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**Subject:** Mayor's Update  
**Date:** Monday, January 12, 2026 at 5:57:31 AM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
**CC:** City Clerk  
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Councilmembers,

I wanted to provide a brief update on administrative and operational items from the past week.

- Municipal Court held its first court date of the year, with a second scheduled later this month. Court staff successfully processed cases and required paperwork.
- Preliminary negotiations are underway regarding the water tower property and several other parcels. No agreements have been finalized at this time; updates will be provided as discussions progress.
- Staff is nearing completion of outstanding RSA reporting, which had last been updated in October. Retirement reporting is a significant compliance responsibility, and progress is being made to bring records current. Next is catching up on the Accounting.
- Alabama Power has advised that work on Sanie Road is now expected to begin in February. The project includes installation of approximately sixty 100-foot concrete poles between Sanie Road and Highway 411. Work will occur in phases, with several poles installed at a time. Each pole requires drilling to an approximate depth of 16 feet.
- I will attend the St. Clair County Commission meeting this Thursday, where permitting related to the Alabama Power project is expected to be discussed.
- The County Commission has committed funds toward its portion of the Brookhaven Grant match. We are obtaining updated estimates to determine the scope of roadway repairs achievable with the approximately \$130,000 available. I will follow up with the County Commission during Thursday's meeting.
- The Greater Odenville Chamber of Commerce meeting is scheduled for today at 11:30 a.m. at Christ Church at Branch Cove. The Chamber has requested that the City consider sponsorship participation similar to Odenville. Additional details will be shared prior to the next council meeting.

- The Economic Development Council (EDC) monthly meeting is scheduled for this morning at 8:00 a.m. A virtual option is available for those unable to attend in person.
- I met with Candice Hill regarding county grant opportunities. The City's needs assessment has been updated, and we are close to completing required federal compliance steps necessary to pursue additional grant funding.
- Current capital priority discussions continue to center on the Fire Station and fire apparatus, with the Community Center identified as a secondary priority for future planning.
- The Fire Department has submitted an application for a \$20,000 Firehouse Subs Foundation grant to support fire truck equipment.
- The Police Department is participating in a Homeland Security program that provides \$7,500 per officer upon completion of a training course. Six officers have completed the program to date.
- Odenville will host the Mayors' Association Breakfast on January 20 at 7:30 a.m. at the St. Clair County Event Center on Blair Farm Road.
- Next Monday is MLK Jr. Day and City Hall will be closed.

As always, please share any issues that arise or items you would like placed on a future council agenda or work session.

Regards,



Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**Subject:** Job Applications  
**Date:** Friday, January 9, 2026 at 6:07:47 AM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
**CC:** City Clerk  
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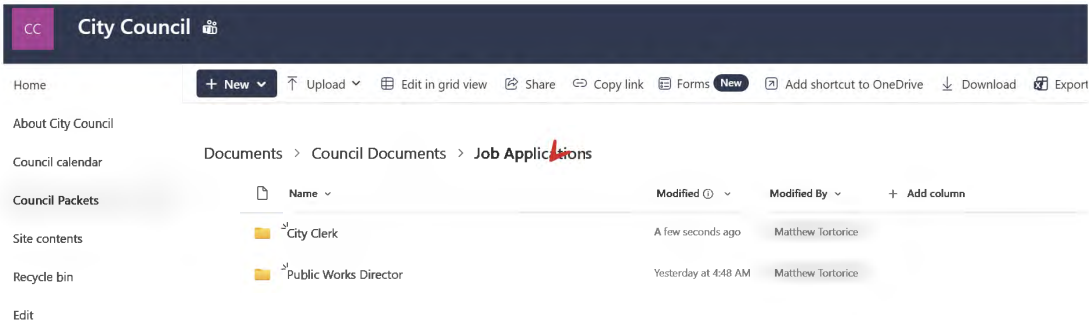
As mentioned at the last meeting, we will be saving city information in a central location accessible by all council members. So please complete the questionnaire about your iPad.

[IPad Questionnaire](#)

We are using this location to store all the resumes as they come in.

We are going to have to deal with the Indeed effect of getting random people who spam every application, but we are also getting applications at the front desk as well. They will all be saved here, so after January 31<sup>st</sup> we will need to review each of these and schedule interviews.

 [Job Applications](#)



The screenshot shows the OneDrive interface for a folder named "City Council". The breadcrumb path is "Documents > Council Documents > Job Applications". The interface includes a top navigation bar with "Home", "About City Council", "Council calendar", "Council Packets", "Site contents", and "Recycle bin". Below the navigation bar, there are action buttons: "+ New", "Upload", "Edit in grid view", "Share", "Copy link", "Forms", "Add shortcut to OneDrive", "Download", and "Export". The main content area displays a table of documents:

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**Subject:** Re: Year to Date Financial Reports  
**Date:** Saturday, February 14, 2026 at 11:11:59 AM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council, Anthony Irwin, Paul Irwin  
**Attachments:** Outlook-0lbpuck2.png, MT\_Signature.png

Thank you for the follow-up.

As I stated in my previous email - the same email in which I reminded you that you tabled the ordinances that would have formalized and standardized the exact budget-to-actual reporting format you are now requesting - the reports currently provided reflect the existing account structure.

I repeat, to be clear: the legal framework for a fully aligned, line-item-to-budget reporting change was placed before Council and was tabled to July by your motion. If Council wishes to revisit that decision, it should be properly placed on the agenda and voted on. We cannot vote to delay a structural change and then demand that it operate as though it were already in effect.

In the meantime, the underlying financial data necessary to build such a report has already been provided. If you choose to manually map line items to budget categories in advance of the ordinances taking effect, you have the information required to do so.

If you are requesting copies of specific invoices, purchase descriptions, or check amounts, please identify the exact transaction(s) in question and those documents will be produced through the normal course of business.

I would remind Council that the integrity of this body depends on consistency between our votes and our expectations. Leadership requires that we stand by our word, respect the decisions we make, and act in a manner that strengthens - not undermines - the institution we serve. The public is always watching, and they deserve governance that is deliberate, disciplined, and aligned with the rule of law.

Regards,

Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**From:** District 5 <[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)>  
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**To:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>; City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>; Anthony Irwin <[anthony@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:anthony@irwinlawyers.com)>; Paul Irwin <[paul@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:paul@irwinlawyers.com)>  
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**Subject:** Mayor's Update  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 8:00:46 AM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
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Councilmembers,

The recent Council meeting was adjourned before I was able to deliver the Mayor's Report. I want to ensure the following updates are formally communicated and placed on record.

### **Fire Department Leadership Updates**

The Fire Chief presented proposed promotions to Council, including detailed experience and qualifications for each candidate. These recommendations reflect a balanced approach of promoting from within and recruiting qualified external leadership where appropriate. The candidates were presented to Council for ratification and were met with no dissent at the time of presentation. Although the meeting adjourned before I could again request Council input, I am pleased to propose the promotion of the Fire Captain and two Shift Lieutenants based on that process.

As I have stated consistently, department heads are expected to manage and lead their departments. This administration supports professional, merit-based advancement, and that process begins with departmental leadership.

### **Department Liaison Appointments**

To improve communication and ensure efficient routing of questions and concerns, I have appointed Council liaisons to city departments. These appointments are administrative and intended to streamline operations and transparency.

Thank you to the following Councilmembers for accepting these roles:

- Kerry McIntyre – Police Department Liaison
- James Chapman – Public Works Liaison
- Sam Davis – Fire Department Liaison
- Martrece Bell – Administrative Staff Liaison

Council liaisons shall:

- Serve as a **point of contact** between the Council and the assigned department
- Attend departmental briefings, meetings, or site visits when invited or approved

- Assist in relaying departmental information, concerns, and updates to the full Council

Council liaisons **shall not**:

- Direct, supervise, discipline, or manage City employees
- Issue instructions to department staff
- Act independently of the City Council as a body

### **Parks & Recreation**

David Vinson has been brought on to Parks and Recreation and has already begun work, including pursuing grant opportunities that may benefit multiple departments. His first-year priorities include:

- Evaluating all parks and facilities and addressing safety issues immediately
- Prioritizing repairs and improvements and identifying funding sources
- Pursuing ADECA and legislative grants
- Establishing accurate project costs with contractors
- Forming a 7-member Parks & Recreation Advisory Board with adopted bylaws
- Coordinating with state legislators, St. Clair EDC, and regional partners
- Supporting the city's master plan with focus on parks and community facilities

### **Boards and Committees**

Applications are being prepared for residents interested in serving on the Parks & Recreation Board, Historical Society, and Finance Committee. Additional information will be provided as it is prepared.

### **Process and Expectations**

This administration will operate on facts, documentation, and procedure. Accusations without evidence will not be debated from the floor. Our responsibility is to govern- legislate, manage financials, support our departments, and serve the public professionally and transparently. Concerns will be addressed through proper channels, supported by evidence, and in accordance with the law.

My commitment remains straightforward: do the work, follow the process, and keep the public informed.

Regards,

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**Subject:** Re: Mayor Update  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 6:14:37 PM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
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Councilmembers,

Following the financial overview previously provided, continued reconciliation of revenue activity identified an additional refinement in classification.

During further review, Deposits were filtered out and because inter-account transfers were reflected within deposit activity. These transfers have now been properly reclassified to ensure that revenue totals reflect only true external receipts.

This refinement strengthens alignment between reported income and actual bank activity.

