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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners, West Volusia Hospital Authority:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of the West Volusia Hospital Authority (the Authority), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Authority's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities and major fund of Authority as of September 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The schedule of healthcare expenditures is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of healthcare expenditures is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of healthcare expenditures is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 18, 2018, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Maore : 6., P.L.

Daytona Beach, Florida January 18, 2018

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS Year Ended September 30, 2017

As management of West Volusia Hospital Authority (the "Authority"), we offer readers of the Authority's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the Authority's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

The financial statements presented herein include all of the activities of the Authority, as prescribed by generally accepted accounting principles.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- Net position, the excess of assets over liabilities, amounted to \$7,053,031 at the close of the fiscal year.
- As a result of the current year's operations, the Authority's net position decreased \$3,969,404 from the last fiscal year. The Authority's cash and cash equivalents decreased \$4,866,920 from the previous year. Accounts payable at year end decreased by \$939,117 due to the fact that the hospitals had reached most of their budgetary cap by year end.
- Investment income is extremely low due to historically low interest rates. The Authority is keeping most of its funds in a money market account in an effort to maximize earnings, while protecting the Authority assets.
- Healthcare expenditures are rapidly increasing to prior historical levels. The Authority continues to require health card applicants to apply for coverage under the Affordable Care Act ("ACA"). This requirement became effective starting January 1, 2014. Healthcare expenditures increased by \$2,041,527 or 14% due to increasing enrollment and greater utilization of specialty care.

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2017

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of four components: 1) management's discussion and analysis (this section), 2) government-wide and fund financial statements, 3) notes to the financial statements, and 4) required supplementary information.

#### **Government-wide Financial Statements**

Government-wide financial statements provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The governmental activities of the Authority include providing access to healthcare services for the indigent.

The **statement of net position** presents information on all of the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. This statement serves a purpose similar to that of the balance sheet of a private-sector business. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as one indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

The **statement of activities** presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported using the modified cash basis of accounting.

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2017

#### **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

#### **Statement of Net Position**

Net position decreases when expenditures exceed revenues. At the close of the fiscal year, assets exceeded liabilities by \$7,053,031, which is a decrease from the preceding year of \$3,969,404.

	2017	2016
Assets:		
Current assets	\$7,535,502	\$12,415,806
Capital assets, net	593,442	621,659
Prepaid items and deposits	2,000	2,000
Total Assets	8,130,944	13,039,465
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities	869,913	1,809,030
Workers' Compensation Claims payable	208,000	208,000
Total Liabilities	1,077,913	2,017,030
Net position:		
Invested in capital assets	593,442	621,659
Unrestricted	6,459,589	10,400,776
Total Net position	\$7,053,031	\$11,022,435

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2017

#### **Statement of Activities**

The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance present information illustrating how a government's net position changes during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the economic activities occur, regardless of timing of the cash.

	2017	2016
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 12,490,005	\$ 12,457,801
Investment income	53,179	61,097
Rental income	67,301	66,876
Other income	88,994	3,976
Total revenue	12,699,479	12,589,750
Healthcare expenditures	16,640,666	14,599,139
Loss On Disposal of Capital Assets	-	122,628
Depreciation	28,217	29,875
Total Expenses	16,668,883	14,751,462
Change in net position	(3,969,404)	(2,161,892)
Net position - beginning	11,022,435	13,184,327
Net position - ending	\$7,053,031	\$ 11,022,435

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued) Year Ended September 30, 2017

#### **Economic Factors and Changes on the Horizon**.

The Authority exists to provide access to healthcare for qualified uninsured residents of the taxing district. Due to the federal mandate under the Affordable Care Act which requires citizens to have health insurance, the Authority requires all applicants for the Authority's program to apply for coverage through the federal exchange, as well as continuing the requirement to apply for Medicaid. Due to the 2016 election and the possibility of additional changes or the abolishment of the Affordable Care Act, management believes that enrollment may continue increasing and drive up expenditures. The Authority's expenditures are also subject to legislative changes by the State of Florida affecting the Medicaid share of costs which could rise in the future. These factors will demand continued planning and diligence from the Board. For the September 30, 2018 fiscal year, the Board set its final millage rate at 2.366 mills which was 48.8% greater than the 2017 millage rate.

#### **Requests for Information**

This report is designed to provide an overview of the Authority's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report, or requests for additional information, should be directed to Eileen Long, West Volusia Hospital Authority, 1006 N. Woodland Blvd., DeLand, Florida 32720.

