# CITY OF NORTHFIELD ATLANTIC COUNTY NEW JERSEY

**AUDIT REPORT** 

FOR THE YEAR ENDED December 31, 2009

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### **CITY OF NORTHFIELD**

### **PART I**

# REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009



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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council City of Northfield, New Jersey

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets - regulatory basis of the various funds and account groups of the City of Northfield, New Jersey, as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the related statements of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related statement of revenues - regulatory basis and statement of expenditures - regulatory basis of the various funds for the year ended December 31, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Northfield's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"), and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing 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 over financial reporting. Accordingly we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The Length of Service Awards Program of the City of Northfield has not been audited, and we were not engaged to audit the Length of Service Awards Program financial statements as part of our audit of the City's financial statements.

As described in Note 1, the City of Northfield, New Jersey prepares its financial statements on a basis of accounting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, that demonstrates compliance with a modified accrual basis, with certain exceptions, and the budget laws of the State of New Jersey, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The presentation requirement does not include a Management Discussion and Analysis as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board to be presented as Required Supplementary Information, but not required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. The affect on the financial statements of the variances between the prescribed basis of accounting and the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

The City has not included a disclosure related to future liabilities for post employment benefits. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that all required disclosures be presented as part of the basic financial statements. The result of this departure will not affect the balance sheet – regulatory basis.

In our opinion, because of the City's policy to prepare its financial statements on the basis of accounting discussed in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the City of Northfield as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 or the results of its operations for the years then ended.

However, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above, with the exception of the Length of Service Awards Plan and the affects of the required disclosure, as described above, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position - regulatory basis of the various funds and account groups of the City of Northfield, New Jersey as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 and the results of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis of such funds for the years then ended and the statements of revenues - regulatory basis and statement of expenditures - regulatory basis of the various funds for the year ended December 31, 2009 on a modified accrual basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 14, 2010 on our consideration of the City of Northfield's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming and opinion on the financial statement of the City of Northfield. The supplemental schedules listed in the table of contents are not a required part of the financial statements. The supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Alliance of Governmental Auditors, LLC Certified Public Accountants

May 14, 2010





# CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS December 31,

	Ref.		2009	2008
<u>Assets</u>		_		
Cash:				
Treasurer	A-4	\$	3,770,401	3,967,856
Change Fund	A-8		350	350
			3,770,751	3,968,206
Receivables and Other Assets with				
Full Reserves:				
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-9		354,699	382,400
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-10		13,111	11,207
Miscellaneous Liens Receivable	A-10		4,069	1,847
Property Acquired / Assessed Valuation	A-11		19,200	19,200
Sewer Rents Receivable	A-6		52,847	46,363
Sewer Liens Receivable	A-10		1,704	1,079
Due from the Dog Trust			4,090	2,092
Due from the Grant Fund	A-5		33,674	-
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-13		14,398	14,248
	Α		497,792	478,436
Deferred Charges:				
NJS 40A:4-53 Special Emergency				
Preparation of Tax Maps			40,000	50,000
Revaluation			350,000	
			4,658,543	4,496,642
deral and State Grant Fund:				
Due from Current Fund			-	102,029
Federal and State Grants Receivable	A-14		465,633	1,154,570
			465,633	1,256,599
		\$	5,124,176	5,753,241

# CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS December 31,

	Ref.	2009	2008
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance			
Liabilities:			
Appropriation Reserves	A-3:A-18	724,088	934,906
Accounts Payable		-	12,361
Encumbrances Payable	A-3	376,534	505,241
Payroll Taxes Payable	A-15	30,941	31,878
Sewer Rent Overpayments	A-7	3,577	2,185
Prepaid Taxes	A-19	202,206	158,609
Prepaid Sewer Rents		-	540
Tax Overpayments	A-20	34,067	26,918
Due to State of New Jersey -			
Senior Citizens and Veterans	A-12	13,950	12,200
Due to State of New Jersey - Marriage Fees	A-25	200	175
Due to State of New Jersey - DCA		1,256	894
Due to Federal and State Grant Fund		-	102,029
Burial Permits Payable		30	970
Reserve for Sale of Land	Α	47,693	47,693
Reserve for Tax Maps		10,500	22,069
Reserve for Garden State Trust		38	47
Reserve for Revaluation		172,309	-
Due to County - Added Taxes	A-22	10,637	18,113
		1,628,026	1,876,828
Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets	Α	497,792	478,436
Fund Balance	A-1	2,532,725	2,141,378
		4,658,543	4,496,642
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Due to the Current Fund		33,674	-
Reserve for Grants Appropriated	A-17	387,316	1,154,392
Reserve for Grants Unappropriated	A-16	-	2,335
Encumbrances Payable	A-17	44,643	99,872
		465,633	1,256,599
	Ş	5,124,176	5,753,241

# CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS For the Year Ended December 31,

	Ref.		2009	2008
Revenue and Other Income Realized:				
Fund Balance Utilized	A-2	\$	1,201,000	1,405,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	A-2	Ť	3,498,038	4,164,053
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	A-2		373,779	311,854
Receipts from Current Taxes	A-2		23,863,345	23,096,148
Nonbudget Revenues	A-2		276,487	116,340
Other Credits to Income:			•	•
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserve	s A-18		1,140,935	778,369
Interfund Returned	Α		2,092	50,763
Miscellaneous Cancellation			3,731	1,281
			30,359,407	29,923,808
Expenditures:				
Appropriations Within "CAPS"				
Operations:				
Salaries and Wages	A-3		3,979,000	4,034,500
Other Expenses	A-3		3,866,567	3,583,739
Deferred Charges and	7. 0		0,000,007	0,000,700
Statutory Expenditures	A-3		215,000	204,500
Appropriations Excluded from "CAPS"	7.0		2.0,000	20 1,000
Operations:				
Salaries and Wages	A-3		203,977	201,527
Other Expenses	A-3		2,560,685	3,275,399
Capital Improvements	A-3		210,000	200,000
Municipal Debt Service	A-3		948,072	933,772
County Taxes	A-21		3,355,568	3,158,137
Due County for Added and Omitted Taxes	A-22		10,637	18,113
Regional High School Tax	A-24		4,679,693	4,607,854
Local District School Tax	A-23		9,054,187	8,685,559
Interfund Created	Α		33,674	<u> </u>
		\$	29,117,060	28,903,100

# CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS For the Year Ended December 31,

	Ref.	· -	2009	2008
Excess in Revenues		\$	1,242,347	1,020,708
Adjustments to Income Before Fund Balance - Expenditures Included Above Which Are by Statute Deferred Charges to Budget of				
Succeeding Year	A-3	=	350,000	50,000
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance			1,592,347	1,070,708
Fund Balance January 1	Α	=	2,141,378	2,475,670
Total			3,733,725	3,546,378
Decreased by: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	A-2	_	1,201,000	1,405,000
Fund Balance December 31	Α	\$	2,532,725	2,141,378

	Ref.		Anticipated Budget	Special N.J.S. 40A:4-87	Realized	Excess or (Deficit)
			_ = ===================================			(= 5.1.51.1)
Fund Balance Anticipated	A-1	\$_	1,201,000		1,201,000	
			1,201,000	-	1,201,000	-
Miscellaneous Revenues:		_	_	_		_
Licenses:						
Alcoholic Beverages	A-13		4,800		5,000	200
Other	A-13		75,000		77,695	2,695
Fees and Permits	A-13		85,000		70,499	(14,501)
Fines and Costs:						
Municipal Court	A-13		245,000		225,394	(19,606)
Interest and Costs on Taxes	A-13		75,000		102,554	27,554
Interest on Investments and Deposits	A-13		50,000		28,774	(21,226)
Sewer Rentals	A-13		1,100,000		1,098,742	(1,258)
Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Act	A-13		135,390		135,390	-
Energy Receipts Tax (P.L. 1997, Chapters 162 & 167)	A-13		659,564		659,564	-
Garden State Trust	A-13		47		47	-
Uniform Construction Code Fees	A-13		106,000		121,380	15,380
County Share - Road Realignment	A-13		116,075		93,534	(22,541)
Linwood Share - Road Realignment	A-13		31,955		25,835	(6,120)
Linwood Share - Sewerage Department Costs	A-13		80,000		113,147	33,147
Utility Assessment Surplus	A-13		623		623	-
Uniform Fire Safety Act	A-13		6,239		5,089	(1,150)
Library Reimbursement per Moriarity Law	A-13		55,000		55,000	· _
Library Maintenance Agreement	A-13		20,500		20,500	-

	Ref.		Anticipated Budget	Special N.J.S. 40A:4-87	Realized	Excess or (Deficit)
Miscellaneous Revenues: (Continued)						,
State and Federal Revenues Offset						
With Appropriations:						
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	A-14	\$	5,205		5,205	-
Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	A-14		13,145		13,145	-
Safe and Secure Communities Program	A-14		58,636		58,636	-
NJ Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act	A-14		150,000		150,000	-
Alcohol Education, Rehabilitation, and Enforcement	A-14			3,086	3,086	-
Community Development Block Grant	A-14		27,323		27,323	-
NJ Council on the Arts	A-14		1,100		1,100	-
Body Armor	A-14		2,335		2,335	-
NJ DOT Safe Routes	A-14			41,000	41,000	-
Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety	A-14		21,600		21,600	-
Cell Phone Crackdown	A-14		4,000		4,000	-
Pedestrian Safety	A-14			4,000	4,000	-
Over the Limit Under Arrest	A-14		3,827	6,000	9,827	-
Click It or Ticket	A-14		4,000		4,000	-
Atlantic County Open Space	A-14		300,000		300,000	-
Clean Community	A-14	_	10,984	3,030	14,014	
Total Miscellaneous Revenue		_	3,448,348	57,116	3,498,038	(7,426)
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	A-2	_	200,000		373,779	173,779
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:						
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	A-2	_	7,313,358		7,349,781	36,423
Budget Totals		_	12,162,706	57,116	12,422,598	202,776
Nonbudget Revenues	A-2	_			276,487	276,487
		\$	12,162,706	57,116	12,699,085	479,263
	Ref.		A-3	A-3		

Ref. A-3 A-3 See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUES	Ref.	_	
Allocation of Current Tax Collections: Revenue from Collections	A-9		\$ 23,863,345
Net Revenue from Collections	A-1		23,863,345
Allocated to: School and County Taxes	A-9		17,100,085
Balance for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations			6,763,260
Add: Appropriations "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes"	A-3		586,521
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations	A-2		\$
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes:  Delinquent Tax Collections  Tax Title Lien Collections	A-9 A-10	\$_	373,779 <u>-</u>
	A-2		\$373,779