### **Updated Fiscal Year-to-Date Income**

**Total Income (All Funds – Net of Bank Fees): \$2,033,077.53**

#### **2025 Activity**

- Credits: \$851,337.96
- Deposits: \$447,830.95
- Bank Fees: (\$2,176.38)
- Net Total: \$1,296,992.53

#### **2026 Activity**

- Credits: \$300,789.39
- Deposits: \$436,071.72
- Bank Fees: (\$776.11)
- Net Total: \$736,085.00

#### **Combined Totals**

- Total Credits: \$1,152,127.35
- Total Deposits: \$883,902.67
- Total Bank Fees: (\$2,952.49)

- **Grand Total Net Revenue: \$2,033,077.53**

For transparency:

- **Credits** represent electronic ACH receipts.
- **Deposits** represent manual check deposits which have Fees associated.
- **Bank fees** are associated with processing of manual deposits.

This update ensures revenue reporting aligns precisely with external cash inflow and actual bank movement.

## **Financial Context**

Fiscal year-to-date expenses remain:

**\$2,129,892.06**

The reconciliation process continues to separate:

- Prior-year obligations (HoldOver)
- Capital activity
- Operational spending

## **Moving Forward**

This update reflects continued review and validation of financial data to ensure:

- Accurate representation of revenue
- Clear distinction between operating receipts and internal transfers
- Alignment between accounting reports and bank balances
- Improved transparency in reporting structure

Additional refinements will be incorporated as reconciliation continues.

Regards,

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**From:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>  
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**Subject:** Mayor Update

Councilmembers,

Before giving updates of the agenda items, I want to provide a clear, high-level overview of the City's financial position for the current fiscal year.

1. Fiscal Year-to-Date Income

Total Income (General Fund + Public Works): \$1,152,127.35

- General Fund (GF): \$594,230.53
- Public Works (PW): \$557,896.82

These figures reflect revenue received during the current fiscal year.

2. Fiscal Year-to-Date Expenses

Total Expenses: \$2,129,892.06

Breakdown:

General Fund (GF): \$1,391,346.22

- Council-approved expenditures not originally budgeted: \$310,723.43
- HoldOver (prior administration obligations paid this fiscal year): \$457,677.41
- Operational expenses (including items still being categorized as part of ongoing cleanup): \$622,945.38

Public Works (PW): \$738,545.84

- HoldOver: \$6,842.50
- Operational expenses: \$731,703.34

3. Clarification on "HoldOver"

The "HoldOver" category represents bills and obligations incurred prior to this administration that remained unpaid at transition and have since been paid.

These payments impact current cash flow but do not reflect new fiscal decisions made

during this term. There are still more bills incoming, particularly around the Pavilion.

#### 4. Council-Approved Expenditures

The \$310,723.43 reflected under Council includes items approved by Council that were not part of the originally adopted budget.

This number is a working total and does not yet reflect every approved item, as financial categorization and reporting updates are still in progress. For example, partial payoff of the fire truck debt is included.

Updated breakdowns will be provided as reconciliation continues.

#### 5. Operational Spending Overview

Total expenses exceed fiscal year-to-date income primarily due to:

- Payment of prior-year obligations (HoldOver), and previously committed expenditures.

When separating prior obligations from current-year operations, operational spending is tracking in proportion to revenue flow.

Financial reporting is currently undergoing structural cleanup to improve clarity. Future reports will reflect:

- Clear fund separation
- Budget alignment reporting
- Departmental breakdowns
- Revenue-to-expenditure comparisons by function

This work is ongoing and will continue to improve transparency and reporting accuracy.

#### 6. Broader Financial Context (FY2024 Audit)

From the most recent audit:

- Tax-supported operations: approximately \$2.8 million
- Water and Sewer system: approximately \$2.18 million
- Total combined revenue: approximately \$4.98 million

The City operates under two primary financial structures:

1. Governmental (tax-supported operations)
2. Enterprise (water and sewer operations)

See the attached Audit Pages.

This structure provides important context when evaluating capital purchases, infrastructure projects, and operational adjustments. The 2024 audit confirms that the budget is grounded in actual revenue performance, and revenue growth continues. However, we must continue identifying and pursuing additional revenue opportunities to ensure long-term stability and progress. Advancing responsible revenue-generating initiatives remains essential to moving the City forward.

## 7. Work Session & Agenda Items

### Work Session Items

- Identification of potential speed table locations
- Identification of public road locations for potential street lighting
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- Discussion of potential acquisition of property adjacent to City Hall
- National League of Cities conference pricing for review

These items will be addressed during the meeting in accordance with normal procedure.

## 8. Moving Forward

My continued priorities remain:

- Transparent financial reporting
- Clear separation of prior obligations from current operations
- Alignment of expenditures with revenue
- Strengthening internal financial controls

As reconciliation and reporting updates are completed, additional structured updates will be provided to ensure accurate and actionable financial visibility.

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**To:** City Council  
**BCC:**

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I want to quickly correct a mistake I caught in the “Prior-Year Bills Paid This Year” section.

After rechecking the source transactions and classifications, I identified an error with some duplicate transactions. The corrected figures are below.

**Revised Prior-Year Obligations Paid This Fiscal Year:**

**Total prior obligations paid so far this fiscal year: \$410,710**

**Breakdown:**

- \$203,726 – Brookhaven Grant project costs
- \$171,324 – Dillard Park invoices
- \$35,660 – APAC road paving invoice

The prior version overstated the total due to duplicated data. The underlying transactions have been verified, and the numbers above reflect the corrected summary. There are also additional hold over balances but I kept it high level.

We still expect approximately **\$60,000** in Pavilion-related invoices, and we are awaiting partial reimbursement from the County Commission for the Brookhaven Drive Project in the amount of approximately **\$130,000**.

As before, these are obligations incurred previously but paid during this fiscal year. It remains important that we continue separating historical obligations from current operational spending so the financial picture is accurate and transparent.

I appreciate everyone’s patience as we continue tightening up reporting.

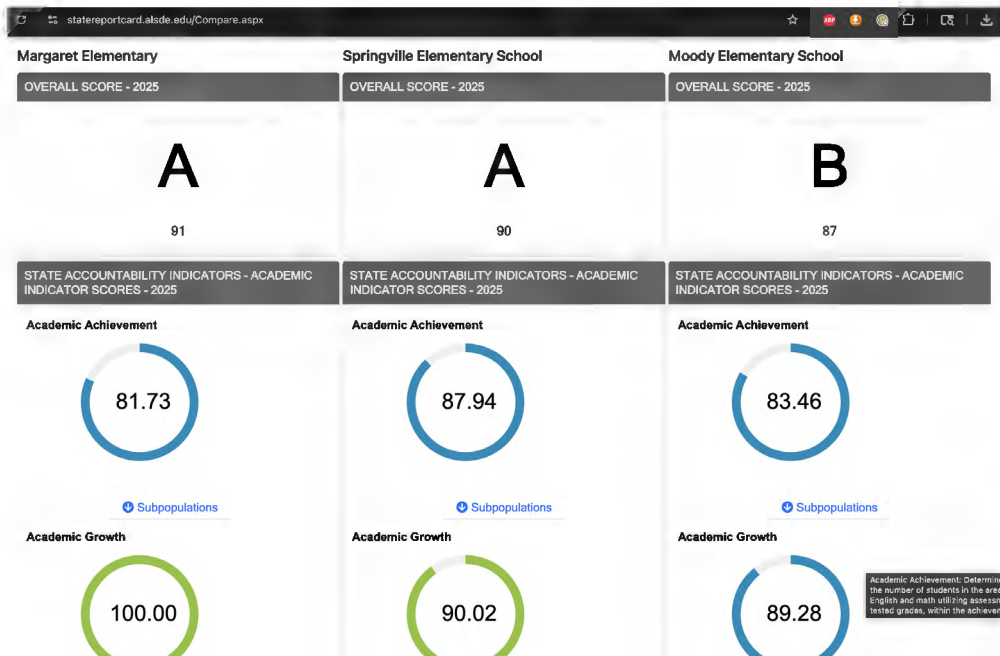
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**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 22, 2026 11:12 PM  
**To:** City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>  
**Subject:** Mayors Update

## First – Good News

Margaret Elementary earned an “A” on the 2025 State School Report Card with 91 points.

That is great for our students and great for our property values. Strong schools strengthen the entire community.



## Fire Station 3 Update

- We have a preliminary agreement in place for a potential Fire Station 3 property.
- Final contract terms are pending.
- I expect to bring purchase numbers to Council soon.

We are also exploring options for additional fire apparatus and funding.

Our financial system updates and Purchase Order controls are now being finalized. This allows us to qualify for more federal grant programs moving forward.

That is a structural improvement for the City.

