SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2025

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 7:00 PM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BERLIN CITY HALL, 2ND FLOOR MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE CITY MEETINGS CAN BE WATCHED LIVE OR RECORDED ON THE CITY OF BERLIN YOUTUBE PAGE @CITYOFBERLIN5623

- 1) Call to order/roll call
- 2) General Public Comments. Registration card required.
- 3) Old Business
- 4) New Business
- 5) Acceptance of TID 10 closeout audit
- 6) Adjourn.

CITY OF BERLIN COMMON COUNCIL MEEETING STAFF REPORT

TO:

Common Council

FROM:

Jessi Balcom, City Administrator

AGENDA ITEM:

Acceptance of TID 10 Closeout Audit

MEETING DATE:

February 4, 2025

BACKGROUND:

The City Council voted to close TID 10 in 2024. In order to complete the closeout process the State requires that an audit be filed and form PE-110 be filed no later than February 13, 2025.

HawkinsAsh has prepared the closeout audit for your approval. Once the audit has been submitted to the State, staff is prepared to file the PE-110.

SUGGESTED MOTION

Motion to accept the Closeout Audit of TID 10.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the City Council City of Berlin, Wisconsin

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet, the historical summary of project costs, project revenues and net cost to be recovered through tax increments, and the historical summary of sources, uses and status of funds for the City of Berlin, Wisconsin, Tax Incremental Financing District #10 ("District") from the date of creation through February 29, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the City of Berlin Tax Incremental Financing District #10 as of February 29, 2024, and the sources, uses, and status of funds from the creation date of the District through February 29, 2024 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the historical summary statements present only the transactions of the District and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the City of Berlin and the results of its operations and cash flow of its proprietary and similar trust fund types in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The District's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including and currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
 to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
 in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, ho such opinion is
 expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing 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. Our opinions on the basic financial statements are not affected by this missing information.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The detailed schedule of sources, uses

and status for funds are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The detailed schedule of sources, uses and status for funds are the responsibility of management and were 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 detailed schedule of sources, uses and status for funds are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

HAWKINS ASH CPAS, LLP

Manitowoc, Wisconsin APPROVAL DATE



HISTORICAL SUMMARY STATEMENTS

BALANCE SHEET FEBRUARY 29, 2024

Cash	\$	
TOTAL ASSETS		
LIABILITIES Advances from other funds TOTAL LIABILITIES		
FUND BALANCES Unassigned TOTAL FUND BALANCES		
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$</u>	

HISTORICAL SUMMARY OF PROJECT COSTS, PROJECT REVENUES AND NET COST TO BE RECOVERED THROUGH TAX INCREMENTS
YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2024
AND FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024

		YEAR ENDED		ROM DATE CREATION
PROJECT COSTS	\$	2,840	\$	2,840
General government Public works	Φ	2,040	φ	2,040 979
Conservation and development		16		2,893,918
Interest and fiscal charges		-		339,664
Capital outlay		-		1,780,319
Transfer to other funds		_ _		4,807,729
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS		2,856		9,825,449
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PROJECT REVENUES				
Tax increments		152,643		3,896,937
Special assessments		_		18,660
Intergovernmental		5,852		1,892,976
Interest income	T			52,455
Miscellaneous		420.070		126,294
Transfers from other funds	T	132,979		406,466
TOTAL PROJECT REVENUES		291,474		6,393,788
NET COST (RECOVERED) RECOVERABLE THROUGH	\$	(288,618)		3,431,661
TAX INCREMENTS - FEBRUARY 29, 2024	Ψ	(200,010)		3,431,001
RECONCILIATION OF RECOVERABLE COSTS				
Less: long-term debt repaid				(3,431,661)
NET COST RECOVERED THROUGH				
TAX INCREMENTS - FEBRUARY 29, 2024			\$	(3,431,661)

HISTORICAL SUMMARY OF SOURCES, USES AND STATUS OF FUNDS YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2024 AND FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024

COLUDATA OF FUNDO		YEAR ENDED	DATE OF OF CREATION		
SOURCES OF FUNDS	ው	450.640	ው	2 906 027	
Tax increments	\$	152,643	\$	3,896,937 18,660	
Special assessments		5,852		1,892,976	
Intergovernmental		5,052		52,455	
Interest income		-		126,294	
Miscellaneous		420.070		·	
Transfers from other funds		132,979		406,466 3,431,661	
Issuance of long-term debt TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS	-	291,474		9,825,449	
TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS	-	291,474		9,023,449	
USES OF FUNDS					
General government		2,840		2,840	
Public works		-		979	
Conservation and development		16		2,893,918	
Interest and fiscal charges				339,664	
Capital outlay				1,780,319	
Transfer to other funds				4 ,807,729	
TOTAL USES OF FUNDS		2,856		9,825,449	
NET CHANGE		288,618		-	
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - BEGINNING OF YEAR		(288,618)			
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	<u>\$</u>	-	\$, and	