### Ref.

### ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUES (Continued)

Analysis of Non-Budget Revenues:					
Photocopies		\$	238		
Books, Maps and Copies of Ordinance			210		
Rent of Municipal Property			1,000		
DMV Inspection Fines			8,539		
Police Detail Administration			2,335		
Certified Lists			230		
Construction fees			38,250		
Reimbursements			37,795		
Administration Fee			3,040		
Recreation Impact Fees			17,500		
Interest on Sewer			18,409		
Auction Proceeds			143,587		
Miscellaneous			5,354		
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	A-1			\$	276,487
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Cash	A-4	\$	276,487	•	
		\$	276,487		
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		APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDI	TURES	UNEXPENDED	
	_		BUDGET AFTER	PAID OR		BALANCE	OVER
	_	BUDGET	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	RESERVED	CANCELED	EXPENDED
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAP"							
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:							
Administrative and Executive							
Other Expenses	\$	70,000	70,000	54,005	15,995		
Mayor and Council							
Salaries and Wages		76,500	76,500	75,712	788		
Other Expenses		7,000	7,000	3,382	3,618		
City Clerk							
Salaries and Wages		43,000	43,000	42,688	312		
Other Expenses							
Election Board		7,000	7,000	5,317	1,683		
Miscellaneous		30,000	30,000	11,212	18,788		
Financial Administration							
Salaries and Wages		131,000	131,000	129,445	1,555		
Other Expenses		10,000	10,000	4,264	5,736		
Municipal Prosecutor							
Other Expenses		15,500	15,500	15,500			
Audit Services							
Other Expenses		55,500	55,500	55,500			
Public Defender							
Other Expenses:		3,600	3,600	-	3,600		
Revenue Administration (Tax Collector)							
Salaries and Wages		86,500	86,500	86,364	136		
Other Expenses:		4,000	4,000	3,885	115		
Tax Assessment Administration		,	,	,			
Salaries and Wages		32,500	32,500	30,159	2,341		
Other Expenses		6,000	356,000	355,879	121		
Legal Services and Costs		-,	,	,-			
Other Expenses		95,500	95,500	89,532	5,968		
Insurance		,	,	,	-,		
Workers' Compensation		246,012	246,012	228,906	17,106		
Group Insurance		1,385,000	1,385,000	1,286,484	98,516		
Other Insurance		161,400	161,400	116,584	44,816		
Municipal Court		- ,	- ,	-,	,		
Salaries and Wages		122,000	122,000	117,946	4,054		
Other Expenses		11,000	11,000	9,120	1,880		
Planning Board		,	,	-,0	.,200		
Salaries and Wages		8,500	8,500	8,000	500		
Other Expenses		28,000	28,000	15,998	12,002		
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	APPR	APPROPRIATIONS		ΓURES	UNEXPENDED	
		BUDGET AFTER	PAID OR		BALANCE	OVER
	BUDGET	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	RESERVED	CANCELED	EXPENDED
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAP" (Continued)						
Engineering Services and Costs						
Other Expenses	43,000	43,000	32,456	10,544		
Other Experiess	10,000	10,000	02,100	10,011		
TOTAL General Government	2,678,512	3,028,512	2,778,338	250,174		
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY:						
Fire Official						
Salaries and Wages	\$ 10,000	10,000	7,533	2,467		
Other Expenses	2,000	2,000	149	1,851		
Fire Department						
Salaries and Wages	525,000	525,000	493,701	31,299		
Other Expenses:						
Fire Hydrant	88,000	88,000	85,689	2,311		
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	28,000	28,000	27,844	156		
Police Department	,	•	•			
Salaries and Wages	2,003,000	2,003,000	1,877,754	125,246		
Other Expenses	39,580	39,580	39,354	226		
Office of Emergency Management	,	,	,			
Salaries and Wages	2,000	2,000	2,000	_		
Other Expenses	4,000	4,000	_,	4,000		
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			-		-	
TOTAL Public Safety	2,701,580	2,701,580	2,534,024	167,556		-
STREETS AND ROADS:						
Streets and Road Maintenance						
Salaries and Wages	565,000	565,000	532,024	32,976		
Other Expenses	21,900	21,900	13,706	8,194		
Reserve for Snow Removal	100	100		100		
Maintenance of Automotive Equipment						
Other Expenses	60,000	60,000	59,201	799		
Solid Waste Collection						
Tipping Fees	531,500	531,500	528,916	2,584		
Public Buildings and Grounds						
Salaries and Wages	4,000	4,000	3,000	1,000		
Other Expenses	80,000	80,000	69,067	10,933		
Maintenance of Bike Path	2,000	2,000	292	1,708		
TOTAL Streets and Roads	1,264,500	1,264,500	1,206,206	58,294		

	APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDIT	TURES	UNEXPENDED	
	BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR CHARGED	RESERVED	BALANCE CANCELED	OVER EXPENDED
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAP" (Continued)						
SANITATION						
Sewerage						
Salaries and Wages \$	160,000	160,000	158,719	1,281		
Other Expenses	31,000	31,000	31,000	<u>-</u>		
TOTAL Sanitation	191,000	191,000	189,719	1,281		
HEALTH AND WELFARE:						
Dog Regulation						
Other Expenses	8,400	8,400	8,400			
TOTAL Health and Welfare	8,400	8,400	8,400			
RECREATION AND EDUCATION:						
Parks and Playgrounds						
Salaries and Wages	95,000	95,000	81,976	13,024		
Other Expenses						
Neighborhood Programs	5,000	5,000	5,000			
Miscellaneous Other Expenses:						
All Sports	13,225	13,225	13,168	57		
Little League	2,500	2,500	2,487	13		
Senior Citizens	750	750	750			
Conservation Commission						
Other Expenses	500	500		500		
TOTAL Recreation and Education	116,975	116,975	103,381	13,594		
				.0,001		
UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)						
Construction Code Official	70.000	79,000	70 4 47	E 050		
Salaries and Wages	79,000	•	73,147	5,853		
Other Expenses	25,500	25,500	20,145	5,355		
Zoning / Housing Officer	20,000	20,000	25 525	405		
Salaries and Wages	36,000	36,000	35,535	465		
Other Expenses	2,100	2,100	1,385	715		
<b>Total Uniform Construction Code</b>	142,600	142,600	130,212	12,388		

	APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDIT	TURES	UNEXPENDED	0)/55	
	BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR CHARGED	RESERVED	BALANCE CANCELED	OVER EXPENDED	
OPERATIONS WITHIN "CAP" (Continued)	202021	WODII TOTTITOT	OI II WOLD	REGERVED	O/ II TOLLED	EXI ENDED	
UNCLASSIFIED:							
Utilities:							
Gasoline	80,000	80,000	64,812	15,188			
Electricity	76,000	76,000	69,296	6,704			
Telephone and Telegraph	55,000	55,000	47,004	7,996			
Natural Gas	40,000	40,000	23,674	16,326			
Street Lighting	115,000	115,000	111,826	3,174			
Water	3,500	3,500	3,282	218			
Telecommunications	6,500	6,500		6,500			
Internet	6,000	6,000	3,538	2,462			
Street Sweeping	10,000	10,000	10,000			-	
TOTAL Unclassified	392,000	392,000	333,432	58,568	<u> </u>		
TOTAL OPERATIONS - WITHIN "CAP"	7,495,567	7,845,567	7,283,712	561,855			
Detail:							
Salaries and Wages	3,979,000	3,979,000	3.755.703	223,297	_	-	
Other Expenses	3,516,567	3,866,567	3,528,009	338,558			
DEFERRED CHARGES AND STATUTORY							
EXPENDITURES - WITHIN "CAP":							
Statutory Expenditures:							
Contribution to:							
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	190,000	190,000	158,900	31,100			
Defined Contribution Retirement Program	2,000	2,000	1,427	573			
Reserve for Accumulated Leave	500	500		500			
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	12,500	12,500	10,030	2,470			
Deferred Charge - Tax Map	10,000	10,000	10,000				
TOTAL Deferred Charges and Statutory							
Expenditures - within "CAP"	215,000	215,000	180,357	34,643		<del>-</del>	
TOTAL General Appropriations for							
Municipal Purposes - within "CAP"	7,710,567	8,060,567	7,464,069	596,498			

	APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDIT	TURES	UNEXPENDED	
-		BUDGET AFTER	PAID OR		BALANCE	OVER
_	BUDGET	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	RESERVED	CANCELED	EXPENDED
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAP"						
Maintenance of Free Public Library						
(P.L. 1985, c.82 and 541) \$	415,116	415,116	415,116			
Atlantic County Utilities Authority Service						
Charge - Contractual	620,000	620,000	620,000			
Police and Firemen's Retirement System	512,164	512,164	512,164			
LOSAP	22,500	22,500	11,000	11,500		
Public Employees Retirement System	136,462	136,462	128,400	8,062		
Recycling Tax Levy	11,000	11,000	9,452	1,548		
Dispatch						
Other Expenses	169,783	169,783	169,783			
Interlocal Road Realignment - Cedarbridge	148,030	148,030	121,169	26,861		
Linwood Share Sewerage - Interlocal Service Agreement	80,000	80,000	1,243	78,757		
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFFSET BY						
REVENUES - EXCLUDED FROM "CAP"						
Clean Communities Program	10,984	14,014	14,014			
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund:	-,	,-	, -			
Police						
Salaries and Wages	5,205	5,205	5,205			
Match for Grants	-,		-,			
County of Atlantic Municipal Drug Alliance						
County Share	13,145	13,145	13,145			
City Share	3,286	3,286	3,286			
Safe and Secure Program:	-,	-,	-,			
State Share	58,636	58,636	58,636			
Local Share	137,050	137,050	137,050			
NJ DOT Safe Routes	•	41,000	41,000			
NJ Council on the Arts	1,100	1,100	1,100			
Over the Limit Under Arrest	3,827	9,827	9,827			
Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety	21,600	21,600	21,600			
Cell Phone Crackdown	4,000	4,000	4,000			
Pedestrian Safety	•	4,000	4,000			
Atlantic County Open Space	300,000	300,000	300,000			
Community Development Block Grant	27,323	27,323	27,323			
Body Armor	2,335	2,335	2,335			
Click It or Ticket	4,000	4,000	4,000			
NJ Alcohol Education Rehabilitation		3,086	3,086			

		APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDIT	TURES	UNEXPENDED		
		BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR CHARGED	RESERVED	BALANCE CANCELED	OVER EXPENDED	
TOTAL OPERATIONS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAP"  Detail:	\$	2,707,546	2,764,662	2,637,934	126,728			
Salaries and Wages		200,891	203,977	203,977	-	-	-	
Other Expenses	-	2,506,655	2,560,685	2,433,957	126,728			
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAP":		05.000	05.000	05.000				
Capital Improvement Fund Sewer Repairs		25,000 20,000	25,000 20,000	25,000 19,138	862			
City Match for DOT		15,000	15,000	15,000	002			
NJ Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act		150,000	150,000	150,000				
TOTAL Capital Improvement Fund -		100,000	100,000	100,000				
Excluded from "CAP"		210,000	210,000	209,138	862	-		
MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"								
Payment of Bond Principal		675,000	675,000	675,000		-		
Interest on Bonds	-	273,072	273,072	273,072				
TOTAL Municiapl Debt Service - Excluded from "CAP"	_	948,072	948,072	948,072				
TOTAL General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes - Excluded from "CAP"	-	3,865,618	3,922,734	3,795,144	127,590			
SUBTOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS		11,576,185	11,983,301	11,259,213	724,088	-	-	
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES		586,521	586,521	586,521				
TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$	12,162,706	12,569,822	11,845,734	724,088			
Ref.	_	A-2			Α		Α	