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# Financial Snapshot (as of 2/20/26)

Total Cash on Hand: \$5,646,486

Row Labels	Balance 11/2025	Balance 2/20/26	Changes
General	\$4,476,899	\$ 3,573,024	\$ 903,875
Public	\$2,132,069	\$ 2,073,462	\$ 58,607
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$6,608,968</b>	<b>\$ 5,646,486</b>	<b>\$ 962,482</b>

The Account level Breakdown is below:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>General</b>	<b>\$4,476,899</b>	<b>\$ 3,573,024</b>	<b>\$ 903,875</b>
Abandon Fund	\$1,099	\$ 1,099	\$ -
American Rescue Plan	\$309,390	\$ 11,000	\$ 298,390
Brookhaven Grant	\$316,386	\$ 53,377	\$ 263,009
Capital Improvements	\$184,461	\$ 184,451	\$ 10
Correction Fund	\$3,954	\$ 5,696	\$ (1,742)
Fair Trial	\$4,628	\$ 4,328	\$ 300
Fire MM	\$10,008	\$ 9,968	\$ 40
Fire Protect Tax	\$366	\$ 252	\$ 114
General Fund	\$1,798,883	\$ 1,401,116	\$ 397,767
Gov Emerg	\$2,606	\$ 2,607	\$ (1)
MCAC	\$1,935	\$ 1,935	\$ -
Mun Court	\$161,369	\$ 163,779	\$ (2,410)
Parks and Rec	\$345	\$ 345	\$ -
PW Sewer Impact Fee	\$501,368	\$ 501,369	\$ (1)
Rainy Day	\$230,478	\$ 230,478	\$ -
Road Impact Fee	\$681,341	\$ 685,841	\$ (4,500)
Sewer Impact Fee	\$44,171	\$ 62,413	\$ (18,242)
Street Fund	\$116,185	\$ 120,461	\$ (4,276)
Street Imp	\$14,901	\$ 18,284	\$ (3,383)
Vol Fire Dept	\$8,754	\$ 2,954	\$ 5,800
Water Impact Fee	\$71,400	\$ 98,400	\$ (27,000)
Youth	\$12,871	\$ 12,871	\$ -
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Public</b>	<b>\$2,132,069</b>	<b>\$ 2,073,462</b>	<b>\$ 58,607</b>
PW Checking	\$1,778,002	\$ 1,714,303	\$ 63,699
PW Customer Deposit	\$300,769	\$ 305,859	\$ (5,090)
PW Savings	\$53,298	\$ 53,300	\$ (2)
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$6,608,968</b>	<b>\$ 5,646,486</b>	<b>\$ 962,482</b>

We are financially stable and generally on track five months into FY2026.

If you notice that balances shifted, two primary items explain the change.

## **1) Holdover Bills Paid This Year**

Total held-over obligations paid so far: **\$497,701**

Breakdown:

- \$290,717 – Brookhaven Grant (prior project costs)
- \$171,324 – Dillard Park invoices
- \$35,660 – APAC road paving invoice

We still expect approximately **\$60,000** in additional Pavilion-related invoices.

We are also awaiting reimbursement of a portion of out-of-pocket costs from the County Commission (around \$130,000).

These were prior obligations paid during this fiscal year. It is important to separate those from current spending.

## **2) Fire Truck Payoff**

We made a major debt reduction move.

- \$298,398.43 paid from ARP funds
- Nearly \$40,000 had already accrued in interest
- Paying early saves approximately \$160,000 in future interest

The remaining balance will be paid in April per the loan terms.

This improves long-term financial flexibility.

## **Fiscal Year 2026 - Five Months In**

### **Revenue Observations**

We are reviewing revenue allocation and structure.

#### **Gas Tax**

Gas Tax funds have been deposited into multiple accounts historically. We are consolidating this for clarity and proper tracking.

#### **Fire Millage**

Approximately \$100,000 per year in Fire Millage revenue has been used toward staffing-related costs rather than equipment or capital needs.

Moving forward, Council may want to evaluate whether that allocation aligns with long-term

## Fire Department priorities.

Row Labels	2025			2025 Total	2026		2026 Total	Grand Total
	Oct	Nov	Dec		Jan	Feb		
▢ Correction Fund - 5573			\$423	\$423		\$3,382	\$3,382	\$3,805
Other Income			\$423	\$423		\$3,382	\$3,382	\$3,805
▢ Fair Trial - 5603			\$588	\$588				\$588
Other Income			\$588	\$588				\$588
▢ General Fund - 6154	\$159,450	\$150,152	\$367,879	\$677,481	\$202,540	\$392,052	\$594,592	\$1,272,073
Gas Taxes	\$105,889	\$43,422	\$117,907	\$267,218	\$97,149	\$57,998	\$155,147	\$422,365
MTOT Taxes	\$36,398	\$63,600	\$25,780	\$125,778	\$11,762	\$5,234	\$16,996	\$142,774
Other Income	\$17,164	\$43,130	\$224,191	\$284,485	\$93,629	\$328,820	\$422,449	\$706,934
Stripe					\$0		\$0	\$0
▢ Mun Court - 5565	\$7,344	\$9,080	\$1,976	\$18,399	\$18,520	\$6,563	\$25,083	\$43,482
MTOT Taxes	\$7,344	\$4,913	\$1,976	\$14,232	\$13,054	\$6,563	\$19,617	\$33,849
Other Income		\$4,167		\$4,167	\$5,467		\$5,467	\$9,633
▢ Payroll - 5549	\$28,462	\$30,164	\$43,440	\$102,066	\$28,479	\$10,144	\$38,623	\$140,689
Other Income	\$28,462	\$30,164	\$43,440	\$102,066	\$28,479	\$9,655	\$38,134	\$140,200
Paychex	\$0			\$0		\$489	\$489	\$489
▢ PW Checking - 9989	\$205,390	\$181,011	\$163,789	\$550,189	\$170,828	\$182,961	\$353,790	\$903,979
MTOT Taxes	\$148,612	\$133,119	\$109,591	\$391,321	\$118,747	\$104,959	\$223,706	\$615,028
Other Income	\$56,778	\$47,892	\$54,198	\$158,868	\$52,082	\$78,002	\$130,083	\$288,951
▢ PW Customer Deposit - 6984	\$9,896	\$7,244	\$3,625	\$20,765	\$7,075	\$3,650	\$10,725	\$31,490
MTOT Taxes	\$8,850	\$5,775	\$3,525	\$18,150	\$5,800	\$3,400	\$9,200	\$27,350
Other Income	\$1,046	\$1,469	\$100	\$2,615	\$1,275	\$250	\$1,525	\$4,140
▢ Road Impact Fee - 9768	\$195	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$3,195		\$1,500	\$1,500	\$4,695
Deluxe Small Bus	\$195			\$195				\$195
Other Income		\$1,500	\$1,500	\$3,000		\$1,500	\$1,500	\$4,500
▢ Sewer Impact Fee - 9776	\$6,564	\$6,238	\$6,564	\$19,366	\$5,671	\$6,008	\$11,679	\$31,044
Gas Taxes	\$6,564	\$6,238	\$6,564	\$19,366	\$5,671	\$6,008	\$11,679	\$31,044
▢ Street Fund - 5557	\$1,571	\$1,370	\$1,556	\$4,497	\$1,379	\$1,356	\$2,734	\$7,232
Gas Taxes	\$1,571	\$1,370	\$1,556	\$4,497	\$1,379	\$1,356	\$2,734	\$7,232
▢ Street Imp - 5530	\$1,249	\$1,074	\$1,238	\$3,562	\$1,095	\$1,064	\$2,159	\$5,721
Gas Taxes	\$1,249	\$1,074	\$1,238	\$3,562	\$1,095	\$1,064	\$2,159	\$5,721
▢ Water Impact Fee - 9784					\$3,000	\$1,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
Other Income					\$3,000	\$1,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$420,120</b>	<b>\$388,844</b>	<b>\$591,566</b>	<b>\$1,400,530</b>	<b>\$438,588</b>	<b>\$610,179</b>	<b>\$1,048,767</b>	<b>\$2,449,297</b>

## Expense Clarity

In the screenshots below, spending is divided into:

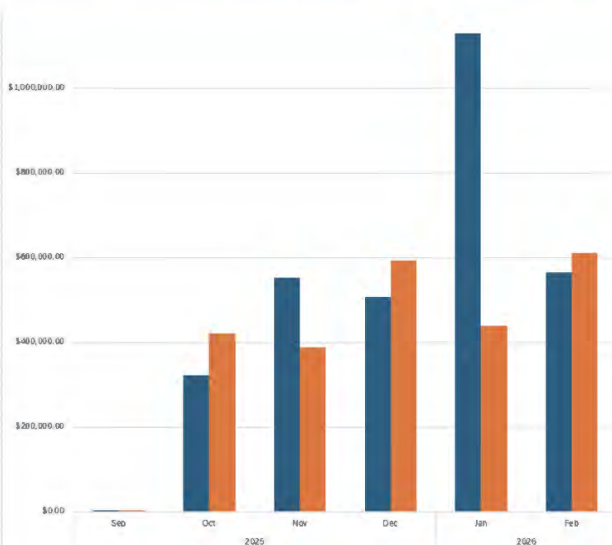
- **Actual** – Spending under this administration
- **Council** – Spending approved outside the adopted budget
- **Held Over** – Prior obligations paid this year

This format helps separate historical obligations from current decisions.

