



BRIDGE PARK NEW COMMUNITY AUTHORITY FRANKLIN COUNTY DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Bridge Park New Community Authority Franklin County 6640 Riverside Drive Dublin, Ohio 43017

To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and related notes of the Bridge Park New Community Authority, Franklin County, Ohio (the Authority).

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Authority's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

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Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles 1

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Authority prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Authority does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Authority, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and related notes of the Authority, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 2.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 8 to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Authority. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 6, 2021, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

December 6, 2021

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BRIDGE PARK NEW COMMUNITY AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION (CASH BASIS) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Operating cash receipts:	
Assessed valuation charges	\$ 1,628,424
Retail/hotel charges	190,807
Total operating receipts	1,819,231
Operating cash disbursements:	
Professional services	37,811
Bank charges	10,272
Insurance	2,647
Total operating disbursements	50,730
Operating income	1,768,501
Non-operating receipts (disbursements):	
Interest revenue	49
Pass-through distributions to trustee	(124,365)
Bed tax grant revenue from City	124,365
Pledged revenue to trustee	(1,722,046)
Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(1,721,997)
Change in net cash position	46,504
Net cash position - beginning of year	12,860
Net cash position - end of year	\$ 59,364

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2020

1. REPORTING ENTITY

The Bridge Park New Community Authority, Franklin County, Ohio (the "Authority") is a community authority created pursuant to Chapter 349 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Crawford Hoying Development Partners, Ltd. (the Developer) filed a petition (the Petition) for creation of the Authority with the City Council of the City of Dublin (City), Ohio, (Council) and the Petition was accepted by Ordinance 25-15 of the Council on March 19, 2015. The Petition, which may be subject to amendment or change, defines the boundaries of the Authority and allows the Authority to finance the costs of publicly owned and operated improvements and community facilities with Community Development Charges.

By its Ordinance, the Council determined the Authority would be conducive to the public health, safety, convenience and welfare, and that it was intended to result in the development of a new community as described in ORC. The Authority thereby was organized as a body corporate and politic in the State. While the Authority was formed in 2015, no financial activity occurred until 2018.

By law, the Authority is governed by a seven-member board of trustees. At inception, the Council appointed four of the trustees and the remaining three trustees were appointed by the Developer.

The Authority includes approximately 29 acres of land located in the City for which the Developer has planned a mixed-use development project including residential units, commercial and retail spaces, hotel and community/conference event facilities, and public parking and related public infrastructure improvements.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation –These financial statements follow the accounting basis the Auditor of State (AOS) prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Authority recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the AOS prescribes or permits.

The Authority's financial statements consist of a statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in net cash position (cash basis). The Authority uses one enterprise fund to maintain its cash basis financial records during the fiscal year.

Operating receipts are those revenues that are generated from the primary activity of the Authority and consist of both assessed valuation charges and retail charges. Operating disbursements consist of administrative expenses. All receipts and disbursements not meeting these definitions are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2020

3. DEPOSITS

Deposits – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned to it. The Authority does not have a custodial risk policy beyond the requirements of State statute. As of December 31, 2020, the bank balance of the Authority's deposits was \$59,364. This balance was covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the City or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured, unless the financial institution participates in the Ohio Treasurer of State's Ohio Collateral Pool System, which reduces the market value to one hundred two percent of the deposits being secured.

4. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

The Authority can levy community development charges, as defined, for the benefit and use of the Authority to cover all or part of land acquisitions, development, construction, operation and maintenance of land, land development and community facilities, the debt service therefor and any other cost incurred by the Authority. The Authority levies both an Assessed Valuation Charge and a Retail/Hotel Charge.

Assessed Valuation Charge

The Assessed Valuation Charge is an annual charge on each chargeable parcel of land within the Authority based on the Assessed Valuation of each parcel which may be expressed as a number of mills. Consistent with the Petition, the Authority levied an Assessed Valuation Charge which is intended to cover costs of debt service and operations.

Retail/Hotel Charge

The Authority collects a Hotel Charge of one percent on room revenue. Beginning in 2019, the Authority levied a Retail Charge upon all retail sales conducted within the Authority of one half one percent (0.5%) of the price paid by each consumer in connection with such retail sales. The Retail Charge is collected by stores from consumers and remitted on a monthly basis.

Pursuant to the Cooperative Agreement and the Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Agreements for Bridge Park New Community Authority (Declaration) in the City of Dublin Ohio, recorded December 15, 2015, the Authority agreed to pledge community development charges to the trustees for the purpose of paying on the debt issued by the City and Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority. These monies on the Statement of Net Cash Position are presented as pledged revenue to trustee.

5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Under an agreement with the Authority, the Developer was responsible for overseeing the construction and development of the public infrastructure projects. In addition, the Developer will fulfill certain administrative and operational functions for the Authority on an ongoing basis.

Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2020

By law, the Authority is governed by a seven-member board of trustees. The City Council appointed four of the trustees and the remaining three trustees were appointed by the Developer. The trustees appointed by the Developer are employees of a related party to the Developer.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts and liability, damage to and theft of or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The Authority maintains insurance coverage with private carriers for property and general liability insurance. Settled claims did not exceed coverage for the years ended December 31, 2020 and there was no significant change in coverage from the prior year.

7. PLEDGED REVENUE AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

In December 2015, the Authority entered a Cooperative Agreement (Agreement) with the City and the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority (Finance Authority). The Authority, City and Finance Authority have determined to cooperate with each other to assist the Developer in its undertaking and financing of the Community Facilities and the Roadway Improvements. The Finance Authority financed a portion of the Community Facilities and the Roadway Improvements by issuing Finance Authority debt. The City and Finance Authority funded the costs of the Parking Facilities.

Under this agreement, the Authority shall levy and collect community development charges in accordance with the Declaration and transfer the certain revenues to the City. Under the agreement, the Authority can retain \$45,000 annually of receipts for administrative disbursements but the remaining revenues are considered pledged.

The debt is payable from revenues consisting primarily of financing payments as defined in the Agreement. The Authority has also recorded a disbursement to the Trustee for community development charges recognized as revenue and pledged in accordance with GASB Statement No. 48, Sales and Pledges of Receivable and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues.

8. COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Authority. The impact on the Authority's future operating costs, receipts, and any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

BRIDGE PARK NEW COMMUNITY AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION (CASH BASIS) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Operating cash receipts:	
Assessed valuation charges	\$ 1,314,251
Retail/hotel charges	254,596
Total operating receipts	1,568,847
Operating cash disbursements:	
Professional services	33,523
Bank charges	12,028
Insurance	2,571
Total operating disbursements	48,122
Operating income	1,520,725
Non-operating receipts (disbursements):	
Interest revenue	1,193
Pass-through distributions to trustee	(111,441)
Bed tax grant revenue from City	111,441
Pledged revenue to trustee	(1,529,951)
Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(1,528,758)
Change in net cash position	(8,033)
Net cash position - beginning of year	20,893
Net cash position - end of year	\$ 12,860

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Bridge Park New Community Authority Franklin County 6640 Riverside Drive Dublin, Ohio 43017

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related notes of the Bridge Park New Community Authority, Franklin County (the Authority) and have issued our report thereon dated December 6, 2021 wherein we noted the Authority prepared their financial statements using an accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles and the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures which may impact subsequent periods of the Authority

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Authority's financial statements. 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 was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the financial statements. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

December 6, 2021



FRANKLIN 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 12/30/2021

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