AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

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#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

#### AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

Jose Martinez, Jr. Chairman

Jasper Muhammad Vice Chairman

> Mary Espinal Commissioner

Troy Still Commissioner

Tasha Gainey Commissioner

#### OTHER OFFICIALS

Willie E. Hunter, Sr. Executive Director

Michael J. Ash of Carlin & Ward Board Solicitor

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Chairman and Members of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden County of Camden Camden, New Jersey 08103

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden (the "Authority"), a component unit of the City of Camden, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Authority as of December 31, 2022, 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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Authority 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 these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; 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.

#### Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Authority's 2021 basic financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated February 1, 2023, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions described in Note 1. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

#### **Required Supplemental Information**

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

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements 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 standard generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion the combining and individual non-major fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the financial statements. The other information comprises the supplementary information and statistical section, as listed in the table of contents, but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.



## REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Chairman and Members of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden County of Camden Camden, New Jersey 08103

I have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, and related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Parking Authority of the City of Camden's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated September 25, 2023.

#### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the Parking Authority of the City of Camden's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be

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#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART I

Management's Discussion and Analysis

## THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

#### INTRODUCTION

The Parking Authority of the City of Camden, hereinafter referred to as the "Authority" presents their Annual Financial Report in accordance with the Statements of Governmental Accounting Standard No. 34 entitled, "Basic Financial Statement – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments" hereinafter referred to as GASB34, and related standards.

#### **MISSION**

The Authority's mission since being created over 50 years ago is ongoing in coordination with the Mayor and the members of City Council toward the provision and improvement of parking throughout the City of Camden. In keeping with our mission, the Parking Authority continues to look toward the existing and future parking needs and interest of the Camden community. Our facilities and services enhance commerce throughout the City. Our various programs, such as the Residential Parking Program, Credit Card Payment System, Pay-By-Cell, On-Line Permitting System, Monthly Parking Specials, and the Overnight Parking Program (available only at the Waterfront Garage and Rand Transportation Terminal) help to protect the parking privileges of all. The foundation of the Authority's Handicapped Parking Program is the American with Disabilities Act. Ensuring compliance with this Act also falls within the Authority's scope. Wherever the need, we endeavor to meet the need with safe, convenient and affordable parking. This includes both short term event-oriented parking and long-term solutions for commercial and industrial activity.

#### RESPONSIBILITY AND CONTROL

The Authority has retained Brent W. Lee & Company LLC, to conduct an independent audit of the financial statements for the calendar year ended December 31, 2022. The Authority is responsible for furnishing financial statements and pertinent data for the auditor's review and analysis.

The aforementioned financial statements above present the financial position, results of operations and cash flow for the calendar year ended December 31, 2022, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

#### SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS

The Authority was established by ordinance of the Council of the City of Camden (the City) and is charged with the operation of certain parking garages, parking lots and the meters throughout the City. The Authority currently operates twenty-two (22) surface lots and two (2) garage facilities comprising a total parking capacity in excess of 9,500 spaces. The Authority also collects revenues from approximately 863 parking spaces located throughout the City's central business district and conducts various parking enforcement activities on behalf of the City. The City believes that these are essential governmental functions and that the Authority, operating independently, can perform them efficiently and effectively.

#### **METER REVENUE:**

Actual Meter Revenue for 2022 was \$661,592 which is a 5.5% or \$38,408 decrease compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$700,000 and a 63.0% or \$255,626 increase from 2021 actual amount of \$405,966.

#### **REVENUE FROM PARKING LOTS:**

Actual Parking Lot Revenue for 2022 was \$1,731,853 which is a 1.9% or \$31,694 increase compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$1,700,159 and a 17.6% or \$259,119 increase compared to 2021 actual of \$1,472,734.

#### **WATERFRONT GARAGE REVENUE:**

Actual Garage Revenue for 2022 was \$501,913 which is a 4.6% or \$21,913 increase compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$480,000 and a 3.8% or \$18,220 increase compared to 2021 actual of \$483,693.

#### TRANSPORTATION TERMINAL REVENUE:

Actual Terminal Revenue for 2022 was \$152,153 which is a 36.6% or \$87,847 decrease compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$240,000 and a 63.4% or \$263,191 decrease compared to the 2021 actual of \$415,344.

#### **WATERFRONT MUSIC PAVILION REVENUE:**

Actual Freedom Mortgage Pavilion (the Pavilion) Revenue for 2022 was \$413,760 which is a 46.6% or \$361,240 decrease compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$775,000 and a 181.9% or \$267,008 increase compared to the 2021 actual of \$146,752.