		_	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION		PAID OR CHARGED
Appropriation by N.J.S. 40A:4-47 Special Emergency - Revaluation Budget	Ref. A-2 A-2 A-2	\$_	57,116 350,000 12,162,706	_	
		\$ _	12,569,822	-	
Reserve for Federal and State Grants	A-17			\$	814,607
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	A-2				586,521
Special Emergency					360,000
Encumbrances Payable	Α				376,534
Disbursed	A-4			-	9,708,072
				\$	11,845,734



# **EXHIBIT B - TRUST FUNDS**



# TRUST FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS December 31,

<u>Assets</u>	Ref.	2009	2008
Assessment Fund: Cash		\$ 	623_
		<u>-</u> ,	623
Animal Control Fund: Cash - Treasurer	B-1	11,829	11,042
		11,829	11,042
Other Funds:			
Cash - Treasurer	B-1	1,532,752	1,672,108
Cash - Tax Collector	B-2	81,489	-
Small Cities Revolving Loans Receivable		63,175	78,105
		1,677,416	1,750,213
LOSAP (Unaudited)			
Investments - Held for LOSAP		116,771	88,591
		\$ 1,806,016	1,850,469

# TRUST FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS December 31,

Liabilities, Reserves, and Fund Balance	Ref.	 2009	2008
Assessment Fund: Fund Balance		_	623
			623
Animal Control Fund:		 <u> </u>	023
Due to Current Fund Reserve for Animal Control Fund	B-5	4,090	2,092
Expenditures	B-4	 7,739	8,950
		 11,829	11,042
Other Funds:			
Due to the State of NJ - Sales Tax Reserves for:		-	-
Law Enforcement Forfeiture	B-7	24,219	45,353
Escrow Fees	B-9	367,959	559,366
Snow Removal	B-10	27,400	23,300
Small Cities Grant Appropriation	B-8	166,496	151,566
Recreation Expenditures	B-11	101,467	113,485
Cultural Committee		11,978	12,293
Municipal Alliance	B-13	1,461	1,461
Outside Employment of Police	B-12	4,747	4,692
POAA		190	32
Public Defender	B-14	2,945	1,525
Recycling		31,569	25,014
Accumulated Sick and Vacation	B-3	779,149	721,952
Small Cities Revolving Loan	B-15	63,175	78,105
Redemption of Tax Liens	B-16	5,639	-
Tax Sale Premiums	B-17	75,850	1,000
Joint Insurance Funds		 13,172	11,069
		 1,677,416	1,750,213
LOSAP (Unaudited)			
Reserve for LOSAP		 116,771	88,591
		\$ 1,806,016	1,850,469

# **EXHIBIT C - GENERAL CAPITAL FUND**



Exhibit C

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS December 31,

	Ref.	 2009	2008
Assets Cash - Treasurer Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:	C-2	\$ 1,471	548,171
Funded	C-4	6,569,000	7,244,000
Unfunded	C-5	 1,425,000	950,000
		 7,995,471	8,742,171
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance			
Serial Bonds Payable	C-8	6,569,000	7,244,000
Contracts Payable	C-9	175,263	591,680
Improvement Authorizations:			
Funded	C-7	254,574	311,928
Unfunded	C-7	878,452	476,381
Reserve for:			
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	52,878	52,878
Fund Balance	C-1	 65,304	65,304
		\$ 7,995,471	8,742,171

There were Bonds and Notes Authorized But Not Issued on December 31, 2009 and 2008 of \$1,425,000 and \$950,000.

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	С	\$ 65,304
No current year activity		
Balance December 31, 2009	С	\$ 65,304

# EXHIBIT D - GENERAL FIXED ASSETS



### GENERAL FIXED ASSET FUND STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS - REGULATORY BASIS December 31,

	_	2009	2008
<u>Assets</u>			
General Fixed Assets: Land, Building & Improvements	\$	4,459,286	4,459,286
Machinery and Equipment	· <u> </u>	3,930,448	4,406,762
Total General Fixed Assets	=	8,389,734	8,866,048
Reserves			
Investment in General Fixed Assets	\$	8,389,734	8,866,048



### **Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### A. Reporting Entity

Except as noted below, the financial statements of the City of Northfield include every board, body, office or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the City of Northfield, as required by N.J.S. 40A:5-5.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the City is financially accountable. The City is financially accountable for an organization if the City appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the City is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the City is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the City is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of or provide financial support to the organization; or the City is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the City in that the City approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. The Northfield Public Library is a component unit of the City. A separate audit is performed for the Library and will be made available for inspection upon completion.

### **B.** Description of Funds

The accounting policies of the City of Northfield conform to the accounting principles applicable to municipalities which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with the respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the City of Northfield accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds:

<u>Current Fund</u> -- resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including Federal and State grant funds.

<u>Trust Funds</u> -- receipts, custodianship and disbursement of funds in accordance with the purpose for which each reserve was created.

<u>General Capital Fund</u> -- receipt and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general facilities, other than those acquired in the Current Fund.

<u>General Fixed Assets Account Group</u> -- All fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the general fixed assets account group, rather than in governmental funds.

### C. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for municipalities by the State of New Jersey differ in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local governmental units. The more significant policies in New Jersey are as follows.

A modified accrual basis of accounting is followed with minor exceptions.

Revenues -- are recorded as received in cash except for certain amounts that are due from other governmental units. Receipts from Federal and State grants are realized as revenue when anticipated in the City budget. Receivables for property taxes are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the City's Current Fund; accordingly, such amounts are not recorded as revenue until collected. Other amounts that are due to the City which are susceptible to accrual are also recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves and recorded as revenue when received.

Expenditures -- are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with the Encumbrance Accounting System. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31 are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements and constitute part of the City's statutory Appropriation Reserve balance. Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at December 31st of each year and recorded as liabilities, except for amounts which may be canceled by the Governing Body. Appropriation reserves are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income. Appropriations for principal payments on outstanding general capital bonds and notes are provided on the cash basis; interest on general capital indebtedness is on the cash basis.

<u>Foreclosed Property</u> -- Foreclosed property is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved.

<u>Interfunds</u> -- Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves.

<u>Inventories of Supplies</u> - The cost of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The cost of inventories are not included on the various balance sheets.

<u>General Fixed Assets</u> -- The City has developed a fixed assets accounting and reporting system, as promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services, which differs in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles.

Fixed assets used in governmental operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized.

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available except for land which is valued at estimated market value on the date of acquisition. No depreciation has been provided for in the financial statements.

Any capital assets of \$1,000 or more are capitalized

Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the Capital funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation.

Fixed assets acquired through grants in aid or contributed capital have not been accounted for separately.

The following schedule is a summarization of the changes in general fixed assets for the calendar year ended December 31, 2009.

	Balance 12/31/08	Additions	Disposals	Balance 12/31/09
Buildings Vehicles Equipment	\$4,459,287 3,018,495 1,388,266	144,209	(587,149) (33,373)	4,459,287 2,431,346 1,499,102
Total General Fixed Assets	\$8,866,048	144,209	(620,522)	8,389,735

<u>Levy of Taxes</u> -- The County Board of Taxation certifies the tax levy of the municipality each year. The tax levy is based on the assessed valuation of taxable property within the municipality. Taxes are payable on the first day of February, May, August, and November. Any taxes that have not been paid by the 11th day of the 11th month in the fiscal year levied are subject to being included in the tax sale and the lien enforced by selling the property in accordance with NJSA 54:5 et. seq.

The municipality is responsible for remitting 100% of the school and county taxes to the respective agency. The loss for delinquent or uncollectible accounts is borne by the municipality and not the school district or county.

<u>Capitalization of Interest</u> -- It is the policy of the City of Northfield to treat interest on projects as a current expense and the interest is included in the current operating budget.

<u>Use of Estimates</u> -- The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles or the regulatory basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

### **D.** Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year has been presented in the accompanying Balance Sheets and Statement of Operations in order to provide an understanding of changes in the City's financial position. However, comparative (i.e., presentation of prior year totals by fund type) data have not been presented in the Statement of Revenues – Regulatory Basis and the Statement of Expenditures – Regulatory Basis since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

### **Note 2: BUDGETARY INFORMATION**

Under New Jersey State Statutes, the annual budget is required to be a balanced cash basis document. To accomplish this, the municipality is required to establish a reserve for uncollected taxes. The 2009 and 2008 statutory budget included a reserve for uncollected taxes in the amount of \$586,521 and \$480,851, respectively. To balance the budget, the municipality is required to show a budgeted fund balance. The amount of fund balance budgeted to balance the 2009 and 2008 statutory budget was \$1,201,000 and \$1,405,000, respectively.

The Chief Financial Officer has the discretion of approving intra department budgetary transfers throughout the year. Inter department transfers are not permitted prior to November 1. After November 1 these transfers can be made in the form of a resolution and approved by City Council. There were no transfers made in 2009.

NJSA 40A:4-87 permits special items of revenue and appropriations to be inserted into the annual budget when the item has been made available by any public or private funding source and the item was not determined at the time of budget adoption. The following budget insertions were approved in the 2009 calendar year.

Grant Name Amoun		
Pedestrian Safety	\$	4,000
Alcohol, Education and Rehabilitation		3,086
Clean Communities		3,030
Safe Routes to Schools		41,000
Over the Limit, Under Arrest	_	6,000
Total insertions for the year	\$	57,116

The municipality may make emergency appropriations, after the adoption of the budget, for a purpose which was not foreseen at the time the budget was adopted or for which adequate provision was not made therein. This type of appropriation shall be made to meet a pressing need for public expenditure to protect or promote the public health, safety, morals or welfare or to provide temporary housing or public assistance prior to the next succeeding fiscal year. Emergency appropriations, except those classified as a special emergency, must be raised in the budget of the succeeding year. Special emergency appropriations are permitted to be raised in the budgets of the succeeding three or five years. As of December 31, 2009 the City has the following special emergencies:

Revision of Tax Maps \$40,000 Revaluation \$350,000

### **Note 3: INVESTMENTS**

**Interest Rate Risk:** The municipality does have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) limits the length of time for most investments to 397 days. The City's cash management plan limits maturities to one year or less.

