# Town of Fraser, Colorado

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This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of Town of Fraser, Colorado (the "Town"), which comprise the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, for the purpose of expressing opinions as to whether the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement. An omission or misstatement that is monetarily small in amount could be considered material as a result of qualitative factors.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, as of the date of this letter, the following representations made to you during your audit.

#### **Financial Statements**

- We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit agreement dated January 28, 2022.
- The financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with accounting
  principles generally accepted in the United States of America and include all properly classified funds
  and other financial information of the primary government and all component units required by
  accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America to be included in the
  financial reporting entity.
- We acknowledge our responsibility 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.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
- Significant assumptions we used in making accounting estimates are reasonable.
- Related party relationships and transactions, including revenues, expenditures/expenses, loans, transfers, leasing arrangements, and guarantees, and amounts receivable from or payable to related parties have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which accounting principles
  generally accepted in the United States of America require adjustment or disclosure have been
  adjusted or disclosed. No events, including instances of noncompliance, have occurred subsequent
  to the balance sheet date and through the date of this letter that would require adjustment to or
  disclosure in the aforementioned financial statements.
- The effects of all known actual or possible litigation, claims, and assessments have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Financial Statements (continued)**

- We are in agreement with the adjusting entries you have proposed, and they have been posted to the Town's accounts.
- Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the Town is contingently liable, if any, have been
  properly recorded or disclosed.
- As part of your engagement, you assisted with preparation of the financial statements and related notes. We have designated an individual with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience to oversee your services and have made all management decisions and performed all management functions. We have reviewed, approved, and accepted responsibility for those financial statements and related notes.
- With regard to investments and other instruments reported at fair value:
  - The underlying assumptions are reasonable and they appropriately reflect management's intent and ability to carry out its stated courses of action.
  - The measurement methods and related assumptions used in determining fair value are appropriate in the circumstances and have been consistently applied.
  - The disclosures related to fair values are complete, adequate, and in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
  - There are no subsequent events that require adjustments to the fair value measurements and disclosures included in the financial statements.

#### Information Provided

- We have provided you with:
  - Access to all information, of which we are aware, that is relevant to the preparation and fair
    presentation of the financial statements, such as records, documentation, and other matters and
    all audit or relevant monitoring reports, if any, received from funding sources.
  - Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit.
  - Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
  - Minutes of the meetings of the Town Council or summaries of actions of recent meetings for which minutes have not yet been prepared.
- All material transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
- We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
- We have no knowledge of any material fraud or suspected material fraud that affects the entity and involves:
  - Management,
  - Employees who have significant roles in internal control, or
  - Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- We have no knowledge of any allegations of material fraud or suspected material fraud affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, regulators, or others.
- We have disclosed to you all known instances of noncompliance or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements, or abuse, whose effects should be considered when preparing financial statements.
- We have disclosed to you all known actual or possible litigation, claims, and assessments whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
- We have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.

### Government - Specific

- We have made available to you all financial records and related data and all audit or relevant monitoring reports, if any, received from funding sources.
- There have been no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices.
- We have a process to track the status of audit findings and recommendations.
- We have identified to you any previous audits, attestation engagements, and other studies related to the audit objectives and whether related recommendations have been implemented.
- We have provided our views on reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as our planned corrective actions, for the report.
- The Town has no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets, liabilities, or equity.
- We are responsible for compliance with the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and grant
  agreements applicable to us, including tax or debt limits and debt contracts; and we have identified
  and disclosed to you all laws, regulations and provisions of contracts and grant agreements that we
  believe have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts or other
  financial data significant to the audit objectives, including legal and contractual provisions for
  reporting specific activities in separate funds.
- We are aware of the fiscal requirements imposed by section 20 of Article X of the Constitution of the State of Colorado, commonly known as the "TABOR Amendment", and have complied with these requirements appropriately.
- There are no violations or possible violations of budget ordinances, laws and regulations (including
  those pertaining to adopting, approving, and amending budgets), provisions of contracts and grant
  agreements, tax or debt limits, and any related debt covenants whose effects should be considered
  for disclosure in the financial statements, or as a basis for recording a loss contingency, or for
  reporting on noncompliance.
- Except as made known to you and disclosed in the financial statements, The Town has satisfactory
  title to all owned assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset
  been pledged as collateral.
- The Town has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance.
- We have followed all applicable laws and regulations in adopting, approving, and amending budgets.
- The financial statements include all component units as well as joint ventures with an equity interest, and properly disclose all other joint ventures and other related organizations.
- The financial statements properly classify all funds and activities.
- All funds that meet the quantitative criteria in GASB Statements No. 34 and No. 37 for presentation
  as major are identified and presented as such and all other funds that are presented as major are
  particularly important to financial statement users.

# Government – Specific (continued)

- Components of net position (net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted) and equity amounts are properly classified and, if applicable, approved.
- Deposits and investment securities are properly classified as to risk, and investments and derivative instruments, if any, are properly valued.
- Provisions for uncollectible receivables have been properly identified and recorded.
- Expenses have been appropriately classified in or allocated to functions and programs in the statement of activities, and allocations have been made on a reasonable basis.

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- Revenues are appropriately classified in the statement of activities within program revenues, general revenues, contributions to term or permanent endowments, or contributions to permanent fund principal.
- Interfund, internal, and intra-entity activity and balances have been appropriately classified and reported.
- Special and extraordinary items are appropriately classified and reported.
- Capital assets, including infrastructure and intangible assets, are properly capitalized, reported, and, if applicable, depreciated.
- We have appropriately disclosed the Town's policy regarding whether to first apply restricted or unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available and have determined that net position were properly recognized under the policy.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for the required supplementary information ("RSI"). The RSI is
  measured and presented within prescribed guidelines and the methods of measurement and
  presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period. We have disclosed to you any
  significant assumptions and interpretations underlying the measurement and presentation of the RSI.
- With respect to the supplementary information on which an "in-relation-to" opinion is issued:
  - We acknowledge our responsibility for presenting the supplementary information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and we believe the supplementary information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information have not changed from those used in the prior period, and we have disclosed to you any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement and presentation of the supplementary information.
  - o If the supplementary information is not presented with the audited financial statements, we will make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date we issue the supplementary information and the auditor's report thereon.

BY:	
Rob Clemens Finance Director – Town of Fraser	Ed Cannon Town Manager – Town of Fraser
July 10, 2022	July 10, 2022
Date	Date