

**CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA
Semi-Annual Investment Report
December 31, 2023**

I. INTRODUCTION

In accordance with the investment ordinance originally adopted July 19, 2005, and amended August 29, 2023, an investment report is submitted to the Board of County Commissioners semi-annually.

II. INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES

To ensure that excess funds of the Board of County Commissioners are invested in a manner to maximize yield and at the same time minimize risk, maintain liquidity and demonstrate legal compliance.

III. CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES AT DECEMBER 31, 2023

Cash and investments held by the County consist of a checking account, savings accounts, certificates of deposit, and the Florida Government Investment Trust Fund (FLGIT); these investments are authorized in the investment ordinance. Our checking account and savings accounts are considered qualified public deposits, thus, are collateralized in accordance with state statutes. If the qualified public depository should fail, other participating banks would be required to pay the County for any loss that may have been incurred.

Funds invested include excess operating funds. At December 31, 2023, cash and investments amounted to \$394,203,671 compared to \$285,379,108 and \$368,539,448 at June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively. A detail listing of these balances and the current yield is attached as Exhibit A.

IV. MATURITY DISTRIBUTION OF PORTFOLIO

Exhibit B demonstrates the maturity distribution of cash and investments held at December 31, 2023. This graph indicates that about 90% of our cash is invested in securities maturing within six months. The weighted average maturity of the portfolio at December 31, 2023 is 58.89 days or .16 years (Exhibit C). Our investment ordinance requires a weighted average maturity of less than two years and we are in compliance.

V. MARKET AND INVESTMENT CONDITIONS

The following is a summary of recent rates from prior reports compared to current rates:

<u>Type of Investment</u>	<u>12/31/23</u>	<u>06/30/23</u>	<u>12/31/22</u>	<u>06/30/22</u>	<u>12/31/21</u>
Six Month Treasury Bill	5.06%	5.22%	4.52%	2.45%	0.20%
Two Year Treasury Note	4.27%	4.625%	4.32%	3.00%	0.73%
Florida Prime LGIP	5.75%	5.46%	4.39%	1.26%	0.13%
Lake County's Weighted Avg Int Rate	5.28%	3.76%	2.94%	0.78%	-0.14%

VI. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS

The Federal Reserve voted to maintain the current interest rate range between 5.25% and 5.50% as of December 31, 2023. The Federal Open Market Committee held the key interest rate for the third straight time. It is projected there will be at least three rate cuts in 2024 in quarter percentage point increments.

VII. INTEREST EARNED TO DATE VS PROJECTED EARNINGS

The Board’s budget for interest income for FY2024 is \$467,786. At December 31, 2023, interest earned was \$2,486,660. Interest earnings are higher than expected due to higher interest rates.

VIII. PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

The following is a comparison of the investment portfolio at the date indicated:

Type of Investment:	12/31/2023	06/30/2023	12/31/2022	06/30/2022
Checking	\$ 48,541,952	\$ 23,038,282	\$ 77,445,145	\$ 31,674,438
Savings	242,664,580	179,799,778	208,762,554	197,393,725
Certificates of Deposit	90,023,683	70,000,000	70,000,000	30,000,000
FLGIT	12,973,456	12,541,048	12,331,749	12,283,039
Total	\$ 394,203,671	\$ 285,379,108	\$ 368,539,448	\$ 271,351,202

Cash and investment balances fluctuate during the year. In addition, December balances are typically higher due to the collection of ad valorem taxes.

Portfolio composition requirements from our investment ordinance:

- No more than 75% invested in US treasuries
- No more than 60% invested in certificates of deposit
- No more than 30% invested in US government agencies
- No more than 30% in any one institution unless the institution is a qualified public depository

December 31, 2023 portfolio balance:	\$394,203,671
75% equals	\$295,652,754
60% equals	\$236,522,203
30% equals	\$118,261,101

No amounts invested in US treasuries.

Amount invested in certificates of deposit of \$90,023,683 is less than \$236,522,203.