#### WEST VOLUSIA HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BALANCE SHEET / STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	General Fund	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
<u>AS</u>	SSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents Taxes receivable Refund receivable Prepaid items and deposits Property and equipment, net Total Assets	\$ 7,422,464 92,073 20,965 2,000 - \$ 7,537,502	\$ - - 593,442 \$ 593,442	\$ 7,422,464 92,073 20,965 2,000 593,442 \$ 8,130,944
LIAF	BILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Workers' compensation claims payable Total Liabilities	\$ 869,913 \$ 869,913	\$ - 208,000 \$ 208,000	\$ 869,913 208,000 \$ 1,077,913
<u>DEFERRI</u>	ED INFLOWS		
Unavailable revenue	\$ 88,660	\$ (88,660)	\$ -
FUND BALANC	CE / NET POSITIO	<u>DN</u>	
Fund balance: Nonspendable: Prepaid items and deposits Unassigned	\$ 2,000 6,576,929	\$ (2,000) (6,576,929)	\$ -
Net position: Investment in capital assets Unrestricted	- - -	593,442 6,459,589	593,442 6,459,589
<b>Total Fund Balance / Net Position</b>	\$ 6,578,929	\$ 474,102	\$ 7,053,031

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

#### WEST VOLUSIA HOSPITAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE / STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	General Fund	Adjustments		Statement of Activities
Revenues				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 12,510,790	\$	(20,785)	\$ 12,490,005
Interest income	53,179		-	53,179
Rental income	67,301		-	67,301
Miscellaneous	88,994		_	88,994
Total revenues	12,720,264		(20,785)	12,699,479
Expenditures / expenses	4.5.10.555			1.5.10.555
Healthcare	16,640,666		-	16,640,666
Depreciation			28,217	28,217
Total expenditures / expenses	16,640,666		28,217	16,668,883
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)	(3,920,402)		(49,002)	(3,969,404)
expenditures / operating income (loss)	(3,920,402)		(49,002)	(3,909,404)
Net change in fund balance / net position	(3,920,402)		(49,002)	(3,969,404)
Fund balance / net position, beginning of year	10,499,331		523,104	11,022,435
Fund balance / net position, end of year	\$ 6,578,929	\$	474,102	\$ 7,053,031

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

#### WEST VOLUSIA HOSPITAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget -			
	Original Final		Actual Amounts	Positive (Negative)			
Revenues							
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,510,790	\$ 10,790			
Interest income	65,000	65,000	53,179	(11,821)			
Rental income	67,301	67,301	67,301	-			
Miscellaneous			88,994	88,994			
Total revenues	12,632,301	12,632,301	12,720,264	87,963			
Expenditures							
Healthcare	18,096,855	18,096,855	16,640,666	1,456,189			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over (under) expenditures	(5,464,554)	(5,464,554)	(3,920,402)	1,544,152			
Fund balance, beginning of year	10,499,331	10,499,331	10,499,331	-			
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 5,034,777	\$ 5,034,777	\$ 6,578,929	\$ 1,544,152			

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### (1) **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:**

The accounting policies of the West Volusia Hospital Authority (the Authority) conform to generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of significant policies.

(a) **Reporting entity**—The Authority is a special taxing district in Volusia County, Florida created and incorporated in 1957 by the Legislature of the State of Florida under Chapter 57-2085. The five-member elected Board of Commissioners (the Board) is enabled to acquire, construct, operate and maintain hospitals, healthcare facilities, or contract with third parties for the care of medically indigent persons in the Authority's district, and to levy taxes and issue bonds to finance healthcare facilities' operations, and to participate in other activities to promote the general health of the district.

The Authority has adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification for the purpose of evaluating its financial statements. Based on the Codification, the Authority has determined that there are no other component units that meet the criteria for inclusion in the Authority's financial statements.

- (b) **Government-wide and fund financial statements**—The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Authority. The Authority only has governmental activity and does not engage in any business-type activity. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. General revenues include ad valorem taxes and interest income. Fund financial statements are presented for the Authority's General Fund. The General Fund is considered to be a major fund and is the only fund of the Authority.
- (c) Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation—The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue when all eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Authority considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred. However, expenditures related to long-term agreements are recorded only when payment is due.

(d) **Budgets**—The Board of Commissioners of the Authority adopts an annual operating budget, which is prepared on a modified accrual basis and can be amended by the Board throughout the year. At the fund level, actual expenditures cannot exceed the budgeted amounts; however, with proper approval by the Board, budgetary transfers between line items can be made. The accompanying budgeted financial statements for the General Fund reflect the final budget authorization amounts, including all amendments.

