

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Annual Financial Statements

December 31, 2023



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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Livingston Parish Council  
Juban Crossing Economic Development District  
Livingston Parish, Louisiana

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

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Juban Crossing Economic Development District (the District), a component unit of Livingston Parish, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit 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. 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 District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

### **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 opinions. 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 judgement 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 District'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 District'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.

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 19 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in the appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic 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 basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic 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 11, 2024 on our consideration of the District'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 District'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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA  
June 11, 2024

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**December 31, 2023**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Restricted Assets</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,273,758
Sales Tax Receivable	<u>1,030,603</u>
<b>Total Restricted Assets</b>	<u>5,304,361</u>
<b>Capital Assets</b>	
Infrastructure, Net	<u>30,683,540</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<u>30,683,540</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>35,987,901</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Loss on Refunding	<u>3,197,423</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accrued Interest	924,876
Non-Current Liabilities	
Due Within One Year	990,000
Due in More Than One Year	<u>48,810,000</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>50,724,876</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(16,843,913)
Restricted	<u>5,304,361</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u><u>\$ (11,539,552)</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Economic Development	\$ 966,861
Interest on Long-Term Debt	<u>3,362,513</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>4,329,374</u>
<b>General Revenues</b>	
Sales Tax	4,846,922
Interest Income	<u>159,299</u>
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<u>5,006,221</u>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	676,847
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>	<u>(12,216,399)</u>
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<u><u>\$ (11,539,552)</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**December 31, 2023**

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Restricted Assets</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,141,684	\$ 3,132,074	\$ 4,273,758
Sales Tax Receivable	1,030,603	-	1,030,603
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,172,287</b>	<b>\$ 3,132,074</b>	<b>\$ 5,304,361</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>			
Restricted for Debt Service	2,172,287	3,132,074	5,304,361
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>2,172,287</b>	<b>3,132,074</b>	<b>5,304,361</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 2,172,287</b>	<b>\$ 3,132,074</b>	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	30,683,540
Long-term liabilities, including bonds, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(49,800,000)
Losses on refunding are not available to pay for current period expenses and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	3,197,423
Accrued interest expense is not reported in the governmental funds.	(924,876)
<b>Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ (11,539,552)</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Debt Service Fund</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Revenues</b>			
Sales Tax	\$ 4,846,922	\$ -	\$ 4,846,922
Other Income	159,299	-	159,299
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>5,006,221</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,006,221</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
<b>Current</b>			
Economic Development	8,000	-	8,000
<b>Debt Service</b>			
Principal	-	915,000	915,000
Interest	-	3,219,300	3,219,300
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>4,134,300</b>	<b>4,142,300</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<b>4,998,221</b>	<b>(4,134,300)</b>	<b>863,921</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>			
Transfers In	-	4,990,206	4,990,206
Transfers Out	(4,990,206)	-	(4,990,206)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>(4,990,206)</b>	<b>4,990,206</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>8,015</b>	<b>855,906</b>	<b>863,921</b>
<b>Fund Balances, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>2,164,272</b>	<b>2,276,168</b>	<b>4,440,440</b>
<b>Fund Balances, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 2,172,287</b>	<b>\$ 3,132,074</b>	<b>\$ 5,304,361</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,**  
**and Changes in Fund Balances of the Governmental Funds**  
**to the Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

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<b>Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>863,921</b>
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeded capital outlay in the current period.		(958,861)
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The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.		915,000
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.		(143,213)
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<b>Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>676,847</u></b>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Organization**

Juban Crossing Economic Development District (the District) was established for the purpose of promoting and encouraging the development of economic opportunities within the District. The District is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, created pursuant to Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and Livingston Parish Ordinance 07-24 adopted by the Livingston Parish Council in its capacity as the governing authority of Livingston Parish, Louisiana, on June 28, 2007. The District's governing body is Livingston Parish Council (the Parish).

The District encompasses approximately 80 acres of land where a mixed-use development is being constructed in multiple phases. The purpose of the District is to issue sales tax revenue bonds for economic development in the District.

#### **The Reporting Entity**

Governmental accounting standards established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. A component unit is a government that is financially accountable to another government or one for which another government can exert influence over its budget and operations. As the Parish is the governing body of the District, the District is considered to be a component unit of the Parish. The District does not have any component units.

