## Accounting for Capital Projects

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## Introduction <br> Capital Projects Fund

- Purpose - to account for the acquisition or construction of major capital assets and improvements other than those acquired through proprietary or fiduciary funds.


## Capital Projects Fund

## When Used:

- Major capital acquisition or construction extends beyond a year.
- Financed by obligations.

Although debt is generally the major source of financing, other financing sources can include State and Federal aid, gifts, budgetary appropriations and capital reserves.

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## Budgeting and Accounting

- Modified accrual
- Separation of projects (subsidiary)
- Project budget (for life of project)
- By Board resolution. Modify as necessary.
- Revenues and expenditures
- Annual
- Capital reserves - Accounted for in fund providing the financing - NOT the Capital Project Fund.


## Project Budget

Initial Cashflow Example

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A599 Appropriated Fund Balance |  | $\$ 100,000$ |  |
| A960 Appropriations |  |  | $\$ 100,000$ |
| A9950.9 Transfer to Capital Fund | $\$ 100,000$ |  |  |


| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H510 Estimated Revenues |  | $\$ 100,000$ |  |
| H5031 Interfund Transfers | $\$ 100,000$ |  |  |
| H960 Appropriations |  |  | $\$ 100,000$ |
| H1620.2 Buildings | $\$ 100,000$ |  |  |

## Project Budget

Final (Estimated completion costs)

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H510 Estimated Revenue |  | $\$ 2,100,000$ |  |
| H5710 Serial Bonds | $\$ 1,500,000$ |  |  |
| H3089 State Aid | $\$ 200,000$ |  |  |
| H4089 Federal Aid | $\$ 400,000$ |  |  |
| H960 Appropriations |  |  | $\$ 2,100,000$ |
| H1620.2 Buildings | $\$ 2,100,000$ |  |  |

## Accounting

## Transfer reserves to Capital Projects Fund as needed.

## Fund Transfer

## Appropriated Fund Balance/ Reserves

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 100,000$ |  |
| A9950.9 Transfer to Capital Fund | $\$ 100,000$ |  |  |
| A200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 100,000$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| H200 Cash |  | $\$ 100,000$ |  |
| H980 Revenues |  |  | $\$ 100,000$ |
| H5031 Interfund Transfers | $\$ 100,000$ |  |  |

## Accounting

## Summary of Accounting Process

- Capital Projects Fund
- Record financing and uses.
- Non-Current Governmental Liabilities Schedule
- Record long-term debt liability.
- Non-Current Governmental Assets Schedule
- Record value of capital assets.
- Operating Fund
- Record annual debt payments.


## Accounting

## Use of Municipal Employees/Equipment

- Payroll charged to project.
- Reimburse for equipment.
- Rate x Hours


## Charges to Project

## Capitalized Costs

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 927,000$ |  |
| H1620.2 Buildings | $\$ 927,000$ |  |  |
| H200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 927,000$ |

- Note: Charges are capitalized to one expenditure code. Optional coding is encouraged to provide additional accounting detail.


## Financing Sources

## Short-Term Sources

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H410 Due from State and Federal |  | $\$ 600,000$ |  |
| H980 Revenues |  |  | $\$ 600,000$ |
| H3089 State Aid | $\$ 200,000$ |  |  |
| H4089 Federal Aid | $\$ 400,000$ |  |  |

To record revenues/receivables for submitted applications of State and Federal grants.

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H200 Cash |  | $\$ 600,000$ |  |
| H621 RAN Payable |  |  | $\$ 600,000$ |

To record issuance of Revenue Anticipation Note secured by State/Federal grants.

## Financing Sources

Revenue Anticipation Note Repayment

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H222 Cash for RAN |  | $\$ 600,000$ |  |
| H410 Due from State and Federal |  |  | $\$ 600,000$ |


| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H621 RAN Payable |  | $\$ 600,000$ |  |
| H222 Cash for RAN |  |  | $\$ 600,000$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| A522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 12,000$ |  |
| A9770.7 RAN Interest | $\$ 12,000$ |  |  |
| A200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 12,000$ |

## Financing Sources <br> Long-Term (Serial Bonds)

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H200 Cash |  | $\$ 1,520,000$ |  |
| H630 Due to Other Funds |  |  | $\$ 20,000$ |
| H980 Revenues |  |  | $\$ 1,500,000$ |
| H5710 Serial Bonds | $\$ 1,500,000$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| V391 Due from Other Funds |  | $\$ 20,000$ |  |
| V980 Revenues | $\$ 5,000$ |  | $\$ 5,000$ |
| V2710 Premium on Obligation |  |  | $\$ 15,000$ |
| V651 Accrued Interest Payable |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\$ 1,500,000$ |  |
| W129 Total Non-Current Govt Liabilities |  |  | $\$ 1,500,000$ |
| W628 Bonds Payable |  |  |  |