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FEBRUARY 29, 2024

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the City of Berlin's, Wisconsin Tax Incremental Financing District ("TID") #10 ("District") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to government units and as defined by Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting principles and policies utilized by the District are described below.

Description of Fund Structure and Long-Term Debt - This report contains the financial information of the City of Berlin Tax Incremental Financing District #10. The summary statements were prepared from data recorded in the following funds and the City of Berlin's long-term debt:

TID #10 Fund

Debt Service Fund

Detailed descriptions of the purpose of these funds and long-term debt can be found in the City of Berlin's basic financial statements.

The data was consolidated for purposes of this report. Therefore, the amounts shown in the accompanying statements will not directly correlate with the amounts shown in the basic financial statements.

The Districts were created under the provisions of Wisconsin Statute Section 66, 1105. The purpose of that section is to allow a municipality to recover development and improvement costs in a designated area from the property taxes generated on the increased value of the property after the creation date of the District. The tax on the increased value is called a tax increment.

The statutes allow the municipality to collect tax increments until the net project cost has been fully recovered, or maximum life based on the resolution date and type of TID, whichever occurs first. Project costs uncollected at the dissolution date are absorbed by the City of Berlin. Project costs may not be incurred longer than 5 years prior to the termination date of the District.

Current Last Date to Levv Termination Last Date to Incur Project Costs Increment Date Creation Date Type 12/1/23 2/13/24 2/13/19 TID #10 N/A 7/6/1993

> Last Date to Incur Project Costs

Amendment 1 to TID #10

Adoption Date 9/13/16

2/13/19

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting - The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued FEBRUARY 29, 2024

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Tax increments are recorded in the year levied as receivables and unavailable revenue. They are recognized as revenue in the succeeding year when services financed by the levy are being provided. Special assessments are recorded as revenue when they become measurable and available as current assets. Sales taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Grants are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met, including any time requirements, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year end). Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of year end). Other revenue is recognized when received in cash or when measurable and available under the criteria described above.

Interfund Transactions - Non-exchange transactions which are not borrowing/lending (will not be repaid) are recorded as transfers, and exchange transactions are recorded as revenues and expenditures.

Long-Term Debt - Proceeds of long-term debt issues are reported as sources of funds in the recipient fund. Retirement of these issues is reported as an expenditure in the year in which the debt is repaid.

Estimates - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Fund Balance Classifications - The District classifies its fund equity as follows: 1) nonspendable fund balance consists of equity that is not in a spendable form or is legally or contractually required to be maintained intact, 2) restricted fund balance consists of equity constrained to specific purposes by their providers, externally imposed by creditors, constitutional provisions or by enabling legislation, 3) committed fund balance consists of equity constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its highest level of decision making authority - City Council policies, 4) assigned fund balance consists of equity the governing body intends to use for a specific purpose, intent can be expressed by the governing body, the City Council has authorized the City Administrator to assign fund balances through its financial management policy and 5) unassigned fund balance consists of equity available for any purpose.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued FEBRUARY 29, 2024

NOTE 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

When net losses occur, it is the District's policy to record the net loss against assigned fund balance, and then committed fund balance, and lastly to unassigned fund balance. The District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available.

Project Plan Budget - The estimated revenues and expenditures of the District are adopted in the project plan. Those estimates are for the entire life of the District, and may not be comparable to interim results presented in this report.

NOTE 2 - Cash

The District invests its fund in accordance with the provision of the Wisconsin Statutes. The District, as a fund of the City of Berlin, maintains separate and common cash accounts at the same financial institutions utilized by the City. Federal depository insurance and the State of Wisconsin Guarantee Fund insurance apply to the City of Berlin as an individual municipality and, accordingly, the amount of insured funds is not determinable for the District.