No amounts invested in US government agencies.

Amount invested in FLGIT of \$12,973,456 is less than \$118,261,101.

All banks are qualified public depositories.

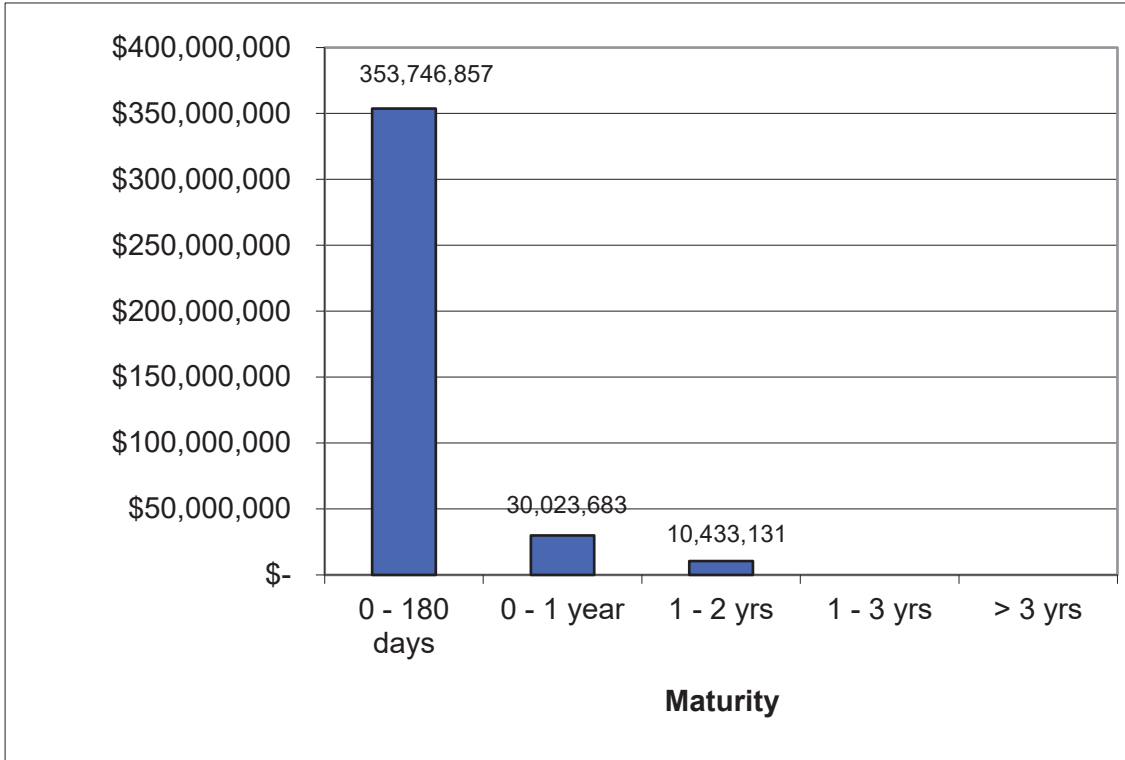
We are in compliance with our portfolio composition limits.

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Cash and Investments
December 31, 2023
Exhibit A**