#### **OTHER REVENUE**

Actual Other Revenue for 2022 was \$1,179,829 which is a 727.8% or \$1,037,303 increase compared to the 2022 budget of \$142,526 and a 4.5% or \$55,936 decrease compared to the 2021 actual of \$1,235,765.

#### **EXPENSE ANALYSIS:**

Actual expenses for 2022 were \$3,918,837 which is a 1.6% or \$65,670 decrease compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$3,984,507 and a 7.8% or \$330,342 decrease compared to the 2021 actual of \$4,249,179.

#### **SALARY & WAGES:**

Actual Salary & Wages Expenses for 2022 was \$985,200 which is a 18.8% or \$227,895 decrease compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$1,213,095 and a 1.9% or \$18,162 increase compared to the 2021 actual amount of \$967,038.

#### FRINGE & BENEFITS:

Actual Fringe & Benefit Expenses for 2022 was \$643,509 which is a 28.2% or \$252,294 decrease compared to the 2022 budget amount of \$895,803 and a 2.7% or \$17,585 decrease compared to the 2021 actual amount of \$661,094.

### THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	2022	2021
ASSETS		
Unrestricted Current Assets Restricted Current Assets Net Property, Plant & Equipment	\$ 3,219,392.67 149,399.34 9,422,432.88	\$ 3,739,412.29 107,481.18 9,022,546.68
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Total Assets		
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,314,048.93	1,539,112.00
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 14,105,273.82	\$ 14,408,552.15
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities Payable from Unrestricted Assets Current Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets Long-Term Liabilities Payables From Unrestricted Assets Long-Term Liabilities Payables from Restricted Assets	\$ 480,244.82 - 5,069,320.43 78,720.75	\$ 471,628.70 - 5,841,860.87
Total Liabilities	5,628,286.00	6,313,489.57
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Inflows of Resources	5,170,267.00	5,584,149.00
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	5,170,267.00	5,584,149.00
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted for:	\$ 9,413,701.91	\$ 9,022,546.68
Reserve/(Deficit) for Freedom Mortgage Pavilion Improvements	149,399.34	107,481.18
Unrestricted Net Position	(6,256,380.43)	(6,619,114.28)
Total Net Position	3,306,720.82	2,510,913.58
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position	\$ 14,105,273.82	\$ 14,408,552.15

FINANCIAL SECTION

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

### THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

ASSETS	2022	2021
Current Assets:		
Unrestricted Assets:	CO 061 554 11	©2 112 244 01
Cash & Cash Equivalents Change fund	\$2,861,554.11 20,400.00	\$3,113,244.81 22,400.00
Parking Fees Receivable (Net of Allowance for	20,400.00	22,700.00
Doubtful Accounts, \$1,833.10 in 2022 and \$1,833.10 in 2021)	305,344.08	361,553.23
Due From Freedom Mortgage Center	32,094.48	2,275.51
Due From City of Camden		239,938.74
Total Unrestricted Current Assets	3,219,392.67	3,739,412.29
Restricted Assets:  Cash & Cash Equivalents	146,597.91	107,470.89
Reserve for Improvements Receivable	2,801.43	10.29
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Total Restricted Current Assets	149,399.34	107,481.18
Property, Plant & Equipment (Note 6):		
Property, Plant & Equipment	18,111,618.21	17,317,073.97
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	8,689,185.33	8,294,527.29
Net Property, Plant & Equipment	9,422,432.88	9,022,546.68
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Total Assets	12,791,224.89	12,869,440.15
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES		
Related to Pension and OPEB	1,313,725.00	1,539,112.00
Related to Leases	323.93	
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,314,048.93	1,539,112.00
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Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$14,105,273.82	14,408,552.15

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an intergral part of this statement.

### THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

		2022		2021
Operating Revenues: Parking Fees	\$	3,047,509.62	\$	2,777,737.25
Other Operating Revenues	Ψ	1,593,589.50	Ψ	1,382,517.12
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Total Operating Revenues		4,641,099.12		4,160,254.37
Operating Expenses:				
Personnel and Administration:				
Salaries & Wages		985,199.77		967,037.93
Fringe Benefits		643,508.93		661,093.98
General & Administrative		995,982.20		897,759.19
Total Personnel and Administration		2,624,690.90		2,525,891.10
Cost of Providing Services		886,911.64		885,082.58
Total Operating Expenses		3,511,602.54		3,410,973.68
Operating Income Before Other Operating Expenses		1,129,496.58		749,280.69
Other Oneustine Evmences				
Other Operating Expenses:  Depreciation & Amortization		394,658.04		600,132.00
Depreciation & Amortization	_	37 1,000.01		000,132.00
Total Other Operating Operating Expenses	_	394,658.04		600,132.00
Operating Income/(Loss) After Other Operating Expenses	_	734,838.54		149,148.69
Nonoperating Income/(Expenses):				
Interest on Investments & Deposits		7,200.61		9,303.54
Interest Expense		(363.07)		(290.18)
Net Change in Reserve for Freedom Mortgage Center Improvements		41,918.16		(216,267.53)
Total Nonoperating Revenue/(Expenses)	_	48,755.70		(207,254.17)
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Net Income/(Loss) Before Contributions		783,594.24		(58,105.48) 237,782.84
Capital Contributions	_	12,213.00		231,702.04
Change in Net Position		795,807.24		179,677.36
Net Position - Beginning of Year		2,510,913.58		2,331,236.22
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Net Position - End of Year	_	\$3,306,720.82		2,510,913.58

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of these Statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Note 1. Reporting Entity

The Parking Authority of the City of Camden is a public corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey and was created by an ordinance passed by the Council of the City of Camden. The Authority was created to promote public safety, convenience and welfare by providing sufficient off-street parking facilities and through administration of parking meters.

The Camden City Parking Authority is a component unit of the City of Camden as described in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 due to the existence of a service agreement between the Authority and the City. These financial statements would be either blended or discreetly present as part of the City's financial statements if the City reported using generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities.

#### Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the Authority have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") applicable to enterprise funds of state and local governments.

All activities of the Authority are accounted for within a single proprietary (enterprise) fund. Proprietary funds are used to account for operations that are (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise where the intent of the governing body is that the cost (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to the Authority is determined by its measurement focus. The transactions of the Authority are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations are included on the balance sheet. Net position (i.e., total assets net of total liabilities) are segregated into invested capital assets, net of related debt; restricted for capital activity; restricted for debt service; and unrestricted components.

#### Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Principles

Adopted Accounting Pronouncements:

The following GASB Statements became effective for the year ended December 31, 2022:

#### Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

#### Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (continued):

The legal level of budgetary control is established at the detail shown on the statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings. All budget transfers and amendments to those accounts must be approved by resolution of the Authority as required by the Local Finance Board. Management may transfer among supplementary line items as long as the legal level line items are not effected. There are no statutory requirements that budgetary line items not be over-expended. However, certain budget line items were over-expended.

#### Investments

The Authority considers all marketable securities purchased with an initial maturity of three months or more as investments.

Investments are stated at market value. Investment income includes interest and dividend income, realized gains and losses on the sale of investments, and changes in the fair value of investment held by the Authority.

#### **Contributed Capital**

Contributed Capital consists primarily of the Waterfront Parking Garage located at Delaware Avenue and Federal Street. The parking garage was contributed by the City of Camden.

#### **Inventory of Supplies**

The costs of inventories of supplies are recorded as expenditures at the time the individual items are purchased. The Authority has determined that inventories were immaterial as of year-end.

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, Plant and Equipment primarily consists of expenditures to acquire, construct, place in operation and improve the facilities of the Authority.

Expenditures are capitalized when they meet the following requirements:

- 1) Cost of \$2,000.00 or more.
- 2) Useful life of more than one year.
- 3) Asset is not affected by consumption

Interest costs incurred during construction are not capitalized into the cost of the asset.

#### Note 3. Stewardship, Compliance and Accounting Ability (continued):

#### **B.** Budgetary Compliance

The Authority adopts an operating budget on another comprehensive basis of accounting, which is not the same basis of accounting as that used to account for the actual results or operations on an accrual basis. The following items indicate the primary differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis.

Cash outlays to acquire or construct capital assets is included as a non-operating budget appropriation.

The budget to actual schedules are presented in the Authority's audit report. Also included is a reconciliation of Excess Revenues Over Expenses - Budgetary Basis to Net Income - GAAP basis.

#### Note 4. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

The Authority is governed by the deposit and investment limitations of New Jersey state law. The Deposits and investments held at December 31, 2022 and 2021, and reported at fair value are as follows:

Туре	2022 Carrying Value	2021 Carrying Value
Deposits: Demand Deposits	\$2,712,855.38	\$2,932,104.00
New Jersey Cash Management Fund	315,696.64	311.011.70
Total Deposits & Investments	\$3,028,552.02	<u>\$3,243,115.70</u>
Reconciliation of Statement of Net Position:	2022	2021
Current:		
Unrestricted Assets: Cash & Cash Equivalents Change Fund	\$2,861,554.11 20,400.00	\$3,113,244.81 22,400.00
Restricted Assets: Cash & Cash Equivalents	146.597.91	107,470.89
Total Reconciliation of Statement of Net Position	\$3,028,552.02	\$3,243,115.70

#### Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned. The Authority does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Authority's bank balance of \$3,034,415.67 and \$3,427,082.70 respectively, was insured or collateralized as follows:

#### Note 4. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued):

#### Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA)

The Authority has deposited cash in 2022 with an approved public fund depository qualified under the provisions of the Government Unit Deposit Protection Act. In addition to savings and checking accounts the Authority invests monies in certificates of deposits.