NOTE 3 - Long-Term Obligations

General Obligation Debt - All general obligation debt is secured by the full faith and credit and unlimited taxing powers of the City. The general obligation debt borrowed to finance the District's expenditures is expected to be repaid with tax increments accumulated by the District. General obligation debt at February 29/2024 is comprised of the following individual issues:

	Issue	Interest	Dates of	popula punca	Comes		
Issue Description	<u>Dates</u>	Rates (%)	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Borrowed</u>	<u>Repaid</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
Bonds	3/1/94	4.75-5%	3/1/14	\$1,651,661	\$1,651,661	\$	-
Notes	12/4/01	4.3%	6/4/06	\$700,000	\$700,000		-
Bonds	10/18/02	3.85%	3/1/15	\$1,080,000	\$1,080,000		
Total						\$	_=

NOTE 4 - Transfers

Interfund transfers were as follows:

Fund Transferred To	Fund Transferred From	<u>Amount</u>
Debt Service	TID #10	\$ 4,807,729
TID #10	General	132,979
TID #10	Water & Sewer Utility	273,487
	•	\$ 5,846, <u>538</u>

Generally, transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that collects them to the fund that the budget requires to expend them and use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



CITY OF BERLIN, WISCONSIN

TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCING DISTRICT #10

DETAILED SCHEDULE OF SOURCES, USES AND STATUS OF FUNDS
FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024

2002	\$. 113,787	14,619	1,080,000		1 1	180,749	518,415	699,164	676,483	\$ 793,550	
2001	\$ 120,969	15,771	700,000			474,017		631,815	214,293	\$ 117,067	
2000	\$ 104,995 5,523	2,294	112,812	ALLEGO MARIA	1 1	57,115	162,357	219,472	(106,660)	\$ (97,226)	
1999	\$ 64,920 3,497	3,884	72,301			4,405	135,387	139,792	(67, 491)	\$ 9,434	
1998	69,960	24,706				163,352	138,334	301,586	(205, 753)	\$ 75,925	
1997	42,865 \$ 3,893	19,733			979	20,420	_ ^125,551	146,950	(80,459)	282,678	
1996	48,842 \$ 2,176	25,830	76,848			93,977	112,024	206,684	(129,836)	363,137 \$	
1995	2,304	24,314				65,999	82,054	148,053	(20,398)	492,973 \$	
1994	⊕ r ()	22,923	1,651,661		1 1	650,665	41,037	732,040	942,544	513,371 \$	
<u>1993</u>	↔ • <	, 1				429,173		429,173	(429,173)	\$ (429,173) \$	
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SOURCES OF FUNDS	Tax increments Special assessments Intercovernmental	Interest income Miscellaneous	Transfers from other funds Issuance of long-term debt TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS	USES OF FUNDS	Public works	Conservation and development	Capital outlay Transfer to other funds	TOTAL USES OF FUNDS	NET CHANGE	FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR.	Creation date: July 6, 1993

Termination date: February 13, 2024

CITY OF BERLIN, WISCONSIN

TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCING DISTRICT #10

DETAILED SCHEDULE OF SOURCES, USES AND STATUS OF FUNDS - Continued FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024

2012	133,408	1,709			135,117		•	,	900	15,024	308,028	323,652	(188,535)	\$ (1,257,451)	
2011	134,115 \$	6,687		1 1	140,802		1		009	14,082	307,500	322,182	(181,380)	\$ (1,068,916) \$	
2010	147,318 \$	138		t t	147,456		ı	,	450	13,565	299,063	873,078	(165,622)	(887,536)	
2009	\$ 128,121 \$	5,145		' '	133,266		•		300	18,708	292,149	311,157	(177,891)	\$ (721,914) \$	
2008	\$ 153,996	3,364			157,360			1	250	16,053	3,775 291,673	31,751	(154,391)	\$ (544,023)	
2007	115,651	2,839	į	' '	118,490		ı	ŧ	1	17,396	10,250 183,624	211,270	(92,780)	\$ (389,632)	
2006	111,797 \$	2,991	1	' '	114,788		1	1	ı	13,636	189,212	202,848	(88,060)	\$ (296,852)	
2005	114,484 \$	113,816	•	' '	228,300		1	Ī		5,284	104,515 185,282	295,081	(66,781)	(208,792)	
2004	111,702 \$	1,064,487	1,831	2/3,46/	1,451,507		ı	1	•	,	1,66 1,779 23 2,026	1,893,805	(442,298)	(142,011) \$	(i) ** <u>**</u>
2003	\$ 110,642 \$	344,730)))	' ' '	471,259		1	•	746,492	1	218,030	964,522	(493,263)	\$ 300,287	
SONITE	SOUNCES OF FORDS Tax increments Special assessments	opedia assessments Intergovernmental Interest income	Miscellandon Transfer from short indo	Isansiers from other turids Issuance of long-term debt	TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS	USES OF FUNDS	General government	Public works	Conservation and development	Interest and fiscal charges	Capital outlay Transfer to other funds	TOTAL USES OF FUNDS	NET CHANGE	FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR	

