

NOTICE OF SALE

\$7,941,000

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES

County of Camden, New Jersey

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017

Consisting of:

\$6,854,000 General Improvement Bonds

\$1,087,000 Sewer Utility Bonds

(Bank Qualified) (Book-Entry-Only)

(Non-Callable)

ELECTRONIC PROPOSALS will be received via the BiDCOMP[®]/Parity[®] Electronic Competitive Bidding System ("PARITY") of i-Deal LLC ("i-Deal") in the manner described below, until 11:00 a.m. (Eastern), on

September 12, 2017

at which time they will be publicly announced for the purchase of the following bonds ("Bonds"), due on September 15, as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>General Improvement</u>	<u>Sewer Utility</u>	<u>Combined</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>General Improvement</u>	<u>Sewer Utility</u>	<u>Combined</u>
2018	\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	2023	\$720,000	\$110,000	\$830,000
2019	400,000	100,000	500,000	2024	750,000	110,000	860,000
2020	770,000	100,000	870,000	2025	800,000	115,000	915,000
2021	745,000	105,000	850,000	2026	800,000	120,000	920,000
2022	670,000	110,000	780,000	2027	799,000	117,000	916,000

The Bonds will be dated their date of delivery and bear interest at the rates per annum specified by the successful bidder therefor, payable initially on March 15, 2018 and semiannually thereafter on September 15 and March 15 in each year until maturity. The Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity dates.

Upon initial issuance, the Bonds will be issued in book-entry-only form and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds and be responsible for maintaining a book-entry system for recording the interests of its participants or the transfers of interests among its participants. Individual purchases may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Individual purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds, but each book-entry bondholder will receive a credit balance on the books of its nominee. For additional information, see "THE BONDS -- Book-Entry-Only System" in the preliminary official statement described below ("Preliminary Official Statement").

The Township has prepared a Preliminary Official Statement in connection with the sale of the Bonds which it has deemed "final" as of its date for purposes of paragraph (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12, as amended ("Rule 15c2-12") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except for certain omissions permitted thereunder. Within seven (7) business days of the sale of the Bonds, and in sufficient

time to accompany any confirmation that requests payment from a customer, the Township will deliver a sufficient number of copies of the final official statement ("Official Statement") to the purchaser in order for the same to comply with Paragraph (b)(4) of Rule 15c2-12.

The Preliminary Official Statement is available for viewing in electronic format through the internet facilities of Bowman & Company LLP. Bowman & Company's web address is **www.govdebt.net** ("Site"). In addition, broker dealers registered with the National Association of Securities Dealers ("NASD") and dealer banks with DTC clearing arrangements may either: (i) print out a copy of the Preliminary Official Statement by their own means; or (ii) at any time prior to September 12, 2017, elect to receive a printed copy of the Preliminary Official Statement in the mail by requesting the same on the Bowman & Company web site or by calling the Township's Bond Counsel, Parker McCay P.A. ("Bond Counsel"), Parker McCay P.A., 9000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 300, P.O. Box 5054, Mount Laurel, New Jersey 08054. Calls should be directed to Alexis B. Batten, Esquire at (856) 985-4067. The Township's Municipal Advisor, Phoenix Advisors LLC, may also be contacted at 4 West Park Street, Bordentown, New Jersey 08505. Calls should be directed to Anthony Inverso at (609) 291-0130. In order to view, print a copy or request a copy of the Preliminary Official Statement from the Bowman & Company web site, please visit **www.govdebt.net**. Bidders may log-in to access electronic viewing and delivery. Once logged-in to the Site, bidders must follow the applicable instructions and prompts to access the Preliminary Official Statement. All bidders must review the Preliminary Official Statement and certify that they have done so prior to participating in the bidding.

In accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12, the Township will, prior to the issuance of the Bonds, enter into an agreement substantially in the form set forth in Appendix "D" to the Preliminary Official Statement ("Disclosure Agreement").

The Township will designate the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code").

BID SPECIFICATIONS

Each **ELECTRONIC PROPOSAL** for the Bonds must be submitted to PARITY in accordance with this notice, but no bid will be received after the time for receiving bids specified above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY conflict with this Notice of Sale, the terms of this Notice of Sale shall control. For further information about PARITY, including any fee charged, potential bidders may contact BiDCOMP/PARITY, 1359 Broadway, Second Floor, New York, New York 10018, (212) 849-5021. The Township may, but is not obligated to, acknowledge its acceptance in writing of any bid submitted electronically via PARITY. In the event that a bid for the Bonds is submitted via PARITY, the bidder further agrees that:

1. If a bid submitted electronically by PARITY is accepted by the Township, the terms of this Notice of Sale and the information that is electronically transmitted through PARITY shall form a contract, and the successful bidder shall be bound by the terms of such contract.

2. PARITY is not an agent of the Township, and the Township shall have no liability whatsoever based on any bidder's use of PARITY, including but not limited to any failure

by PARITY to correctly or timely transmit information provided by the Township or information provided by the bidder.

3. The Township may choose to discontinue use of electronic bidding via PARITY by issuing a notification to such effect via TM3 News Services, or by other available means, no later than 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the last business date prior to the bid date set forth above.

4. Once the bids are communicated electronically via PARITY to the Township as described above, each bid will constitute an official "Proposal for Bonds" and shall be deemed to be an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale. For purposes of submitting electronic bids, the time as maintained on PARITY shall constitute the official time.

5. Each bidder shall be solely responsible to make necessary arrangements to access PARITY for purposes of submitting its bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of this Notice of Sale. Neither the Township nor i-Deal shall have any duty or obligation to provide or assure to any bidder, and neither the Township nor i-Deal shall be responsible for the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of, or any damages caused by PARITY. The Township is using PARITY as a communication mechanism, and not as the Township's agent, to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds. By using PARITY, each bidder agrees to hold the Township harmless for any harm or damages caused to such bidder in connection with its use of PARITY for bidding on the Bonds.

Each proposal must specify in a multiple of 1/8th or 1/20th of 1%, a single rate of interest which each maturity of the Bonds are to bear. Not more than one rate of interest may be named for Bonds of the same maturity. No rate of interest named for any maturity may be less than the rate of interest named for a prior maturity, and the difference between the highest and the lowest rates of interest named in the proposal shall not exceed three percent (3%). No proposal shall be considered that offers to pay an amount less than the principal amount of Bonds offered for sale or under which the total loan is made at an interest cost higher than the lowest net interest cost to the Township under any legally acceptable proposal.

The Bonds will be sold to the bidder who, after having complied with the terms of this Notice of Sale, offers the lowest net interest cost for the Bonds. The net interest cost shall be computed in each instance by adding to the total amount of Bonds bid for, the total interest cost to maturity in accordance with such bid. **Proposals may not include any premium.** If two (2) or more bidders specify the same lowest net interest cost, then award will be made to one of such bidders selected by the undersigned by lot. The purchaser must pay an amount equal to the interest on the Bonds accrued to the date of delivery. The Township reserves the right to reject all bids and any bid not complying with the terms of this Notice of Sale.

Each bidder is required to make a good faith deposit, in the amount of **\$158,820** ("Deposit"), in the form of a cash wire or a certified, cashier's or treasurer's check, in each case payable to the order of the "Township of Voorhees". If a cash wire is used, the wire must be received by the Township prior to **11:00 A.M.** (Eastern Time), on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**. Bidders submitting cash wires must (i) notify the Township of their intent to use such cash wire prior to **10:00 A.M.** (Eastern Time), on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017** (ii) provide proof of electronic transfer of such cash wire prior to **11:00 A.M.** (Eastern Time), on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**; and (iii) also enclose return wiring instructions for use by the Township.

Wiring instructions may be obtained by contacting the Township's Municipal Advisor, Phoenix Advisors LLC, at 4 West Park Street, Bordentown, New Jersey 08505. Calls should be directed to Anthony Inverso at (609) 291-0130 or ainverso@muniadvisors.com. If a check is used, the check must be a certified or cashier's or treasurer's check drawn upon a bank or trust company and must be delivered to the Township, c/o Mr. Dean Ciminera, Township of Voorhees, Municipal Offices, 2400 Voorhees Town Center, Voorhees, New Jersey 08043 by no later than **11:00 A.M.** (Eastern Time), on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**. Bidders submitting good faith checks should also enclose a return envelope for use by the Township. Each bidder accepts responsibility for delivering such cash wire or check on time and the Township is not responsible for any cash wire or check that is not received on time. No interest on the Deposit will accrue to the successful bidder. When the successful bidder has been ascertained, all such Deposits shall be returned by the Township to the persons making the same within a reasonable period of time, except the cash wire or check of the successful bidder which shall be applied as partial payment for the Bonds or to secure the Township from any loss resulting from the failure of the successful bidder to comply with the terms of its bid. Award of the Bonds to the successful bidder or rejection of all bids is expected to be made promptly after receipt of the bids. The successful bidder may not withdraw its proposal until after **5:30 P.M.** (Eastern Time), on the bid date and then only if such award has not been made prior to the withdrawal.

AT THE TIME OF DELIVERY OF THE BONDS, PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS SHALL BE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS.

The successful bidder may refuse to accept the Bonds, if prior to their delivery, any income tax law of the United States of America shall provide that the interest thereon is taxable, or shall be taxable at a future date, for federal income tax purposes and, in such case, the deposit made by such bidder will be returned and the successful bidder will be relieved of its contractual obligations arising from the acceptance of its proposal.

RATING

The Township has applied for a rating on the Bonds from S&P Global Ratings, acting through Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC. The Township expects to have a rating prior to the sale of the Bonds. Notice of a rating on the Bonds will be communicated via PARITY

OPTIONAL PURCHASE OF MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE

Information concerning the Township has been furnished to certain companies for the purpose of qualifying the Bonds for municipal bond insurance. Any purchase of said insurance will be at the sole option and expense of the bidder and increased costs of issuance including, without limitation, any additional rating agency fees, resulting by reason of such insurance will be paid by such bidder. Notice of qualification of the Bonds for municipal bond insurance will be communicated via MUNIFACTS. If the Bonds qualify for municipal bond insurance, each bidder shall be required to specify whether municipal bond insurance will be purchased.

POSTPONEMENT

The Township reserves the right to postpone, from time to time, the date and time established for receipt of Bids. **ANY SUCH POSTPONEMENT WILL BE PUBLISHED ON**

THOMSON MUNICIPAL NEWSWIRE, BEFORE 11:00 A.M. ON THE DAY BEFORE THE SALE. If any date fixed for receipt of bids and the sale of the Bonds is postponed, an alternative sale date will be announced via Thomson Municipal Newswire at least forty-eight hours prior to such alternative sale date. On any such alternative sale date, any bidder may submit a bid for the purchase of the Bonds in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Notice of Sale, except for the date of sale and except for the changes announced on Thomson Municipal Newswire at the time the sale date and time are announced.

DELIVERY OF THE BONDS

It is anticipated that delivery of the Bonds will occur on or about September 28, 2017.

It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or a refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms hereof. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the Bonds shall be paid for by the Township; provided, however, that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of the numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchaser.

Closing Certificates:

Simultaneously with the delivery of the Bonds, the purchaser shall assist the Township in establishing the issue price and yield of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the Township at closing an "issue price" and "yield" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sale price or prices of the Bonds and yield, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications ("Issue Price Certificate"). The Issue Price Certificate shall be executed in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Establishment of Issue Price:

(a) The Township intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Bonds) will apply to the initial sale of the Bonds (the "competitive sale requirements") because:

- (1) the Township disseminated this Notice of Sale to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
- (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
- (3) the Township may receive bids from at least three (3) underwriters of municipal bonds or Bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds or Bonds; and
- (4) the Township anticipates awarding the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Notice of Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Notice of Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

(b) If the successful bidder is a bank or local government unit purchasing for its own account the provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) below shall not apply

(c) In the event that paragraph (b) above is not applicable and the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the Township shall so advise the successful bidder. The Township shall treat the first price at which 10% of the Bonds (the "10% Test") is sold to the public as the issue price of the Bonds. The successful bidder shall advise the Township if the Bonds satisfy the 10% Test as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds. The Township will *not* require bidders to comply with the "hold-the-offering-price rule" and therefore does not intend to use the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of the Bonds as the issue price of the Bonds. Bids will *not* be subject to cancellation in the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied. *Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that the Bonds will be subject to the 10% Test in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.*

(d) If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, then until the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds, the successful bidder agrees to promptly report to the Township the prices at which the unsold Bonds have been sold to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds. If the 10% Test is not met by the closing date, a supplemental issue price certificate must be provided.

(e) By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds allotted to it until it is notified by the successful bidder that either the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds, if and for so long as directed by the successful bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires; and (ii) any agreement among underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement to report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds allotted to it until it is notified by the successful bidder or such underwriter that either the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds, if and for so long as directed by the successful bidder or such underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

(f) Sales of any securities to any person that is a related party to an underwriter shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this Notice of Sale. Further, for purposes of this Notice of Sale:

- (i) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party;
- (ii) "underwriter" means: (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Township (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public; and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling

- group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public);
- (iii) a purchaser of any of the Bonds is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to: (A) at least 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another); (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another); or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
 - (iv) "sale date" means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the Township to the successful bidder.

The obligation of the purchaser to purchase and pay for the Bonds is conditioned on the delivery, at the time of settlement of the Bonds, of the following: (i) approving legal opinion of Parker McCay P.A., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, Bond Counsel, a form of which can be found in Appendix "C" to the Preliminary Official Statement; (ii) the delivery of certificates in form and tenor satisfactory to Bond Counsel evidencing the proper execution and delivery of the Bonds and receipt of payment therefor, including a statement of the Township, dated as of the date of such delivery, to the effect that there is no litigation pending or, to the knowledge of the signer or signers thereof, threatened relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds; and (iii) an executed copy of the Disclosure Agreement.

DEAN CIMINERA, Chief Financial Officer

Dated: September 5, 2017

“EXHIBIT “A”

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CERTIFICATE OF UNDERWRITER
REGARDING YIELD AND ISSUE PRICE

The undersigned, an authorized representative of _____, as underwriter ("Underwriter") for the above-captioned bonds ("Bonds"), hereby certifies as follows:

1. This certificate is delivered to the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township") and may be relied upon in establishing the reasonable expectations of the Township as to the matters stated herein as may be necessary or appropriate in the preparation by the Township of a certificate relating to arbitrage matters in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and in complying with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), and the regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to arbitrage.

2. This certificate is based on facts and estimates in existence on the date hereof and, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, the matters set forth herein are reasonable in light of such facts and estimates.

3. On September 12, 2017 ("Sale Date"), the Underwriter submitted and the Township accepted its competitive proposal to purchase the Bonds.

4. [As of the date of this certificate, the Underwriter has not sold at least 10% of the Bonds at a single price and agrees once it has sold at least 10% of the Bonds at a single price, it

will provide a Supplemental Issue Price Certificate to the Township and Bond Counsel, which date will be not later than thirty (30) days after the last day of the calendar quarter next ending after the date of closing of the Bonds.] [As of the date of this certificate, the first price at which at least 10% of the Bonds was sold to the Public is _____.]

5. Capitalized terms utilized herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed thereto below:

(i) "Public" shall mean any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.

(ii) "Underwriter" shall mean: (a) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Township (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public; and (b) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (a) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public). The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only.

(iii) "Yield" shall mean that discount rate, determined on the basis of one interest compounding period equal to the term of the Bonds, which, when used in computing the present

value of all unconditionally payable payments of principal (including original issue discount, if any), produces an amount equal to the aggregate issue price thereof.

6. All of the Bonds of each maturity have been the subject of a bona-fide offering to the General Public at reoffering yields no lower than the yields set forth on the cover page of the Official Statement, prepared with respect to the sale of Bonds ("Official Statement"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof.

7. Based upon prevailing market conditions on the Sale Date, the Underwriter had no reason to believe that any maturity of the Bonds would be sold to the General Public at yields less than the yields set forth on the cover page of the Official Statement for each respective maturity.

8. The aggregate issue price of the Bonds is the sum of the issue prices of the Bonds (determined separately for Bonds that are not substantially identical). The issue price for the Bonds that are substantially identical is an amount equal to the initial offering price of the Bonds to the General Public at which price a substantial amount of the Bonds were sold, including accrued interest, if any, as of the date of issuance, and without allowance for discount or any fees in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. As thus determined, the aggregate issue price of the Bonds is \$_____.

9. The aggregate issue price of the Bonds, as determined herein, does not exceed the fair market value of the Bonds as of the Sale Date.

10. The yield on the Bonds to maturity was computed as that discount rate determined on the basis of semi-annual interest compounding (based on a 360 day year consisting of twelve (12) months of thirty (30) days each) which, when used in computing the present value of all the unconditionally payable payments of principal of and interest (including original issue discount, if any) on the Bonds, produces an amount equal to the aggregate issue price of the Bonds. The issue price of the Bonds is an amount equal to the initial offering price of the Bonds to the General Public at which price, including accrued interest, a substantial amount of the Bonds were sold as of the date of issuance, and without allowance for discount or any fees in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

11. As thus calculated the yield of the Bonds is not less than _____%.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of September, 2017.

_____,
as Underwriter

By: _____
[NAME], [Title]

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Exhibit "A"

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PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

In the opinion of Parker McCay P.A., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, Bond Counsel, assuming continuing compliance by the Township with certain tax covenants described herein, under existing law, interest on the Bonds (as hereinafter defined) is not included for federal income tax purposes in the gross income of the owners thereof pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), and is not a specific item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations pursuant to Section 55 of the Code. Interest on the Bonds is included in the calculation of the alternative minimum tax as a result of the inclusion of interest on the Bonds in "adjusted current earnings". Interest on the Bonds may be subject to the branch profits tax imposed on certain foreign corporations and to the tax on "excess net passive income" imposed on S corporations. Interest on the Bonds and any gain from the sale thereof are not includable in the gross income of owners thereof under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, as presently executed and construed. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

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Dated: Date of Delivery

Bonds Due: September 15, as shown on inside front cover

The \$7,941,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017 ("Bonds") of the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township"), shall be issued in fully registered book-entry-only form without coupons in minimum denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000, and in integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, or in such amount necessary to issue the principal amount of the Bonds. The Bonds consist of: (i) \$6,854,000 General Improvement Bonds; and (ii) \$1,087,000 Sewer Utility Bonds.

The principal of the Bonds shall be paid on their respective maturity dates thereof upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the principal corporate trust office of TD Bank, National Association, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, as bond registrar and paying agent ("Paying Agent"). Interest on the Bonds is payable semi-annually on March 15 and September 15 ("Interest Payment Dates"), commencing March 15, 2018, in each year until maturity. The Bonds are **not** subject to redemption prior to maturity.

Upon initial issuance, the Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the Township directly to DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., which will remit such payments to the DTC Participants (as herein defined) which will, in turn, remit such payments to the Beneficial Owners (as herein defined) of the Bonds. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds purchased. For so long as any purchaser is a Beneficial Owner of a Bond, such purchaser must maintain an account with a broker or dealer who is, or acts through, a DTC participant to receive payment of the principal of and interest on such Bond.

The Township is issuing the Bonds pursuant to: (i) the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"); (ii) bond ordinances 2016-286, 2017-303, 2017-304, 2017-305, 2017-306 and 2017-307 (collectively, the "Bond Ordinances"), each duly and finally adopted by the Township Committee and published in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law; (iii) a resolution adopted by the Township Committee on August 14, 2017; and (iv) a Certificate of Determination and Award executed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township on September __, 2017.

The Bonds are being issued by the Township to provide funds which will be used to: (i) permanently finance the costs of the completion of various capital improvements and the acquisition of various capital equipment for which obligations have been authorized, but not yet issued; and (ii) pay certain costs and expenses incidental to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

The Bonds are general obligations of the Township and the full faith and credit of the Township are irrevocably pledged for the payment thereof. The Bonds are payable ultimately from *ad valorem* taxes that shall be levied upon all taxable real property within the Township without limitation as to rate or amount.

This cover page contains information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of this issue. Investors must read the entire Official Statement, including the Appendices, to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the prior approval of legality by the law firm of Parker McCay P.A., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, Bond Counsel to the Township. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Township by its Solicitor, Howard C. Long, Jr., Esquire, Laurel Springs, New Jersey. Phoenix Advisors LLC, Bordentown, New Jersey, has served as Municipal Advisor to the Township in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Delivery of the Bonds is further subject to certain other conditions set forth herein. It is anticipated that the Bonds in definitive form will be available for delivery through DTC in New York, New York, on or about September 28, 2017.

MATURITY SCHEDULES

\$7,941,000

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2018	\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	%	%
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Mayor and Township Committee

Michael R. Mignogna	Mayor
Jason Ravitz	Deputy Mayor
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References in this Official Statement to laws, rules, regulations, bond ordinances, agreements, reports and other documents do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references to such documents are qualified in their entirety by reference to the particular document, the full text of which may contain qualifications of and exceptions to statements made herein, and copies of which may be inspected at the office of the Township Clerk during normal business hours.

This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor there be any sale of the Bonds in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for any person to make such an offer, solicitation or sale. No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than as contained in this Official Statement. If given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Township or any underwriter.

Upon issuance, the Bonds will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, will not be listed on any stock or other securities exchange and neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, State, municipal or other governmental entity will have passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Official Statement.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITER AND/OR PURCHASER MAY OVER ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.

The order and placement of materials in this Official Statement, including the Appendices, are not to be deemed to be a determination of relevance, materiality or importance, and this Official Statement, including the Appendices, must be considered in its entirety.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT

\$7,941,000
TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
County of Camden, New Jersey
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017
Consisting of:
\$6,854,000 General Improvement Bonds
\$1,087,000 Sewer Utility Bonds
(Non-Callable) (Bank-Qualified)

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement, including the cover page hereof and the appendices attached hereto, is to provide certain information relating to the issuance by the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township"), of its \$7,941,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017 ("Bonds"). The Bonds consist of: (i) \$6,854,000 General Improvement Bonds; and (ii) \$1,087,000 Sewer Utility Bonds.

The information contained herein relating to the Township was furnished by the Township unless otherwise indicated.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BONDS

The Bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to: (i) the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"); (ii) bond ordinances 2016-286, 2017-303, 2017-304, 2017-305, 2017-306 and 2017-307 (collectively, the "Bond Ordinances"), each duly and finally adopted by the Township Committee and published in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law; (iii) a resolution adopted by the Township Committee on August 14, 2017; and (iv) a Certificate of Determination and Award executed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township on September __, 2017.

