



# **City of Aurora, Colorado**

## **Single Audit Reports**

December 31, 2023



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**City of Aurora, Colorado**  
**Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2023**

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures	Amount Paid to Subrecipients
<b>Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>				
Passed through from the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority:				
Housing Counseling Assistance Program	14.169	HC220841002	\$ 5,752	\$ -
Total 14.169			<u>5,752</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>CDBG - Entitlement Grant Cluster</b>				
Direct payments:				
Community Development Block Grants/ Entitlement Grants	14.218	N/A	1,649,706	500,000
COVID-19 Community Development Block Grants/ Entitlement Grants	14.218	N/A	<u>139,207</u>	<u>99,047</u>
Total CDBG - Entitlement Grant Cluster			<u>1,788,913</u>	<u>599,047</u>
Emergency Solutions Grant Program	14.231	N/A	312,096	291,155
COVID-19 Emergency Solutions Grant Program	14.231	N/A	<u>986,424</u>	<u>920,000</u>
Total 14.231			<u>1,298,520</u>	<u>1,211,155</u>
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	N/A	1,202,737	1,200,298
COVID-19 Home ARP Administration	14.239	N/A	<u>21,078</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 14.239			<u>1,223,815</u>	<u>1,200,298</u>
<b>Total Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>			<b><u>4,317,000</u></b>	<b><u>3,010,500</u></b>
<b>Department of Justice</b>				
Passed through from the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado:				
Missing Children's Assistance (Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children) (FY 2018)	16.543	15PJD-21-GK-03813-MECP	<u>110,436</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 16.543			<u>110,436</u>	<u>-</u>
Direct payments:				
Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP)	16.607	NA	<u>24,432</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 16.607			<u>24,432</u>	<u>-</u>
Passed through from the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice:				
Project Safe Neighborhoods (FY2019/20)	16.609	2020-GP-22-01	129,138	-
Project Safe Neighborhoods (FY2022)	16.609	2022-GP-23-02	<u>12,846</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 16.609			<u>141,984</u>	<u>-</u>
Direct payments:				
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738	N/A	506,500	21,960
Passed through from the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice:				
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738	21-DJ-22-1-39-1	<u>87,312</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 16.738			<u>593,812</u>	<u>21,960</u>
Direct payments:				
DNA Backlog Reduction (CEBR) Program	16.741	N/A	<u>165,993</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 16.741			<u>165,993</u>	<u>-</u>
Direct payments:				
Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant	16.742	N/A	<u>228,401</u>	<u>-</u>
Total 16.742			<u>228,401</u>	<u>-</u>

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<b><u>Department of Justice (continued)</u></b>				
Direct payments:				
Criminal and Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (FY2019)	16.745	N/A	142,562	-
Total 16.745			142,562	-
Direct payments:				
Equitable Sharing Program (MGTF Seizures-Federal)	16.922	N/A	130,295	-
Total 16.922			130,295	-
<b>Total Department of Justice</b>			<b>1,537,915</b>	<b>21,960</b>
<b><u>Department of Labor</u></b>				
Passed through from the Department of Local Affairs:				
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act	17.529	PSI-23034	3,871	-
Total 17.529			3,871	-
<b>Total Department of Labor</b>			<b>3,871</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>Department of Transportation</u></b>				
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Transportation:				
Highway Planning and Construction (Nine Mile Bridge TIP)	20.205	M055-056	60,648	-
Highway Planning and Construction (Chambers Sand Creek Bridge Rehabilitation)	20.205	M055-051	121,303	-
Highway Planning and Construction (HSIP Grant 19/20)	20.205	M055-046	989,721	-
Highway Planning and Construction (13th Avenue Corridor Study)	20.205	M055-053	26,263	-
Highway Planning and Construction (Havana Street Improvement TIP)	20.205	030A-40	130,507	-
COVID-19 Highway Planning and Construction (Smith Road Multimodal (TIP))	20.205	ARPA M055-059	31,709	-
Highway Planning and Construction (Advance Traffic Signal System (TIP))	20.205	ACQ M055-059	42,648	-
Highway Planning and Construction (DRCOG Sub regional TIP)	20.205	M055-55	3,544,000	-
Highway Planning and Construction (Aurora Aerotropolis)	20.205	23-HTD-ZL-31	9,051	-
Highway Planning and Construction (Multimodal Transportation Master Plan)	20.205	23-HTD-ZL-00097/ 491003146	10,206	-
Total 20.205			4,966,056	-
<b>Highway Safety Cluster</b>				
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Transportation:				
State and Community Highway Safety Cluster	20.600	491002665	143,200	-
State and Community Highway Safety Cluster (2024)	20.600	491003261	21,059	-
Total 20.600			164,259	-
National Priority Safety Program	20.616	491002705	36,804	-
Total 20.616			36,804	-
<b>Total Highway Safety Cluster</b>			<b>201,063</b>	<b>-</b>

