CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

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The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance

Opinion

We have audited the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance (the "Schedule") of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (the "City") for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes.

In our opinion, the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance presents fairly, in all material respects, the expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida for the year ended September 30, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Schedule

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance as well as Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the Schedule.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Schedule, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the Schedule.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the City's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission, management, and specific legislative or regulatory bodies and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Alley Bryan P.A.

Miramar, Florida
August 21, 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND STATE PROJECT AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND CHAPTER 10.550, *RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL*

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and State Financial Assistance Project

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program and State Financial Assistance Project

We have audited City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida's (the "City") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* and the requirements described in the Florida Department of Financial Services State Projects Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City's major federal programs and state financial assistance projects for the year ended September 30, 2024. The City's major federal programs and state financial assistance projects are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs and state financial assistance projects for the year ended September 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General* are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the City's federal programs and state financial assistance projects.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General* will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the City's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program and state financial assistance project as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General* we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the City's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the City's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item **2024-002, 2023-001, 2023-002,** and **2023-003**. Our opinion on each major federal program and state financial assistance project is not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Matters (cont'd)

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the City's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our compliance audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The City's response was not subject to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify a deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and question cost as item **2024-001** to be a significant deficiency.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Government Auditing Standards require the auditor to perform limited procedures on the City's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The City's response was not subjected to other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Alby Bryan P.A.

Miramar, Florida
August 21, 2025

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Year Ended September 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Contract/ Grant Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Expenditures	Transfer to Subrecipient
I. CASH FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE					
U. S. Department of Agriculture:					
Indirect Programs:					
Food and Nutrition Service					
Child and Adult Care Food Program					
Passed Through Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Childcare Food Programs					
Afterschool Snack Program - FY23	10.558	A-4798		$ 17,368	$ -
Afterschool Snack Program - FY24	10.558	A-4798		36,857	-
Total Assistance Listing #10.558				54,225	-
Child Nutrition Cluster					
Summer Food Service Program for Children					
Passed Through Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services					
Summer Food Service Program for Children - FY23	10.559	18474		76,234	-
Summer Food Service Program for Children - FY24	10.559	18474		116,500	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				192,734	-
Cooperative Forestry Assistance					
Passed Through FL Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, FL Forest Service Division					
FL Forest Service Division	10.664	22-DG-11083112-001-A	29908	25,000	-
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture				271,959	-
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:					
Direct Programs:					
Office of Community Planning and Development					
CDBG - Entitlement Grants Cluster					
Community Development Block Grants/ Entitlement Grants					
Community Development Block Grants/ Entitlement Grants	14.218	N/A		2,145,015	319,081
COVID19 Community Development Block Grants/ Entitlement Grants - CDBG-CV	14.218	B-20-MW-12-0005		110,005	-
Total CDBG - Entitlement Grants Cluster				2,255,020	319,081
Home Investment Partnerships Program					
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M-19-MC-12-0205		-	16,247
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M-20-MC-12-0205		-	106,101
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M-21-MC-12-0205		156,580	156,580
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M-22-MC-12-0205		200,000	178,112
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M-23-MC-12-0205		-	-
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M-24-MC-12-0205		272,802	194,269
HUD - American Rescue Plan Affordable Housing Act	14.239	M-21-MP-12-0205		1,074,250	-
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	14.241	N/A		7,772,973	5,991,001
				9,476,605	6,642,310
Indirect Programs:					
Community Development Block Grants/State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii					
Passed Through FL Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)					
Durrs Neighborhood Stormwater Improvements	14.228	MT046		10,500,000	-
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development				22,231,625	6,961,391

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See Notes to Schedule.

