

## **Audit Results**

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## Auditor Opinions & Reports



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## Auditor Report on the Financial Statement

Report of Independent Auditors

- Unmodified opinion
- Financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with US GAAP

## Other Auditor Reports – Single Audit

GAGAS Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters

- No control findings
- No compliance findings

Report on Compliance with Requirements that could have a Direct and Material Effect on the Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance for Federal Awards (2 CFR Part 200)

- No control findings
- No compliance findings

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# Other Auditor Reports – Oregon Minimum Standards and Bond Expenditures

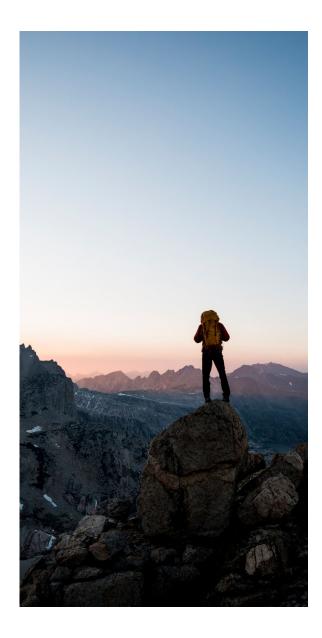
Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements in Accordance with Oregon Municipal Auditing Standards

- No control findings
- Results of our tests disclosed on instance of noncompliance:
  - Metro experienced one over-expenditure in one fund as disclosed in the Notes to the financial statements.

Report of Independent Auditors regarding Natural Areas General Obligation Bonds, Affordable Housing General Obligation Bonds, and Parks and Nature General Obligation Bonds Expenditures tested met the stated purpose in Council Resolutions laying out the intended use of the bond proceeds



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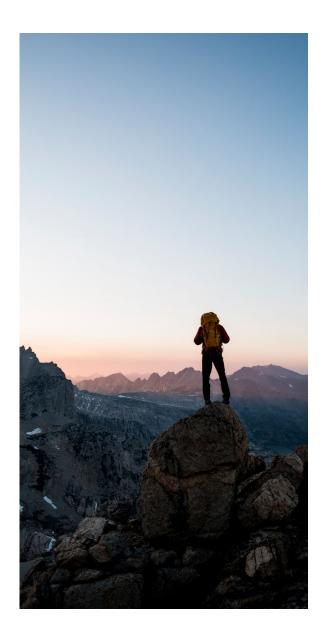
- Internal control environment financial close and reporting, revenue/receivables, payroll, disbursements, capital assets, and information technology general controls.
- Management estimates environmental remediation liability, legal contingencies, depreciation, allowance for doubtful accounts.
- Cash and investments valuation of investments and classification of cash and investments between restricted and unrestricted and current and long-term.
- Net pension liability recognition of Metro's share of the liability for Metro employees' future pension obligations as part of Oregon PERS; employer liability and related deferred inflows of resources and outflows of resources including selections of new hires and contributions made by Metro.
- Bond activity sampled transactions for compliance with allowable expenditures; reviewed discounts and premiums, debt repayments, and compliance with covenants.
- Capital assets tested additions, retirements, and depreciation.
- Revenue recognition confirmed property tax revenue; confirmed personal and business income tax revenue; confirmed advances made to various jurisdictions for the Affordable Housing and Supportive Housing Services fund; evaluated investment income and agreed amounts recorded to bank confirmations received; evaluated federal grants received and recorded during the year; considered collectability of receivables.

## Areas of Audit Emphasis

- Leases evaluated Metro's implementation of GASB 87; tested significant lease contracts recorded which included reviewing the lease agreements and verifying the discount rate was reasonable; tested the completeness of the overall lease amounts recorded by testing a sample of leases that were not recorded at year-end.
- Net position consideration of classification for unrestricted, restricted, and net investment in capital assets
- Single audit two major programs tested which included the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant and Federal Transit Cluster.



# Communications with Those Charged with Governance



# Our Responsibility Under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Government Auditing Standards

To express our opinion on whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, and in accordance with U.S. GAAP. However, our audit does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

To perform an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards issued by the AICPA and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and design the audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

To consider internal control over financial reporting and internal control over compliance as a basis for designing audit procedures but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on its effectiveness or to provide assurance concerning such internal control.

