City of Williamson, Georgia Agreed-Upon Procedures December 31, 2022

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To Honorable Mayor and Members of Council City of Williamson, Georgia, Georgia and Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts

We have performed the procedures included in the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts' Work Program for Agreed-Upon Procedures as enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Mayor and Members of Council of the City of Williamson, Georgia and the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts, solely to assist you with respect to confirming the information presented in the Report of Local Government Finances for the City of Williamson, Georgia as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022. The City's management is responsible for the financial information presented in the Report of Local Government Finances. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The City of Williamson, Georgia has acknowledged that the procedures are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of assisting users in understanding the Report of Local Government Finances for the December 31, 2022. The report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all of the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users in this report, and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

Bambo Sonaike CPA, LLC

October 24, 2024

### City of Williamson, Georgia

# Schedule of Agreed-Upon Procedures and Results December 31, 2022

Section 1 – Cash, Investment, and Petty Cash:

- 1. We obtained and inspected a summary schedule of cash at year end by fund which includes all depositories with which the local government had transactions during the period covered by the agreed-upon procedures, including banks from which temporary investments were purchased.
  - a. We confirmed for individual funds that are required to maintain separate bank accounts that separate bank accounts are maintained.

#### No exceptions were noted.

b. We confirmed that a separate bank account is maintained for Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) proceeds as required by the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 48-8-121.

#### No exceptions were noted.

c. We confirmed that a separate bank account is maintained for Special District Mass Transportation Sales and Use Tax (TSPLOST 2) proceeds as required by the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 48-8-269.5.

No transactions noted in the general ledger relating to TSPOST 2 as such no exceptions were noted.

d. We performed a proof and reconciliation of cash on deposit with the following banks to the balances in the respective general ledger accounts and obtained confirmation of the related balances from the banks.

Account	Balance per bank statement		Balance per bank Reconciled bal count statement per general led				
General Fund Water Account SPLOST	\$	634,220 259,382 91,198	\$	628,078 255,261 68,662	\$	6,141 4,121 22,536	
Total	\$	984,799	\$	952,001	\$	32,798	

Exceptions: we noted material differences in the SPLOST account reconciled balance recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above.

e. We confirmed opening and closing of accounts with minutes of the governing body.

No opening and closing of accounts were noted in the minutes of the governing body as such no exceptions were noted.

2. We confirmed account balance information with financial institutions as of the date of the local government's fiscal year end for all accounts identified in Step 1 above (including accounts which were closed during the year).

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balance recorded in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

3. We obtained copies of the year end bank statement for each open account and traced balances and activities to bank account reconciliations.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

- 4. We obtained copies of the year end bank account reconciliation for each account and performed the following on reconciliations:
  - a. We traced bank balance on reconciliation to the bank confirmation received from financial institution.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

b. We traced reconciled book balance to the general ledger and trial balance or summary schedule.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

c. We mathematically checked reconciliation and detailed supporting schedules for clerical accuracy.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

d. We compared confirmed balances of savings accounts and certificates of deposit to amounts recorded in the general ledger and determined whether unrecorded items were considered on bank reconciliations.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

- 5. We inspected cash receipts and cash disbursements ledgers for each bank account for a period of five business days before and after the local government's fiscal year end.
  - a. We confirmed interbank transfers, checks, and deposits are recorded in the proper period.

No interbank transfers were noted in general ledger or bank statement as such no exceptions were noted.

b. We confirmed transfers between each cash receipts ledger and each cash disbursements ledger were recorded in the same period.

No transfers were noted in general ledger or bank statement as such no exceptions were noted.

c. We confirmed transfers not clearing the bank in the same accounting period as they were initiated are properly reflected as reconciling items on bank reconciliation.

No interbank transfers were noted in general ledger or bank statement as such no exceptions were noted.

- 6. We performed cash proof procedures on each account in which the local government maintains funds at its fiscal year end for a minimum of two months, including the month in which the local government's fiscal year ends.
  - a. We traced all outstanding checks shown on the proof of cash reconciliation at fiscal year-end date to clearing of checks on subsequent bank statements, including last bank statement available during field work.

Exceptions: In the General and Water cash accounts we noted 16 checks for total of \$6,987 and 11 checks for total of \$8,663 respectively had not cleared.

b. We inquired about any check of a material amount that has not cleared or has taken an inordinately long period to clear and indicate reason(s).

Exceptions: One outstanding check above materiality was noted in Water cash account dated 8/4/2020 for \$8,111 which has not cleared.

c. We traced all deposits in transit at the fiscal year end date to their deposit.

No exceptions were noted.

d. We investigated any delay in crediting of book deposits to bank.