CITY OF BERLIN, WISCONSIN

TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCING DISTRICT #10

DETAILED SCHEDULE OF SOURCES, USES AND STATUS OF FUNDS - Continued
FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024

2022	188,529	5,852		194,381	t	- 466	8,006	• 1	8,472	185,909	\$ (448,359)	
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2021	\$ 187,455	5,852		193,307		462	7,664		8,126	185,181	\$ (634,268)	
2020	217,661	5,851	1 1	223,512	•	460	16,012	1 1	16,472	207,040	\$ (819,449) \$	
2019	180,559 \$	5,852	: E 1	186,411	Ī	462	25,703	1	26,165	150,246	(1,026,489) \$	
2018	165,770 \$	5,713	j t	171,483	,	459	24,946		25,405	146,078	(1,186,735) \$	
2017	166,991 \$	5,631	I 1	172,622	ı	- 462	16,825	1	17,287	155,335	(1,332,813) \$ (
2016	173,753 \$	8,438 -	j [182,191	ı	450	17,953		18,403	163,788	1,488,148) S	
2015	171,102 \$	10,216	1 1	181,318	ı	451	16,166	_ 219,139	235,756	(54,438)	M,651,936) 8	
2014	159,726 \$	7,258	1 1	166,984	1	- 009	16,522	308,911	326,033	(159,049)	(1,597,498) \$	
2013	\$ 139,108 \$	4,0,4	r t	143,122	ı	. 008	23,385	300,135	324,120	(180,398)	\$ (1,438,449 \$	
	SOURCES OF FUNDS Tax increments Special concentrations	opeda assessinents Intergovernmental Interest income	Miscellaneous Transfers from other funds	Issuance of long-term debt TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS	USES OF FUNDS General government	Public works Conservation and development	Interest and fiscal charges	Capital outlay Transfer to other funds	TOTAL USES OF FUNDS	NET CHANGE	FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR	

CITY OF BERLIN, WISCONSIN

TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCING DISTRICT #10

DETAILED SCHEDULE OF SOURCES, USES AND STATUS OF FUNDS - Continued FROM DATE OF CREATION THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024

TOTALS	1	\$ 3,896,937	18,660	1,892,976	52,455	126,294	406,466	3,431,661	9,825,449		2.840	979	2,893,918	339,664	1,780,319	4.807,729	9,825,449		\	\$	
2024	:	166,068 \$ 152,643	'	5,852	•	•	132,979	1	291,474		2.840		16	r			2,856	288.618		9	
2023	,	\$ 166,068		5,852	,	,	•	1	171,920		•	•	466	11,713			12,179	159,741		\$ (288,618)	
	SOURCES OF FUNDS	Tax increments	Special assessments	Intergovernmental	Interest income	Miscellaneous	Transfers from other funds	Issuance of long-term debt	TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS	USES OF FUNDS	General government	Public works	Conservation and development	Interest and fiscal charges	Capital outlay	Transfer to other funds	TOTAL USES OF FUNDS	NET CHANGE		FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR	

OTHER REPORT





INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' COMPLIANCE REPORT

To the City Council City of Berlin, Wisconsin

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet and historical summary of sources, uses and status of funds of the City of Berlin, Wisconsin Tax Incremental Financing District #10 from the date the District was created through February 29, 2024 and have issued our report thereon dated APPROVAL DATE. We conducted our audit 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.

Compliance with tax increment finance district laws, regulations, and the project plan is the responsibility of the City of Berlin, Wisconsin's management. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the historical summary statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the City of Berlin's Tax Incremental Financing District #10 compliance with Wisconsin State Statutes Section 66.1105 and the project plan. 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 indicate that, with respect to the items tested, the City of Berlin's Tax Incremental Financing District #10 complied in all material respects, with the provisions referred to in the proceeding paragraph. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the City of Berlin, Wisconsin had not complied, in all material respects, with those provisions.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, City Council, overlapping taxing districts, and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

HAWKINS ASH CPAS, LLP

Manitowoc, Wisconsin APPROVAL DATE