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Green Township – City of Cheviot Joint Economic Development District I (Western Ridge) Hamilton County 3814 Harrison Avenue Cheviot, Ohio 45211

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Green Township – City of Cheviot Joint Economic Development District I (Western Ridge), Hamilton County, (the District) for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the District's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the District's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

The District's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance or accounting issue to report.

### **Current Year Observation**

### 1. Annual Report Filing

We noted the District did not file its 2021 annual report in a timely manner. **Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38** provides, in part, that the District shall file an annual financial report with the Auditor of State within 60 days of fiscal year end.

The District filed its 2021 Hinkle system financial statement report on April 29, 2022, and no extension was obtained.

Failure to timely file an annual report could result in the District being penalized twenty-five dollars for each day the report remains unfiled, not to exceed seven hundred fifty dollars. The Auditor of State may waive these penalties, upon the filing of the past due financial report. Additionally, the lack of an annual report could result in auditing difficulties. The District should file its annual report with the Auditor of State within the required timeframe.

### **Current Status of Matters Reported in our Prior Engagement**

 During the prior engagement, we noted the District did not have a public records policy as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). This matter was corrected for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021. Green Township – City of Cheviot Joint Economic Development District I (Western Ridge) Hamilton County Basic Audit Report Page 2

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

June 9, 2023



## GREEN TOWNSHIP - CITY OF CHEVIOT JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT I -WESTERN RIDGE

# HAMILTON 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.



Certified for Release 6/22/2023

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