**Credit Risk**: New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) limits municipal investments to those specified in the Statutes. The type of allowable investments are Bonds of the United States of America or of the local unit or school districts of which the local unit is a part of: obligations of federal agencies not exceeding 397 days; government money market mutual funds; the State of New Jersey Cash Management Plan; local government investment pools; or repurchase of fully collateralized securities.

**Concentration of Credit Risk**: The municipality places no limit on the amount the City may invest in any one issuer.

### Note 4: CASH

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits**. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The municipality's policy is based on New Jersey Statutes requiring cash be deposited only in New Jersey based banking institutions that participate in the New Jersey Governmental Depository Protection Act (GUDPA) or in qualified investments established in New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) that are treated as cash equivalents. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, \$0 of the municipality's bank balance of \$5,366,386 and \$6,176,622, respectively, was exposed to custodial credit risk.

### **Note 5: LONG TERM DEBT**

Long-term debt as of December 31, 2009 consisted of the following:

	Balance Beginning	Additions	<u>Payments</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>	Due in One Year
General Comp. Absence	\$ 7,244,000 1,072,780	144,619	675,000 28,304	6,569,000 1,189,095	730,000
Total	\$ 8,316,780	144,619	703,304	7,758,095	730,000

# Outstanding bonds whose principal and interest are paid from the Current Fund Budget of the City:

\$4,655,000 General Improvement Bond dated 9/1/02 payable in annual installments through 9/1/2015. Interest is paid semiannually at a rate of 2.50% to 4.00% per annum. The balance remaining as of December 31, 2009 was \$2,495,000.

\$4,999,000 General Improvement Bond dated 11/15/06 payable in annual installments through 12/1/2018. Interest is paid semiannually at a rate of 3.5% to 4.00% per annum. The balance remaining as of December 21, 2009 was \$4,074,000.

The aggregate debt requirements to maturity are as follows:

	General Capital Fund							
Year	Principal	Interest	Total					
2010	730,000	250,322	980,322					
2011	775,000	223,898	998,898					
2012	820,000	195,435	1,015,435					
2013	855,000	163,635	1,018,635					
2014	880,000	163,635	1,043,635					
2015-2018	2,509,000	220,052	2,729,052					
Total	\$6,569,000	1,216,977	7,785,977					

General serial bonds are direct obligations of the City for which its full faith and credit are pledged, and are payable from taxes levied on all taxable property located within the Municipality.

As of December 31, 2009, the carrying value of the above bonds approximates the fair value of the bonds.

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the City has authorized but not issued debt of \$1,425,000 and \$950,000, respectively.

Long-term debt as of December 31, consisted of the following:

### Summary of Municipal Debt

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
General - Bonds, Loans and Notes General - Bonds, Loans and Notes	\$6,569,000	7,244,000	7,884,000
Authorized But Not Issued	1,425,000	950,000	
Net Bonds, Loans and Notes Issued and Authorized But Not Issued	\$7,994,000	8,194,000	7,884,000

### <u>Summary of Regulatory Debt Condition - Annual Debt Statement</u>

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a regulatory net debt of 0.67%.

	Gross Debt	Deductions	Net Debt
Local School District Debt General Debt	\$ 22,750,857 7,994,000	22,750,857	7,994,000
	\$ 30,744,857	22,750,857	7,994,000

Net Debt  $$7,994,000 \div$  Equalized Valuation Basis per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-2 as amended, \$1,186,947,045 = 0.67%.

### Borrowing Power Under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6 as Amended

3 1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal) Net Debt	\$ 41,543,147 7,994,000
Remaining Borrowing Power	\$ 33,549,147

### **Note 6: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED**

The 2010 budget has not been adopted as of the date of the audit.

### **Note 7: SCHOOL TAXES**

Local District School Taxes and Regional High School Tax have been raised on a calendar year basis. There were no Local District School Taxes or Regional High School taxes payable at December 31, 2009.

### **Note 8: TAXES COLLECTED IN ADVANCE**

Taxes collected in advance are recorded as cash liabilities in the financial statements. Following is a comparison of the liability for the previous two years:

	Balance nber 31, 2009	Balance December 31, 2008		
Prepaid Tax	\$ 202,206	158,609		
Cash Liability for Taxes Collected in Advance	\$ 202,206	158,609		

### **Note 9: PENSION FUNDS**

### Description of Plans

Substantially all of the City's employees are covered by the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and Police and Fireman's Retirement System (PFRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which has been established by state statute and is administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits (Division). According to the State of New Jersey Administrative Code, all obligations of the System will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should the System terminate. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirement System and Police and Fireman's Retirement System. This report may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625 or the report can be accessed on the internet at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts</a> archive.htm.

### Public Employees' Retirement System

The Public Employees' Retirement System was established in January, 1955 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially all full time employees of the State or any county, municipality, school district or public agency provided the employee is not required to be a member of another State-administered retirement system or other state or local

jurisdiction.

Police and Fireman's Retirement System

The contribution policy for the PFRS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. PFRS provides for employee contributions of 8.5% of employees' annual compensation, as defined. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate.

### **Funding Policy**

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 5% thru June 30, 2008 and 5.5% from July 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008 of employees' annual compensation, as defined. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in PERS and PFRS. The current PERS rate is 6.9% of covered payroll and for PFRS a rate of 8.5% of covered payroll. The City's contributions to PERS for the years ending December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$136,462, \$101,057 and \$53,736 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year. The City's contributions to PFRS for the years ending December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$512,164, \$483,513 and \$288,876 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

### **NOTE 10: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

### **Plan Description**

The New Jersey State Health Benefits Commission administers cost-sharing multiple-employer health care plans under the State Health Benefits Program and the School Employees' health. The New Jersey State Health Benefits Plan (SHBP) provides access to health care coverage to eligible retirees who qualify based on state law and local requirements. Coverage under the current program includes medical, prescription drug, mental health/substance abuse and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents. The State of New Jersey pays a portion of the cost for retirees, spouses and dependents.

Members of the Public Employees' Retirement System would generally qualify for coverage under the following criteria:

Service Retirement Eligible at age 60

Early Retirement Eligible after 25 years of service

Service or Early Retirement Eligibility for State-paid SHBP

Benefits

Attainment of 25 years of service

Ordinary Disability Retirement Eligible after 10 years of service

Accidental Disability Eligible upon total and permanent

disability prior to age 65 as a result of a

duty injury

Members of the Police and Firemen's Retirement System would generally qualify for coverage under the following criteria:

Service Retirement Eligibility means age 55 or 20 years of

credited service for an employee who is a member of the Retirement System as of January 18, 2000 and age 55 for an employee who became a member of the Retirement System after January 18,

2000. Mandatory at age 65.

Service or Early Retirement Eligibility for State-paid SHBP

Benefits

Attainment of 25 years of service

Ordinary Disability Retirement

A Member is eligible for Ordinary Disability Retirement if he (she) has 4 years of service and is totally and permanently incapacitated from the performance of usual or available

duties.

Accidental Disability
Retirement

A member is eligible upon total and permanent incapacitation from the

performance of usual and available duties as a result of injury during the

performance of regular duties.

Special Disability Retirement A member is eligible for Special

Disability Retirement if he (she) has 5 years of Credited Service, is under age 55, and has received a heart transplant.

The New Jersey State Health Benefits Plan issues a stand-alone financial report under GASB 43. To view the report, go to <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/shbp.htm">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/shbp.htm</a>.

The City is a member of the SHBP and provides that its retirees will be covered if they have participated in either the PERS or the PFRS for 25 years. During 2009, 2008 and 2007 the City paid the SHBP \$1,286,485, \$1,116,490 and \$1,123,054 respectively for health care of employees and retirees. The amount paid for retirees was \$524,250, \$458,230 and \$410,901 respectively.

### **Note 11: ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION BENEFITS**

City employees are covered by union contracts specifying that vacation time may be carried over to the next calendar year, with prior permission. Sick leave may be accumulated from year to year and used as needed. Each contract details the amounts an employee will be compensated at retirement based on the current rate of pay upon retirement. It is estimated that the current cost of such unpaid compensation would approximate \$1,189,095 and \$1,072,780 as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The policy of not reflecting the accrued benefit is not in agreement with GASB Statement No. 12 but is required by the State of New Jersey. Effective January 1, 2002 the State of New Jersey is allowing municipalities to accrue a compensated absence liability. The City has established a reserve trust fund the balance at December 31, 2009 and 2008 is \$779,149 and \$721,952, respectively.

### **Note 12: UNION CONTRACTS**

As of December 31, 2009, the City's employees are organized in three collective bargaining units. The contracts with the Policeman's Benevolent Association will expire December 31, 2010, the UWU contract will expire December 31, 2012 and the IAFF contract will expire December 31, 2011.

Bargaining Unit	Job Category	Members
PBA	Police	All uniformed police
UWU	Supervisory Employees and White and Blue Collar Employees	All employees except exempt employees, police, and fire
IAFF	Fire	All career fire fighters

### **Note 13: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY**

The City of Northfield is not economically dependent on any one business or industry within the City.

### **Note 14: LITIGATION**

During the normal course of operations, lawsuits are brought against the governmental unit. As of this date the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable and the City's counsel has not given any indication that settlements would have a material adverse effect on the City.

### **Note 15: DEFERRED COMPENSATION**

Employees of the City may participate in a deferred compensation plan adopted under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 457 (Deferred Compensation Plans With Respect to Service for State and Local Governments).

The deferred compensation plan is available to all employees of the City. Under the plan, employees may elect to defer a portion of their salaries and avoid paying taxes on the deferred portion until the withdrawal date. The deferred compensation amount is not available for withdrawal by employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

An unrelated financial institution administers the deferred compensation plan. Under the terms of an IRC Section 457 deferred compensation plan, all deferred compensation and income attributable to the investment of the deferred compensation amounts held by the financial institution, until paid or made available to the employees or beneficiaries, are the property of the employees.

As part of its fiduciary role, the City has an obligation of due care in selecting the third party administrator. In the opinion of the City's legal counsel, the City has acted in a prudent manner and is not liable for losses that may arise from the administration of the plan.

### **Note 16: CONTRACTS AND COMMITMENTS**

As of December 31, 2009, the City had outstanding balances on various contracts in the amount of \$175,263. These contracts are funded through grants from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation, and Bond Ordinances adopted by the City.

### **Note 17: INTERFUND BALANCES**

As of December 31, 2009, the following interfunds were included on the balance sheets of the various funds of the City of Northfield:

	Du	e From	Due To		
Current Fund Federal and State Grant Fund Dog Fund	\$	33,674 4,090			
Federal and State Grant Fund: Current Fund			33,674		
Dog Fund: Current Fund			4,090		
	\$	37,764	37,764		

The grant appropriations are expended prior to receipt of awards. The current fund must advance funds. The dog fund had a statutory excess at year end.

