

# TUCSON AIRPORT AUTHORITY | Audit Council Meeting Wednesday, August 31, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. | Virtual Meeting

THIS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD VIRTUALLY, WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTENDING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS OR TELEPHONICALLY. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO COMPLETED A REGISTRATION FORM RECEIVED A LINK TO VIEW THE MEETING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS OR TO LISTEN TELEPHONICALLY.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER | ROLL CALL

Chair Smallhouse called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Council Members Chair David Smallhouse, Vice Chair Tony Finley, Council Member

Present: Taunya Villicaña, Council Member Cristina Baena, and Council

Member John Parker

**Council Members** Council Member David Lyons and Council Member Isaac Figueroa

Absent:

Others Present:

Staff Present: President/Chief Executive Officer Danette Bewley, Vice President/

Chief Financial Officer Kirk Eickhoff, Deputy General Counsel Kim Ryan, Financial Controller Clark Wager, IT Customer Support

Eric Maneval, representing auditing firm BeachFleischman, PLLC

Technician Randy Janek, and TAA Clerk Byron Jones

NOTE: Due to technical issues, Vice Chair Finley attended the meeting by phone. He was able to hear the discussion, but he was not able to be heard. His comments, including his motion to recommend that the Board of Directors accept the FY 2021 financial statements and the audit opinion expressed by BeachFleischman, PLLC, were made via text message with TAA Clerk Byron Jones. A copy of the exchange is included <u>as an attachment</u>.

### 2. FY 2021 EXTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

- **a.** Representatives from the independent audit firm BeachFleischman will update the Council on the progress of the FY 2021 financial statement audit, single audit, and related items.
- **b.** The Audit Council will review and discuss the specific language presented in the single audit finding of a material weakness over internal controls as well as management's written response to that finding.



c. The Audit Council will consider and may recommend to the Board of Directors that it accept the FY 2021 financial statements and the audit opinion expressed by BeachFleischman, PLLC.

Eric Maneval, representing auditing firm BeachFleischman, PLLC, presented the revised auditor's statement acknowledging a finding of material weakness in internal controls and the auditee's response statement that the Council requested during the meeting on August 18, 2022.

Vice President/Chief Financial Officer Kirk Eickhoff pointed out that the finding of material weakness is only present in the Single Audit Report. It is not present in the standard financial statement package, so it will not show in the ACFR (Annual Comprehensive Financial Report) for this year. He stated that BeachFleischman's language was benign and that it—along with TAA's response—sheds the best possible light on the finding.

The discussion of the Council was support for the revised Single Audit Report.

TAA Clerk Byron Jones reported that Vice Chair Finley, who attended the meeting by phone, was able to hear the discussion, but was unable to participate in the discussion. Vice Chair Finley confirmed via text message that he was satisfied with the revisions and moved to recommend to the Board of Directors that it accept the FY 2021 financial statements and the audit opinion expressed by BeachFleischman, PLLC.

MOTION BY Vice Chair Finley, SECONDED BY Council Member Villicaña, to recommend to the Board of Directors that it accept the FY 2021 financial statements and the audit opinion expressed by BeachFleischman, PLLC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes 5 Chair Smallhouse, Vice Chair Finley, Council Member Villicaña, Council Member Baena, and Council Member Parker

Nays 0

## 3. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

a. Next Meeting – November 2022



Vice President/Chief Financial Officer Kirk Eickhoff reported that he will work with TAA Clerk Byron Jones to schedule a meeting in November to review and to discuss the strategy for the FY 2022 financial statement audit and related items.

### 4. ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Smallhouse adjourned the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

**PREPARED BY:** 

Byron Cones (Jan 18, 70% 19:26 PST)

Byron M. Jones, CMC, TAA Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_January 18, 2023



# **ATTACHMENT**

Text message exchange between Vice Chair Finley and TAA Clerk Jones during the Audit Council meeting held on August 31, 2022.