PURPOSE OF THE ISSUE

The Bonds are being issued by the Township to provide funds which will be used to: (i) permanently finance the costs of the completion of various capital improvements and the acquisition of various capital equipment for which obligations have been authorized, but not yet issued; and (ii) pay certain costs and expenses incidental to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

The capital improvements and equipment to be permanently financed with the proceeds of the Bonds include the following:

General Improvement Bonds

Ordinance Number	Purpose/ Improvement	Amount Authorized	Bonds
2016-286	Acquisition of Various Vehicles and Equipment	\$1,212,200	\$700
2017-303	Acquisition and Installation of Artificial Turf and Related Accessories	399,000	399,000
2017-305	Acquisition of Various Vehicles and Equipment	4,065,050	4,065,050
2017-306	Various Improvements to Buildings and Grounds	594,700	594,700
2017-307	Various Road Improvements	1,794,550	1,794,550
	Total	\$8,065,500	\$6,854,000

Sewer Utility Bonds

Ordinance Number	Purpose/ Improvement	Amount Authorized	Bonds
2017-304	Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Sewer Utility; Completion of Various Sewer Utility Improvements	\$1,087,750	\$1,087,000
	Total	\$1,087,750	\$1,087,000

DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS

General

The Bonds will be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$7,941,000. The Bonds will be dated their date of delivery and bear interest from that date at the interest rates set forth on the inside front cover hereof. Interest on the Bonds is payable semi-annually on March 15 and September 15 (each an "Interest Payment Date" and collectively, "Interest Payment Dates"), commencing March 15, 2018, in each year until maturity. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000, or any integral multiple of \$5,000, and in integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, or in such amount necessary to issue the principal amount of the Bonds, through book-entries made on the books and the records of DTC (as hereinafter defined) and its participants. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS--Book-Entry-Only System" below. The Bonds will mature on September 15 in the years and in the principal amounts, all as shown on the inside front cover page of this Official Statement.

The Bonds will be issued in fully registered book-entry only form without coupons. The principal of the Bonds will be payable to the registered owners at maturity upon presentation

and surrender of the Bonds at the principal corporate trust office of TD Bank, National Association, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, as registrar and paying agent ("Paying Agent"). Interest on each Bond shall be payable on each Interest Payment Date of such Bond to the registered owner of record thereof appearing on the registration books kept by the Township for such purpose at the offices of the Paying Agent, as of the close of business on the first (1st) day of the calendar month containing an Interest Payment Date (each a "Record Date").

So long as The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") or its nominee, Cede & Co., is the registered owner of the Bonds, payments of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made directly to Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. Disbursements of such payments to the participants of DTC ("DTC Participants") is the responsibility of DTC and disbursements of such payments to the Beneficial Owners (as hereinafter defined) of the Bonds is the responsibility of the DTC Participants and not the Township or the Paying Agent.

Redemption Provisions

The Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity dates.

Book-Entry-Only System¹

The description which follows of the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds, payment of principal and interest, and other payments on the Bonds to DTC Participants or Beneficial Owners (as each such term is hereinafter defined), confirmation and transfer of beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds and other related transactions by and between DTC, DTC Participants and Beneficial Owners, is based on certain information furnished by DTC to the Township. Accordingly, the Township does not make any representations as to the completeness or accuracy of such information.

The DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such issue, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and

¹ Source: The Depository Trust Company

dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of the Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all the Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices, if any, shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the bonds within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Township or its Paying Agent, as soon as possible after the applicable Record Date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the applicable Record Date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds and distributions on the Bonds, if any, will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Township or Paying Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Township or Paying Agent, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds and distributions to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Township or Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Township or Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, the Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Township may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Township believes to be reliable, but neither the Township nor the Underwriter (as hereinafter defined) take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

NEITHER THE TOWNSHIP NOR ITS PAYING AGENT WILL HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO THE DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR THE PERSONS FOR WHOM THEY ACT AS NOMINEES WITH RESPECT TO THE PAYMENTS TO OR PROVIDING OF NOTICE FOR THE DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, OR THE INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS.

SO LONG AS CEDE & CO. IS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE BONDS, AS NOMINEE OF DTC, REFERENCES HEREIN TO THE BONDHOLDERS OR REGISTERED OWNERS OF THE BONDS (OTHER THAN UNDER THE HEADING "TAX MATTERS") SHALL MEAN CEDE & CO. AND SHALL NOT MEAN THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE BONDS.

Discontinuance of Book-Entry-Only System

In the event that the book-entry-only system is discontinued and the Beneficial Owners become registered owners of the Bonds, the following provisions would apply: (i) the Bonds may be exchanged for an equal principal amount of Bonds in other authorized denominations and of the same maturity, upon surrender thereof at the offices of the Township or its Paying Agent; (ii) the transfer of the Bonds may be registered on the books maintained by the Township or Paying Agent, for such purposes only upon the surrender thereof to the Township or Paying Agent, together with the duly executed assignment in form satisfactory to the Township or Paying Agent; and (iii) for every exchange or registration of transfer of the Bonds, the Township or Paying Agent, may make a charge sufficient to reimburse for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or registration of transfer for any tax

or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or registration of transfer of the Bonds. In such event, interest on the Bonds will be payable by check or draft, mailed on each Interest Payment Date, to the registered owners thereof as of the close of business on the Record Date, whether or not a business day.

SECURITY FOR THE BONDS

The full faith and credit of the Township are irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The Bonds are general obligations of the Township payable as to principal and interest from *ad valorem* taxes that shall be levied upon all taxable real property within the Township without limitation as to rate or amount.

The Township may pledge only its own credit and taxing power in respect of the Bonds, and has no power to pledge the credit or taxing power of the State or any other political subdivision thereof, nor shall the Bonds be deemed to be obligations of said State or any other political subdivision thereof, nor shall said State or any other political subdivision thereof be liable for the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds.

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE TOWNSHIP

General

General information concerning the Township, including economic, financial, demographic and other relevant data, is set forth in Appendix "A" to this Official Statement.

Financial

Appendix "B" to this Official Statement contains audited financial statements of the Township for the years ending December 31, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012. The audited financial data was provided by Bowman & Company LLP, Voorhees, New Jersey ("Auditor"), and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such firm. The Auditor has consented to the inclusion of their report in this Official Statement. Copies of the complete Reports of Audit may be obtained upon request to the office of the Chief Financial Officer of the Township.

CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT

Local Bond Law

General - The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds and notes by counties and municipalities for the financing of capital improvements. Among its provisions are the following: (i) the power and obligation to pay any and all bonds and notes issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law shall be unlimited; (ii) the county or municipality shall levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable property therein for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes without limitation as to rate or amount; (iii) generally, a down payment that is not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of debt obligations authorized must be appropriated in addition to the amount of debt obligations authorized; (iv) all non-special-assessment bonds shall mature within the period of usefulness or average period of usefulness of the

improvements being financed; and (v) after issuance, all bonds and notes shall be conclusively presumed to be fully authorized and issued by all of the laws of the State, and all persons shall be estopped from questioning their sale, execution or delivery.

Debt Limits - The authorized bonded indebtedness of the Township is limited by statute, subject to the exceptions noted below, to an amount equal to three and one-half percent (3.50%) of its equalized valuation basis. The equalized valuation basis of the Township is set by statute as the average for the last three years of the equalized value of all taxable real property and improvements as annually determined by the New Jersey State Board of Taxation. Certain categories of debt are permitted by statute to be deducted for purposes of computing the statutory debt limit.

Bonds, notes and long-term loans are included in the computation of debt for the statutory debt limit. The Township, including the issuance of the Bonds, will not exceed its three and one-half percent (3.50%) debt limit.

Exceptions to Debt Limits – Extensions of Credit - The Township may exceed its debt limit with the approval of the Local Finance Board, a State regulatory agency, and as permitted by other statutory exceptions. If all or any part of a proposed debt authorization would exceed its debt limit, the Township may apply to the Local Finance Board for an extension of credit. If the Local Finance Board determines that a proposed debt authorization would not materially impair the credit of the Township or substantially reduce the ability of the Township to meet its obligations or to provide essential public improvements and services, or make certain other statutory determinations, approval may be granted.

In addition, debt in excess of the statutory limit may be issued by the Township to fund certain notes, to provide for purposes in an amount not exceeding two-thirds (2/3) of the amount budgeted in such fiscal year for the retirement of outstanding obligations (exclusive of utility and assessment obligations).

Short-Term Financing – When approved by bond ordinance, the Township may issue bond anticipation notes to temporarily finance capital improvements. Such notes may not be issued in an aggregate amount exceeding that specified by the ordinance. The Notes may not be issued for periods of more than one year, renewable with the final maturity occurring no later than the first day of the fifth month following the close of the tenth fiscal year next following the date of the original note. After the third year, the amount of the Notes that may be renewed annually must be decreased by the minimum amount required for the first year's principal payment for the bond issue in anticipation of which the Notes are issued.

Refunding Bonds – Refunding Bonds may be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law for the purpose of paying, funding outstanding bonds, including emergency appropriations, the actuarial liabilities of a non-state administered public employee pension system and amounts owing to others for taxes levied in the local unit, or any renewals or extensions thereof, and for paying the cost of issuance of bonds.

Local Fiscal Affairs Law

The Local Fiscal Affairs Law, Chapter 5 of Title 40A of the New Jersey State Statutes, as amended and supplemented ("Local Fiscal Affairs Law"), governs audits, auditors, public moneys and financial statements of local governmental units, including the Township.

Each local unit is required to cause an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions to be made and completed within six months after the close of its fiscal year by either a Registered Municipal Accountant or, by agreement with the Director ("Director") of the Division of Local Government Services ("Division") in the Department of Community Affairs, by qualified employees of the Division.

An independent examination of the Township's books, accounts and financial transactions must be performed annually by a Registered Municipal Accountant who is licensed by the State Board of Public Accountants. The audit, conforming to the Division's "Requirements of Audit", includes recommendations for improvement of the local unit's financial procedures and must be filed with the report, together with all recommendations made. A Summary of Audit, together with recommendations, must be published in a local newspaper within 30 days of its submission. The entire annual audit report for the year ended December 31, 2016 is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for review during business hours.

The Local Fiscal Affairs Law also requires that the Chief Financial Officer of the local unit file annually with the Director a verified statement of the financial condition of the local unit as of the close of the fiscal year to be made not later than February 10 for December 31 fiscal year end local units and August 10 for June 30 fiscal year end local units.

Local Budget Law

The Local Budget Law, Chapter 4 of Title 40A of the State, as amended and supplemented ("Local Budget Law"), governs the budgeting and appropriation of funds by local governmental units.

The Local Budget Law requires local governmental units to adopt a "cash basis" budget in such form that there will be sufficient cash collected to meet all debt service requirements, necessary operations of the local governmental units for the fiscal year and any mandatory payments required to be met during the fiscal year.

No budget shall be adopted unless the Director shall have previously certified their approval thereof.

Each local governmental unit must include in its budget an appropriation for the payment of debt service. The Director is required to examine such appropriation to determine whether it is properly set forth, in addition to determining whether all estimates of revenue contained in the budget are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated.

A statute passed in 1976, as amended (*N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq.*), commonly known as the "Cap Law", imposed limitations on increases in municipal appropriations subject to various exceptions. On August 20, 1990, the Governor signed into law P.L. 1990, c. 89, which revised and made permanent the "Cap Law". Since its inception, the "Cap Law" has been amended and modified several times, most recently on July 13, 2010. While the revised "Cap Law" is more restrictive on the ability of a local unit to increase its overall appropriations, it does

not limit the obligation of the Township to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable real property within the Township to pay debt service on the Bonds. The Cap Law provides that a local unit shall limit any increase of its budget to 2.5% or the index rate, whichever is less, over the previous year's final appropriations subject to certain exceptions. The "index rate" is the rate of annual percentage increase in the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services computed by the United States, Department of Commerce. Among the exceptions to the limitations imposed by the Cap Law are capital expenditures; debt service; extraordinary expenses approved by the Local Finance Board for implementation of an interlocal services agreement; expenditures mandated as a result of certain emergencies; and certain expenditures for services mandated by law.

Additionally, legislation constituting P.L. 2010, c. 44, was adopted on July 13, 2010 (S-29R1), which, among other things, imposes a two percent (2.00%) cap on the tax levy that municipalities, counties, fire districts and solid waste collection districts may impose, with very limited exceptions and subject to certain adjustments.

Exclusions from the two percent (2.00%) tax levy cap include: (i) increases required to be raised by taxation for capital expenditures, including debt service as defined by law; (ii) increases in pension contributions and accrued liability for pension contributions in excess of 2.00%; (iii) increases in health care costs equal to that portion of the actual increase in total health care costs for the budget year that is in excess of 2.00% of the total health care costs in the prior year, but is not in excess of the product of the total health care costs in the prior year and the average percentage increase of the State Health Benefits Program, P.L.1961, c.49 (C.52:14-17.25 *et seq.*), as annually determined by the Division of Pensions and Benefits in the Department of the Treasury; and (iv) and extraordinary costs incurred by a local unit directly related to a declared emergency, as defined by regulation promulgated by the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, as appropriate. The amendments to the tax levy sections of the "Cap Law" (specifically, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45-46) in 2010 no longer permit municipalities, counties, fire districts and solid waste collection districts to request approval from the Local Finance Board for a waiver to increase the amount to be raised by taxation in excess of the two percent (2.00%) cap. However, counties, municipalities, fire districts and solid waste collection districts may request, through a public question submitted to the voters, an increase in the amount to be raised by taxes above the two percent (2.00%) tax levy cap. Such approval must be achieved by an affirmative vote in excess of fifty percent (50%) of those voting on such public question.

Neither the tax levy limitation nor the "Cap Law" limits the obligation of the Township to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable real property within the Township to pay debt service on its bonds or notes, including the Bonds.

Miscellaneous Revenues

N.J.S.A. 40A:4-26 provides that: "No miscellaneous revenues from any source shall be included as an anticipated revenue in the budget in an amount in excess of the amount actually realized in cash from the same source during the next preceding fiscal year, unless the [D]irector shall determine upon application by the governing body that the facts clearly warrant the expectation that such excess amount will actually be realized in cash during the fiscal year and shall certify such determination, in writing, to the local unit." Such determination may be made by the governing body and the chief financial officer in any year during which the local unit is subject to local examination.

No budget or amendment shall be adopted unless the Director has previously certified the approval of such anticipated revenues.

Real Estate Taxes

Receipts from Delinquent Taxes - Revenues are permitted by *N.J.S.A. 40A:4-29* to be anticipated in the annual budget for collection of delinquent taxes of prior years. The maximum amount permitted to be anticipated is determined by applying the collection rate of the prior year's delinquent taxes to the total amount of delinquent taxes outstanding at the beginning of the current year.

Current Year Tax Levy and Reserve for Uncollected Taxes - The current year's taxes to be levied are determined by adding the sums of the cash required from taxes to support the municipal, school, county and special district budgets, if any, together with the amount of an appropriation required to be included in the annual municipal budget entitled "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes", less the total of anticipated revenues. The inclusion of the "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes" appropriation in the current year's budget protects the municipality from taxes currently unpaid. The "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes" is required to be, at a minimum, an amount sufficient to provide for the same percentage of uncollected taxes in the current year as was experienced in the immediately preceding year, the average of the previous three years in accordance with P.L. 2000, c. 126, or the previous year collection percentage after reducing the previous year levy by tax appeal judgments of the county tax board pursuant to R.S.54:3-21 *et seq.*, or the State tax court pursuant to R.S.54:48-1 *et seq.* in accordance with Chapter 56 of P.L. 2010.

N.J.S.A. 40A:4-41 provides with regard to current taxes that: "Receipts from the collection of taxes levied or to be levied in the municipality, or in the case of a county for general county purposes and payable in the fiscal year, shall be anticipated in an amount which is not in excess of the percentage of taxes levied and payable during the next preceding fiscal year which was received in cash by the last day of such preceding fiscal year."

Another provision requires that an additional amount (the "reserve for uncollected taxes") be added to the tax levy required for all current budget appropriations and school and county taxes of the current fiscal year. The reserve requirement is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Levy Required for Current Budget,} \\ \text{School and County Taxes}}{\text{Prior Year's Percentage of Current} \\ \text{Tax Collections (or Lesser \%)}} = \text{Total Taxes to be Levied}$$

Deferral of Current Expenses

Emergency appropriations (i.e., those made after the adoption of the budget and determination of the tax rate for an unforeseen event or purpose) may be authorized by the governing body of the local governmental units. With minor exceptions, however, such appropriations must be included in full in the following year's budget. When such appropriations exceed three percent (3.00%) of the adopted operating budget, consent of the Director of Local Government Services must be obtained.

The exceptions are certain enumerated projects to cover the cost of the extraordinary expense for the repair, or reconstruction of streets, roads or bridges, or other public property

damaged by snow, ice, frost or flood, where such expense was not foreseen at the time of the adoption of the budget, which may be amortized over three years; and tax map preparations, revision of ordinances, revaluations, master plan preparation, studies and planning necessary for the installation and construction of a sanitary sewer system, and payments of accumulated sick and vacation time which may be amortized over five years.

Budget Transfers

Budget transfers provide a degree of flexibility and afford a control mechanism. Transfers between major appropriation accounts are prohibited until the last two months of the year and, although subaccounts within an appropriation are not subject to the same year-end transfer restriction, they are subject to internal review and approval.

Capital Budget

In accordance with the Local Budget Law, each local unit shall prepare and adopt a capital budget, in conjunction with its annual operating budget, for any year in which it proposes to undertake a capital project. Every local unit which adopts a capital budget must also adopt a three (3) year capital program unless the local unit's population exceeds 10,000 where a six (6) year capital program is required.

Sewer Utility Budget

The Township's public sewer utility is supported, in addition to the general taxing power upon real property, by the revenues generated by the operations of the utility. A separate budget is established for the utility. The anticipated revenues and appropriations for the utility are set forth in a budget, which is required to be balanced and to fully provide for debt service. The regulations regarding anticipation of revenue and deferral of charges apply equally to the budget of the utility. Deficits or anticipated deficits in utility operations which cannot be provided for from utility surplus, if any, are required to be raised in the "Current" or operating budget.

Related Constitutional and Statutory Provisions

In the general election of January 2, 1976, as amended by the general election of January 6, 1984, the following Article 8, Section 1, Paragraph 7, with respect to a state income tax, was added to the State Constitution:

No tax shall be levied on personal incomes of individuals, estates and trusts of this State unless the entire net receipts therefrom shall be received into the treasury, placed in a perpetual fund and be annually appropriated, pursuant to formulas established from time to time by the Legislature, to the several counties, municipalities and school districts of this State exclusively for the purpose of reducing or offsetting property taxes. In no event, however, shall a tax so levied on personal income be levied on payments received under the Federal Social Security Act, the Federal Railroad Retirement Act, or any federal law which substantially reenacts the provisions of either of those laws.

A progressive state income tax is currently in effect in the State.

The State Constitution may only be amended after: (i) approval of a proposed amendment by three-fifths (3/5) of all of the members of each house of the State Legislature and approval by a majority vote in a statewide referendum; or (ii) approval in two successive legislative years by a majority of all of the members of each house and approval by a majority vote in a statewide referendum. Amendments failing to receive voter approval may not be resubmitted for voter approval before the third succeeding general election after such disaffirmance.

The Municipal Finance Commission

The Municipal Finance Commission ("Commission") was created in 1931 to assist in the financial rehabilitation of municipalities, which had defaulted in their obligations. The powers of the Commission are exercised today by the Local Finance Board. The previously discussed elements of the local finance system are intended to prevent default on obligations or occurrence of severe fiscal difficulties in any local unit. Should extreme economic conditions adversely affect any local unit, the "Municipal Finance Commission Statutes" are available to assist in restoring the stability of the local unit.

Any holder of bonds or notes which are in default for over sixty (60) days (for payment of principal or interest) may bring action against such municipality in the State's Superior Court. Any municipality may declare itself unable to meet its obligations and bring action in such court. In either case, the court's determination that the municipality is in default or unable to meet its obligations causes the Commission to become operative in that municipality.

The Commission exercises direct supervision over the finances and accounts of any local unit under its jurisdiction. The Commission is authorized to appoint an auditor to examine and approve all claims against the municipality and to serve as comptroller for that community. The Commission is also directed to supervise tax collections and assessments, to approve the funding of municipal school district indebtedness, the adjustment or composition of the claims of creditors and the readjustment of debts under the Federal Municipal Bankruptcy Act. Such Act permits municipalities to have access to bankruptcy court for protection against suits by bondholders and creditors.

The Local Finance Board also serves as the "Funding Commission" to exercise supervision over the funding or refunding of local government debt. Any county or municipality seeking to adjust its debt service must apply to and receive the approval of such Funding Commission for the proposed reorganization of its debt.

Limitation of Remedies Under Federal Bankruptcy Code

The rights and remedies of the registered owners of the Bonds are subject to the provisions of Chapter 9 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code of the United States ("Bankruptcy Code"). In general, Chapter 9 permits, under prescribed circumstances, but only after an authorization by the applicable state legislature or by a governmental officer or organization empowered by state law to give such authorization, a political subdivision of a state to file a petition for relief in a bankruptcy court of the United States if it is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature and desires to effect a plan to adjust its debts.

The State has authorized the political subdivisions thereof to file such petitions for relief under the Bankruptcy Code pursuant to and subject to Article 8 of the Act. The Act provides that such petitions may not be filed without the prior approval of the Commission and that no

plan of readjustment of the local unit's debts may be filed or accepted by the petitioner without express authority from the Commission to do so.

THE ABOVE REFERENCES TO THE BANKRUPTCY CODE ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS AN INDICATION THAT THE TOWNSHIP EXPECTS TO RESORT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUCH BANKRUPTCY CODE OR THAT, IF IT DID, SUCH ACTION WOULD BE APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, OR THAT ANY PROPOSED PLAN WOULD INCLUDE A DILUTION OF THE SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY OF THE BONDS.

THE SUMMARIES OF AND REFERENCES TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION AND OTHER STATUTORY PROVISIONS ABOVE ARE NOT AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS COMPREHENSIVE OR DEFINITIVE. ALL REFERENCES TO SUCH DOCUMENTS ARE QUALIFIED IN THEIR ENTIRETY BY REFERENCE TO THE PARTICULAR DOCUMENT, THE FULL TEXT OF WHICH MAY CONTAIN QUALIFICATIONS OF AND EXCEPTIONS TO STATEMENTS MADE HEREIN.

