets	\$ 84,869,686	\$ 77,939,251	\$ 50,054,923						
Capital assets, net	185,869,533	171,547,427	164,748,039						
Total Assets	270,739,220	249,486,679	214,802,962						
Deferred outlows of resources	5,947,503	1,924,078	1,769,955						
Total deferred outflows of resources	5,947,503	1,924,078	1,769,955						
Current liabilities	20,332,626	12,721,812	7,176,490						
Long-term liabilities	21,864,616	23,180,793	18,554,279						
Total Liabilities	42,197,242	35,902,605	25,730,769						
Deferred inflows of resources	5,436,440	9,534,659	1,332,029						
Total deferred inflows of resources	5,436,440	9,534,659	1,332,029						
Net Position:									
Net investment in capital assets	168,778,224	154,064,390	150,518,400						
Restricted	31,582,774	28,922,869	18,631,779						
Unrestricted	28,692,042	22,986,233	20,359,940						
Total Net Position	\$ 229,053,041	\$ 205,973,492	\$ 189,510,119						

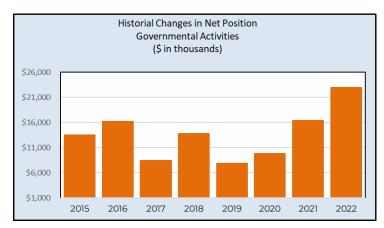
The changes in the net position of the City represent total revenues in excess of the total expenses. This number is important because when revenues exceed expenses, the City's is better off financially. This means the government raised more than sufficient resources to cover its cost of services. Any surplus then can be made available for programs in the next budget period or held as contingency reserves for emergencies. As a demonstration of the City's efforts, since 2012 the City has made a significant effort in improving its financial situation.

Net Position Trends

Net Position Governmental Activities							
(\$ in thousa	nds)						
2015	\$	133,013					
2016		149,307					
2017		157,838					
2018		171,691					
2019		179,618					
2020		189,510					
2021		205,973					
2022		229,053					

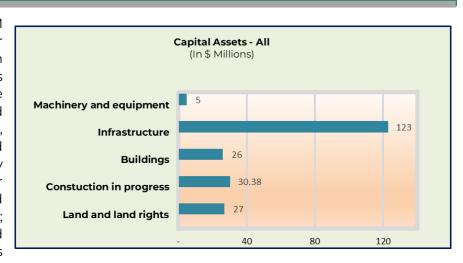
Net Position Governmental Activities (\$ in thousands)									
\$270,000									
\$220,000									
\$170,000									
\$120,000									
\$70,000									
\$20,000									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	

Historical Change in Net Position Governmental Activities							
(\$ in thousa	ands)						
2015	\$ 13,611						
2016	16,294						
2017	8,531						
2018	13,853						
2019	7,928						
2020	9,892						
2021	16,463						
2022	23,080						



Capital Assets

Total book value of capital assets is \$211.3M including those of the Surface Water enterprise fund. \$85.95M is from governmental activities. The City invests significant resources on infrastructure development, predominantly on roads and streets, which include curbs and gutters, pedestrian sidewalks, lighting, signage, and surface water drainage systems. The City also has a sizable investment in land used for government operations; parks, trails and open spaces; for community development; and, for environmental planning. Land and land rights in governmental activities amounted to \$27.1M.



Where Did the Money Come From?

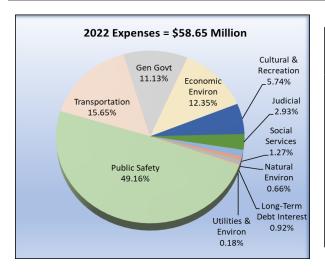
				Change	% Change
Governmental Activities*				from Prior	from Prior
(\$ in thousands)	2020	2021	2022	Year	Year
Charges for Services	\$ 11,417	\$ 11,323	\$ 12,897	\$ 1,574	14%
Capital Grants & Contributions	4,767	4,925	6,822	1,897	39%
Operating Grants & Contributions	7,211	8,031	16,190	8,159	102%
Property Tax	7,171	7,350	7,590	240	3%
Sales Tax	13,870	16,692	16,937	245	1%
Utility Tax	5,475	5,437	5,628	191	4%
Excise Tax	3,650	4,564	4,141	(423)	-9%
Gambling Tax	1,910	3,787	3,931	144	4%
Lodging Tax	867	1,240	1,400	160	13%
Other Tax	2,560	1,228	1,287	59	5%
Miscellaneous/Other	622	867	1,710	843	97%
Total Revenues	\$ 59,521	\$ 65,444	\$ 78,533	\$ 13,089	20%



Total revenue increased by about \$13M or 20.0% in 2022. Much of the increase is attributed to increased sales, gambling, excise, and property tax revenues due to the recovery from the pandemic. Other increases include grants for construction and from the CARES Act.