New Jersey municipal units are required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 to deposit public funds in a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State of New Jersey and organized under the laws of the United States or of the State of New Jersey or in the New Jersey Cash Management Fund ("NJAC"). N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of investments which may be purchased by New Jersey municipal units. In addition, other state statutes permit investments in obligations issued by local authorities and other state agencies.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act, a multiple financial institutional collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include state or federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are federally insured.

The market value of the collateral must equal five percent of the average daily balance of public funds; and, if the public funds deposited exceed 75 percent of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value equal to 100 percent of the amount exceeding 75 percent.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

#### Note 5. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable at December 31, 2022 and 2021 consisted of the following:

Parking Fees Receivable	\$ 307,177.18	\$ 363,386.33
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		1,833.10
Total	<u>\$ 305,344.08</u>	\$ 361,553.23

#### Note 6. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued):

	Balance January 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Balance December 31, 2021
Land	\$ 1,546,954.50			\$1,546,954.50
Capitalized Professional Services	4,208,199.06	4,500.00		4,212,699.06
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Buildings	7,344,058.71	73,133.01		7,417,191.72
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	2,006,429.99			2,006,429.99
Leasehold Improvements	1,896,015.86	237,782.84		2,133,798.70
Total Capital Assets Being				
Depreciated	11,246,504.56	310,915.85		11,557,420.41
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(	(100.000.00)		(4.00 ( 0 (0 00)
Buildings	(4,628,036.77)	(198,233.22)		(4,826,269.99)
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment		(99,582.48)		(1,569,158.26)
Leasehold Improvements	(1,596,782.74)	(302,316.30)	<u> </u>	(1,899,099.04)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(7,694,395.29)	(600,132.00)		(8,294,527.29)
Net Assets Being Depreciated	3,552,109.27	(289,216.15)		3,262,893.12
Total Capital Assets	\$ 9,307,262.83	(284,716.15)		\$9,022,546.68
Additions:				
Freedom Mortgage Reser	ve	\$ 237,782.84		
Operating Budget	**	77,633.01		
Operating Dauget		17,000,01		
Total		<u>\$_315,415.85</u>		

#### B. Contributed Capital

Below is an analysis of contributed capital for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Balance January 1,	\$2,063,325.14	\$ 2,233,680.04
Capital Contributions for the Year	12,213.00	237,782.84
Depreciation on Contributed Assets	(182,567.90)	(408,137.74)
Balance December 31,	\$1,892,970.24	<u>\$ 2,063,325.14</u>

Note 7. Pension Note (continued):

	December 31, 2022		December	31, 2021	
	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources	Deferred Outflow of Resources	Deferred Inflow of Resources	
Difference Between Expected					
and Actual Experience	11,880	10,476	\$ 23,801	10,804	
Changes of Assumptions	5,100	246,460	7,859	537,257	
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension					
Plan Investments	68,123			397,542	
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Authority Contributions and					
Proportionate Share of Contributions	168,118	572,183	270,763	519.147	
Authority Contributions Subsequent to					
The Measurement Date			-		
	\$ 253,221	\$ 829,119	\$ 302,423	<u>\$1,464,750</u>	

\$ 253,221 and \$302,423 are reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Authority contributions subsequent to the measurement date are recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as shown below. The amounts represent the Authority's proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources.

Year ended I	Decen	nber 31, :	Year ended D	ecem	ber 31, :
2023	\$	(141,186)	2022	\$	(755,663)
2024		(71,929)	2023		(283,499)
2025		(35,079)	2024		(117,993)
2026		76,528	2025		(20,803)
2027		(167)	2026		15,631
Thereafter		-	Thereafter		-
Total	\$	(171,833)	Total	\$	(1,162,327)

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 5.04, 5.13, 5.16, 5.21, 5.63, and 5.48 years for the 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017, respectively.