Row Labels	Actual	Council	HeldOver	Grand Total
<b>GF</b>	<b>-\$1,711,675</b>	<b>-\$298,398</b>	<b>-\$410,710</b>	<b>-\$2,420,784</b>
American Rescue Plan - 3287		-\$298,398		-\$298,398
Brookhaven Grant - 9792			-\$203,726	-\$203,726
Capital Improvements - 5043	-\$2,570			-\$2,570
Correction Fund - 5573	-\$1,720			-\$1,720
Fair Trial - 5603	-\$600			-\$600
Fire MM - 7292	-\$40			-\$40
Fire Protect Tax - 6123	-\$119			-\$119
General Fund - 6154	-\$717,246		-\$171,324	-\$888,570
Mun Court - 5565	-\$29,058			-\$29,058
Payroll - 5549	-\$693,344			-\$693,344
PW Checking - 9989	-\$253,417			-\$253,417
PW Customer Deposit - 6984	-\$399			-\$399
Road Impact Fee - 9768	-\$448		-\$35,660	-\$36,108
Street Fund - 5557	-\$20			-\$20
Street Imp - 5530	-\$1,918			-\$1,918
Vol Fire Dept - 2262	-\$10,776			-\$10,776
<b>PW</b>	<b>-\$653,392</b>			<b>-\$653,392</b>
PW Checking - 9989	-\$629,536			-\$629,536
PW Customer Deposit - 6984	-\$23,856			-\$23,856
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>-\$2,365,067</b>	<b>-\$298,398</b>	<b>-\$410,710</b>	<b>-\$3,074,176</b>

Here is more detail of the numbers above:

Row Labels	2025		Nov Total		Dec Total		2025 Total		2026		Jan Total		Feb Total		2026 Total	Grand Total		
	Oct	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual		
<b>GF</b>		-\$126,647	-\$347,099	-\$61,781	-\$406,880	-\$271,826	-\$64,303	-\$955,829	-\$951,356	-\$413,221	-\$298,398	-\$221,965	-\$933,564	-\$493,182	-\$42,662	-\$935,844	-\$1,469,428	-\$2,420,784
American Rescue Plan - 3287																	-\$298,398	-\$298,398
Brookhaven Grant - 9792																		-\$203,726
Capital Improvements - 5043		-\$1,805	-\$755	-\$26,121	-\$755	-\$5	-\$5	-\$2,565	-\$5			-\$177,605	-\$177,605				-\$5	-\$2,570
Correction Fund - 5573		-\$80			-\$920	-\$920	-\$1,000	-\$720				-\$720						-\$1,720
Fair Trial - 5603		-\$300			-\$300	-\$300	-\$600											-\$600
Fire MM - 7292						-\$20	-\$20	-\$20	-\$20				-\$20					-\$40
Fire Protect Tax - 6123																		-\$119
General Fund - 6154		-\$49,144	-\$222,189	-\$222,189	-\$101,482	-\$84,303	-\$185,785	-\$457,119	-\$212,772			-\$44,359	-\$257,131	-\$131,658	-\$42,662	-\$174,319	-\$431,490	-\$888,570
Mun Court - 5565		-\$4,720	-\$5,809	-\$5,809	-\$5	-\$5	-\$10,534	-\$2,485				-\$2,485	-\$16,039			-\$16,039	-\$18,524	-\$29,058
Payroll - 5549		-\$125,347	-\$115,573	-\$115,573	-\$164,679	-\$164,679	-\$405,599	-\$196,363				-\$196,363	-\$91,383			-\$91,383	-\$287,746	-\$693,344
PW Checking - 9989													-\$253,417			-\$253,417	-\$253,417	-\$253,417
PW Customer Deposit - 6984																-\$399	-\$399	-\$399
Road Impact Fee - 9768		-\$448			-\$35,660	-\$35,660		-\$36,108										-\$36,108
Street Fund - 5557																		-\$20
Street Imp - 5530		-\$703	-\$1,205	-\$1,205	-\$5	-\$5	-\$1,913	-\$5										-\$1,918
Vol Fire Dept - 2262		-\$4,089	-\$1,557	-\$1,557	-\$4,100	-\$4,100	-\$9,747	-\$743				-\$743	-\$287			-\$287	-\$1,029	-\$10,776
<b>PW</b>		-\$134,235	-\$143,377	-\$143,377	-\$151,506	-\$151,506	-\$429,118	-\$194,403				-\$194,403	-\$29,871			-\$29,871	-\$224,274	-\$653,392
PW Checking - 9989		-\$126,894	-\$136,932	-\$136,932	-\$146,777	-\$146,777	-\$416,777	-\$189,935				-\$189,935	-\$29,088			-\$29,088	-\$219,023	-\$629,536
PW Customer Deposit - 6984		-\$7,431	-\$6,444	-\$6,444	-\$4,729	-\$4,729	-\$13,605	-\$4,468				-\$4,468	-\$783			-\$783	-\$5,251	-\$23,856
<b>Grand Total</b>		-\$320,882	-\$490,476	-\$61,781	-\$382,287	-\$423,032	-\$64,303	-\$907,335	-\$1,380,474	-\$507,624	-\$298,398	-\$221,965	-\$1,127,987	-\$523,683	-\$52,682	-\$665,714	-\$1,693,702	-\$3,074,176



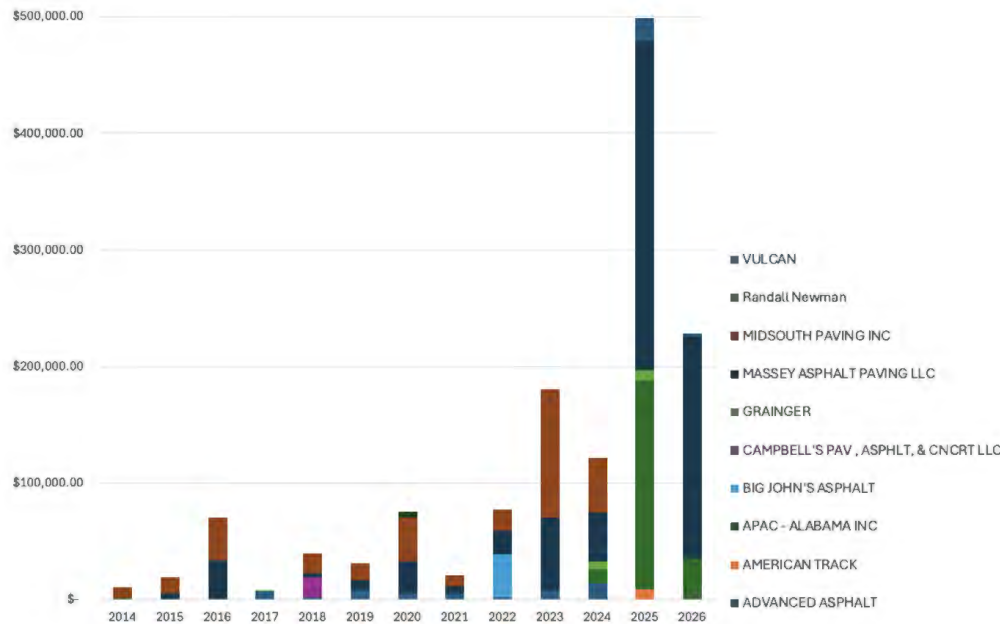
# Road Spending Overview

Road spending increased significantly in 2025.

Row Labels	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
ADVANCED ASPHALT				\$7,604.16	\$2,605.92	\$7,842.36	\$5,287.49	\$5,288.38	\$2,864.66	\$8,360.86	\$14,251.90			\$54,005.73
AMERICAN TRACK											\$9,000.00			\$9,000.00
APAC - ALABAMA INC	\$1,441.56													\$228,736.65
BIG JOHN'S ASPHALT									\$36,000.00		\$11,996.43	\$179,838.56	\$35,060.10	\$36,000.00
CAMPBELL'S PAV, ASPHLT, & CNCRT LLC					\$16,350.00									\$16,350.00
GRAINGER	\$109.58			\$435.00							\$6,776.17	\$8,130.96		\$15,451.71
MASSEY ASPHALT PAVING LLC		\$5,750.00	\$33,546.80	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$8,979.75	\$27,710.88	\$6,750.00	\$20,350.00	\$62,300.00	\$41,500.00	\$262,466.21	\$539,816.13	\$1,033,179.77
MIDSOUTH PAVING INC	\$9,552.72	\$13,962.82	\$36,756.25	\$16,998.48	\$14,367.60	\$17,516.98	\$9,110.16	\$18,275.20	\$109,902.84	\$47,377.16				\$313,820.21
Randall Newman							\$5,500.00							\$5,500.00
VULCAN											\$19,483.00		\$2,507.05	\$21,990.05
Rebutal Alabama Grant Deposit														-\$150,000.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,103.86</b>	<b>\$19,712.82</b>	<b>\$70,303.05</b>	<b>\$8,039.16</b>	<b>\$30,954.40</b>	<b>\$31,289.71</b>	<b>\$76,025.35</b>	<b>\$21,148.54</b>	<b>\$77,289.86</b>	<b>\$150,863.70</b>	<b>\$121,901.66</b>	<b>\$406,718.73</b>	<b>\$227,983.25</b>	<b>\$1,384,034.12</b>

Brookhaven was approved in 2024 but payments carried into this fiscal year.

The key issue is not just spending levels - it is accounting clarity.



Road expenses in 2025 were recorded across multiple General Ledger accounts, including:

- \$151,135.82 – Street Repairs
- \$105,833.21 – Street Repairs
- \$98,453.94 – Capital Projects
- \$88,682.34 – Street Repairs
- \$35,660.10 – Public Works Street Maintenance
- \$31,153.21 – City Impact Repair
- \$23,548.48 – Repair Road
- \$11,912.00 – Equipment
- \$9,000.00 – Street Repairs

When costs are spread across multiple categories and funds, totals are harder to see.