A key attribute of the City's financial successes in recent years has been the adopted financial policies that provide a vital framework for governance and decision-making, especially in regards to issues that substantively impact the City's finances such as the current economic uncertainty. These policies have served the City very well during our region's pre-pandemic economic prosperity and they are serving us very well as the foundation for the City's response to the pandemic.

Where Did the Money Go?

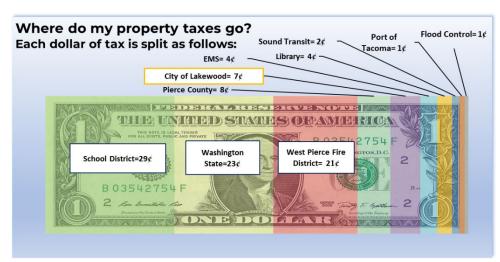


Governmental Activities				Change from Prior	% Change from Prior
(\$ in thousands)	2020	2021	2022	Year	Year
Public Safety	\$ 24,668	\$ 22,846	\$ 28,831	\$ 5,985	26%
Transportation	8,187	9,559	9,180	(379)	-4%
General Government	7,409	5,519	6,530	1,011	18%
Economic Environment	4,506	5,519	7,244	1,725	31%
Culture and Recreation	2,255	2,711	3,364	653	24%
Judicial	1,811	1,754	1,720	(34)	-2%
Social Services	666	701	744	43	6%
Natural Environment	319	369	389	20	5%
Interest on Long-Term Debt	410	494	542	48	10%
Utilities & Environment	19	896	104	(792)	-88%
Total Expenses	\$50,250	\$50,368	\$58,648	\$ 8,280	16%

Total expenses for governmental activities increased by 8M or 16% over prior year, notably in economic environment 31%, public safety 26%, culture and recreation 31%, and general government 18%. This was offset by a decrease in utilities and environment 88%.

Property Tax

A property tax rate is placed on each piece of property within the City and is used for general governmental purpose. The rate is expressed in "dollars per \$1,000 assessed value (AV), and is a function of the property tax levy permitted by law and adopted by the City Council. In the City of Lakewood, as in other Washington cities, the maximum regular levy cannot exceed \$3.60, which includes the maximum regular levy of \$1.60 plus an additional \$2.00 per \$1,000 AV to provide for the fire districts (\$1.50) and library districts (\$0.50).



Levy Rate per \$1,000 Assessed Value					
Taxing District	2022	2021	2020		
School District	\$ 3.46	\$ 3.74	\$ 3.78		
West Pierce Fire District	2.26	2.67	2.81		
Washington State	2.66	2.93	3.01		
Pierce County	0.88	0.98	1.05		
City of Lakewood	0.81	0.91	0.98		
EMS	0.45	0.49	0.50		
Library	0.39	0.44	0.47		
Sound Transit	0.18	0.20	0.20		
Port of Tacoma	0.15	0.17	0.18		
Flood Control	0.10	0.10	0.10		
Total	\$ 11.35	\$ 12.63	\$ 13.08		

Sales Tax

The City imposes a sales and use tax of 1% to fund general government programs. Of this total, 15% is provided to Pierce County per state law. The City imposes both the basic 0.5% and the optional 0.5% sales and use tax. This tax is imposed on personal and business purchases of tangible property. The retail sales tax is also assessed on some services such as repairs and construction. The City receives 1% of the sales tax rate. Of the 1%, the City receives 0.84% (Pierce County receives 15% of the 1% and the State receives 1% of the 1% leaving 0.84% to the City).

The City's 2022 sales taxes increased slightly from 2021. The largest increases were other (up 142%), finance, insurance & real estate (up 25%), and wholesale trade (up 25%). Meanwhile there was a slight reduction in construction (down 15%) and retail trade (down 6%).

Sales Tax by Sector			
(\$ in thousands)	2022	2021	2020
Retail Trade	\$ 6,259	\$ 6,659	\$ 5,570
Services	3,450	3,117	2,552
Construction	2,019	2,375	1,955
Wholesale Trade	794	668	521
Information	552	517	483
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	700	559	469
Manufacturing	239	216	170
Government	237	212	30
Other	220	91	196
Total	\$14,470	\$14,414	\$11,946



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Long-term Borrowing

The City's total governmental activities debt outstanding as of December 31, 2022 is \$25.0M. The City's long-term borrowing decreased by \$1.9M in 2022. Total principal repayment on outstanding debt during the year was \$2.2M.