TAXATION

Procedure for Assessment and Collection of Taxes

Property valuations (assessments) are determined on true values as arrived at by a cost approach, market data approach and capitalization of net income where appropriate. Current assessments are the results of maintaining new assessments on a like basis with established comparable properties for newly assessed or purchased properties. This method assures equitable treatment to like property owners. The last complete revaluation of property within the Township was effective for the year 2013.

Upon the filing of certified adopted budgets by the Township, the School Districts, the Voorhees Township Fire District (1) and the County of Camden ("County"), the tax rate is struck by the County Board of Taxation based on the certified amounts in each of the taxing districts for collection to fund the budgets. The statutory provision for the assessment of property, levying of taxes and the collection thereof are set forth in *N.J.S.A. 54:4-1 et seq.* Special taxing districts are permitted in the State for various special services rendered to the properties located within the special district.

Tax bills are due quarterly on February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. Installments not paid on or before the due date are subject to interest penalties of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18.00% per annum on any amounts in excess of \$1,500.00. These interest penalties are the maximum permitted under New Jersey Statutes. Additionally, a 6.00% penalty is charged on any delinquencies in excess of \$10,000.00 if not paid by the end of each year. Delinquent taxes open for one year or more are annually included in a tax sale in accordance with New Jersey Statutes. Tax liens retained by the Township are periodically assigned to the Township Solicitor for "in rem foreclosures" in order to acquire title to these properties.

(1) The Township dissolved the previously separate Fire District as of March 1, 2017, and brought the fire protection services in as a municipal department.

Tax Appeals

The State Statutes provide a taxpayer with remedial procedures for appealing an assessment deemed excessive. The taxpayer has a right to petition the New Jersey Board of Taxation ("Tax Board") on or before the first day of April of the current tax year for review. The Tax Board has the authority, after a hearing, to decrease, increase or reject the appeal petition. These adjustments are usually concluded within the current tax year and reductions are shown as canceled or remitted taxes for that year. If the taxpayer feels his petition was unsatisfactorily reviewed by the Tax Board, appeal may be made to the State Tax Court. State Tax Court appeals tend to take several years prior to settlement and any losses in tax collection from prior years are charged directly to operations.

TAX MATTERS

Federal

In the opinion of Parker McCay P.A., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, Bond Counsel to the Township, assuming continuing compliance by the Township with the tax covenants described below, under existing law, interest on the Bonds is not included for federal income tax purposes in the gross income of the owners thereof pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), and is not a specific item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of calculating the alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations pursuant to Section 55 of the Code.

The adjustment for "adjusted current earnings" set forth in Section 56(g) of the Code is required in determining a corporation's alternative minimum taxable income. Alternative minimum taxable income is increased by seventy-five percent (75%) of the excess, if any, of the "adjusted current earnings" of a corporation over the alternative minimum taxable income (determined without regard to this adjustment or the alternative tax net operating loss deduction).

Interest on the Bonds is included in computing a corporation's "adjusted current earnings." Accordingly, a portion of the interest on the Bonds is included in computing such corporation's alternative minimum taxable income for such year.

Section 884 of the Code imposes on certain foreign corporations a branch profits tax equal to thirty percent (30%) of the "dividend equivalent amount" for the taxable year. Interest on the Bonds received or accrued by a foreign corporation subject to the branch profits tax may be included in computing the "dividend equivalent amount" of such corporation.

In addition, passive investment income, including interest on the Bonds, may be subject to federal income taxation under Section 1375 of the Code for any S corporation that has Subchapter C earnings and profits at the close of the taxable year, if more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the gross receipts of such S corporation is passive investment income.

In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel has relied on the Township's covenants contained in the Certificate as to Non-Arbitrage and Other Tax Matters, that it will comply with the applicable requirements of the Code, relating to, *inter alia*, the use and investment of proceeds of the Bonds and rebate to the United States Treasury of specified arbitrage earnings, if any, under Section 148(f) of the Code. Failure of the Township to comply with such covenants could result in the interest on the Bonds being subject to federal income tax from the date of

issue. Bond Counsel has not undertaken to monitor compliance with such covenants or to advise any party as to changes in the law after the date of issuance of the Bonds that may affect the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Bonds.

Ownership of the Bonds may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers including, without limitation, certain holders of an interest in a financial asset securitization investment trust, controlled foreign corporations, property and casualty insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals who otherwise qualify for the earned income credit, and to individuals and families that qualify for a premium assistance credit amount under Section 36B of the Code. The Code denies the earned income credit to an individual who is otherwise eligible if the aggregate amount of disqualified income of the taxpayer for the taxable year exceeds certain limits set forth in Sections 32(i) and (j) of the Code. Interest on the Bonds will constitute disqualified income for this purpose. The Code also provides that the earned income credit is phased out if the modified adjusted gross income of the taxpayer exceeds certain amounts. Interest on the Bonds is included in determining the modified adjusted gross income of the taxpayer. Section 36B of the Code provides that the amount of the premium assistance credit amount is in part determined by the household income. Section 36B(d) of the Code provides that household income consists of the "modified adjusted gross income" of the taxpayer and certain other individuals. "Modified adjusted gross income" means adjusted gross income increased by certain amounts, including interest received or accrued by the taxpayer which is exempt from tax, such as the interest on the Bonds.

In addition, attention is called to the fact that Section 265(b)(1) of the Code eliminates the interest deduction otherwise allowable with respect to indebtedness deemed incurred by banks, thrift institutions and other financial institutions to purchase or to carry tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986 other than "qualified tax-exempt obligations" as defined in Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. The Township has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for the purposes of Section 265(b)(1) of the Code. Eighty percent (80%) of the interest expense deemed incurred by banks, thrift institutions and other financial institutions to purchase or carry "qualified tax-exempt obligations" is deductible.

Owners of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability and effect on their federal income taxes of the alternative minimum tax, the branch profits tax and the tax on passive investment income of S corporations, as well as the applicability and effect of any other collateral federal income tax consequences.

New Jersey

Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds and any gain from the sale thereof is not included in the gross income of the owners thereof under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, as presently enacted and construed.

Changes in Federal and State Tax Law

From time to time, there are legislative proposals in the United States Congress and in the states that, if enacted, could alter or amend the Federal and State tax matters referred to above or adversely affect the market value of the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposals might be enacted or whether, if enacted, it would apply to bonds or notes issued prior to enactment. In addition, regulatory actions are from time to time

announced or proposed and litigation is threatened or commenced which, if implemented or concluded in a particular manner, could adversely affect the market value of the Bonds.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE BONDS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS REGARDING ANY FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX LEGISLATION, WHETHER CURRENTLY PENDING OR PROPOSED, REGULATORY INITIATIVES OR LITIGATION. THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED BY BOND COUNSEL ARE BASED UPON EXISTING LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS AS INTERPRETED BY RELEVANT JUDICIAL AND REGULATORY AUTHORITIES AS OF THE DATE OF ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF THE BONDS AND BOND COUNSEL HAS EXPRESSED NO OPINION AS OF ANY DATE SUBSEQUENT THERETO OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY PENDING LEGISLATION, REGULATORY INITIATIVES OR LITIGATION.

LITIGATION

To the knowledge of the Township's Solicitor, Howard C. Long, Jr., Esquire, of the law firm Wade, Long, Wood & Kennedy, LLC, Laurel Springs, New Jersey ("Solicitor"), there is no litigation of any nature now pending or threatened, restraining or enjoining the issuance or the delivery of the Bonds, or the levy or the collection of any taxes to pay the principal of or the interest on the Bonds, or in any manner questioning the authority or the proceedings for the issuance of the Bonds or for the levy or the collection of taxes, or contesting the corporate existence or the boundaries of the Township or the title of any of the present officers. Moreover, to the knowledge of the Solicitor, no litigation is presently pending or threatened that, in the opinion of the Solicitor, would have a material adverse impact on the financial condition of the Township if adversely decided.

RATING

Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business ("Rating Agency"), has assigned a rating of "AA" (stable outlook) to the Bonds based upon the creditworthiness of the Township.

The inclusion of the Rating Agency's "stable outlook" ("Outlook") has been provided herein for informational purposes only and is **not** a part of the "Rating" described in the preceding paragraph. The Outlook is only the Rating Agency's forward-looking view of the Township. The Township has no obligation to treat any change in the Outlook as a "Disclosure Event", as defined and described under the Rule (as hereinafter defined) or under the provisions of the Township's Continuing Disclosure Agreement, or to notify Bondholders as to any changes to the Outlook after the date hereof.

The rating for the Bonds reflects only the views of the Rating Agency and an explanation of the significance of such rating may only be obtained from the Rating Agency. The Township furnished to the Rating Agency certain information and materials concerning the Bonds and the Township. There can be no assurance that the rating for the Bonds will be maintained for any given period of time or that such rating may not be raised, lowered or withdrawn entirely if, in the Rating Agency's judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any downward change in or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the marketability or market price of the Bonds.

PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Township hereby states that the descriptions and statements herein and in the Appendices attached hereto, including financial and statistical statements, are true and correct in all material respects, and it will confirm the same to the purchasers of the Bonds by certificates signed by various officers and officials of the Township upon issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

All of the information has been obtained from sources which the Township considers to be reliable and it makes no warranty, guaranty or other representation with respect to the accuracy and completeness of such information.

The Township compiled Appendix "A" from information obtained from various sources they consider to be reliable and makes no warranty, guaranty or other representation with respect to the accuracy and completeness or fairness of the information contained herein and, accordingly, will express no opinion with respect thereto.

Neither Parker McCay P.A. or Phoenix Advisors, LLC, has participated in the preparation of this Official Statement, nor has such firm verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained herein (except under the heading "TAX MATTERS") and, accordingly, will express no opinion with respect thereto.

Bowman & Company LLP only takes responsibility for the financial statements, appearing in Appendix "B" hereto.

UNDERWRITING

The Bonds have been purchased from the Township at a public sale by _____, as underwriter ("Underwriter"), pursuant to a Certificate of Determination and Award, dated September __, 2017. The Underwriter has purchased the Bonds in accordance with the Notice of Sale. The Bonds are being offered for sale at the yields set forth on the inside front cover of this Official Statement. The Underwriter is obligated to purchase all of the Bonds if any of the Bonds are purchased.

The Underwriter intends to offer the Bonds to the public initially at the offering yields set forth on the inside front cover page of this Official Statement, which may subsequently change without any requirement of prior notice. The Underwriter reserves the right to join with dealers and other underwriters in offering the Bonds to the public. The Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing Bonds into investment trusts) at yields higher than the public offering yields set forth on the front cover page of this Official Statement, and such yields may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriter without prior notice.

LEGALITY FOR INVESTMENT

The State and all public officers, municipalities, counties, political subdivisions and public bodies, and agencies thereof, all banks, bankers, trust companies, savings and loan associations, savings banks and institutions, building and loan associations, investment companies, and other persons carrying on banking business, all insurance companies, and all executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, and other fiduciaries may legally invest any sinking funds, money or other

funds belonging to them or within their control in any bonds and notes of the Township, including the Bonds, and such bonds and notes are authorized security for any and all public deposits.

NO DEFAULT

There is no record of default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the bonds or notes of the Township.

MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

Phoenix Advisors LLC, Bordentown, New Jersey, has served as Financial Advisor to the Township with respect to the issuance of the Bonds ("Municipal Advisor"). The Municipal Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken, either to make an independent verification of, or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained in the Official Statement and the appendices hereto. The Municipal Advisor is an independent firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 ("Rule"), promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), the Township will, prior to the issuance of the Bonds, enter into an agreement substantially in the form set forth in Appendix "D".

During the five year period preceding the date of this Official Statement, the Township previously failed to file its operating data for year ending December 31, 2011. Such operating data, along with the failure to file notice, has been filed. In addition, the Township previously failed to file event notices in connection with certain bond insurer rating changes in 2012. Such notices of material events have been filed. The Township appointed Phoenix Advisors, LLC, as continuing disclosure agent in August of 2014.

LEGAL MATTERS

The legality of the Bonds will be subject to the approving legal opinion of Parker McCay P.A., Mount Laurel, New Jersey, Bond Counsel to the Township ("Bond Counsel"). Such opinion will be printed on or accompany the Bonds and provide, *inter alia*, that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the Township, and the Township has the power and is obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township without limitation as to rate or amount for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon. The enforceability of rights or remedies with respect to the Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, or other law affecting creditors' rights or remedies heretofore or hereinafter enacted. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Township by its Solicitor.

Bond Counsel has not verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in this Official Statement (except to the extent, if any, as specifically stated herein) and will express no opinion relating thereto.

The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds express the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinions as to the legal issues explicitly addressed therein. In rendering a legal opinion, the attorney does not become an insurer or guarantor of that expression of professional judgment, of the transaction opined upon, or the future performance of parties to the transaction. Nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained from Dean Ciminera, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Voorhees, at 856.429.0281 or the Municipal Advisor at 609.291.0130.

So far as any statements made in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly stated, they are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. Neither this Official Statement nor any statement which may have been made verbally or in writing is to be construed as a contract or agreement with the owners of the Bonds.

All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of laws of the State herein do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilation thereof.

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES, NEW JERSEY

By: _____
DEAN CIMINERA, Chief Financial Officer

Dated: September __, 2017

APPENDIX A

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE TOWNSHIP

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE TOWNSHIP

History

The Lenni Lenape Indians first settled in the Township of Voorhees ("Township") about three centuries ago. In the 1700s, European settlement of the area was led by several families in what was then called Waterford Township in the County of Gloucester. They began grist and lumber mills along the creeks and by the 1800s a local economy began to take hold with the establishment of taverns, which served as social centers, and of stagecoach lines which connected the local people to the neighboring region. One stagecoach line passing through the Township began in Philadelphia and went to the Atlantic shore line, a two-day trip.

In 1844, the County was chartered as a county separate from Gloucester County. By the end of the century the local population wanted to establish its own township and sought the assistance of New Jersey Governor Van Voorhees. The Township was chartered on March 1, 1899 in an area encompassing approximately 11.4 square miles located in the central part of the County approximately ten miles southeast of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

As World War II ended, the Township began to grow from farmland and countryside to a suburban Township with schools, housing developments and shopping centers. In the late 1960s the Township developed a "town center zone" which contained a full shopping mall, office buildings, apartments and condominiums.

Population in the Township doubled from 6,214 in 1970 to 12,919 in 1980 and nearly doubled again by 1990 to a population of 24,559. According the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the 2010 population was 29,131.

Local Government

The Township government is based on the township committee form of government, which exercises legislative power in the Township. Committee members are elected on an at-large basis for staggered three-year terms. Two members are elected in each of two consecutive years while a single member is elected in the third year. The Mayor is appointed annually by a majority of the Township Committee.

The day-to-day administrative duties are the responsibility of the Township Administrator, who is appointed by the Township Committee. To that end, the Township Administrator keeps the Township Committee informed as to the conduct of the Township affairs, the condition of the Township finances and the welfare and future needs of the Township.

The financial affairs of the Township are administered by the Chief Financial Officer, who reports to the Township Committee. Along with the Township Administrator, the Chief Financial Officer prepares the annual municipal budget, and then maintains it on a daily basis after adoption by the Township Committee. A five-year forecast, for both the operating and capital budgets, is used to assess the Township's future financial needs.

Business Management

The Mayor and Township Committee have taken an active role in the preparation and administration of the Township's annual operating and capital budgets. Joint purchasing agreements, extensive use of state contract purchases, and the solicitation of competitive price proposals for a majority of purchases are just a few measures employed to reduce costs. User fees for Township services are continually examined and increased when needed, and an aggressive tax collection program contributes to the Township's financial well-being.

The Township utilizes an Economic Development Advisory Board in order to promote ratable growth. Local businesses provide contributions which help to underwrite the production costs of an economic development brochure and calendar. These items provide economic and demographic information to both the business and residential communities.

In an effort to retain and assist local businesses, the Township has adopted the "Shop Voorhees" program, where residents receive credit on their property tax bill by frequenting certain local merchants. "Shop Voorhees" is voluntary, and there are currently over 60 businesses taking part in the program. Residents use an affinity card that was provided to each residential property owner, and businesses that participate allocate a certain percentage of each purchase to the program.

Fire Protection and Emergency Services

The Township dissolved the previously separate Fire District as of March 1, 2017, and brought the fire protection services in as a municipal department. The daily operations of the Fire Department are managed by a Fire Chief/Official.

The Fire Department monitors and establishes locations for fire hydrants throughout the Township. Services are provided on an around-the-clock basis by 30 volunteers and 25 paid full-time firefighters, as well as 8 full-time and 22 part-time emergency medical technicians. In addition, the Fire Department is outfitted with heavy-duty rescue equipment and a water rescue dive team.

Police

The Township's Police Department ("Department") is comprised of one Chief, one Deputy Chief, two Captains, four Lieutenants, six Sergeants, 40 Patrol Officers and 12 Class II Officers, many of whom are college educated. The Department consists of a Traffic Division, a Patrol Division, an Emergency Services Unit, a Criminal Investigation Unit, a K-9 Unit and a Detective Bureau. Eleven of the 12 Class II Officers patrol the elementary school, the middle school, and the high school on a daily basis. This specialization has allowed the Department to receive over one million dollars in funding for both Federal and State grant programs. Support services include clerical personnel, crossing guards and a computerized criminal justice information system.

Public Works

Township maintenance is designed to maintain neighborhoods in first class condition. The Public Works Department, with a full-time work force of approximately 35, is headed by a Superintendent, and consists of a Road Department, a crew of mechanics, a Sanitation Department, a Parks Department and a Sewer Department.

The Road Department is responsible for the maintenance of over 100 miles of Township roads, including minor road repairs, road signage, street sweeping and snow plowing and removal. The mechanics provide automotive services to the entire fleet of Administrative and Public Works vehicles in a Township-owned garage facility.

The Sanitation Department is responsible for the disposal of trash and the collection of recyclable materials such as paper, vegetative waste and commingled glass and cans. These expanded recycling efforts have reduced trash disposal costs and even generates a revenue stream when market conditions are right. In concert with dedicated neighborhood residents, civic groups and youth organizations, the Sanitation Department has been able to educate the community in matters of recycling and litter control. Each year sees continued participation in such events as the "Adopt a Road Program" and the "Public Lands Cleanup Day."

Parks and Recreation

A major priority of the Township Committee is the development of aesthetic and safe recreational facilities. The last several years have seen an ongoing Township-wide park redevelopment program, which has led to the installation of new playground equipment, picnic areas, nature trails and athletic facilities. Through the State's Green Acres Program, the Township purchased the North Branch Conservation Area, Lion's Lake, Rabinowitz Park, Stafford Farm, the former Lafferty Asphalt Parcel, Stafford Woods, Kirkwood Forest, Kresson Lake, and Ashland Woods in order to preserve open space. To date, the Township has preserved more than 560 acres for recreation and conservation purposes.

The Township offers to children and adults of the community a wide variety of athletic and cultural opportunities, which are administered through the Community Education & Recreation Office ("CER"). The CER program is also responsible for scheduling the use of gymnasiums and multipurpose rooms, while the Township Parks Department is responsible for the scheduling and maintenance of the recreation fields.

Recreation facilities in the Township include open space areas, athletic fields and courts of all kinds, playground sites and tot lots. Other activities in the Township include community theater, summer camps and youth baseball, softball, soccer, football, basketball and lacrosse for boys and girls.

Sewer and Water Utilities

The Township owns and operates several pumping stations and a sewerage collection system that runs throughout the Township. The sewerage collection system serves virtually the entire Township, while a few properties continue to use septic systems. The current Township rate for each user is \$130.00 per domestic consumer unit per year.

Sewer treatment services are provided by the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority ("CCMUA"). The CCMUA is an autonomous body that owns and operates the treatment facility, and has established an annual rate of \$352.00 per equivalent dwelling unit for 2017.

The New Jersey-American Water Company ("NJAWC") furnishes virtually the entire Township with water. The NJAWC also houses its corporate headquarters in the Township.

Township Employees

A summary of full-time and part-time employees of the Township for the past five (5) years is included below.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>December 31, 2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Permanent	128	122	128	123	122
Part-time	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>34</u>
Total	<u>166</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>156</u>

Employee Collective Bargaining Units

Employees are recognized as separate collective bargaining units. The police patrol officers have an approved contract through December 31, 2020. The municipal employees and

supervisors, and the public works department, have approved contracts through December 31, 2019. The senior police officers and the police sergeants have an approved contract through December 31, 2017.

Compensated Absences

Township employees are entitled to fifteen paid sick leave days each year. For all bargaining units, unused sick leave may be accumulated and carried forward to the subsequent year. Upon retirement, employees are reimbursed at their retirement rate of pay for twenty-five percent (25%) of their unused sick days. All police officers and public works employees may elect to sell back up to five unused vacation days each year at their current rate of pay. Municipal and non-contractual employees may elect to sell back up to ten vacation days each year at their current rate of pay. (For additional information regarding compensated absences, see Appendix B: Audited Financial Statements, Note 11).

Pension Plans

Those Township employees who are eligible for pension coverage are enrolled in one of two pension systems established by acts of the State Legislature. Benefits, contributions, means of funding and the manner of administration are determined by the State. (For additional information regarding pension plans, see Appendix B: Audited Financial Statements, Note 8).

Township Population(1)

2010 Federal Census	29,131
2000 Federal Census	28,126
1990 Federal Census	24,559
1980 Federal Census	12,919
1970 Federal Census	6,214

Selected Census 2014 Data for the Township (1)

Median household income	\$75,858
Median family income	\$101,052
Per capita income	\$41,505

Township Labor Force (2)

The following table discloses annual average labor force data for the Township.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Township					
Labor Force	14,873	14,775	14,682	16,158	16,247
Employed	14,311	14,075	13,887	15,150	15,042
Unemployed	562	675	795	1,008	1,205
Unemployment Rate	3.8%	4.6%	5.4%	6.2%	7.4%
County					
Labor Force	255,629	256,492	255,560	265,808	267,608
Employment	241,640	239,733	236,391	241,075	239,292
Unemployment	13,989	16,775	19,169	24,750	28,316
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	6.5%	7.5%	9.3%	10.6%

(1) Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census.

