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Wyandot County Regional Airport Authority Wyandot County 10423 County Highway 42 Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of Wyandot County Regional Airport Authority, Wyandot County, Ohio (the Airport) for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Airport's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Airport's financial statements, transactions or balances for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

The Airport's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance or accounting issues to report.

Current Year Observations

1. We inquired with Airport management and determined that the Airport did not have a public records policy during the engagement period as required by **Ohio Rev. Code §149.43(E)(2).**

Because the Airport did not have a public records policy during the engagement period, it therefore could not have displayed posters of said policy in all the branches of the Airport as required by **Ohio Rev. Code §149.43(E)(2).**

This could result in records requests not being fulfilled in accordance with Ohio law.

The Airport should establish a public records policy to address the Airport's available records, the times when public records may be inspected, and the costs associated with records requests. The policy should be included in policy manuals and the Public Records Act requires that the policy be displayed conspicuously in all branches of the Airport. In addition, the Airport should have written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager.

Furthermore, pursuant to **Ohio Rev. Code § 109.43(E)**, the Ohio Attorney General has developed and provided to all public offices a model public records policy for responding to public records requests. The policy, which is available at https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Files/Government-Entities/Model-Public-Records-Policy.aspx, provides guidance to public offices in developing their own policies for responding to public records requests in compliance with the Public Records Act.

2. We noted the Airport does not have an adopted records retention schedule policy. It therefore cannot have a copy of said policy available to the public. Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43 (B)(2) states, in part, a public office also "shall have available a copy of its current records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public." Failure to have and follow a records retention schedule could result in public records being disposed of prematurely. The Airport should implement procedures to provide the appropriate policy is approved to help avoid issues with public records requests.

Keith Faber Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

September 29, 2020



WYANDOT COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY WYANDOT COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



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