PUT-IN-BAY TOWNSHIP PORT AUTHORITY OTTAWA COUNTY

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below on Put-in-Bay Township Port Authority, Ottawa County, Ohio's (the Port Authority) receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash-basis accounting records for the year ended December 31, 2023, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Port Authority. The Port Authority is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash-basis accounting records for the year ended December 31, 2023 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and balances included in the information provided to us by the management of the Port Authority records for the year ended December 31, 2023 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Port Authority.

The Board of Trustees and the management of the Port Authority have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of providing assistance in the evaluation of the Port Authority's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in its cash-basis accounting records for the year ended December 31, 2023, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. No other party acknowledged the appropriateness of the procedures. 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 the report and may not meet the needs of all users of the report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

For the purposes of performing these procedures, this report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

Cash and Investments

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2023 bank reconciliation. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2023 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2022 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the 2023 bank reconciliation Adjusted UAN Balances and Adjusted Bank Balances as of December 31, 2023 to the total fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report and the financial statements filed by the Port Authority in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2023 bank account balances with the Ohio Pooled Collateral System. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2023 bank reconciliation without exception.

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- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2023 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced three debits to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions. For the remaining two debits, we were unable to trace the debits to a subsequent bank statement, as they are still listed as outstanding on the May 2024 reconciliation (the most recent reconciliation available).
 - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register and determined the debits were dated prior to December 31. We found no exceptions.
- 6. We inspected investments held at December 31, 2023 to determine that they:
 - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 135.13, 135.14, 135.144 or 135.145. We found no exceptions.
 - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code §§ 135.13 or 135.14. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes, Intergovernmental, and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a total of five receipts from the *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* and State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2023:
 - a. We compared the amount from the above-named reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2023. The Receipt Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We confirmed the total amount paid from the Federal Aviation Administration (the Administration) and State of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Port Authority during 2023 with the Administration and ODOT. We found no exceptions.
 - a. We inspected the Register Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Other Receipts

We selected ten other receipts from the year ended December 31, 2023 and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount in the Receipt Register Report to supporting documentation. The amounts agreed.
- b. Confirmed the amounts charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine the receipt was posted to the proper fund, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

- 1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of as of December 31, 2022.
- 2. We inquired of management and inspected the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2023 or debt payment activity during 2023. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2023.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

We selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2023 and determined whether:

- a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
- b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check or ACH/EFT agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
- c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
- d. The Fiscal Officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

Compliance - Budgetary

- Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments including outstanding encumbrances) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the year ended December 31, 2023 for the General, Capital Projects Grant, and PIB Airport Service BLDG Construction funds. Expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 2. We inspected interfund transfers from 2023 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for compliance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.14 .16. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner.
- 3. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the year ended December 31, 2023 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10 (I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. There were no funds having a negative cash fund balance.

Sunshine Law Compliance

- We obtained and inspected the Port Authority's Public Records Policy to determine the policy was in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(2) and 149.43(B)(7)(c) and did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inquired with Port Authority management and determined that the Port Authority did not have any public records requests (completed, denied, or redacted) during the engagement period.

- 3. We inquired whether the Port Authority had a records retention schedule and observed that it was readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 4. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inquired with Port Authority management and determined the Port Authority did not have a policy manual during the engagement period therefore the Public Records Policy could not be included in a policy manual as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- We observed that the Port Authority's poster describing its Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the Port Authority as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inquired with Port Authority management and determined that the Port Authority did not have any applications submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 8. We inquired with Port Authority management and determined that the Port Authority did not have any elected officials subject to the public records training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the Port Authority notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period were to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.
- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
 - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting.
 - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner.
 - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period.
 - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

- 11. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) and determined the following:
 - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
 - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G).
 - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.
 - We found no exceptions.

Other Compliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires port authorities to file their financial information in the Hinkle System within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the Port Authority filed thier complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the year ended December 31, 2023 in the Hinkle System. We found no exceptions.

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We were engaged by the Port Authority to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with the attestation standards established by the AICPA and the Comptroller General of the United States' *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 the Port Authority's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express 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 Port Authority and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the ethical requirements established by the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* related to our agreed upon procedures engagement.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

June 27, 2024

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OTTAWA COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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