# CITY OF FRANKLIN WARREN COUNTY



### ALTERNATIVE CSLFRF COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION ENGAGEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024





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We have reviewed the *Independent Accountant's Report for an Alternative Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSLFRF) Compliance Examination Engagement* of the City of Franklin, Warren County, prepared by Plattenburg & Associates, Inc., for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code and Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* as permitted by Part IV of the 2024 OMB *Compliance Supplement*, "Requirements for an Alternative Compliance Examination Engagement for recipients that would otherwise be required to undergo a Single Audit or Program-Specific Audit as a result of receiving Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund." The Auditor of State did not audit the specified requirements of the CSLFRF program and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

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. The City of Franklin is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

KEITH FABER Ohio Auditor of State

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July 28, 2025





Report on Compliance for the U.S. Department of Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program (CSLFRF) Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement

#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor, City Council, and City Manager City of Franklin, Ohio

We have examined the City of Franklin, Ohio, Warren County (the City) compliance with the compliance requirements "activities allowed or unallowed" and "allowable cost/cost principles" (the specified requirements) as described in Part IV "Requirements for an Alternative Compliance Examination Engagement for Recipients That Would Otherwise be Required to Undergo a Single Audit or Program-Specific Audit as a Result of Receiving Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds" of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSLFRF) section of the 2024 OMB Compliance Supplement (referred to herein as "Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement") during the year ended December 31, 2024. Management of the City is responsible for the City's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA; the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and in the "Requirements for an Alternative CSLFRF Compliance Examination Engagement." Those standards and requirements require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the City complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the City complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the City's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above during the year ended December 31, 2024.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we are required to report all deficiencies that are considered to be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control; fraud, and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts or grant agreements that have a material effect on the City's compliance with the specified requirements and any other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance. We are also required to obtain and report the views of responsible officials concerning the findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as any planned corrective actions. We performed our examination to express an opinion on the City's compliance with the specified requirements and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the internal control over the specified requirements or on compliance and other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions. The results of our tests disclosed no matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Intended Purpose**

The purpose of this examination report is solely to express an opinion on whether the City complied, in all material respects with the specified requirements referenced above during the year ended December 31, 2024. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc. Dayton, Ohio June 20, 2025



## CITY OF FRANKLIN ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION

#### **WARREN 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 8/7/2025

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