March 18, 2019

To the Commissioners, Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12

We have audited the financial statements of Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12 as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, and have issued our report thereon dated March 18, 2019. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

# Our Responsibility under Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

As communicated in our engagement letter dated August 20, 2018 our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to form and express an opinion(s) about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing 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 over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the internal control of Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12 solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also 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. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

## Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

#### **Qualitative Aspects of the Entity's Significant Accounting Practices**

Significant Audit Findings

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12 is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. There have been no initial selection of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during 2018.

No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

# Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments. The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements is the estimate of uncollectible property taxes.

Management's estimate of the allowance for uncollectible accounts has been based on collections history of the District. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop this estimate and determined that it is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole and in relation to the applicable opinion units.

### Significant Difficulties Encountered during the Audit

We encountered no difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

#### **Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements**

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements.

In addition, professional standards require us to communicate to you all material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures. A significant adjustment was made to reflect corrections to the opening balances of property tax receivable and unavailable property tax revenues, but none of the adjustments were considered deficiencies in internal controls.

### Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter which could be significant to Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12's financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated March 18, 2019.

# Management Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing or accounting matters.

## Other Significant Findings or Issues

In the normal course of our professional association with Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, operating and regulatory conditions affecting the entity, and operational plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12's auditors.

## Compliance with Public Funds Investment Act

The Public Funds Investment Act requires that we include, as part of our audit, procedures to determine if the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12 complied with the provisions of the Act. We found, as a result of our tests, that the District has complied with all provisions of the Act.

This information is intended solely for the use of the commissioners of the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 12 and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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