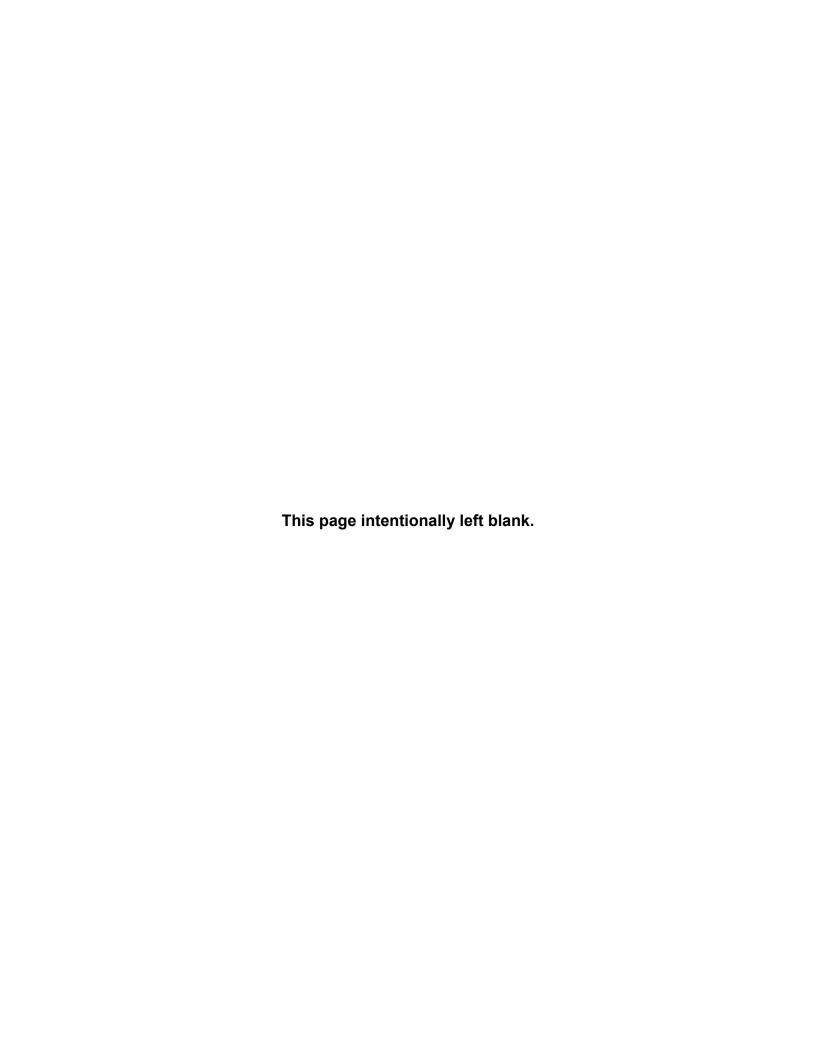




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Spring Valley Park District Greene County 2547 US Route 42 South P.O. Box 16 Spring Valley, Ohio 45370

To the Board of Commissioners:

Mary Taylor

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

September 19, 2007

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Spring Valley Park District Greene County 2547 US Route 42 South P.O. Box 16 Spring Valley, Ohio 45370

To the Board of Commissioners:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Spring Valley Park District, Greene County, (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the District has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Instead of the fund the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP requires presenting entity wide statements. While the District does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards require us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require Districts to reformat their statements. The District has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

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Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balance of the Spring Valley Park District, Greene County, as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the District to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005. The District has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 19, 2007, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

September 19, 2007

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

#### **Governmental Fund**

	General
Cash Receipts:	
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$525
Program Revenue	7,025
Interest Income	25
Other Receipts	14,817
Total Cash Receipts	22,392
Cash Disbursements:	
Supplies	981
Insurance	377
Professional Services	756
Programs	9,357
Advertising and Printing	53
Total Cash Disbursements	11,524
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	10,868
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	14,946
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$25,814

