



Agenda Item No. (7)

To: Finance-Auditing Committee/Committee of the Whole
Meeting of November 18, 2021

From: Cody Smith, Director of Accounting
Joseph M. Wire, Auditor-Controller
Denis J. Mulligan, General Manager

Subject: **RECEIVE THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S ANNUAL
COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (FORMERLY
COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT) FOR THE YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, AS SUBMITTED BY EIDE BAILLY, LLP**

Recommendation

The Finance-Auditing Committee recommends the Board of Directors receive the Independent Auditor's financial reports as submitted by Eide Bailly, LLP, for the following:

1. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), formerly Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ending June 30, 2021; and,
2. The Independent Auditor's Communication Letter regarding matters related to the audit.

This matter will be presented to the Board of Directors at its November 19, 2021, meeting for appropriate action.

Summary

The ACFR is attached hereto, and includes the following sections:

1. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ending June 30, 2021:
 - a. Introductory Section
 - b. Financial Section, including:
 1. Independent Auditor's Report
 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis
 3. Financial Statements
 4. Required and Other Supplementary Information
 - c. Statistical Section

Per an Exposure Draft the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) released in January 2021, it was recommended the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) have its title changed to Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) because the way it was pronounced was determined offensive.

GASB is recommending the effective date of the change is fiscal years ending after December 2021. The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) opted to implement the name change early in fiscal year 2021.

Representatives of Eide Bailly, LLP, (EB) will be presenting the financial reports at the October 21st Finance-Auditing Committee meeting. EB is in the process of completing the fourth year of a three-year, plus two, one-year options contract with the District. The firm has extensive audit experience in the public sector, including financial audits of Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, San Mateo County Transit District, CalTrain, Solano Transportation Authority, and Monterey-Salinas Transportation Agency. The Auditor's opinion given is an unqualified opinion on the District's financial statements.

In accordance with Statements of Auditing Standards No. 122, 123, 125, 128, 134, 135 & 137 (Auditor's Communication with Those Charged with Governance) and AU-C Section 260, the independent auditors are required to communicate significant findings and issues related to an audit. In particular, the communication will cover such topics as the auditor's responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, an overview of the planned scope and timing of the audit, and significant findings from the audit.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this information report.

Attachment No. 1: The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) is available online at:<https://www.goldengate.org/district/board-of-directors/meeting-documents/>.

Attachment No. 2: The Independent Auditor's Communication Letter is on file in the District Secretary's Office.