(2) Source: New Jersey Department of Labor

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
State					
Labor Force	4,524,300	4,543,817	4,518,700	4,585,550	4,595,500
Employment	4,299,900	4,277,317	4,218,400	4,198,492	4,159,300
Unemployment	224,300	266,525	300,300	387,067	436,200
Unemployment Rate	5.0%	5.9%	6.6%	8.4%	9.5%

Business and Industry

The Township's commercial base includes industrial operations, multi-tenant office centers and shopping centers. Comcast, AAA of South Jersey and the New Jersey-American Water Company are just a few examples of major corporations that demonstrate the success and desirability of the Township as a corporate center. The Philadelphia Flyers utilize a 66,000 square-foot training and practice facility in the Township. This building also houses medical offices, potential restaurant and retail areas and provides for public ice skating.

In addition, smaller office complexes include Glendale Executive Campus, Laurel Oak Corporate Center, Alluvium Corporate Center, Echelon Professional Center, the Voorhees Corporate Center which includes Hampton Inn and Wingate Hotels, and the Pavilions at Voorhees. Businesses found in these complexes include J.C. Penney Credit Services, Alliance Data Systems, Morgan Stanley and American Express. Two new hotels, Spring Hill Suites and Marriot, each with on-site restaurant potential, have recently opened.

The Town Center at Voorhees includes a food court, Boscov's and other stores, a Rizzieri Salon and restaurants along "The Boulevard," and the continued construction of a residential component. In addition, the Township municipal building was relocated to the Town Center in May, 2011. Other shopping centers include Eagle Plaza, Avian Plaza, Echelon Village Plaza, The Echo Shoppes, a Target store, a Kohl's store, and the Cedar Hill Shopping Center which includes a Lowe's, A.C. Moore and BJ'S Wholesale Club.

Health care facilities in the Township are centered around the Virtua Health System. Virtua Health recently moved their operations to a new hospital/health care campus valued at several hundred million dollars. This new state-of-the-art facility replaced a 35-year-old hospital, and opened in May, 2011. The Virtua/Rohrer Fitness Center, South Jersey Radiology and the Tatem-Brown Family Practice Center remain at the site of the old hospital. Cooper Hospital also has a significant presence in the Township. The Cooper Pain Management Center, as well as several other Cooper satellite offices, are located throughout the Township. Additionally, the Township is home to a Children's Hospital of Philadelphia satellite facility, Kennedy Hospital administrative offices and dialysis center, senior citizen communities, several nursing centers, assisted-living quarters and a Bancroft pediatric facility.

Community Development

Much of the Township has been developed for residential use, although substantial sites have been developed or are available for nonresidential use. There are more than 8,000 housing units with approximately 6,600 single-family homes and 1,400 condominium or townhouse residences. In addition, there are more than 2,600 apartment rental units.

Current single-family residential zoning allows minimum lot areas of 9,375 square feet in the R-75 zone and up to a minimum of one acre in the rural residence zone. Multi-family and cluster development is also permitted on larger tracts within the Township, subject to Township Planning Board approval.

The most recent Master Plan update provided a greater diversity of commercial uses in what are now industrial or office zones. The Master Plan also calls for increased buffering between residential and commercial uses to moderate the transition between them.

The Township, along with its Planning and Zoning Boards, and its Economic Development Advisory Committee, works diligently with developers and business owners to create a business-friendly climate, while insuring that proposed development will provide maximum benefit and minimal adverse impact on the Township.

Transportation and Infrastructure

Centrally located between New York City, Washington D.C., Philadelphia and the New Jersey Shore, the Township has excellent highway and transit access. Highway access includes Interstate 295, State Route 73 and the New Jersey Turnpike, the primary interstate route in the New York-Washington corridor.

The Port Authority Transit Company's High Speed Line, with their Ashland station located in the Township, provides an important link to center city Philadelphia for both commuters and shoppers. New Jersey Transit provides public bus transportation, and there is a Township-owned bus available for senior citizens six days a week.

The Township's Capital Improvement Program has reinvested an average of \$4.28 million a year for the last ten years to provide a sound infrastructure. The Engineering Department's Road Management Program ("Program") details those roads recently repaired, as well as those scheduled for future reconstruction or modification. This Program acts in concert with the routine maintenance work performed on a daily basis. Continuing sewer work has seen the completion of a Sewer Master Plan, which details the pump stations and collection system as well as the Township's future sewer requirements.

Township officials have played a significant role in the initiation of and planning for major revitalization and improvement of County roads within the Township. Intersection improvements are being completed on a continuing basis, and increased signalization has taken place over the past few years. A study of traffic in the Township, both existing conditions and future needs, has resulted in a computer program which projects expected traffic from proposed developments. Each developer now pays their fair share of needed circulation improvements, thus taking the burden off of the taxpayers.

TEN LARGEST NON-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYERS (1)

<u>Company</u>	<u>Nature of Business</u>	<u>Approximate Number of Employees</u>
Virtua Health System	Healthcare	1,200
Voorhees Town Center	Retail Shopping and Dining	1,000
Cooper Health System	Healthcare	400
Children's Hospital	Healthcare	300
Lakewood of Voorhees	Nursing Center	290
Comcast Corp.	Cable Services	265
Genesis Eldercare	Nursing Center	225
NJ-American Water Co.	Water Utility	200
Cedar Hill Shopping Center	Retail Shopping	190
Boscov's	Department Store	175

(1) Source: Individual employers

Building, Zoning and Development Codes

The Township has established development regulations governing the size of lots for various types of construction. The land requirements are based on the type and nature of the building.

The Township building codes conform to standards of the Uniform Construction Code of New Jersey. These codes and other municipal codes are codified as a basis for improved administration and regulation.

The Township adopted the Municipal Land Use Law on February 7, 1977. The Municipal Land Use Law gave the Township Zoning Board of Adjustment authority to regulate most land use other than family residential use. In this way, the Township is able to guide the approximate use or development of land to promote the public health, safety and general welfare.

Building Permits Issued(1)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Permits Issued</u>	<u>Value of Construction</u>
2017(2)	918	\$14,352,214
2016	1,544	33,564,364
2015	1,471	41,802,009
2014	1,626	26,731,606
2013	1,440	31,106,633
2012	1,520	71,984,548

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE SCHOOL DISTRICT (3)

Primary and Secondary Education

As a type II district, the Board of Education of the Township of Voorhees ("School District") functions independently through a nine-member Board, elected by the voters for alternate three-year terms. The School District is located in the Township of Voorhees (the "Township"), in the County of Camden (the "County"), in the State of New Jersey (the "State") and serves students residing in the Township.

The School District has a total of five (5) schools: four (4) elementary schools and one (1) middle school. See "Present School Facilities, Enrollment and Capacities" herein. Special education students are mainstreamed into the public school system.

The Township's high school students along with students from the Boroughs of Berlin and Gibbsboro, attend the Eastern Camden County Regional High School District.

(1) Source: Township Construction Official

(2) As of August 1, 2017

(3) Source: School District officials

**TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS(1)**

<u>Grade</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Pre-K/Pre-School	72	54	61	64	
K	240	228	224	253	
1	318	302	311	296	
2	326	271	279	304	
3	318	324	330	332	
4	344	338	341	306	
5	381	330	333	349	
6	344	353	352	343	
7	392	386	385	355	
8	387	348	347	363	
Special Education (2)	<u>58</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>54</u>	
Totals	<u>3,180</u>	<u>2,994</u>	<u>3,023</u>	<u>3,019</u>	

PRESENT SCHOOL FACILITIES, ENROLLMENT AND CAPACITY(1)

<u>Name of School</u>	<u>Date Constructed</u>	<u>Renovations/ Additions</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Enrollment June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Functional Capacity</u>
Voorhees Middle School	1973	1983/1988/2003	6-8		1,259
Kresson School	1983	1985/2003	K-5		539
Signal Hill School	1988	2003	K-5		615
E.T. Hamilton School	1970	1983/1988/2003	K-5		550
Osage School	1957	1961/1967/1982/ 1988/ 2003	K-5		<u>620</u>
Totals					<u>3,583</u>

**EASTERN CAMDEN COUNTY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
ENROLLMENTS(3)(4)**

<u>Grade</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>October 15, 2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
9	356	355	306	344	321
10	344	352	353	309	346
11	332	339	350	355	311
12	373	321	332	349	345
Special Education	<u>184</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>196</u>
Totals	<u>1,589</u>	<u>1,557</u>	<u>1,541</u>	<u>1,548</u>	<u>1,519</u>

(1) Source: School District officials

(2) Includes 4 Homebound Students in 2015, 5 in 2014, 1 in 2013, 0 in 2012 and 3 in 2011.

(3) Source: School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

(4) Voorhees Township students only.

HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES

Rutgers University-Camden Campus

Rutgers University-Camden ("Rutgers"), is a comprehensive, publicly-supported, co-educational four-year institution accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and funded primarily by the State, was founded in 1950 on a 23.8 acre campus in the City of Camden. As of September, 2016, there were approximately 5,021 undergraduate students and 1,454 graduate students.

Camden County College

Fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Camden County College ("College") is a comprehensive publicly supported, co-educational two-year institution developed under the State Department of Higher Education. It is funded in part by the County Board of Chosen Freeholders who appoint a nine (9) member Board of Trustees. The College has campuses in Blackwood, Camden and Cherry Hill.

As of the Fall of 2016, full time enrollment was 5,181 and part-time enrollment was 5,816 for a total of 10,997.

Camden County Technical Schools

From a vocational school that opened with 400 students in 12 trade areas in 1928, Camden County Technical Schools ("CCTS") has grown to be one of the largest and most comprehensive technical schools in the nation. The district today encompasses a full range of day and evening programs at campuses in Pennsauken and Gloucester Township. Beginning in 2012, the adult programs were operated by Camden County College as part of the Camden County shared services agreement.

For high school students, there are 37 career programs from which to choose. For the 2016-2017 school year, 1,286 students were enrolled at the Gloucester Township Campus, and 729 at the Pennsauken Campus, including 387 Special Education Students. Seniors are offered the opportunity to participate in several of our school-to-career programs and are offered lifetime job placement assistance. In addition, students are offered a full-range of athletics and activities to complement their education. Through Camden County College, high school juniors and seniors at CCTS have various opportunities to earn college credit for college level work completed while in high school. Students may bank the credits earned for future enrollment at colleges and universities.

In addition to the facilities mentioned above, Stockton University, University of Pennsylvania, Temple University, LaSalle University, Villanova University, St. Joseph's University, Drexel University and Rowan University are all within a commuting distance from the Township.

CERTAIN TAX INFORMATION
TEN LARGEST TAXPAYERS (1)

<u>Name of Taxpayer</u>	<u>Nature of Business</u>	<u>2017 Assessed Valuation</u>
Virtua Health-Div. of Property Mgmt.	Hospital	\$58,157,401
Village Group Limited Partnership	Apartments	49,313,500
DCI-GIM VTC Apts. LP c/o Lowe LLC	Apartments	33,669,400
Vista 2016, LLC	Apartments	27,484,400
Echelon Glen 2016 LLC	Apartments	26,929,600
HCP III Eagle, LLC	Shopping Center	25,030,300
QRP Voorhees, LP	Apartments	23,368,000
Cooper Holdings, LLC % Deloitte	Department Store	17,517,500
Del Coop LLC	Insurance Office	17,242,700
SJF CCRC, Inc.	Residential Senior Housing	<u>16,694,500</u>
		<u>\$295,407,301</u>

CURRENT TAX COLLECTIONS (2)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>	<u>Collected in Year of Levy</u>		<u>Outstanding Dec. 31</u>	
		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
2016	\$121,574,917	\$120,219,227	98.88%	\$1,315,609	1.08%
2015	119,745,886	118,465,822	98.93	1,155,140	0.96
2014	118,424,571	117,093,346	98.88	1,200,874	1.01
2013	114,510,826	112,800,580	98.51	1,491,005	1.30
2012	111,826,898	108,509,088	97.03	1,598,111	1.43

DELINQUENT TAXES (2)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>		<u>Collected</u>		<u>Transferred To Liens</u>	<u>Other Credits</u>	<u>Outstanding Dec. 31</u>
	<u>Jan. 1</u>	<u>Added</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>			
2016	\$1,156,787	\$4,344	\$1,138,362	98.04%	\$3,099	\$4,748	\$14,922
2015	1,226,896	2,776	1,134,943	92.30	---	93,083	1,646
2014	1,513,136	8,129	1,394,078	91.64	5,103	96,062	26,022
2013	1,623,312	31,592	1,519,648	91.83	8,705	104,419	22,132
2012	1,379,597	3,031	1,340,184	96.93	67	17,176	25,201

- (1) Source: Township Tax Assessor
(2) Source: Annual Reports of Audit

TAX TITLE LIENS (1)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance Jan. 1</u>	<u>Added by Sales and Transfers</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Other Credits</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31</u>
2016	\$178,769	\$40,572	\$3,672	\$1,035	\$214,634
2015	182,664	39,638	43,533	---	178,769
2014	134,648	59,377	10,212	1,149	182,664
2013	74,369	60,381	102	---	134,648
2012	90,160	31,481	47,182	90	74,369

FORECLOSED PROPERTY (1)(2)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance Jan. 1</u>	<u>Added By Transfer</u>	<u>Adjustment to Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Gain/Loss on Sale</u>	<u>Sales</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31</u>
2016	---	---	---	---	---	---
2015	---	---	---	---	---	---
2014	---	---	---	---	---	---
2013	---	---	---	---	---	---
2012	---	---	---	---	---	---

CURRENT SEWER COLLECTIONS (1)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>	<u>Collected in Year of Levy</u>		<u>Outstanding Dec. 31</u>	
			<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
2016	\$58,298	\$2,070,584	\$2,062,353	96.87%	\$62,293	2.93%
2015	64,620	2,072,161	2,077,602	97.23	58,298	2.73
2014	52,668	1,907,722	1,890,169	96.42	64,620	3.30
2013	89,380	1,869,766	1,891,810	96.56	52,668	2.69
2012	63,577	1,875,192	1,846,989	95.27	89,380	4.61

(1) Source: Annual Reports of Audit

(2) These amounts are reflected on the basis of assessed value in the year of acquisition in accordance with the regulation of the Division of Local Government Services.

**NET ASSESSED VALUATIONS AND
ANNUAL TAX RATES (1)**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Net Valuation Taxable</u>	<u>Tax Rate (2)</u>					
		<u>Total</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Local School</u>	<u>Regional High School</u>	<u>Municipal</u>	<u>Fire District</u>
2017	\$3,178,378,778	\$3.887	\$0.984	\$1.424	\$0.646	\$0.799	\$0.034
2016	3,129,697,683	3.870	0.974	1.420	0.652	0.630	0.194
2015	3,186,775,596	3.748	0.967	1.371	0.620	0.607	0.183
2014	3,185,605,381	3.701	0.953	1.354	0.609	0.607	0.178
2013	3,175,517,903	3.584	0.886	1.329	0.613	0.587	0.169

**RATIO OF ASSESSED VALUATION TO TRUE VALUE
AND TRUE VALUE PER CAPITA**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Real Property Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Percentage of True Value</u>	<u>True Value</u>	<u>Full Value Per Capita(3)</u>
2017	\$3,170,900,540	90.69%	\$3,496,416,959	\$120,024
2016	3,122,225,695	91.07	3,428,380,032	117,688
2015	3,179,195,779	91.07	3,490,936,399	119,836
2014	3,178,266,279	89.22	3,562,280,071	122,285
2013	3,169,422,901	89.65	3,535,329,505	121,360

REAL PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION (4)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Assessed Value Land Use Improvements</u>	<u>Vacant Land</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Industrial</u>	<u>Apartment</u>	<u>Farm</u>
2017	\$3,170,900,540	\$50,817,900	\$2,238,275,181	\$664,070,400	\$20,827,900	\$195,318,300	\$1,590,859
2016	3,122,225,695	50,012,900	2,219,870,135	663,363,701	20,611,000	166,777,100	1,590,859
2015	3,179,195,779	51,157,600	2,207,420,250	677,496,800	24,856,100	217,104,100	1,160,929
2014	3,178,266,279	51,420,200	2,205,483,150	677,239,900	24,991,600	217,891,200	1,240,229
2013	3,169,422,901	52,862,301	2,203,083,800	669,764,600	24,578,800	217,891,200	1,242,200

(1) Source: Township's Tax Collector

(2) Per \$100 of assessed valuation. The Township dissolved the previously separate Fire District as of March 1, 2017. The 2017 tax rates reflect the dissolution.

(3) Based upon the 2010 Federal Census of 29,131

(4) Source: Township's Tax Assessor

**TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS (1)**

The following table summarizes the direct debt of the Township in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law. The gross debt comprises short and long-term debt issued and debt authorized but not issued, including General, Sewer Utility, debt of the Local School District and the Eastern Camden County Regional School District. Deductions from gross debt to arrive at net debt include deductible school debt, reserve for payment of debt, open space debt, as well as debt considered to be self-liquidating. The resulting net debt of \$24,283,625 represents .692% of the average of equalized valuations for the Township for the last three years, which is within the 3.5% limit imposed by *N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6*.

	Debt Issued			Authorized But Not Issued	Gross Debt	Deductions				Net Debt
	<u>Bonds</u>	<u>Loans</u>	<u>Notes</u>			<u>School Debt</u>	<u>Open Space Debt</u>	<u>Reserve for Debt Service</u>	<u>Self-Liquidating Debt</u>	
General	\$ 25,756,850	\$ 2,759,714		\$ 1,150	\$ 28,517,714		\$ 4,105,414	\$ 128,675		\$ 24,283,625
School - Regional	1,412,434				1,412,434	\$ 1,412,434				
School - Local	6,555,000				6,555,000	6,555,000				
Sewer Utility	5,561,150			100	5,561,250				\$ 5,561,250	
	<u>\$ 39,285,434</u>	<u>\$ 2,759,714</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,250</u>	<u>\$ 42,046,398</u>	<u>\$ 7,967,434</u>	<u>\$ 4,105,414</u>	<u>\$ 128,675</u>	<u>\$ 5,561,250</u>	<u>\$ 24,283,625</u>

(1) As of December 31, 2016

Source: Township Auditor

DEBT RATIOS AND VALUATIONS(1)

Average of Equalized Valuations of Real Property with Improvements for 2014, 2015 and 2016	\$3,508,995,942
Statutory Net Debt as a Percentage of the Average of Equalized Valuations of Real Property with Improvements for 2014, 2015 and 2016	0.692%
2017 Preliminary Net Valuation Taxable	\$3,178,378,778
2017 Preliminary Equalized Valuation of Real Property and Taxable Personal Property Used in Communications	\$3,503,895,197
Gross Debt (2):	
As a percentage of 2017 Preliminary Net Valuation Taxable	1.32%
As a percentage of 2017 Preliminary Equalized Valuation of Real Property and Taxable Personal Property Used in Communications	1.20%
Net Debt (2):	
As a percentage of 2017 Preliminary Net Valuation Taxable	0.76%
As a percentage of 2017 Preliminary Equalized Valuation of Real Property and Taxable Personal Property Used in Communications	0.69%
Gross Debt Per Capita (3)	\$1,443
Net Debt Per Capita (3)	\$834

TOWNSHIP BORROWING CAPACITY(1)

3.5% of Averaged (2014-16) Equalized Valuation of Real Property including Improvements (\$3,508,995,942)	\$122,814,858
Net Debt	<u>24,283,625</u>
Remaining Borrowing Capacity	<u><u>\$98,531,233</u></u>

SCHOOL DISTRICT BORROWING CAPACITY(1)

3% of Averaged (2014-16) Equalized Valuation of Real Property including Improvements (\$3,508,995,942)	\$105,269,878
Gross Debt	<u>6,555,000</u>
Remaining Borrowing Capacity	<u><u>\$98,714,878</u></u>

REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BORROWING CAPACITY (1)

3% of Average (2014-16) Equalized Valuation of Real Property including Improvements (\$4,459,428,095)	\$133,782,843
Gross Debt(4)	<u>1,795,000</u>
Remaining Borrowing Capacity	<u><u>\$131,987,843</u></u>

(1) As of December 31, 2016

(2) Excluding overlapping debt

(3) Based on 2010 Federal Census of 29,131

(4) Debt portion allocated to the Township \$1,412,434

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
OVERLAPPING DEBT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

DEBT ISSUED					
	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Statutory Net Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Net Debt Outstanding Allocated to the Issuer</u>	<u>Debt Auth. but not Issued</u>
County of Camden(1):					
General:					
Bonds	\$ 38,850,000	\$ 9,347,201 (2)	\$ 29,502,799	\$ 2,720,158 (4)	\$ 35,665,125
Loan Agreements	310,969,957		310,969,957	28,671,430 (4)	
Bonds Issued by Other Public Bodies					
Guaranteed by the County	288,955,187	288,955,187 (3)			
Township of Voorhees Fire District(5)	3,725,000		3,725,000	3,725,000	
	<u>\$ 642,500,144</u>	<u>\$ 298,302,388</u>	<u>\$ 344,197,756</u>	<u>\$ 35,116,588</u>	<u>\$ 35,665,125</u>

(1) Source: County of Camden

(2) Includes Reserve for Payment of Bonds, Other Accounts Receivable and General Obligation Pension Refunding Bonds.

(3) Deductible in accordance with N.J.S. 40:37A-80.

(4) Such debt is allocated as a proportion of the Issuer's share of the total 2016 Net Valuation on which County taxes are apportioned, which is 9.22%.

(5) The Township dissolved the previously separate Fire District as of March 1, 2017. The outstanding debt of the Fire District has been assumed by the Township as of such date.

Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority

The CCMUA is a public body politic and corporate of the State and was originally created as the Camden County Sewerage Authority ("Sewerage Authority") by a resolution of the County Board of Chosen Freeholders ("County Board") adopted December 5, 1967. The Sewerage Authority was reorganized in 1972 as a utilities authority and changed its name to the CCMUA pursuant to a resolution of the County Board adopted April 13, 1972. The CCMUA operates under the supervision of nine (9) commissioners who are appointed by the County Board for five (5) year staggered terms. The County has entered into a Deficiency Agreement with the CCMUA ("Deficiency Agreement") whereby the County is obligated to pay to the CCMUA any annual charges equal to any deficits in CCMUA revenues necessary to pay or provide for (i) operation and maintenance expenses of the CCMUA's regional sewer system, (ii) principal and interest payments on bonds and notes of the CCMUA in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$685,500,000 and (iii) the maintenance of reserves required under the Bond Resolution securing the CCMUA's bonds and notes. The obligation of the County, pursuant to the provisions of the Deficiency Agreement, is a direct and general obligation of the County, and any annual charges are ultimately payable by the County to meet its obligations under the Deficiency Agreement. To date, no payments have been required to be made by the County pursuant to the Deficiency Agreement. The County and the CCMUA may agree to amend the Deficiency Agreement at any time to increase the obligation of the County thereunder.