### **Note 18: 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.

<u>Property and Liability Insurance</u> – The City maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability and surety bonds.

The City of Northfield is a member of the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Fund which also includes other municipalities throughout the region. The City is obligated to remit insurance premiums into these funds for sufficient insurance coverage. There is an unknown contingent liability with the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund if there is a catastrophic insurance claim from any member of the fund. The City has a liability limit of \$10,000,000 under MEL. There has not been a reduction in coverage and there have not been any claims in excess of coverage.

<u>New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance</u> – The City has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Contributory Method".

There was no decrease in coverage or payments in excess of the City's coverage during 2009.

### Note 19: LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (Unaudited)

During the year 2001 the voters of the City of Northfield approved the establishment of a Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) Deferred Compensation Plan. This plan is made available to all bona fide eligible volunteers who performed qualified services which are defined as fire fighting and prevention services, emergency medical services and ambulance services pursuant to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, except for provisions added by reason of the LOSAP as enacted into federal law in 1997. The establishment of this LOSAP complies with New Jersey Public Law 1997, Chapter 388 and the LOSAP Document. The City has included \$22,500 in the 2009 budget for contributions to the LOSAP for volunteers who have met the established criteria. The 2010 budget has not been adopted.





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# 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

The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council City of Northfield, New Jersey

We have audited the financial statements - regulatory basis of the City of Northfield, New Jersey as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, and have issued our report thereon dated May 14, 2010. Our report disclosed that, as described in Note 1 to the financial statements – regulatory basis, the City of Northfield, New Jersey prepares its financial statements on a basis of accounting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, that demonstrates compliance with a modified accrual basis of accounting and the budget laws of the State of New Jersey, which practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United Stated of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division")

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City of Northfield, New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements - regulatory basis but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Northfield's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Northfield's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the City of Northfield, New Jersey's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purposes described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Northfield, New Jersey's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* or the requirements of the Division of Local Government Services.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the City of Northfield, New Jersey in a separate letter dated May 14, 2010.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Finance Committee and the State of New Jersey, Division of Local Government Services and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

### Kenneth W. Moore

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May 14, 2010

### SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Schedule 1 Sheet 1

	CFDA #/	_		_		Receipts or				
Federal or State Grantor/Pass-Through	Pass Through	Grant		Program or	Balance	Revenue	Disbursements/		Balance	Cumulative
Grantor/Program Title	Grantor's #	From	То	Award Amount	12/31/08	Recognized	Expenditures	Cancelled	12/31/09	Expenditures
STATE OF NEW JERSEY										
Department of Environmental Protection										
Clean Communities	4900-765-042-4900-004	01/01/09	12/31/09	14,015	-	14,015			14,015	-
Clean Communities	4900-765-042-4900-004	01/01/08	12/31/08	10,931	931		931		-	10,931
Municipal Alliance	4250-760-050000-63-262	01/01/09	12/31/09	13,145		13,145	13,143		2	13,143
Municipal Alliance	4250-760-050000-63-262	01/01/08	12/31/08	10,552	1			1	-	10,551
Department of Transportation										
New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act	6320-480-601395-61	01/01/08	12/31/08	140,000	130,300		130,300		-	140,000
NJ DOT - Mt. Vernone	6320-480-601395-61	01/01/09	12/31/09	150,000	-	150,000	149,668		332	149,668
NJ DOT - Safe Routes - Non Infrastructure	6320-480-601395-61	01/01/09	12/31/09	41,000	-	41,000			41,000	-
State of New Jersey State Police										
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund	9735-760-098-Y900-001	01/01/09	12/31/09	3,086	-	3,086			3,086	-
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund	9735-760-098-Y900-001	01/01/08	12/31/08	4,370	4,370		2,146		2,224	2,146
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund	9735-760-098-Y900-001	01/01/07	12/31/07	1,857	554		554		-	1,857
Safe and Secure Communities	100-066-1020-107	01/01/09	12/31/09	58,636	-	58,636	58,636		-	58,636
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020	01/01/09	12/31/09	2,335	-	2,335			2,335	-
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020	01/01/08	12/31/08	2,567	2,567				2,567	-
Body Armor	1020-718-066-1020	01/01/07	12/31/07	2,360	988		(1,016)		2,004	356
Click it or Ticket		01/01/09	12/31/09	4,000	-	4,000	4,000		-	4,000
Over the Limit Under Arrest		01/01/09	12/31/09	9,827	-	9,827	9,436	391	-	9,827
Drunk Driving Enforcement		01/01/09	12/31/09	5,205	-	5,205	,		5,205	· -
Drunk Driving Enforcement		01/01/08	12/31/08	4,448	4,448	•			4,448	-
Drunk Driving Enforcement		01/01/07	12/31/07	4,620	140		(1,491)		1,631	2,989
Pedestrian Safety		01/01/09	12/31/09	4,000	-	4,000	2,951	1,049	· -	2,951
Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety		01/01/09	12/31/09	21,600	-	21,600	14,945	6,655	-	14,945
Cell Phone Crackdown		01/01/09	12/31/09	4,000	-	4,000	4,000	7,	-	4,000
Total State Assistance				\$	144,299	330,849	388,203	8,096	78,849	426,000

### SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Schedule 1 Sheet 2

Federal or State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	CFDA #/ Pass Through Grantor's #	Grant From	Period To	Program or Award Amount	Balance 12/31/08	Receipts or Revenue Recognized	Disbursements/ Expenditures	Cancellation	Balance 12/31/09	Cumulative Expenditures
FEDERAL:		"								
US Department of Justice Bullet Proof Vests	16.607	01/01/08	12/31/08	1,625	1,625		1,625		-	1,625
Total Department of Justice					1,625		1,625			1,625
Homeland Security Department of Environmental Protection Stormwater Grant	66.605	01/01/08	12/31/08	8,468	8,468				8,468	
Total Department of Environmental Protection					8,468				8,468	
Housing and Urban Development Small Cities Community Development Block	14.218	01/01/09	12/31/09	27,323	-	27,323	27,323		-	27,323
Total Housing and Urban Development					-	27,323	27,323		-	27,323
Total Federal Assistance				\$	10,093	27,323	28,948		8,468	28,948

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	Ref.	Current Fund		d
Balance December 31, 2008	Α		\$	3,967,856
Increased by Receipts:				
Taxes Receivable	A-9 \$	23,918,145		
Due from State of New Jersey (c.73, P.L.1976)	A-12	152,000		
Prepaid Taxes	A-19	202,206		
Lien Payments		3,513		
Tax Overpayments	A-20	44,958		
Sewer Overpayments	A-7	3,577		
Federal and State Grants	A-5	337,778		
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated	A-13	2,838,720		
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	A-2	276,487		
Payroll and Withholdings	A-15	1,317,135		
Reserve for Garden State Trust	Α	38		
Interfunds returned		2,092		
Due to Trust		1,300,300		
Due State for DCA Fees		10,076		
Due State for Burial Fees		270		
Due State for Marriage Licenses	A-25	1,050		
	_			30,408,345

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	Ref.	Current F	und
Decreased by Disbursements:			
2008 Appropriation Reserves	A-18	299,212	
2009 Appropriations	A-3	9,708,072	
County Taxes	A-21	3,355,568	
County Added Taxes	A-22	18,113	
Regional High School Tax	A-24	4,679,693	
Local District School Tax	A-23	9,054,187	
Due State for Marriage Licenses	A-25	1,025	
Payroll Taxes Paid	A-15	1,318,072	
Due State for Burial Permits		1,210	
Due State for DCA		9,681	
Due to Trust		1,300,300	
Refund of Tax Overpayments	A-20	27,664	
Refund of Sewer Overpayments		113	
Deferred Charges		189,260	
Refunds of Revenue		27,020	
Federal and State Grant Expenditures	A-5	616,260	
·			30,605,450
Balance December 31, 2009	А	\$	3,770,751

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF DUE TO/(FROM) FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND

	Ref.			
Balance December 31, 2008	Α		\$	102,029
Increased by:				
Cancellation of Grants Appropriated	A-17 \$	905,780		
Cancellation of Prior Year Encumbrar	nces	32,524		
Cash Disbursed	A-17:4	616,260		
Realized as Anticipated Revenue	A-14	659,271	_	
			_	2,213,835
Decreased by:				(2,111,806)
Cancellation of Grants Receivable	A-14	1,008,095		
Cash Received	A-14:16	337,778		
Budget Appropriation	A-17	799,607		
			-	2,145,480
Balance December 31, 2009	А		\$	33,674

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF SEWER RENTS RECEIVABLE

	Ref.			
Balance December 31, 2008	А		\$	46,363
Increased by: Sewer Billings	Res.		_	1,107,411
Decreased by: Collections Overpayments Applied	A-13 A-7:A-13	1,098,742 2,185		1,153,774
Balance December 31, 2009	А		<b>\$</b> _	1,100,927 52,847
SCHEDULE OF SEV	WER RENT OVE	RPAYMENTS		Exhibit A-7
	Ref.			
Balance December 31, 2008	Α		\$	2,185
Increased by: Overpayments in 2009	A-4		_	3,577
Decreased by:				5,762
Applied	A-1	2,185		2,185
Balance December 31, 2009	А		\$ _	3,577

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FUNDS

Office	_	•	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Received From Treasurer	Returned to Treasurer	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
City Clerk Municipal Court Tax Collector		\$	100 150 100			100 150 100
		\$	350	-		350
	Ref.		Α	A-4	A-4	Α

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

	Balance		Added	Collections	hy Cash	(Transfers) or	Overpayments	Transferred To Tax	Balance
Year	12/31/2008	2009 Levy	Taxes	2008	2009	Canceled	Applied	Title Liens	12/31/2009
Arrears \$ 2008	13,959 368,441				21,304 352,475	14,417 (15,966)			7,072 -
2009	382,400	24,308,411	181,483	158,610	373,779 23,694,616	(1,549) 277,018	- 10,119	- 1,904	7,072 347,627
\$	382,400	24,308,411	181,483	158,610	24,068,395	275,469	10,119	1,904	354,699
Ref.	Α			A-19		Res.	A-20	A-10	Α
	5	State of New Jersey (	Cash (c.73,P.L. 1976)	Ref. A-4 \$ A-12 \$	23,918,145 150,250 24,068,395				

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Analysis of 2009 Property Tax Levy Tax Yield: General Property Tax Added Taxes (54:4-63.1 et. seq.)	<u>Ref.</u>		\$	24,308,411 181,483
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			\$	24,489,894
Tax Levy:				
Regional High School Tax (Abstract)	A-29		\$	4,679,693
Local School District Tax (Abstract)	A-28			9,054,187
County Taxes:				
County Tax (Abstract)	A-26	\$	3,080,441	
County Health Service Tax (Abstract)	A-26	•	212,901	
County Open Space Tax (Abstract)	A-26		62,226	
Due County for Added Taxes	7120		02,220	
(R.S. 54:4-63.1 et seq.)	A-27		10,637	
(11.0. 54.4-65.1 et seq.)	A-21	_	10,037	
Total County Taxes				3,366,205
•				
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	A-2		7,313,358	
Add: Additional Tax Levied			76,451	
ridd. riddilloridi Tax Loviod		_	7 0, 10 1	7,389,809
			\$	24,489,894

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF LIENS

-	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	Α		\$ 14,133
Increased by: Transfers Receivable	A-9	\$8,264_	8,264
Decreased by:			22,397
Miscellaneous Liens Collected in 2009	A-2:A-4	3,513	3,513
Balance December 31, 2009	Α		\$ 18,884
Analysis of Balance: Tax Title Liens Sewer Liens Miscellaneous Liens	13,111 1,704 4,069 18,884		
SCHEDULE OF PROPE (AT ASSES	ERTY ACQU SSED VALU		Exhibit A-11

Ref.