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Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Contract/ Grant Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Expenditures	Transfer to Subrecipient
U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service					
Indirect Program:					
Outdoor Recreation Acquisition, Development and Planning					
Passed Through FL Department of Environmental Protection					
Cooley's Landing Marina	15.916	LW754		22,538	-
Total U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service				22,538	-
U.S. Department of Justice					
Direct Programs:					
Office of Justice Programs					
National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative					
Fort Lauderdale Police Department Sexual Assault Kit Initiative	16.833	2020-AK-BX-0007		70,932	-
Equitable Sharing Program					
Forfeiture Fund - Federal Equitable Sharing (Non-Treasury)	16.922	N/A		1,651,550	-
Indirect Programs:					
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program					
Passed Through Broward County					
Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative					
Fort Lauderdale Police Department Illegal Gun Crime Reduction Campaign	16.738	15PBJA-21-GG-03280-JAGP		96,218	-
Passed Through City of Pompano Beach					
FY2019 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	16.738	2019-DJ-BX-0432		72,052	-
Total U.S. Department of Justice				1,890,752	-
U.S. Department of Transportation:					
Direct Programs:					
Airport Improvement Program, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Programs, and COVID-19 Airport Programs					
COVID19 FAA Coronavirus Response	20.106	3-12-0024-035-2021		1,932	-
Runway 9 Run-Up Area (South)	20.106	3-12-0024-038-2022		3,500,422	-
American Rescue Plan Act Airport	20.106	3-12-0024-037-2022		147,888	-
Total Assistance Listing #20.106				3,650,242	-
Indirect Programs:					
Highway Planning and Construction					
Shady Banks and Tarpon River Neighborhood Design Plans	20.205	G2X12		766	-
Passed Through University of North Florida and Services institute					
Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety High Visibility Enforcement and Support Program	20.205	G2M61		73,107	-
Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster				73,873	-
State and Community Highway Safety					
Passed Through FL Department of Transportation					
Fort Lauderdale Police Motorcycle Safety Campaign	20.600	G2D06		3,323	-
Fort Lauderdale Occupant Protection Program	20.600	G2R60		58,591	-
Total Highway Safety Cluster				61,914	-
Total U.S. Department of Transportation				3,786,029	-

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Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Contract/ Grant Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Expenditures	Transfer to Subrecipient
U.S. Department of Treasury					
Direct Programs:					
Equitable Sharing					
Forfeiture Fund - Federal Equitable Sharing (Treasury)	21.016	N/A	N/A	923,224	-
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds					
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	1505-0271		1,931,265	-
Indirect Programs:					
Passed Through FL Department of Environmental Protection					
City of Fort Lauderdale Dorsey Riverbend Stormwater Project	21.027	22FRP124		10,463,713	-
Total U.S. Department of Treasury				13,318,202	-
U.S. Department of Homeland Security:					
Direct Programs:					
Homeland Security Grant Program					
Passed Through City of Miami					
FY2022 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0588	EMW-2022-SS-00029-S01	68,947	-
FY2021 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0521	EMW-2021-SS-00056-S01	1,604	-
FY2021 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0521	EMW-2021-SS-00056-S01	59,721	-
FY2021 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0521	EMW-2021-SS-00056-S01	22,261	-
FY2022 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0588	EMW-2022-SS-00029-S01	67,657	-
FY2022 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0588	EMW-2022-SS-00029-S01	70,353	-
FY2022 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0588	EMW-2022-SS-00029-S01	69,985	-
FY2022 Urban Area Security Initiative - Fire Rescue Technical Rescue Team (TRT) Equipment	97.067	R0588	EMW-2022-SS-00029-S01	45,000	-
Total Assistance Listing #97.067				405,528	-
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				405,528	-
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				41,926,633	6,961,391

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See Notes to Schedule.

