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Mayor and City Council
City of Lee's Summit, Missouri
220 SE Green Street
Lee's Summit, MO 64063

Attention: Bette Wordelman, Finance Director

The Objective and Scope of the Audit of the Financial Statements

You have requested that we audit the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri's (the City) governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and aggregate remaining fund information as of and for the year ending June 30, 2020, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements. We are pleased to confirm our understanding of this audit engagement by means of this letter. Our acceptance of this engagement is subject to our satisfactorily completing our normal engagement acceptance procedures, including inquiry of your previous auditors, adverse data searches and background checks. We will notify you promptly if we become aware of anything during our acceptance procedures that results in our not being able to continue this engagement.

Our audit will be conducted with the objective of our expressing an opinion on the financial statements. We will also report on whether certain supplemental information (combining nonmajor fund financial statements, budgetary comparisons, and the scheduled of expenditures of federal awards) is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole. The accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and Governmental Accounting Standards Board require that the management's discussion and analysis and certain pension and other postemployment benefit information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. We will apply certain limited procedures to this required supplementary information but will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on this information. The accompanying information and statistical sections of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Accordingly, we will not express an opinion on this supplemental information.

We will also perform the audit of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri as of June 30, 2020 so as to satisfy the audit requirements imposed by the Single Audit Act and Subpart F of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

The Responsibilities of the Auditor

We will conduct our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (GAS); the provisions of the Single Audit Act; Subpart F of Title 2 U.S. CFR Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*; and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Compliance Supplement. Those standards, regulations, supplements or guides 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 auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material

misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. 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.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with GAAS. Also, an audit is not designed to detect errors or fraud that are immaterial to the financial statements. The determination of abuse is subjective; therefore, GAS does not expect us to provide reasonable assurance of detecting abuse.

In making our risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the City'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 entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

We will also communicate to the Mayor and City Council (a) any fraud involving senior management and fraud (whether caused by senior management or other employees) that causes a material misstatement of the financial statements that becomes known to us during the audit, and (b) any instances of noncompliance with laws and regulations that we become aware of during the audit (unless they are clearly inconsequential).

The funds that you have told us are maintained by the City and that are to be included as part of our audit are significantly the same as those listed in the City's June 30, 2012 basic financial statements. Any additional funds or deleted funds will be communicated by you upon commencement of fieldwork.

The component unit whose financial statements you have told us are to be included as part of the City's basic financial statements are listed here:

Blended component unit: Lee's Summit, Missouri Municipal Building Authority

There are no component units whose financial statements you have told us will be omitted from the basic financial statements.

The federal financial assistance programs and awards that you have told us that the City participates in and that are to be included as part of the single audit are significantly the same as those reported in the City's June 30, 2019 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. Any changes to federal programs will be communicated by you upon commencement of fieldwork.

We are responsible for the compliance audit of major programs under the Uniform Guidance, including the determination of major programs, the consideration of internal control over compliance, and reporting responsibilities.

Our reports on internal control will include any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in controls of which we become aware as a result of obtaining an understanding of internal control and performing tests of internal control consistent with requirements of the standards and regulations identified above. Our reports on compliance matters will address material errors, fraud, abuse, violations of compliance obligations, and other responsibilities imposed by state and federal statutes and regulations or assumed by contracts; and any state or federal grant, entitlement or loan program questioned costs of which we become aware, consistent with requirements of the standards and regulations identified above.

The Responsibilities of Management and Identification of the Applicable Financial Reporting Framework

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

1. For the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America;
2. To evaluate subsequent events through the date the financial statements are issued or available to be issued, and to disclose the date through which subsequent events were evaluated in the financial statements. Management also agrees that it will not conclude on subsequent events earlier than the date of the management representation letter referred to below;
3. For 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;
4. For establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for informing us of all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of such controls of which it has knowledge;
5. For report distribution; and
6. To provide us with:
 - a. Access to all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements such as records, documentation and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that we may request from management for the purpose of the audit; and
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence;

As part of our audit process, we will request from management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit, including among other items:

1. That management has fulfilled its responsibilities as set out in the terms of this letter; and
2. That it believes the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management is responsible for identifying and ensuring that the City complies with the laws and regulations applicable to its activities, and for informing us about all known material violations of such laws or regulations. In addition, management is responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud or abuse, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud or abuse affecting the entity involving management, employees who have significant roles in internal control, and others where the fraud or abuse could have a material effect on the financial statements or compliance. Management is also responsible for informing us of its knowledge of any allegations of fraud or abuse, or suspected fraud or abuse, affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information presented in relation to the financial statements as a whole in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Management agrees to include the auditor's report on the RSI and supplementary information in any document that contains the supplementary information and indicates that the auditor has reported on such RSI and supplementary information. Management also agrees to present the supplementary information with the audited financial statements or, if the supplementary information will not be presented with audited financial statements, to make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance of the supplementary information and the auditor's report thereon.

Because the audit will be performed in accordance with the Single Audit Act and the Uniform Guidance, management is responsible for (a) identifying all federal awards received and expended; (b) preparing the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in accordance with Uniform Guidance requirements; (c) internal control over compliance; (d) compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards; (e) making us aware of significant vendor relationships where the vendor is responsible for program compliance; (f) following up and taking corrective action on audit findings, including the preparation of a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan; and (g) submitting the reporting package and data collection form.

The Mayor and City Council is responsible for informing us of its views about the risks of fraud or abuse within the entity, and its knowledge of any fraud or abuse or suspected fraud or abuse affecting the City.

Our association with an official statement is a matter for which separate arrangements will be necessary. The City agrees to provide us with printer's proofs or masters of such offering documents for our review and approval before printing, and with a copy of the final reproduced material for our approval before it is distributed. In the event our auditor/client relationship has been terminated when the City seeks such consent, we will be under no obligation to grant such consent or approval.

The City agrees that it will not associate us with any public or private securities offering without first obtaining our consent. Therefore, the City agrees to contact us before it includes our reports, or otherwise makes reference to us, in any public or private securities offering.

Because RSM US LLP will rely on the City and its management and Mayor and City Council to discharge the foregoing responsibilities, the City holds harmless and releases RSM US LLP and its partners and employees from all claims, liabilities, losses and costs arising in circumstances where there has been a knowing misrepresentation by a member of the City's management that has caused, in any respect, RSM US LLP's breach of contract or negligence. This provision shall survive the termination of this arrangement for services.

Records and Assistance

If circumstances arise relating to the condition of the City's records, the availability of appropriate audit evidence or indications of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements because of error, fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets which, in our professional judgment, prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion, we retain the unilateral right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

During the course of our engagement, we may accumulate records containing data that should be reflected in the City's books and records. The City will determine that all such data, if necessary, will be so reflected. Accordingly, the City will not expect us to maintain copies of such records in our possession.

The assistance to be supplied by City personnel, including the preparation of schedules and analyses of accounts, has been discussed and coordinated with Darlene Pickett, Controller. The timely and accurate completion of this work is an essential condition to our completion of the audit and issuance of our audit report.

In connection with our audit, you have requested us to perform certain non-audit services necessary for the preparation of the financial statements, including the preparation of the CAFR draft. The GAS independence standards require that the auditor maintain independence so that opinions, findings, conclusions, judgments and recommendations will be impartial and viewed as impartial by reasonable and informed third parties. Before we agree to provide a non-audit service to the City, we determine whether providing such a service would create a significant threat to our independence for GAS audit purposes, either by itself or in aggregate with other non-audit services provided. A critical component of our determination is consideration of management's ability to effectively oversee the non-audit services to be performed. The City has agreed that Bette Wordelman, Finance Director possesses suitable skill, knowledge or experience and that the individual understands the preparation of CAFR draft services to be performed sufficiently to oversee them. Accordingly, the management of the City agrees to the following:

1. The City has designated Bette Wordelman, Finance Director as a senior member of management who possesses suitable skill, knowledge and experience to oversee the services;
2. Bette Wordelman, Finance Director will assume all management responsibilities for subject matter and scope of the preparation of the CAFR draft;
3. The City will evaluate the adequacy and results of the services performed; and
4. The City accepts responsibility for the results and ultimate use of the services.

