

Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation
Annual Investment Report
FY2017

As required by Section 2925(6) of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York, following is the annual investment report of the Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (the "Corporation").

Attached hereto as Schedule 1 and made a part hereof is the Corporation's Investment Policy (the "Policy") reviewed and approved by the Corporation on January 22, 2018, as re-affirmed by the Corporation on March 19, 2018.

The Policy has not been amended since the Corporation last reviewed and adopted the Policy on March 20, 2017.

The Policy is intended to comply with the requirements of General Municipal Law Sections 10 and 11 and the Public Authorities Law Article 9, Title 7, and to provide safeguards for the Corporation's investments and deposits.

Attached hereto as Schedule 2 and made a part hereof are the results of the annual independent audit.

The Corporation generated \$110.91 of interest income for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. See Schedule 3 attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The Corporation paid no fees, commissions or other charges for investment associated services during the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

Schedule 1
Investment Policy

See attached

THE TOWN OF COLONIE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

INVESTMENT POLICY

As Revised for the Year Ended December 31, 2016

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (the “Corporation”) has adopted this Investment and Deposit Policy (the “Policy”) in accordance with Article 9, Title 7 of the New York State Public Authorities Law (“PAL”). This Policy shall detail the Corporation’s instructions regarding the investment and deposit of its funds, all of which shall be consistent with and in compliance with the provisions of Section 1411 of the New York State Not-For-Profit Corporation Law (the “Act”) and any other applicable law regarding the investment and deposit of Corporation funds.

II. SCOPE

This investment policy applies to all moneys and other financial resources available for deposit and investment by the Corporation on its own behalf or on behalf of any other entity or individual.

III. OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of the Corporation’s investment activities are, in priority order:

- To conform with all applicable federal, state and other legal requirements (legality);
- To adequately safeguard principal (safety);
- To provide sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements (liquidity) and
- To obtain a reasonable rate of return (yield).

IV. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The Corporation shall establish written procedures for the operation of the investment program consistent with these investment policies. Such procedures shall include internal controls to provide a satisfactory level of accountability based upon records incorporating the description and amount of investments, the place(s) where kept, and other relevant information, including dates of sale or other dispositions and amounts realized. In addition, the internal control procedures shall describe the responsibilities and levels of authority for key individuals involved in the investment program.

V. PRUDENCE

All participants in the investment process shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust and shall avoid any transaction that might impair public confidence in the Corporation to operate effectively.

Investments shall be made with prudence, diligence, skill, judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which knowledgeable and prudent persons acting in like capacity would use, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the safety of the principal as well as the probable income to be derived.

All participants involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with proper execution of the investment program or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

VI. DIVERSIFICATION

It is the policy of the Corporation to diversity its deposits and investments by financial institution, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.

The Corporation shall establish appropriate limits for the amount of investments which can be made with each financial institution or dealer, and shall evaluate this listing at least annually.

VII. INTERNAL CONTROLS

It is the policy of the Corporation for all moneys collected by any officer or employee of the Corporation to transfer those funds to the Chief Financial Officer within 5 days of deposit, or within the time period specified in the law, whichever is shorter.

The Corporation is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control procedures to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization, properly recorded, and managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

VIII. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

The banks and trust companies that are authorized for the deposit of monies, and the maximum amount which may be kept on deposit at any time, are:

<u>Depository Name</u>	<u>Maximum Amount</u>
Bank of America	\$ 5,000,000.00
Key Bank	5,000,000.00
JP Morgan Chase	5,000,000.00
Berkshire Bank	5,000,000.00

M & T Bank	5,000,000.00
Capital Bank & Trust Co.	5,000,000.00
TD Bank	5,000,000.00
Citizens Bank	5,000,000.00
First Niagara	5,000,000.00
NBT Bank	5,000,000.00
Saratoga National Bank & Trust	5,000,000.00

IX. SECURING DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

All deposits and investments at a bank or trust company, including all demand deposits, certificates of deposit and special time deposits (hereinafter, collectively, “deposits”) made by officers of the Corporation that are in excess of the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, including pursuant to a Deposit Placement Program in accordance with law, shall be secured by:

1. A pledge of “eligible securities” with an aggregate “market value” (as provided by General Municipal Law Section 10) that is at least equal to the aggregate amount of deposits by the officers. See Schedule A of this policy for a listing of “eligible securities.”
2. An “eligible surety bond” payable to the Corporation for an amount at least equal to 100 percent of the aggregate amount of deposits and the agreed upon interest, if any, executed by an insurance company authorized to do business in New York State, whose claims - paying ability is rated in the highest rating category by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The governing board shall approve the terms and conditions of the surety bond.
3. An “eligible letter of credit, ” payable to the Corporation as security for the payment of 140 percent of the aggregate amount of deposits and the agreed-upon interest, if any. An “eligible letter of credit” shall be an irrevocable letter of credit issued in favor of the Corporation, for a term not to exceed 90 days, by a qualified bank (other than the bank where the secured money is deposited). A qualified bank is either one whose commercial paper and other unsecured short-term debt obligations (or, in the case of a bank which is the principal subsidiary of a holding company, whose holding company’s commercial papers and other unsecured short-term debt obligations) are rated in one of the three highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization, or one that is in compliance with applicable federal minimum risk-based capital requirements.
4. An “irrevocable letter of credit” issued in favor of the Corporation by a federal home loan bank whose commercial paper and other unsecured short-term debt obligations are rated in the highest rating category by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization, as security for the payment of 100 percent of the aggregate amount of public deposits and agreed-upon interest, if any.

X. COLLATERALIZATION AND SAFEKEEPING

Eligible securities used for collateralizing deposits made by officers of the Corporation shall be held by (the depository or a third party) bank or trust company subject to security and custodial agreements.

The security agreement shall provide that eligible securities are being pledged to secure such deposits together with agreed upon interest, if any, and any costs or expenses arising out of the collections of such deposits upon default. It shall also provide the conditions under which the securities held may be sold, presented for payment, substituted or released and the events of default which will enable the Agency to exercise its rights against the pledged securities.

In the event that the pledged securities are not registered or inscribed in the name of the Corporation, such securities shall be delivered in a form suitable for transfer or with an assignment in blank to the Corporation or its custodial bank or trust company. Whenever eligible securities delivered to the custodial bank or trust company are transferred by entries on the books of a federal reserve bank or other book-entry system operated by a federally regulated entity without physical delivery of the evidence of the obligations, then the records of the custodial bank or trust company shall be required to show, at all times, the interest of the Corporation in the securities as set forth in the security agreement.

The custodial agreement shall provide that pledged securities will be held by the custodial bank or trust company as agent of, and custodian for, the Corporation, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not be commingled with or become part of the backing of any other deposit or other bank liability. The agreement shall also describe how the custodian shall confirm the receipt, substitution or release of the collateral and it shall provide for the frequency of revaluation of collateral by the custodial bank or trust company and for the substitution of collateral when a change in the rating of a security causes ineligibility. The security and custodial agreements shall include all other provisions necessary to provide the Corporation with a perfected security interest in the eligible securities and to otherwise secure the Agency's interest in the collateral, and may contain other provisions that the governing board deems necessary.

XI. PERMITTED INVESTMENTS

As provided by General Municipal Law Section 11, the Corporation authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to invest moneys not required for immediate expenditure for terms not to exceed its projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

- Special time deposit accounts in, or certificates of deposit issued by, a bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in the State of New York;
- Through a Deposit Placement Program, certificates of deposit in one or more "banking institutions", as defined in Banking Law Section 9-r;
- Obligations of the United States of America;

- Obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America, where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America;
- Obligations of the State of New York;
- With the approval of the State Comptroller, obligations issued pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 24.00 or 25.00 (i.e., Tax Anticipation Notes and Revenue Anticipation Notes) by any municipality, school district or district corporation in the State of New York other than the Corporation; and
- Obligations of the Corporation, but only with any moneys in a reserve fund established pursuant to General Municipal Law 6-c, 6-d, 6-e, 6-f, 6-g, 6-h, 6-j, 6-k, 6-l, 6-m, or 6-n.

All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided and, in the case of obligations purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable in any event at the option of the Corporation within two years of the date of purchase. Time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit shall be payable within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for which the moneys were obtained, and shall be secured as provided in Sections IX and X herein.