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
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State Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	CSFA Number	Grant/ Contract Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Total State Expenditures	Total Passed Through to Subrecipients
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE					
FL Department of Environmental Protection					
Direct Programs:					
Statewide Water Quality Restoration Projects					
Melrose Manors Stormwater Project	37.039	LPA0288		175,779	-
NW 21st Avenue Pipe Rehabilitation Stormwater Improvements	37.039	LPA0163		750,000	-
Resilient Florida Program					
City of Fort Lauderdale Vulnerability Assessment	37.098	22PLN42		41,183	-
Total FL Department of Environmental Protection				966,962	-
Florida Housing Finance Corporation					
Direct Projects:					
State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP)	40.901	N/A		1,021,106	-
Total Florida Housing Finance Corporation				1,021,106	-
Florida Department of State					
Direct Projects:					
Division Historical Resources					
Historic Preservation Grants					
City-Wide Architectural Resource Survey – Phase II	45.031	22 h.sm.200.014		50,000	-
Total Florida Department of State				50,000	-
Florida Department of Education					
Direct Programs:					
Bureau of Family and Community Outreach					
School and Instructional Enhancement Program					
Fort Lauderdale Education Enrichment Program	48.040	85N-94730-4Q001	24A337	569,764	-
Total Florida Department of Education				569,764	-
Florida Department of Transportation					
Direct Projects:					
Aviation Grant Programs					
Public Transportation					
Construct Taxiway Intersection Improvements	55.004	G1B53		222	-
FXE Design and Construct Taxiway Golf Pavement Rehabilitation	55.004	G1L87		866,164	-
Helistop Layout Plan and Obstruction Survey	55.004	G1W05		49,887	-
Design and Construct Runway 31 By-pass Taxiways	55.004	G1W19		513,463	-
FXE Construct Mid-Field T/W Extension & Run-up Area	55.004	G1Z64		1,934,752	-
Construct Runway 9 Run-up Area Relocation and South End Taxiways Intersection Improvements	55.004	G2481		194,468	-
Runway 9-2 Pavement Rehabilitation - Design	55.004	G2B04		25,000	-
FXE Runway 1331 Pavement Sealing	55.004	G2B50		6,987	-
Airport Drainage Improvement Phase 1	55.004	G2D74		45,116	-
Environmental Assessment for Runway 9 Extension	55.004	G2G26		99,559	-
Total CSFA #55.004				3,735,618	-
Local Transportation Projects					
Galt Mile Street Safety Improvements	55.039	G2X35		34,967	-
Total Florida Department of Transportation				3,770,586	-

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State Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	CSFA Number	Grant/ Contract Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Total State Expenditures	Total Passed Through to Subrecipients
Florida Department of Health					
Direct Projects:					
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Matching Awards					
Pediatric Manikin	64.003	M230605		36,744	-
Total Florida Department of Health				36,744	-
Florida Department of Law Enforcement					
Direct Projects:					
Identity Theft and Fraud Grant Program					
FY2023-2024 Identity Theft and Fraud Grant	71.04	L6002		1,797	-
Total Florida Department of Law Enforcement				1,797	-
Total Expenditures of State Financial Assistance				6,416,958	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE				$ 48,343,591	$ 6,961,391

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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
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NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and Schedule of State Financial Assistance (the Schedule) presents the activity of all federal awards programs and state financial assistance projects of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (the "City"), for the year ended September 30, 2024. Federal awards programs and state financial assistance projects received directly, as well as passed through other government agencies, are included on the Schedule.

The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*.

NOTE 2 — BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedule is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting for expenditures accounted for in the governmental funds and the accrual basis of accounting for expenditures in the propriety funds. Under the modified accrual basis expenditures are recognized in the period liabilities are incurred, if measurable. Under the accrual basis, expenditures are recognized in the period liabilities are incurred.

The expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 3 — PROGRAM CLUSTERS

The Uniform Guidance defines a cluster of programs as a grouping of closely related programs that share common compliance requirements. Based on this definition, similar programs are presented accordingly.

NOTE 4 — CONTINGENCY

The grant revenue amounts received are subject to audit and adjustment. If any expenditures or expenses are disallowed by the grantor agencies as a result of such an audit, any claim for reimbursement to the grantor agencies would become a liability of the City. In the opinion of management, all grant expenditures are in compliance with the terms of the grant agreements and applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

NOTE 5 — NON-CASH AND FEDERAL INSURANCE

The City did not receive non-cash assistance in the current fiscal year.

NOTE 6 — DE MINIMIS COST

The City did not elect to use the 10% de minimis cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance in fiscal year 2024.

