

*SINGLE AUDIT REPORTS*

**City of Buffalo, Texas**

**Fiscal Year Ended  
September 30, 2022**

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**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON  
COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

*Independent Auditor's Report*

To the Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council  
City of Buffalo, Texas:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Buffalo, Texas as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City of Buffalo, Texas' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 17, 2023.

***Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting***

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of Buffalo, Texas' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Buffalo, Texas' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Buffalo, Texas' internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. 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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

***Report on Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Buffalo, Texas' financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

***Purpose of this Report***

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully,



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Houston, TX 77032  
April 17, 2023



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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT  
ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

*Independent Auditor's Report*

To the Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council  
City of Buffalo, Texas:

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

*Opinion on Each Major Federal Program*

We have audited the City of Buffalo, Texas' compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City of Buffalo, Texas' major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2022. The City's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the City of Buffalo, Texas 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 for the year ended September 30, 2022.

*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 (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); 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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of City of Buffalo, Texas 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 City of Buffalo, Texas' compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

### *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 City of Buffalo, Texas' major federal programs.

### *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 City of Buffalo, Texas' 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 GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for 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 City of Buffalo, Texas' compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, 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 City of Buffalo, Texas' compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of City of Buffalo, Texas' 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, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Buffalo, Texas' 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.

### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

*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 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.

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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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.

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. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

### **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Buffalo, Texas as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City of Buffalo, Texas' basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated April 17, 2023, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the

purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of, management, governing body, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brooks Watson & Co." in a cursive, professional script.

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April 17, 2023



**City of Buffalo, Texas**  
***SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS***  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

**I. SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS:**

**Audit Finding Reference:** 2021-001

**Status of Prior Finding:** Planned corrective action completed this year.

**City of Buffalo, Texas**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

**I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS:**

***Financial Statements***

Type of auditor's report issued:

The auditor's report on the basic financial statements of the City expresses an unmodified opinion.

Internal control over financial reporting:

Are any material weaknesses identified?	___ Yes	_X_ No
Are any significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	___ Yes	_X_ None Reported
Is any noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	___ Yes	_X_ No

***Federal Awards***

The auditor's report on compliance for major federal programs expresses an unmodified opinion.

Internal control over major program compliance:

Are any material weaknesses identified?	___ Yes	_X_ No
Are any significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	___ Yes	_X_ None Reported
Are any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	___ Yes	_X_ No

**City of Buffalo, Texas**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Number(s)

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

14.228	Community Development Block Grant
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Enter the dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	<u>\$750,000</u>
Is the auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS:**

**None.**

**III. FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS:**

**None.**

**City of Buffalo, Texas**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-through Agency/Program Name</u>	<u>Program/Grant/ Project Number</u>	<u>CFDA Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY</b>			
Pass-through Texas Department of Emergency Management:			
<i>Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF)</i>	n/a	21.027	\$ 472,220
	<b>Total U.S. Department of Treasury</b>		<u>472,220</u>
<b>U.S. Department of Housing &amp; Urban Development</b>			
Pass-through Texas General Land Office:			
<i>Community Development Block Grant</i>	22-082-002-D197 B-18-DP-48-0002	14.228	605,980
Pass-through Texas Department of Agriculture:			
<i>Community Development Block Grant</i>	7220012	14.228	82,554
	<b>Total U.S. Department of Housing &amp; Urban Development</b>		<u>688,534</u>
	<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>		<u>\$ 1,160,754</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this Schedule.

# City of Buffalo, Texas

## *NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS*

For the Year Ended September 30, 2022

### **Note 1: BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of Buffalo, Texas and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Cost Principles for Federal Awards (the Uniform Guidance). Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

### **Note 2: INDIRECT COST RATE**

The City has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**City of Buffalo, Texas**  
***CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN***  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

**I. CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN:**

**Not Applicable**