The CCMUA owns and operates a sewerage collection and treatment system, which serves all County residents connected to local sewer collection systems. The CCMUA's system does not include the local sewage collection system of any CCMUA participant, but it owns and operates interceptor sewer lines connecting the local systems to the CCMUA's sewage treatment facilities.

The CCMUA is required to charge and collect service charges for the use of its facilities such that revenues of the CCMUA will at all times be adequate to pay all operating and maintenance expenses, including reserves, insurance, extensions and replacements, and to maintain reserves and sinking funds therefore as may be required by the terms of any agreements with the holders thereof.

The gross debt as of December 31, 2016 for the CCMUA was \$210,044,157. The County guarantees up to \$685,500,000 of debt issued by the CCMUA.

Camden County Improvement Authority

The Camden County Improvement Authority ("CCIA") is a public body corporate and politic of the State and was created by a resolution of the County Board. The CCIA operates under the supervision of a five (5) member Board who are appointed for five (5) year staggered terms by the County Board. The CCIA has from time to time issued its revenue bonds for projects involving the County and for which the County has a repayment obligation or guaranty. The CCIA also issues conduit debt from time to time which is not included in the overlapping debt as there is no obligation by the taxpayers to repay the associated debt service.

The amount of debt which the County has guaranteed or for which it has a repayment obligation as of December 31, 2016 was \$338,635,000.

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT SERVICE(1)(2)
LOANS AND BONDED DEBT ONLY

<u>Year</u>	<u>General</u>		<u>Sewer Utility</u>		<u>Loans</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2017	\$ 2,885,000	\$ 592,095	\$ 655,000	\$ 126,505	\$ 332,651	\$ 37,987	\$ 4,629,238
2018	2,715,000	515,981	675,000	111,262	338,424	33,661	4,389,329
2019	2,796,550	456,550	724,750	94,812	343,686	29,092	4,445,440
2020	2,510,700	391,126	590,000	76,767	334,268	24,299	3,927,161
2021	2,471,600	334,528	603,400	63,447	339,046	19,492	3,831,513
2022	2,639,000	278,638	415,000	52,565	357,542	14,441	3,757,185
2023	2,270,000	223,115	430,000	43,781	355,010	8,918	3,330,824
2024	2,348,000	169,574	455,000	33,996	359,087	4,544	3,370,201
2025	1,165,000	125,533	350,000	23,071			1,663,604
2026	1,181,000	101,348	354,000	14,531			1,650,879
2027	300,000	85,188	150,000	7,804			542,991
2028	300,000	76,188	159,000	2,683			537,871
2029	330,000	67,188					397,188
2030	330,000	57,288					387,288
2031	370,000	47,388					417,388
2032	370,000	36,288					406,288
2033	370,000	25,188					395,188
2034	405,000	13,163					418,163
	<u>\$ 25,756,850</u>	<u>\$ 3,596,361</u>	<u>\$ 5,561,150</u>	<u>\$ 651,225</u>	<u>\$ 2,759,714</u>	<u>\$ 172,434</u>	<u>\$ 38,497,734</u>

(1) As of December 31, 2016.

(2) Does not include the \$3,725,000 of outstanding debt of the previously separate Fire District. The Township dissolved the previously separate Fire District as of March 1, 2017. The outstanding debt of the Fire District has been assumed by the Township as of such date.

Source: Township Auditor

**TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (1)**

CURRENT FUND

Anticipated Revenues:	
Fund Balance	\$ 3,314,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:	
Local Revenues	1,412,200.00
State Aid without Offsetting Appropriations	2,231,142.00
Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees	515,000.00
Shared Service Agreements	537,100.00
Public and Private Programs Offset with Appropriations	266,973.12
Other Special Items of Revenue	2,263,500.00
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	1,245,284.88
Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purposes	<u>24,810,800.00</u>
Total Anticipated Revenues	<u><u>\$ 36,596,000.00</u></u>
Appropriations:	
Within CAPS:	
Operations	\$ 25,012,100.00
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	3,073,500.00
Excluded from CAPS:	
Other Operations	27,000.00
Shared Service Agreements	537,100.00
Public and Private Programs	611,773.12
Capital Improvements	962,500.00
Debt Service	3,575,100.00
Transferred to Board of Education	156,426.88
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>2,640,500.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u><u>\$ 36,596,000.00</u></u>

SEWER UTILITY FUND

Anticipated Revenues:	
Fund Balance	\$ 82,000.00
Rents	2,045,000.00
Miscellaneous	39,000.00
Reserve for Payment of Bonds	<u>30,000.00</u>
Total Anticipated Revenues	<u><u>\$ 2,196,000.00</u></u>
Appropriations:	
Operating	\$ 1,301,500.00
Capital Improvement Fund	30,000.00
Debt Service	795,000.00
Pension, Social Security, Unemployment Compensation	<u>69,500.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u><u>\$ 2,196,000.00</u></u>

(1) As adopted April 24, 2017

**TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (1)**

OPEN SPACE FUND

Dedicated Revenues from Trust Fund:	
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$ 635,000.00
Reserve Funds	<u>197,000.00</u>
	<u><u>\$ 832,000.00</u></u>
Appropriations:	
Development of Lands for Recreation and Conservation:	
Salaries and Wages	\$ 145,700.00
Other Expenses	47,300.00
Debt Service:	
Payment of Bond Principal	210,000.00
Interest on Bonds	51,000.00
Loan Principal and Interest	<u>378,000.00</u>
	<u><u>\$ 832,000.00</u></u>

**TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
CAPITAL PROGRAM
PROJECTS SCHEDULED FOR THE YEARS 2017 - 2022 (1)**

	Estimated	Capital	Grants and	Bonds and Notes	
	Total Cost	Improvement Fund	Other Funds	General	Self Liquidating
Improvements to Buildings & Grounds	\$ 1,046,000.00	\$ 52,300.00		\$ 993,700.00	
Vehicle & Equipment Purchases	4,279,000.00	213,950.00		4,065,050.00	
Road Construction & Overlay	2,089,000.00	94,450.00	\$ 200,000.00	1,794,550.00	
Improvements to Buildings & Grounds	500,000.00	25,000.00		475,000.00	
Vehicle & Equipment Purchases	1,000,000.00	50,000.00		950,000.00	
Road Construction & Overlay	1,500,000.00	65,000.00	200,000.00	1,235,000.00	
Improvements to Buildings & Grounds	500,000.00	25,000.00		475,000.00	
Vehicle & Equipment Purchases	1,000,000.00	50,000.00		950,000.00	
Road Construction & Overlay	1,500,000.00	65,000.00	200,000.00	1,235,000.00	
Improvements to Buildings & Grounds	500,000.00	25,000.00		475,000.00	
Vehicle & Equipment Purchases	1,000,000.00	50,000.00		950,000.00	
Road Construction & Overlay	1,500,000.00	65,000.00	200,000.00	1,235,000.00	
Improvements to Buildings & Grounds	500,000.00	25,000.00		475,000.00	
Vehicle & Equipment Purchases	1,000,000.00	50,000.00		950,000.00	
Road Construction & Overlay	1,500,000.00	65,000.00	200,000.00	1,235,000.00	
Improvements to Buildings & Grounds	500,000.00	25,000.00		475,000.00	
Vehicle & Equipment Purchases	1,000,000.00	50,000.00		950,000.00	
Road Construction & Overlay	1,500,000.00	65,000.00	200,000.00	1,235,000.00	
Traffic Signalization	200,000.00	10,000.00		190,000.00	
Installation of Sewer Lines, Renovation and Construction of Various Pumping Stations and the Purchase of Miscellaneous Equipment	4,845,000.00	242,250.00			\$ 4,602,750.00
	<u>\$ 27,459,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,312,950.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,200,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 20,343,300.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,602,750.00</u>

(1) As adopted April 24, 2017

APPENDIX B

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES,
IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the Township Committee
Township of Voorhees
Voorhees, New Jersey 08043

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance - regulatory basis of the various funds of the Township of Voorhees, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of December 31, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012, and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township'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 the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; and in compliance with audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. 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 auditor's 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 Township'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 Township'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

Basis for Adverse Opinion on Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America

As described in note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Township on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the State of New Jersey.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the “*Basis for Adverse Opinion on Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America*” paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township of Voorhees, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of December 31, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012, or the results of its operations and changes in fund balance for the years then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance - regulatory basis of the various funds of the Township of Voorhees, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of December 31, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012, and the results of its operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis of such funds for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, as described in note 1.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP
Certified Public Accountants
& Consultants

/s/Daniel M. DiGangi
Certified Public Accountant
Registered Municipal Accountant

Voorhees, New Jersey
June 15, 2017

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE--
REGULATORY BASIS

	As of December 31,				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 11,890,655	\$ 10,389,903	\$ 10,671,121	\$ 9,978,850	\$ 8,590,176
Federal and State Grants Receivable	973,974	1,215,659	184,660	241,478	51,889
Receivables and other Assets					
with Full Reserves:					
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	1,315,609	1,156,787	1,226,896	1,513,136	1,623,312
Tax Title Liens Receivable	214,634	178,769	182,664	134,648	74,369
Revenue Accounts Receivable	67,586	13,891	22,455	18,259	18,378
Other Accounts Receivable	22,463	95,097	48,724	31,414	45,089
Interfunds Receivable	182,687	34,618	57,427	7,554	75,981
Deferred Charges		74,000	148,000	222,000	296,000
	<u>\$ 14,667,607</u>	<u>\$ 13,158,723</u>	<u>\$ 12,541,947</u>	<u>\$ 12,147,339</u>	<u>\$ 10,775,193</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE					
Appropriation Reserves	\$ 925,298	\$ 489,720	\$ 521,568	\$ 454,007	\$ 480,185
Reserve for Encumbrances	450,057	352,663	401,768	339,923	374,116
Accounts Payable	37,397		188,354	154,076	117,448
Contracts Payable	297,082	198,409			100,392
Deposit on Sale of Land	112,500				
Special Emergency Note Payable		74,000	148,000	222,000	296,000
Reserve for Federal and State Grants	945,151	1,293,989	336,527	478,453	299,984
Regional High School Tax Payable	4,601,668	4,288,713	4,105,227	4,126,246	3,688,051
Reserve for Revaluation and Master Plan	18,944	18,944	18,944	27,165	57,929
Prepaid Taxes	936,651	822,628	1,404,609	1,634,236	1,250,622
Tax Overpayments	14,055	14,166	157,295	149,919	240,461
Due to State of New Jersey	19,400	24,199	17,851	16,673	22,269
Due to County for Added or Omitted Taxes	114,920	78,799	134,591	173,220	161,063
Reserve for Workers' Compensation Claims	1,742	1,569	16,166	7,270	
Reserve for Proceeds from Sale of Township Property	48,876	81,011	21,310	47,591	30,525
Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets	1,802,979	1,479,162	1,538,165	1,705,011	1,837,128
Fund Balance	<u>4,340,888</u>	<u>3,940,751</u>	<u>3,531,571</u>	<u>2,611,549</u>	<u>1,819,020</u>
	<u>\$ 14,667,607</u>	<u>\$ 13,158,723</u>	<u>\$ 12,541,947</u>	<u>\$ 12,147,339</u>	<u>\$ 10,775,193</u>

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

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE--
REGULATORY BASIS

	For the Years Ended December 31,				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Revenue Realized:					
Current Tax Collections	\$ 120,219,227	\$ 118,465,822	\$ 117,093,346	\$ 112,800,580	\$ 108,509,088
Delinquent Tax Collections	1,142,034	1,178,476	1,404,290	1,519,750	1,387,366
Total Taxes	121,361,262	119,644,298	118,497,636	114,320,330	109,896,454
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	6,049,733	7,198,763	6,024,641	5,806,544	5,965,268
Non-Budget and Other Income	965,629	755,340	601,287	696,007	1,876,472
Fund Balance Utilized	2,562,000	2,359,900	1,675,000	1,540,000	1,240,000
Total Income	130,938,624	129,958,301	126,798,564	122,362,881	118,978,195
Expenditures and Encumbrances:					
Operating	19,582,960	20,085,853	18,611,253	18,169,525	17,540,619
Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools	157,459	164,451	161,186	152,715	150,483
Capital Improvements	253,000	170,000	150,000	100,000	120,000
Debt Service	3,255,089	3,643,917	3,639,170	3,298,783	2,761,149
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	2,479,898	2,329,775	2,266,048	2,390,707	2,476,308
Local Open Space Tax	627,254	639,634	639,953	638,763	769,234
Special District Tax	6,059,180	5,829,535	5,667,954	5,357,670	5,252,618
Regional High School Tax	20,410,446	19,784,536	19,417,564	19,459,602	18,583,212
County Taxes	30,553,278	30,831,405	30,444,505	28,258,774	27,946,814
Local School Tax	44,435,725	43,694,742	43,150,070	42,190,303	41,571,346
Other Expenditures	14,130	15,372	5,575	13,500	3,031
Creation of Reserve for Interfunds	148,070	1	50,265	10	67,689
Total Expenditures and Encumbrances	127,976,487	127,189,221	124,203,542	120,030,352	117,242,502
Excess in Revenues	2,962,137	2,769,080	2,595,022	2,332,529	1,735,693
Adjustments to Income Before Fund Balance:					
Expenditures included above which are by Statute Deferred Charges to Budget of Succeeding Year	---	---	---	---	---
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance	2,962,137	2,769,080	2,595,022	2,332,529	1,735,693
Fund Balance, January 1	3,940,751	3,531,571	2,611,549	1,819,020	1,323,327
	6,902,888	6,300,651	5,206,571	4,151,549	3,059,020
Decreased by:					
Utilized as Revenue	2,562,000	2,359,900	1,675,000	1,540,000	1,240,000
Fund Balance December 31	\$ 4,340,888	\$ 3,940,751	\$ 3,531,571	\$ 2,611,549	\$ 1,819,020

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TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE--
REGULATORY BASIS

	As of December 31,				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
ASSETS					
Cash and Investments	\$ 3,994,972	\$ 2,216,473	\$ 2,394,453	\$ 3,137,527	\$ 2,938,830
Due from State of New Jersey	75,384		50,000	50,000	
Interfunds Receivable		14,350			
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:					
Funded	28,516,564	23,951,974	27,125,394	21,704,798	18,021,895
Unfunded	1,150	3,171,350	454,011	6,635,511	10,733,061
	<u>\$ 32,588,069</u>	<u>\$ 29,354,147</u>	<u>\$ 30,023,858</u>	<u>\$ 31,527,836</u>	<u>\$ 31,693,786</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE					
Serial Bonds	\$ 25,756,850	\$ 20,870,850	\$ 23,730,850	\$ 17,925,850	\$ 13,917,850
Enviormental Infrastructure Loan	2,759,714	3,081,124	3,394,544	3,778,948	4,097,362
Green Acres Loan					6,684
Bond Anticipation Notes		3,171,000	420,511	6,635,511	10,733,061
Improvement Authorizations:					
Funded	2,887,275	701,628	1,032,359	1,596,662	586,746
Unfunded	1,150	777,728	33,500		1,515,454
Contracts Payable	468,444	171,705	267,559	728,080	422,039
Capital Improvement Fund	14,850	5,050	200	1,700	56,250
Reserve for Encumbrances	443,707	504,072	1,074,126	665,352	226,077
Interfund Payables	113,755	851	862	1,254	2,842
Reserve for Payment of Bonds and Notes	128,675	21,489	30,790	94,135	87,316
Fund Balance	13,650	48,650	38,557	100,344	42,105
	<u>\$ 32,588,069</u>	<u>\$ 29,354,147</u>	<u>\$ 30,023,858</u>	<u>\$ 31,527,836</u>	<u>\$ 31,693,786</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
SEWER UTILITY FUND
STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE--
REGULATORY BASIS

	As of December 31,				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
ASSETS					
Operating Fund:					
Cash	\$ 424,315	\$ 466,860	\$ 482,183	\$ 675,427	\$ 525,423
Interfund Receivables	641	753	33,249	24,687	753
Receivables with Full Reserves:					
Consumer Accounts Receivable	62,293	58,298	64,620	52,668	89,380
Sewer Utility Liens	760	760	1,029	5,554	3,965
Total Operating Fund	488,009	526,671	581,081	758,336	619,521
Capital Fund:					
Cash	2,109,852	2,099,841	1,931,019	1,332,783	689,142
Fixed Capital	33,988,026	33,323,053	33,191,853	33,010,553	31,967,418
Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted	3,532,200	3,032,000	2,743,200	1,684,500	1,865,800
Total Capital Fund	39,630,078	38,454,894	37,866,072	36,027,836	34,522,360
	<u>\$ 40,118,087</u>	<u>\$ 38,981,565</u>	<u>\$ 38,447,153</u>	<u>\$ 36,786,172</u>	<u>\$ 35,141,880</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE					
Operating Fund:					
Reserve for Encumbrances	\$ 27,009	\$ 11,276	\$ 7,360	\$ 9,800	\$ 10,162
Overpayments	4,562	5,116	3,837	1,575	1,204
Appropriation Reserves	88,169	47,451	52,469	55,030	52,314
Accrued Interest on Bonds and Notes	38,233	36,336	36,729	42,307	33,268
Prepayments	2,922	4,515			
Reserve for Receivables	63,053	59,058	65,649	58,222	93,345
Fund Balance	264,060	362,919	415,038	591,402	429,228
Total Operating Fund	488,009	526,671	581,081	758,336	619,521
Capital Fund:					
Serial Bonds	5,561,150	4,675,150	5,440,150	5,040,150	3,616,150
Bond Anticipation Notes		497,000			852,150
Improvement Authorizations:					
Unfunded	100	206,770	19,730	550	421,267
Funded	1,349,281	1,790,342	1,942,071	1,188,684	233,847
Capital Improvement Fund	44,400	55,300	6,300	28,300	12,900
Contracts Payable	591,170				72,415
Interfunds Payable	641	15,103	659	453	753
Reserve for:					
Payment of Bonds and Notes	54,226	1,399	31,399	81,399	111,234
Amortization	31,819,548	31,068,593	30,292,033	29,593,903	29,038,903
Deferred Amortization	139,428	114,310	104,870	60,435	56,000
Encumbrances	69,207	20,000	25,000	30,102	102,880
Fund Balance	927	10,927	3,860	3,860	3,860
Total Capital Fund	39,630,078	38,454,894	37,866,072	36,027,836	34,522,360
	<u>\$ 40,118,087</u>	<u>\$ 38,981,565</u>	<u>\$ 38,447,153</u>	<u>\$ 36,786,172</u>	<u>\$ 35,141,880</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
SEWER UTILITY FUND
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE--
REGULATORY BASIS

	For the Years Ended December 31,				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Revenue Realized:					
Fund Balance Utilized	\$ 223,000	\$ 246,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 235,000
Rents	2,062,353	2,077,871	1,896,396	1,891,811	1,846,989
Reserve for the Payment of Debt		30,000	50,000	60,000	
Miscellaneous and Other Credits to Income	118,886	157,564	159,910	312,563	252,445
Total Income	2,404,239	2,511,435	2,331,306	2,314,374	2,334,435
Expenditures and Encumbrances:					
Operating	1,260,300	1,271,400	1,327,000	1,236,600	1,074,800
Capital Improvements	50,000	70,000	40,000	60,000	5,000
Debt Service	900,097	905,554	823,944	673,425	983,417
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	69,700	70,600	61,727	70,400	60,200
Other Credits				31,775	
Total Expenditures and Encumbrances	2,280,097	2,317,554	2,252,670	2,072,200	2,123,417
Excess in Revenue	124,141	193,881	78,636	242,174	211,018
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance	124,141	193,881	78,636	242,174	211,018
Fund Balance January 1	362,919	415,038	591,402	429,228	483,210
	487,060	608,919	670,038	671,402	694,228
Decreased by:					
Utilized by Revenue:					
Current Fund			30,000	30,000	30,000
Sewer Operating Fund	223,000	246,000	225,000	50,000	235,000
Fund Balance December 31	\$ 264,060	\$ 362,919	\$ 415,038	\$ 591,402	\$ 429,228

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

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
TRUST FUND
STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE--
REGULATORY BASIS

	As of December 31,				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 4,689,797	\$ 4,358,287	\$ 3,808,207	\$ 4,015,722	\$ 3,095,332
Interfunds Receivable			4,692	5,341	
Other Accounts Receivable	115,966	99,866	733,362	131,412	177,554
	<u>\$ 4,805,763</u>	<u>\$ 4,458,153</u>	<u>\$ 4,546,260</u>	<u>\$ 4,152,475</u>	<u>\$ 3,272,885</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE					
Other Accounts Payable	\$ 4	\$ 97	\$ 154	\$ 224	\$ 163
Reserve for Encumbrances	68,092	77,034	154,507	124,129	175,608
Interfund Loans	68,932	33,767	56,565	6,300	73,138
Other Liabilities and Special Funds	4,668,735	4,344,543	4,332,942	4,018,975	3,021,924
Prepaid Licenses		2,712	2,094	2,847	2,052
	<u>\$ 4,805,763</u>	<u>\$ 4,458,153</u>	<u>\$ 4,546,260</u>	<u>\$ 4,152,475</u>	<u>\$ 3,272,885</u>

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

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Financial Reporting Entity - The Township of Voorhees was incorporated in March, 1899 and is located in southwest New Jersey approximately ten miles southeast of the City of Philadelphia. The population according to the 2010 census is 29,131.

The Township of Voorhees is governed by a five member committee, who designate a Mayor and a Deputy Mayor from their number. Administrative responsibilities are assigned to the Township Administrator. The Township Committee establishes policy. The Administrator is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Township and implementing and administering policy.

Component Units - The Township of Voorhees had no component units as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statements No. 39 and No. 61.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation - The financial statements of the Township contain all funds and account groups in accordance with the *Requirements of Audit* ("Requirements") as promulgated by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services. The principles and practices established by the *Requirements* 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 respect to public funds. Generally, the financial statements are presented using the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting with minor exceptions as mandated by these *Requirements*. In addition, the prescribed accounting principles previously referred to differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local government units. The more significant differences are explained in this note.