#### **Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. There were no activities of the District categorized as business-type activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

#### **Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements**

The District uses fund accounting to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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

#### **Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

Funds are ordered into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary, which are grouped by fund type in the financial statements. Governmental fund types are those through which general governmental functions of the District are financed. The acquisition, use, and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The General Fund, the main operating fund of the District, is used to account for all financial resources of the District except for those required to be accounted for in another fund. The Debt Service Fund accounts for the accumulation of resources for the payment of general long-term debt principal and interest.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

The District is authorized under state law to deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the United States, or laws of the United States. Under state laws, these deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. State law provides that the amount of the security shall at all times be equal to 100% of the amount on deposit with each depositing authority, except that portion of the deposit insured by federal deposit insurance.

# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include infrastructure (e.g., roads, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost. Donated assets, if any, are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets of the governmental funds are recorded as expenditures at the time they are purchased or constructed. Interest expense incurred during the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets, as applicable. The District capitalizes assets in excess of \$5,000. Capital assets are included on the statement of net position, net of accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over a 40-year useful life for infrastructure.

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2023 amounted to \$958,861.

#### Long-Term Debt

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Bond issuance costs are reported as expenditures in the period incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize bond issuance costs during the current period as debt service expenditures. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

#### 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, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Board of Supervisors

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the members of the Board of Supervisors (the Board) received no compensation or per diem.

# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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

#### Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is displayed in three components: *net investment in capital assets*, consisting of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any debt proceeds used for the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets; *restricted*, distinguishing between major categories of restrictions and consisting of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets; and *unrestricted*, consisting of the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

#### Fund Balance

In the fund financial statements, fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported in five components, as follows:

- *Nonspendable* - Consists of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form, or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- *Restricted* - Consists of amounts with constraints either by third parties (bond creditors) or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation authorizes the District to assess or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement (compelled by external parties) that those resources be used for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.
- *Committed* - Consists of the amounts used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District's Board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) it employed previously to commit those amounts.
- *Assigned* - Consists of amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.
- *Unassigned* - Consists of amounts that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources (committed, assigned, and unassigned).



# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### Note 2. Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents

At December 31, 2023, the District had the following restricted cash and cash equivalents:

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Debt Service Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Restricted</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 1,141,684</u>	<u>\$ 3,132,074</u>	<u>\$ 4,273,758</u>

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits might not be recovered. The District's deposit policy for custodial credit risk conforms to state law, as described in Note 1. At December 31, 2023, the District's demand deposits bank balance was entirely secured by federal deposit insurance. The District's cash equivalents consist of money market mutual funds holding U.S. Treasury and government agency securities.

### Note 3. Capital Assets

The following is a summary of the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2023:

	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increase</b>	<b>Transfer</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
<b>Capital Assets Being Depreciated</b>				
Infrastructure	<u>\$ 38,354,428</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 38,354,428</u>
<b>Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated</b>	<u>38,354,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,354,428</u>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation for:</b>				
Infrastructure	<u>(6,712,027)</u>	<u>(958,861)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,670,888)</u>
<b>Total Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<u>(6,712,027)</u>	<u>(958,861)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,670,888)</u>
<b>Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net</b>	<u>\$ 31,642,401</u>	<u>\$ (958,861)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 30,683,540</u>

# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### Note 4. Dedicated Revenue

On June 28, 2007, the Parish, as the governing authority of the District, levied an additional one cent sales tax within the District. The Parish authorized and approved the pledge by the District of the one cent sales tax collected within the District to secure the payment of the District's bonds.

On December 20, 2010, the Parish, as the governing authority of the District, levied an additional one cent sales tax within the District. The Parish authorized and approved the pledge by the District a total of two cents sales tax collected within the District to secure the payment of the District's bonds.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the District received \$4,846,922 in sales tax revenue. The District recorded \$1,030,603 as sales tax receivable at December 31, 2023.