#### (1) **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:** (Continued)

- (e) **Cash and cash equivalents**—Cash and cash equivalents consists of cash on hand and on deposit in banks and money market accounts.
- (f) **Property and equipment**—Property and equipment purchased in the general fund are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. Gifts or contributions are recorded at fair market value at the time received. It is the policy of the Authority to capitalize property and equipment over \$500. Lesser amounts are expensed. Depreciation has been provided on fixed assets as a direct charge using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable assets, which ranges from 5 to 40 years.
- (g) **Deferred inflows of resources**—In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance that applies to future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Currently, the one item in this category is unavailable revenues, which will be recognized as inflows of resources in the period that the amounts become available.
- (h) **Fund Balance**—The Authority reports fund balance in accordance with the GASB Codification. Fund balances are classified as follows:

**Nonspendable**—Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in a spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

**Restricted**—Amounts constrained to specific purposes by outside parties or enabling legislation.

**Committed** —Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action by ordinance or resolution.

**Assigned**—Amounts that are designated by the Board of Commissioners for a specific purpose.

**Unassigned**—All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which restricted, committed, assigned, and unrestricted fund balance is available, the Authority considers restricted funds to have been spent first, committed funds second, assigned funds third, and unassigned funds last.

Nonspendable fund balance is made up of deposits. The Authority had no restricted or committed fund balance at September 30, 2017. Assigned fund balance is made up of amounts assigned to the subsequent year's budget.

(i) **Use of estimates**—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

#### (2) Reconciliation of Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statement:

- (a) Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net position—Included with the governmental fund balance sheet is a reconciliation between fund balance – total governmental funds and net position – governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. These differences, including the recording of the Authority's capital assets and long-term workers' compensation claims liability, and various equity reclassifications, are outlined in the "Adjustments" column on the balance sheet / statement of net position.
- (b) Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities— Included with the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, there is a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds and changes in net position of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. A detailed explanation of these differences is provided in the "Adjustments" column on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance / statement of activities.

#### (3) **Property Tax Calendar:**

The Authority is a taxing authority in Volusia County, Florida (the County), and pays a fee to the County for the assessment and collection of property taxes. The property tax calendar for the year ended September 30, 2017, is as follows:

January 1,	appraiser prepares th	nary roll for app	oll with values as of proval by the state and luations.	January 1 July 1
	ng authority holds two d ad valorem tax millag		hearings and adopts a hearing fiscal year.	September
	appraiser certifies the approperty taxes are due a		nd all real and tangible late).	November 1
Taxes ma			r on the assessment roll. ch with the following	November through March
	Month	Discount		
	November December	4% 3%		

<u>Month</u>	Discount
November	4%
December	3%
January	2%
February	1%
March	0%

All unpaid taxes on real and tangible personal property become April 1 delinquent.

A list of unpaid real and tangible personal property taxes are advertised. April and May

Tax certificates are sold on all real estate with unpaid real estate property taxes (lien date).

June 1

A court order is obtained authorizing the seizure and sale of personal property, if the taxpayer fails to pay the delinquent personal property taxes.

June

#### (4) **Deposits and Investments:**

At September 30, 2017, the carrying amount of the Authority's cash on deposit in its bank accounts was \$7,422,464 after any applicable reconciling items such as outstanding checks and deposits in transit. In addition to insurance provided by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, deposits are held in banking institutions approved by the State Treasurer of the State of Florida to hold public funds. Under Florida Statutes Chapter 280, Florida Security for Public Deposits Act, the State Treasurer requires all Florida qualified public depositories to deposit with the Treasurer or another banking institution eligible collateral. In the event of failure of a qualified public depository, the remaining public depositories would be responsible for covering any resulting losses. The Authority's deposits at year end are considered insured for custodial credit risk purposes.

The Authority is authorized to invest in investment vehicles, as defined in the written investment policy, which was approved by the Board. The policy specifies the authorized investment vehicles which, among others, include the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund (State Board of Administration, "SBA"), negotiable direct obligations of, or obligations the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government at the then prevailing market price for such securities with remaining maturities not exceeding one year, for certain money market funds and repurchase agreements. The policy also specifies the portfolio allocation, which is intended to meet the Authority's specified goals, in order of priority; safety, liquidity, and yield.

#### (5) Capital Assets:

Changes in the Authority's capital assets for the years ended September 30, 2017, were as follows:

		Balance October 1, 2016	I	ncreases	D	ecreases	_	Balance tember 30, 2017
Capital assets not being depreciated:	\$	145,000	\$		\$		\$	145,000
Total capital assets not being	Ф	143,000	Ф	-	Ф	-	Ф	143,000
depreciated		145,000		-		-		145,000
Capital assets being depreciated:								
Machinery and equipment		252		-		-		252
Buildings		772,848		-		-		772,848
Accumulated depreciation		(296,441)		(28,217)		-		(324,658)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		476,659		(28,217)		-		448,442
Capital Assets, net	\$	621,659	\$	(28,217)	\$	-	\$	593,442

Depreciation expense for the year ended September 30, 2017, was \$28,217.