Except as may otherwise be provided in a contract with bondholders or noteholders, any moneys of the Corporation authorized to be invested may be commingled for investment purposes, provided that any investment of commingled moneys shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within such time as the proceeds shall be needed to meet expenditures for which such moneys were obtained, or as otherwise specifically provided in General Municipal Law Section 11. The separate identity of the sources of these funds shall be maintained at all times and income received shall be credited on a pro rata basis to the fund or account from which the moneys were invested.

Any obligation that provides for the adjustments of its interest rate on set dates is deemed to be payable or redeemable on the date on which the principal amount can be recovered through demand by the holder.

XII. AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS

The Corporation shall not engage in any activity with any investment banker, broker, agent, dealer, investment advisor or agent unless and until the Corporation has determined that such party is qualified to do so. In determining a party's qualifications, the Corporation shall consider the quality and reliability of that party's services, that party's experience in providing such services, and the size and level of capitalization maintained by that party.

The Corporation shall maintain a list of financial institutions approved for investment purposes and establish appropriate limits to the amount of investments which can be made with each financial institution. Such listing shall be evaluated at least annually. All financial institutions with which the Corporation conducts business must be credit worthy. Banks shall provide their most recent Consolidated Report of Condition (Call

Report) at the request of the Corporation. Such currently approved financial institutions are set forth in Section XIII herein.

XIII. INVESTMENT CONTRACTS

All investments must be made pursuant to a written contract between the Corporation and the investment bank, broker, agent, dealer or advisor. If use of a written contract is not practical or not a regular business practice of the investment bank, broker, agent, dealer or advisor, the Corporation may proceed with such party only if:

1. The Corporation determines, by resolution, that the regular business practice does not encompass the use of a written contract; and
2. The Corporation adopts procedures covering the investment transaction.

Any procedure so adopted must comply substantially with the provisions which would be required if the transaction were covered by a written contract as described below. Those procedures shall thereafter become a part of this Policy.

All investment contracts, written or otherwise, shall contain:

1. Provisions sufficient to secure the Corporation's financial interest in each investment;
2. Provisions outlining the type and amount of collateral and insurance necessary to adequately secure the investment, as well as the uses, if any, of such collateral or insurance;
3. Provisions which establish a method for valuing the collateral, and procedures for monitoring the valuation of such collateral on a regular basis;
4. Provisions for the monitoring, control, deposit and retention of investments and collateral. In the case of a repurchase agreement, these provisions shall include a requirement that the obligations purchased be physically delivered for retention to the Corporation or its agent (which shall not be an agent of the party with whom the Corporation enters into such repurchase agreement), unless such obligations are issued in book-entry form, in which case the Corporation shall take such other action as may be necessary to obtain title to or a perfected security interest in such obligations.

All contracts shall comply with the provisions of this Policy.

XIV. COURIER SERVICE

The Chief Financial Officer may, subject to the approval of the governing board by resolution, enter into a contract with a courier service for the purpose of causing the deposit of public funds with a bank or trust company. The courier service shall be required to obtain a surety bond for the full amount entrusted to the courier, payable to

the Corporation and executed by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of New York, with a claims-paying ability that is rated in the highest rating category by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations, to insure against any loss of public deposits entrusted to the courier service for deposit or failure to deposit the full amount entrusted to the courier service.

The Corporation may agree with the depository bank or trust company that the bank or trust company will reimburse all or part of, but not more than, the actual cost incurred by the Corporation in transporting items for deposit through a courier service. Any such reimbursement agreement shall apply only to a specified deposit transaction, and may be subject to such terms, conditions and limitations as the bank or trust company deems necessary to ensure sound banking practices, including, but not limited to, any terms, conditions or limitations that may be required by the Department of Financial Services or other federal or State authority.

XV. ANNUAL AUDIT

An independent certified public accountant shall audit all investments held by the Corporation on an annual basis. The report prepared pursuant to the annual audit shall be available to the Corporation and shall be used in reviewing and approving this Policy.

XVI. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

A. Quarterly Reports

At the end of each quarter, the Corporation members shall be provided with a report on all investment activity during that quarter. This report shall contain:

1. A list of any new investments and deposits;
2. An inventory of all existing investments and deposits; and
3. A description of the selection of investment bankers, brokers, agents, dealers, or auditors.

Any additions or deletions must be specifically indicated, with an explanation for the addition or deletion.