To communicate findings that, in our judgment, are relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process and administering federal awards. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

## Planned Scope & Timing of the Audit

It is the auditor's responsibility to determine the overall audit strategy and the audit plan, including the nature, timing and extent of procedures necessary to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence and to communicate with those charged with governance an overview of the planned scope and timing of the audit.

#### **Our Comments**

The planned scope and timing of the audit was communicated to the Audit Committee during the audit entrance meeting on May 9, 2022.

## Significant Accounting Policies & Unusual Transactions

The auditor should determine that the Audit Committee is informed about the initial selection of and changes in significant accounting policies or their application. The auditor should also determine that the Audit Committee is informed about the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

#### **Our Comments**

Management has the responsibility for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Metro are described in the footnotes to the financial statements. Throughout the course of an audit, we review changes, if any, to significant accounting policies or their application, and the initial selection and implementation of new policies. There were no changes to significant accounting policies for the year ended June 30, 2022; however, Metro did adopt the following standards in the current year: GASB 87, Leases, GASB 89, Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period, GASB 92, Omnibus 2022, and GASB 97, Certain Component Unit Criteria and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans.

We believe management has selected and applied significant accounting policies appropriately and consistent with those of the prior year.

## Management Judgments & Accounting Estimates

The Audit Committee should be informed about the process used by management in formulating particularly sensitive accounting estimates and about the basis for the auditor's conclusions regarding the reasonableness of those estimates.

## **Our Comments**

Management's judgments and accounting estimates are based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. We apply audit procedures to management's estimates to ascertain whether the estimates are reasonable under the circumstances and do not materially misstate the financial statements.

We deemed all significant management estimates reasonable.



## Management Judgments & Accounting Estimates

Our views about qualitative aspects of the entity's significant accounting practices, including accounting policies, accounting estimates, and financial statement disclosures.

## **Our Comments**

The disclosures in the financial statements are clear and consistent. Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. We draw your attention to the following:

Note II, D – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Note V, G – Pension Plan

Note V, H – Other Postemployment Benefits

Note V, I – Commitments

Note V, J – Leases

Note V, K – Bonds Payable

## Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

The Audit Committee should be informed of any significant difficulties encountered in dealing with management related to the performance of the audit.

## **Our Comments**

No significant difficulties were encountered during our audit.



## Significant Audit Adjustments & Unadjusted Differences Considered by Management To Be Immaterial

The Audit Committee should be informed of all significant audit adjustments arising from the audit. Consideration should be given to whether an adjustment is indicative of a significant deficiency or a material weakness in Metro's internal control over financial reporting, or in its process for reporting interim financial information, that could cause future financial statements to be materially misstated.

The Audit Committee should also be informed of uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented that were determined by management to be immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole.

#### **Our Comments**

There were no corrected or uncorrected audit adjustments identified as a result of our audit procedures.

## Potential Effect on the Financial Statements of Significant Risks & Exposures & Uncertainties

The Audit Committee should be adequately informed of the potential effect on the financial statements of significant risks and exposures and uncertainties that are disclosed in the financial statements.

#### **Our Comments**

Metro is subject to potential legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of business, which are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.



## Disagreements with Management

Disagreements with management, whether or not satisfactorily resolved, about matters that individually or in the aggregate could be significant to Metro's financial statements, or the auditor's report.

#### **Our Comments**

We are pleased to report that there were no disagreements with management.



## **Deficiencies in Internal Control**

Any material weaknesses and significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control that came to the auditor's attention during the audit must be reported to the Audit Committee.

#### **Our Comments**

- Material weakness
  - None noted
- Significant deficiencies & non-compliance
  - None noted
- Current year best practice recommendations
  - IT recommendations (discussed on future slide)
  - OPEB census
- Update on prior year recommendations
  - Accounts receivable resolved
  - Payroll timecard approval resolved
  - Expenditure approval resolved
  - User access reviews repeat
  - Administrative permissions repeat
  - Password configurations resolved

## Management's Consultation with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult about auditing and accounting matters. If management has consulted with other accountants about an auditing and accounting matter that involves application of an accounting principle to Metro's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts.

