# MAYOR'S HEALTHY CITY INITIATIVE BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

Audited Financial Statements

December 31, 2021 and 2020



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#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Mayor's Healthy City Initiative Baton Rouge, Louisiana

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Mayor's Healthy City Initiative (the Organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the related statements of activities, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Mayor's Healthy City Initiative as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

## **Report on Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 A(3) is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 23, 2022, on our consideration of the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Mayor's Health City Initiative's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA June 23, 2022

## MAYOR'S HEALTHY CITY INITIATIVE Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2021 and 2020

|                                  | 2021            | 2020            |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Assets                           |                 |                 |
| Current Assets                   |                 |                 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents        | \$<br>1,526,182 | \$<br>1,014,024 |
| Total Current Assets             | <br>1,526,182   | 1,014,024       |
| Total Assets                     | \$<br>1,526,182 | \$<br>1,014,024 |
| Liabilities                      |                 |                 |
| Current Liabilities              |                 |                 |
| Accounts Payable                 | \$<br>-         | \$<br>9,750     |
| Total Current Liabilities        | <br>-           | 9,750           |
| Net Assets                       |                 |                 |
| Without Donor Restrictions       | 1,497,115       | 1,004,274       |
| With Donor Restrictions          | <br>29,067      | -               |
| Total Net Assets                 | <br>1,526,182   | 1,004,274       |
| Total Liabilities and Net Assets | \$<br>1,526,182 | \$<br>1,014,024 |

## MAYOR'S HEALTHY CITY INITIATIVE Statements of Activities For the Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

|  | 2021     |           | 2020            |  |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------------|--|
| Changes in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions |          |           |                 |  |
| Revenues   |          |           |                 |  |
| Corporate Contributions                          | \$       | 15,897    | \$<br>60,890    |  |
| Contributions, In-Kind                           |          | 78,021    | 77,472          |  |
| Grant Revenue                                    |          | 2,525,819 | 377,500         |  |
| Other Income                                     |          | 5,486     | 27              |  |
| Total Revenues                                   |          | 2,625,223 | 515,889         |  |
| Net Assets Released from Donor Restrictions      |          | 35,754    |                 |  |
| Total Revenues and Reclassifications             |          | 2,660,977 | 515,889         |  |
| Expenses   |          |           |                 |  |
| Program Services                                 |          |           |                 |  |
| Healthy Initiative Program                       |          |           |                 |  |
| Grants Awarded                                   |          | 1,285,485 | 772,822         |  |
| Contract Services                                |          | 4,200     | 4,200           |  |
| Support Services                                 |          |           |                 |  |
| General and Administrative                       |          |           |                 |  |
| Administrative                                   |          | 739,123   | 85,248          |  |
| Salaries, In-Kind                                |          | 78,021    | 77,472          |  |
| Event Expense                                    |          | 61,307    | 26,780          |  |
| Total Expenses                                   |          | 2,168,136 | 966,522         |  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Without        |          |           |                 |  |
| Donor Restrictions                               |          | 492,841   | (450,633)       |  |
| Changes in Net Assets With Donor Restrictions    |          |           |                 |  |
| Contributions                                    | \$       | 64,821    | \$<br>-         |  |
| Net Assets Released from Donor Restrictions      |          | (35,754)  |                 |  |
| Increase in Net Assets Donor Restrictions        |          | 29,067    | -               |  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Total Net Assets          | \$       | 521,908   | \$<br>(450,633) |  |
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## MAYOR'S HEALTHY CITY INITIATIVE Statements of Changes in Net Assets For the Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

|                               | <br>hout Donor<br>estrictions | With Donor<br>Restrictions |        | Total |           |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|-------|-----------|
| Net Assets, January 1, 2019   | \$<br>1,454,907               | \$                         | - :    | \$    | 1,454,907 |
| Decrease in Net Assets        | <br>(450,633)                 |                            | -      |       | (450,633) |
| Net Assets, December 31, 2020 | 1,004,274                     |                            | -      |       | 1,004,274 |
| Increase in Net Assets        | <br>492,841                   |                            | 29,067 |       | 521,908   |
| Net Assets, December 31, 2021 | \$<br>1,497,115               | \$                         | 29,067 | \$    | 1,526,182 |