B. Annual Investment Report

An annual investment report shall be prepared and transmitted to the appropriate oversight agencies.

The report shall include:

1. This policy, including any changes made since the last submission;
2. An explanation of this policy and any amendments;
3. The results of the annual independent audit;
4. The investment income record of the Corporation; and

5. A list of all total fees, commission and other charges paid to each investment banker, broker, agent, dealer, advisor, bank and trust company, since the last submission.

The report shall be submitted to:

1. The State Department of Audit and Control; and
2. The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Fiscal Officer of the Town of Colonie.

Copies of the report shall be made available to the public, upon reasonable request.

XVII. ANNUAL REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

The Corporation shall review this investment policy annually, and it shall have the power to amend this policy at any time.

XVIII. DEFINITIONS

The terms “public funds,” “public deposits,” “bank,” “trust company,” “eligible securities,” “eligible surety bond,” and “eligible letter of credit” shall have the same meanings as set forth in General Municipal Law Section 10.

THE TOWN OF COLONIE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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As Revised for the Year Ended December 31, 2016

**SCHEDULE A – “ELIGIBLE SECURITIES” FOR COLLATERALIZING DEPOSITS
AND INVESTMENTS IN EXCESS OF FDIC COVERAGE (SECTION IX)**

- i) Obligations issued, or fully insured or guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest, by the United States of America, an agency thereof or a United States government-sponsored corporation.
- ii) Obligations partially insured or guaranteed by any agency of the United States of America, at a proportion of the market value of the obligation that represents the amount of the insurance or guaranty.
- iii) Obligations issued or fully insured or guaranteed by the State of New York, obligations issued by a municipal corporation, school district or district corporation of this State or obligations of any public benefit corporation which under a specific State statute may be accepted as security for deposit of public moneys.

Note – For the purposes of determining aggregate “market value,” eligible securities shall be valued at 100% of “market value.”

Schedule 2
Annual Independent Audit

See attached



March 19, 2018

Chairman and Corporation Board
Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation
347 Old Niskayuna Road
Latham, New York 12110

Dear Chairman and Members of the Board:

We are pleased to present this report related to our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (Corporation) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017. This report summarizes certain matters required by professional standards to be communicated to you in your oversight responsibility for Corporation's financial reporting process.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board members and management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. It will be our pleasure to respond to any questions you have regarding this report. We appreciate the opportunity to continue to be of service to the Corporation.

Very truly yours,

BST & Co. CPAs, LLP

Brendan K. Kennedy, Partner

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Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation

Communication With Those Charged With Governance
Year Ended December 31, 2017

Generally accepted auditing standards (AU-C 260, *The Auditor's Communication With Those Charged With Governance*) require the auditor to promote effective two-way communication between the auditor and those charged with governance. Consistent with this requirement, the following summarizes our responsibilities regarding the financial statement audit, as well as observations arising from our audit that are significant and relevant to your responsibility to oversee the financial reporting process.

Our Responsibilities with Regard to the Financial Statement Audit

Our responsibility under auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Governmental Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States have been described to you in our arrangement letter dated December 5, 2017. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve management or those charged with governance of their responsibilities which are also described in that letter.

Overview of the Planned Scope and Timing of the Financial Statement Audit

We have issued a separate communication regarding the planned scope and timing of our audit and have discussed with you our identification of and planned audit response to significant risks of material misstatement.

Accounting Policies and Practices

Preferability of Accounting Policies and Practices

Under generally accepted principles, in certain circumstances, management may select among alternative accounting practices. In our view, in such circumstances, management has selected the preferable accounting practice.

Adoption of, or Change in, Accounting Policies

Management has the ultimate responsibility for the appropriateness of the accounting policies used by the Corporation. The Corporation did not adopt or change any accounting policies during the current year.

Significant or Unusual Transactions

We did not identify any significant or unusual transactions or significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Management's Judgments and Accounting Estimates

There are no sensitive accounting estimates in the Corporation's December 31, 2017, financial statements.

Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation

Communication With Those Charged With Governance
Year Ended December 31, 2016

Audit Adjustments

There were no audit adjustments made to the original trial balance presented to us to begin our audit.

Uncorrected Misstatements

We are not aware of any uncorrected misstatements other than misstatements that are clearly trivial.