### Note 5. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the District for the year ended December 31, 2023:

<b>Balance of Long-Term Debt at January 1, 2023</b>	\$ 50,715,000
Plus: Issuance of Additional Debt	-
Less: Payments of Outstanding Principal	<u>(915,000)</u>
<b>Balance of Long-Term Debt at December 31, 2023</b>	<u>\$ 49,800,000</u>
<b>Due Within One Year</b>	<u>\$ 990,000</u>

Revenue bonds secured by sales and use taxes are as follows:

\$4,500,000 Revenue Bonds, Series 2013D-1, dated October 1, 2013; balance due in one principal installment in 2025, with semi-annual interest payments through September 2025, with interest at 0.6%.	\$ 4,500,000
\$6,205,000 Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A, dated March 5, 2015; balance due in annual principal installments beginning in 2018, with semi-annual interest payments through September 2044, with interest at 7.0%.	5,695,000
\$4,130,000 Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2015B, dated March 5, 2015; balance due in annual principal installments beginning in 2018, with semi-annual interest payments through September 2044, with interest at 7.0%.	3,785,000
\$39,165,000 Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2015C, dated March 5, 2015; balance due in annual principal installments beginning in 2018, with semi-annual interest payments through September 2044, with interest at 7.0%.	<u>35,820,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 49,800,000</u>

# JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### Note 5. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

The annual requirements of long-term debt to maturity as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Revenue Bonds	
	Principal	Interest
2024	\$ 990,000	\$ 3,154,025
2025	5,560,000	3,404,800
2026	1,145,000	3,007,725
2027	1,225,000	2,926,350
2028	1,320,000	2,838,850
2029 - 2033	8,160,000	12,638,325
2034 - 2038	11,515,000	9,288,475
2039 - 2043	16,245,000	4,560,325
2044	3,640,000	192,150
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 49,800,000</b>	<b>\$ 42,011,025</b>

### Note 6. Interfund Transfers

The General Fund transferred \$4,990,206 to the Debt Service Fund for principal and interest payments on the Series 2013 and 2015 Bonds.

## **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in**  
**Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	<b>Budget</b>		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>		
<b>Revenues</b>				
Sales Tax	\$ 5,068,109	\$ 5,068,109	\$ 4,846,922	\$ (221,187)
Other Income	132,000	\$ 132,000	159,299	27,299
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>5,200,109</b>	<b>\$ 5,200,109</b>	<b>5,006,221</b>	<b>(193,888)</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Economic Development	8,000	\$ 8,000	8,000	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>\$ 8,000</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<b>5,192,109</b>	<b>\$ 5,192,109</b>	<b>4,998,221</b>	<b>(193,888)</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers Out	(4,794,245)	\$ (4,794,245)	(4,990,206)	(195,961)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>(4,794,245)</b>	<b>\$ (4,794,245)</b>	<b>(4,990,206)</b>	<b>(195,961)</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 397,864</b>	<b>\$ 397,864</b>	<b>8,015</b>	<b>\$ (389,849)</b>
<b>Fund Balances, Beginning of Year</b>			<b>2,164,272</b>	
<b>Fund Balances, End of Year</b>			<b>\$ 2,172,287</b>	

See independent auditor's report.

## **OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments**  
**to Agency Head**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

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**Agency Head**  
 John Wascom, Chairman

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Salary	\$0
Benefits - Insurance	\$0
Benefits - Retirement	\$0
Benefits - Other	\$0
Car Allowance	\$0
Vehicle Provided by Government	\$0
Per Diem	\$0
Reimbursements	\$0
Travel	\$0
Registration Fees	\$0
Conference Travel	\$0
Continuing Professional Education Fees	\$0
Housing	\$0
Unvouchered Expenses	\$0
Special Meals	\$0

See independent auditor's report.

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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Livingston Parish Council  
Juban Crossing Economic Development District  
Livingston Parish, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with 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 the governmental activities and the major funds of Juban Crossing Economic Development District (the District), a component unit of Livingston Parish, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 11, 2024.

**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District'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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first 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 have not been identified.



**Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance 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 instance of noncompliance 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 District'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 District'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 handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "LaPorte".

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA  
June 11, 2024

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Findings and Responses**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

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**Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results**

Financial Statements

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|--|---------------|
| 1. Type of auditor's report issued:  | Unmodified    |
| 2. Internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters: |               |
| a. Material weaknesses identified?   | No            |
| b. Significant deficiencies identified?  | None reported |
| c. Noncompliance material to the financial statements?                         | No            |

**Part II - Findings Related to the Financial Statements**

None.

