

City of Capitola City Council and Management Capitola, California

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of City of Capitola as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, 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, we considered City of Capitola's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Capitola's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Capitola's internal control over financial reporting.

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 over financial reporting, 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 reasonable possibility exists when the likelihood of an event occurring is either reasonably possible or probable as defined as follows:

- *Reasonably possible:* The chance of the future event or events occurring is more than remote but less than likely.
- *Probable*: The future event or events are likely to occur.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. 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.

The following is a summary of new accounting pronouncements from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board:

GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences, effective fiscal 2025.

Updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences by:

- 1. Aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model
- 2. Amending certain previously required disclosures
- 3. Amends the existing requirement to disclose the gross increases and decreases in a liability for compensated absences to allow governments to disclose only the net change in the liability
- 4. Supersedes GASB 16



The purpose of this communication, which is an integral part of our audit, is to describe, for management and those charged with governance, the scope of our testing of internal control and the results of that testing. Accordingly, this communication is not intended to be and should not be used for any other purpose.

Respectfully,

February 11, 2025

Morgan Hill, California

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