## Mayor's Healthy City Initiative Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

|  | 2021 |           | 2020            |  |
|--|------|-----------|-----------------|--|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities                       |      |           |                 |  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets                          | \$   | 521,908   | \$<br>(450,633) |  |
| Adjustments to Reconcile Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets |      |           |                 |  |
| to Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities     |      |           |                 |  |
| Decrease in Other Current Assets                           |      | -         | 2,233           |  |
| (Decrease) Increase in Accounts Payable                    |      | (9,750)   | 9,750           |  |
| Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities        |      | 512,158   | (438,650)       |  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents           |      | 512,158   | (438,650)       |  |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year               |      | 1,014,024 | 1,452,674       |  |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year                     | \$   | 1,526,182 | \$<br>1,014,024 |  |

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Nature of Business**

The Mayor's Healthy City Initiative (the Organization) was formed as a non-profit corporation in May 2010. The mission of the Organization is to identify and coordinate efforts aimed at healthy eating and an active lifestyle into a unifying community commitment to better health. The Organization obtains funding through the City of Baton Rouge and other grants and then awards grants to third parties in order to achieve their goal of a healthier city.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The significant accounting policies are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements. These financial statements include only activities and transactions of the Organization.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statements of cash flows, the Organization considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Organization maintains cash and cash equivalent balances with financial institutions that are federally insured.

#### **Contributed Support**

Net assets, revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the Organization reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: without donor restrictions and with donor restrictions. Net assets without donor restrictions include those net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Net assets with donor restrictions are those net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Net assets with donor restrictions are those net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both. Net assets subject to expenditure for the specified purpose of Hurricane Ida relief. There were no net assets with donor restrictions at December 31, 2020.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The Organization recognizes contributions and grants without an exchange element when cash, securities, or other assets; an unconditional promise to give; or a notification of a beneficial interest is received. Conditional promises to give - that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return - are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met. There were no unconditional or conditional promises to give at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Donated services are recorded as contributions, in-kind at their fair market value, provided that there is a measurable, and objective basis for determining value. These amounts are included on the statements of activities and identified as in-kind contributions and expenses.

#### **Functional Allocation of Expenses**

The costs of providing various program and supporting activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the financial statements. There are no categories of expenses that are attributed to more than one program or supporting function.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Organization is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### Advertising

The Organization expenses advertising costs as they are incurred. Advertising expenses for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 totaled \$118,204 and \$-0-, respectively.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements – Not Yet Adopted**

On November 17, 2021, the Financial Accounting Standards Boar (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2021-10, *Government Assistance (Topic 832)*, which requires business entities to disclose information about transactions with a government that are accounted for by applying a grant or contribution model by analogy. This could include various forms of government assistance, but excludes transactions in the scope of specific generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP), such as tax incentives accounted for under ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. For transactions in the scope of the new standard, business entities will need to provide information about the nature of the transaction, including significant terms and conditions, as well as the amounts and specific financial statement line items affected by the transaction. ASU 2021-10 will be effective for the Organization in the year ending December 31, 2022. The adoption of ASU 2021-10 is not expected to have a material effect on the financial statements.

#### Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year balances in order to comply with current year presentation.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 2. Related-Party Transactions

During 2021 and 2020, the Organization received contributions from the Office of the Mayor-President in the amount of \$78,021 and \$77,472, respectively. This amount was received in-kind as salary expense and reimbursements for the time of one employee in the Mayor's office dedicated to the Organization. The Office of the Mayor-President holds a seat on the Board of the Organization.

During 2021 and 2020, the Organization received contributions totaling \$12,950 and \$5,000, respectively, from various health organizations that have representation on the Board of Mayor's Healthy City Initiative.

During 2021, the Organization awarded grants totaling \$164,485 to various health organizations that have representation on the Board of Mayor's Healthy City Initiative. The Organization did not award any grants to health organizations that have representation on the Board of Mayor's Health City Initiative during 2020.

#### Note 3. Income Taxes

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America provide accounting and disclosure guidance about positions taken by an entity in its tax returns that might be uncertain. The Organization believes that is has appropriate support for any tax positions taken, and management has determined that there are no uncertain tax positions that are material to the financial statements.

Penalties and interest assessed by income taxing authorities, if any, would be included in general and administrative expenses.