#### Note 7. Pension Note (continued):

Asset Class	2022 Target Allocation	2022 Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	8.12%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.38%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.33%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.80%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.19%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.60%
High Yield	4.00%	4.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.10%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	1.75%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%

Asset Class	2021 Target Allocation	2021 Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	8.09%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.71%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.96%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.30%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.15%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.40%
High Yield	2.00%	3.75%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.60%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.68%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	.95%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.35%

#### Note 7. Pension Note (continued):

The State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include financial statements and required supplementary information for PERS. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295.

#### Contribution Requirements

The contribution policy is set by *N.J.S.A.43:15A*, Chapter 62, P.L. of 1994, Chapter 115, P.L. of 1997 and *N.J.S.A.18:66*, and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. PERS provide for employee contributions of 7.50%, effective October 1, 2018, of employees' annual compensation as defined. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in PERS. The actuarially determined contribution includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments, noncontributory death benefits and post-retirement medical premiums. The Authority's contributions to P.E.R.S. for the year ending December 31, 2022 was \$137,535.

Additional detailed information about the pension plan is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Public Employees' Retirement System – Schedules of Employer Allocations and Schedules of Pension Amounts by Employer at <a href="http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/gasb-68-rpts.shtml">http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/gasb-68-rpts.shtml</a>

#### Note 8. Liabilities

#### A. Compensated Absences

Authority employees may accumulate unused sick days with no restrictions. Unused sick leave at retirement lapses. Vacation days not used during the year may not be carried forward without authorization of the Executive Director. Upon separation from the Authority, the employee is paid for all accrued vacation time at their current hourly rate. The estimated liability for compensated absences at December 31, 2022 and 2021 are \$51,309.43 and \$34,892.81 respectively.

#### B. Severance Pay

Authority employees who terminate their employment voluntarily because of a retirement program of the Parking Authority or the State of New Jersey or who has passed away while in Parking Authority employment or have their jobs abolished for purpose of economy will receive severance pay. This severance pay will be based on the number of years of service and will be paid at the employee's regular rate according to the following schedule:

Years of Service	Weeks Pay
5-15	1
15-20	2
Over 20	3

The Authority has accrued expenses totaling \$14,921.68 at December 31, 2022 and \$20,338.24 at December 31, 2021 for severance pay.

#### Note 10. Contractual Agreements (continued):

#### A. Live Nation (continued):

The agreement also calls for an additional 2.5% of gross parking revenues to be paid to the Authority and segregated in a separate reserve fund. The moneys in the reserve fund are to be utilized by the Authority to provide the necessary installation and replacement of capital items at the parking facilities utilized by Live Nation. Amounts held in the reserve fund at the end of the parking agreement shall be distributed equally to both Live Nation and the Authority. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, revenues earned from the reserve-exceeded expenditures by \$149,399 and \$107,481 respectively.

#### **B.** Leases

#### Lease Liability: Right-to-Use Asset Agreements

The Authority has entered into right-of-use lease arrangements for two (2) copiers and a mailing machine with various terms and interest rates. The Authority is required to make monthly principal and interest payments. The Authority lease both the copiers and mailing machine under various terms under long-term, noncancelable lease agreements. The leases expire at various dates through 2026 with no renewal options.

The principal and interest costs for such leases were \$2,557 for the year ended December 31, 2022. Total future minimum lease payments under lease agreements are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$ 2,521	272	\$ 2,793
2024	2,615	178	2,793
2025	2,152	91	2,243
2026	1,443	19	1,462
Total Minimum Lease Payment	<u>\$ 8,731</u>	560	<u>\$_9,291</u>

The lease agreements qualify as right-to-use-assets for accounting purposes and therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as the date of their inception. The assets acquired through right-to-use asset lease agreements are as follows:

Right-to-Use-Assets:	
Equipment	\$ 12,784
Less: Accumulated Amortization	 (4,377)
	\$ 8,407

#### Note 12: Post-Retirement Benefits (continued):

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L, 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

#### State Health Benefits Plan Description

The Parking Authority of the City of Camden contributes to the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. SHBP was established in 1961 under N.J.S.A. 52: 14-17.25 et seq., to provide health benefits to State employees, retirees, and their dependents. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. SHBP provides medical, prescription drugs, mental health/substance abuse, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents.

The SHBP was extended to employees, retirees, and dependents of participating local public employers in 1964. Local employers must adopt a resolution to participate in the SHBP. In 1990, The Parking Authority of the City of Camden authorized participation in the SHBP's post-retirement benefit program through a resolution. At this particular time the Authority is unable to locate and identify the actual resolution. The Authority adopted the provision of Chapter 88, Public Laws of 1974 as amended by Chapter 436, P.L. 1981 to permit local public employers to pay the premium charges for certain eligible pensioners and their dependents and to pay Medicare charges for such retirees and their spouses covered by the New Jersey Health Benefits Program. In 2011 Authority employees began making health benefit contributions of 1.5% of their base salaries towards the health benefit costs.