## **Our Comments**

We are not aware of any significant accounting or auditing matters for which management consulted with other accountants.

## Other Material Written Communications

Report to the Audit Committee significant written communications between the auditor and client management.

## **Our Comments**

Other than the contract, management representation letter, and the management letter, there have been no other significant communications.

## Material Uncertainties Related to Events & Conditions

Any doubt regarding the entity's ability to continue, as a going concern, should be communicated to the Audit Committee.

## **Our Comments**

No such matters came to our attention.

## Fraud & Noncompliance with Laws and Regulations

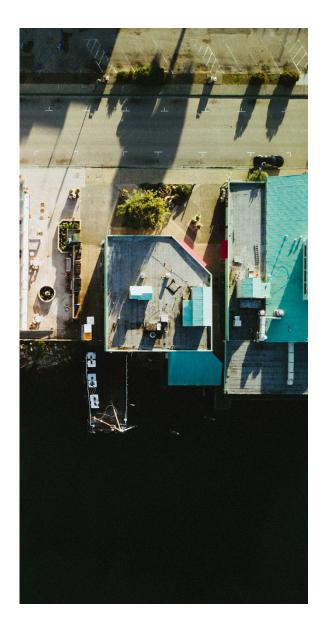
Fraud involving senior management and fraud (whether caused by senior management or other employees) that causes a material misstatement of the financial statements should be communicated. We are also required to communicate any noncompliance with laws and regulations involving senior management that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

#### **Our Comments**

We have not become aware of any instances of fraud or noncompliance with laws and regulations.



## Information Technology Overview



#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERVIEW

## Scope and Results for 2022

## Scope

- PeopleSoft Financials
- PeopleSoft Human Resource Management
- Ungerboeck Event Management (USI)
- Weighmaster

## **General Comments**

- Excellent engagement from IT
- Notable successful handling of technical response to Kronos Cyber incident
- Recognized resource constraints

## Internal control deficiencies

- ADMINISTRATIVE PERMISSIONS (carried forward from FY2019) –
   Proactive monitoring of logged financial- and personnel-related activities recommended
  - Individuals with development responsibilities have administrative access in PeopleSoft Financials and HRMS; additional procedures were necessary to support the audit
  - · There were no changes in access from results confirmed in FY2021

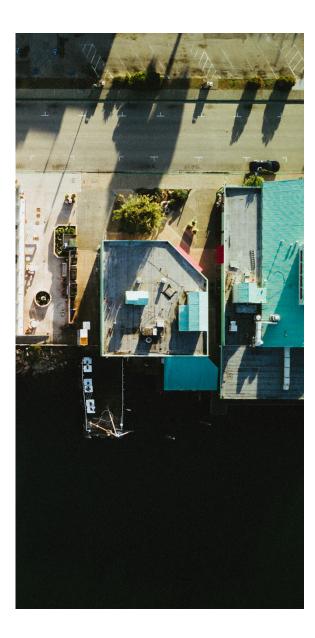
## **Process Improvement Opportunities**

- CHANGE MANAGEMENT (new in FY2022) –
   Documentation retention improvement recommended
  - PeopleSoft Financials, HRMS changes were not formally tracked via ticket documentation as per established change management best practices at Metro
- USER ACCESS REVIEWS (carried forward from FY2019) –
   Documentation retention improvement recommended
  - USI the review process was established during FY2022; however, the review process was disaggregated leading to incomplete documentation to support the review performed
  - Weighmaster the review process was established during FY2022; however, not all identified access removals were completed
  - PeopleSoft Financials, HRMS documentation of who performed the reviews and the dates review was completed was not retained in all cases

## **Resolved PY Observations**

PASSWORD CONFIGURATIONS





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## New Standards



- GASB 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations* effective for Metro's fiscal year 2023.
- GASB 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements* effective for Metro's fiscal year 2023.
- GASB 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements effective for Metro's fiscal year 2023.
- GASB 99, *Omnibus 2022* varied effective dates from immediate (Metro's fiscal year 2022) to 2023 and 2024.
- GASB 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections* effective for Metro's fiscal year 2024.
- GASB 101, *Compensated Absences* effective for Metro's fiscal year 2025.

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