Disagreements with Management

We encountered no disagreements with management over the application of significant accounting principles, the basis for management's judgments on any significant matters, the scope of the audit, or significant disclosures to be included in the financial statements.

Consultations with Other Accountants

We are not aware of any consultations management had with other accountants about accounting or auditing matters.

Significant Issues Discussed with Management

No significant issues arising from the audit were discussed with management.

Significant Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We did not encounter any significant difficulties in dealing with management during the audit.

Significant Written Communications Between Management and Our Firm

Copies of significant written communications between our firm and the management of the Corporation, including the representation letter provided to us by management, are attached as Exhibit A.



**Town of Colonie
Local Development Corporation**

Significant Written Communications
Between Management and our Firm
Year Ended December 31, 2017

Representation Letter





TOWN OF COLONIE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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March 19, 2018

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This representation letter is provided in connection with your audits of the financial statements of the Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (Corporation) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, as of March 19, 2018:

Financial Statements

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit arrangement letter and the audit planning communication dated December 5, 2017, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements referred to above in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
2. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
3. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
4. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable and reflect our judgment based on our knowledge and experience about past and current events and our assumptions about conditions we expect to exist and courses of action we expect to take.
5. Related-party transactions, including those with the Town of Colonie, New York, long-term loans, leasing arrangements and guarantees, have been recorded in accordance with the economic substance of the transaction and appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
6. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
7. The effects of all known actual or possible litigation and claims have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
8. We have no direct or indirect legal or moral obligation for any debt of any organization, public or private, or to special assessment bond holders, that is not disclosed in the financial statements.

9. We have complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance. In connection therewith, we specifically represent that we are responsible for determining that we are not subject to the requirements of the Single Audit Act because we have not received, expended or otherwise been the beneficiary of the required amount of federal awards during the periods of these audits.
10. We have no knowledge of any uncorrected misstatements in the financial statements.

Information Provided

11. We have provided you with:
 - a. Access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, such as records, documentation, and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audits;
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the Corporation from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence; and
 - d. Minutes of the meetings of the members and committees of members, or summaries of actions of recent meetings for which minutes have not yet been prepared.
12. All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
13. We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
14. We have no knowledge of allegations of fraud or suspected fraud, affecting the Corporation's financial statements involving:
 - a. Management.
 - b. Employees who have significant roles in the internal control.
 - c. Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
15. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Corporation's financial statements received in communications from employees, former employees, analysts, regulators, or others.
16. We have disclosed to you all known instances of noncompliance or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
17. We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements, and we have not consulted legal counsel concerning litigation or claims.
18. We have disclosed to you the identity of the Corporation's related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.

19. We are aware of no significant deficiencies, including material weaknesses, in the design or operation of internal controls that could adversely affect the Corporation's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data.
20. We are aware of no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices.
21. During the course of your audits, you may have accumulated records containing data that should be reflected in our books and records. All such data have been so reflected. Accordingly, copies of such records in your possession are no longer needed by us.

Supplementary Information

22. With respect to the supplementary information presented in relation to the financial statements as a whole:
 - a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of such information.
 - b. We believe such information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
 - c. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
23. With respect to Management's Discussion and Analysis presented as required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board to supplement the basic financial statements:
 - a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of such required supplementary information.
 - b. We believe such required supplementary information is measured and presented in accordance with guidelines prescribed by U.S. GAAP.
 - c. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - d. When supplementary information is not presented with the audited financial statements, we will make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance of the supplementary information and the auditor's report thereon.

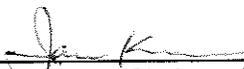
Compliance Considerations

24. In connection with your audits conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we confirm that management:
 - a. Is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.
 - b. Is responsible for compliance with the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to the Corporation.

- c. Has identified and disclosed to you all instances that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, of fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws and regulations that have a material effect on the financial statements or other financial data significant to the audit objectives, and any other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance.
- d. Has identified and disclosed to you all instances that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, of noncompliance with provisions of contracts and grant agreements that have a material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts.
- e. Has identified and disclosed to you all instances that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, of abuse that could be quantitatively or qualitatively material to the financial statements.
- f. Is responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free of material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- g. Acknowledges its responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud.
- h. Has taken timely and appropriate steps to remedy fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements; or abuse that you report.
- i. Has a process to track the status of audit findings and recommendations.
- j. Has identified for you previous audits, attestation engagements, and other studies related to the audit objectives and whether related recommendations have been implemented.
- k. Has provided views on your reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as management's planned corrective actions, for the report.

