

June 11, 2019

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos c/o Mr. Stephen Conway
Finance Director
110 East Main Street
Los Gatos, California 95030

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide Town of Los Gatos ("Town") for the year ended June 30, 2019. We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, including the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Town as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019. Accounting standards generally accepted in the United States of America provide for certain required supplementary information (RSI), such as management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), to supplement the Town's 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. As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to the Town's RSI in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These limited procedures will consist of inquiries of management regarding 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 will 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. The following RSI is required by generally accepted accounting principles and will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis.
- Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund and Major Special Revenue Funds
- Pension Information
- 4) OPEB Information

We have also been engaged to report on supplementary information other than RSI that accompanies the Town's financial statements. We will subject the following supplementary information to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and we will provide an opinion on it in relation to the financial statements as a whole:

- 1) Schedule of expenditures of federal awards.
- 2) Combining Statements of Non-Major Funds
- 3) Budgetary Comparison Schedule -Non-Major Funds
- 4) Combining Statements of Internal Service Funds
- 5) Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities Agency Funds

The following other information accompanying the financial statements will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements, and our auditor's report will not provide an opinion or any assurance on that other information.

- 1) Introductory Sections
- 2) Statistical Sections

### **Audit Objective**

The objective of our audit is the expression of opinions as to whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and to report on the fairness of the supplementary information referred to in the second paragraph when considered in relation to the financial statements as a whole. The objective also includes reporting on—

- Internal control related to the financial statements and compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Internal control related to major programs and an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).

The Government Auditing Standards report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of 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, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The Uniform Guidance report on

internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Both reports will state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996; and the provisions of the Uniform Guidance, and will include tests of accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such opinions. We will issue written reports upon completion of our Single Audit. Our reports will be addressed to the Town Council of the Town. We cannot provide assurance that unmodified opinions will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinions or add emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraphs. If our opinions on the financial statements or the Single Audit compliance opinions are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or issue reports, or may withdraw from this engagement.

#### Audit Procedures - General

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; therefore, our audit will involve judgment about the number of transactions to be examined and the areas to be tested. 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 will plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable rather than absolute assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the government or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the government. Because the determination of abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting abuse.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, combined with the inherent limitations of internal control, and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements or noncompliance may exist and not be detected by us, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards. In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or major programs. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management of any material errors, any fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential, and of any material abuse that comes to our attention. We will include such matters in the reports required for a Single Audit. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Our procedures will include tests of documentary evidence supporting the transactions recorded in the accounts, and may include tests of the physical existence of inventories, and direct confirmation of receivables and certain other assets and liabilities by correspondence with selected individuals, funding sources, creditors, and financial institutions. We will request written representations from your attorneys as part of the engagement, and they may bill you for responding to this inquiry. At the conclusion of our audit, we will require certain written representations from you about your responsibilities for the financial statements; schedule of expenditures of federal awards; federal award programs; compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and other responsibilities required by generally accepted auditing standards.

#### Audit Procedures - Internal Control

Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the government and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures. Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting errors and fraud that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from illegal acts and other noncompliance matters that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by the Uniform Guidance, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major federal award program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, during the audit, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

### Audit Procedures - Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the Town's compliance with provisions of applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements, including grant agreements. However, the objective of those procedures will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to major programs. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town's major programs. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the Town's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

#### Other Services

We will also prepare or assist in preparing the financial statements of Town of Los Gatos in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles based on information provided by you. We will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards. The other services are limited to the financial statement services previously defined. We, in our sole professional judgment, reserve the right to refuse to perform any procedure or take any action that could be construed as assuming management responsibilities.

# **Management Responsibilities**

Management is responsible for (a) establishing and maintaining effective internal controls, including internal controls over compliance, and for evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities, to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met; (b) following laws and regulations; (c) ensuring that there is reasonable assurance that government programs are administered in compliance with compliance requirements; and (d) ensuring that management is reliable and financial information is reliable and properly reported. Management is also responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements. You are also responsible for the selection and application of accounting principles; for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; and for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements.