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## Bank Accounts

- Separate bank account required only if project is partially financed from:
- Bonds
- Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs)
- Capital Notes


## Bank Accounts

## Proceeds of Bonds, BANs and Capital Notes

- Local Finance Law, § 165 requires:
- Each issue be in separate account.
- However, the Board can adopt a resolution to co-mingle:
- Capital Notes \$100,000 or less with other funds.
- Bonds, BANs and Capital Notes in a single special account and not with other funds.
- Monies appropriated for the authorized use may be deposited in the same bank account as proceeds of obligations issued.


## Bid Specification Deposits

- Deposit on plans and specifications for the performance of public work.
- Amounts are established by Governing Board for each set of plans/specifications obtained.
- Deposits are returned to each bidder or non-bidder upon the proper return of the plans and specifications.
- This would be at time of bid submission for bidders.
- Helps to ensure legitimate bid submissions for projects.
- Accounted for as liability in operating fund.
- Code 730 - Guaranty and Bid Deposits


## Bid Deposits

## Operating Fund Activity

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A200 Cash |  | $\$ 20,500$ |  |
| A455 Securities and Mortgages |  | $\$ 50,000$ |  |
| A730 Guaranty and Bid Deposits |  |  | $\$ 70,500$ |
| Torer |  |  |  |

To record deposits for bid specifications to be returned upon receipt of bids.

- Deposits may be a mix of cash and paper securities per GML and local policy.


## Retained Percentages

Construction contracts provide that a certain portion of the amount due the contractor can be withheld until work is free of defects.

- Governmental
- Recorded as liability in Non-Current Schedule (W).
- Proprietary
- Recorded as fund liability.


## Retained Percentages

- GML § 106 - Cash withheld from contractor will be released if replaced with the following securities:
- Bonds or Notes of USA
- Bonds or Notes of NYS
- Bonds of NYS Political Subdivisions


## Retained Percentages

Governmental

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 90,000$ |  |
| Subsidiary Accounts | $\$ 90,000$ |  |  |
| H521 Encumbrances |  | $\$ 10,000$ |  |
| Subsidiary Accounts | $\$ 10,000$ |  |  |
| H200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 90,000$ |
| H821 Reserve for Encumbrances |  |  | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Contractor is paid \$100,000 for contract work to be performed with $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ retainage. |  |  |  |


| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W129 Total Non-Current Govt Liabilities |  | $\$ 10,000$ |  |
| W605 Retained Percentages |  |  | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Collateral entry in long-term liability schedule. |  |  |  |

## Retained Percentages

## Governmental

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H455 Securities and Mortgages |  | $\$ 5,000$ |  |
| H200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 5,000$ |

Contractor exchanges $\$ 5,000$ of cash retainage with Bonds backed by the United States (GML §106).

## Retained Percentages Governmental

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 10,000$ |  |
| Subsidiary Accounts | $\$ 10,000$ |  |  |
| H821 Reserve for Encumbrances |  | $\$ 10,000$ |  |
| H200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 5,000$ |
| H455 Securities and Mortgages |  | $\$ 5,000$ |  |
| H521 Encumbrances | $\$ 10,000$ |  | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Subsidiary Accounts |  |  |  |
| Contract is satisfactorily completed, and retainage is released. |  |  |  |


| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W605 Retained Percentages |  | $\$ 10,000$ |  |
| W129 Total Non-Current Govt Liabilities |  |  | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Reduce collateral entry in long-term liability schedule. |  |  |  |

## Retained Percentages

## Proprietary (Enterprise)

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E_105 Construction Work-in-Progress |  | $\$ 100,000$ |  |
| E_200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 90,000$ |
| E_605 Retained Percentages |  |  | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Contractor is paid $\$ \mathbf{1 0 0 , 0 0 0}$ for contract work to be performed with $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ retainage. |  |  |  |

Contractor is paid $\$ 100,000$ for contract work to be performed with $10 \%$ retainage.

## Change Orders

- Formal modification of contract.
- Approved by governing board.
- Criteria for change:
- Authorize a change in the work.
- Adjustment in the project cost.
- Change in the contract time.
- May require budget amendment.
- May be subject to competitive bidding.