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<b><u>Department of Transportation (continued)</u></b>				
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Transportation:				
Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving While Intoxicated	20.608	491002684	86,695	-
Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving While Intoxicated	20.608	491003258	7,967	-
Total 20.608			94,662	-
National Infrastructure Investments: Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)	20.933	0704-251	7,593,041	-
Total 20.933			7,593,041	-
<b>Total Department of Transportation</b>			<b>12,854,822</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>Department of Treasury</u></b>				
Direct payments:				
COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Fund	21.023	N/A	2,794	-
Total 21.023			2,794	-
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs:				
COVID-19 Homeowner Assistance Fund Program	21.026	CTGG1 HNAA 2023-3191	992,958	-
Total 21.026			992,958	-
Direct payments:				
COVID-19 U.S. Department of Treasury: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)	21.027	N/A	7,216,828	-
Passed through from the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade:				
COVID-19 U.S. Department of Treasury: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)	21.027	CTGG1 2022-3117	63,713	-
Passed through from the Arapahoe County, Colorado				
COVID-19 U.S. Department of Treasury: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)	21.027	2400291202	56,002	-
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Transportation:				
COVID-19 U.S. Department of Treasury: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)	21.027	ARPA M055-059	39,636	-
COVID-19 U.S. Department of Treasury: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)	21.027	ACQ M055-059	42,648	-
Total 21.027			7,418,827	-
<b>Total Department of Treasury</b>			<b>8,414,579</b>	<b>-</b>

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<b><u>Small Business Administration</u></b>				
Passed through from the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade:				
Small Business Development Centers (Host)	59.037	MA 2023-2051	160,000	-
Total 59.037			160,000	-
<b>Total Small Business Administration</b>			<b>160,000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>Department of Health and Human Services</u></b>				
Passed through from the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade:				
Every Student Succeeds Act/ Preschool Development Grant	93.434	MA-2023-2051	6,750	-
Total 93.434			6,750	-
<b>Child Care and Development Block Grant Cluster</b>				
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	MA-2023-2051	10,329	-
Total Child Care and Development Block Grant Cluster			10,329	-
<b>Total Department of Health and Human Services</b>			<b>17,079</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>Office of National Drug Control Policy</u></b>				
Passed through from Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area				
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program (FY2022 MGTF)	95.001	G22RM002A	6,215	-
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program (FY2023 MGTF)	95.001	G23RM002A	625,457	-
Total 95.001			631,672	-
<b>Total Office of National Drug Control Policy</b>			<b>631,672</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>Department of Homeland Security</u></b>				
Passed through from the West Metro Fire Protection District				
National Urban Search and Rescue Response System	97.025	86213,86437,86935,87951, 88656	431	-
Total 97.025			431	-
Passed through from the Colorado Department of Public Safety Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management				
Emergency Management Performance Grants (22 CO LEMS grant)	97.042	22EM-24-04	48,839	-
Total 97.042			48,839	-