No exceptions were noted.

e. We traced deposits from general ledger to bank statements for all months tested.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

f. We traced checks to disbursements journal and compared dates, numerical sequence, signatures and endorsements.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

g. We mathematically checked cash journal.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

h. We investigated other reconciling items and determined if appropriate.

Exceptions: we noted a material difference in the SPLOST account reconciled balances recorded in the in the general ledger as indicated in the table above in 1D.

i. We confirmed and accounted for all voided checks.

No voided checks were noted in the bank reconciliation statement as such no exceptions were noted.

- 7. We obtained and inspected an analysis of investment activity.
  - a. We mathematically checked the clerical accuracy of the investment activity analysis.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

b. We inquired about types of investments permitted by law (State law as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 36-81-4), contract or investment policy of the government unit and confirmed investments maintained by the government are allowable.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

c. We inspected the minutes of the Board or Council meetings to confirm the investment policies are consistent with requirements of laws, contracts or stated investment policies of the government entity.

No investments activities were noted in minutes of the Board or Council meetings as such no exceptions were noted.

d. We compared the purchases and sales of investments during the period included on the investment activity analysis with the confirmed investment policies to determine whether transactions were authorized.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

e. We inspected investments on hand while in the presence of responsible officials of the government entity.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

f. We confirmed balances of investments held by other as well as the name in which the investments are held.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

g. We traced investments to the investment activity analysis and general ledger.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

h. We recalculated the gain or loss from the sales of investments using the cost of investment purchases and the proceeds from investment sales obtained from investment activity analysis and general ledger.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

i. We compared amounts reported as income from investments for reasonableness.

No investments activities were noted in general ledger as such no exceptions were noted.

- 8. We obtained and inspected a list of all petty cash funds as of the fiscal year end.
  - a. We inquired about the methods for reimbursement of funds.

No exceptions were noted.

b. We inspected documentation of expenditures and confirmed that the purposes agree with the purposes for which the fund was established.

No exceptions were noted.

c. We obtained copies of internal audits performed on the fund and confirmed audits were inspected for exceptions and determined whether corrective actions were planned and taken.

No internal audit was performed as such no exceptions were noted.

d. We observed a count of funds in the presence of the custodian.

This procedure is not practical to be performed because over 12 months has passed since end of the year.

e. We compared the reconciliations to the control account.

Exceptions: Reconciliation of petty cash balance was not performed.

9. We reconciled petty cash at the beginning of the fiscal year to petty cash at the end of the fiscal year using cash receipts and cash disbursements reported in the entity's general ledger.

Exceptions: We reviewed petty cash disbursements in the amount of \$337 however, these petty cash transactions were not recorded in the general ledger.

Section 2 – Report of Local Government Finances

- 1. We obtained the Report of Local Government Finances (RLGF) for the local government's fiscal year.
  - a. We confirmed the RLGF was prepared using the standards established for local governments by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

No exceptions were noted.

b. We confirmed the amounts of expenditures reported on the RLGF meets the criteria established in O.C.G.A. § 36-81-7 for submission of annual report of agreed-upon procedures.

#### No exceptions were noted.

c. We inquired about the approval for submission of reports to both the DCA and the DOAA to fulfill the local government's reporting requirements of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-7 and § 36-81-8.

#### No exceptions were noted.

- 2. We obtained the workpaper trial balance for the period covered by the agreed-upon procedures. We performed the following:
  - a. We confirmed the workpaper trial balance is in balance.

#### No exceptions were noted.

b. We compared the workpaper trail balance to the local government's general ledger and confirmed agreement between the account balance for cash, investments, receipts, and disbursements.

#### No exceptions were noted.

c. We confirmed that the adjusting journal entries at year end have been posted.

#### No exceptions were noted.

- 3. We performed the following procedures using the RLGF and workpaper trial balance.
  - a. We traced all accounts on the workpaper trial balance to the RLGF as appropriate.

Exceptions: 63 of the 96 accounts with balances on the Trial Balance are not accounted for in the RLGF.

b. We confirmed proper classifications for all accounts on the workpaper trial balance, according to the instructions for completion of the RLGF.

Exceptions: most of the amounts on the RLGF did not tie to the amounts on the Trial Balance and instructions to include information related to Debt (Other) account in the attachment tab were not followed.

c. We confirmed amounts recorded on the RLGF with the amounts reported on the workpaper trial balance.

Exceptions: Of the ten accounts on the RLGF selected and that traced to the Trial Balance, all ten accounts had differing balances to between the RLGF and Trial Balance.

d. We recalculated totals and compared for accuracy.