#### Note 4. Liquidity and Availability

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the statements of financial position date, comprise the following:

|                           | 2021            | 2020            |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$<br>1,497,115 | \$<br>1,014,024 |
| Total                     | \$<br>1,497,115 | \$<br>1,014,024 |

As part of the Organization's liquidity management plan, the Organization maintains balances in excess of daily requirements in cash.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 5. Concentrations

Financial instruments that potentially expose the Organization to concentrations of credit and market risk consist primarily of cash equivalents. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Organization had \$1,263,682 and \$764,024, respectively, in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured limit. The Organization has not experienced any losses on its cash equivalents.

Four donors made up 77% of the total contributions for the year ended December 31, 2021. Four donors made up 73% of the total contributions for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Three grantors made up 82% of total grant revenue for the year ended December 31, 2021. Two grantors made up 93% of total grant revenue for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Three grantees made up 42% of total grants awarded for the year ended December 31, 2021. Four grantees made up 66% of total grants awarded for the year ended December 31, 2020.

#### Note 6. Commitments

The Organization has a contract with a consultant for the period of March 2021 to February 2022 to serve as the day-to-day lead revolving around COVID-19 preventative public health initiatives across the parish of East Baton Rouge. The contract amount is for \$60,000 with monthly payments of \$5,000 over the contract period. As of December 31, 2021, \$50,000 has been paid under this contract.

#### Note 7. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, June 23, 2022. The Organization determined that no events occurred that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. No subsequent events occurring after that date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## MAYOR'S HEALTHY CITY INITIATIVE Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

The Executive Director of the Organization is employed by the Mayor's Office. During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Organization had no employees, and accordingly there was no compensation, benefits, or other such payment that met the reporting requirement for purposes of this schedule.



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## REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Mayor's Healthy City Initiative Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Mayor's Healthy City Initiative (the Organization), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Organization's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 23, 2022.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that were not identified.

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#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA June 23, 2022

## Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results

| Fir | nancial Statement Section   |                     |
|-----|---|---------------------|
| 1.  | Type of Auditor's Report Issued:  | Unmodified          |
| 2.  | Internal Control Over Financial Reporting:  |                     |
|     | <ul><li>a. Material weakness (es) identified?</li><li>b. Significant deficiency (ies) identified that are</li></ul> | No                  |
|     | not considered to be material weaknesses?<br>c. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?               | None Reported<br>No |

## Federal Awards Section

Not applicable.

## Part II - Financial Statement Findings Section

None.

# Part III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs Section

Not Applicable.

# 2020-001 Accrued Expenses

This finding has been resolved.



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#### AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT

Mayor's Healthy City Initiative

Independent Accountant's Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

## For the Period January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

To the Board of Directors Mayor's Healthy City Initiative and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative's (the Organization) control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The Organization's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Organization has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in the LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Additionally, the LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and findings are as follows:

#### Written Policies and Procedures

- 1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe that they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
  - a) Budgeting, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
  - b) *Purchasing*, including (1) how purchases are initiated; (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list; (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders; (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law; and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.

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- c) *Disbursements*, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
- d) Receipts/Collections, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).
- e) **Payroll/Personnel**, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- f) **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- g) Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, P-Cards, if applicable), including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- h) *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy
- j) **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- k) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- I) **Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

**Results**: We noted procedures 1i), 1j), and 1l) are not applicable to public funds administered by the Organization. We noted procedure 1e) is not applicable as the Organization does not have any employees. The Executive Director is employed by the Mayor's Office. We noted procedure 1k) is not applicable as the Organization doesn't have a physical location. Also, the Organization itself doesn't own any computers, and doesn't have any IT processes outside of those performed by the Mayor's Office and the third-party accountant. Exceptions were noted for procedures 1a), 1b), 1c), 1d), 1g), and 1h) as no written policy exists for these areas. Exception noted for procedure 1f) as the written policy does not address items (1), (2), (3), or (5).

## Board or Finance Committee

- 2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
  - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
  - b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. Alternately, for those entities reporting on the nonprofit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.
  - c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

*Results*: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

## Bank Reconciliations

- 3. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
  - a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);
  - b) Bank reconciliations include evidence that a member of management/board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
  - c) Management has documentation reflecting that it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

**Results**: Exception noted for procedure 3a) as the bank reconciliation selected was not prepared within 2 months of the statement closing date. Exception noted for 3b) as the bank reconciliation selected for testing did not include evidence that a member of management/board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks had reviewed the bank reconciliation. No exceptions were found for the remaining procedures above.

## Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers )

4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).

*Results*: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

- 5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (i.e., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if no written policies or procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:
  - a) Employees that are responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.
  - b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit.
  - c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.
  - d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, are not responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

*Results*: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe that the bond or insurance policy for theft was enforced during the fiscal period.

**Results**: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

- 7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3 under "Bank Reconciliations" above (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). Alternately, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc. Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
  - a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
  - b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
  - c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

- d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

**Results**: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

# *Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases/payments, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)*

8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).

**Results**: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

- 9. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:
  - a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.
  - b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.
  - c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.
  - d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments.

**Results**: Exceptions were noted for procedures 9a), 9b), and 9c) as only one employee is involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase, only one employee is involved in processing and approving payments, and the employee responsible for processing payments can also add/modify vendor files without another employee periodically reviewing the changes to the vendor files. No exceptions were found for the remaining procedures above.

- 10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and:
  - a) Observe that the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and that supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.

b) Observe that the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.

**Results**: Exception noted for procedure 10b) as there was no evidence of segregation of duties tested under #9 for 5 of the items selected for testing. No exceptions were found for the remaining procedures above.

## Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards

11. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

*Results*: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

- 12. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement), obtain supporting documentation, and:
  - a) Observe that there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) was reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder.

[Note: Requiring such approval may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality); these instances should not be reported.]

b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.

**Results**: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

13. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #12 above, <u>excluding</u> <u>fuel cards</u>, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e., each card should have 10 transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observe that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and note whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

**Results**: Exceptions were noted for procedures 11), 12), and 13). One of the expenses tested did not have receipt support, and therefore, did not have documentation of the business purpose or the individuals participating in the meal. There were no compensating controls in place.

## Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- 14. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:
  - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (<u>www.gsa.gov</u>).
  - b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.
  - c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by written policy (procedure #1h).
  - d) Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization as there were no travel or travel-related expense reimbursements for the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

## Contracts

- 15. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternately, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and:
  - a) Observe that the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law.
  - b) Observe that the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter).
  - c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, was approval documented).
  - d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

*Results*: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

## Payroll and Personnel

16. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.

*Results*: This procedure is not applicable as the Organization does not have any employees. The Executive Director is employed by the Mayor's Office.

- 17. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under #16 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
  - a) Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, officials are not eligible to earn leave and do not document their attendance and leave. However, if the official is earning leave according to a policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.)
  - b) Observe that supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials.
  - c) Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records.
  - d) Observe that the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/ pay rate found within the personnel file.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable as the Organization does not have any employees. The Executive Director is employed by the Mayor's Office.

18. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials, obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations, and the entity policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee or official's authorized pay rates in the employee or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable as the Organization does not have any employees. The Executive Director is employed by the Mayor's Office.

19. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable as the Organization does not have any employees. The Executive Director is employed by the Mayor's Office.

- 20. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
  - a. Observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.
  - b. Observe that the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization.

#### **Debt Service**

21. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization.

22. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization.

#### Fraud Notice

23. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled.

*Results*: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

24. Observe that the entity has posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

**Results**: Exception noted as the Organization does not have notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds posted on its website.

## Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- 25. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report: "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
  - a. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe that such backup occurred within the past week. If backups are stored on a physical medium (e.g., tapes, CDs), observe evidence that backups are encrypted before being transported.
  - b. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration), and observe evidence that the test/ verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
  - c. Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use, and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization as the Organization doesn't have a physical location. Also, the Organization itself doesn't own any computers, and doesn't have any IT processes outside of those performed by the Mayor's Office and the third-party accountant.

#### Sexual Harassment

26. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization.

27. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization.

- 28. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1<sup>st</sup>, and observe that it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
  - a. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
  - b. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
  - c. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;

- d. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
- e. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

**Results**: This procedure is not applicable to the Organization.

We were engaged by the Organization to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing on those C/C areas identified in Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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