

Meeting Agenda – Audit and Finance Committee

Genesee Gateway Local Development Corp Tuesday, June 4, 2024 – 8:30 a.m. Location: 99 MedTech Drive, Innovation Zone

Page #	Topic	Discussion Leader	Desired Outcome
	Call To Order – Enter Public Session	M. Brooks	
	2. Chairman's Report & Activities	M. Brooks	
	2a. Agenda Additions / Other Business		
2-5	2b. Minutes: April 30, 2024		Vote
	3. Discussions / Official Recommendations to the		
	Board:		
6-10	3a. April 2024 Financial Statements	L. Farrell	Disc / Vote
11-14	3b. Audit & Finance Committee Charter	L. Farrell	Discussion
	3c. Committee Self-Evaluation	L. Farrell	Discussion
15	3d. MedTech Centre Parking Lot Light	M. Masse	Disc / Vote
	5. Adjournment	M. Brooks	Vote



GGLDC Audit & Finance Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 30, 2024 Location – 99 MedTech Drive, Innovation Zone 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members

M. Brooks, D. Cunningham, P. Battaglia

Staff:

L. Farrell, M. Masse, P. Kennett, C. Suozzi, J. Krencik. S. Hyde, E. Finch, L.

Casey

Guests:

M. Gray, K. Manne, P. Zeliff

Absent:

J. Tretter

1. CALL TO ORDER / ENTER PUBLIC SESSION

M. Brooks called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. in the Innovation Zone.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT & ACTIVITES

- 2a. Agenda Additions / Other Business Nothing at this time.
- 2b. Minutes: March 28, 2024
- D. Cunningham made a motion to recommend approval of the minutes from March 28, 2024; the motion was seconded by P. Battaglia. Roll call resulted as follows:

J. Tretter

- Absent

P. Battaglia

- Yes

M. Brooks

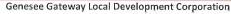
- Yes

D. Cunningham - Yes

The item was approved as presented.

3. DISCUSSIONS / OFFICIAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD:

- **3a.** 1st Quarter Financial Statements L. Farrell reviewed with the Committee the significant items of the first quarter long form financial statements for 2024.
 - There is normal activity on the balance sheet for the first quarter.
 - Line 7, Restricted Cash Community Benefit Agreement with Darien Lake decreased by about \$480K. There was a distribution made to the Town of Pembroke, which is in accordance with the 2019 Sewer Supply Agreement that we have in place with the EDC, LDC and the Town of Pembroke. All CBA funds on hand at the time of that agreement, along with all future payments to





- be received from Darien Lake were committed to the Wastewater Treatment Facility upgrades in the Village of Corfu.
- In the Operating Fund, there is about \$12K of miscellaneous Workforce Development Expenses, which correlates to the sources and uses of Workforce Development funds. Some larger payments were made in the first quarter to support GLOW Works, Inc., BEA and Finger Lakes Youth Apprenticeship.
- In the Buffalo East Tech Park, \$485K was distributed to the Town of Pembroke and recorded as site development expense. Anything paid towards infrastructure that we do not own is recorded as site development expense and is not capitalized on the balance sheet.
- MedTech Center is at about 25% of budget for most line items, which is where we would anticipate being at this time.
- P. Battaglia made a motion to recommend to the full Board the approval of the 1st Quarter Financial Statements as presented; the motion was seconded by D. Cunningham. Roll call resulted as follows:

J. Tretter - Absent
P. Battaglia - Yes
M. Brooks - Yes
D. Cunningham - Yes

The item was approved as presented.