#### **Funding Policy**

Participating employers are contractually required to contribute based on the amount of premiums attributable to their retirees. Post-retirement medical benefits under the plan have been funded on a pay-as-you-go basis since 1994. Prior to 1994, medical benefits were funded on an actuarial basis.

Contributions to pay for the health premiums of participating retirees in the SHBP are billed to The Parking Authority of the City of Camden on a monthly basis. As a participating employer the Authority will pay and remit to the State treasury contributions to cover the full cost of premiums for eligible pensioners on a basis comparable to the reimbursement made by the State to its eligible pensioners and their spouses in accordance with provisions of chapter 75, Public Laws of 1972.

The Parking Authority of the City of Camden contributions to SHBP for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 were \$105,537 and \$95,770 respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year. There were eleven (11) and ten (10) retired participants eligible at December 31, 2022 and 2021 respectively.

#### Note 12. Post-retirement Benefits (continued):

2022

2021

Inflation Rate

2.50%

Salary Increases\*:

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Rate for Future Year

2.75% to 6.55%

Based on Years of Service

Rate Through 2026

2.00% to 6.00%

Rate Thereafter

3.00% to 7.00%

3.00% to 7.00%

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Rate for Future Year

3.25% to 16.25%

3.25% to 15.25%

Mortality:

PERS

Pub-2010 General classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the

central year using Scale MP-2021

**PFRS** 

Pub-2010 Safety classification headcount weighted mortality with fully Generational mortality improvement projections from the central year

Using Scale MP-2021

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2021 valuation were based on the results of the PFRS and PERS experience studies prepared for the July 1, 2018 to June 2021 and July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018, respectively.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2022 and 2021 was 3.54% and 2.16%, respectively. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

#### Sensitivity of Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the collective net OPEB liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

<sup>\*</sup> Salary increases are based on years of service within the respective plan.

#### Note 12. Post-retirement Benefits (continued):

Year ended D	ecer	nber 31, :	Year ended D	ecer	nber 31, :
2023	\$	(316,763.00)	2022	\$	(264,744.00)
2024		(317,043.00)	2023		(265,092.00)
2025		(250,364.00)	2024		(265,410.00)
2026		(111,814.00)	2025		(189,530.00)
2027		(25,068.00)	2026		(31,861.00)
Thereafter		(171,974.00)	Thereafter		44,701.00
Total	\$	(1,193,026.00)	Total	\$	(971,936.00)

#### Note 13: Redevelopment Agreement

On September 12, 2013 the Authority entered into an agreement with the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (CCRA) to purchase six lots from CCRA for \$1,200,000 of which the Authority paid \$300,000 at settlement and the remaining \$900,000 which may be owed to CCRA based on various contingent conditions set forth in the agreement based on possible Future-Parking Projects developed on these lots. As of December 31, 2022, the Authority has not recorded a liability of \$900,000 due to the uncertainty on when any Future-Parking Projects will commence.

#### Note 14: Unrestricted Net Position Appropriated

Unrestricted Net Position before the pension and OPEB unfunded liabilities, amounts to \$7,413,966.72 at December 31, 2022. \$0.00 was appropriated and anticipated as revenue in the 2023 budget as adopted. Of the \$7,134,270.11 Unrestricted Net Position before the pension and OPEB unfunded liabilities at December 31, 2021, \$0.00 was appropriated and anticipated as revenue in the 2022 budget as adopted.

#### **Note 15: Subsequent Events**

The Parking Authority of the City of Camden has evaluated subsequent events occurring after December 31, 2022 through the date of September 25, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART II

SCHEDULE 1 (Page 1 of 3)

THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES AND COST FUNDED BY DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021 FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

