

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

## SHORT FORM

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12/31/17  
or fiscal year ended:

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### PART 1 - CERTIFICATION OF PREPARER

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

**NAME:**  
**TITLE**  
**FIRM NAME (if applicable)**  
**ADDRESS**  
**PHONE**  
**DATE PREPARED**  
**(Must be prepared prior to Board approval)**

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**PREPARER** (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

*Leeann Fabec*

Please indicate whether the following financial information is recorded using Governmental or Proprietary fund types

**GOVERNMENTAL**  
(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)

**PROPRIETARY**  
(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)



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## PART 2 - REVENUE

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

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

## PART 3 - EXPENDITURES

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

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

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

## PART 4 - DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

		Yes	No
4-1	Does the entity have outstanding debt? If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4-2	Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4-3	Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUST explain: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4-4	Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable: (please only include principal amounts)(enter all amount as positive numbers)		
	<b>Outstanding at end of prior year*</b>	<b>Issued during year</b>	<b>Retired during year</b>
	<b>Outstanding at year-end</b>		
	<b>General obligation bonds</b>	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Revenue bonds</b>	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Notes/Loans</b>	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Leases</b>	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Developer Advances</b>	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Other (specify):</b>	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ -	\$ -

\*must tie to prior year ending balance

		Yes	No
4-5	Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	How much? <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">\$ 10,000,000.00</span>		
	Date the debt was authorized: <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">11/2/2004</span>		
4-6	Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	How much? <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">\$ -</span>		
4-7	Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	What is the amount outstanding? <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">\$ -</span>		
4-8	Does the entity have any lease agreements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	What is being leased? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>		
	What is the original date of the lease? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>		
	Number of years of lease? <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>		
	Is the lease subject to annual appropriation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	What are the annual lease payments? <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">\$ -</span>		
4-9	Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	Please provide the following <u>mills</u> levied for the year reported (do not report \$ amounts):		
	Bond Redemption		-
	General/Other		-
	<b>TOTAL</b>		-

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

## PART 5 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Please provide the entity's cash deposit and investment balances.

		Amount	Total
5-1	YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings Accounts	\$ -	
5-2	Certificates of deposit	\$ -	
	<b>Total Cash Deposits</b>		\$ -
	Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	\$ -	
5-3	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	\$ -	
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	\$ -	
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	\$ -	
	<b>Total Investments</b>		\$ -
	<b>Total Cash and Investments</b>		\$ -

Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate boxes

		Yes	No	N/A
5-4	Are the entity's Investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et. seq., C.R.S.?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5-5	Are the entity's deposits in an eligible (Public Deposit Protection Act) public depository (Section 11-10.5-101, et seq. C.R.S.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

## PART 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

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

- |     |                                                                                                                                  | Yes                      | No                                  |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 6-1 | Does the entity have capital assets?                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6-2 | Has the entity performed an annual inventory of capital assets in accordance with Section 29-1-506, C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

6-3

	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Complete the following capital assets table:				
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Machinery and equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

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Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

## PART 7 - PENSION INFORMATION

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

- |     |                                                            | Yes                      | No                                  |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 7-1 | Does the entity have an "old hire" firemen's pension plan? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 7-2 | Does the entity have a volunteer firemen's pension plan?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

If yes: Who administers the plan?

Indicate the contributions from:

Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):	\$ -
State contribution amount:	\$ -
Other (gifts, donations, etc.):	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1?	\$ -

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

## PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION

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

- |     |                                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                 | No                       | N/A                      |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 8-1 | Did the entity file a budget with the Department of Local Affairs for the current year in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.?<br>If no, MUST explain: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|     |                                                                                                                                                            |                                     |                          |                          |
| 8-2 | Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution, in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|     |                                                                                                                                                            |                                     |                          |                          |

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

General Fund	\$ 43,650

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

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

		Yes	No
9-1	<b>Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5)]?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Note: An election to exempt the government from the spending limitations of TABOR does not exempt the government from the 3 percent emergency reserve requirement. All governments should determine if they meet this requirement of TABOR.