Maturity Date	Type of Investment	Cost at 12/31/2023	Market/Par Value 12/31/2023	Yield
Short-term Investments:				
	Cash - Demand	\$ 48,541,952	\$ 48,541,952	0.75% *
	United Comm (fka Seaside) Savings	32,049,096	32,049,096	5.01%
	Truist Savings	104,569,624	104,569,624	2.25%
	TD Savings	33,077,582	33,077,582	3.35%
	BankUnited Savings	52,068,506	52,068,506	5.10%
	Axiom Bank Savings	20,899,773	20,899,773	4.07%
	FLGIT (Day to Day Fund)	2,540,325	2,540,325	5.51%
	Total Short-term Investments	<u>293,746,857</u>	<u>293,746,857</u>	
Certificates of Deposit:				
06/10/2024	TD Bank (5441)	10,000,000	10,000,000	5.32%
06/17/2024	TD Bank (2370)	20,000,000	20,000,000	5.26%
03/18/2024	TD Bank (6101)	10,000,000	10,000,000	5.39%
03/06/2024	TD Bank (5433)	10,000,000	10,000,000	5.66%
06/11/2024	TD Bank (2479)	10,000,000	10,000,000	5.66%
09/03/2024	TD Bank (5459)	10,000,000	10,000,000	5.12%
09/22/2024	Everbank (1990)	20,023,683	20,023,683	5.40%
	Total Certificates of Deposit	<u>90,023,683</u>	<u>90,023,683</u>	
Various	FLGIT (Bond Fund)	<u>10,433,131</u>	<u>10,433,131</u>	5.21%
		10,433,131	10,433,131	
	TOTAL	<u><u>\$ 394,203,671</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 394,203,671</u></u>	

* Earnings credit rate used to offset bank charges

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Cash and Investments-Maturity Distribution of Portfolio
December 31, 2023
Exhibit B**



Description	Time to Maturity	Amount
Seaside Savings	0 - 180 days	\$ 32,049,096
Truist Savings	0 - 180 days	104,569,624
TD Savings	0 - 180 days	33,077,582
BankUnited Savings	0 - 180 days	52,068,506
Axiom Bank Savings	0 - 180 days	20,899,773
Cash - Demand	0 - 180 days	48,541,952
Certificates of Deposit	0 - 180 days	60,000,000
Certificates of Deposit	0 - 1 year	30,023,683
FLGIT (Day to Day Fund)	0 - 180 days	2,540,325
FLGIT (Bond Fund)	One to two years	10,433,131
		<u>\$ 394,203,671</u>

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Average Maturity at December 31, 2023
Exhibit C**

<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Type of Investment</u>	<u>Cost at 12/31/2023</u>	<u>Days O/S</u>	<u>Weighted Average</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Weighted Average Interest</u>
Short term Investments:						
	Cash - Demand	\$ 48,541,952	1	\$ 48,541,952 *	0.75%	\$ -
	United Community	32,049,096	1	32,049,096	5.01%	1,605,660
	Truist Savings	104,569,624	1	104,569,624	2.25%	2,352,817
	TD Savings	33,077,582	1	33,077,582	3.35%	1,108,099
	BankUnited Savings	52,068,506	1	52,068,506	5.10%	2,655,494
	Axiom Bank Savings	20,899,773	1	20,899,773	4.07%	850,621
	FLGIT (Day to Day Fund)	2,540,325	35	88,911,365	5.51%	4,899,016
		<u>293,746,857</u>		<u>380,117,897</u>		<u>13,471,705</u>
Certificates of Deposit:						
06/10/2024	TD Bank	10,000,000	162	1,620,000,000	5.32%	86,184,000
06/17/2024	TD Bank	20,000,000	169	3,380,000,000	5.26%	177,788,000
03/18/2024	TD Bank	10,000,000	78	780,000,000	5.39%	42,042,000
03/06/2024	TD Bank	10,000,000	66	660,000,000	5.66%	37,356,000
06/11/2024	TD Bank	10,000,000	163	1,630,000,000	5.66%	92,258,000
09/03/2024	TD Bank	10,000,000	247	2,470,000,000	5.12%	126,464,000
09/22/2024	Everbank	20,023,683	266	5,326,299,808	5.40%	287,620,190
		<u>90,023,683</u>		<u>15,866,299,808</u>		<u>849,712,190</u>
Various	FLGIT (Bond Fund)	10,433,131	668	6,968,809,658	5.21%	363,074,983
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 394,203,671</u>		<u>\$ 23,215,227,363</u>		<u>\$ 1,226,258,879</u>
	Weighted Avg Maturity	58.89	Days	Weighted average		
		0.16	Years	interest rate =		5.28%

* Earnings credit rate used to offset bank charges