DESTINATION GRANDVIEW

FRANKLIN COUNTY

JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016 AGREED UPON PROCEDURES



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Board of Trustees Destination Grandview 2015 West Fifth Avenue, Suite 140 Grandview Heights, Ohio 43212

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of Destination Grandview, Franklin County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. Destination Grandview is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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May 19, 2017

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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To the Board of Directors:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, to which the management of Destination Grandview (the Bureau) agreed, solely to assist the Bureau in evaluating whether it recorded all lodging taxes it received from the City of Grandview Heights, and to help evaluate whether the Bureau disbursed these lodging taxes for allowable purposes described below for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. The Bureau is responsible for disbursing lodging taxes for allowable purposes. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Bureau. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Cash

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2015 beginning fund balances recorded in the Balance Sheet Report to the December 31, 2014 balances in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We noted the fund balance at January 1, 2015 was \$40 less than the fund balance at December 31, 2014. We also agreed the January 1, 2016 beginning fund balances recorded in the Balance Sheet Report to the December 31, 2015 balances in the Balance Sheet Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2016 and 2015 fund cash balances reported in the Balance Sheet Reports. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2016 bank account balance with the Destination Grandview's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January and February bank statement. We noted two of the five outstanding checks cleared in January. Three of the five outstanding checks did not clear in January or February.
 - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.

Cash Receipts

1. We confirmed with the City of Grandview Heights the lodging taxes it paid to the Bureau during the years ending December 31, 2016 and 2015. The City of Grandview Heights confirmed the following amounts:

| Year Ended | Amount |
|-------------------|-----------|
| December 31, 2016 | \$160,000 |
| December 31, 2015 | \$65,000 |

2. We compared the amounts from step 1 to amounts recorded as lodging tax receipts on the Bureau's general ledger journal. We found no exceptions.

Cash Disbursements

1. We inquired of management regarding sources describing allowable purposes or restrictions related to the Bureau's disbursements of lodging taxes. We listed these sources and summarized significant related restrictions below:

Source of Restrictions

- a. The Bureau's Articles of Incorporation
- b. The Bureau's 501(c)(6) Tax Exemption
- c. City of Grandview Heights Ordinance No. 2015-04

The Bureau's tax exemption prohibits it from disbursements supporting a candidate's election.

Auditor of State Bulletin 2003-005 deems any disbursement of public funds (e.g. lodging taxes) for alcohol to be improper.

2. We haphazardly selected forty disbursements of lodging taxes from the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 in addition to all disbursements exceeding \$1,000, and compared the purpose for these disbursements as documented on vendor invoices or other supporting documentation to the sources of restrictions listed in *Cash Disbursements Step 1* above. We found no instances where the purpose described on the invoice or other supporting documentation the restrictions listed above.

We were not engaged to, and did not examine the Bureau's lodging tax receipts and disbursements for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, the objective of which would have been to opine on lodging tax receipts and disbursements. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that we would have reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Bureau and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.

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Julian & Grube, Inc. April 19, 2017



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JUNE 1, 2017

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