Row Labels	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
ADVANCED ASPHALT				\$7,604.16	\$2,605.92	\$7,942.36	\$5,287.49	\$5,288.38	\$2,664.66	\$8,360.86	\$14,251.90	\$5,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$54,005.73
AMERICAN TRACK												\$8,000.00		\$9,000.00
APAC- ALABAMA INC	\$1,441.56										\$11,996.43	\$179,639.96	\$35,660.10	\$229,736.65
BIG JOHN'S ASPHALT									\$36,000.00					\$36,000.00
CAMPBELL'S PAV. ASPHLT. & CNCRT LLC					\$16,350.00									\$16,350.00
GRAINGER	\$109.58			\$435.00							\$6,776.17	\$8,130.96		\$15,451.71
HASSELL ASPHALT PAVING LLC		\$5,750.00	\$33,546.88		\$4,000.00	\$8,970.75	\$27,720.88	\$6,750.00	\$20,350.00	\$62,300.00	\$41,500.00	\$282,466.21	\$539,816.13	\$1,033,178.77
MDSOUTH PAVING INC	\$9,552.72	\$13,982.82	\$36,756.25		\$19,998.48	\$14,367.60	\$37,516.58	\$9,110.16	\$18,275.20	\$109,902.84	\$47,377.16			\$313,802.21
Randal Newman							\$5,500.00							\$5,500.00
VULCAN												\$19,463.00	\$2,507.05	\$21,990.05
Rebuild Alabama Grant Deposit														-\$350,000.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,103.86</b>	<b>\$19,712.82</b>	<b>\$70,303.05</b>	<b>\$8,039.16</b>	<b>\$39,954.40</b>	<b>\$31,289.71</b>	<b>\$76,025.35</b>	<b>\$21,148.54</b>	<b>\$77,289.86</b>	<b>\$180,563.70</b>	<b>\$121,901.66</b>	<b>\$498,718.73</b>	<b>\$227,983.28</b>	<b>\$1,384,034.12</b>

Sum of Total Row Labels	Column Labels	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Grand Total
GE		\$ 10,894.28	\$19,712.82	\$70,303.05		\$35,373.52	\$ 3,518.45	\$49,079.32	\$19,860.16	\$74,625.20	\$161,863.26	\$ 73,196.32	\$471,104.77	\$225,478.23	\$1,219,299.28
01-5500-40 Street Maintenance - Public Works															\$ 35,660.10
05-5500-00 Capital Projects Repairs & Maintenance													\$ 73,388.19	\$189,816.13	\$ 263,204.32
99-1-6000 4310 Bldg Repair & Maint				\$12,000.00											\$ 12,000.00
99-1-6000 6011 Street Repairs															\$ 67,500.00
99-1-6000 6120 Miscellaneous							\$ 9,873.24		\$36,000.00		\$ 22,500.00	\$ 9,000.00			\$ 9,873.24
99-1-6000 7010 Capital Outlay							\$11,871.88								\$ 11,871.88
99-1-6800 3772 City Impact Repair												\$ 31,153.21			\$ 31,153.21
99-20-6001 7010 Capital Outlay															\$ 4,500.00
99-20-6009 4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 8,552.72	\$ 5,851.00					\$ 4,500.00								\$ 15,403.72
99-20-6009 6003 Equipment													\$ 11,812.00		\$ 11,812.00
99-20-6009 6011 Street Repairs	\$ 1,441.56		\$33,081.38		\$13,048.56		\$13,143.30	\$ 6,750.00	\$15,350.00	\$ 39,730.86	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 88,682.34			\$ 230,228.00
99-21-6009 4340 Repairs and Maint						\$ 3,518.45	\$ 9,681.90	\$ 9,110.16	\$ 5,000.00						\$ 27,302.51
99-21-6009 4370 Street Supplies			\$10,370.16		\$22,324.96										\$ 32,695.12
99-23-6000 6011 Street Repairs								\$18,275.20		\$ 85,461.38	\$ 7,762.52	\$105,833.21			\$ 217,332.28
99-25-6000 4340 Repairs and Maint		\$ 8,111.82	\$ 9,090.31												\$ 17,202.13
99-25-6009 6011 STREET REPAIRS		\$ 5,760.00	\$ 5,761.20							\$ 35,871.04	\$ 23,933.80				\$ 71,316.04
99-26-6000 6011 Street Repairs													\$151,135.82		\$ 151,135.82
PW	\$ 109.58			\$8,039.16	\$ 4,580.88	\$27,779.26	\$26,955.03	\$ 5,288.38	\$ 2,664.66	\$ 19,500.44	\$ 48,705.24	\$ 27,813.96	\$ 2,507.05	\$ 173,743.74	
99-50-6401 6170 SUPPLIES				\$7,604.16	\$ 4,580.88	\$ 5,320.42	\$ 5,287.49	\$ 5,288.38	\$ 2,664.66	\$ 8,360.86	\$ 8,551.90				\$ 47,658.75
99-50-7007 0000 REPAIR ROAD	\$ 109.58			\$ 435.00		\$23,458.84	\$21,667.54			\$ 11,139.58	\$ 34,732.80	\$ 27,813.96	\$ 2,507.05	\$ 120,664.35	
99-50-7009 0000 ROAD/DRAIN P MAINT											\$ 5,420.64				\$ 5,420.64
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,103.86</b>	<b>\$19,712.82</b>	<b>\$70,303.05</b>	<b>\$8,039.16</b>	<b>\$39,954.40</b>	<b>\$31,289.71</b>	<b>\$76,025.35</b>	<b>\$21,148.54</b>	<b>\$77,289.86</b>	<b>\$180,563.70</b>	<b>\$121,901.66</b>	<b>\$498,718.73</b>	<b>\$227,983.28</b>	<b>\$1,384,034.12</b>	

We are standardizing coding so road maintenance is consistent and easier to track.

Sum of Total	Column Labels			
Row Labels	GF	PW	Grand Total	
<b>2014</b>	<b>\$ 10,994.28</b>	<b>\$ 109.58</b>	<b>\$ 11,103.86</b>	
99-20-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 9,552.72		\$ 9,552.72	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 1,441.56		\$ 1,441.56	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 109.58	\$ 109.58	
<b>2015</b>	<b>\$ 19,712.82</b>		<b>\$ 19,712.82</b>	
99-20-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 5,851.00		\$ 5,851.00	
99-25-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 8,111.82		\$ 8,111.82	
99-25-6009.6011 STREET REPAIRS	\$ 5,750.00		\$ 5,750.00	
<b>2016</b>	<b>\$ 70,303.05</b>		<b>\$ 70,303.05</b>	
99-1-6000.4310 Bldg Repair & Maint	\$ 12,000.00		\$ 12,000.00	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 33,081.38		\$ 33,081.38	
99-21-6009.4370 Street Supplies	\$ 10,370.16		\$ 10,370.16	
99-25-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 9,090.31		\$ 9,090.31	
99-25-6009.6011 STREET REPAIRS	\$ 5,761.20		\$ 5,761.20	
<b>2017</b>		<b>\$ 8,039.16</b>	<b>\$ 8,039.16</b>	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 7,604.16	\$ 7,604.16	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 435.00	\$ 435.00	
<b>2018</b>	<b>\$ 35,373.52</b>	<b>\$ 4,580.88</b>	<b>\$ 39,954.40</b>	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 13,048.56		\$ 13,048.56	
99-21-6009.4370 Street Supplies	\$ 22,324.96		\$ 22,324.96	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 4,580.88	\$ 4,580.88	
<b>2019</b>	<b>\$ 3,510.45</b>	<b>\$ 27,779.26</b>	<b>\$ 31,289.71</b>	
99-21-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 3,510.45		\$ 3,510.45	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 5,320.42	\$ 5,320.42	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 22,458.84	\$ 22,458.84	
<b>2020</b>	<b>\$ 49,070.32</b>	<b>\$ 26,955.03</b>	<b>\$ 76,025.35</b>	
99-1-6000.6120 Miscellaneous	\$ 9,873.24		\$ 9,873.24	
99-1-6000.7010 Capital Outlay	\$ 11,871.88		\$ 11,871.88	
99-20-6001.7010 Capital Outlays	\$ 4,500.00		\$ 4,500.00	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 13,143.30		\$ 13,143.30	
99-21-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 9,681.90		\$ 9,681.90	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 5,287.49	\$ 5,287.49	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 21,667.54	\$ 21,667.54	
<b>2021</b>	<b>\$ 15,860.16</b>	<b>\$ 5,288.38</b>	<b>\$ 21,148.54</b>	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 6,750.00		\$ 6,750.00	
99-21-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 9,110.16		\$ 9,110.16	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 5,288.38	\$ 5,288.38	
<b>2022</b>	<b>\$ 74,625.20</b>	<b>\$ 2,664.66</b>	<b>\$ 77,289.86</b>	
99-1-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 36,000.00		\$ 36,000.00	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 15,350.00		\$ 15,350.00	
99-21-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	
99-23-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 18,275.20		\$ 18,275.20	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 2,664.66	\$ 2,664.66	
<b>2023</b>	<b>\$ 161,063.26</b>	<b>\$ 19,500.44</b>	<b>\$ 180,563.70</b>	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 39,730.86		\$ 39,730.86	
99-23-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 85,461.36		\$ 85,461.36	
99-25-6009.6011 STREET REPAIRS	\$ 35,871.04		\$ 35,871.04	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 8,360.86	\$ 8,360.86	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 11,139.58	\$ 11,139.58	
<b>2024</b>	<b>\$ 73,196.32</b>	<b>\$ 48,705.34</b>	<b>\$ 121,901.66</b>	
99-1-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 22,500.00		\$ 22,500.00	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 19,000.00		\$ 19,000.00	
99-23-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 7,762.52		\$ 7,762.52	
99-25-6009.6011 STREET REPAIRS	\$ 23,933.80		\$ 23,933.80	
99-50-6401.6170 SUPPLIES		\$ 8,551.90	\$ 8,551.90	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 34,732.80	\$ 34,732.80	
99-50-7009.0000 ROAD/DRAIN P MAINT		\$ 5,420.64	\$ 5,420.64	
<b>2025</b>	<b>\$ 471,104.77</b>	<b>\$ 27,613.96</b>	<b>\$ 498,718.73</b>	
05-5500-00 Capital Projects Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 73,388.19		\$ 73,388.19	
99-1-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 9,000.00	
99-1-6800.3772 City Impact Repair	\$ 31,153.21		\$ 31,153.21	
99-20-6009.6003 Equipment	\$ 11,912.00		\$ 11,912.00	
99-20-6009.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 88,682.34		\$ 88,682.34	
99-23-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 105,833.21		\$ 105,833.21	
99-28-6000.6011 Street Repairs	\$ 151,135.82		\$ 151,135.82	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 27,613.96	\$ 27,613.96	
<b>2026</b>	<b>\$ 225,476.23</b>	<b>\$ 2,507.05</b>	<b>\$ 227,983.28</b>	
01-5505-40 Street Maintenance - Public Works	\$ 35,660.10		\$ 35,660.10	
05-5500-00 Capital Projects Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 189,816.13		\$ 189,816.13	
99-50-7007.0000 REPAIR ROAD		\$ 2,507.05	\$ 2,507.05	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,210,290.38</b>	<b>\$ 173,743.74</b>	<b>\$ 1,384,034.12</b>	