In accordance with the *Requirements*, the Township accounts for its financial transactions through the use of separate funds which are described as follows:

Current Fund - The current fund accounts for resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds.

Trust Funds - The various trust funds account for receipts, custodianship, and disbursement of funds in accordance with the purpose for which each reserve was created.

General Capital Fund - The general capital fund accounts for receipt and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired in the current fund.

Sewer Utility Operating and Capital Funds - The sewer utility operating and capital funds account for the operations and acquisition of capital facilities of the municipally owned sewer operations.

General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts - The general fixed asset group of accounts is utilized to account for property, land, buildings, and equipment that have been acquired by other governmental funds.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting - The Township must adopt an annual budget for its current, sewer utility and municipal open space in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4 et seq. N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 requires the governing body to introduce and approve the annual municipal budget no later than February 10 of each year. At introduction, the governing body shall fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and must advertise the time and place at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper published and circulating in the municipality. The public hearing must not be held less than twenty-eight days after the date the budget was introduced. After the hearing has been held, the governing body may, by majority vote, adopt the budget or may amend the budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-9. Amendments to adopted budgets, if any, are detailed in the statements of revenues and expenditures.

An extension of the statutory dates for introduction, approval, and adoption of the municipal budget may be granted by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, with the permission of the Local Finance Board.

Budgets are adopted on the same basis of accounting utilized for the preparation of the Township's financial statements.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments - Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds and cash on deposit with public depositories. All certificates of deposit are recorded as cash regardless of the date of maturity. Investments are stated at cost; therefore, unrealized gains or losses on investments have not been recorded.

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

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"), a multiple financial institutional collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include State or federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of governmental units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the amount of their deposits to the governmental units.

The cash management plan adopted by the Township requires it to deposit funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Act.

Interfunds - Interfund receivables and payables that arise from transactions between funds are recorded by all funds affected by such transactions in the period in which the transaction is executed. 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.

Inventories of Supplies - The costs of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the various statements of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

General Fixed Assets - Accounting for governmental fixed assets, as required by N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.6, differs in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In accordance with the regulations, all local units, including municipalities, must maintain a general fixed assets reporting system that establishes and maintains a physical inventory of nonexpendable, tangible property as defined and limited by the U.S. Office of Management and *Budget's Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Part 200, §200.12), except that the useful life of such property is at least five years. The Township has adopted a capitalization threshold of \$5,000.00, the maximum amount allowed by the Circular. Generally, assets are valued at historical cost; however, assets acquired prior to December 31, 1985 are valued at actual historical cost or estimated historical cost. No depreciation of general fixed assets is recorded. Donated general fixed assets are recorded at acquisition value as of the date of the transaction. Interest costs relative to the acquisition of general fixed assets are recorded as expenditures when paid. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized. Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the capital funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation. The Township is required to maintain a subsidiary ledger detailing fixed assets records to control additions, retirements, and transfers of fixed assets. In addition, a statement of general fixed asset group of accounts, reflecting the activity for the year, must be included in the Township's basic financial statements.

The regulations require that general fixed assets, whether constructed or acquired through purchase, grant or gift be included in the aforementioned inventory. In addition, property management standards must be maintained that include accurate records indicating asset description, source, ownership, acquisition cost and date, the percentage of Federal participation (if any), and the location, use, and condition of the asset. Periodically, physical inventories must be taken and reconciled with these records. Lastly, all fixed assets must be adequately controlled to safeguard against loss, damage, or theft.

Utility Fixed Assets - Property and equipment purchased by a utility fund are recorded in the utility capital account at cost and are adjusted for disposition and abandonment. The amounts shown do not represent replacement cost or current value. The reserve for amortization and deferred reserve for amortization accounts in the utility capital fund represent charges to operations for the cost of acquisition of property and equipment, improvements, and contributed capital.

Foreclosed Property - Foreclosed property is recorded in the current fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved. Ordinarily it is the intention of the municipality to resell foreclosed property in order to recover all or a portion of the delinquent taxes or assessments and to return the property to a taxpaying basis. For this reason the value of foreclosed property has not been included in the general fixed asset group of accounts. If such property is converted to a municipal use, it will be recorded in the general fixed asset group of accounts.

Deferred Charges - The recognition of certain expenditures is deferred to future periods. These expenditures, or deferred charges, are generally over expenditures of legally adopted budget appropriations or emergency appropriations made in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 et seq. Deferred charges are subsequently raised as items of appropriation in budgets of succeeding years.

Liens Sold for Other Governmental Units - Liens sold on behalf of other governmental units are not recorded on the records of the tax collector until such liens are collected. Upon their collection, such liens are recorded as a liability due to the governmental unit net of the costs of the initial sale. The related costs of sale are recognized as revenue when received.

Fund Balance - Fund balances included in the current fund and sewer utility operating fund represent amounts available for anticipation as revenue in future years' budgets, with certain restrictions.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

Revenues - Revenues are recorded when received in cash except for certain amounts which are due from other governmental units. Revenue from federal and state grants is realized when anticipated as such in the Township's budget. Receivables for property taxes are recorded with offsetting reserves on the statement of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance of the Township's current fund; accordingly, such amounts are not recorded as revenue until collected. Other amounts that are due the Township which are susceptible to accrual are also recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves and recorded as revenue when received.

Property Tax Revenues - Property tax revenues are collected in quarterly installments due February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. The amount of tax levied includes not only the amount required in support of the Township's annual budget, but also the amounts required in support of the budgets of the County of Camden, the Township of Voorhees School District, Eastern Regional High School District, and the Township of Voorhees Fire District. Unpaid property taxes are subject to tax sale in accordance with the statutes.

School Taxes - The Township is responsible for levying, collecting, and remitting school taxes for the Township of Voorhees School District and Eastern Regional High School District. Operations is charged for the full amount required to be raised from taxation to operate the local school district for the period from January 1 to December 31. For the regional high school district, operations is charged for the Township's share of the amount required to be raised by taxation for the period from July 1 to June 30, increased by the amount deferred at December 31, 2015 and decreased by the amount deferred at December 31, 2016.

County Taxes - The municipality is responsible for levying, collecting, and remitting county taxes for the County of Camden. County taxes are determined on a calendar year by the County Board of Taxation based upon the ratables required to be certified to them on January 10 of each year. Operations is charged for the amount due to the County for the year, based upon the ratables required to be certified to the County Board of Taxation by January 10 of the current year. In addition, operations is charged for the County share of added and omitted taxes certified to the County Board of Taxation by October 10 of the current year, and due to be paid to the County by February 15 of the following year.

Fire District Taxes - The municipality is responsible for levying, collecting, and remitting fire district taxes for the Township of Voorhees Fire District. Operations is charged for the full amount required to be raised from taxation to operate the Fire District for the period from January 1 to December 31.

Reserve for Uncollected Taxes - The inclusion of the "reserve for uncollected taxes" appropriation in the Township's annual budget protects the Township from taxes not paid currently. The reserve, the minimum amount of which is determined on the percentage of collections experienced in the immediate preceding year, with certain exceptions, is required to provide assurance that cash collected in the current year will provide sufficient cash flow to meet expected obligations.

Expenditures - Expenditures are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally, expenditures are recorded when paid. However, for charges to amounts appropriated for "other expenses", an amount is encumbered through the issuance of a numerically controlled purchase order or when a contract is executed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.2. When encumbered charges are paid, the amount encumbered is simultaneously liquidated in its original amount. Encumbrances are offset by an account entitled reserve for encumbrances. The reserve is classified as a cash liability under New Jersey municipal accounting. At December 31, this reserve represents the portion of appropriation reserves that has been encumbered and is subject to the same statutory provisions as appropriation reserves.

Appropriations for principal payments on outstanding general capital and utility bonds and notes are provided on the cash basis; interest on general capital indebtedness is on the cash basis; whereas interest on utility indebtedness is on the accrual basis.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

Appropriation Reserves - Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at year-end 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 year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income.

Long-Term Debt - Long-term debt, relative to the acquisition of capital assets, is recorded as a liability in the general capital and utility capital funds. Where an improvement is a "local Improvement", i.e. assessable upon completion, long-term debt associated with that portion of the cost of the improvement to be funded by assessments is transferred to the trust fund upon the confirmation of the assessments or when the improvement is fully and permanently funded.

Compensated Absences and Postemployment Benefits - Compensated absences for vacation, sick leave and other compensated absences are recorded and provided for in the annual budget in the year in which they are paid, on a pay-as-you-go basis. Likewise, no accrual is made for postemployment benefits, if any, which are also funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Note 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits might not be recovered. Although the Township does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). Under the Act, the first \$250,000.00 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Public funds owned by the municipality in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled agency funds such as salary withholdings, bail funds, or funds that may pass to the municipality relative to the happening of a future condition. Such funds are classified as uninsured and uncollateralized.

As of December 31, 2016, the Township's bank balances of \$23,518,108.93 were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Insured by FDIC and GUDPA	\$ 21,644,661.35
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	<u>1,873,447.58</u>
Total	<u>\$ 23,518,108.93</u>

Note 3: PROPERTY TAXES

The following is a five-year comparison of certain statistical information relative to property taxes and property tax collections for the current and previous four calendar years:

Comparative Schedule of Tax Rates

	<u>Year Ended</u>				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013(A)</u>	<u>2012</u>
Tax Rate	<u>\$ 3.870</u>	<u>\$ 3.748</u>	<u>\$ 3.701</u>	<u>\$ 3.584</u>	<u>\$ 2.891</u>
Apportionment of Tax Rate:					
Municipal	\$.611	\$.587	\$.587	\$.568	\$.447
Municipal Open Space	.019	.020	.020	.019	.019
County	.974	.967	.953	.886	.723
Regional School	.652	.620	.609	.613	.484
Local School	1.420	1.371	1.354	1.329	1.081
Fire District	.194	.183	.178	.169	.137

Assessed Valuation

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ 3,129,697,683.00
2015	3,186,775,596.00
2014	3,185,605,381.00
2013 (A)	3,175,517,903.00
2012	3,845,829,860.00

(A) = A Revaluation was performed in 2013.

Comparison of Tax Levies and Collections

<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Percentage of Collections</u>
2016	\$ 121,574,917.49	\$ 120,219,227.46	98.88%
2015	119,745,885.83	118,465,822.32	98.93%
2014	118,424,571.23	117,093,346.25	98.88%
2013	114,510,826.42	112,800,580.24	98.51%
2012	111,826,897.68	108,509,088.39	97.03%

Note 3: PROPERTY TAXES (CONT'D)

Five-year comparison of certain statistical information relative to property taxes and property tax collections for the current and previous four calendar years (cont'd):

Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens

<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Title Liens</u>	<u>Delinquent Taxes</u>	<u>Total Delinquent</u>	<u>Percentage of Tax Levy</u>
2016	\$ 214,633.94	\$ 1,315,608.71	\$ 1,530,242.65	1.26%
2015	178,769.43	1,156,786.85	1,335,556.28	1.12%
2014	182,664.01	1,226,896.47	1,409,560.48	1.19%
2013	134,647.63	1,513,136.09	1,647,783.72	1.44%
2012	74,368.84	1,623,311.51	1,697,680.35	1.52%

The following comparison is made of the number of tax title liens receivable on December 31 for the current and previous four calendar years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number</u>
2016	24
2015	27
2014	28
2013	26
2012	21

Note 4: PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY TAX TITLE LIEN LIQUIDATION

The Township has no property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens as of December 31, 2016 or the previous four years.

Note 5: SEWER UTILITY SERVICE CHARGES

The following is a five-year comparison of sewer utility service charges (rents) for the current and previous four years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>		<u>Levy</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Cash Collections</u>
	<u>Receivable</u>	<u>Liens</u>			
2016	\$ 58,297.63	\$ 760.00	\$ 2,070,584.53	\$ 2,129,642.16	\$ 2,062,352.85
2015	64,619.57	1,029.38	2,072,160.55	2,137,809.50	2,077,871.66
2014	52,667.56	5,554.33	1,907,721.53	1,965,943.42	1,896,395.75
2013	89,379.69	3,964.95	1,869,766.43	1,963,111.07	1,891,810.53
2012	63,576.99	2,644.95	1,875,191.86	1,941,413.80	1,846,989.16

Note 6: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED

The following schedules detail the amount of fund balances available at the end of the current year and four previous years and the amounts utilized in the subsequent year's budgets:

Current Fund

<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance December 31,</u>	<u>Utilized in Budget of Succeeding Year</u>	<u>Percentage of Fund Balance Used</u>
2016	\$ 4,340,888.06	\$ 3,314,000.00	76.34%
2015	3,940,751.21	2,562,000.00	65.01%
2014	3,531,571.33	2,359,900.00	66.82%
2013	2,611,549.35	1,675,000.00	64.14%
2012	1,817,020.18	1,540,000.00	84.75%

Sewer Utility Fund

<u>Year</u>	<u>Balance December 31,</u>	<u>Utilized in Budget of Succeeding Year</u>	<u>Percentage of Fund Balance Used</u>
2016	\$ 264,060.22	\$ 82,000.00	31.05%
2015	362,918.84	223,000.00	61.45%
2014	415,037.51	246,000.00	59.27%
2013	591,401.98	255,000.00 (A)	43.12%
2012	429,228.34	80,000.00 (A)	18.64%

(A) Includes amounts anticipated as revenue in the current fund budget.

Note 7: INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The following interfund balances were recorded on the various statements of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance as of December 31, 2016:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfunds Receivable</u>	<u>Interfunds Payable</u>
Current	\$ 182,687.37	
Trust - Animal Control		\$ 17.83
Trust - Other		68,914.51
General Capital		113,755.03
Sewer Utility - Operating	641.23	
Sewer Utility - Capital		641.23
	<u>\$ 183,328.60</u>	<u>\$ 183,328.60</u>

The interfund receivables and payables above predominately resulted from collections and payments made by certain funds on behalf of other funds. During the year 2017, the Township expects to liquidate such interfunds, depending upon the availability of cash flow.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS

A substantial number of the Township's employees participate in one of the following defined benefit pension plans: the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS") and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System ("PFRS"), which are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. In addition, several Township employees participate in the Defined Contribution Retirement Program ("DCRP"), which is a defined contribution pension plan. This plan is administered by Prudential Financial for the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. Each plan has a Board of Trustees that is primarily responsible for its administration. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
<http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions>

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Descriptions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS's designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PERS is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the Township, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pensions fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund. The PERS's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PERS.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The Police and Firemen's Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of July 1, 1944, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS's designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PFRS is mandatory for substantially all full-time police and firemen of the Township. The PFRS's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PFRS.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund established on July 1, 2007 under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007, and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et. seq.). The DCRP is a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 401(a) et seq., and is a "governmental plan" within the meaning of IRC § 414(d). The DCRP provides retirement benefits for eligible employees and their beneficiaries. Individuals covered under DCRP are employees enrolled in PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees enrolled in PFRS after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS after May 21, 2010 who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tiers 4 or 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)****Vesting and Benefit Provisions**

Public Employees' Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and 43:3B. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after 10 years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of the PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 21, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll after May 21, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except disability benefits, which vest after four years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)****Vesting and Benefit Provisions (Cont'd)**

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - Eligible members are provided with a defined contribution retirement plan intended to qualify for favorable Federal income tax treatment under IRC Section 401(a), a noncontributory group life insurance plan and a noncontributory group disability benefit plan. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employee contributions shall immediately become and shall at all times remain fully vested and non-forfeitable. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employer contributions shall be vested and non-forfeitable on the date the participant commences the second year of employment or upon his or her attainment of age 65, while employed by an employer, whichever occurs first.

Contributions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Members contribute at a uniform rate. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contribution rate increased from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years beginning in July 2012. The member contribution rate was 7.06% in State fiscal year 2016. The phase-in of the additional incremental member contribution rate takes place in July of each subsequent State fiscal year. The rate for members who are eligible for the Prosecutors Part of PERS (Chapter 366, P.L. 2001) increased from 8.5% of base salary to 10%. Employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate. The Township's contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which included the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

The Township's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended December 31, 2016 was 13.20% of the Township's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2016, the Township's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2016 is \$643,010.00, and is payable by April 1, 2017. Due to the basis of accounting described in note 1, no liability has been recorded in the financial statements for this amount. Based on the PERS measurement date of June 30, 2015, the Township's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$637,411.00, which was paid on April 1, 2016. Employee contributions to the plan during the year ended December 31, 2016 were \$350,653.42.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the active member contribution rate increased from 8.5% to 10.0% in October 2011. Employers' contributions are based on an actuarially determined amount which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)****Contributions (Cont'd)**

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (Cont'd) – *Special Funding Situation Component* - Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a *special funding situation* as defined by GASB Statement No. 68, and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to disclose in the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation.

The Township's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended December 31, 2016 was 24.58% of the Township's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2016, the Township's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2016 is \$1,028,395.00, and is payable by April 1, 2017. Due to the basis of accounting described in note 1, no liability has been recorded in the financial statements for this amount. Based on the PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2015, the Township's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$1,070,037.00, which was paid on April 1, 2016. Employee contributions to the plan during the year ended December 31, 2016 were \$424,579.68.

The amount of contractually required contribution for the State of New Jersey's proportionate share, associated with the Township, for the year ended December 31, 2016 was 1.85% of the Township's covered payroll.

Based on the most recent PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2016, the State's contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the Township, to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2016 is \$77,528.00, and is payable by April 1, 2017. Based on the PFRS measurement date of June 30, 2015, the State's contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the Township, to the pension plan for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$100,096.00, which was paid on April 1, 2016.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the Township contributes 3% of the employees' base salary, for each pay period, to Prudential Financial not later than the fifth business day after the date on which the employee is paid for that pay period.

For the year ended December 31, 2016, employee contributions totaled \$1,270.62, and the Township's contributions were \$702.12. There were no forfeitures during the year.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

Public Employees' Retirement System - At December 31, 2016, the Township's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$21,436,761.00. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2016. The Township's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Township's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2016 measurement date, the Township's proportion was .0723795968%, which was a decrease of .0017610825% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

At December 31, 2016, the Township's proportionate share of the PERS pension expense, calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2016 measurement date is \$2,045,993.00. This expense is not recognized by the Township because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1; however, as previously mentioned, for the year ended December 31, 2016, the Township's contribution to PERS was \$637,411.00, and was paid on April 1, 2016.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System - At December 31, 2016, the Township's and State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability were as follows:

Township's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,094,195.00
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Associated with the Township	<u>2,023,315.00</u>
	<u>\$ 26,117,510.00</u>

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2016. The Township's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Township's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers and the State of New Jersey, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2016 measurement date, the Township's proportion was .1261307249%, which was a decrease of .0055092934% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015. Likewise, at June 30, 2016, the State of New Jersey's proportion, on-behalf of the Township, was .1261307249%, which was a decrease of .0055092934% from its proportion, on-behalf of the Township, measured as of June 30, 2015.

At December 31, 2016, the Township's proportionate share of the PFRS pension expense, calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2016 measurement date is \$2,377,926.00. This expense is not recognized by the Township because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1; however, as previously mentioned, for the year ended December 31, 2016, the Township's contribution to PFRS was \$1,070,037.00, and were paid on April 1, 2016.

At December 31, 2016, the State's proportionate share of the PFRS pension expense, associated with the Township, calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2016 measurement date is \$258,425.00. This on-behalf expense is not recognized by the Township because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in note 1.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)**

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - At December 31, 2016, the Township had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources			Deferred Inflows of Resources		
	PERS	PFRS	Total	PERS	PFRS	Total
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 398,659.00	\$ -	\$ 398,659.00	\$ -	\$ 157,941.00	\$ 157,941.00
Changes of Assumptions	4,440,552.00	3,337,244.00	7,777,796.00	-	-	-
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	817,403.00	1,688,232.00	2,505,635.00	-	-	-
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Township Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	219,432.00	238,535.00	457,967.00	286,998.00	1,043,552.00	1,330,550.00
Township Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	321,505.00	514,198.00	835,703.00	-	-	-
	<u>\$ 6,197,551.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,778,209.00</u>	<u>\$ 11,975,760.00</u>	<u>\$ 286,998.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,201,493.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,488,491.00</u>

\$321,505.00 and \$514,198.00 for PERS and PFRS, respectively, included in deferred outflows of resources, will be included as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2017. These amounts were based on an estimated April 1, 2018 contractually required contribution, prorated from the pension plans measurement date of June 30, 2016 to the Township's year end of December 31, 2016.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)**

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - The Township will amortize the above other deferred outflow of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions over the following number of years:

	PERS		PFRS	
	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2015	5.72	-	-	5.53
June 30, 2016	5.57	-	-	5.58
Changes of Assumptions				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014	6.44	-	6.17	-
June 30, 2015	5.72	-	5.53	-
June 30, 2016	5.57	-	5.58	
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014	-	5.00	-	5.00
June 30, 2015	-	5.00	-	5.00
June 30, 2016	5.00	-	5.00	-
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Township Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions				
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:				
June 30, 2014	6.44	6.44	6.17	6.17
June 30, 2015	5.72	5.72	5.53	5.53
June 30, 2016	5.57	5.57	5.58	5.58

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)**

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - Other amounts included as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in future periods as follows:

<u>Year Ending Dec 31,</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
2017	\$ 1,272,915.00	\$ 965,095.00	\$ 2,238,010.00
2018	1,272,915.00	965,095.00	2,238,010.00
2019	1,474,813.00	1,369,865.00	2,844,678.00
2020	1,209,672.00	803,822.00	2,013,494.00
2021	358,733.00	(41,359.00)	317,374.00
	<u>\$ 5,589,048.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,062,518.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,651,566.00</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2016. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>
Inflation	3.08%	3.08%
Salary Increases:		
Through 2026	1.65% - 4.15% Based on Age	2.10% - 8.98% Based on Age
Thereafter	2.65% - 5.15% Based on Age	3.10% - 9.98% Based on Age
Investment Rate of Return	7.65%	7.65%
Mortality Rate Table	RP-2000	RP-2000
Period of Actuarial Experience		
Study upon which Actuarial		
Assumptions were Based	July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2014	July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2013

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)**

For PERS, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Employee Preretirement Mortality Table for male and female active participants. Mortality tables are set back 2 years for males and 7 years for females. In addition, the tables provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables (set back 1 year for males and females) for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members and a one-year static projection based on mortality improvement Scale AA. In addition, the tables for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 3 years for males and set forward 1 year for females).