Α

Balance December 31, 2009 and 2008

\$ \_\_\_\_\_19,200

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF DUE FROM/(TO) STATE OF NEW JERSEY CHAPTER 20, P.L. 1971

Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. A		\$	(12,200)
Increased by: Received from State of New Jersey Deductions Disallowed by Collector	A-4	152,00 3,00		
		155,00	00	
				155,000
				167,200
Decreased by:  Deductions per Tax Billing:				
Senior Citizen		31,75	0	
Veterans		119,00		
Deductions Allowed by Collector		2,50	<u> </u>	
		153,25	<u> </u>	450.050
			•	153,250
Balance December 31, 2009	Α		\$	(13,950)
Analysis of Amount Realized:				
Senior Citizens' and Veterans'				
Deductions Per Tax Billings Senior Citizens' and Veterans'		\$ 150,75	60	
Deductions Allowed by Tax				
Collector - 2009		2,50	0	
Lance			\$	153,250
Less: Senior Citizens' and Veterans'				
Deductions Disallowed by Tax Collector - 2009				3,000
	A-9		\$	150,250
	-		Ť :	= -,

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	Ref.	 Balance 12/31/2008	Accrued In 2009	Collected	Balance 12/31/2009	_
scellaneous Revenues Anticipated						
Alcoholic Beverage Licenses	A-2	\$ -	5,000	5,000	-	
Other Licenses	A-2	-	77,695	77,695	-	
Fees and Permits	A-2	-	70,499	70,499	-	
Municipal Court:						
Fines and Costs	A-2	14,248	225,544	225,394	14,398	December
Interest and Costs on Taxes	A-2	-	102,554	102,554	-	
Interest on Investments and Deposits	A-2	-	28,774	28,774	-	
Sewerage Rentals	A-2	-	1,098,742	1,098,742	-	
Energy Receipt Taxes	A-2	-	659,564	659,564	-	
Consolidated Municipal Tax Relief Act	A-2	-	135,390	135,390	-	
Garden State Trust	A-2	-	47	47	-	
Uniform Construction Code Fees	A-2	-	121,380	121,380	-	
County Share - Road Realignment	A-2	-	93,534	93,534	-	
Linwood Share - Road Realignment	A-2	-	25,835	25,835	-	
Linwood Share - Sewerage Department Costs-					-	
Interlocal Service Agreement	A-2	-	113,147	113,147	-	
Uniform Fire Safety Act Fees	A-2	-	5,089	5,089	-	
Utility Assessment Fund	A-2	-	623	623	-	
Library Reimbursement per Moriarity Law	A-2	-	55,000	55,000	-	
Library Rent	A-2		20,500	20,500		_
		\$ 14,248	2,838,917	2,838,767	14,398	
	Ref.	Α			Α	3
			Cash Receipts A-4	2,838,720		
			Prior Receipts	47		
			_	2,838,767		

# FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS RECEIVABLE

<u>Grant</u>	Balance 12/31/2008	Anticipated Revenue	Received	Canceled	Balance 12/31/2009
Clean Communities Program \$		14,014	14,014		-
Safe and Secure State		58,636	58,636		-
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund		3,086	3,086		-
DDEF-DWI Police		5,205	5,205		-
NJ DOT - Mt. Vernon		150,000	103,228		46,772
NJ DOT - Non-Infrastructure		41,000	·		41,000
Body Armor		2,335	2,335		-
US Dept. of Justice Bulletproof Vest	1,625		1,625		-
Atlantic County Open Space	1,000,000	300,000		1,000,000	300,000
Municipal Alliance Grant					
2009 Grant		13,145			13,145
2008 Grant	10,552		10,552		-
NJ Transportation Trust - Safe Streets to Schools	140,000		105,000		35,000
Council on the Arts	275	1,100	1,100		275
DEP Stormwater	2,118				2,118
Community Development Block Grant		27,323			27,323
Cell Phone Crackdown		4,000	4,000		-
Click It or Ticket		4,000	4,000		-
Pedestrian Safety		4,000	2,951	1,049	-
Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety		21,600	14,945	6,655	-
Federal Homeland Security - Fire					-
Over the Limit Under Arrest		9,827	9,436	391	-
\$	1,154,570	659,271	340,113	1,008,095	465,633
Ref.	A	A-2		A-5	A
Transfe	erred from Unappro	Current Fund opriated Reserves	A-4 337,778 A-16 2,335 340,113		

### SCHEDULE OF PAYROLL TAXES PAYABLE

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	Α	\$	31,878
Increased by: Cash Received	A-4	_	1,317,135 1,349,013
Decreased by: Cash Disbursed	A-4	_	1,318,072
Balance December 31, 2009	Α	\$_	30,941

# FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS - UNAPPROPRIATED

Grant		Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Received	Anticipated in 2009 Budget	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
Body Armor Grant		\$ 2,335		2,335	-
		\$ 2,335		2,335	
	Ref.	Α	A-5	A-14	Α

#### FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS - APPROPRIATED

0	Balance	2009 Budget	E mandad	(Canceled Prior Encumb.)	Balance
<u>Grant</u>	12/31/2008	Appropriation	Expended	Canceled	12/31/2009
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund					
Police Salaries and Wages \$	4,589	5,205		(1,490)	11,284
Clean Communities Program	931	14,014	10,931	(10,000)	14,014
Municipal Alliance Grant		•	,	, ,	,
County Share	-	13,145	14,689	(1,546)	2
Local Share	-	3,286	3,381	(95)	-
Safe and Secure Communities Program				, ,	
State Share		58,636	58,636		-
Local Share		137,050	137,050		-
NJ Transportation Trust					
State Share	130,300		139,611	(9,311)	-
Local Share			5,261	(5,261)	-
Federal Homeland Security - Fire					
Federal Share			69,916	(69,916)	-
Local Share			3,680	(3,680)	-
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund	4,924	3,086	2,700		5,310
US Department of Justice - Bulletproof Vest	1,625		1,625		-
Body Armor	3,555	2,335		(1,016)	6,906
Atlantic County Open Space	1,000,000	300,000		1,000,000	300,000
NJ DOT - Safe Routes		41,000			41,000
NJ DOT - Mt. Vernon Avenue		150,000	149,668		332
Community Development Block Grant		27,323	27,323		-
Click It or Ticket		4,000	4,000		-
Over the Limit Under Arrest		9,827	9,436	391	-
NJ DEP Stormwater Grant	8,468				8,468
Cell Phone Crackdown		4,000	4,000		-
Pedestrian Safety		4,000	2,951	1,049	-
Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety		21,600	14,945	6,655	-
Council on the Arts		1,100	1,100		-
\$ <sub>_</sub>	1,154,392	799,607	660,903	905,780	387,316
Ref.	Α	A-3			А
			<b>.</b>		
		Encumbered A	7		
		Current Fund A-4	616,260		
			\$ 660,903		

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### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES

			Balance		
		Balance	After		Balance
		12/31/2008	Transfers	Paid	Lapsed
Operations Within "CAP":	•				· ·
General Administration					
Other Expenses	\$	17,269	17,269	1,197	16,072
City Clerk					
Other Expenses		25,042	25,042	548	24,494
Financial Administration					
Other Expenses		6,141	6,141	568	5,573
Tax Collector					
Other Expenses		572	572	35	537
Planning Board					
Other Expenses		16,999	16,999	5,563	11,436
Tax Assessment Administration					
Other Expenses		4,226	4,226	325	3,901
Legal Services and Costs					
Other Expenses		36,388	36,388	4,184	32,204
Engineering					
Other Expenses		21,860	21,860	15,734	6,126
Public Buildings and Grounds					
Other Expenses		18,916	18,916	13,366	5,550
Solid Waste Tipping Fees		77,798	77,798	40,498	37,300
Fire Department					
Other Expenses		1,026	1,026	220	806
Sewer					
Other Expenses		3,942	3,942	2,233	1,709
Police Services					
Salaries and Wages		213,221	128,221	59,774	68,447
Other Expenses		7,706	7,706	4,523	3,183
Municipal Court					
Other Expenses		2,979	2,979	933	2,046
Streets and Roads					
Other Expenses		6,923	2,923	1,545	1,378
Maintenance of Auto Equipment					
Other Expenses		6,274	6,274	2,648	3,626
Animal Control Services					
Other Expenses		700	700	700	-
Parks and Playgrounds		0.070	2.272	0.500	470
All Sports		2,676	2,676	2,500	176

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES

	Balance	After		Balance
	Dec. 31, 2008	Transfers	Paid	Lapsed
Uniform Construction Code				
Construction Code Official				
Other Expenses	604	604	102	502
Zoning / Housing Officer	001	001	102	002
Other Expenses	348	348	176	172
Utilities	040	0-10	170	172
Internet	2,700	2,700	300	2,400
Gasoline	19,955	19,955	3,674	16,281
Electricity	14,141	14,141	5,204	8,937
Telephone and Telegraph	7,765	7,765	610	7,155
Water Service	923	923	286	637
Street Lighting	19,430	19,430	10,089	9,341
Capital Improvements Excluded from "CA		10, 100	.0,000	0,0
Sewer Repairs	13,046	13,046	922	12,124
Insurance	,	.0,0.10	<b></b>	,
Other	57,443	57,443	12,899	44,544
LOSAP	22,000	22,000	11,250	10,750
DCRP	1,144	1,144	297	847
Social Security	27,312	27,312	820	26,492
Linwood - Interlocal Agreement	78,824	78,824	38	78,786
Interlocal Road Realignment	153,066	153,066	5,036	148,030
Reserve for Snow Removal	100	4,100	4,100	-
Reserve for Accumulated Leave	500	85,500	85,500	-
Recycling Tax Levy	3,792	3,792	815	2,977
	-,	-,		_,-,-
Other Accounts - No Changes	546,396	546,396		546,396
\$	1,440,147	1,440,147	299,212	1,140,935
Ref.			A-4	A-1
Appropriation Reserves \$	·			
Encumbrances Payable	505,241			
\$	1,440,147			