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<b>Department of Homeland Security (continued)</b>				
Direct payments:				
COVID-19 Assistance to Firefighters Grant	97.044	N/A	3,041	-
Assistance to Firefighters Grant	97.044	N/A	113,901	-
Total 97.044			<u>116,942</u>	<u>-</u>
Passed through from Arapahoe County, Colorado:				
Urban Areas Security Initiative - Donated Equipment	97.067	20UASI21DEN	151,240	-
Total 97.067			<u>151,240</u>	<u>-</u>
Direct Payments:				
Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention	97.132	NA	103,122	-
Total 97.132			<u>103,122</u>	<u>-</u>
Direct payments:				
Federal Emergency Management Agency (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) (SAFER)	97.083	N/A	(200,948)	-
Total 97.083			<u>(200,948)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total Department of Homeland Security</b>			<b><u>219,626</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>
<b>Total Federal Awards</b>			<b><u>\$ 28,156,564</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,032,460</u></b>

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**Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**  
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**(1) Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of the primary government of the City of Aurora, Colorado (the City). The City's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 of the City's basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the 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). Because this Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the City. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes federally funded projects received directly from federal agencies and the federal amount of pass-through awards received by the City through the State of Colorado or other non-federal entities.

**(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are recognized on the accrual or modified accrual basis of accounting. The City's summary of significant accounting policies is presented in Note 1 to the City's basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Therefore, some amounts presented in the Schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements or reports to federal agencies. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior periods.

**(3) Indirect Cost Rate**

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

**(4) Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number**

For federal awards expended by the City as a subrecipient, the Schedule includes identification of the pass-through grantor and the identifying number assigned to the grant by the pass-through grantor where the pass-through grantor has supplied such number to the City.

**(5) Revolving Loan Funds – Not Subject to Compliance**

The City has certain revolving loan funds, which were originally financed with federal financial assistance through the Community Development Block Grant Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program and the Brownfields Grant Program. The outstanding balances of these loan funds at December 31, 2023 were \$2,926,104 for the Community Development Block Grant Program, \$14,064,867 for the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and \$855,993 for the Brownfields Grant Program. Since there are no continuing compliance requirements other than continued loan payments, the outstanding loan balances have not been included in the Schedule. New loans made during the year under these programs are included in the Schedule.

**(6) Noncash Awards – Equipment**

The City received equipment that was purchased with Urban Area Security Initiative funds by Arapahoe County. The amount reported on the Schedule is the value of the property on the date it was received by the City and priced by Arapahoe County.



## **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**

Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council  
City of Aurora, Colorado  
Aurora, Colorado

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Aurora, Colorado (the City), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 11, 2024, which contained an emphasis of matter paragraph regarding a change in accounting principle. The financial statements of the Police Retirement Plan, a fiduciary component unit included in the aggregate remaining fund information of the City, were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and accordingly, this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or instances of reportable noncompliance associated with the Police Retirement Plan.

Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Havana Business Improvement District, the Parkside City Centre Business Improvement District, and the Citadel on Colfax Business Improvement District, component units included in the financial statements of the aggregate discretely presented component units as described in our report on the City's financial statements. The financial statements of the Havana Business Improvement District, the Parkside City Centre Business Improvement District, and the Citadel on Colfax Business Improvement District were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and accordingly, this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters associated with the Havana Business Improvement District, the Parkside City Centre Business Improvement District, and the Citadel on Colfax Business Improvement District or that are reported on separately by those auditors who audited the financial statements of the Havana Business Improvement District, the Parkside City Centre Business Improvement District, and the Citadel on Colfax Business Improvement District.

### ***Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit 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's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's 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 City'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 was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's 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 financial statements. 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 City'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 City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Forvis Mazars, LLP**

Denver, Colorado  
July 11, 2024

## **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program, Report on Internal Control Over Compliance, and Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance**

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council  
City of Aurora, Colorado  
Aurora, Colorado

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

##### ***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

We have audited the City of Aurora's (the City) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. 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 complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023.