Section I - Summary of Independent Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP:	**Unmodified Opinion**	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	____ Yes	X No
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	____ Yes	X None Reported
• Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	____ Yes	X No

Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance

Internal control over major Federal programs and State projects:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	____ Yes	X No
• Significant deficiency identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?	X Yes	___ None Reported
Type of Auditors' Report issued on Compliance for Major Federal Programs and State Projects:	**Unmodified Opinion**	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a) of the Uniform Guidance or Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*?	X Yes	___ No

Identification of Major Federal Programs and State Projects:

Assistance Listing Numbers	Name of Federal Programs
14.218	Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)/Entitlement Grants Cluster
14.228	Community Development Block Grants/State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii
21.027	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
97.067	Homeland Security Grant Program

CSFA Numbers	Name of State Projects
48.040	School and Instructional Enhancement Programs
55.004	Aviation Grant Program

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between **Type A** and **Type B** programs:		
Federal	$1,257,799	
State	$750,000	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	___ Yes	X No

Section II - Current Year Findings - Financial Statement Audit

None Reported.

Section III - Current Year - Major Federal Award Programs and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

Federal Grants

A. Internal Control Over Compliance

IC 2024-001 – Reporting – 14.228 – Community Development Block Grants/State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii

Condition: In accordance with 2 CFR-200.328 and 2 CFR-200.303, non-federal entities must submit performance and financial reports as required by the awarding agency and must establish and maintain effective internal control over compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal award.

Context: The City is required to submit monthly progress reports ten calendar days after the end of each month, quarterly progress reports no later than the 10th of quarter end, and a bi-annual Contract and Subcontract Activity form (HUD-2516), to be submitted by April 15 and October 15 each year. Per testing, monthly and quarterly reports were submitted 10 to 27 days after the deadline. ABPA was unable to obtain evidence that form HUD-2516 was submitted by either of the required due dates.

Effect: Failure to submit required reports in a timely manner, and the lack of supporting documentation, represents a deficiency in internal control over compliance. This increases the risk of noncompliance with federal reporting requirements, which could result in questioned costs, delayed reimbursements, or jeopardize future funding.

Cause: Delays in report submission were primarily due to insufficient internal controls over the reporting process, lack of clear assignment of responsibilities, and inadequate monitoring of reporting deadlines.

Questioned costs: None.

Recommendation: We recommend that the City strengthen its internal controls over compliance by implementing a centralized reporting calendar or system to monitor federal reporting deadlines. In addition, procedures should be established to ensure that documentation of timely report submission is retained in the grant files. Staff responsible for grant administration should also receive training on federal reporting requirements.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The Public Works Department implemented several measures to ensure compliance with grant reporting requirements, including scheduling quarterly meetings with Project Managers, attend training sessions provided by the grant sponsor, and send reminders to the Project Managers no less than 15 days before the reporting deadline.

Section III - Current Year - Major Federal Award Programs and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs (cont'd)

B. Compliance

2024-002 – Reporting – 14.228 – Community Development Block Grants/State's Program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii

Condition: The City did not provide evidence demonstrating that the required monthly, quarterly, and biannual reports were submitted in accordance with the timelines specified in the federal award requirements. The City is required to comply with the reporting requirements established by the grant agreement or the applicable provisions of the OMB Compliance Supplement.

Context: The City is required to submit monthly progress reports ten calendar days after the end of each month, quarterly progress reports no later than the 10^{th} of quarter end, and a bi-annual Contract and Subcontract Activity form (HUD-2516), to be submitted by April 15 and October 15 each year. Per testing, monthly and quarterly reports were submitted 10 to 27 days after the deadline. ABPA was unable to obtain evidence that form HUD-2516 was submitted by either of the required due dates.

Effect: Failure to submit required reports in a timely manner, and the lack of supporting documentation, represents a deficiency in internal control over compliance. This increases the risk of noncompliance with federal reporting requirements, which could result in questioned costs, delayed reimbursements, or jeopardize future funding.

Cause: Delays in report submission were primarily due to insufficient internal controls over the reporting process, lack of clear assignment of responsibilities, and inadequate monitoring of reporting deadlines.

Questioned costs: None.

Recommendation: We recommend that the City strengthen its internal controls over compliance by implementing a centralized reporting calendar or system to monitor federal reporting deadlines. In addition, procedures should be established to ensure that documentation of timely report submission is retained in the grant files. Staff responsible for grant administration should also receive training on federal reporting requirements.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The Public Works Department implemented several measures to ensure compliance with grant reporting requirements, including scheduling quarterly meetings with Project Managers, attend training sessions provided by the grant sponsor, and send reminders to the Project Managers no less than 15 days before the reporting deadline.

