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BASIC AUDIT REPORT

Bucyrus Community Improvement Corporation
Crawford County
Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Bucyrus Community Improvement Corporation, Crawford County, (the Corporation) for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

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 Corporation's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Corporation's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The Corporation'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 issues to report.

Current Year Observations

1. **Ohio Rev. Code § 1724.05** requires community improvement corporations to file annual financial reports with the Auditor of State within one hundred twenty days following the last day of the corporation's fiscal year, unless the Auditor of State extends that deadline. The Corporation did not file its 2023 and 2022 reports until October 7, 2024 and the Auditor of State did not extend those filing deadlines.
2. We noted the Corporation did not have an established and adopted/approved records retention schedule as of December 31, 2023. **Ohio Rev. Code §149.43(B)(2)** provides that a public office or the person responsible for public records shall organize and maintain public records in a manner that they can be made available for inspection or copying and that public offices shall have available a copy of their current records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public. The Corporation should appropriately establish and approve/adopt a records retention schedule and have the records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public. Additionally, the District should follow the guidance contained within the Ohio Attorney General's Ohio Sunshine Laws Manual in crafting their records retention schedule.

3. We noted the Corporation did not maintain written documentation or other evidence to demonstrate its Public Records Policy was provided to the current records custodian or records manager. **Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2)** requires that public offices must distribute their public records policy to the employee who is the records custodian or records manager or otherwise has custody of the records of that office and have that employee acknowledge receipt of the copy of the public records policy. The Corporation should maintain and provide written documentation to demonstrate that its Public Records Policy was provided to the current records custodian or records manager.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

January 24, 2025

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BUCYRUS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION

CRAWFORD 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.



Certified for Release 2/6/2025

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