		DECEMB	DECEMBER 31 2022			DECEMBER 31, 202	SR 31, 2021	,
	ORIGINAL	MODIFIED BUDGET		VARIANCE FAVORABLE/ (UNFAVORABLE)	ORIGINAL BUDGET	MODIFIED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE/ (UNFAVORABLE)
Operating Revenues: Parking Fees: Meters Parking Lots Waterfront Garage	700,000.00 1,700,159.00 480,000.00 240,000.00	700,000.00 1,700,159.00 480,000.00 240,000.00	661,591.57 1,731,852.77 501,912.71 152,152.57	(38,408.43) 31,693.77 21,912.71 (87,847.43)	950,000.00 2,359,000.00 480,000.00 240,000.00	950,000.00 2,359,000.00 480,000.00 240,000.00	405,966.22 1,472.733.92 483,692.64 415,344.47	(544,033.78) (886,266.08) 3,692.64 175,344.47
Total	3,120,159.00	3,120,159.00	3,047,509.62	(72,649.38)	4,029,000.00	4,029,000.00	2,777,737.25	(1,251,262.75)
Other Operating Revenues: Freedom Mortgage Pavilion Revenues Other	775,000.00	775,000.00	413,760.48	(361,239.52)	100,000.00	100,000.00	146,752.07	46,752.07
Total Other Operating Revenues	917,526.00	917,526.00	1,593,589.50	676,063.50	199,668.00	199,668.00	1,382,517.12	1,182,849.12
Total Operating Revenues	4.037,685.00	4,037,685.00	4,641,099.12	603,414.12	4,228,668.00	4,228,668.00	4,160,254.37	(68,413.63)
Nonoperating Revenues: Interest on Investments & Deposits	3.000.00	3,000.00	7,200.61	4,200.61	21,000.00	21,000.00	9,303.54	(11,696.46)
Total Budget Revenues	4,040,685.00	4,040,685.00	4,648,299.73	607,614.73	4,249,668.00	4,249,668.00	4,169,557.91	(80,110.09)
Salaries & Wages: Collections Maintenance Facilities Office	62,400.00 110,000.00 110,000.00 367,363.00 563,332.00	62,400.00 110,000.00 110,000.00 367,363.00 563,332.00	61.915.90 104.974.29 244.722.66 368,931.10 204.655.82	484.10 5.025.71 (134,722.66) (1.568.10) 358,676.18	62,400.00 100,000.00 100,000.00 545,623.00 285,977.00	62,400.00 100,000.00 100,000.00 545,623.00 285,977.00	64.375.11 82.663.22 219.616.47 407.657.09 192.726.04	(1,975.11) 17,336.78 (119,616.47) 137,965.91 93,250.96
Total Salaries & Wages	1,213,095.00	1,213,095.00 1,213,095.00	985,199.77	227.895.23	1,094,000.00	1,094,000.00	967,037.93	126,962.07

SCHEDULE 1 (Page 3 of 3)

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES AND COST FUNDED BY THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN OPERATING REVENUES COMPARED TO BUDGET FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

		DECEMB	DECEMBER 31, 2022			DECEMBI	DECEMBER 31, 2021	i
	ORIGINAL BUDGET	MODIFIED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE/ (UNFAVORABLE)	ORIGINAL BUDGET	MODIFIED BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE/ (UNFAVORABLE)
Cost of Providing Service (continued): Elevator	70,742.00	70,742.00	35,297.60	35,444.40	25,200.00	25,200.00	3.592.61	(108,979.74)
Gasoline Equipment Rental	20,324.00	20,324.00	20,672.98	(348.98)	10,800.00	0000009	18,382.88	(7,582.88) 5,700.72
I owing Costs Snow Removal Costs Depreciation	95,576.00	95,576.00	47,787.77	47,788.23 (394,658.04)	150,000.00	150,000.00	145,050.40	4,949.60 (600,132.00)
Total Cost of Providing Service	924,328.00	924,328.00	1,281,569.68	(357,241.68)	1,003,100.00	1,003,100.00	1,485,214.58	(482,114.58)
Principal Payments on Debt Service Lieu of Depreciation				,	218,795.00	218,795.00		218,795.00
Total Operating Appropriations	3,984,507.00	3,984,507.00	3,906,260.58	78,246.42	3.964,851.00	3,964,851.00	4,011,105.68	(46,254.68)
Nonoperating Appropriations: Interest Expense Capital Outlays			363.07	(363.07)	284,817.00	284,817.00	290.18 237,782.84	284,526.82 (237,782.84)
Total Nonoperating Appropriations			12,576.07	(12,576.07)	284.817.00	284,817.00	238,073.02	46,743.98
Total Operating & Nonoperating Appropriations	3.984,507.00	3,984,507.00	3,918,836.65	65,670.35	4,249,668.00	4,249,668.00	4,249,178.70	489.30
Excess Revenues Over Expenditures	\$56.178.00	56.178.00	729,463.08	673,285.08			(79,620.79)	(79,620.79)
Adjustments to Reconcile Excess Revenues Over Expenditures to GAAP Basis for Change in Net Position: Excess Expenditures Over Revenues	es Over in Net Position:		\$729,463.08				(\$79,620.79)	
Add: Net Change in Reserve for Freedom Mortgage Center Improvements Capital Contributions	Mortgage Center l	Improvements –	41,918.16	ı		'	(216,267.53)	