Section IV - Prior Year - Major Federal Award Programs and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

Federal Grants

2023-001 — Reporting — 21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Condition: The City could not provide evidence of timely reporting of the required quarterly progress reports.

Context: The City is required to submit quarterly project and expenditure reports by the end of the month after the quarter's end. Per testing the second quarters' reports were submitted after this deadline by approximately 1 month therefore, they are deemed not in compliance.

Effect: The City is not in compliance with the grant terms.

Cause: Staff responsible for completing the reporting was no longer with the organization and due to displacement from the natural disaster timely reporting was impacted.

Questioned costs: None

Recommendation: A review of the grant agreement and terms with the grant manager/project led to ensure that all requirement(s) are understood and to provide guidance on reporting requirements and resources.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: On April 12, 2023, the City of Fort Lauderdale suffered a major natural disaster due to a once in a thousand-year weather event resulting in major flooding and related damage. Because of the storm, the City's primary operating facility (City Hall) suffered catastrophic damage and was rendered inhabitable. At the time that the report was due, City employees were still displaced by the severe weather event. The employee in charge of submitting the quarterly reports is no longer with the city and there is no documentation in our files to determine if a waiver was granted. The City has been current on all subsequent reporting requirements and does not foresee this being an issue moving forward.

Current year status: No findings in the current year. Per testing of the compliance requirements, the City is in compliance with the reporting requirements for the current year.

Section IV - Prior Year - Major Federal Award Programs and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs (cont'd)

2023-002 — Reporting — 97.067 Homeland Security Grant Program

Condition: The City could not provide evidence of timely reporting of the required quarterly progress reports.

Context: The City is required to submit quarterly progress reports by the end of the month after the quarter's end. Per testing the third and fourth quarters' reports were submitted after this deadline by 8 months and 4 months respectively, therefore, they are deemed not in compliance.

Effect: The City is not in compliance with the grant terms and therefore funding may be jeopardized.

Cause: Staff responsible for completing the reporting was new to this process and was not aware of the requirement deadline.

Questioned costs: None

Recommendation: A review of the grant agreement and terms with the grant manager/project led to ensure that all requirement(s) are understood and to provide guidance on reporting requirements and resources.

View of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The grant quarterly reporting was late due largely in part to a change in personnel. The new coordinator had to be brought up to speed on the reporting requirements and how to obtain the information. All relevant staff members responsible for quarterly reporting have been trained on the City's processes and management does not foresee this being an issue moving forward.

Current year status: No changes for the current year. Based on testing performed, the issue of untimely reporting still remains for the current year.

Section IV - Prior Year - Major Federal Award Programs and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs (cont'd)

2023-003 — Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance —Reporting

Condition: The City of Fort Lauderdale did not provide a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance financial report until October 18, 2024 for the period ending September 30, 2023.

Context: The City is required to submit an audit of the SEFA, according to requirement 2 CFR 200.512(1) stating that single audits are due to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse 30 days after receipt of the auditor's report(s) or within nine months after their fiscal period end date.

Effect: The City is not in compliance with the audit reporting requirements.

Cause: Staff responsible for preparation of the SEFA.

Questioned cost: None.

Recommendation: The City should implement effective internal control procedures to ensure that the SEFA is prepared in accordance with appropriate standards so that the audit can be performed in a timely manner.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The challenges associated with the timeliness of the preparation of the SEFA were directly related to the implementation of the new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, which went live on October 1, 2022. The Finance Department discovered that some of the modules of the ERP were not properly configured. As a result, additional time and resources were required to identify and resolve these issues, which contributed to the delay. Improvements to the ERP system have been made and the Finance team has a better understanding of system functionalities. Going forward, the Finance team is confident that the improvements will facilitate timely and accurate financial reporting, ensuring compliance with requirement 2 CFR 200.512(1). Management remains committed to continuously monitoring and refining the process to avoid future delays.

Current year status: No changes for the current year. Noncompliance with audit reporting requirements still remains for the current year.