

**TROY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**Report to the Board**

**For the Year Ended December 31, 2019**



May 1, 2020

To the Board of  
Troy Local Development Corporation

We have audited the financial statements of Troy Local Development Corporation (the "Corporation") for the year ended December 31, 2019. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated November 5, 2019. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

*Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices*

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Corporation are described in Note A to the financial statements. As described in Note A, the Corporation adopted Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 88 (GASB 88), *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements*. GASB 88 was adopted retrospectively, however, the adoption did not result in any reclassifications or restatements of net position or change in net position. We noted no transactions entered into by the Corporation during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the Corporation's financial statements were:

Management's estimate of the allowance for uncollectible loans is based on management's evaluation of the collectability of the outstanding receivables, including historical loss experience and economic conditions.

Management's estimate of the depreciable lives and estimated residual value of capital assets is based on the estimated useful length of individual assets and is estimated on a straight-line basis.

Management's estimate of the gain on the satisfaction of the environmental remediation obligation is based on 3<sup>rd</sup> party analysis and cost estimates.

We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements were:

The disclosure of the carrying value of land held for development in Note E to the financial statements is sensitive because it is possible that the value of the land may not be recoverable by the Corporation.

The disclosure of the environmental remediation liability in Note H to the financial statements is sensitive because the actual costs required to complete the environmental remediation project could vary significantly from the recorded estimate.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

#### *Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit*

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### *Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements*

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. The following material misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures were corrected by management.

- Adjustment to reclassify the fence rental costs from property and equipment to prepaid expenses.
- Adjustment to reclassify remediation related costs from operating expenses to a reduction of the environmental remediation liability.
- Adjustment to recognize revenue and expense related to grant funds that are to be passed through to the City of Troy.

#### *Disagreements with Management*

For the purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### *Management Representations*

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated May 1, 2020.

### *Management Consultation with Other Independent Accountants*

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Corporation's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

### *Other Audit Findings or Issues*

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Corporation's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

### Other Matters

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis information that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

### Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the information and use of the Board of Directors and management of Troy Local Development Corporation and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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