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF PREPAID TAXES

	Ref.	_					
Balance December 31, 2008	Α			\$	158,609		
Increased by: Collection (2010 Taxes)	A-4		202,206				
					202,206		
					360,815		
Decreased by: Application to 2009 Taxes	A-9				158,609		
Balance December 31, 2009 (2010 Taxes)	Α			\$	202,206		
Exhibit A-20 SCHEDULE OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS							
	Ref.	_					
Balance December 31, 2008	Α			\$	26,918		
Increased by: Adjustment							
Overpayments in 2009	A-4				44,958		
Degraced by					71,876		
Decreased by: Application to Taxes Adjustment	A-9	\$	10,119 26				
Refunds	A-4		27,664				
	A-4						
	A-4		27,001	•	37,809		

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TAXES

	Ref.			
Balance December 31, 2008			\$	-
Increased by: County General County Local Health County Open Space		\$ 3,080,441 212,901 62,226		
	A-1:A-9		_	3,355,568
Decreased by:	A 4			3,355,568
Payments to County	A-4		-	3,355,568
Balance December 31, 2009			\$	<u>-</u>

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE TO COUNTY FOR ADDED TAXES

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008		\$ 18,113
Increased by: County Share of 2009 Levy	A-1:A-9	 10,637
Decreased by: Payments to County	A-4	 28,750 18,113
Balance December 31, 2009		\$ 10,637

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF LOCAL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	Α	\$	-
Increased by: Levy - Calendar Year 2009	A-1:A-9		9,054,187 9,054,187
Decreased by: Payments	A-4		9,054,187
Balance December 31, 2009	Α	\$	
SCHEDULE OF REG	HOOL TAX	Exhibit A-24	
Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. A	\$	
Increased by: Levy - Calendar Year 2009	A-1:A-9		4,679,693
Decreased by: Payments	A-4		4,679,693
Balance December 31, 2009	Α	\$	

### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF DUE TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY - MARRIAGE LICENSE FEES

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	Α	\$ 175
Increased by: Cash Received for State Share of Licenses	A-4	 1,050 1,225
Decreased by:  Cash Disbursed to State of New Jersey	A-4	 1,025
Balance December 31, 2009	Α	\$ 200

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	Ref.	_	Assessment	Animal Control	Other
Balance December 31, 2008		\$	623	11,042	1,671,108
Increased by Receipts: Collector Animal Control Fees State Fees Miscellaneous Dog Fees	B-3 B-6 B-8 B-7		-	4,311 871 906	
Cultural Committee  Municipal Alliance  Accumulated Sick and Vacation	В-7 В-5			900	2,633 85,500
Parking Offense Adjudication Act Recycling	<b>D-</b> 3				158 6,556
Joint Insurance Funds Public Defender Snow Removal	B-16 B-12				4,430 4,820 4,100
Law Enforcement Forfeiture Small Cities Program	B-12 B-9 B-10				1,410 14,930
Escrow Review Fees Fees and Permits -	B-11				554,792
Birch Grove Park Recreation Impact Fees Due to the State of NJ - Sales Tax	B-13 B-13 B-13				53,500 - 571
Outside Employment of Police	B-14			6,088	13,063 746,463
			623	17,130	2,417,571
Decreased by Disbursements: Transfer to Current Fund	B-3,7,14	Ļ	623		
Dog Fund Expenditures State Fees Due to Current Fund Cultural Committee	B-6 B-8			2,338 871 2,092	2,948
Accumulated Sick and Vacation Parking Offense Adjudication Act	B-5				28,304
Joint Insurance Funds Public Defender Law Enforcement Forfeiture	B-16 B-9				2,328 3,400 22,543
Contractors' Expenditures Birch Grove Park Expenditures	B-11 B-13				746,199 48,018
Recreation Impact Fees Due to the State of NJ - Sales Tax Outside Employment of Police	B-13 B-13 B-14				17,500 571 13,008
• •			623	5,301	884,819
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$		11,829	1,532,752

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - COLLECTOR

	Ref.			
Balance December 31, 2008			\$	1,000
Increased By Receipts: Redemption of Liens Premiums on Sales	B-18 B-19	47,789 96,410		
Tromismo di Calod	D 10		-	144,199
				145,199
Decreased by Disbursements:				
Redemption of Liens	B-18	42,150		
Premiums on Sales	B-19	21,560		
			-	63,710
Balance December 31, 2009			\$	81,489

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ACCUMULATED ABSENCES

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$ 721,953
Increased by: Budget transfer	A-3	85,500 807,453
Decreased by: Payouts	B-1	28,304_
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$779,149_

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL EXPENDITURES

Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. B		\$	8,950
Increased by: Animal Control Fees Collected - 2009	B-1			4,311_
Decreased by:			_	13,261
Dog License Expenses	B-1	2,338		
Excess reserve due to Current	B-5	3,184		5,522
Balance December 31, 2009	В		\$	7.739
Dalatice December 31, 2003	ט		Ψ_	1,133

License Fees Collected:

Year	Amount
2007	\$ 4,426
2008	3,313
	\$ 7,739

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE (TO)FROM CURRENT FUND ANIMAL CONTROL FUND

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	A:B		\$ (2,092)
Increased by: Excess reserve paid to Current	B-1		2,092
Decreased by: Late fees Cat Licenses Excess reserve due to Current	B-1 B-1 B-4	295 611 3,184	4,090
Balance December 31, 2009	A:B		\$ (4,090)

Exhibit B-6

# SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE TO(FROM) STATE OF NEW JERSEY - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$	-
Increased by: 2009 State License Fees	B-1	-	871
Decreased by: Disbursements to the State	B-1		871 871
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$	

Exhibit B-8

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT FORFEITURE

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$ 45,352
Increased by: Cash Receipts	B-1	 1,410
		46,762
Decreased by:		
Expenditures	B-1	 22,543
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$ 24,219

#### SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR SMALL CITIES PROGRAM

	<u>Ref.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$	151,566
Increased by Receipts: Loan Repayments	B-15	_	14,930
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$	166,496

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ESCROW REVIEW FEES

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$ 559,366
Increased by: Escrow Deposits Received	B-1	554,792
Decreased by: Disbursements	B-1	1,114,158 <u>746,199</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$367,959_

Exhibit B-10

#### SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR SNOW REMOVAL FEES

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$ 23,300
Increased by: Budget Appropriation	B-1	 4,100
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$ 27,400

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR RECREATION EXPENDITURES

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	В		\$ 113,485
Increased by: Fees and Permits - Birch Grove Park	B-1	\$ 53,500	
Reserve for Recreation Impact Fees	B-1	 	53,500
			166,985
Decreased by:  Reserve for Recreation Impact Fees Birch Grove Park Expenditures	B-1 B-1	 17,500 48,018	
			65,518
Balance December 31, 2009	В		\$ 101,467
			Exhibit B-12

#### SCHEDULE OF OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT OF POLICE

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$	4,692
Increased by: Fees	B-1	_	13,063 17,755
Decreased by: Payments to Current Fund	B-1		13,008
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$	4,747

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$	1,461
Increased by: Cash Receipts			
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$	1,461
			Exhibit B-14
SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR P	UBLIC D	EFENDER TRUST	
	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$	1,525
Increased by: Cash Receipts	B-1		<u>4,820</u> 6,345
Decreased by:	D 4		
Cash Disbursements Balance December 31, 2009	B-1 B	\$	<u>3,400</u> 2,945

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR SMALL CITIES REVOLVING LOAN

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	В	\$ 78,105
Decreased by: Loans repaid	B-8	 14,930
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$ 63,175

#### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX LIENS

Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. B	\$	-
Increased by: Redemption of Third Party Liens	B-2		47,789
Decreased by Disbursements:			47,789
Cash Disbursed to Lienholders	B-2	<u> </u>	42,150
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$	5,639

Exhibit B-17

#### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR TAX SALE PREMIUMS

Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. B	\$ 1,000
Increased by: Tax Sale Preiums Received	B-2	 96,410
Decreased by Disbursements:		97,410
Cash Disbursed	B-2	 21,560
Balance December 31, 2009	В	\$ 75,850

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	Ref.				
Balance December 31, 2008	С			\$	548,171
Increased by Receipts:					
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	\$	25,000		
					25,000
					573,171
Decreased by Disbursements:					
Improvement Authorizations	C-3		571,700		
		-			
					571,700
Balance December 31, 2009	С			\$_	1,471

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND ANALYSIS OF CASH

				Receipts			sements			
			Balance			Improvement		Transfers		Balance
			12/31/2008	Bonds	Miscellaneous	Authorizations	Miscellaneous	From	To	12/31/2009
Fund Balance		\$	65,304							65,304
Capital Improvemen	nt Fund		52,878		25,000			25,000		52,878
Encumbrances Pay	able		591,680					591,680	175,263	175,263
Improvement Author	rizations:									
Ordinance No.										
5-03	Improvements to Building		949			949				-
4-04 amend 9-01	Various Building Improvements		25,000			3,551		9,000		12,449
5-04	Improvements to City Buildings		114,000							114,000
5-04	Various Alarm and Camera Systems		, <u>-</u>							, <u>-</u>
5-05	Various Drainage Improvements		-			27,500		77,037	104,537	-
5-05	Various Equipment		-							-
5-05	Various Road Improvements		-							-
5-05	Sewer Improvements		-							_
4-06	Stormwater Drainage improvements		-			85,493		8,016	93,509	-
4-06	Sewer system improvements/repairs		-			7,020			13,838	6,818
4-06	Acquisition of vehicles and equip		40,782					5,999		34,783
12-06	Various Stormwater improvements		-			150,000		-,	150,000	- ,
12-06	Various sewer repairs		35,919			,			14,081	50,000
12-06	Improvements to Recreation Fields		-						,	-
12-06	Various Road repairs		79,068			148,702		22,478	92,426	314
4-08	Various Stormwater improvements		(357,033)			110,058		16,807	101,232	(382,666)
4-08	Various Sewer Repairs		7,500			-,		-,	- , -	7,500
4-08	Improvements to Recreation Fields		(116,586)			11,831		15,001	22,057	(121,361)
4-08	Various Road Improvements		5,000			26,596		20,925	,	(42,521)
4-08	Various Equipment and Vehicles		3,710			,		,		3,710
14-09	Purchase of Dump Truck and Plow		,						4,250	4,250
14-09	Various Road Improvements								15,250	15,250
14-09	Lights and Fencing at Rec Field								5,500	5,500
		_			-					
		\$	548,171		25,000	571,700		791,943	791,943	1,471
			C:C-2		C-2	C-2; C-7	C-2			C:C-2