GAS further requires that we establish an understanding with the City's management and those charged with governance of the objectives of the non-audit services, the services to be performed, the City's acceptance of its responsibilities, the auditor's responsibilities and any limitations of the non-audit services. We believe this letter documents that understanding.

Other Relevant Information

RSM US LLP may mention the City's name and provide a general description of the engagement in RSM US LLP's client lists and marketing materials.

From time to time and depending upon the circumstances, we may use third-party service providers to assist us in providing professional services to you. In such circumstances, it may be necessary for us to disclose confidential client information to them. We enter into confidentiality agreements with all third-party service providers and we are satisfied that they have appropriate procedures in place to prevent the unauthorized release of your confidential information to others. In addition, we may utilize financial information you have provided to us in connection with this engagement for purposes of creating benchmarking data to be used by RSM US LLP professionals and other clients. This benchmarking data is aggregated with data from a minimum of five other entities so that users of the data are unable to associate the data with any single entity in the database.

In accordance with GAS, a copy of our most recent peer review report is enclosed for your information.

Fees, Costs, and Access to Workpapers

Our fees for the services described above are based upon the value of the services performed and the time required by the individuals assigned to the engagement, including direct expenses, including report processing, travel, meals, and fees for services from other professionals. Our fee for the audit services

described in this letter will not exceed \$84,000, which includes a charge of 5 percent of fees for all other expenses, including indirect administrative expenses such as technology, research and library databases, communications, photocopying, postage and clerical assistance. Our fee estimate and completion of our work are based upon the following criteria:

1. Anticipated cooperation from City personnel
2. Timely responses to our inquiries
3. Timely completion and delivery of client assistance requests
4. Timely communication of all significant accounting and financial reporting matters
5. The assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the engagement

If any of the aforementioned criteria are not met, then fees may increase. Interim billings will be submitted as work progresses and as expenses are incurred. Billings are due upon submission.

In the event you terminate this engagement, you will pay RSM US LLP for all services rendered (including deliverables and products delivered), expenses incurred and commitments made by RSM US LLP through the effective date of termination.

When an engagement has been suspended at the request of management or those charged with governance and work on that engagement has not recommenced within 120 days of the request to suspend our work, RSM US LLP may, at its sole discretion, terminate this arrangement letter without further obligation to the City. Resumption of audit work following termination may be subject to our client acceptance procedures and, if resumed, will necessitate additional procedures not contemplated in this arrangement letter. Accordingly, the scope, timing and fee arrangement discussed in this arrangement letter will no longer apply. In order for RSM US LLP to recommence work, a new arrangement letter would need to be mutually agreed upon and executed.

Our professional standards require that we perform certain additional procedures, on current and previous years' engagements, whenever a partner or professional employee leaves the firm and is subsequently employed by or associated with a client in a key position. Accordingly, the City agrees it will compensate RSM US LLP for any additional costs incurred as a result of the City's employment of a partner or professional employee of RSM US LLP.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of RSM US LLP and constitutes confidential information.

Review of audit documentation by a successor auditor or as part of due diligence will be agreed to, accounted for and billed separately.

In the event we are requested or authorized by the City or are required by government regulation, subpoena or other legal process to produce our documents or our personnel as witnesses with respect to our engagement for the City, the City will, so long as we are not a party to the proceeding in which the information is sought, reimburse us for our professional time and expenses, as well as the fees and expenses of our counsel, incurred in responding to such requests.

The documentation for this engagement is the property of RSM US LLP. However, you acknowledge and grant your assent that representatives of the cognizant or oversight agency or their designee, other government audit staffs, and the U.S. Government Accountability Office shall have access to the audit documentation upon their request and that we shall maintain the audit documentation for a period of at

least three years after the date of the report, or for a longer period if we are requested to do so by the cognizant or oversight agency. Access to requested documentation will be provided under the supervision of RSM US LLP audit personnel and at a location designated by our firm.