# 1099 Contractors

Total: \$31,653.56

Largest totals:

- \$9,750.00
- \$9,718.56
- \$6,800.00
- \$5,200.00

Payments were spread across multiple categories.

We are cleaning up vendor naming and GL classification so totals are clearer and easier to audit.

Sum of Total	Column Labels	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2025 Total	Grand Total
Row Labels		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct		
*FREDIE PARHAM								\$550.00				\$550.00	\$550.00
*THED HARDRICK							\$2,539.00					\$2,539.00	\$2,539.00
BERLINDA PAYNE							\$150.00					\$150.00	\$150.00
FREDIE PARHAM							\$3,300.00	\$4,500.00				\$5,200.00	\$13,000.00
PAYTON B MICKENS							\$800.00	\$9,500.00	\$10,200.00			\$1,500.00	\$29,850.00
RICHARD MICKENS							\$4,400.00	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,600.00	\$4,800.00	\$32,000.00
RYAN MICKENS							\$900.00					\$900.00	\$900.00
THED HARDRICK		\$300.00	\$300.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$7,417.20	\$6,936.00	\$8,429.00	\$9,138.00			\$1,396.80	\$43,138.76
YVONNE KYNARD		\$125.00					\$150.00	\$4,450.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$11,525.00
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$425.00</b>	<b>\$4,700.00</b>	<b>\$5,850.00</b>	<b>\$5,850.00</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>	<b>\$16,456.20</b>	<b>\$12,136.00</b>	<b>\$22,329.00</b>	<b>\$28,438.00</b>	<b>\$600.00</b>	<b>\$600.00</b>	<b>\$133,652.76</b>

Row Labels	Sum of Total
*FREDIE PARHAM	\$550.00
99-50-7005.0000 GRASS / EASEMENT	\$550.00
*THED HARDRICK	\$2,539.00
99-50-7005.0000 GRASS / EASEMENT	\$2,539.00
BERLINDA PAYNE	\$150.00
99-1-6000.6122 CLEANING CITYHALL	\$150.00
FREDIE PARHAM	\$13,000.00
01-5315-50 Contracted Grounds Maintenance	\$1,050.00
99-25-6009.6007 Grass Cutting	\$11,950.00
PAYTON B MICKENS	\$29,850.00
01-5315-50 Contracted Grounds Maintenance	\$750.00
99-25-6009.6007 Grass Cutting	\$29,100.00
RICHARD MICKENS	\$32,000.00
99-1-6009.6007 Grass Cutting	\$4,000.00
99-25-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$18,800.00
99-25-6009.6007 Grass Cutting	\$4,400.00
99-50-6401.3100 PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$1,200.00
99-50-7005.0000 GRASS / EASEMENT	\$5,000.00
RYAN MICKENS	\$900.00
99-1-6000.4430 Shelter	\$900.00
THED HARDRICK	\$43,138.76
01-5315-50 Contracted Grounds Maintenance	\$1,898.04
99-1-1300.0000 Payroll clearing	\$708.00
99-1-6000.6120 Miscellaneous	\$500.00
99-20-6009.6007 Grass Cutting	\$702.00
99-21-6009.6007 Street Grass Cutti	\$38,697.60
99-25-6009.4340 Repairs and Maint	\$600.00
99-50-7005.0000 GRASS / EASEMENT	\$33.12
YVONNE KYNARD	\$11,525.00
01-5310-00 Professional Services	\$1,050.00
99-1-6000.3130 Election Expense	\$125.00
99-1-6000.6122 CLEANING CITYHALL	\$10,350.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$133,652.76</b>

Five months into FY2026:

- Accounts are being reconciled
- Debt is being reduced
- Coding is being standardized
- Grant eligibility is improving
- Historical obligations are being separated from current spending

We are on track, but we still need to continue identifying revenue opportunities and tightening controls.

This review reflects current reconciliation data as of 2/20/26.

As reconciliation continues, some historical entries may be reclassified or adjusted. If Council would like deeper historical breakdowns from FY2025 and prior years, I can prepare those. That process is time-intensive but available.

The goal is simple:

- Clear numbers
- Clean accounting

- Consistent budgeting
- Reduced debt
- No surprises

We are making steady progress.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Tortorice", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**Subject:** Mayor's Update  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 7:38:33 PM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
**BCC:**  
**Attachments:** February 2026 Financials.pdf, Outlook-1m5flsez.png

Council Members,

Attached are the most recent financial reports from QuickBooks reflecting activity through the latest posting period.

As previously noted, staff is currently working through a full consolidation and cleanup of the City's financial structure. During this process we have identified a number of reporting inconsistencies and structural issues that predate the current administration. Those items are being corrected as accounts are migrated into the new General Ledger structure.

Once that transition is complete, the system will allow us to produce standardized **budget-to-actual reporting aligned with the adopted budget categories**. Until that conversion is finalized, the reports being provided reflect the legacy account structure mixed with the new.

In the meantime, these reports are being provided so the Council can continue to review current revenues, expenditures, and balances while the financial system modernization is completed.

A few operational updates that may be helpful for context:

- **Banking Transition:**

The City has begun transitioning accounts to Metro Bank. Under the prior arrangement, the City was paying more than \$1,000 per month in deposit and account fees. The new structure eliminates those fees, provides free remote deposit, and pays approximately 1% interest across all municipal accounts. Based on current balances, this change alone is expected to generate roughly **\$40,000–\$60,000 annually in interest income** while eliminating approximately **\$13,000 per year in bank fees**.

- **Grant Development:**

Staff have begun actively pursuing grant opportunities across several departments. Current focus areas include parks improvements, as well as opportunities for police, fire, and public works. The County Grant Program is also being evaluated as a pathway for accessing federal funding streams.

- **Financial Controls:**

A Purchase Order system has been implemented to ensure departmental purchases are tracked and approved prior to expenditure. Department heads will be submitting requests through the PO process with staff entering them into the accounting system for documentation and tracking.

- **Planning Initiatives:**

The **Five-Year Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee** will be holding its kickoff meeting this week. This effort will help guide long-term planning for infrastructure, land use, and community development.

- **Fire Department Apparatus:**

The second and final payment for the new fire truck has been issued in accordance with the previously approved payoff. Staff is also evaluating options for the next apparatus replacement so those options can be presented for future consideration.

Staff will continue working through the financial consolidation process and will provide updated reporting as the system transitions into the new chart of accounts structure.

If additional supporting documentation is needed for any specific transaction reflected in the reports, please let staff know and we will gather it.

Regards,



Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**Subject:** Re: Mayor's Update  
**Date:** Sunday, March 15, 2026 at 7:07:04 PM Central Daylight Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
**BCC:**  
**Attachments:** image001.png, MT\_Signature.png, 2025-Handbook-for-Mayors-and-Councilmembers (1).pdf, Social\_Media\_and\_Municipal\_Employees\_Article (2).pdf

Here are the files I mentioned.

Regards,



Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**From:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>  
**Date:** Sunday, March 15, 2026 at 6:31 PM  
**To:** City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>  
**Subject:** Mayor's Update

### **Grant Projects**

We have moved into the second phase of a grant to resurface the basketball courts at both parks and the track at Wilson Park. This is a \$45,000 grant that will cover almost the entire cost of the project.

### **Personnel Appeal**

The city has been served with notice that Troynell is appealing the results of his hearing. This is simply the next step in the process, and at this time we do not expect a different outcome.

### **Five-Year Comprehensive Plan**

The kickoff meeting for the 5-year comprehensive plan went well. The board will begin meeting regularly, and I will keep everyone informed when we schedule the first public meeting.