Exhibit C-4

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - FUNDED

	Ref.	
Balance December 31, 2008	С	\$ 7,244,000
Decreased by: Bond Payments	C-8	 675,000
Balance December 31, 2009	С	\$ 6,569,000

NOT USED Exhibit C-5

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED

Analysis of Balance December 31, 2008

									,
Ordinance Number	Improvement Description		Balance Dec. 31, 2008	2009 Authorizations	Bonds Issued	Balance Dec. 31, 2009	Financed by Notes	Expended	Unexpended Improvement Authorization
4-08	Various Stormwater improvements	\$	455,810			455,810		382,666	73,144
4-08	Various Sewer Repairs		142,500			142,500			142,500
4-08	Improvements to Recreation Fields		186,200			186,200		121,361	64,839
4-08	Various Road Improvements		95,000			95,000		42,521	52,479
4-08	Various Equipment and Vehicles		70,490			70,490			70,490
14-09	Purchase of Dump Truck and Plow			80,750		80,750			80,750
14-09	Various Road Improvements			289,750		289,750			289,750
14-09	Lights and Fencing at Rec Field			104,500		104,500			104,500
		\$_	950,000	475,000	-	1,425,000	_	546,548	878,452
			С	C-8		С		C-3	C-8

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. C	\$ 52,878
Increased by: 2008 Budget Appropriation	C-2	 25,000 77,878
Decreased by: Improvement Authorizations	C-7	 25,000
Balance December 31, 2009	С	\$ 52,878

# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND STATEMENT OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

				Bala	ınce	2009 Author Downpayment or Capital	orizations Deferred Charges				Balaı	nce
				December	31, 2008	Improvement	to Future	P.O.'s	Paid or		December	31, 2009
Ord. #	Improvement Description	Date	Amount	Funded	Unfunded	Fund	Taxation	Cancelled	Charged	Cancelled	Funded	Unfunded
General li	mprovements											
5-03	Improvements to Building	4/21/2003	10,000 \$	949					949		-	
Amended												
	Various Building Improvements	4/6/2004	25,000	25,000					12,551		12,449	
5-04	Improvements to City Buildings	4/20/2004	114,000	114,000					,		114,000	
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		,	,							,	
04-06	Sewer System Improvements/Repairs	4/4/2006	110,000	-				6,818			6,818	
04-06	Acquisition of vehicles and equip	4/4/2006	172,000	40,782					5,999		34,783	
40.00	V : 0 D :	0/40/0000	50.000	05.040				44.004			50.000	
12-06	Various Sewer Repairs	9/19/2006	50,000	35,919				14,081	70.754		50,000	
12-06	Various Road Repairs	9/19/2006	641,000	79,068					78,754		314	
4-08	Various Stormwater improvements	6/17/2008	479,800		98,777				25,633			73,144
4-08	Various Sewer Repairs	6/17/2008	150,000	7,500	142,500				20,000		7,500	142,500
4-08	Improvements to Recreation Fields	6/17/2008	196,000	.,000	69,614				4,775		.,000	64,839
4-08	Various Road Improvements	6/17/2008	100,000	5,000	95,000				47,521		-	52,479
4-08	Various Equipment and Vehicles	6/17/2008	74,200	3,710	70,490						3,710	70,490
14-09	Purchase of Dump Truck and Plow	9/8/2009	85,000			4,250	80.750				4,250	80,750
14-09	Various Road Improvements	9/8/2009	305,000			15,250	289,750				15,250	289,750
14-09	Lights and Fencing at Rec Field	9/8/2009	110,000			5,500	104,500				5,500	104,500
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			\$	311,928		25,000	475,000	20,899	176,182	-	254,574	878,452
				С	С	C-5	C-3		175,263	Encum	С	
									919	Cash		
									176,182			

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF GENERAL SERIAL BONDS

#### Maturities of Bonds Outstanding

			Outsta	anding						
	Date of	Original	Decembe	r 31, 2009	Interest		Balance			Balance
Improvement Description	Issue	Issue	Date	Amount	Rate		Dec. 31, 2008	Issued	Decreased	Dec. 31, 2009
General Improvements	9/1/2002	4,655,000	9/1/2010 9/1/2011 9/1/2012 9/1/2013 9/1/2014 9/1/2015	380,000 400,000 420,000 430,000 430,000 435,000	3.50% 3.60% 4.00% 4.00% 4.00% 4.00%	\$	2,845,000		350,000	2,495,000
						_	2,845,000		350,000	2,495,000
General Improvements	11/15/2006	4,999,000	12/1/2010 12/1/2011 12/1/2012 12/1/2013 12/1/2014 12/1/2015 12/1/2016 12/1/2017 12/1/2018	350,000 375,000 400,000 425,000 450,000 475,000 500,000 600,000 499,000	3.75% 3.75% 3.75% 3.75% 3.75% 3.75% 3.75% 4.00%		4,399,000		325,000	4,074,000
						_	4,399,000		325,000	4,074,000
						\$_	7,244,000		675,000	6,569,000

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# GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CONTRACTS PAYABLE

Balance December 31, 2008	Ref. C			\$ 591,680
Increased by: Additional Contracts				175,263
Decreased by: Cash Disbursed Canceled	C-2	\$_	570,781 20,899	F04 C00
				 591,680
Balance December 31, 2009	С			\$ 175,263

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT NOT ISSUED

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	<b>-</b>	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	2009 Authorizations	Bonds Issued	Cancelled	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
<u>General</u>	<u>Improvements</u>						
4-08	Various Stormwater improvements	\$	455,810				455,810
4-08	Various Sewer Repairs		142,500				142,500
4-08	Improvements to Recreation Fields		186,200				186,200
4-08	Various Road Improvements		95,000				95,000
4-08	Various Equipment and Vehicles		70,490				70,490
14-09	Purchase of Dump Truck and Plow			80,750			80,750
14-09	Various Road Improvements			289,750			289,750
14-09	Lights and Fencing at Rec Field			104,500			104,500
		\$	950,000	475,000		-	1,425,000
		;		C-7	C-3		



#### **CITY OF NORTHFIELD**

#### PART II

# LETTER OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009



#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

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

N.J.S. 40A:11-4 states, "Every contract or agreement for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the cost or 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 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 the aggregate \$21,000."

The governing body of the City of Northfield has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed \$21,000 within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the district counsel's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

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

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

Computer Services
Drainage improvements
Revaluation
Sidewalk and Curbs
Reconstruction of Intersections
ADA Parking
Telephone Service

Our examination of expenditures did not reveal any payments in excess of \$21,000 "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies" other than those where bids had been previously sought by public advertisement or where a resolution had been previously adopted under the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:11-6.

#### **Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Assessments**

The statute provides the method for authorizing interest and the maximum rates to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The governing body, on January 6, 2009, adopted the following resolutions authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes:

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that as authorized by N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 as amended by Chapter 435 P.L., 1978, the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date that they would become delinquent is hereby fixed at eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of taxes becoming delinquent and eighteen percent (18%) per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00, provided, however, that no interest shall be charged if payment is made within ten (10) days of the date upon which the tax or assessment becomes payable.

"IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing contained within this Resolution shall be construed to extend the time when taxes are due and payable nor the obligations to pay interest which shall commence on the due date if taxes are not paid within the ten (10) day grace period.

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that as authorized by N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 as amended by Chapter 75 P.L., 1991, the governing body of the City of Northfield hereby establishes a penalty in the amount of six percent (6%) to be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year.

Our examination of interest collected on delinquent taxes did not reveal any charges that were not in agreement with the above resolution.

#### **Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens**

The tax sale was held on June 3, 2008 and was complete. Inspection of tax sale certificates on file revealed that all tax sale certificates were available for audit.

The following comparison is made of the number of tax title liens receivable on December 31st of the last three years:

Year	<u>Number</u>
2009	14
2008	12
2007	5

It is essential to good management that all means provided by statute be utilized to liquidate tax title liens in order to get such properties back on a taxpaying basis.

#### **Verification of Delinquent Taxes and Other Charges**

A test verification of delinquent charges and current payments was made in accordance with the regulations of the Division of Local Government Services, including the mailing of verification notices as follows:

<u>Type</u>	Number Mailed
Payments of 2009 and 2010 Taxes	5
Payments of 2009 and 2010 Sewer	5
Delinquent Taxes	4
Municipal Court	10

As of the date of this audit report, all verifications have not been returned. However, no problems were noted with those that have been returned.

#### **Comparison of Tax Levies and Collections Currently**

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future tax levies.

Year		Tax Levy	Cash Collections	Percentage of Collections
- T Cai		Tax Levy	Concetions	Concetions
2009	\$	24,482,861	23,863,345	97.47%
2008		23,613,363	23,096,148	97.81%
2007		22,602,531	22,274,152	98.55%
2006		21,367,295	21,072,039	98.62%
2005		19,713,408	19,470,814	98.77%
2008 2007 2006	ð	23,613,363 22,602,531 21,367,295	23,096,148 22,274,152 21,072,039	97.81% 98.55% 98.62%

#### **Comparative Schedule of Tax Rate Information**

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Tax Rate	4.428	4.239	4.088	3.885	3.644
Apportionment of Tax Rate:					
Municipal	1.327	1.268	1.178	1.08	1.011
County	0.609	0.570	0.591	0.603	0.562
Local School	1.643	1.569	1.516	1.461	1.386
Regional High School	0.849	0.832	0.803	0.741	0.685
Assessed Valuation	551,162,023	553,688,917	550,805,426	544,724,525	531,748,155

#### **Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens**

This tabulation includes a comparison, expressed in percentage, of the total delinquent taxes and tax title liens, in relation to the tax levies of the last five years.

	Amount of	Amount of		Percentage
	Tax Title	Delinquent	Total	of Tax
<u>Year</u>	<u>Liens</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Delinquent</u>	<u>Levy</u>
2009	13,111	354,699	367,810	1.50%
2008	11,207	382,400	393,607	1.67%
2007	9,249	328,586	337,835	1.49%
2006	6,485	280,253	286,738	1.34%
2005	7,280	240,368	286,738	1.45%

#### **CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS**

#### 09-1. Criteria

The City is required to have an actuarial report prepared for post-retirement health benefit costs related to dental and vision coverage.

#### **Condition**

The City did not contract with an actuary to determine the City's liability for post-retirement health benefits.

#### Cause

The City believes it was cost prohibitive to obtain the required report.

#### **Effect**

The liability for the post-retirement health benefits was unavailable for disclosure in the financial statements.

#### Recommendation

The City should contract with a licensed actuary to determine the post-retirement health benefit costs related to dental and vision coverage.

#### Management

The City will evaluate their alternatives to determine the most cost effective way to determine the City's liability for post-retirement health benefit costs.

#### STATUS OF PRIOR RECOMMENDATIONS

None

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 any questions arise as to my comments or recommendations, or should you desire assistance in implementing my recommendations, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

#### Kenneth W. Moore

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