

City of Pawtucket Rhode Island



Pawtucket

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**Basic Financial Statements
And Required Supplementary Information
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**

**Including the Auditors' Report of
Independent Certified Public Accountants**

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Mayor**



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CITY OF PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION

This Section Contains the Following Subsections

**LIST OF CITY OFFICIALS
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

CITY OF PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

LIST OF CITY OFFICIALS

JUNE 30, 2017

CITY COUNCIL

DAVID P. MORAN, PRESIDENT

ALBERT J. VITALI, JR.

SANDRA C. CANO

JOHN J. BARRY III

TERENCE E. MERCER

TIMOTHY P. RUDD, JR.

LORENZO C. TETREAULT

MEGHAN E. KALLMAN

MARK J. WILDENHAIN

MAYOR

DONALD R. GREBIEN

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION

JAMES VARTANIAN

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

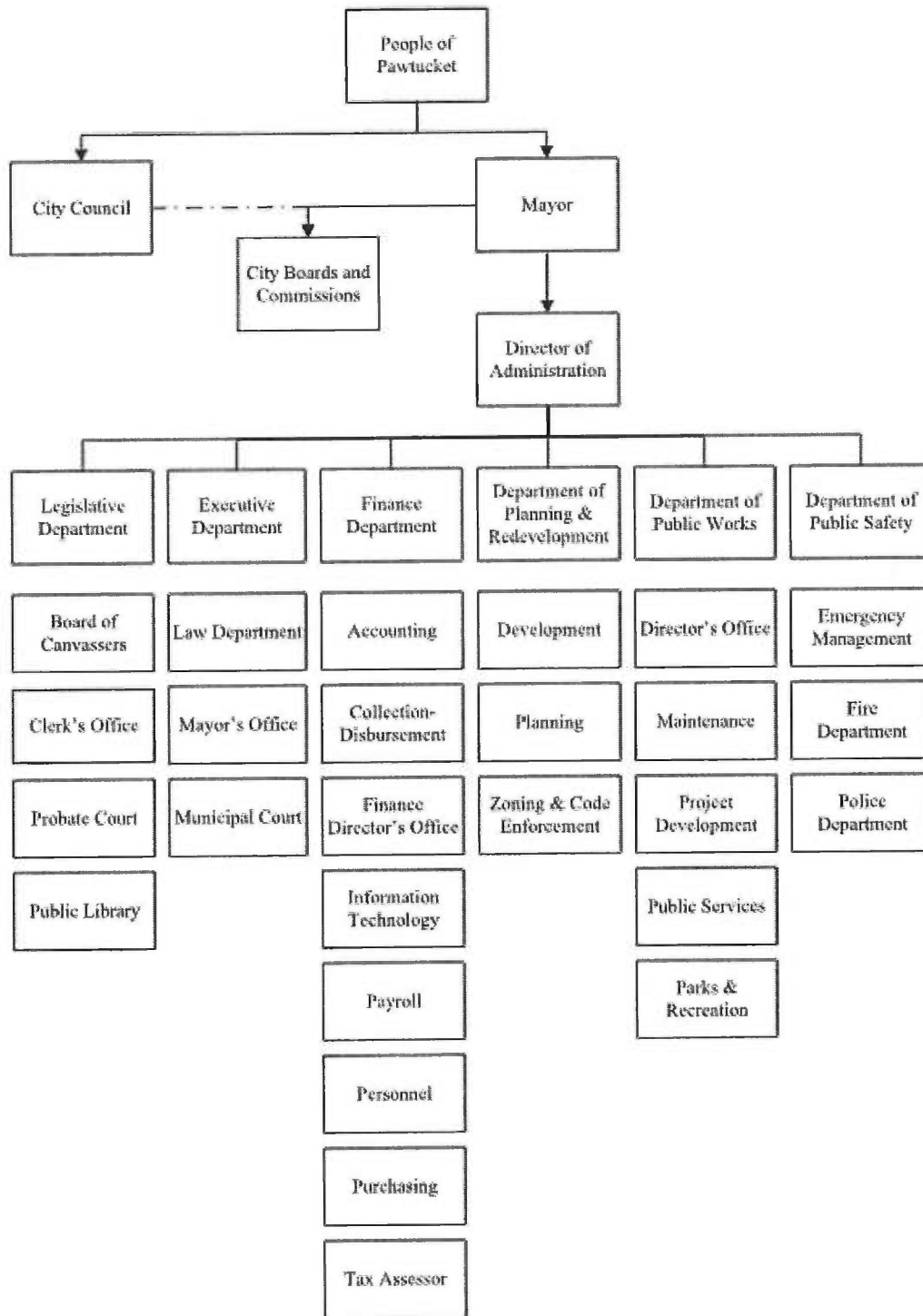
JOANNA L'HEUREUX, FINANCE DIRECTOR

JEANNINE BOURSKE, DEPUTY FINANCE DIRECTOR

SHAUN STROBEL, TREASURER / TAX COLLECTOR

ROBERT W. BURNS, TAX ASSESSOR

DAVID CLEMENTE, PURCHASING DIRECTOR



FINANCIAL SECTION

This Section Contains the Following Subsections

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Honorable President and
Members of City Council
City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island (the City) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of Pawtucket Business Development Corporation (PBDC), which represents less than one percent, of the assets, net position, and revenues of the City. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for PBDC, is based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 17 and budgetary comparison schedules, budgetary to GAAP basis reconciliation, schedule of changes to net pension liability and related ratios, schedule of changes to pension liability, schedule of employer contributions, schedule of investment returns, schedule of funding progress for the other postemployment benefit obligations, and schedule of the employer contributions to the other postemployment benefit obligations on pages 90 through 109, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, Annual Supplemental Transparency Report and accompanying notes, and statistical section, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, Annual Supplemental Transparency Report and accompanying notes are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the report of other auditors, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and Annual Supplemental Transparency Report and accompanying notes are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2018, on our consideration of the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island'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 internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Marcum LLP

Providence, RI
January 31, 2018

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND
ANALYSIS**

CITY OF PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND
Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our discussion and analysis of the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island's financial performance provides an overview of the City's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the City's financial statements that follow this section.

