



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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

December 9, 2019

Honorable Mayor and City Council City of Algonac 805 St. Clair River Drive Algonac, Michigan 48001

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, 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 ALGONAC, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City Algonac's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 9, 2019.

# Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of Algonac's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the 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 of Algonac's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Algonac'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 entity'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2019-001, that we consider to be a material weakness.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Algonac'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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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*.

#### The City of Algonac's Response to Findings

The City of Algonac's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The City of Algonac's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

### **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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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# CITY OF ALGONAC

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs June 30, 2019

| Internal Control Findings          | _  |
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| 2019-001 Adjusting Journal Entries |  |
| Criteria:                          | A sound system of internal control relies on separation of duties and review by management at all levels of financial reporting.   |
| Condition:                         | Journal entries are reviewed by the City Manager, however, the City Manager is not a trained accountant.   |
| Cause:                             | The City Treasurer is the only person with the skill and background to make and understand all adjusting journal entries.  |
| Effect:                            | Adjusting journal entries may be misposted and cause interim financial statements to be misstated.   |
| Management's Response:             | The City's size does not warrant the employment of more than one trained accountant, nor would it be cost effective for the City to retain the additional personnel required to eliminate this deficiency. |