\$783,594.24

(\$58,105.48)

Net Income/(Loss) Before Contributions (Exhibit B)

SCHEDULE 4

### THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN ANALYSIS OF ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

Balance January 1, 2022	\$ -
Increased by:	
Interest Earned	(7,200.61)
Subtotal	(7,200.61)
Decreased by:	
Interest Received	7,200.61
Balance December 31, 2022	<u> </u>

SCHEDULE 5

### ANALYSIS OF RESERVE FOR FREEDOM MORTGAGE IMPROVEMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

Balance January 1, 2022		\$ 107,481.18
Increased by:		
Received From Freedom Mortgage Center	\$ 51,187.84	
Due From Freedom Mortgage Center	2,801.43	
Interest Earnings	 141.89	54,131.16
Subtotal		161,612.34
Decreased by:		
Capital Outlay		12,213.00
Balance December 31, 2022		\$ 149,399.34

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART III

SCHEDULE 6

THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY - PERS DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

Uberimber 31, total And total	2019 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014 2013	496% 0.00723% 0.00005% 0.00685% 0.00842% 0.00746% 0.00826% 0.00902%	8,666 \$2,975,018 \$22,400 \$3,349,637 \$4,967,884 \$3,442,821 \$3,209,606 3,462,775	\$900,323 \$361,553 \$1,052,711 \$1,059,940	32% 56.27% 53.60% 47.44% 40.14% 52.08% 47.92% 48.72%
DECEM	2021	0.00496%	\$1,918,666	791,525 \$863,010	58.32% 58.32%
	2022 2021	0.01081% 0.01260%	\$1,645,927 \$1,509,121	\$694,361 \$791,525	62.91% \$8.32%
		Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Authority's covered employee payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability

		SC	SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS - PERS SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS	F THE AUTHORITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS	CONTRIBUTION	VS - PERS				
	2022	2021	2020	2012	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$137,535	\$149.188	\$128,710	\$131,801	\$158,340	\$133,303	\$149,015	\$131,856	\$141,323	\$136,518
Contributions in relation to the Actuarially Determined Contributions	137,535	149.188	128,710	131,801	158.340	133,303	149,015	131,856	141,323	136,518
	20	0%	80	S	0\$	\$0	80	\$0	\$00	\$0
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$694,361	\$791,525	010,598\$	\$900,323	\$361,553	\$1,052,711	\$1,059,940	\$1,407,854	\$1,369,103	\$1,141,273
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered - Employee Payroll	%208 61	18.848%	14.914%	14.639%	43.794%	12.663%	14 059%	9,366%	10.322%	11,962%

SCHEDULE 7

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENATRY INFORMATION

# THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN (A Component Unit of Camden City, New Jersey) NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART III YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

#### Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms - None.

Changes in Assumptions - None

#### State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan (OPEB)

Changes in Benefit Terms - None.

**Changes in Assumptions** - The discount rate changed from 2.16% as of June 30, 2021, to 3.54% as of June 30, 2022.



To the Chairman and Members of the The Parking Authority of the City of Camden Camden, New Jersey 08103

I have audited the financial accounts and transactions of the Parking Authority of the City of Camden in the County of Camden for the year ended December 31, 2022. In accordance with requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the following are the *General Comments* and *Recommendations* for the year then ended.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

#### Contracts and Agreements Required to be Advertised by (N.J.S.A.40A:11-4)

N.J.S.A.40A:11-4 - Every contract or agreement, for the performance of any work or furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the cost or the contract price whereof is to be paid with or out of public funds not included within the terms of Section 3 of this act, shall be made or awarded only by the governing body of the contracting unit after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other Law. No work, materials or supplies shall be undertaken, acquired or furnished for a sum exceeding in the aggregate \$44,000 except by contract or agreement.

It is pointed out that the governing body of the Authority has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory minimum within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the solicitor's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The minutes indicate that resolutions were adopted authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services," per N.J.S.A.40A:11-5.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

The minutes indicate that bids were requested by public advertising for the following items:

Snow removal and purchase two security vehicles

609-456-8804 39 Paddock Lane, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

#### Acknowledgement

I received the complete cooperation of all officials and employees of the Authority and I greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to the audit team.

The problems and weaknesses noted in my review were not of such magnitude that they would affect my ability to express an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole.

Should you have any questions concerning our comments or recommendations, or should you desire any assistance in implementing my recommendations, please call me.

Respectfully submitted.

Brent W. Lee

Certified Public Accountant

Cinnaminson, New Jersey September 25, 2023