



**City of Pataskala Finance Department**  
**James M. Nicholson, Finance Director**  
*Finance Director's Report to Council*

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**Current Projects & Issues**

- **August 2017** – The financial results through August 31<sup>st</sup> have been compiled and summarized in the monthly Financial Condition Report, which was previously distributed and is currently available on the city's website. We have not yet received the mid-month settlement from RITA, information which is required in order to calculate total collections for the month of September. As a result, I am unable to provide you with an update on September collections at this time.
- **2018 Budget** – I made great strides this week in preparing the 2018 budget and the 2019-2022 forecasts. All departments provided their budget requests, which I compiled and analyzed. A draft version of the budget 'deck', or summary reporting, has been circulated to the Administrator and Directors to solicit their feedback prior to finalizing it. I plan to distribute the document to Council at the end of this week or early next week, in order to provide Council with enough time to review it prior to the September 25<sup>th</sup> special Council meeting. I've also begun updating the formal budget presentation materials, as this comprehensive document will take a significant amount of time to update.
- **GFOA Conference** – I will be attending the Ohio GFOA annual conference in Cleveland from September 19 – 22. As always, I will be available to the city and Council during this training via email, phone or text.