APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT	Highlands Metropolitan District #3	**For the Year Ended**
ADDRESS	2154 E. Commons Avenue, Suite 2000	**12/31/20**
	Centennial CO 80122	**or fiscal year ended:**
CONTACT PERSON	Kristen Bowers	
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PART 1 - CERTIFICATION OF PREPARER

I certify that I am skilled in governmental accounting and that the information in the application is complete and accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

NAME:	Diane K Wheeler
TITLE	District Accountant
FIRM NAME (if applicable)	Simmons & Wheeler, P.C.
ADDRESS	304 Inverness Way South, Suite 490, Englewood CO 80112
PHONE	303-689-0833
DATE PREPARED	3/21/2021

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

Diane Wheeler

	GOVERNMENTAL (MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)	PROPRIETARY (CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)
Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types	☑	☐

PART 2 - REVENUE

REVENUE: All revenues for all funds must be reflected in this section, including proceeds from the sale of the government's land, building, and equipment, and proceeds from debt or lease transactions. Financial information will not include fund equity information.

Line#	Description			Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
2-1	Taxes:	Property	(report mills levied in Question 10-6)	$ 6	
2-2		Specific ownership		$ 18	
2-3		Sales and use		$ -	
2-4		Other (specify):		$ -	
2-5	Licenses and permits			$ -	
2-6	Intergovernmental:	Grants		$ -	
2-7		Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)		$ -	
2-8		Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)		$ -	
2-9		Other (specify): TIF		$ 320	
2-10	Charges for services			$ -	
2-11	Fines and forfeits			$ -	
2-12	Special assessments			$ -	
2-13	Investment income			$ -	
2-14	Charges for utility services			$ -	
2-15	Debt proceeds		(should agree with line 4-4, column 2)	$ -	
2-16	Lease proceeds			$ -	
2-17	Developer Advances received		(should agree with line 4-4)	$ 23,814	
2-18	Proceeds from sale of capital assets			$ -	
2-19	Fire and police pension			$ -	
2-20	Donations			$ -	
2-21	Other (specify):			$ -	
2-22	Change in developer advance receivable			$ 11,593	
2-23				$ -	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23)		TOTAL REVENUE	$ 35,751	

PART 3 - EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

EXPENDITURES: All expenditures for all funds must be reflected in this section, including the purchase of capital assets and principal and interest payments on long-term debt. Financial information will not include fund equity information.

Line#	Description		Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
3-1	Administrative		$ 762	
3-2	Salaries		$ -	
3-3	Payroll taxes		$ -	
3-4	Contract services		$ -	
3-5	Employee benefits		$ -	
3-6	Insurance		$ 2,415	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees		$ 34,390	
3-8	Repair and maintenance		$ -	
3-9	Supplies		$ -	
3-10	Utilities and telephone		$ -	
3-11	Fire/Police		$ -	
3-12	Streets and highways		$ -	
3-13	Public health		$ -	
3-14	Capital outlay		$ -	
3-15	Utility operations		$ -	
3-16	Culture and recreation		$ -	
3-17	Debt service principal	(should agree with Part 4)	$ -	
3-18	Debt service interest		$ -	
3-19	Repayment of Developer Advance Principal	(should agree with line 4-4)	$ -	
3-20	Repayment of Developer Advance Interest		$ -	
3-21	Contribution to pension plan	(should agree to line 7-2)	$ -	
3-22	Contribution to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	(should agree to line 7-2)	$ -	
3-23	Other (specify):			
3-24			$ -	
3-25			$ -	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES		$ 37,567	

If TOTAL REVENUE (Line 2-24) or TOTAL EXPENDITURES (Line 3-26) are GREATER than $100,000 - STOP. You may not use this form. Please use the "Application for Exemption from Audit - LONG FORM".

PART 4 - DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

	Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.	Yes	No
4-1	Does the entity have outstanding debt?	☑	☐
	If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule.		
4-2	Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain:	☐	☑

Developer Advance, no scheduled payments

		Yes	No
4-3	Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain:	☑	☐

4-4 Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable: (please only include principal amounts)(enter all amount as positive numbers)

	Outstanding at end of prior year*	Issued during year	Retired during year	Outstanding at year-end
General obligation bonds	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Revenue bonds	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Notes/Loans	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Leases	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Developer Advances	$ 56,903	$ 23,814	$ -	$ 80,717
Other (specify): Dev advance obligation transferred from D1	$ 322,023	$ -	$ -	$ 322,023
TOTAL	$ 378,926	$ 23,814	$ -	$ 402,740

*must tie to prior year ending balance

	Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.	Yes	No
4-5	Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt?	☑	☐
If yes:	How much?	$ 416,000,000.00	
	Date the debt was authorized:	11/8/2016	
4-6	Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?	☑	☐
If yes:	How much?	$ 8,000,000.00	
4-7	Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?	☐	☑
If yes:	What is the amount outstanding?	$ -	
4-8	Does the entity have any lease agreements?	☐	☑
If yes:	What is being leased?		
	What is the original date of the lease?		
	Number of years of lease?		
	Is the lease subject to annual appropriation?	☐	☑
	What are the annual lease payments?	$ -	

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 5 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