##### ***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 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.

##### ***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.

### ***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 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 the City's 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 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, 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 an instance of noncompliance which is required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023-001. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to this matter.

*Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on City's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The City's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response. The City is responsible for preparing a corrective action plan to address each audit finding included in our auditor's report. The City's corrective action plan was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

### ***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 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.

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.

### **Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City’s basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated July 11, 2024, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements, an emphasis of a matter paragraph regarding a change in accounting principle, and a reference to the reports of other auditors. 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.

**Forvis Mazars, LLP**

**Denver, Colorado  
July 11, 2024**

**City of Aurora, Colorado**  
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**Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results**

*Financial Statements*

1. Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP:

- Unmodified       Qualified       Adverse       Disclaimer

2. Internal control over financial reporting:

Significant deficiency(ies) identified?       Yes       None reported

Material weakness(es) identified?       Yes       No

3. Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted?       Yes       No

*Federal Awards*

4. Internal control over major federal awards programs:

Significant deficiency(ies) identified?       Yes       None reported

Material weakness(es) identified?       Yes       No

5. Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major federal award program(s):

- Unmodified       Qualified       Adverse       Disclaimer

6. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported by 2 CFR 200.516(a)?       Yes       No

7. Identification of major federal programs:

<b>Assistance Listing Number(s)</b>	<b>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</b>
	CDBG - Entitlement Grant Cluster
20.933	National Infrastructure Investments: Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)
21.026	Homeowner Assistance Fund Program
21.027	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

8. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$844,697

9. Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?       Yes       No

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**Section II – Financial Statement Findings**

<u>Reference Number</u>	<u>Finding</u>
	No matters are reportable

**Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

<u>Reference Number</u>	<u>Finding</u>
2023-001	<p><b>Finding:</b> Allowable Costs</p> <p><b>Program:</b> Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds</p> <p><b>Assistance Listing Number:</b> 21.027</p> <p><b>Sponsoring Agency:</b> Department of Treasury</p> <p><b>Sponsoring Award Number:</b> None provided</p> <p><b>Award Year:</b> 2021</p> <p><b>Criteria:</b> Per the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) Final Rule and Frequently Asked Questions, recipients may use SLFRF funds for various reasons including responding to the Public Health Emergency and negative economic impacts from the pandemic, which includes bolstering the public sector capacity and workforce such as payroll and covered benefits for employees of a recipient government for the portion of the employee's time spent responding to COVID-19.</p> <p><b>Condition:</b> The City of Aurora (the City) charged payroll and benefits for one employee subsequent to time in which the employee was working on COVID-19 related projects for the City.</p> <p><b>Questioned Costs:</b> \$22,602</p> <p><b>Context:</b> The City charged three employees payroll and benefits to the SLFRF program for a total of \$299,169. We compared 100% of the payroll to underlying employee contracts and cost allocation reports and noted one employee's payroll and benefits should have been charged to the SLFRF program from January to September 9, 2023; however, all payroll through December 2023 was charged to the program.</p> <p><b>Effect:</b> Unallowable costs were charged to the SLFRF program. Failure to ensure compliance with federal requirements for the SLFRF program requirements could result in disallowed costs and federal sanctions, including the termination of the federal program.</p> <p><b>Cause:</b> The City did not have proper internal controls in place to identify and communicate the change in employees job duties. In addition, the City's time and effort certifications happen on an annual basis which does not provide adequate time to correct changes in employees job functions/allocations of cost.</p> <p><b>Identification as a repeat finding:</b> Not Applicable</p>



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	<p data-bbox="464 331 1495 457"><b>Recommendation:</b> We recommend City staff implement internal controls to identify changes in employee job duties and allocations of costs. In addition, we recommend the City increase the frequency of time and effort certifications in order to identify changes on a more timely basis.</p> <p data-bbox="464 485 1495 550"><b>Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:</b> The City agrees with the finding. See separate report for planned corrective actions.</p>

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