Management is also responsible for making all financial records and related information available to us and for the accuracy and completeness of that information. You are also responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit, and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the government from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

Your responsibilities also include identifying significant vendor relationships in which the vendor has responsibility for program compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information. Your responsibilities include adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that 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.

You are responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the government involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the government received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the government complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, agreements, and grants. Management is also responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, or abuse that we report. Additionally, as required by the Uniform Guidance, it is management's responsibility to follow up and take corrective action on reported audit findings and to

prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings should be available for our review during the field work.

You are responsible for preparation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in conformity with the Uniform Guidance. You agree to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date the schedule of expenditures of federal awards with our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the written representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (2) you believe the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

You are also responsible for the preparation of the other supplementary information, which we have been engaged to report on, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the written representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the supplementary information in accordance with GAAP; (2) you believe the supplementary information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with GAAP; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying for us previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the Audit Objectives section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions, for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information

You agree to assume all management responsibilities relating to the financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and related notes, and any other nonaudit services we provide. You will be required to acknowledge in the management representation letter our assistance with preparation of the financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and related notes and that you have reviewed and approved the financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and related notes prior to their issuance and have accepted responsibility for them. Further,

you agree to oversee the nonaudit services by designating an individual, preferably from senior management, with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience; evaluate the adequacy and results of those services; and accept responsibility for them.

# Communication with Those Charged with Governance

As part of our engagement, we are responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process as well as other matters we believe should be communicated to those charged with governance. Generally accepted auditing standards do not require the auditor to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate with those charged with governance. Such matters include, but are not limited to, (1) the initial selection of and changes in significant accounting policies and their application; (2) the process used by management in formulating particularly sensitive accounting estimates and the basis for our conclusions regarding the reasonableness of those estimates; (3) all passed audit adjustments; (4) any disagreements with management, whether or not satisfactorily resolved, about matters that individually or in the aggregate could be significant to the financial statements or our report; (5) our views about matters that were the subject of management's consultation with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters; (6) major issues that were discussed with management in connection with the retention of our services, including, among other matters, any discussions regarding the application of accounting principles and auditing standards; (7) serious difficulties that we encountered in dealing with management related to the performance of the audit; and (8) matters relating to our independence as your auditors.

# Reproduction of Auditor's Report

If you intend to publish or otherwise reproduce the financial statements and make reference to our Firm, you agree to provide us with printers' proofs or masters for our review and approval before printing. You also agree to provide us with a copy of the final reproduced material for our approval before it is distributed. In addition, to avoid unnecessary delay or misunderstanding, it is important that you give us timely notice of your intention to issue any such document.

#### **Assistance By Your Personnel**

We will ask that your personnel, to the extent possible, prepare required schedules and analyses, and make selected invoices and other required documents available to our staff. This assistance by your personnel will serve to facilitate the progress of our work and minimize our time requirements.

### Independence

Professional standards require that a firm and its members maintain independence throughout the duration of the professional relationship with a client. In order to preserve the integrity of our relationship, no offer of employment shall be discussed with any Badawi & Associates professionals assigned to the audit, during the one year period prior to the commencement of the year end audit. Should such an offer of employment be made, or employment commences during the indicated time period, we will consider this an indication that our independence has been compromised. As such, we may be required to recall our auditors' report due to our lack of independence. In the event additional work is required to satisfy independence requirements, such work will be billed at our standard hourly rates.

# Engagement Administration, Fees, and Other

We may from time to time, and depending on the circumstances, use third-party service providers in serving your account. We may share confidential information about you with these service providers, but remain committed to maintaining the confidentiality and security of your information. Accordingly, we maintain internal policies, procedures, and safeguards to protect the confidentiality of your personal information. In addition, we will secure confidentiality agreements with all service providers to maintain the confidentiality of your information and we will take reasonable precautions to determine that they have appropriate procedures in place to prevent the unauthorized release of your confidential information to others. In the event that we are unable to secure an appropriate confidentiality agreement, you will be asked to provide your consent prior to the sharing of your confidential information with the third-party service provider. Furthermore, we will remain responsible for the work provided by any such third-party service providers.