#### (6) Accrued Workers' Compensation Claims:

The Authority has responsibility for workers' compensation claims arising from the period that certain hospitals were under its control, and has accrued \$208,000 for the purpose of paying settlements. The amount accrued and represents the recommended reserve for future payments on open claims. Management has performed a detailed analysis of past claim costs, claimant life expectancy, and expected future costs in determining the estimate and considers the reserve, which is for one outstanding claim, to be adequate. This balance has not changed from the previous fiscal year.

#### (7) **Contingencies:**

The Authority occasionally faces legal claims incidental to the ordinary course of its operations. In the opinion of management and based on the advice of legal counsel, the ultimate disposition of open inquiries and claims, if any, will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position or results of operations of the Authority.

#### WEST VOLUSIA HOSPITAL AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016

	2017	2016
Expanditures		
Expenditures Healthcare expenditures		
Baker Act, substance abuse and mental health programs	\$ 1,200,679	\$ 1,058,918
Hospital indigent care reimbursements	5,350,949	4,749,291
Hospital - physicians services	160,269	228,072
Health Care Responsibility Act reimbursements	205,756	228,314
KidCare outreach	68,720	68,238
Medicaid reimbursements	2,201,317	2,124,879
Pharmacy program	883,296	682,285
Primary care and dental program	1,025,356	846,785
Specialty care program	3,827,847	2,819,693
HIV outreach	376,479	274,376
Total healthcare expenditures	15,300,668	13,080,851
Other operating expenditures		
General and administrative	83,857	80,177
Marketing and advertising	89,310	13,776
Third-party administration	391,558	550,318
Eligibility and enrollment oversight	165,326	261,721
Legal	69,160	73,720
Plant and maintenance	4,587	4,081
Professional and accounting fees	85,810	66,582
Tax increment fees - City of DeLand	38,304	24,299
Tax collector and appraiser fees	409,881	420,635
Miscellaneous	2,205	22,979
Total other operating expenditures	1,339,998	1,518,288
Total expenditures	\$ 16,640,666	\$14,599,139
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

To the Board of Commissioners, West Volusia Hospital Authority:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, the financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of the West Volusia Hospital Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 18, 2018.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 Authority'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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free of 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.

#### **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.

James Meore : 6., P.L.

Daytona Beach, Florida January 18, 2018

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

To the Board of Commissioners, West Volusia Hospital Authority:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the basic financial statements of the West Volusia Hospital Authority (the Authority), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, and have issued our report thereon dated January 18, 2018.

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General.

#### **Other Reporting Requirements**

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; and Independent Accountants' Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated January 18, 2018, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no comments identified in the preceding audit report.

#### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Authority was established by special act by the Florida Legislature. There are no component units related to the Authority.

#### **Financial Condition and Management**

Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the Authority has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Authority did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.c. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the Authority. It is management's responsibility to monitor the Authority's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

#### **Annual Financial Report**

Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether the annual financial report for the Authority for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, filed with the Florida Department of Financial Services pursuant to Section 218.32(1)(a), Florida Statutes, is in agreement with the annual financial audit report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. In connection with our audit, we determined that these two reports were in agreement.

#### **Additional Matters**

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in the management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we had the following recommendations:

**2017-001** – **Funding Agreements:** During our testing of funding agreements entered into by the Authority, we noted that the reimbursements paid to one of the grantees were in excess of the amount allowable per the funding agreement. While all expenses are reviewed and approved by the Board, we recommend that formal amendments to funding agreements are obtained to document any changes to the original funding amounts and terms.

Management Response: This issue was discovered while accruing year end payables. Due to the timing of the Commission meetings, the board was unable to discuss this until the January meeting, after the audit work was completed. This will be discussed at the January meeting.

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

#### **Purpose of this Letter**

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, and applicable management and the Board of Commissioners, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Maore ; Co., P.L.

Daytona Beach, Florida January 18, 2018



James Moore ; Co., P.L.

#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners, West Volusia Hospital Authority:

We have examined the West Volusia Hospital Authority's (the Authority) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2017. The Authority's management is responsible for the Authority's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Authority's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Authority complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2017, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, 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.

In our opinion, the West Volusia Hospital Authority complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2017.

Daytona Beach, Florida January 18, 2018