**Part III - Compliance and Other Matters**

None.

**JUBAN CROSSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Prior Year Findings**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

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None.

## **AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT**

Juban Crossing Economic Development District

Independent Accountant's Report  
On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

**For the Period January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023**

To the Livingston Parish Council  
Juban Crossing Economic Development District  
and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Juban Crossing Economic Development District's (the District) 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, 2023 through December 31, 2023. Juban Crossing Economic Development District's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The District 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, 2023 through December 31, 2023. 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 results are as follows:

### ***1) Written Policies and Procedures***

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- A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
- i. ***Budgeting***, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
  - ii. ***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.
  - iii. ***Disbursements***, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

- iv. **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).
- v. **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 rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- vi. **Contracting**, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- vii. **Travel and Expense Reimbursement**, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- viii. **Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase 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).
- ix. **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.
- x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- xi. **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.
- xii. **Prevention of Sexual Harassment**, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

## **2) Board or Finance Committee**

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- A. 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:
  - i. 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.

- ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether 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. *Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit 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.*
- iii. 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.
- iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

### **3) Bank Reconciliations**

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- A. 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:
  - i. 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);
  - ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within 1 month of the date the reconciliation was prepared (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged); and
  - iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

### **4) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)**

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- A. 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).

- B. 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 (e.g., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if there are no written policies or procedures, then 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:
- i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
  - ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;
  - iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also 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; and
  - iv. The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
- C. 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 in force during the fiscal period.
- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (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). *Alternatively, 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:
- i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
  - ii. Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
  - iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
  - iv. 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).
  - v. Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

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

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- A. 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).
- B. For each location selected under procedure #5A 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, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:
- i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
  - ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
  - iii. 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;
  - iv. 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; and
  - v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.
- [Note: Findings related to controls that constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality) should not be reported.]*
- C. For each location selected under procedure #5A 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:
- i. Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
  - ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.
- D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.



## **6) Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/Purchase Cards (Cards)**

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and purchase 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.
- B. 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:
  - i. Observe whether 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) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved) by someone other than the authorized card holder (those instances requiring such approval that may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials, such as the mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality, should not be reported); and
  - ii. Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
- C. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under procedure #6B above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (e.g., each card should have 10 transactions subject to inspection). 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 observe whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

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

- A. 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:
  - i. 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 ([www.gsa.gov](http://www.gsa.gov));
  - ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;

- iii. 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 Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and
- iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

## **8) Contracts**

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- A. 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. *Alternatively, 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:
  - i. Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;
  - ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
  - iii. 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, the documented approval); and
  - iv. 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 these procedures.

## **9) Payroll and Personnel**

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- A. 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.
- B. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under procedure #9A above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
  - i. Observe that all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory);
  - ii. Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials;

- iii. Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records; and
  - iv. Observe whether the rate paid to the employees or officials agrees to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
- C. 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 and obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee's or official's cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee's or official's authorized pay rates in the employee's or official's personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.
- D. 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:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

## **10) Ethics**

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- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
- i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
  - ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
- B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

## **11) Debt Service**

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- A. 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 as required by Article VII, Section 8 of the Louisiana Constitution.

- B. 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:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

## ***12) Fraud Notice***

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- A. 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 as required by R.S. 24:523.
- B. 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:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

## ***13) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity***

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- A. Perform the following procedures, **verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."**
- i. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
  - ii. Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if there is no written documentation, then inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
  - iii. 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.
- B. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees obtained in procedure #9C. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.

C. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedures #9A, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees/officials with access to the agency's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:

- Hired before June 9, 2020 - completed the training; and
- Hired on or after June 9, 2020 - completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

**Results:** We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

#### ***14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment***

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A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, 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 as required by R.S. 42:343.

B. 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).

C. 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 the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:

- i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
- ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
- iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
- iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
- v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

**Results:** No exceptions were found as a result of these procedures.

We were engaged by the District 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 District 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "LaPorte".

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Covington, LA  
June 11, 2024