The City's most current bond rating from Standard & Poor's (S&P) is "AA" from its 2019 bond issue sold in the municipal bond market. At the same time, S&P affirmed its "AA" long-term rating on the City's outstanding general obligation debt, which was upgraded in June 2019 to "AA" from "AA-". In 2014 S&P upgraded the City's rating to "AA-", up from "A". Over four years the City saw its bond rating increase three steps – skipping "A+" in 2014 and going directly to "AA". The "AA" bond rating, which signifies the issuer's strong capacity to repay, will translate into lower financing costs for bonds offered to the municipal bond market by attracting a broader range of investors. This rating is a positive reflection of the City's effective financial management.

Long-Term Debt Outstanding						
Governmental Activities						
As of December 31						
		2022		2021		2020
2021A Long term general obligation	\$	334,245	\$	667,375	\$	-
2021B Long term general obligation		5,971,635		5,971,635		-
2020 Long term general obligation		2,674,805		2,853,435		3,029,885
2019 Long-term general obligation		7,121,705		7,436,504		7,736,305
2016 LTGO (refinanced 2009 LTGO)		1,173,771		1,355,590		1,536,314
Local financing		788,613		930,934		1,068,254
2021 SWM Revenue bond		3,590,670		4,028,365		-
Public Works Trust Fund loan		2,182,944		2,646,882		3,110,818
Promissory note (59th Street)		145,773		214,742		281,225
Special assessments		790,935		918,398		1,255,428
McGavic Center - Capital Lease		281,245		-		-
Total	\$	25,056,341	\$:	27,023,860	\$	18,018,229

Washington State statutes limit the amount of debt the City may issue to 7.5% of its total assessed valuation, subject to 60% majority vote of qualified electors. Of the 7.5% limit, 2.5% is for general purposes, 2.5% for open space/park facilities, and 2.5% for utilities. Non-voted general-purpose indebtedness is limited to 1.5% of assessed valuation and combination of voted and non-voted general-purpose indebtedness cannot exceed 2.5% of assessed valuation.

Legally Remaining Debt Capacity For the Years Ended December 31					
		2022		2021	2020
General Government (no vote required)	\$	146,629,412	\$	117,964,491	\$ 119,430,765
General Government (3/5 majority vote required)		109,526,427		93,883,755	81,111,986
Parks and Open Space (3/5 majority vote require		273,816,068		234,709,387	202,779,966
Utilities (3/5 majority vote required)		273,816,068		234,709,387	202,779,966
Total Capacity	\$	803,787,975	\$	681,267,020	\$ 606,102,683

Glossary

ACFR – The acronym for the City's annual report to replace the CAFR as recommended by the GFOA and SAO.

Assets – Resources that the City owns at the present time that are used to provide services to its citizens. (Cash, buildings, police vehicles, accounts receivables, etc.)

Deferred inflows of resources – Typically, receipts of cash or other resources in advance that cannot be immediately recognized as revenue until the applicable period because of laws or contract provisions. Certain grants may be sent early by the grantor but the contract specifies that it cannot be spent until the following year.

Deferred outflows of resources – Typically, disbursements made in advance, ahead of the year it is recognized by the recipient as revenue, such as, when an employer contributes to employees' retirement accounts in December, the retirement system will credit that portion the retirement plan in the following year.

Expenses/Expenditures – Spending or disbursement of resources attributed to the current year such as vendor payments on goods and services received during the year.

Liabilities – Present obligations, such as, accounts payables for purchases of goods or services or interest payable on long-term bonds, which the City cannot avoid paying in the short or long-term.

Net investment in capital assets – The portion of total net position that represents equity in capital assets (i.e., land, buildings, infrastructure, and equipment) calculated as the cost of acquiring the assets less any related borrowing. It is loosely analogous to a homeowner's investment in real property less the balance under mortgage.

Net position – The residual value of [assets plus deferred outflows of resources] less [liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources]. This is loosely analogous to "net worth" in personal finance or "owners' equity" in a private business.

Restricted net position – The portion of the City's net position (or equity) that can only be used to pay for claims for specific legal or contractual obligations such as payments on borrowing and services mandated by grant programs.

Revenues – Receipts of cash or other resources attributed to the current year, such as, taxes levied and received or grant reimbursements.

Special Assessment – A fee levied on a group of residents and businesses to finance, typically, a capital improvement project that is expected to directly benefit the group.

Unrestricted net position – The portion of net position that is not restricted as to use by laws or contracts and thus can be authorized by the governing body to be spent on current and future services.

Note – the above are not the exact technical definitions under generally accepted accounting principles.