SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF AUDIT REPORT FOR PUBLICATION

Attention is directed to the fact that a summary or synopsis of the audit report, together with the recommendations, is the minimum required to be published pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:5-7.

COMBINED COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	Dec. 31, 2025	Dec. 31, 2024
Cash and Investments	$ 52,792,478.83	$ 53,279,411.95
Taxes, Assessments & Liens Receivable	249,912.97	217,212.96
Property Acquired for Taxes-Assessed Valuation	83,316.00	83,316.00
Accounts Receivable	11,025,046.98	16,187,565.47
Deferred Charges	46,477,274.27	45,692,700.90
General Fixed Assets ***	138,595,175.91	40,162,320.92
Fixed Capital	75,359,589.84	61,904,589.84
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 324,582,794.80	$ 217,527,118.04

LIABILITIES, RESERVES & FUND BALANCE	Dec. 31, 2025	Dec. 31, 2024
Serial Bonds, Loans & Bond Anticipation Notes	$ 62,462,493.54	$ 56,894,478.54
Improvement Authorizations	11,534,680.52	14,869,806.93
Other Liabilities & Special Funds	86,788,795.48	82,186,518.84
Reserve for Certain Assets Receivable	699,923.10	694,137.55
Investment in General Fixed Assets ***	138,595,175.91	40,162,320.92
Fund Balance	24,501,726.25	22,719,855.26
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	$ 324,582,794.80	$ 217,527,118.04

*** A complete inventory of the City's assets was done in 2025.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - CURRENT FUND

	Dec. 31, 2025	Dec. 31, 2024
Revenue and Other Income Realized		
Fund Balance Utilized	$ 6,000,000.00	5,900,000.00
Miscellaneous From Other than Local Property Tax Levies	20,370,211.61	20,264,793.02
Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens	204,714.33	278,523.02
Collection of Current Tax Levy	32,951,685.39	31,710,420.51
Total Income	59,526,611.33	58,153,736.55
Expenditures		
Budget Expenditures: Municipal Purposes	30,594,774.77	32,867,976.41
County Taxes	11,673,932.23	11,001,987.02
Local and Regional School Taxes	10,232,910.00	9,936,914.50
Other Expenditures	1,477.10	50,631.26
Total Expenditures	52,503,094.10	53,857,509.19
Less: Expenditures to be Raised by Future Taxation		348,209.34
Total Adjusted Expenditures	52,503,094.10	53,509,299.85
Excess in Revenue	7,023,517.23	4,644,436.70
Fund Balance January 1	13,171,926.18	14,427,489.48
	20,195,443.41	19,071,926.18
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	6,000,000.00	5,900,000.00
Fund Balance December 31	$ 14,195,443.41	$ 13,171,926.18

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - WATER AND SEWER UTILITY FUND

	Dec. 31, 2025	Dec. 31, 2024
Revenue and Other Income Realized		
Fund Balance Utilized	$ 472,500.00	412,500.00
Miscellaneous From Other than Water and Sewer Charges	1,082,229.00	814,740.70
Water and Sewer Charges	7,322,766.96	6,916,022.16
Total Income	8,877,495.96	8,143,262.86
Expenditures		
Budget Expenditures	7,626,650.43	7,600,829.50
Total Expenditures	7,626,650.43	7,600,829.50
Less: Expenditures to be Raised in Budget of Succeeding Year	-	68,378.99
Total Adjusted Expenditures	7,626,650.43	7,532,450.51
Excess in Revenue	1,250,845.53	610,812.35
Fund Balance January 1	2,629,561.26	2,431,248.91
	3,880,406.79	3,042,061.26
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	472,500.00	412,500.00
Fund Balance December 31	$ 3,407,906.79	2,629,561.26

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - BEACH UTILITY FUND

	Dec. 31, 2025	Dec. 31, 2024
Revenue and Other Income Realized		
Fund Balance Utilized	$ 782,850.00	1,136,572.50
Miscellaneous From Other than Beach Charges	331,763.48	241,910.16
Beach Fees	3,736,434.50	3,714,630.50
Total Income	4,851,047.98	5,093,113.16
Expenditures		
Budget Expenditures	4,115,916.66	4,229,910.84
Total Expenditures	4,115,916.66	4,229,910.84
Less: Expenditures to be Raised by Future Taxation	-	-
Total Adjusted Expenditures	4,115,916.66	4,229,910.84
Excess in Revenue	735,131.32	863,202.32
Fund Balance January 1	2,302,722.88	2,576,093.06
	3,037,854.20	3,439,295.38
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	782,850.00	1,136,572.50
Fund Balance December 31	$ 2,255,004.20	2,302,722.88

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - TOURISM UTILITY FUND

	Dec. 31, 2025	Dec. 31, 2024
Revenue and Other Income Realized		
Fund Balance Utilized	$ 185,000.00	-
Miscellaneous From Other than Tourism Fees	111,553.57	312,914.02
Tourism Fees	1,516,173.34	1,491,937.86
Total Income	1,812,726.91	1,804,851.88
Expenditures		
Budget Expenditures	1,600,000.00	1,305,000.00
Total Expenditures	1,600,000.00	1,305,000.00
Less: Expenditures to be Raised by Future Taxation	-	-
Total Adjusted Expenditures	1,600,000.00	1,305,000.00
Excess/(Deficit) in Revenue	212,726.91	499,851.88
Adjustments to Income Before Fund Balance: Expenditures Included Above Which are by Statute Deferred Charges to Budgets of Succeeding Years	-	-
	212,726.91	499,851.88
Fund Balance January 1	2,698,492.97	2,198,641.09
	2,911,219.88	2,698,492.97
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	185,000.00	-
Fund Balance December 31	$ 2,726,219.88	2,698,492.97

RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

The above summary or synopsis was prepared from the report of audit for the City of Cape May, County of Cape May, for the calendar year 2025. This report of audit, submitted by Leon P. Costello, Registered Municipal Accountant, of Ford, Scott & Associates, L.L.C., CPA's, is on file at the City Clerk's office and may be inspected by any interested person.

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Erin C. Burke, City Clerk

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