You have informed us that you intend to prepare a comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) and submit it for evaluation by the Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program. Our association with the CAFR is to consist of technical review.

Claim Resolution

In no event shall either party be liable to the other for claims of punitive, consequential, special, or indirect damages. RSM US LLP's liability for all claims, damages and costs of the City arising from this engagement is limited to an amount not to exceed two (2) times the amount of fees paid by the City to RSM US LLP for the services rendered under this arrangement letter. The limitation of liability contained in this paragraph shall not apply to damages resulting from RSM US LLP's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Information Security - Miscellaneous Terms

RSM US LLP is committed to the safe and confidential treatment of the City's proprietary information. RSM US LLP is required to maintain the confidential treatment of client information in accordance with relevant industry professional standards which govern the provision of services described herein. The City agrees that it will not provide RSM US LLP with any unencrypted electronic confidential or proprietary information, and the parties agree to utilize commercially reasonable measures to maintain the confidentiality of the City's information, including the use of collaborate sites to ensure the safe transfer of data between the parties.

RSM US LLP may terminate this relationship immediately in its sole discretion if RSM US LLP determines that continued performance would result in a violation of law, regulatory requirements, applicable professional standards or RSM US LLP's client acceptance or retention standards, or if the City is placed on a verified sanctioned entity list or if any director or executive of, or other person closely associated with, the City or its affiliates is placed on a verified sanctioned person list, in each case, including but not limited to lists promulgated by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the U.S. State Department, the United Nations Security Council, the European Union or any other relevant sanctioning authority.

If any term or provision of this arrangement letter is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, such term or provision will be deemed stricken and all other terms and provisions will remain in full force and effect.

Reporting

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the City's financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri. We cannot provide assurance that an unmodified opinion will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph(s), or withdraw from the engagement.

In addition to our report on the City's financial statements, we will also issue the following types of reports:

1. A report on the fairness of the presentation of the City's schedule of expenditures of federal awards for the year ending June 30, 2020;
2. Reports on internal control related to the financial statements and major programs. These reports will describe the scope of testing of internal control and the results of our tests of internal control;

3. Reports on compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements. We will report on any noncompliance that could have a material effect on the financial statements and any noncompliance that could have a material effect, as defined by Subpart F of Title 2 U.S. CFR Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, on each major program; and
4. An accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

This letter constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of agreement between RSM US LLP and the City, superseding all proposals, oral or written, and all other communications with respect to the terms of the engagement between the parties.

Electronic Signatures and Counterparts

Each party hereto agrees that any electronic signature of a party to this agreement or any electronic signature to a document contemplated hereby (including any representation letter) is intended to authenticate such writing and shall be as valid, and have the same force and effect, as a manual signature. Any such electronically signed document shall be deemed (i) to be "written" or "in writing," (ii) to have been signed and (iii) to constitute a record established and maintained in the ordinary course of business and an original written record when printed from electronic files. Each party hereto also agrees that electronic delivery of a signature to any such document (via email or otherwise) shall be as effective as manual delivery of a manual signature. For purposes hereof, "electronic signature" includes, but is not limited to, (i) a scanned copy (as a "pdf" (portable document format) or other replicating image) of a manual ink signature, (ii) an electronic copy of a traditional signature affixed to a document, (iii) a signature incorporated into a document utilizing touchscreen capabilities or (iv) a digital signature. This agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original instrument, but all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement. Paper copies or "printouts," of such documents if introduced as evidence in any judicial, arbitral, mediation or administrative proceeding, will be admissible as between the parties to the same extent and under the same conditions as other original business records created and maintained in documentary form. Neither party shall contest the admissibility of true and accurate copies of electronically signed documents on the basis of the best evidence rule or as not satisfying the business records exception to the hearsay rule.

Please sign and return a copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statements, including our respective responsibilities.

RSM US LLP

Kristen Hughes, Senior Manager

Confirmed on behalf of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri:

Stephen Arbo, City Manager

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