We understand that your employees will prepare all cash or other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of Badawi and Associates, CPAs and constitutes confidential information. However, subject to applicable laws and regulations, audit documentation and appropriate individuals will be made available upon request and in a timely manner to a Cognizant or Oversight Agency or its designee. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of Badawi and Associates, CPAs personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend or decide to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

We expect to begin our audit on approximately June 2019 and to issue our reports no later than the December 31, 2019. Ahmed Badawi is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report or authorizing another individual to sign it.

Our fees for these services were what we agreed on the audit proposal. We will submit our bill for services on a progress basis, and billings are due upon submission. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if fees are not paid in a timely manner. If the account is not paid in full when due, you agree to pay all expenses of collection, including legal fees. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed upon written notification of termination, even if we have not completed our report(s). You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket costs through the date of termination.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to the Town and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us.

Very truly yours,



Badawi & Associates Certified Public Accountants Oakland, California

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of the Town.

Title: Director of Finance



June 11, 2019

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos c/o Mr. Stephen Conway
Finance Director
110 East Main Street
Los Gatos, California 95030

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the nature and limitations of the services we are to provide for the Town of Los Gatos ("Town").

We will apply the agreed-upon procedures which the League of California Cities (collectively referred to as "the Specified Parties") have specified, listed in the attached schedule, to the Appropriations Limit Schedule of the Town for the year ending June 30, 2020. This engagement is solely to assist the Town in determining whether the Town's Appropriation Limit was calculated correctly in accordance with specified laws and regulations. Our engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures will be conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described in the attached schedule either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the procedures, we will describe any restrictions on the performance of the procedures in our report, or will not issue a report as a result of this engagement.

Because the agreed-upon procedures listed in the attached schedule do not constitute an examination, we will not express an opinion on Appropriations Limit Schedule for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. In addition, we have no obligation to perform any procedures beyond those listed in the attached schedule.

We will submit a report listing the procedures performed and our findings. This report is intended solely for the use of the specified parties, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Our report will contain a paragraph indicating that had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

You are responsible for the presentation of the Appropriations Limit Schedule for the year ending June 30, 2020 in accordance with the Article XIII-B of the California Constitution; and for selecting the criteria and determining that such criteria are appropriate for your purposes.

List of agreed-upon procedures to be performed:

- We will obtain the completed worksheets used by the Town to calculate its appropriations limit
  for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and determine that the limit and annual calculation
  factors are adopted by resolution of Town Council. We also will determine that the population
  and inflation options are selected by a recorded vote of Town Council.
- 2. For the Appropriations Limit Schedule, we will add the prior year's limit to the total adjustments, and agree the resulting amount to the current year's limit.
- 3. We will agree the current year information presented in the Appropriations Limit Schedule to corresponding information in worksheets used by the Town.
- 4. We will agree the prior year appropriations limit presented in the Appropriations Limit Schedule to the prior year appropriations limit adopted by the Town Council during the prior year.

Ahmed Badawi is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report or authorizing another individual to sign it.

We plan to begin our procedures on approximately June 2019 and, unless unforeseeable problems are encountered, the engagement should be completed by December 31, 2019. At the conclusion of our engagement, we will require a representation letter from management that, among other things, will confirm management's responsibility for the presentation of the Appropriations Limit Schedule in accordance with specified laws and regulations.

Our fees for these services were what we agreed on the audit proposal. We will submit our bill for services on a progress basis, and billings are due upon submission. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if fees are not paid in a timely manner. If the account is not paid in full when due, you agree to pay all expenses of collection, including legal fees. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed upon written notification of termination, even if we have not completed our report(s). You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket costs through the date of termination.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us. If the need for additional procedures arises, our agreement with you will need to be revised. It is customary for us to enumerate these revisions in an addendum to this letter. If additional specified parties of the report are added, we will require that they acknowledge in writing their responsibility for the sufficiency of procedures.