For PFRS, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Pre-Retirement mortality tables projected thirteen years using Projection Scale BB and then projected on a generational basis using the plan actuary's modified 2014 projection scales. Post-retirement mortality rates for male service retirements and beneficiaries are based the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Tables projected one year using Projection Scale AA and two years using the plan actuary's modified 2014 projection scales, which was further projected on a generational basis using the plan actuary's modified 2014 projection scales. Postretirement mortality rates for female service retirements and beneficiaries were based the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Tables projected thirteen years using Projection Scale BB and then two years using the plan actuary's modified 2014 projection scales, which was further projected on a generational basis using the plan actuary's modified 2014 projection scales. Disability mortality rates were based on special mortality tables used for the period after disability retirement.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)**

For PERS and PFRS, in accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.65% at June 30, 2016) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's and PFRS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	5.00%	0.87%
U.S. Treasuries	1.50%	1.74%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.79%
Mortgages	2.00%	1.67%
High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.56%
Inflation-Indexed Bonds	1.50%	3.44%
Broad U.S. Equities	26.00%	8.53%
Developed Foreign Equities	13.25%	6.83%
Emerging Market Equities	6.50%	9.95%
Private Equity	9.00%	12.40%
Hedge Funds / Absolute Return	12.50%	4.68%
Real Estate (Property)	2.00%	6.91%
Commodities	0.50%	5.45%
Global Debt ex U.S.	5.00%	-0.25%
REIT	5.25%	5.63%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability at June 30, 2016 was 3.98% for PERS and 5.55% for PFRS. For both PERS and PFRS, the respective single blended discount rates were based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.65%, and a municipal bond rate of 2.85% as of June 30, 2016, based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rates assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and for PFRS, the non-employer contributing entity, will be made based on the average of the last five years of contributions. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2034 for PERS and through 2050 for PFRS. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2034 for PERS and through 2050 for PFRS, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liabilities.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Sensitivity of Township's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - The following presents the Township's proportionate share of the net pension liability at June 30, 2016, the plans measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 3.98%, as well as what the Township's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used:

	PERS		
	1% Decrease (<u>2.98%</u>)	Current Discount Rate (<u>3.98%</u>)	1% Increase (<u>4.98%</u>)
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	<u>\$ 26,268,248.00</u>	<u>\$ 21,436,761.00</u>	<u>\$ 17,447,949.00</u>

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) - As previously mentioned, PFRS has a special funding situation, where the State of New Jersey pays a portion of the Township's annual required contribution. As such, the net pension liability as of June 30, 2016, the plans measurement date, for the Township and the State of New Jersey, calculated using a discount rate of 5.55%, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used is as follows:

	PFRS		
	1% Decrease (<u>4.55%</u>)	Current Discount Rate (<u>5.55%</u>)	1% Increase (<u>6.55%</u>)
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 31,067,698.00	\$ 24,094,195.00	\$ 18,407,723.00
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability associated with the Township	<u>2,608,916.33</u>	<u>2,023,315.00</u>	<u>1,545,792.34</u>
	<u>\$ 33,676,614.33</u>	<u>\$ 26,117,510.00</u>	<u>\$ 19,953,515.34</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits financial report. Information on where to obtain the report is indicated at the beginning of this note.

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Supplementary Pension Information**

In accordance with GASB 68, the following information is also presented for the PERS and PFRS Pension Plans. These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirements to show information for 10 years; however, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

Schedule of the Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Last Four Years)

	Measurement Date Ended June 30,			
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Township's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.000723796	0.0741406793%	0.0735533247%	0.0721241847%
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 21,436,761.00	\$ 16,643,097.00	\$ 13,771,194.00	\$ 13,784,365.00
Township's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 5,007,624.00	\$ 5,111,672.00	\$ 5,095,856.00	\$ 4,989,548.00
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of it's Covered Payroll	428.08%	325.59%	270.24%	276.26%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	40.14%	47.93%	52.08%	48.72%

Schedule of the Township's Contributions - Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Last Four Years)

	Year Ended December 31,			
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Township's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 643,010.00	\$ 637,411.00	\$ 606,363.00	\$ 543,441.00
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(643,010.00)	(637,411.00)	(606,363.00)	(543,441.00)
Township's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Township's Covered Payroll (Calendar Year)	\$ 4,871,709.00	\$ 4,977,145.00	\$ 5,009,165.00	5,023,239.00
Township's Contributions as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	13.20%	12.81%	12.11%	10.82%

Note 8: **PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**

Supplementary Pension Information (Cont'd)

Schedule of the Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Last Four Years)

	Measurement Date Ended June 30,			
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Township's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.1261307249%	0.1316400183%	0.1288493500%	0.1348492337%
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,094,195.00	\$ 21,926,638.00	\$ 16,208,053.00	\$ 17,926,989.00
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the Township	2,023,315.00	1,922,893.00	1,745,335.00	1,671,013.00
Total	<u>\$ 26,117,510.00</u>	<u>\$ 23,849,531.00</u>	<u>\$ 17,953,388.00</u>	<u>\$ 19,598,002.00</u>
Township's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 4,068,704.00	\$ 4,166,796.00	\$ 4,054,900.00	\$ 4,182,332.00
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of it's Covered Payroll	592.18%	526.22%	399.72%	428.64%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	52.01%	56.31%	62.41%	58.70%

Schedule of the Township's Contributions - Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Last Four Years)

	Year Ended December 31,			
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Township's Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 1,028,395.00	\$ 1,070,037.00	\$ 989,652.00	\$ 983,830.00
Township's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(1,028,395.00)	(1,070,037.00)	(989,652.00)	(983,830.00)
Township's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Township's Covered Payroll (Calendar Year)	\$ 4,184,424.00	\$ 4,093,326.00	\$ 4,078,485.00	\$ 4,010,603.00
Township's Contributions as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	24.58%	26.14%	24.27%	24.53%

Note 8: PENSION PLANS (CONT'D)**Other Notes to Supplementary Pension Information*****Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)***

Changes in Benefit Terms - None

Changes in Assumptions - For 2016, the discount rate changed to 3.98%, the long-term expected rate of return changed to 7.65%, demographic assumptions were revised in accordance with the results of the July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2014 experience study and the mortality improvement scale incorporated the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Further, salary increases were assumed to increase between 1.65% and 4.15% (based on age) through fiscal year 2026 and 2.65% and 5.15% (based on age) for each fiscal year thereafter. For 2015, the discount rate changed to 4.90%. In addition, the social security wage base was set at \$118,500 for 2015, increasing 4.00% per annum, compounded annually and the 401(a)(17) pay limit was set at \$265,000 for 2015, increasing 3.00% per annum, compounded annually. For 2014, the discount rate was 5.39%.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms - None

Changes in Assumptions - For 2016, the discount rate changed to 5.55%, the long-term expected rate of return changed to 7.65%, and the mortality improvement scale incorporated the plan actuary's modified 2014 projection scale. Further, salary increases were assumed to increase between 2.10% and 8.98% (based on age) through fiscal year 2026 and 3.10% and 9.98% (based on age) for each fiscal year thereafter. For 2015, the discount rate changed to 5.79% and demographic assumptions were revised in accordance with the results of the July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2013 experience study. For 2014, the discount rate was 6.32%.

Note 9: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS

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

The SHBP was extended to employees, retirees, and dependents of participating local public employers in 1964. Local employers must adopt a resolution to participate in the SHBP. In 1981, the Township authorized participation in the SHBP's post-retirement benefit program through resolution number 81-200. The Township assumes the entire cost of group health insurance for all employees who have retired after twenty-five years of service in a state retirement system.

The State Health Benefits Commission is the executive body established by statute to be responsible for the operation of the SHBP. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the SHBP. That report may be obtained by writing to: State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, NJ 08625-0295 or by visiting their website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/.

Note 9: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS (CONT'D)

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

Contributions to pay for the health premiums of participating retirees in the SHBP are billed to the Township on a monthly basis. The Township funds these benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis and, therefore, does not record accrued expenses related to these benefits. The Township's contributions to SHBP for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015, and 2014, were \$1,943,185.11, \$1,770,444.19, and \$1,461,042.45, respectively, which equaled the required contributions each year. There were approximately 93 retired participants eligible at December 31, 2016.

Note 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS

Plan Description - The Township provides postretirement health care benefits through a health plan for retirees, which includes a Medicare Part B reimbursement, dental insurance and life insurance. The Township's plan provides a sole employer and agent defined postemployment healthcare plan which covers the following retiree population: eligible retirees who retire from active employment with the Township under various classifications who have at least twenty (25) years of service in a state retirement system. Currently, ninety-eight (98) retirees meet these eligibility requirements. This provision is part of various Labor Agreements between the Township and its employees. The plan is administered by the Township; therefore, premium payments are made directly to the insurance carriers. For dental insurance purposes, reimbursements by retirees are paid after the Township provides the retirees with a detailed accounting of the costs.

Funding Policy - The contribution requirements of plan members and the Township are established and may be amended by the Township's governing body. Plan members receiving dental benefits have the option of a buy-up provision which allows participating retirees to purchase a higher level dental insurance plan while bearing the cost of this plan and reimbursing the Township for the added expense. Township retiree's contributed \$2,313.20 during the 2016 year for dental insurance.

Retirees - The Township presently funds its current retiree postemployment benefit costs on a "pay-as-you-go" basis and as shown above, receives monthly contributions from retirees to offset a portion of the cost. The Township's contributions to the plan for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015, and 2014 were \$146,535.75, \$139,060.67, and \$143,473.58, respectively.

Future Retirees - In accordance with Statement No. 45 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, the Township is required to disclose the *annual required contribution of the employer (ARC)*, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty (30) years. The ARC includes the costs of both current and future retirees. The current ARC was determined to be \$810,000.00 at an unfunded discount rate of 4.5%. As stated above, the Township has funded the cost of existing retirees in the amount of \$146,535.75, and has incurred the benefit costs for future eligible employees, but has not yet begun funding this outstanding liability.

Note 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS (CONT'D)

Annual OPEB Cost - For year ended December 31, 2016, the Township's annual OPEB cost (expense) of \$756,535.75 for the plan was equal to the ARC plus certain adjustments because the Township's actual contributions in prior years differed from the ARC. The Township's annual required contribution (ARC), the interest on the net OPEB obligation, the adjustment to the ARC, the increase or decrease in the net OPEB obligation, the net OPEB obligation, and the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan for years 2016, 2015, and 2014 are as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Normal Cost	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 190,000.00
Unfunded Actuarial Liability	<u>590,000.00</u>	<u>560,000.00</u>	<u>540,000.00</u>
Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	810,000.00	760,000.00	730,000.00
Interest on Net OPEB Obligation	180,000.00	150,000.00	129,600.00
Adjustment to Annual Contribution	<u>(233,464.25)</u>	<u>(340,939.33)</u>	<u>13,873.58</u>
Annual OPEB Cost	756,535.75	569,060.67	873,473.58
Contributions Made	<u>(146,535.75)</u>	<u>(139,060.67)</u>	<u>(143,473.58)</u>
Increase (Decrease) in the Net OPEB Obligation	610,000.00	430,000.00	730,000.00
Net OPEB Obligation, January 1	<u>4,040,000.00</u>	<u>3,610,000.00</u>	<u>2,880,000.00</u>
Net OPEB Obligation, December 31	<u>\$ 4,650,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,040,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,610,000.00</u>

Funded Status and Funding Progress - The funded status of the plan as of the three past actuarial valuation dates is as follows:

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a / b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b - a) / c)
12/31/14	\$0	\$9,040,000	\$9,040,000	0%	\$9,350,000	96.68%
12/31/15	\$0	8,910,000	8,910,000	0%	9,250,000	96.32%
12/31/16	\$0	9,350,000	9,350,000	0%	9,340,000	100.11%

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, as shown above, presents multiyear trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of the plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Note 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS (CONT'D)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions - The projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the December 31, 2016 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit actuarial cost method was used. Under this method, an actuarial accrued liability is determined as the actuarial present value of the portion of projected benefits which is allocated to service before the current plan year. In addition, a normal cost is determined as the actuarial present value of the portion of projected benefits which is allocated to service in the current plan year for each active participant under the assumed retirement age. The UAAL is being amortized (level dollar) for thirty (30) years on an open basis. The actuarial assumptions included the following:

- *Mortality.* RP 2014 mortality table with MP-2014 projection.
- *Turnover.* Sarasson T-5 Table.
- *Assumed Retirement Age.* At first eligibility after completing 25 years of service.
- *Full Attribution Period.* Service to assumed retirement age.
- *Annual Discount Rate.* Future costs have been discounted at the rate of 4.5% compounded annually for GASB 45 purposes.
- *Rates of Retirement, Rates of Withdrawal, and Rates of Disability.* The same table used to value the Public Employees' Retirement System of New Jersey - Local liability.
- *Medical Trend.* 8.0% in 2017, 7.5% in 2018, 7.0% in 2019, 6.5% in 2020, 6.0% in 2021, 5.5% in 2022 and 5.0% in 2023 and thereafter.
- *Medical Cost Aging Factor.* NJSHBP Medical Morbidity Rates
- *Retiree Contributions.* Net cost of dental plan provision.

Note 11: COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Full-time employees are entitled up to fifteen paid sick leave days each year. Unused sick leave may be accumulated and carried forward to the subsequent year. Five vacation days not used during the year may be accumulated and carried forward.

The Township of Voorhees compensates employees for unused sick leave upon retirement and is paid at the rate of 25 percent of the employee's highest daily rate.

The Township does not record accrued expenses related to compensated absences. However, it is estimated that, at December 31, 2016, accrued benefits for compensated absences are valued at \$713,463.13.

Note 12: DEFERRED COMPENSATION SALARY ACCOUNT

The Township offers its employees a deferred compensation plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457, which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The Plan, available to all full time employees at their option, permits employees to defer a portion of their salary to future years. The deferred compensation is not available to participants until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

Amounts deferred under Section 457 plans must be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of participating employees and not be accessible by the Township or its creditors. Since the Township does not have a fiduciary relationship with the Plan, the balances and activities of the Plan are not reported in the Township's financial statements.

Note 13: LEASE OBLIGATIONS

At December 31, 2016, the Township had lease agreements in effect for the following:

Capital:

One (1) 2015 Ford Interceptor Utility

Operating:

Seven (7) Konica Minolta Copiers

One (1) Pitney Bowes Mail Machine

Capital leases - The following is an analysis of the Township's capital leases:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance at December 31,</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Vehicles	\$ 8,561.13	\$ 42,782.19

The following schedule represents the remaining principal and interest payments, through maturity, for capital leases:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2017	\$ 8,825.96

Operating Leases - Future minimum lease payments under operating lease agreements are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2017	\$ 13,320.60
2018	13,320.60
2019	9,616.60
2020	4,431.00
2021	1,107.75

Rental payments under operating leases for the year 2016 were \$13,526.85.

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT**General, Open Space and Sewer Improvement Bonds**

General Improvement Bonds, Series 2005 - On December 1, 2005, the Township issued \$4,155,000.00 of general improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 3.5% to 3.7%. The bonds were issued for the purpose of funding various capital projects in the Township. The final maturity of the bonds is October 1, 2017.

General, Open Space and Sewer Improvement Bonds, Series 2008 - On December 4, 2008, the Township issued \$3,121,550.00 of general improvement bonds, \$1,145,700.00 of open space improvement bonds and \$1,214,750.00 of sewer improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 4.375%. The purpose of the bonds is to fund various capital ordinances, specifically 2003-29, 2005-65, 2005-67, 2006-80, 2006-81, 2006-82, 2006-83, 2007-98, 2007-99, 2007-104, 2007-105, 2007-106, 2007-107, 2008-126, 2008-127, 2008-128, 2008-129 and 2008-130. The final maturity of the bonds is November 1, 2020.

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)**General, Open Space and Sewer Improvement Bonds (Cont'd)**

General and Sewer Improvement Bonds, Series 2011 - On June 21, 2011, the Township issued \$3,445,600.00 in general improvement refunding bonds and \$1,678,400.00 in sewer improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 2.0% to 3.0%. The purpose of the bonds is to fund various capital ordinances, specifically 2009-145, 2009-146, 2009-147, 2009-148, 2010-163, 2010-164, 2010-165, 2010-166, 2010-167, 2010-169 and 2010-176. The final maturity of the bonds is February 1, 2022.

General, Open Space and Sewer Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 - On March 29, 2012, the Township issued \$1,615,000.00 of general improvement bonds, \$1,160,000.00 of open space improvement bonds and \$310,000.00 of sewer improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 2.0% to 4.0, to advance refund \$3,055,000.00 outstanding Series 2003 General Obligation Bonds. The final maturity of the bonds is June 1, 2024.

General and Sewer Improvement Bonds, Series 2013 - On August 7, 2013, the Township issued \$6,613,000.00 in general improvement bonds and \$1,969,000.00 in sewer improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 1.000% to 3.375%. The purpose of the bonds is to fund various capital ordinances, specifically 2010-169, 2011-190, 2011-191, 2011-192, 2011-193, 2012-209, 2012-210, 2012-211, 2012-212, 2012-217, 2013-232, 2013-234, 2013-235 and 2013-236. The final maturity of the bonds is May 1, 2028.

General and Sewer Improvement Bonds, Series 2014 - On August 12, 2014, the Township issued \$8,640,000.00 in general improvement bonds and \$1,080,000.00 in sewer improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 2.0% to 3.25%. The purpose of the bonds is to fund various capital ordinances, specifically 2010-170, 2014-248, 2014-249, 2014-250 and 2014-251. The final maturity of the bonds is August 15, 2034.

General and Sewer Improvement Bonds, Series 2016 - On July 19, 2016, the Township issued \$7,791,000.00 in general improvement bonds and \$1,654,000.00 of sewer improvement bonds, with interest rates ranging from 1% to 2%. The purpose of the bonds is to fund various capital ordinances, specifically 2014-248, 2014-249, 2014-255, 2014-256, 2015-261, 2015-262, 2015-263, 2015-264, 2015-265, 2016-281, 2016-282, 2016-283, 2016-284, 2016-285 and 2016-286. The final maturity of the bonds is February 1, 2026.

The following schedule represents the remaining debt service, through maturity, for the general improvement bonds:

<u>Year</u>	<u>General</u>		<u>Sewer Utility</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>			
2017	\$ 2,885,000.00	\$ 592,094.64	\$ 655,000.00	\$ 126,505.07	\$ 4,258,599.71
2018	2,715,000.00	515,981.45	675,000.00	111,262.32	4,017,243.77
2019	2,796,550.00	456,550.20	724,750.00	94,812.32	4,072,662.52
2020	2,510,700.00	391,126.13	590,000.00	76,767.00	3,568,593.13
2021	2,471,600.00	334,527.75	603,400.00	63,447.25	3,472,975.00
2022-26	9,603,000.00	898,206.25	2,004,000.00	167,944.41	12,673,150.66
2027-31	1,630,000.00	333,237.50	309,000.00	10,486.89	2,282,724.39
2032-34	1,145,000.00	74,637.50			1,219,637.50
	<u>\$ 25,756,850.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,596,361.42</u>	<u>\$ 5,561,150.00</u>	<u>\$ 651,225.26</u>	<u>\$ 35,565,586.68</u>

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)**General Debt - New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Loans**

On November 4, 2004, the Township entered into a loan agreement with the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust to provide \$4,744,596.00, at no interest, from the fund loan, and \$1,605,000.00 at interest rates ranging from 3.0% to 5.0% from the trust loan. The proceeds were used to fund the upgrading of a storm sewer pumping station and construction of a tide gate. Semiannual debt payments are due February 1st and August 1st through 2024.

The following schedule represents the remaining debt service, through maturity, for the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure loans:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Environmental Infrastructure</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2017	\$ 332,650.59	\$ 37,987.35	\$ 370,637.94
2018	338,424.33	33,660.63	372,084.96
2019	343,685.50	29,091.52	372,777.02
2020	334,268.05	24,299.32	358,567.37
2021	339,045.57	19,492.43	358,538.00
2022-24	1,071,639.68	27,902.60	1,099,542.28
	<u>\$ 2,759,713.72</u>	<u>\$ 172,433.85</u>	<u>\$ 2,932,147.57</u>

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)

The following schedule represents the Township's summary of debt for the current and two previous years:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<u>Issued</u>			
General:			
Bonds, Loans and Notes	\$ 28,516,563.72	\$ 27,122,974.39	\$ 27,545,905.46
Sewer Utility:			
Bonds and Notes	5,561,150.00	5,172,150.00	5,440,150.00
Total Issued	34,077,713.72	32,295,124.39	32,986,055.46
<u>Authorized but not Issued</u>			
General:			
Bonds and Notes	1,150.00	350.00	33,500.00
Sewer Utility:			
Bonds and Notes	100.00		98,000.00
Total Authorized but not Issued	1,250.00	350.00	131,500.00
Total Issued and Authorized but not Issued	34,078,963.72	32,295,474.39	33,117,555.46
<u>Deductions</u>			
Funds Temporarily Held to Pay Debt	128,675.17	21,488.76	30,790.37
Open Space Debt	4,105,413.72	4,626,824.39	5,130,244.46
Self-Liquidating	5,561,250.00	5,172,150.00	5,538,150.00
Total Deductions	9,795,338.89	9,820,463.15	10,699,184.83
Net Debt	<u>\$ 24,283,624.83</u>	<u>\$ 22,475,011.24</u>	<u>\$ 22,418,370.63</u>

Summary of Statutory Debt Condition – Annual Debt Statement

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the annual debt statement and indicated a statutory net debt of .692%.

	<u>Gross Debt</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Net Debt</u>
Regional School District	\$ 1,412,433.97	\$ 1,412,433.97	
Local School District	6,555,000.00	6,555,000.00	
Sewer Utility	5,561,250.00	5,561,250.00	
General	28,517,713.72	4,234,088.89	\$ 24,283,624.83
	<u>\$ 42,046,397.69</u>	<u>\$ 17,762,772.86</u>	<u>\$ 24,283,624.83</u>

Note 14: CAPITAL DEBT (CONT'D)

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

3 1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$ 122,814,857.97
Less: Net Debt	<u>24,283,624.83</u>
Remaining Borrowing Power	<u><u>\$ 98,531,233.14</u></u>

**Calculation of "Self-Liquidating Purpose,"
Sewer Utility Per N.J.S.A. 40:2-45**

Cash Receipts from Fees, Rents, Fund Balance Anticipated, Interest and Other Investment Income, and Other Charges for the Year	\$ 2,347,069.66
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Deductions:

Operating and Maintenance Costs	\$ 1,330,000.00
Debt Service	<u>900,097.14</u>

Total Deductions	<u>2,230,097.14</u>
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Excess in Revenue	<u><u>\$ 116,972.52</u></u>
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The foregoing debt information is in agreement with the annual debt statement filed by the chief financial officer.