Financial Highlights

- ❖ The City's total net position decreased by \$514,781 as a result of this year's operations. On a government-wide basis, the City's liabilities and deferred inflows of resources for the City exceeded its assets and deferred outflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$147,219,904.
- ❖ Net position of business activities increased by \$5,654,504, or 6.9%, while net position of governmental activities decreased by \$6,169,285 or 2.7%.
- ❖ The City's government-wide (governmental and business activities) operating expenses were \$294,386,836, a 1.83% decrease from the prior year, while revenues collected were \$293,872,055 a 1.68% increase from the prior year.
- ❖ As of the close of the fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$26,851,636. Approximately 32% of this amount, \$8,484,481 is unassigned and available for use at the government's discretion.
- ❖ The remaining fund balance of \$18,367,155 includes \$1,559,054 in non-spendable funds, \$13,561,874 in restricted funds, \$2,234,226 in committed funds and \$1,012,001 in assigned funds.

New Significant Accounting Standards

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the City adopted new statements of financial accounting standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB):

- GASB Statement No. 77, "*Tax Abatement Disclosures*"
- GASB Statement No. 80 – "*Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*", effective for the City's fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. There has been no effect on these financial statements due to the adoption of this statement.
- GASB Statement No. 82, "*Pension Issues – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 67, No 68, and No. 73*"

GASB Statement No. 77 added Tax Abatement Agreements to footnote disclosures. Please refer to Note 16 for more information.

GASB Statement No 82 required the City to disclose the summary of changes in Net Pension Liability for the "Old Plan" for the Police and Fire Pension Plan. Please see Note 11A for more information.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements. These basic financial statements consist of three components:

- Government – wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements
- Notes to financial statements

In addition to the basic financial statements, this report also contains other supplementary information.

The City's basic financial statements and other supplementary financial information provide information about all of the City's activities. They provide both a short-term and a long-term view of the City's financial health as well as information about activities for which the City acts solely as a trustee for the benefit of those outside of the City's government.

Government-wide financial statements - are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the City's finances in a manner which is similar to a private-sector business. They are presented on the accrual basis of accounting where revenues and expenses are recognized on the date they occurred rather than on the date they were collected or paid.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the City's assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information which shows how the City's net position changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported when the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in the future fiscal periods. Examples are uncollected taxes and earned but unused compensated absences.