3b. Strategic Investments Update – L. Farrell reviewed the Strategic Investments Analysis with the Committee. She noted the following:

- The opening balance matches the actual cash balance for Strategic Investments as of January 1, 2024.
- Oak Orchard Solar 3, LLC paid \$25K to support Workforce Development Initiatives, along with the overall Economic Development Program, when their project closed in the first quarter of 2024.
- Last year, CH4 Biogas paid a \$20K non-refundable deposit to the Genesee Valley Agri-Business LLC. On April 3, that deposit becomes revenue and can no longer be applied to the purchase price.
- The \$300,000 Economic Development Support Grant has been approved for 2024; however, the years 2025-2028 will still need to come forward to the Board for approval before any transfers could be made.
- There is a balance of \$100K of reserved cash on hand from solar project funding that has been committed to Workforce Development initiatives.
- Interest income of \$31,000 has been earned on strategic investment funds in the first quarter of 2024.
- Reserves for the Workforce Development Consultant have been removed for 2024, as the activity is being undertaken by the GCEDC. A placeholder of \$30,000 for the workforce development consultant remains for the years 2025-2028 in case the County does not continue to provide additional funding to support Workforce Development initiatives as it does currently.
- Opportunities on the last page of the analysis include:
 - The CH4 Biogas land sale in Genesee Valley Agri-Business Park.
 - The J&R Fancher land sale in Buffalo East Tech Park.

- At the end of 2028, there is a projected strategic investment cash balance of about \$1.9M.

3c. CH4 Biogas ROFR – Included in the meeting materials is a Right of First Refusal (ROFR) for a 20-acre parcel located at the Ag Park. The previous Right of First Refusal expired April 3 with the \$20,000 nonrefundable deposit. This becomes revenue and will not be applied against this new Right of First Refusal. The new agreement requires a \$40,000 nonrefundable deposit with a term of one year. CH4 Biogas must purchase the property within a year to receive a credit of \$40K against the purchase price. If not, the deposit will become revenue for the Genesee Valley Agri-Business, LLC.

Fund Commitment: None.

Board Action Request: Recommend approval of the ROFR.

- P. Battaglia made a motion to recommend to the full Board CH4 Biogas ROFR as presented; the motion was seconded by D. Cunningham. Roll call resulted as follows:
- J. Tretter Absent
 P. Battaglia Yes
 M. Brooks Yes
 D. Cunningham Yes

The item was approved as presented.

3d. Mowing Contract for MedTech and Ag Park - At the last Board Meeting, the Board awarded a mowing contract for MedTech Center and 8750 Ag Park Drive to Craig's Mowing & Landscape. The contractor does not have the proper insurance requirements and the cost for the additional insurance was too significant to acquire. Staff requested that the Board rescind the previous award and approve the contract with the second lowest bidder that meets the insurance requirements.

The Committee asked if there is a way to make the insurance requirements different depending on the contract. L. Farrell clarified that the insurance requirements are set by us not the insurance company.

- D. Cunningham made a motion to recommend to the full Board an exception to the policy to reduce the insurance requirement for this mowing contract with Craig's Mowing & Landscaping only; the motion was seconded by P. Battaglia. Roll call resulted as follows:
- J. Tretter Absent
 P. Battaglia Yes
 M. Brooks Yes
 D. Cunningham Yes

The item was approved as presented.

3e. Increase in Legal Fees for Land Sale for MedTech Landing, LLC - Included with the meeting materials is a resolution for the Board to approve the increase in legal fees for the land sale at MedTech Park. There were several unforeseen issues with this land sale related to the mortgage releases from Five Star Bank and the USDA that resulted in additional legal fees more than the original approved amount of \$10,000.



L. Farrell stated that Five Star Bank required a legal opinion related to the tax-exempt bond that is associated with the MedTech Centre building. This added significantly to billable hours in legal fees.

Fund Commitment: \$31,436 to be paid out of the land sale proceeds.

Board Action Request: Recommend approval of the increase in legal fees.

- D. Cunningham made a motion to recommend to the full Board the approval of increased legal fees related to the MedTech Landing land sale not to exceed \$31,436 as presented; the motion was seconded by P. Battaglia. Roll call resulted as follows:
- J. Tretter Absent P. Battaglia - Yes M. Brooks - Yes

D. Cunningham - Yes

The item was approved as presented.

4. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, D. Cunningham made a motion to adjourn at 9:33 a.m., seconded by P. Battaglia and passed unanimously.

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Genesee Gateway Local Development Corp. Dashboard - April 2024 Balance Sheet - Accrual Basis



		4/30/24		3/31/24	[Per Audit] 12/31/23
ASSETS:					
Cash - Unrestricted	S	716,531	\$	646,800 \$	706,434
Cash - Restricted (A)		1,114,469		1,109,085	1,582,013
Cash - Reserved (B)		1,576,392	- 12	1,550,874	1,336,281
Cash - Subtotal		3,407,392		3,306,759	3,624,728
Accounts Receivable		8,974		8,907	11,320
Interest Receivable				8	3,839
Lease Receivable GASB - Current Portion		522,953		522,953	522,953
Loans Receivable - Current Portion		451,699		461,171	581,079
Other Current Assets (1)	1 1	46,803		52,361	3,335
Total Current Assets	20	4,437,821		4,352,151	4,747,254
Land Held for Dev. & Resale (2)		1,968,357		2,182,234	2,182,234
Buildings & Improvements		7,281,719		7,281,719	7,248,621
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment		46,599		46,599	46,599
Total Property, Plant & Equip.		9,296,675	9 83	9,510,552	9,477,454
Less Accumulated Depreciation	- 1	(2,606,713)	١.	(2,590,601)	(2,542,265)
Net Property, Plant & Equip.		6,689,962		6,919,951	6,935,189
Lease Receivable GASB - Noncurrent Portion		1,930,390		1,930,390	1,930,390
Loans Receivable - Noncurrent Portion (Net of \$170,238 Allow for Bad Debt)		682,367		687,758	777,143
Equity Investment in Genesee Agri-Business, LLC (3)		2,562,240		2,562,240	2,562,240
Equity Investment in STAMP Sewer Works, Inc. (4)		250,000		250,000	250,000
Equity Investment in STAMP Water Works, Inc. (5)		25,000		25,000	25,000
Other Assets	_	5,449,997	2	5,455,388	5,544,773
Total Assets	-	16,577,780		16,727,490	17,227,216
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts Payable (5)		135,049		100,786	58,627
Unearned Revenue		40,965		0	500
Security Deposits		109,944		109,944	109,944
Loans Payable - Current Portion		91,248		90,945	90,041
Bonds Payable - Current Portion		144,773		159,141	156,909
Total Current Liabilities		521,979	: =	460,816	416,021
Loans Payable - Noncurrent Portion		1,811,140		1,978,820	2,001,898
Bonds Payable - Noncurrent Portion (2)		2,135,147		2,134,859	2,179,828
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	===	3,946,287	-	4,113,679	4,181,726
Total Liabilities	_	4,468,266		4,574,495	4,597,747
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES					
Deferred Inflow - Leases		2,373,512		2,373,512	2,373,512
Total Deferred Inflow of Resources		2,373,512		2,373,512	2,373,512
EQUITY	s _	9,736,002	\$ _	9,779,483 \$	10,255,957

Significant Events:

- 1. Other Current Assets Prepaid General Liability, Umbrella, D&O and Cyber insurance.
- 2. Land Held for Dev. & Resale & Bonds Payable Noncurrent Portion Proceeds from the MedTech Landing land sale at MedTech Park was applied to the USDA Bond.
- 3. Equity Investment in Genesee Agri-Business, LLC Ties to corresponding GAB, LLC financial statements.
- 4. Equity Investment in STAMP Sewer Works, Inc. Distributions to this entity to cover start up costs and legal fees.
- 5. Equity Investment in STAMP Water Works, Inc. Distributions to this entity to cover start up costs.
- 6. Accounts Payable Grant for continuing Economic Development Program Support, MedTech Centre Property Management, etc.
- (A) Restricted = DL Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) Funds, Plug Power Host Community Investment Funds, Security Deposits, USDA Debt Sinking Fund.
- (B) Reserved = OCR loan repayments, Strategic Investment Funds, Economic Development Loan Funds, Batavia Micropolitan Area Redevelopment Loan Funds, Grant Funds.