Note 15: SCHOOL TAXES

Eastern Regional High School tax has been raised and the liability deferred by statutes, resulting in the school tax payable set forth in the current fund liabilities as follows:

	<u>Balance December 31,</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Balance of Tax	\$ 10,205,222.99	\$ 9,892,267.99
Deferred	<u>5,603,555.27</u>	<u>5,603,555.27</u>
	<u><u>\$ 4,601,667.72</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,288,712.72</u></u>

Note 16: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township 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.

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance - The Township has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method". Under this plan, the Township is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The Township is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State. The following is a summary of Township contributions, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the Township's trust fund for the current and previous two years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Township Contributions</u>	<u>Amount Reimbursed</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2016	None	\$ 193.21	\$ 83,117.63
2015	None	1,238.12	68,516.07
2014	None	6,996.00	55,653.74

It is estimated that there are \$11,461.00 of unreimbursed payments on behalf of the Township at December 31, 2016.

Joint Insurance Pool - The Township is a member of the Camden County Insurance Pool Joint Insurance Fund. The Fund provides its members with the following coverage:

Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability
Liability other than Motor Vehicles
Property Damage other than Motor Vehicles
Motor Vehicles

Contributions to the Fund, including a reserve for contingencies, are payable in two installments and are based on actuarial assumptions determined by the Fund's actuary. The Commissioner of Insurance may order additional assessments to supplement the Fund's claim, loss retention, or administrative accounts to assure the payment of the Fund's obligations.

The Fund provides the Township with the following coverage:

Property - Blanket Building and Grounds
General and Automobile Liability
Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability
Boiler and Machinery
Public Employee Dishonesty
Environmental Liability
Crime Coverage

Contributions to the Fund, are payable in an annual premium and is based on actuarial assumptions determined by the Fund's actuary. The Township's agreement with the pool provides that the pool will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will reinsure through the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund for claims in excess of \$50,000 to \$200,000 based on the line of coverage for each insured event.

Note 16: RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)**Joint Insurance Pool (Cont'd)**

The Fund publishes its own financial report for the year ended December 31, 2016, which can be obtained from:

Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
9 Campus Drive, Suite 16
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

Self-Insurance Plan - The Township has adopted a plan of self-insurance for dental benefits. At December 31, 2016, there is a \$54,855.99 reserve balance. The Township has insurance coverage for claims in excess of \$2,000.00 per employee. The Township funds the plan on a pay-as-you-go basis. Any additional funding required for claims in excess of the trust fund's reserve will be paid and charged to future budgets.

The following is a summary of Township contributions, employee contributions, reimbursed amounts for beneficiaries and the ending balance of the Township's trust fund for the current and previous two years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Township Contributions</u>	<u>Employee Contributions</u>	<u>Amount Reimbursed</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2016	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 14,150.62	\$ 128,238.26	\$ 54,855.99
2015	132,925.00	12,110.51	150,197.03	28,943.73
2014	70,000.00	12,712.16	142,068.99	34,105.25

Note 17: OPEN SPACE, RECREATION AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION TRUST

On November 4, 2003 pursuant to P.L. 1997, c. 24 (N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.1 et seq.), the voters of the Township of Voorhees authorized the establishment of the Township of Voorhees Open Space, Recreation and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund effective January 1, 2004, for the purpose of raising revenue for the acquisition of lands and interests in lands for the conservation of farmland and open space. Overall, as a result of the referendum, the Township levies a tax not to exceed three and one half cents per one hundred dollars of equalized valuation. Amounts raised by taxation are assessed, levied and collected in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes. Future increases in the tax rate or to extend the authorization must be authorized by referendum. All revenue received is accounted for in a Trust Fund dedicated by rider (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39) for the purposed stated. Interest earned on the investment of these funds is credited to the Township of Voorhees Open Space, Recreation and Farmland Preservation Trust Funds.

Note 18: CONTINGENCIES

Grantor Agencies - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies could be subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the Township expects such amount, if any, to be immaterial.

Litigation - The Township is a defendant in several legal proceedings that are in various stages of litigation. It is believed that the outcome, or exposure to the Township, from such litigation is either unknown or potential losses, if any, would not be material to the financial statements.

Note 19: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Authorization of Debt - Subsequent to December 31, the Township authorized additional bonds and notes as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Date Introduced</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
General Improvements		
Improvements to Various Township		
Buildings and Grounds	05/08/17	\$ 594,700.00
Various Road Improvements	05/08/17	1,794,550.00
Acquisition of Vehicles and Equipment	05/08/17	4,065,050.00
Installation of Artificial Turf	05/08/17	399,000.00
Sewer Improvements		
Acquisition of Sewer Utility Equipment		
and Improvements to Sewer Utility System	05/08/17	1,087,750.00

Emergency Management Operations - On February 21, 2017 the Township approved to dissolve the Voorhees Township Fire District No. 3 to be effective on March 1, 2017. Public safety is the primary reason for the dissolution. As of March 1, 2017, the Township will be responsible for Fire and Emergency Management operations for the Township.

APPENDIX C

FORM OF BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION



September __, 2017

Mayor and Township Committee
of the Township of Voorhees
2400 Voorhees Town Center
Voorhees, New Jersey

RE: \$7,941,000 TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as Bond Counsel in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the above-referenced obligations ("Bonds") by the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township"). The Bonds consist of: (i) \$6,854,000 General Improvement Bonds; and (ii) \$1,087,000 Sewer Utility Bonds.

The Bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to: (i) the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"); (ii) the bond ordinances set forth in the Resolution (hereinafter defined), each duly and finally adopted by the Township Committee and published in accordance with applicable law (collectively, the "Bond Ordinances"); (iii) a resolution adopted by the Township Committee on August 14, 2017 ("Resolution"); and (iv) a Certificate of Determination and Award executed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township on September 12, 2017 ("Award Certificate").

The Bonds are dated September 28, 2017, mature on September 15 in each of the years and in the respective principal amounts set opposite each such year in the table below and bear interest at the interest rates per annum below, payable initially on March 15, 2018 and semi-annually thereafter on September 15 and March 15 in each year until maturity.

<u>Year</u>	<u>General Improvement</u>	<u>Sewer Utility</u>	<u>Combined</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>General Improvement</u>	<u>Sewer Utility</u>	<u>Combined</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>%</u>
2018	\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	%	2023	\$720,000	\$110,000	\$830,000		
2019	400,000	100,000	500,000		2024	750,000	110,000	860,000		
2020	770,000	100,000	870,000		2025	800,000	115,000	915,000		
2021	745,000	105,000	850,000		2026	800,000	120,000	920,000		
2022	670,000	110,000	780,000		2027	799,000	117,000	916,000		

The Bonds are issued in fully registered book-entry-only form without coupons, and are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

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The Bonds are being issued to provide funds which will be used to: (i) permanently finance the costs of various capital improvements for which obligations have been authorized, but not issued; and (ii) pay certain costs and expenses incidental to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

As the basis for the opinion set forth below, we have examined such matters of law as we have deemed necessary including, inter alia, the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), and the Local Bond Law. We have also examined such documents, certifications and instruments as we have deemed necessary including, without limitation, the Bond Ordinances, the Resolution, the Award Certificate, the representations and covenants of the Township given pursuant to the Code as set forth in the Certificate as to Nonarbitrage and Other Tax Matters ("Nonarbitrage Certificate"), and the other certifications, opinions and instruments listed in the closing agenda prepared in connection with the settlement for the Bonds.

In rendering the following opinion, we have relied upon the authenticity, truthfulness and completeness of all documents, instruments and certifications examined including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Nonarbitrage Certificate.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, we are of the following opinion:

1. The Bonds are legal, valid and binding obligations of the Township enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof, except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws or equitable principles affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally ("Creditors' Rights Limitations").

2. For the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Township has the power and is obligated, to the extent payment is not otherwise provided, to levy ad valorem taxes upon all taxable real property within the Township without limitation as to rate or amount, except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be affected by Creditors' Rights Limitations.

3. Interest on the Bonds is not included for federal income tax purposes in the gross income of the owners thereof pursuant to Section 103 of the Code and is not a specific item of tax preference item under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of calculating the alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations pursuant to Section 55 of the Code.

The adjustment for "adjusted current earnings" set forth in Section 56(g) of the Code is required in determining a corporation's alternative minimum taxable income. Alternative minimum taxable income is increased by seventy-five percent (75%) of the excess, if any, of the "adjusted current earnings" of a corporation over the alternative minimum taxable income (determined without regard to this adjustment or the alternative tax net operating loss deduction).

Interest on tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds, is not excludable in calculating certain corporation's "adjusted current earnings." Accordingly, a portion of the interest on the Bonds received or accrued by a corporation that owns the Bonds is included in computing such corporation's alternative minimum taxable income for such year.



Section 884 of the Code imposes on certain foreign corporations a branch profits tax equal to thirty percent (30%) of the "dividend equivalent amount" for the taxable year. Interest on the Bonds received or accrued by a foreign corporation subject to the branch profits tax may be included in computing the "dividend equivalent amount" of such corporation.

In addition, passive investment income, including interest on the Bonds, may be subject to federal income taxation under Section 1375 of the Code for any S corporation that has Subchapter C earnings and profits at the close of the taxable year if more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the gross receipts of such S corporation is passive investment income.

In rendering this opinion, we have assumed continuing compliance by the Township that it will comply with the applicable requirements of the Code, including requirements relating to, inter alia, the use and investment of proceeds of the Bonds and rebate to the United States Treasury of specified arbitrage earnings, if any, under Section 148(f) of the Code. Failure of the Township to comply with such covenants could result in the interest on the Bonds being subject to federal income tax from the date of issue. We have not undertaken to monitor compliance with such covenants or to advise any party as to changes in the law after the date hereof that may affect the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Bonds.

Ownership of the Bonds may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers including, without limitation, certain holders of an interest in a financial asset securitization investment trust, property and casualty insurance companies, controlled foreign corporations, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals who otherwise qualify for the earned income credit, and to individuals and families that qualify for a premium assistance credit amount under Section 36B of the Code. The Code denies the earned income credit to an individual who is otherwise eligible if the aggregate amount of disqualified income of the taxpayer for the taxable year exceeds certain limits set forth in Sections 32(i) and (j) of the Code. Interest on the Bonds will constitute disqualified income for this purpose. The Code also provides that the earned income credit is phased out if the modified adjusted gross income of the taxpayer exceeds certain amounts. Interest on the Bonds is included in determining the modified adjusted gross income of the taxpayer. Section 36B of the Code provides that the amount of the premium assistance credit amount is in part determined by household income. Section 36B(d) of the Code provides that household income consists of the "modified adjusted gross income" of the taxpayer and certain other individuals. "Modified adjusted gross income" means adjusted gross income increased by certain amounts, including interest received or accrued by the taxpayer which is exempt from tax, such as the interest on the Bonds.

In addition, attention is called to the fact that Section 265(b)(1) of the Code eliminates the interest deduction otherwise allowable with respect to indebtedness deemed incurred by banks, thrift institutions and other financial institutions to purchase or to carry tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986 other than "qualified tax-exempt obligations" as defined in Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. The Township has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. Eighty percent (80%) of the interest expense deemed incurred by banks, thrift institutions and other financial institutions to purchase or carry "qualified tax-exempt obligations" is deductible.

Owners of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisers as to the applicability and effect on their federal income taxes of the alternative minimum tax, the branch profits tax and the tax on passive investment income of S corporations, as well as the applicability and effect of any other collateral federal income tax consequences.

4. Interest on the Bonds and any gain from the sale thereof is not included in the gross income of the owners thereof under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, as enacted and construed on the date hereof.

We express no opinion as to any matter not set forth in the numbered paragraphs above including, without limitation, any financial or other information which has been or may be supplied to purchasers of the Bonds.

The opinions expressed in the numbered paragraphs above are being rendered on the basis of federal law and the laws of the State of New Jersey, as presently enacted and construed, and we assume no responsibility to advise any party as to any changes in law or fact subsequent to the date hereof.

This is only an opinion letter and not a warranty or guaranty of the matters discussed above.

This letter is being provided solely for the benefit of the Township and may not be relied upon by any other person, party, firm or organization without our prior written consent.

Very truly yours,

APPENDIX D

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

THIS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT ("Disclosure Agreement") is made on this ____ day of September, 2017 between the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township") and the Dissemination Agent (hereinafter defined). This Disclosure Agreement is entered into in connection with the issuance and sale by the Township of its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017, in the principal amount of \$7,941,000 ("Bonds"). The Bonds consist of: (i) \$6,854,000 General Improvement Bonds; and (ii) \$1,087,000 Sewer Utility Bonds.

SECTION 1. Purpose of the Disclosure Agreement. This Disclosure Agreement is being executed and delivered for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds (collectively, the "Bondholders") and in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as it may be amended from time to time, including administrative or judicial interpretations thereof, as it applies to the Bonds ("Rule").

SECTION 2. Definitions. Capitalized terms, not otherwise defined herein, shall, for purposes of this Disclosure Agreement, have the following meanings:

"Annual Report" shall mean, the Township's Annual Report provided pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Agreement.

"Commission" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 of this Disclosure Agreement

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which the Township or the Dissemination Agent is authorized by law or contract to remain closed.

"Continuing Disclosure Information" shall mean: (i) the Annual Report; (ii) any notice required to be filed with the National Repository pursuant to Section 5 hereof; and (iii) any notice of an event required to be filed with the National Repository pursuant to Section 3(c) hereof.

"Dissemination Agent" shall mean Phoenix Advisors LLC, Bordentown, New Jersey, or any successor Dissemination Agent designated in writing by the Township and which has filed with the Township a written acceptance of such designation.

"EMMA" shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access System, an internet based filing system created and maintained by the MSRB in accordance with Release No. 34-59062 of the Commission, dated December 5, 2008, pursuant to which issuers of tax-exempt bonds, including the Bonds, and other filers on behalf of such issuers shall upload Continuing Disclosure Information to assist underwriters in complying with the Rule and to provide the general public with access to such Continuing Disclosure Information.

"Listed Events" shall mean any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Agreement.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"National Repository" shall mean the MSRB, through the internet facilities of EMMA, or any other public or private repository or entity that shall hereafter be designated by the Commission as a repository for purposes of the Rule.

"Official Statement" shall mean the Official Statement of the Township dated September __, 2017 relating to the Bonds.

"Opinion of Counsel" shall mean a written opinion of counsel expert in federal securities law acceptable to the Township.

"Rule" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 of this Disclosure Agreement.

SECTION 3. Provision of Annual Report.

(a) The Township shall not later than September 30 of each year, beginning with September 30, 2017 for fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, and for each fiscal year until termination of the Township's reporting obligations under this Disclosure Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Section 6 hereof provide to the Dissemination Agent the Annual Report prepared for the preceding fiscal year of the Township (commencing for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017). Each Annual Report provided to the Dissemination Agent by the Township shall comply with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Agreement but may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package and may cross-reference other information submitted to the National Repository. Any and all items that must be included in the Annual Report may be incorporated by reference from other information that is available to the public on EMMA, or that has been filed with the Commission.

(b) The Dissemination Agent, promptly (within fifteen (15) Business Days) after receiving the Annual Report from the Township, shall submit each Annual Report received by it to the National Repository and thereafter shall file a written report with the Township certifying that the Annual Report has been provided pursuant to this Disclosure Agreement to the National Repository and stating the date it was provided to the National Repository.

(c) If the Township fails to provide the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent by the date required in subsection (a) of this Section 3, the Dissemination Agent shall send a notice to the Township advising of such failure. Whether or not such notice is given or received, if the Township thereafter fails to submit the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent within fifteen (15) Business Days after the Annual Report was due pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section 3, the Dissemination Agent shall promptly send a notice (with a copy of said notice to the Township) to the National Repository in substantially the form attached as EXHIBIT "A" hereto.

SECTION 4. Contents of Annual Report. Annual Report shall mean: (i) the Township's annual financial statements, substantially in the form set forth in Appendix B to the Official Statement, audited by an independent certified public accountant, provided that the annual audited financial statements of the Township may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report and later than the date required in Section 3(a) hereof for the filing of the Annual Report if the annual audited financial statements are not available by that date, but only if the unaudited financial statements of the Township are included in the Annual Report; and (ii) certain financial information and operating data of the Township consisting of Township indebtedness, property valuation information, and tax rate, levy and collection data. Each annual audited financial statements will conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental units or will be prepared in accordance with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and requirements of the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs as such principles, standards and requirements exist at the time of the filing of the particular annual audited financial statements.

SECTION 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

(a) This Section 5 shall govern the giving of notices of the occurrence of any of the following listed events ("Listed Events"):

- (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers or their failure to perform;
- (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (7) modifications to the rights of Bondholders, if material;
- (8) Bond calls (excluding mandatory sinking fund redemptions), if material, or tender offers;
- (9) defeasances;
- (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (11) rating changes;
- (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Township;
- (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Township or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Township, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and
- (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.

(b) The Township shall within ten (10) Business Days of the occurrence of any of the Listed Events, notify the Dissemination Agent in writing to report the event pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section 5. In determining the materiality of a Listed Event specified clauses (2), (7), (8), (10), (13) or (14) of subsection (a) of this Section 5, the Township may, but shall not be required to, rely conclusively on an Opinion of Counsel.

(c) If the Dissemination Agent has been instructed by the Township to report the occurrence of a Listed Event, the Dissemination Agent shall file a notice of such occurrence with the National Repository within five (5) Business Days of the receipt of such instruction, with a copy of such notice provided by the Dissemination Agent to the Township.

SECTION 6. Termination of Reporting Obligations. The reporting obligations of the Township under this Disclosure Agreement shall terminate upon the defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds or when the Township is no longer an Obligated Person (as defined in the Rule) with respect to the Bonds.

SECTION 7. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Agreement, the Township may amend this Disclosure Agreement and any provision of this Disclosure Agreement may be waived, if such amendment or waiver is supported by an

Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such amendment or waiver will not, in and of itself, cause the undertakings herein to violate the Rule. No amendment to this Disclosure Agreement shall change or modify the rights or obligations of the Dissemination Agent without its written assent thereto. The Township shall give notice of such amendment or waiver to this Disclosure Agreement to the Dissemination Agent and the Dissemination Agent shall file such notice with the National Repository.

SECTION 8. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Agreement shall be deemed to prevent the Township from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Agreement or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Agreement. If the Township chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Agreement, it shall not have any obligation under this Disclosure Agreement to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

SECTION 9. Default and Remedies. In the event of a failure of the Township to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Agreement, the Dissemination Agent may (and, at the request of the Bondholders of at least twenty-five percent (25%) in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds and provision of indemnity and security for expenses satisfactory to it, shall), or any beneficial owner of the Bonds may, take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the Township to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Agreement. A failure of the Township to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Agreement shall not be deemed to be a default under the Bonds. The sole remedy under this Disclosure Agreement in the event of any failure of the Township to comply with this Disclosure Agreement shall be an action to compel performance.

SECTION 10. Notices. All notices and other communications required or permitted under this Disclosure Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given, made and received only when delivered (personally, by recognized national or regional courier service, or by other messenger, for delivery to the intended addressee) or when deposited in the United States mail, registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as set forth below:

- (i) If to the Township:

Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey
2400 Voorhees Town Center
Voorhees, New Jersey 08043
Attention: Dean Ciminera, Chief Financial Officer

- (ii) If to the Dissemination Agent:

Phoenix Advisors LLC
4 West Park Street
Bordentown, New Jersey 08505

Any party may alter the address to which communications are to be sent by giving notice of such change of address in conformity with the provision of this Section 11 for the giving of notice.

SECTION 11. Beneficiaries. This Disclosure Agreement shall inure solely to the benefit of the Township, the Dissemination Agent and the Bondholders and nothing herein contained shall confer any right upon any other person.

SECTION 12. Submission of Information to MSRB. Any Continuing Disclosure Information filed with the MSRB in accordance with this Disclosure Agreement shall be in electronic format as shall be prescribed by the MSRB or such other format as the Rule may require or permit, and shall be accompanied by such identifying information as shall be prescribed by the MSRB or as may otherwise be required by the Rule.

SECTION 13. Compensation. The Township shall pay the Dissemination Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered under this Disclosure Agreement, and also all reasonable expenses, charges, counsel fees and other disbursements, including those of its attorneys, agents and employees, incurred in and about the performance of its powers and duties under this Disclosure Agreement.

SECTION 14. Successors and Assigns. All of the covenants, promises and agreements contained in this Disclosure Agreement by or on behalf of the Township or by or on behalf of the Dissemination Agent shall bind and inure to the benefit of their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

SECTION 15. Headings for Convenience Only. The descriptive headings in this Disclosure Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not control or affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

SECTION 16. Counterparts. This Disclosure Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

SECTION 17. Severability. If any provision of this Disclosure Agreement, or the application of any such provision in any jurisdiction or to any person or circumstance, shall be held invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this Disclosure Agreement, or the application of such provision as is held invalid or unenforceable in jurisdictions or to persons or circumstances other than those in or as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 18. Governing Law. This Disclosure Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Disclosure Agreement as of the date first above written.

TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES, NEW JERSEY

By: _____
DEAN CIMINERA, Chief Financial Officer

**PHOENIX ADVISORS LLC,
as Dissemination Agent**

By: _____
**ANTHONY INVERSO,
Senior Managing Director**

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE TO NATIONAL REPOSITORY OF FAILURE TO FILE AN ANNUAL REPORT

Name of Issuer: Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, New Jersey

Name of Bond Issues Affected: General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017

Date of Issuance of the Affected
Bond Issue: September __, 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Issuer has not provided an Annual Report with respect to the above named Bond issue as required by Section 3 of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, dated September __, 2017, between the Township and the Dissemination Agent. [TO BE INCLUDED ONLY IF THE DISSEMINATION AGENT HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE EXPECTED FILING DATE - The Issuer anticipates that such Annual Report will be filed by _____.]

Dated: _____

PHOENIX ADVISORS LLC,
as Dissemination Agent

cc: Township of Voorhees, New Jersey