### **Events and Community Support**

Alabama Power has contributed to both the NVC 5K and the Spring Fling, which we appreciate. I am also working to get more information about the upcoming blockages on Sanie Road and will share details as they become available.

### **Council Input Needed**

Please continue sending me your suggestions for additional street light locations and possible speed table locations.

### **Wayne Walton Retirement**

Wayne Walton's retirement party is scheduled for March 31, 2026, at 6:00 PM at the Event Center in Odenville. If anyone would like to contribute to the event, please let me or Tabitha know.

### **Old Acton Road Engineering**

Brookhaven Development Partners has expressed interest in assisting with the engineering work related to the proposed changes to Old Acton Road that will be discussed tomorrow.

### **Grants and Partnerships**

We have received strong support from our state and local leaders through letters of support for several grant applications. I feel confident that more positive news will follow. It remains a priority that we bring our existing facilities up to code and continue improving them wherever feasible.

### **Roles and Responsibilities**

I have received several complaints regarding employee interactions. To help clarify roles and expectations, I am sharing an article from the Alabama League of Municipalities regarding municipal employees and social media, as well as the Mayor and Council Handbook.

Most questions about responsibilities and authority can be answered in the handbook. If something is unclear, we should seek clarification before taking action. The handbook is designed to help municipal officials understand and properly carry out their duties.

I share this frequently because it is critical that we are informed so we can make sound decisions. As an example from prior litigation involving the city, the city's defense attorney noted in his case assessment that the council's temporary ban on video recording of meetings raised significant constitutional concerns and could expose the city to liability because the restriction had been adopted as official policy by vote of the council, thereby implicating the city itself—not just the mayor.

This should serve as an important reminder that just because an attorney may be able to defend a position does not necessarily mean the action was legally sound or the right decision in the first place. As elected officials, it is our responsibility to understand the law and the limits of our authority so that we do not place the city in situations that create unnecessary legal risk or expense. That is why it is important that we take the time to review and understand the guidance provided in the Mayor and Council Handbook and ask questions when we are unsure.

## **Legal Representation**

It has also come to my attention that there may be plans for the council to seek separate legal representation. Please let me know how I can help or provide any information if needed.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Tortorice", is written over a horizontal line.

Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**Subject:** Mayor's Update  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 4:26:05 PM Central Daylight Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
**BCC:**  
**Attachments:** Outlook-imp0sfxg.png

I will be calling a **special work session this Thursday at 6:00 PM** to hear each of your goals and plans for the next six months. This is **not a council meeting**, but a working session to help align priorities moving forward. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

### Financial Update

Based on the attached reports, the City remains in a stable position.

- **Total funds:** approximately **\$4.67 million**
- **General Fund balance:** approximately **\$2.99 million in bank accounts**
- **Public Works (Utilities):** approximately **\$2.6 million in bank accounts**
- **Rainy Day Fund:** \$230,478

Overall, balances remain strong and consistent across funds.

### Legal Matter – Springville

We have received a **demand letter from the City of Springville** requesting payment of the outstanding balance related to officer training. The letter indicates that **legal action may be pursued if the matter is not resolved**, so this will need to be addressed.

### Fire Department Update

The **last fire truck has now been paid off**, which is a significant milestone for the department.

Additionally, **effective tomorrow, the City will officially be ALS**, allowing our fire department to administer life-saving medications that can make a critical difference in emergency situations.

### Clerk's Office

Additional assistance has been brought in to support the Clerk's office during this interim period.

### Announcements

- **Wayne Walton Retirement:** Tonight at 6:00 PM at the County Event Center on Blair Farm Road
- **Congratulations to Anthony Irwin** on the birth of his twins, **Paul Anthony (3 lb 13**

**oz) and Eloise Elizabeth (2 lb 13 oz)**

Regards,

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Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**Subject:** Mayor's Update  
**Date:** Friday, April 24, 2026 at 4:09:51 PM Central Daylight Time  
**From:** Matthew Tortorice  
**To:** City Council  
**BCC:**  
**Attachments:** MT\_Signature.png, img-6d14f307-e040-4a15-a13c-8f664cdf4ebf, img-0f2f6633-93a2-4d40-b028-d6e21a4467f4, Trial Balance 04242026.pdf, PW CheckDetailReport 04262026.pdf, GF CheckDetailReport 04262026.pdf, Profit and Loss 04242026.pdf, Balance Sheet 04242026.pdf, City of Margaret - Public Utilities\_Budget vs. Actuals\_\_FY2026\_\_Report.pdf, City of Margaret General Fund\_Budget vs. Actuals\_\_FY2026\_\_Report.pdf

Council,

Margaret needs support, and I need your support-not in performing the duties of this office, but in moving the programs and initiatives our city needs forward. No single idea belongs to any one person; progress comes from working together to turn ideas into reality. That is where I need your help.

Below are updates and reminders:

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## Statement of Economic Interests (SOEI)

This is a statutory requirement for applicable officials. Please ensure your Statement of Economic Interests is filed.

<https://www.ethics.alabama.gov/soei.aspx>

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## Alabama League of Municipalities (ALM) Convention

The ALM Convention will be held next week in Montgomery.

- Please notify me or Tabitha if you need your hotel accommodations, or if you will not be attending so reservations can be adjusted so please let us know if your plans change.
- Expense reports will be distributed following the conference for reimbursement of eligible expenses (mileage, meals, parking, etc.).
- Conference details: <https://almonline.org/Assets/Files/Convention/2026/2026-Convention-Quick-Guide.pdf>

A dinner invitation (previously misdirected) has been included. You are welcome to attend.

Please join Raymond James  
for dinner during the  
Alabama League of Municipalities Convention



WHEN: Wednesday, April 29, 2026

TIME: 6:30 - 9:00 PM

WHERE: Ravello Ristorante  
36 Commerce Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104

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## City Apparel

City-branded shirts are expected to arrive Monday or Tuesday. Please coordinate pickup accordingly.

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## Federal Engagement / Appropriations

We received positive feedback following the recent visit from Senator Britt's office. Our Congressional Directed Spending request is under consideration, and we anticipate updates within this funding cycle.

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## Capital Projects & Infrastructure

- **Dillard Park Pavilion:** Final invoice has been received and is under review.
- **Brookhaven Drive Project:** Pending final contractor invoice; the County has confirmed they are awaiting this documentation before issuing matching funds.
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To: Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)> Keith Hager  
<[keith\\_hager@mac.com](mailto:keith_hager@mac.com)>  
Cc: Stan Batemon <[sbatemon@stclairco.com](mailto:sbatemon@stclairco.com)>  
Subject: RE: Brookhaven Drive County Match

Matt,

From the Counties side we just need an invoice from Margaret and a copy of the invoice from your paving contractor.

Thanks,

Dan Dahlke

County Engineer  
St. Clair County  
(205) 594-2190

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## Grants & External Funding

The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham visited regarding a potential grant for resurfacing basketball courts at Dillard and Wilson Parks.

Additional grant applications are pending for:

- Accessibility improvements
- Walking trails
- Athletic field enhancements
- Drainage and bridge improvements

Please share any additional funding opportunities you identify.

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## Economic Development

The Economic Development Committee (EDC) has completed a grocery store feasibility survey. Current data supports the viability of a ~25,000 sq. ft. grocery store, representing:

- Significant potential sales tax revenue
  - Job creation
  - Expanded services for residents
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## **Comprehensive Plan – “One Margaret”**

The first public meeting for the 5-year comprehensive plan will be:

**May 12 at 6:30 PM – North Valley Church**

Your participation is strongly encouraged.

<https://www.onemargaret.com>

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## **Financial Update & Audit**

- The FY budget has been implemented in both accounting systems.
  - Reviewing the reports identified more discrepancies in the preexisting financial records, which are being systematically reviewed and corrected. I have attached the reports but the data is chaotic.
  - The City’s independent auditors have begun the 2025 audit, including review of prior expenditures and account classifications.
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## **Banking & Cash Management**

We have transitioned a portion of City funds to Metro Bank. Early results show:

- Elimination of prior monthly banking fees > \$1,000
  - Generation of over \$3,000 in monthly interest revenue, even with only a portion of assets moved
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## **Revenue Recovery Initiative**

RiverTree has presented their services for conducting a business license tax audit. This could assist in identifying uncollected revenue while ensuring compliance with applicable laws. They will be available at the ALM conference if you would like to speak with them directly.

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## **Records Management**

A comprehensive records organization project is underway to improve compliance, accessibility, and operational efficiency. This includes:

- Proper classification and filing of documents
- Review of employee records for completeness
- Securing sensitive and official records

This is a massive undertaking after years of neglect and chaos.

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## **Governance & Communication Protocol**

I want to reiterate the importance of maintaining proper lines of communication and administrative structure.

Under the mayor-council form of government, the Mayor serves as the chief executive and is responsible for the administration and supervision of municipal operations.

Accordingly:

- Direction to City employees should flow through the Mayor's office.
- Councilmembers should not independently direct staff, assign work, or act as project leads without coordination.
- Requests for information, tasks, or projects should include me to ensure proper tracking, prioritization, and compliance.

This is not about limiting involvement-it is about ensuring:

- Consistency in operations
- Proper allocation of resources
- Protection of the City and its employees

If you would like to initiate or advance a project, it should begin with a discussion with me so we can align on scope, priority, and process.

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## **Project Development & Motions**

As we continue moving forward with multiple initiatives, it is critical that proposals brought before the Council are sufficiently developed.