Genesee Gateway Local Development Corp. Dashboard - April 2024 Profit & Loss - Accrual Basis

	NA A	D			2024	2024
	Month t		YT		Board Approved	YTD %
Operating Revenues:	4/30/24	4/30/23	2024	2023	Budget	of Budget
Grants (1)	2,000 \$	168,794 \$	27,000 \$	1,160,611 \$	1,822,876	10/
Interest Income on Loans	3,657	2,552	14,606	9,288	39,477	1% 37%
Rent	62,440	62,707	250,567	250,708	767,488	33%
Common Area Fees - Parks	02,440	02,707	3,030	500	500	606%
Fees	-	8	3,030	250		N/A
Other Revenue	162	63	440	177		N/A
Land Sale Proceeds	200,000	000	200,000	-	5 -5 37	N/A
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Total Operating Revenues	268,259	234,116	495,643	1,421,534	2,630,341	
Operating Expenses:						
Operations & Maintenance	5,243	8,679	70,661	71,899	345,024	20%
Professional Services	7,262	22,138	29,048	47,124	137,168	21%
Econ. Dev. Prog. Support Grant	25,000	25,000	100,000	100,000	300,000	33%
Site Development Expense (2)		2	485,753	· ·	578,883	84%
Cost of Sales	254,423		254,423	*	-	N/A
Grant Expense	2,000	256,418	2,000	373,007	869,648	0%
Real Estate Dev. (Capitalized)		2	·		20,000	0%
Buildings/Furniture/Equip. (Capitalized) (3)	-	-	33,098	7.	50,000	66%
Balance Sheet Absorption	-	=	(33,098)	-	(70,000)	47%
Depreciation	16,112	16,175	64,448	64,700	193,385	33%
Total Operating Expenses	310,040	328,410	1,006,333	656,730	2,424,108	
Operating Revenue (Expense)	(41,781)	(94,294)	(510,690)	764,804	206,233	
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):						
Other Interest Income (4)	10,665	2,681	39,844	3,473	62,500	64%
Interest Expense	(12,365)	(12,706)	(49,109)	(51,279)	(144,639)	34%
Total Non-Operating Exp.	(1,700)	(10,025)	(9,265)	(47,806)	(82,139)	2 . , ,
Change in Net Assets	(43,481)	(104,319)	(519,955)	716,998 \$	124,094	
Net Assets - Beginning	9,779,483	10,228,637	10,255,957	9,407,320		
Net Assets - Ending \$_	9,736,002 \$	10,124,318 \$	9,736,002 \$	10,124,318		

Significant Events:

- 1. Grant Revenue ESL Federal Credit Union pass-through grant to BEA supporting Young Dexter STEAM Camp(\$2K); YTD Workforce Dev/Ec Dev Program Support Grant from Oak Orchard Solar (\$25K).
- 2. Site Development Expense YTD Payment made to the Town of Pembroke per the 2019 Sewer Supply Agreement supporting construction costs of the Corfu wastewater treatment facility expansion.
- 3. Buildings / Furniture / Equipment YTD MedTech Centre building light fixture upgrades to LED.
- 4. Other Interest Income Interest rates have increased substantially; invested funds into CDs for additional interest.