Very truly yours,

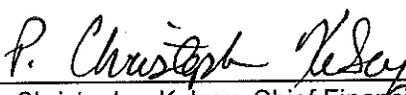
TOWN OF COLONIE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION



John Kearney, Chairman



Joseph LaCivita, Chief Executive Officer



P. Christopher Kelsey, Chief Financial Officer

**Town of Colonie
Local Development Corporation**

Financial Report

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Financial Report

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Independent Auditor's Report

Chairman and Corporation Board
Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation
Latham, New York

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (Corporation), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Corporation's basic financial statements as listed in the accompanying table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design 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. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. 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 believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Corporation as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 5 be presented to supplement the 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. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about 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 do 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the Corporation's basic financial statements. The schedule of indebtedness is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of indebtedness is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of indebtedness is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 19, 2018, on our consideration of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BST & CO. CPAs, LLP

Albany, New York
March 19, 2018



Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation

Management's Discussion and Analysis December 31, 2017 and 2016

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an introduction and overview of the financial activities and performance of the Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (Corporation) for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, as mandated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34. This information should be reviewed in conjunction with the financial statements of the Corporation.

Overview of Financial Statements

The Corporation's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The Corporation is structured as a single enterprise fund with revenues recognized when earned, not when received. Expenses are recognized when incurred, not when they are paid. Capital assets, if any, are capitalized and are depreciated over their useful lives. See notes to the financial statements for a summary of the Corporation's significant accounting policies.

The *Statements of Net Position* present information on the Corporation's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of the Corporation's financial position.

The *Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position* present information showing how the Corporation's net position changed during the most recent years. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses reported in these statements for some items will result in cash flows in future periods.

The *Statements of Cash Flows* relate to the flows of cash. Consequently, only transactions that affect the Corporation's cash accounts are recorded in these statements. A reconciliation is provided at the bottom of the statement of cash flows to assist in the understanding of the difference between cash flows from operating activities and operating income.

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents the *Supplemental Schedule of Indebtedness*.

Financial Highlights

In 2010, the Corporation was formed and began implementing strategies to support economic activity in the Town that is otherwise not permissible under New York State law by the Town of Colonie Industrial Development Agency (Agency).

From 2011 through 2014, the Corporation successfully closed on its first development project, which consisted of three phases. The Shaker Pointe at Carondelet, Inc. project provides a full-service retirement residence community and resulted in the issuance of a total of \$37 million in Multi-Modal Revenue Bonds. This project generated \$235,750 in fees for the Corporation between 2011 and 2014.

In June 2016, the Corporation closed on its second development project, The Colonie Senior Service Centers, Inc. Elks Lane senior housing project. This project provides a full-service retirement residence community to low and moderate income seniors. The project resulted in the issuance of \$12.8 million in Multi-Modal Revenue Bonds which generated \$64,000 in fees for the Corporation in 2016.

No other projects have been brought before the Corporation for action as of the date of this report.

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Financial Analysis of the Corporation

The tables below present condensed financial information derived from the Corporation's financial statements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015.

Condensed Statements of Net Position

	December 31,			Increase (Decrease) 2017-2016	Increase (Decrease) 2016-2015
	2017	2016	2015		
ASSETS					
Current assets	\$ 228,872	\$ 247,385	\$ 193,357	\$ (18,513)	\$ 54,028
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION					
LIABILITIES	\$ 200	\$ 5,922	\$ 2,000	\$ (5,722)	\$ 3,922
NET POSITION					
Unrestricted	228,672	241,463	191,357	(12,791)	50,106
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 228,872	\$ 247,385	\$ 193,357	\$ (18,513)	\$ 54,028

Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

	Years Ended December 31,			Increase (Decrease) 2017-2016	Increase (Decrease) 2016-2015
	2017	2016	2015		
Revenues					
Administrative fees	\$ -	\$ 64,000	\$ -	\$ (64,000)	\$ 64,000
Application income	-	-	250	-	(250)
Interest income	111	131	50	(20)	81
Total revenues	111	64,131	300	(64,020)	63,831
Expenses					
Administrative expenses	3,814	3,850	4,669	(36)	(819)
Professional fees	9,088	10,175	6,350	(1,087)	3,825
Total expenses	12,902	14,025	11,019	(1,123)	3,006
Change in net position	\$ (12,791)	\$ 50,106	\$ (10,719)	\$ (62,897)	\$ 60,825