Council actions-whether motions, resolutions, or ordinances-carry legal, financial, and operational implications.

To ensure responsible governance:

- Please present clearly defined plans, not one-sentence motions.
- Proposals should outline scope, cost (if applicable), and intended outcomes.
- This allows for informed decision-making and reduces risk to the City.

Understanding when to use a motion, resolution, or ordinance-and the requirements for each-is essential to conducting valid and enforceable municipal actions.

The upcoming ALM conference is an excellent opportunity to strengthen this understanding. I strongly encourage participation and am available to assist with proposal development prior to meetings.

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## **Agenda Process**

If you would like an item placed on the agenda, requests must be submitted in writing and with sufficient time for proper preparation.

Please note:

- Items involving permanent actions or unbudgeted expenditures typically require two meetings unless rules are properly suspended by unanimous consent.
- Suspending the rules should be rare and used only when necessary.

Proper planning is essential. As agendas become overloaded, it delays both existing and new business.

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## **City Hall Access & Security**

To maintain a secure and professional work environment:

- Unattended access to office areas is restricted.
  - Council Chambers access will be available via the designated entrance (code to be provided separately).
  - Conference room scheduling procedures will be implemented shortly.
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## **Closing**

Please reach out directly with any questions, concerns, or items requiring attention. Open and timely communication is essential to effective governance and service delivery.

Regards,



Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

Just wanted to follow up on the request for the information requested in the January email in the #1 response that was requested in budget to actual reporting and see what the status was on the requested documents that was requested?

Jonathan Ray  
Mayor Pro-Tem\District 5 City of Margaret  
[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)  
205-577-2135

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**From:** District 5 <[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2026 9:10:44 AM  
**To:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>; City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>; Anthony Irwin <[anthony@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:anthony@irwinlawyers.com)>; Paul Irwin <[paul@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:paul@irwinlawyers.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Year to Date Financial Reports

1. Budget to actual reporting should have been put in place when the budget was passed. That's what I'm asking for now to be clear. If it's not currently in place then you have dropped the ball on that.
2. Yes, I'm requesting this information be provided to the council in a timely manner so they we can continue to be transparent with the public as far as what has been spent vs what is budgeted. Preferably before the council meeting, you said to email if any concerns and you would address them before the council meeting, so here we are doing what you have asked.
3. We”the city council” want to know what ALL vehicles have been ordered or purchased since you took office and what the price is on each and what department that they were ordered for?
4. invoice And purchase description and check amount is what is being asked. Just like stated in my previous email!
5. I will be glad to discuss this with the whole council present at the council meeting. Transparency means providing information to the council in a timely manner and way to disclose large purchases made by you. None of which has happened! And when asked multiple times and questioned about it you cannot provide information to us, you dodge the questions and continue doing what you want to. Just as what you said the previous administration was doing “from your own words “ it's no different! Only you have made it clear with your own words “that you can't spend the money fast enough “ !

Jonathan Ray

Mayor Pro-Tem\District 5 City of Margaret

[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)

205-577-2135

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**From:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>

**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2026 4:30:38 AM

**To:** District 5 <[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)>; City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>; Anthony Irwin <[anthony@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:anthony@irwinlawyers.com)>; Paul Irwin <[paul@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:paul@irwinlawyers.com)>

**Subject:** Re: Year to Date Financial Reports

Jonathan,

Thank you for your email. I want to ensure I clearly understand what information you are requesting, particularly given that the two ordinances directly governing account structure and reporting alignment were tabled to July at the last meeting by You.

By way of context, the FY budget adopted by council includes a **\$120,000 line item for police vehicles**, which was approved as part of the overall budget. Expenditures against that line item are recorded accordingly in the general ledger as the account structure currently is. The ordinances that were tabled were intended to further formalize how accounts, reporting structure, and budget-to-actual presentation are aligned for ease of review and long-term transparency.

To respond precisely, I need clarification on the following points:

**1. Scope of Alignment Requested**

Are you requesting:

- A budget-to-actual report by *department* only, or
- A budget-to-actual report by *individual line item*, including internal reallocations already authorized by the adopted budget?

**2. Timing**

Are you requesting this information:

- In advance of July without the ordinances in effect, or
- As part of the formal reporting framework contemplated by the ordinances that were tabled?

**3. Other City Vehicles**

Please clarify which specific vehicles or departments you are referencing so staff can ensure we are reviewing the same transactions.

**4. Ford Dealership Check (Odenville)**

The check in question was issued against the PW department head plan along with the Inspections department out of the PW department budget. If you are requesting additional documentation (invoice, purchase description, or internal coding reference), please confirm the level of detail you are seeking so it can be provided in a consistent and auditable format.

**5. State Bid List / Council Approval**

Please clarify whether you are asserting that a particular purchase exceeded

statutory thresholds requiring separate council approval outside of the adopted budget, or whether this is a general policy question. If you are relying on a specific attorney opinion, please identify it, and send the email correspondence with the attorney, so we are working from the same guidance.

For clarity, the information you are requesting aligns directly with the transparency and standardization contemplated by the ordinances that were tabled. Once council acts on those items, reporting will be even more explicit and standardized going forward. Please advise how you wish to proceed so staff can respond accurately and efficiently.

Regards,



Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**From:** District 5 <[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)>  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 11:54 PM  
**To:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>, City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>, Anthony Irwin <[anthony@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:anthony@irwinlawyers.com)>, Paul Irwin <[paul@irwinlawyers.com](mailto:paul@irwinlawyers.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Year to Date Financial Reports

Basically the purchases should match the line item that they are budgeted for to provide better transparency. Also there was a check written at the ford dealership in Odenville and it didn't show a purchase amount and what it was for, could you clarify that please?

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**From:** District 5 <[jray@margaretal.gov](mailto:jray@margaretal.gov)>  
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**Subject:** Re: Year to Date Financial Reports

Could you align these numbers with the current budget actuals? I see where 122k was spent on police vehicles but I don't see where the other city vehicles were ordered and purchased and what the actual total cost of everything is. Having everything aligned with the budget that was passed and seeing the up to date activity and actual deductions will provide better insight and transparency moving forward. I would also like to add that any

large purchases like 122k that was not made off the state bid list have to be brought before the city council per our city attorneys.

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**From:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 27, 2026 5:55:21 PM  
**To:** City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>  
**Subject:** Year to Date Financial Reports

Attached are the Year-to-Date financial reports from QuickBooks for the **General Fund** and **Public Works**.

These reports reflect activity through the most recent posting period, expenditures, and balances as we move through the fiscal year. Please note that these are broken with the old accounts and do not align with the budget categories.

If you have questions ahead of our next meeting or would like any additional detail or clarification, please let me know and I'm happy to walk through the numbers.

Regards,



Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**From:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>

**Date:** Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 4:42 PM

**To:** Eric Hutchins <[hutchlaw07@gmail.com](mailto:hutchlaw07@gmail.com)>, City Council <[citycouncil@margaretal.gov](mailto:citycouncil@margaretal.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Margaret Concerned Citizens Open Records Request

Mr. Hutchins,

The City of Margaret acknowledges receipt of your correspondence dated February 26, 2026 requesting records pursuant to the Alabama Open Records Act.

The City has reviewed the request and identified responsive records relating to the items listed in your letter. These records include, among other materials:

- Financial balance sheet summaries for City accounts as requested
- Audit reports for the years 2015 through 2025
- Records reflecting rank and compensation for police personnel hired during the current administration
- The City of Margaret Employment Handbook covering the years 2020 through the present

With respect to the request for job postings for police officer and Chief of Police positions, the City did not issue formal public job postings during the relevant period. Accordingly, the City has no responsive documents relating to postings, as no such postings were made.

The total volume of responsive documents is approximately **475 pages**. Pursuant to the Alabama Open Records Act and the City's standard copying policy, the cost of reproduction is **\$1.00 per page**, for a total of **\$475.00**. As a courtesy, the City has not included staff time associated with gathering and preparing the responsive records.

The records will be available for pickup upon receipt of payment. Payment must be made prior to release of the documents. Once payment is received, the records will be prepared and made available for inspection or pickup at City Hall.

Additionally, several supplemental pages will be included without charge to provide context regarding certain assertions referenced in your correspondence. These materials are provided solely as a courtesy and are not part of the formal records request.

For clarity, the only official information requests submitted to the City are those included with your correspondence. The City previously prepared a similar records request for a resident; however, when the standard per-page fee was presented in the same manner as above, payment and follow-up were not received.

If you wish to proceed, please contact City Hall to arrange payment and a time for pickup.

Regards,

Matt Tortorice  
Mayor, City of Margaret

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**From:** Eric Hutchins <[hutchlaw07@gmail.com](mailto:hutchlaw07@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 1, 2026 3:46 PM  
**To:** Matthew Tortorice <[mayor@margaretal.gov](mailto:mayor@margaretal.gov)>; Eric Hutchins <[hutchlaw07@gmail.com](mailto:hutchlaw07@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Margaret Concerned Citizens Open Records Request

Dear Mayor Tortorice:

This is Eric Hutchins. I am sending this email on behalf of my clients Margaret Concerned Citizens and Dr. Gloria Haynes . Please see the attached letter making a request for the records described therein. Attached to the letter/open records request is a signed Open Records Request Form. I look forward to your prompt response.

Sincerely and In the Name of Jesus Christ,  
Eric Tavaris Hutchins, Esq.