Genesee Gateway Local Development Corp. April 2024 Dashboard Statement of Cash Flows



		April 2024	YTD
CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	_		
Grant Income	\$	2,000 \$	27,000
Interest Income on Loans		4,163	14,612
Rental Income		102,751	293,055
Common Area Fees - Parks		<u>=</u>	3,030
Other Revenue		279	793
Net Land Sale Proceeds		200,000	200,000
Operations & Maintenance		280	(120,405)
Professional Services		⊴	(1,886)
Site Development Expense		-	(485,753)
Cost of Land Sales		(40,546)	(40,546)
Repayment of Loans	_	14,863	224,156
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	8	283,790	114,056
CASH FLOWS USED BY CAPITAL & RELATED FINANCING ACTIV	VITIES:		
Principal Payments on Bonds & Loans		(181,457)	(246,368)
Interest Paid on Bonds & Loans		(12,365)	(49,109)
Purchase/Improvements of Buildings/Furniture/Equipment		¥.	(79,598)
Net Cash Used By Capital & Related Financing Activities	22—	(193,822)	(375,075)
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Interest Income		10,665	43,683
Net Cash Provided By Investing Activities	2=	10,665	43,683
Net Change in Cash	_	100.622	(017.22()
Cash - Beginning of Period		100,633	(217,336)
Cash - End of Period	. –	3,306,759	3,624,728
Cash - End of Feriod	^{\$} =	3,407,392 \$	3,407,392
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING EXPENSE			
TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Operating Expense	\$	(41,781) \$	(510,690)
Adjustments:			
Depreciation Expense		16,112	64,448
Decrease in Land Held For Dev. & Resale		213,877	213,877
Decrease (Increase) in Accounts Receivable		(67)	2,346
Decrease (Increase) in Other Current Assets		5,558	(43,468)
Decrease in Loans Receivable		14,863	224,156
Increase in Operating Accounts Payable		34,263	122,922
Increase in Unearned Revenue	10.11	40,965	40,465
Total Adjustments	-	325,571	624,746
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	\$	283,790 \$	114,056

Genesee Gateway Local Development Corp. Dashboard - April 2024 Balance Sheet - Accrual Basis



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		GGLDC		GABLLC						Per Audit	
		4/30/24		4/30/24		Eliminations		4/30/24		12/31/2023	
ASSETS:											
Cash - Unrestricted	S	716,531	\$	2.0	\$		\$	716,531	\$	3,399,008	
Cash - Restricted (A)		1,114,469				0.53		1,114,469		1,582,013	
Cash - Reserved (B)		1,576,392		2,768,690		(*:		4,345,082		1,336,281	
Cash - Subtotal		3,407,392		2,768,690		-		6,176,082		6,317,302	
Accts Receivable - Current		8,974		14		8.00		8,974		15,520	
Interest Receivable - Current				-				-		8,246	
Lease Receivable GASB - Current		522,953		13,946				536,899		536,899	
Loans Receivable - Current		451,699		14				451,699		581,079	
Other Current Assets		46,803						46,803		3,335	
Total Current Assets	204	4,437,821	84	2,782,636	-			7,220,457	_	7,462,381	
Land & Improvements		1,968,357		1,339,730		2 2 3		3,308,087		3,521,964	
Buildings & Improvements		7,281,719		-		*		7,281,719		7,248,621	
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment		46,599		*				46,599		46,599	
Total Property, Plant & Equip.		9,296,675		1,339,730				10,636,405		10,817,184	
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(2,606,713)		+		540		(2,606,713)		(2,542,265)	
Net Property, Plant & Equip.	- 60	6,689,962		1,339,730		(*)	-	8,029,692	_	8,274,919	
Lease Receivable GASB - Noncurrent		1,930,390		94,968		-		2,025,358		2,025,358	
Loans Receivable - Noncurrent		682,367				226		682,367		777,143	
Equity Investment in GAB, LLC		2,562,240		2		(2,562,240)					
Equity Investment in STAMP Sewer Works, Inc.		250,000				-		250,000		250,000	
Equity Investment in STAMP Water Works, Inc.		25,000		-		-		25,000		25,000	
Other Assets	-	5,449,997		94,968		(2,562,240)		2,982,725	Ξ	3,077,501	
TOTAL ASSETS		16,577,780	_	4,217,334		(2,562,240)		18,232,874	_	18,814,801	
LIABILITIES:											
Accounts Payable		135,049		29		19		135,049		58,627	
Unearned Revenue (1)		40,965		7,299		52		48,264		1,773	
Customer Deposit		10,703		1,200		12		40,204		20,000	
Security Deposits		109,944		2		12		109,944		109,944	
Loans Payable - Current Portion		91,248				13		91,248		90,041	
Bonds Payable - Noncurrent Portion		144,773		- 8				144,773		156,909	
Total Current Liabilities		521,979	_	7,299				529,278	-	437,294	
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Loans Payable - Noncurrent Portion		1,811,140		-				1,811,140		2,001,898	
Bonds Payable - Noncurrent Portion	-	2,135,147	_				-	2,135,147	_	2,179,828	
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	7	3,946,287	-	+	2		-	3,946,287	· ·	4,181,726	
TOTAL LIABILTIES	-	4,468,266	_	7,299	-	-	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , 	4,475,565	_	4,619,020	
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES											
Deferred Inflow - Leases		2,373,512		108,914		2		2,482,426		2,482,426	
Total Deferred Inflow of Resources	20	2,373,512		108,914	100			2,482,426	_	2,482,426	
EQUITY	\$_	9,736,002 \$	3	4,101,121	\$	(2,562,240) \$	S.	11,274,883 \$		11,713,355	