The annual fees for services are tied to the size and timing of economic activity projects, and therefore fluctuate from year to year depending upon this activity. As previously noted in the financial highlights section, 2011 marked the Corporation's first year of substantial activity culminating in the closing of its first development project in December 2011. The Shaker Pointe at Carondelet project was a three-phase project that resulted in the issuance of \$37 million in bonds which provided the Corporation with \$235,750 in fee revenue between 2011 and 2014.

The Colonie Senior Service Center, Inc. project began the application process during 2015, and closed in June 2016 generating fee revenue of \$64,000 and \$250 in 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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Financial Analysis of the Corporation - Continued

During 2017, as in prior years, the Corporation's expenses were primarily for liability insurance, annual management fee, website maintenance, and independent audit services. In 2017 and 2016, the Corporation retained legal counsel for general managerial matters which resulted in approximately \$5,000 of additional cost from 2015. It was also able to renegotiate the website maintenance contract saving approximately \$2,900 from 2015. In 2017, these costs were also reduced as a result of a decline in activity.

The Corporation invested in its website in 2013, capitalizing \$2,375 of design and development costs which were amortized over a three-year period, which concluded in 2015.

Contacting the Corporation's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Corporation's finances and to demonstrate the Corporation's accountability for the funds it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Town of Colonie Comptroller's Office, at Colonie Town Hall, 534 Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

**Town of Colonie
Local Development Corporation**

Statements of Net Position

	2017	2016
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 227,896	\$ 246,398
Prepaid expenses	976	987
	\$ 228,872	\$ 247,385
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 947
Accrued expenses	200	4,975
	200	5,922
NET POSITION		
Unrestricted	228,672	241,463
	\$ 228,872	\$ 247,385

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**Town of Colonie
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Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2017	2016
OPERATING REVENUES		
Administrative fees	\$ -	\$ 64,000
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Insurance fees	1,814	1,828
Legal fees	4,838	4,975
Management fees	2,000	2,000
Postage, office supplies, and other	-	22
Professional fees	3,000	3,000
Website maintenance	1,250	2,200
	12,902	14,025
Operating income (loss)	(12,902)	49,975
OTHER INCOME		
Interest income	111	131
Change in net position	(12,791)	50,106
NET POSITION, <i>beginning of year</i>	241,463	191,357
NET POSITION, <i>end of year</i>	\$ 228,672	\$ 241,463

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**Town of Colonie
Local Development Corporation**

Statements of Cash Flows

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2017	2016
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	\$ -	\$ 64,000
Payments to vendors	(18,613)	(10,087)
	(18,613)	53,913
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest income earned	111	131
	(18,502)	54,044
Net increase (decrease) in cash		
	246,398	192,354
CASH, beginning of year		
	\$ 227,896	\$ 246,398
CASH, end of year		
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (12,902)	\$ 49,975
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities		
Decrease in prepaid expenses	11	16
(Decrease) increase in		
Accounts payable	(947)	947
Accrued expenses	(4,775)	2,975
	(18,613)	53,913

Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation

Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2017 and 2016

Note 1 - Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a. Business Organization

The Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (Corporation) was created in 2010 by the Town of Colonie (Town) under Sections 402 and 1411 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of New York State for the purpose of encouraging growth in the Town. The Corporation is exempt from federal, state, and local income taxes. The Corporation, although established by the Town, is a separate entity and operates independently of the Town. Corporation members have complete responsibility for management of the Corporation and accountability for fiscal matters. Neither the Town, the Corporation, nor any political subdivision thereof, is obligated in any manner for repayment of the bonds, notes, and straight leases as described in Note 4. Accordingly, they are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

b. Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounts of the Corporation are maintained in a single proprietary fund on the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) for government entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the primary standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. With this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with operations are included on the statement of net position.