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

#### **Governmental Fund**

	General
Cash Receipts:	
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$11,010
Gifts and Donations	15
Program Revenue	6,650
Interest Income	21
Other Receipts	7,295
Total Cash Receipts	24,991
Cash Disbursements:	
Supplies	784
Insurance	377
Professional Services	3,732
Programs	5,683
Advertising and Printing	3,003 46
Other	14,970
Total Cash Disbursements	25,592
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Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(601)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	15,547
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$14,946

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2006

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Spring Valley Park District, Greene County, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. The probate judge of Greene County appoints a three-member Board of Commissioners to govern the District. The Commissioners are authorized to acquire, develop, protect, maintain, and improve park lands and facilities. The Commissioners may convert acquired land into forest reserves. The Commissioners are also responsible for activities related to conserving natural resources, including streams, lakes, submerged lands, and swamp lands. The Board may also create parks, parkways, and other reservations and may afforest, develop, improve and protect and promote the use of these assets conducive to the general welfare.

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District is financially accountable.

#### **B.** Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The District recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

#### C. Cash

The District has no investments and maintains only an interest bearing checking account.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The District classifies its fund into the following type:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for all financial resources.

#### E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Board of Commissioners to budget its fund annually.

#### 1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements) may not exceed appropriations at the fund level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources.

Appropriation Authority includes current year appropriations plus encumbrances carried over from the prior year (if any). The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2006 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1.

#### 3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made.

A summary of 2006 and 2005 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The District records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

#### 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The District maintains a cash pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

	2006	2005
Total Demand Deposit	\$25,814	\$14,946

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2006 and 2005 follows:

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts					
	Budgeted	Actual			
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
General	\$14,550	\$22,392	\$7,842		
2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures					
	Appropriation	Budgetary			
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance		
General	\$29,497	\$11,524	\$17,973		
2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts					
	Budgeted	Actual			
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
General	\$16,256	\$24,991	\$8,735		

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2006 (Continued)

#### 3. **BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (continued)**

2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
Appropriation Budgetary				
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance	
General	\$31,804	\$25,592	\$6,212	

#### 4. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Errors and omissions.

#### 5. NONCOMPLIANCE

The District did not comply with a requirement regarding filing the annual report with the Auditor of State.

#### 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

An expenditure in the amount of \$2,400 was made to the Districts Treasurer on April 30, 2005 to reimburse her for a purchase of park benches.

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Spring Valley Park District Greene County 2547 US Route 42 South P.O. Box 16 Spring Valley, Ohio 45370

To the Board of Commissioners:

We have audited the financial statements of the Spring Valley Park District, Greene County, (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated September 19, 2007, wherein we noted the District followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider a significant deficiency.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

We consider the following deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting: 2006-001.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

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### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also material weaknesses. We believe the significant deficiency described above is not a material weakness.

We also noted certain internal control matters that we reported to the District's management in a separate letter dated September 19, 2007.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2006-001.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the management, and Board of Commissioners. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

September 19, 2007

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

### FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2006-001**

#### **Significant Deficiency & Noncompliance Citation**

**Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38** requires cash-basis entities to file annual reports with the Auditor of State within 60 days of the fiscal year end. The Park District did not file fiscal year 2006 and 2005 reports with the Auditor of State's office. To comply with the above mentioned Section of the Ohio Revised Code, the District should file their annual report with the Auditor of State within 60 days of the fiscal year end.

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2004-001	ORC 117.38, Failure to File Annual Reports	No	Not Corrected. Repeated as finding 2006-001.
2004-002	ORC 149.351 (A), Destruction of Records	Yes	
2004-003	ORC 5705.28, Failure to Adopt a Tax Budget	Yes	
2004-004	ORC 5705.41 (D), Failure to Certify the Availability of Funds	Yes	
2004-005	Failure to Perform Monthly Bank Reconciliations	Yes	
2004-006	Failure to Maintain Board Minutes	Yes	
2004-007	Poor Expenditure Procedures	No	Partially Corrected. Repeated in management letter.
2004-008	Poor Receipting Procedures	No	Not Corrected. Repeated in management letter.
2004-009	Lack of Audit Committee	N/a	Finding No Longer Valid



#### **SPRING VALLEY PARK DISTRICT**

#### **GREENE COUNTY**

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED OCTOBER 18, 2007