Significant Events:

1. Unearned Revenue GABLLC - First Light Fiber and HP Hood rent received in advance.

⁽A) Restricted = DL Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) Funds, Plug Power Host Community Investment Funds, Security Deposits, USDA Debt Sinking Fund.
(B) Reserved = OCR loan repayments, Strategic Investment Funds, Economic Development Loan Funds, Batavia Micropolitan Area Redevelopment Loan Funds, Grant Funds.

Genesee Gateway Local Development Corp. Dashboard - April 2024 Profit & Loss - Accrual Basis



							COMBINED			
	GGLDC 4/30/24		GABLLC 4/30/24		Eliminations	-	4/30/24	Combined YTD		
Operating Revenues:	<u> </u>		1130121		<u>izimmations</u>		4/30/24	110		
Grants \$	2,000	\$		\$	2	\$	2,000 \$	27,000		
Interest Income on Loans	3,657		-	350		-	3,657	14,606		
Rent	62,440		7,299		21		69,739	279,712		
Lease Revenue	3.5		A STATE OF THE STA					,-12		
Common Area Fees - Parks	-		9		43		949	12,274		
Fees								:=x		
Other Revenue (1)	162		20,000				20,162	20,440		
Land Sale Proceeds	200,000	2				· · · <u>-</u>	200,000	200,000		
Total Operating Revenues	268,259		27,299		7 <u>6</u> 5		295,558	554,032		
Operating Expenses:										
Operations & Maintenance	5,243		25		+		5,243	75,257		
Professional Services	7,262		*		-		7,262	29,048		
Econ. Dev. Program Support Grant	25,000		¥		825		25,000	100,000		
Site Development Expense	15		5 1		5. 5 3			485,753		
Cost of Sales	254,423		÷				254,423	254,423		
Grant Expense	2,000		-		1.73		2,000	2,000		
Buildings/Furniture/Equipment (Capita	-		#1		-		(4.1	33,098		
Balance Sheet Absorption	14		25		928		-	(33,098)		
Depreciation	16,112			- -	(*)	: -	16,112	64,448		
Total Operating Expenses	310,040	=		-			310,040	1,010,929		
Operating Revenue (Expense)	(41,781)		27,299		150		(14,482)	(456,897)		
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):										
Other Interest Income	10,665		6,687				17,352	67,534		
Interest Expense	(12,365)				12		(12,365)	(49,109)		
Total Non-Operating Rev (Exp)	(1,700)	77	6,687	- -	8 .	_	4,987	18,425		
Change in Net Assets	(43,481)		33,986				(9,495)	(438,472)		
Net Assets - Beginning	9,779,483	-	4,067,135	_	(2,562,240)		11,284,378	11,713,355		
Net Assets - Ending \$_	9,736,002	\$_	4,101,121	\$	(2,562,240)	\$	11,274,883 \$	11,274,883		

Significant Events:

1. Other Revenue GABLLC - Real estate purchase option agreement with CH4Biogas expired, recorded non-refundable deposit as revenue.