	Please provide the entity's cash deposit and investment balances.	Amount	Total
5-1	YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings Accounts	$ 1,010	
5-2	Certificates of deposit	$ -	
	Total Cash Deposits		$ 1,010
	Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
5-3		$ -	
		$ -	
		$ -	
		$ -	
	Total Investments		$ -
	Total Cash and Investments		$ 1,010

	Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes	Yes	No	N/A
5-4	Are the entity's Investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et. seq., C.R.S.?	☑	☐	☐
5-5	Are the entity's deposits in an eligible (Public Deposit Protection Act) public depository (Section 11-10.5-101, et seq. C.R.S.)?	☑	☐	☐

If no, MUST use this space to provide any explanations:

PART 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No
6-1	Does the entity have capital assets?	☐	☑
6-2	Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 29-1-506, C.R.S.,? If no, MUST explain:	☑	☐

6-3

Complete the following capital assets table:	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Buildings	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Machinery and equipment	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Furniture and fixtures	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Infrastructure	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Other (explain):	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Accumulated Depreciation	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
TOTAL	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No
7-1	Does the entity have an "old hire" firemen's pension plan?	☐	☑
7-2	Does the entity have a volunteer firemen's pension plan?	☐	☑

If yes: Who administers the plan?

Indicate the contributions from:

Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):	$ -
State contribution amount:	$ -
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	$ -
TOTAL	$ -
What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan	$ -

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No	N/A
8-1	Did the entity file a budget with the Department of Local Affairs for the current year in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.?	☑	☐	☐
8-2	Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution, in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	☑	☐	☐

If yes: Please indicate the amount budgeted for each fund for the year reported:

Fund Name	Budgeted Expenditures/Expenses
General Fund	$ 45,000

PART 9 - TAXPAYER'S BILL OF RIGHTS (TABOR)

	Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box	Yes	No
9-1	Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5)]?	☑	☐
	Note: An election to exempt the government from the spending limitations of TABOR does not exempt the government from the 3 percent emergency reserve requirement. All governments should determine if they meet this requirement of TABOR.		

If no, MUST explain:

PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION

	Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes.	Yes	No
10-1	Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity?	☐	☑
If yes:	Date of formation:		
10-2	Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?	☐	☑
If yes:	Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:		
10-3	Is the entity a metropolitan district?	☑	☐
	Please indicate what services the entity provides:		
	Streets, traffic control, water, sewer, park and recreation		
10-4	Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?	☐	☑
If yes:	List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:		
10-5	Has the district filed a *Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status* during	☐	☑
If yes:	Date Filed:		
10-6	Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?	☑	☐
If yes:			
	Please provide the following <u>mills</u> levied for the year reported (do not report $ amounts):		

Bond Redemption mills	-
General/Other mills	55.664
Total mills	55.664

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

PART 11 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box	YES	NO
12-1 **If you plan to submit this form electronically, have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy?**	☑	☐

Office of the State Auditor — Local Government Division - Exemption Form Electronic Signatures Policy and Procedure

Policy - Requirements

The Office of the State Auditor Local Government Audit Division may accept an electronic submission of an application for exemption from audit that includes governing board signatures obtained through a program such as Docusign or Echosign. Required elements and safeguards are as follows:

• The preparer of the application is responsible for obtaining board signatures that comply with the requirement in Section 29-1-604 (3), C.R.S., that states the application shall be personally reviewed, approved, and signed by a majority of the members of the governing body.
• The application must be accompanied by the signature history document created by the electronic signature software. The signature history document must show when the document was created and when the document was emailed to the various parties, and include the dates the individual board members signed the document. The signature history must also show the individuals' email addresses and IP address.
• Office of the State Auditor staff will not coordinate obtaining signatures.

The application for exemption from audit form created by our office includes a section for governing body approval. Local governing boards note their approval and submit the application through one of the following three methods:
1) Submit the application in hard copy via the US Mail including original signatures.
2) Submit the application electronically via email and either,
a. Include a copy of an adopted resolution that documents formal approval by the Board, **or**
b. Include electronic signatures obtained through a software program such as Docusign or Echosign in accordance with the requirements noted above.

	Print the names of ALL members of current governing body below.	A **MAJORITY** of the members of the governing body must complete and sign in the column below.
Board Member 1	**Print Board Member's Name** James Spehalski	I __James Spehalski_____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_____ Date:_____ My term Expires:___May 2023_____
Board Member 2	**Print Board Member's Name** Barry Talley	I ___Barry Talley_____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_*Barry L Talley*_____ Barry L Talley (Mar 23, 2021 20:23 MDT) Date:_Mar 23, 2021_____ My term Expires:___May 2023_____
Board Member 3	**Print Board Member's Name** Linda Talley	I __Linda Talley_____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_*Linda Talley*_____ Linda Talley (Mar 23, 2021 17:06 MDT) Date:_Mar 23, 2021_____ My term Expires:____May 2023_____
Board Member 4	**Print Board Member's Name**	I _____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_____ Date:_____ My term Expires:_____
Board Member 5	**Print Board Member's Name**	I _____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_____ Date:_____ My term Expires:_____
Board Member 6	**Print Board Member's Name**	I _____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_____ Date:_____ My term Expires:_____
Board Member 7	**Print Board Member's Name**	I _____ , attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed_____ Date:_____ My term Expires:_____

Highlands MD #3 2020

Interim Agreement Report   2021-03-30

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