Net position is presented in the following categories:

Investment in capital assets - Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. There was no investment in capital assets at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Unrestricted - Consists of all other net position that does not meet the definition of "investment in capital assets."

c. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

d. Subsequent Events

The Corporation has evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition or disclosure through March 19, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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Note 2 - Cash

The Corporation's investment policies are governed by state statutes. In addition, the Corporation has its own written investment policy. Corporation monies must be deposited in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the state. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. agencies, repurchase agreements, obligations of New York State or its localities, and Certificates of Participation.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the General Municipal Law of New York State, all Corporation deposits, including certificates of deposit and special time deposits in excess of the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, shall be collateralized by a pledge of eligible securities, letters of credit, or surety bonds. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the FDIC insurance was sufficient to secure the Corporation's deposits.

The written investment policy requires repurchase agreements to be purchased from banks located within the State and that underlying securities must be obligations of the federal government.

All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the monies were provided and, in the case of obligations purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within two years of the date of purchase. The Corporation did not have any investments for the periods ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Note 3 - Related Party Transactions

The Comptroller, Purchasing, and Planning and Economic Development Departments of the Town provide staff support and office space to the Corporation. The Corporation has entered into an annual agreement with the Town for reimbursement of these costs. The management fee with the Town was \$2,000 for both 2017 and 2016.

Note 4 - Industrial Revenue Bond and Note Transactions

Certain revenue bonds, notes, and straight leases issued by the Corporation are secured by property which is leased to companies and is retired by these payments. The bonds, notes, and straight leases are not obligations of the Corporation or the Town. The Corporation does not record the assets or liabilities resulting from completed bonds, notes, and straight leases issued in its accounts, since its primary function is to arrange the financing between the borrowing companies and the bond, note, and lease holders, and funds arising there from are controlled by trustees or banks acting as fiscal agents. For providing this service, the Corporation receives administration fees from the borrowing companies. Such administrative fee income is recognized upon authorization and closing of bonds, notes, and leases. One revenue bond was authorized in 2016 in the amount of \$12,800,000, of which \$4,108,554 was issued during 2016 and \$8,691,266 was issued during 2017. No revenue bonds were authorized in 2017. Revenue bonds outstanding at December 31, 2017 and 2016, were \$34,271,134 and \$28,202,654, respectively.

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Supplementary Information - Schedule of Indebtedness

Project Description	Year Ended December 31, 2017							
	Original Issue Amount	Original Issue Date	Current Interest Rate	Outstanding January 1, 2017	Issued During 2017	Principal Payments 2017	Outstanding December 31, 2017	Final Maturity Date
Shaker Pointe at Carondelet	\$ 10,000,000	12/11	0.01%	\$ 9,530,000	\$ -	\$ 245,000	\$ 9,285,000	12/2041
Shaker Pointe at Carondelet	12,000,000	12/13	0.01%	11,710,000	-	300,000	11,410,000	12/2041
Shaker Pointe at Carondelet	15,000,000 *	08/14	3.63%	2,854,100	-	2,063,800	790,300	3/20/2019
Colonie Senior Service Centers	12,800,000 *	05/16	2.78%	4,108,554	8,691,266	13,986	12,785,834	5/1/2023
				\$ 28,202,654	\$ 8,691,266	\$ 2,622,786	\$ 34,271,134	

* This is debt that has been issued on a drawdown basis.



**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit
of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance
With *Government Auditing Standards***

Chairman and Corporation Board
Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation
Latham, New York

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (Corporation), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Corporation's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 19, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Corporation's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our 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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

BST & CO. CPAs, LLP

Albany, New York
March 19, 2018



Schedule 3
Summary of Account Activity

See attached

Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation
Annual Investment Report
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

The Town of Colonie Local Development Corporation (LDC) did not have any investments during 2017. All funds were held in a checking account. At no point during 2017 did funds exceed the FDIC coverage. Management periodically reviewed CD rates and short term Treasury bond rates to determine if interest rates for short term investments had recovered sufficiently to transfer funds.

A summary of the activity in the LDC's checking account for the year ended December 31, 2017 follows:

Beginning Balance	\$ 246,397.58
Additions during the year	-
Withdrawals during the year	(18,612.70)
Interest Earned	<u>110.91</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 227,895.79</u>

During 2017 the interest rates on the checking account were as follows:

January 1 to August 31, 2017	0.05%
September 1 to September 30, 2017	0.04%
October 1 to December 31, 2017	0.05%