Genesee Gateway Local Development Corporation Audit and Finance Committee Charter

This Audit and Finance Committee Charter was re-adopted on this 29th day of June, 2023 by the Board of Directors of the Genesee Gateway Local Development Corporation (GGLDC) a corporation as defined in subparagraph (a)(5) of Section 102 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York and, as provided in Section 1411 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, a Type C Corporation as defined in Section 201 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law established under the laws of the State of New York.

Purpose

Pursuant to Article IV. Section 1. of the GGLDC's bylaws, the purpose of the audit and finance committee shall be to (1) assure that the GGLDC's board fulfills its responsibilities for the GGLDC's internal and external audit process, the financial reporting process and the system of risk assessment and internal controls over financial reporting; (2) provide an avenue of communication between management, the independent auditors, and the board of directors; and (3) to review proposals for the issuance of debt and to make recommendations..

Powers of the Audit and Finance Committee

It shall be the responsibility of the audit and finance committee to:

- Appoint, compensate, and oversee the work of any public accounting firm employed by the GGLDC.
- Conduct or authorize investigations into any matters within its scope of responsibility.
- Seek any information it requires from GGLDC employees, all of whom should be directed by the board to cooperate with committee requests.
- Meet with GGLDC staff, independent auditors or outside counsel, as necessary.
- Retain, at the GGLDC's expense, such outside counsel, experts and other advisors as the audit and finance committee may deem appropriate.
- Review proposals for debt issuance and to make recommendations.

The GGLDC board will ensure that the audit and finance committee have sufficient resources to carry out its duties.

Composition of Committee and Selection of Members

The audit and finance committee shall be established as set forth in and pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 of the GGLDC's bylaws. The audit and finance committee shall consist of the Board Chair and at least three additional "independent members", within the meaning of, and to the extent required by, Section 2825 of New York Public Authorities Law, as amended from time to time. The audit and finance committee members shall be appointed by the Board Chair.

Ideally, all members of the audit and finance committee shall possess or obtain a basic understanding of governmental financial reporting and auditing.

The audit and finance committee shall have access to the services of at least one financial expert.

The audit and finance committee's financial expert should have 1) an understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements; 2) experience in preparing or auditing financial statements of comparable entities; 3) experience in applying such principles in connection with accounting for estimates, accruals and reserves; 4) experience with internal accounting controls, 5) experience with debt issuances, and 6) an understanding of audit and finance committee functions.

Meetings

The audit and finance committee will meet a minimum of twice a year, with the expectation that additional meetings may be required to adequately fulfill all the obligations and duties outlined in the charter.

Members of the audit and finance committee are expected to attend such committee meeting. The audit and finance committee may invite other individuals, such as members of management, auditors or other technical experts to attend meetings and provide pertinent information as necessary.

The audit and finance committee will meet with the authority's independent auditor at least annually to discuss the financial statements of the GGLDC.

Meeting agendas will be prepared for every meeting and provided to the audit and finance committee members along with the briefing materials 2 business days before the scheduled audit and finance committee meeting. The audit and finance committee will act only on the affirmative vote of a majority of the members at a meeting. Minutes of those meetings will be recorded.

Responsibilities

The audit and finance committee shall have responsibilities related to: (a) the independent auditor and the annual financial statements; (b) the GGLDC's internal auditors (if any); (c) oversight of management's internal controls, compliance and risk assessment practices; (d) special investigations and whistleblower policies; (e) issuances of debt and (f) miscellaneous issues related to the financial practices of the GGLDC.