Exceptions: Total Revenue is \$236,115 lower on the RLGF than the Trial Balance. Total Expenses are \$34,739 higher on the RLGF than the Trial Balance.

e. We recalculated amounts reported on supporting schedules and compared totals to the appropriate reference on the RLGF.

#### Exceptions: See exceptions noted in section 2 - 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d.

#### Section 3 - Compliance with State Laws and Regulations

- 1. We obtained the minutes of Board or Council meetings and inspected for compliance with open meetings requirements of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1.
  - a. We confirmed that meetings were open to the public if there was a gathering of a quorum of the members of the governing body and any official business, policy or public matter of the entity was formulated, presented, discussed or voted upon.

#### No exceptions were noted.

b. We inspected documentation of the Board or Council meetings to confirm the stated requirements for open public meetings.

#### No exceptions were noted.

c. We confirmed that notices for regular meetings were posted at least one week in advance in a place available to the public and on the government's website, if applicable.

#### No exceptions were noted.

d. We confirmed that notices for meetings other than regular scheduled were posted at least 24 hours in advance – notices may be written or oral.

#### No exceptions were noted.

e. We confirmed that an agenda was available and included all matters expected to come before each agency or committee meeting.

#### No exceptions were noted.

f. We confirmed that a written summary, including subjects acted on and member present, was prepared for each meeting and was available for public inspection within two business days of the adjournment of meeting.

#### No exceptions were noted.

g. We confirmed that minutes of regular meetings are recorded promptly and open to public inspection once approved as official, no later than immediately following the next regular meeting.

#### No exceptions were noted.

h. We confirmed that minutes of regular meetings contain at a minimum: names of members present, description of each motion or proposal, identity of persons making and seconding motions or proposals and record of all votes including names of persons voting for or against (or abstaining).

#### No exceptions were noted.

i. We confirmed that minutes of executive sessions are recorded but not open to the public.

#### No exceptions were noted.

2. We inspected documentation of open records requests and responses to confirm compliance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-18-70.

#### No exceptions were noted.

- 3. We obtained the minutes of the Board or Council and inspected the policies of budget preparation, budget proposal and adoption for compliance with provisions of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3 and O.C.G.A. § 36-81-5.
  - a. We confirmed that the proposed budget was submitted to the governing authority and placed on file for public inspection. (O.C.G.A. § 36-81-5)

#### No exceptions were noted.

b. We confirmed that the budget was adopted at a properly advertised public meeting as required by O.C.G.A. § 36-81-6.

#### No exceptions were noted.

c. We confirmed the adoption by ordinance or resolution of an annual balanced budget for the general fund, each special revenue fund and each debt service fund in use by the local government as required by O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3 as well as the adoption of project-length balanced budget for each capital projects fund.

#### No exceptions were noted.

**d.** We confirmed the legal level of control is expenditures for each department, for each fund, for which a budget is required, at a minimum.

#### No exceptions were noted.

e. We confirmed budget amendments during the fiscal year were adopted by ordinance or resolution of the governing authority. (O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3)

#### No exceptions were noted.

f. We inspected the budget document to determine if it provides for the appropriate budget period, a statement of the amount budgeted for anticipated revenues by source and the amount budgeted for expenditures at the legal level of control (O.C.G.A. § 36-81-5)

#### No exceptions were noted.

4. We confirmed the adoption and use of the <u>Uniform Chart of Accounts for Local Governments in Georgia</u> in the local government's accounting records, audited financial statements and reports to state agencies as required by provisions of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3.

#### Exceptions: We noted that the Uniform Chart of accounts was not implemented until 2023.

5. We confirmed the submission of the annual report of local government finances (RLGF) to the Department of Community Affairs as required by provisions of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-8 (b) (1) (A).

#### No exceptions were noted.

6. We inquired whether the local government levies hotel/motel tax in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 48-15-31. If levied, we then confirmed submission of the hotel/motel tax report to the Department of Community Affairs as required by O.C.G.A. § 36-81-8 (B).

#### No exceptions were noted.

7. We confirmed the submission of annual agreed-upon procedures report and copy of RLGF to the Department of Audits and Accounts as required by provisions of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-7 (a) (3).

Exceptions: We noted that the annual agreed-upon procedures report was not submitted to Department of Audits and Accounts as required by O.C.G.A. § 36-81-8 (B).

8. We confirmed the submission of the Annual Immigration Compliance Report as required by the provisions O.C.G.A. § 50-36-4.

#### No exceptions were noted.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the *Report of Local Government Finances*. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Mayor and Members of Council of the City of Williamson, Georgia and the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Bambo Sonaike CPA, LLC

October 24, 2024