If no, **MUST** explain:

## PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION

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

		Yes	No
10-1	<b>Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	<b>Date of formation:</b> <input style="width: 450px;" type="text"/>		
10-2	<b>Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	<b>Please list the NEW name &amp; PRIOR name:</b> <input style="width: 500px;" type="text"/>		
10-3	<b>Is the entity a metropolitan district?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Please indicate what services the entity provides:</b> <input style="width: 500px;" type="text"/> Streets, street lighting, traffic and safety improvements, sewer, landscaping, parks and recreation.		
10-4	<b>Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	<b>List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:</b> <input style="width: 500px;" type="text"/>		
10-5	<b>Has the district filed a <i>Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status</i> during the year? [Applicable to Title 32 special districts only, pursuant to Sections 32-1-103 (9.3) and 32-1-104 (3), C.R.S.]</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes:	<b>Date Filed:</b> <input style="width: 450px;" type="text"/>		

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

## PART 11 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box		YES	NO
12-1	Have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy and do you plan on submitting signatures in accordance with this policy?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

#### Policy - Requirements

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

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

**The application for exemption from audit form created by our office includes a section for governing body approval. Local governing boards note their approval and submit the application through one of the following three methods:**

- 1) Submit the application in hard copy via the US Mail including original signatures.
- 2) Submit the application electronically via email and either,
  - a. Include a copy of an adopted resolution that documents formal approval by the Board, **or**
  - b. Include electronic signatures obtained through a software program such as DocuSign or EchoSign in accordance with the requirements noted above.

## PART 11 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Print the names of ALL current governing board members below.

A MAJORITY of the governing board members must complete and sign in the column below.

<b>Board Member 1</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: <u>Gordon Lundquist</u></p>	<p>I <u>Gordon Lundquist</u>, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: <u>[Signature]</u>                      Date: <u>3/29/18</u>                      My term Expires: <u>May 2018</u></p>
<b>Board Member 2</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: <u>Richard Dieckmann</u> <del>James V. Capecelatro</del></p>	<p>I <u>James V. Capecelatro</u>, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: <u>[Signature]</u>                      Date: <u>3/29/18</u>                      My term Expires: <u>May 2018</u></p>
<b>Board Member 3</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: <u>Allen G. Gerstenberger</u></p>	<p>I <u>Allen G. Gerstenberger</u>, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: _____                      Date: _____                      My term Expires: <u>May 2020</u></p>
<b>Board Member 4</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: <u>James V. Capecelatro</u> <del>Richard Dieckmann</del></p>	<p>I <u>Richard Dieckmann</u>, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: <u>[Signature]</u>                      Date: <u>3/29/18</u>                      My term Expires: <u>May 2020</u></p>
<b>Board Member 5</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: <u>Ronald Lundquist</u></p>	<p>I <u>Ronald Lundquist</u>, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: _____                      Date: _____                      My term Expires: <u>May 2020</u></p>
<b>Board Member 6</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: _____</p>	<p>I _____, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: _____                      Date: _____                      My term Expires: _____</p>
<b>Board Member 7</b>	<p>Print Board Member's Name: _____</p>	<p>I _____, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit.                      Signed: _____                      Date: _____                      My term Expires: _____</p>

**Original Signatures  
Verified by**

Justin L. Smith

[Signature]

appointed board member for exemption

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
STERLING CROSSING COMMERCIAL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
REGARDING AN AUDIT EXEMPTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Sterling Crossing Commercial Metropolitan District (the "District") was created pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of §§ 32-1-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 29-1-603(1), C.R.S., the governing body of each local government in the State of Colorado shall cause to be made an annual audit of the financial statements of the local government for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 29-1-604(1), C.R.S., any local government where neither revenues nor expenditures exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) in any fiscal year commencing on or after January 1, 1998, may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provisions of the Colorado Local Government Audit Law, §§ 29-1-601, *et seq.*, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 29-1-604(2)(a), C.R.S., any local government where revenues or expenditures for any fiscal year commencing on or after January 1, 2004, but prior to January 1, 2015, are least One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) but not more than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000), may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provisions of the Colorado Local Government Audit Law, §§ 29-1-601, *et seq.*, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 29-1-604(2)(b), C.R.S., any local government where revenues or expenditures for any fiscal year commencing on or after January 1, 2015, are least One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) but not more than Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000), may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from the provisions of the Colorado Local Government Audit Law, §§ 29-1-601, *et seq.*, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2017, neither the District's revenues nor expenditures exceeded One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000); and

WHEREAS, the District desires to apply for an exemption from the provisions of the Colorado Local Government Audit Law and desires legal counsel to engage a person skilled in governmental accounting to apply for this exemption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STERLING CROSSING COMMERCIAL METROPOLITAN DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM 2017 AUDIT. The District hereby authorizes and directs legal counsel to engage the services of a person skilled in governmental