The audit and finance committee shall also be responsible for reviewing financial statement accuracy and review of Revolving Loan Fund requests.

A. Independent Auditors and Financial Statements

The audit and finance committee shall:

- Recommend to the board of the GGLDC the appointment of independent auditors retained by the GGLDC and pre-approve all audit services provided by the independent auditor.
- Establish procedures for the engagement of the independent auditor to provide permitted audit services. The GGLDC's independent auditor shall be prohibited from providing non-audit services unless having received previous written approval from the audit and finance committee. Non-audit services include tasks that directly support the GGLDC's operations, such as bookkeeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements of the authority, financial information systems design and implementation, appraisal or valuation services, actuarial services, investment banking services, and other tasks that may involve performing management functions or making management decisions.
- Review and approve the GGLDC's audited financial statements, associated management letter, report on internal controls and all other auditor communications.
- Review significant accounting and reporting issues, including complex or unusual transactions and management decisions, and recent professional and regulatory pronouncements, and understand their impact on the financial statements.
- Meet with the independent audit firm on a regular basis to discuss any significant issues that may have surfaced during the course of the audit.
- Review and discuss any significant risks reported in the independent audit findings and recommendations and assess the responsiveness and timeliness of management's followup activities pertaining to same.

B. Internal Controls, Compliance and Risk Assessment

The audit and finance committee shall:

• Review management's assessment of the effectiveness of the GGLDC's internal controls and review the report on internal controls by the independent auditor as part of the financial audit engagement.

C. Special Investigations

The audit and finance committee shall:

- Ensure that the GGLDC has an appropriate confidential mechanism for individuals to report suspected fraudulent activities, allegations of corruption, fraud, criminal activity, conflicts of interest or abuse by the directors, officers, or employees of the authority or any persons having business dealings with the GGLDC, or breaches of internal control.
- Develop procedures for the receipt, retention, investigation and/or referral of complaints concerning accounting, internal controls and auditing to the appropriate body.
- Request and oversee special investigations as needed and/or refer specific issues to the appropriate body for further investigation (for example, issues may be referred to the State Inspector General or, other investigatory organization.)
- Review all reports delivered to it by the Inspector General and serve as a point of contact with the Inspector General.

D. Other Responsibilities of the Audit and Finance committee

The audit and finance committee shall:

- Present annually to the GGLDC's board a report of how it has discharged its duties and met its responsibilities as outlined in the charter.
- Obtain any information and training needed to enhance the committee members' understanding of the role of internal audits and the independent auditor, the risk management process, internal controls and a certain level of familiarity in financial reporting standards and processes.
- Review the committee's charter annually, reassess its adequacy, and recommend any proposed changes to the board of the authority. The audit and finance committee charter will be updated as applicable laws, regulations, accounting and auditing standards change.
- Conduct an annual self-evaluation of its performance, including its effectiveness and compliance with the charter and request the board approval for proposed changes.
- Review proposals for the issuance of debt and to make recommendations.

Mark Masse

Audit & Finance Committee

MedTech Centre trouble shoot parking lot light issues

Discussion: In order to diagnose the current problem with the parking lot lighting (there are a number of lights not working) at 99 MedTech Drive, Gilligan Electric proposes to:

- 1. provide a aerial lift to check wire terminations, voltages, driver conditions, brand name and model number of fixtures
- 2. check complete electrical circuit from breakers at panel to hand holes located at each individual pole
- 3. labor will be paid at above the current prevailing wage

The cost of this investigation will not exceed \$4,000.00 (this includes lift cost, small parts, labor).

Fund Commitment: Not to exceed \$4,000 from MedTech Centre operating funds.

Board Action Request: Recommend approval of the proposal to trouble shoot parking lot light issues to Gilligan Electric.