Very truly yours,

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Badawi & Associates

Certified Public Accountants

Oakland, California

### **RESPONSE:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of the Town.

By:

Title: PINEAR OF FINANCE

Date:  $\frac{6}{2}$ 



June 11, 2019

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos c/o Mr. Stephen Conway
Finance Director
110 East Main Street
Los Gatos, California 95030

You have requested that we prepare the financial statements of Town of Los Gatos (Town), as of June 30, 2019, and for the year then ended to be included in the prescribed forms developed by the State of California State Controller's Office (prescribed forms) and perform a compilation engagement with respect to those financial statements. We are pleased to confirm our acceptance and our understanding of this compilation engagement by means of this letter.

# Our Responsibilities

The objective of our engagement is to

a. prepare financial statements in accordance with the prescribed forms' basis of accounting based on information provided by you and,

b. apply accounting and financial reporting expertise to assist you in the presentation of financial statements without undertaking to obtain or provide any assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with the prescribed forms' basis of accounting.

We will conduct our compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services (SSARSs) promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA and comply with the AICPA's Code of Professional Conduct, including the ethical principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence, and due care.

We are not required to, and will not, verify the accuracy or completeness of the information you will provide to us for the engagement or otherwise gather evidence for the purpose of expressing an opinion or a conclusion. Accordingly, we will not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on the financial statements.

Our engagement cannot be relied upon to identify or disclose any financial statement misstatements, including those caused by fraud or error, or to identify or disclose any wrongdoing within the entity or noncompliance with laws and regulations.

# Your Responsibilities

The engagement to be performed is conducted on the basis that you acknowledge and understand that our role is to prepare financial statements in accordance with the prescribed forms' basis of accounting and assist you in the prescribed forms' basis of accounting. You have the following overall responsibilities that are fundamental to our undertaking the engagement in accordance with SSARSs:

- a. The preparation and fair presentation of financial statements in the prescribed forms in accordance with the prescribed forms' basis of accounting
- b. The inclusion of all informative disclosures that is appropriate for the prescribed form's basis of accounting.
- c. The design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements included in the prescribed forms
- d. The prevention and detection of fraud
- e. To ensure that the entity complies with the laws and regulations applicable to its activities
- f. To make all financial records and related information available to us
- g. The accuracy and completeness of the records, documents, explanations, and other information, including significant judgments, you provide to us for the compilation engagement

You are also responsible for all management decisions and responsibilities and for designating an individual with suitable skills, knowledge, and experience to oversee our preparation of your financial statements included in the prescribed forms. You are responsible for evaluating the adequacy and results of the services performed and accepting responsibility for such services.

### **Our Report**

As part of our engagement, we will issue a report that will state that we did not audit or review the financial statements and that, accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on them.

#### Other Relevant Information

If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the compilation of your financial statements in the prescribed forms, we will not issue a report on such statements as a result of this engagement.

We will ask that your personnel, to the extent possible, prepare required schedules and analyses, and make selected invoices and other required documents available to our staff. This assistance by your personnel will serve to facilitate the progress of our work and minimize our time requirements.

We will provide copies of our reports to the Town; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing privileged and confidential information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The documentation for this engagement is the property of Badawi and Associates, CPAs and constitutes confidential information. However, subject to applicable laws and regulations, documentation and appropriate individuals will be made available upon request and in a timely manner to a Cognizant or Oversight Agency or its designee to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such documentation will be provided under the supervision of Badawi and Associates, CPAs personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

Our fees for these services were what we agreed on the audit proposal. We will submit our bill for services on a progress basis, and billings are due upon submission. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if fees are not paid in a timely manner. If the account is not paid in full when due, you agree to pay all expenses of collection, including legal fees. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed upon written notification of termination, even if we have not completed our report(s). You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket costs through the date of termination.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgement of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our engagement to prepare the financial statements described herein and perform a compilation engagement with respect to those same financial statements and our respective responsibilities.

Sincerely yours,

Dadonie & Associates

Acknowledged:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of the Town of Los Gatos.

Ву:

Title: Director OF FINANCE

Date: 6/16/19