## Short-Term BANs

- Short-term:
- Matures within one year from date of issue.
- Record as fund liability.


## Short-Term BANs

## Payments

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 250,000$ |  |
| A9730.6 Principal, BANs | $\$ 210,000$ |  |  |
| A9730.7 Interest, BANs | $\$ 40,000$ |  |  |
| A200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 250,000$ |

To record payment of BANs from operating fund.

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H626 Bond Anticipation Notes Payable |  | $\$ 210,000$ |  |
| H980 Revenues |  |  | $\$ 210,000$ |
| H5731 BANs Redeemed from Appropriations | $\$ 210,000$ |  |  |
| To record payment of BANs (reduction of principal). |  |  |  |

## Long-Term BANs

- Long-term:
- Maturity is in excess of one year.
- Account for the same as a bond.


## Long-Term Debt

## Payments

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 250,000$ |  |
| A9710.6 Principal, Serial Bonds | $\$ 210,000$ |  |  |
| A9710.7 Interest, Serial Bonds | $\$ 40,000$ |  |  |
| A200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 250,000$ |

To record payment of Serial Bonds from operating fund.

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W628 Bonds Payable |  | $\$ 210,000$ |  |
| W129 Total Non-Current Govt Liabilities |  |  | $\$ 210,000$ |
| To record payment of Serial Bonds (reduction of principal). |  |  |  |

## Earnings on Investment of Debt Proceeds

- May be applied either to:
- Payment of principal and interest of debt.
- For any purpose for which the debt was authorized (only if board authorized its use as a financing source).


## Earnings on Investment of Debt Proceeds

- However:
- If the interest is earned on BANs, and
- The BANs are redeemed from sale of bonds, then
- The interest earned must be used to pay the principal and interest on the bonds.


## Installment Purchase Contracts

| Truck (Gross) | $\$ 20,000$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Trade In | 3,000 |
| Net Cost | $\$ 17,000$ |

- Capital Projects Fund
- Net cost of new truck
- Non-Current Governmental Assets Schedule
- Remove Trade In - Add New Truck
- Operating Fund
- Budget Yearly Installment Payments
- Non-Current Governmental Liabilities Schedule
- Record LTD


## Unexpended Balances

Depends on Original Source of Financing:

| Source of Balance | Disposition |
| :--- | :--- |
| Bonds | Debt Service Fund |
| Interfund Transfers | Original Fund |
| Multiple Sources | Debt Service Fund |
| BAN | Reserve for Debt (884) in <br> Operating Fund |

- How to Transfer? By interfund transfer codes:
- 9901.9 - Expend out of Capital Project Fund.
- 5031 - Interfund transfer (revenue) into other fund.


## Project Closeout

Modify the Budget

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H510 Estimated Revenues |  | $\$ 6,250$ |  |
| H960 Appropriations |  | $\$ 45,100$ |  |
| H1620.2 Buildings | $\$ 45,100$ |  |  |
| H960 Appropriations |  |  | $\$ 51,350$ |
| H9901.9 Interfund Transfers | $\$ 51,350$ |  |  |

Project deemed complete per Board Resolution and resolved to closeout excess funds.

- Note: Excess funds can be an accumulation of completing project under budget and interest earned.


## Project Closeout

Transfer Funds

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H522 Expenditures |  | $\$ 51,350$ |  |
| H9901.9 Transfer to Other Funds | $\$ 51,350$ |  |  |
| H200 Cash |  |  | $\$ 51,350$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| V230 Cash, Special Reserves |  | $\$ 51,350$ |  |
| V980 Revenues |  |  | $\$ 51,350$ |
| V5031 Interfund Transfers | $\$ 51,350$ |  |  |
| Excess funds transferred to Debt Service Fund to be applied to future debt payments. |  |  |  |

## Closing Entries <br> Operating/Budget/Resultant Asset(s)

| Account and Explanation | Subsidiary | Debit | Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H980 Revenues |  | $\$ 2,206,250$ |  |
| H912 Fund Balance, Unrestricted |  |  | $\$ 2,206,250$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| H912 Fund Balance, Unrestricted |  | $\$ 2,206,250$ |  |
| H522 Expenditures |  |  | $\$ 2,206,250$ |
|  |  | $\$ 2,206,250$ |  |
| H960 Appropriations |  |  | $\$ 2,206,250$ |
| H510 Estimated Revenues |  | $\$ 2,154,900$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\$ 2,154,900$ |
| K102 Buildings |  |  |  |
| K159 Total Non-Current Govt Assets |  |  |  |

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