

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

## SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT  
ADDRESS

SEDGWICK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
1422 CO RD 17  
SEDGWICK, CO 80749

For the Year Ended  
12/31/22  
or fiscal year ended:

CONTACT PERSON  
PHONE  
EMAIL

RICK LECHMAN  
970-520-9399

### 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

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3/16/2023

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)



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

GOVERNMENTAL  
(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS)



PROPRIETARY  
(CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)



## PART 2 - REVENUE

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

Line#	Description	Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
2-1	Taxes: Property (report mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 33,611	
2-2	Specific ownership	\$ 3,794	
2-3	Sales and use	\$ -	
2-4	Other (specify):	\$ -	
2-5	Licenses and permits	\$ -	
2-6	Intergovernmental: Grants	\$ 10,416	
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	\$ 311	
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	\$ 40,000	
2-21	Other (specify): REFUND	\$ 228	
2-22	STATE OF NE FIRE REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 1,383	
2-23		\$ -	
2-24	(add lines 2-1 through 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 89,743	

## PART 3 - EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

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

Line#	Description	Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this space to provide any necessary explanations
3-1	Administrative	\$ 1,044	
3-2	Salaries	\$ -	
3-3	Payroll taxes	\$ -	
3-4	Contract services	\$ 621	
3-5	Employee benefits	\$ -	
3-6	Insurance	\$ 11,150	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ 650	
3-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ -	
3-9	Supplies	\$ 7,991	
3-10	Utilities and telephone	\$ 756	
3-11	Fire/Police	\$ -	
3-12	Streets and highways	\$ -	
3-13	Public health	\$ -	
3-14	Capital outlay	\$ 62,950	
3-15	Utility operations	\$ -	
3-16	Culture and recreation	\$ -	
3-17	Debt service principal (should agree with Part 4)	\$ -	
3-18	Debt service interest	\$ -	
3-19	Repayment of Developer Advance Principal (should agree with line 4-4)	\$ -	
3-20	Repayment of Developer Advance Interest	\$ -	
3-21	Contribution to pension plan (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
3-22	Contribution to Fire & Police Pension Assoc. (should agree to line 7-2)	\$ -	
3-23	Other (specify):	\$ -	
3-24		\$ -	
3-25		\$ -	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$ 85,162	

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)				
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Notes/Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Lease Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (specify):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

\*must tie to prior year ending balance

Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes.

	Yes	No
4-5 Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt? If yes: How much? <span style="float: right;">\$ -</span> Date the debt was authorized: <span style="float: right;">_____</span>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4-6 Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar year? If yes: How much? <span style="float: right;">\$ -</span>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4-7 Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is still responsible for? If yes: What is the amount outstanding? <span style="float: right;">\$ -</span>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4-8 Does the entity have any lease agreements? If yes: What is being leased? _____ What is the original date of the lease? _____ Number of years of lease? _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is the lease subject to annual appropriation? What are the annual lease payments? <span style="float: right;">\$ -</span>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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	\$ 117,549	
5-2 Certificates of deposit	\$ 158,676	
<b>Total Cash Deposits</b>		<b>\$ 276,225</b>
Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):		
_____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
5-3 _____	\$ -	
_____	\$ -	
<b>Total Investments</b>		<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Total Cash and Investments</b>		<b>\$ 276,225</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

## PART 6 - CAPITAL AND RIGHT-TO-USE ASSETS

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

Yes                      No

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

6-3 Complete the following capital & right-to-use assets table:

	Balance - beginning of the year*	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Buildings	\$ 405,130	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 405,130
Machinery and equipment	\$ 317,091	\$ 62,950	\$ -	\$ 380,041
Furniture and fixtures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leased Right-to-Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other (explain):	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization (Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 722,221</b>	<b>\$ 62,950</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 785,171</b>

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" firefighters' pension plan?
- 7-2 Does the entity have a volunteer firefighters' pension plan?
- 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.?
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- 8-2 Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution, in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:
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If yes: Please indicate the amount budgeted for each fund for the year reported:

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
GENERAL FUND	\$ 123,840
FIREMAN'S PENSION FUND	\$ 4,000

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

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

Yes

No

**9-1** Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR [State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5)]?

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



If no, MUST explain:

## PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION

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

Yes

No

**10-1** Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity?



If yes: Date of formation:

**10-2** Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?



If yes: Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:

**10-3** Is the entity a metropolitan district?



Please indicate what services the entity provides:

**10-4** Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?



If yes: List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:

**10-5** Has the district filed a *Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status* during



If yes: Date Filed:

**10-6** Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?



If yes:

Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported (do not report \$ amounts):

Bond Redemption mills	-
General/Other mills	3.401
<b>Total mills</b>	<b>3.401</b>

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General/Other mills	3.401
<b>Total mills</b>	<b>3.401</b>

Please use this space to provide any explanations or comments:

## PART 11 - GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

YES

NO

12-1 If you plan to submit this form electronically, have you read the new Electronic Signature Policy?  YES  NO

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

#### Policy - Requirements

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

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

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

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

Print the names of ALL members of current governing body below.  
Print Board Member's Name

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

Board Member 1	MISSY KOENEN	I <u>Missy Koenen</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>Missy Koenen</u> Date: <u>3/30/23</u> My term Expires: <u>2027</u>
Board Member 2	RICK LECHMAN	I <u>Rick Lechman</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>Rick Lechman</u> Date: <u>3/30/23</u> My term Expires: <u>2025</u>
Board Member 3	DAVID TOYNE	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 <u>David Toyne</u> Date: <u>3-30-23</u> My term Expires: <u>2027</u>
Board Member 4		I _____, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____
Board Member 5		I _____, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____
Board Member 6		I _____, attest I am a duly elected or appointed board member, and that I have personally reviewed and approve this application for exemption from audit. Signed _____ Date: _____ My term Expires: _____
Board Member 7		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: _____

SEDGWICK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RELOLUTION TO ADOPT APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR THE SEDGWICK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COLORADO, FOR THE CALENDER YEAR BEGINNING ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2022 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2022.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sedgwick Fire Protection District has received a proposed application for Exemption from Audit on March 16, 2023, for its consideration;

WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for Sedgwick Fire Protection District exceed \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from audit for Sedgwick Fire Protection District has been prepared by Daniel M. Pederson, a person skilled in governmental accounting; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SEDGWICK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COLORADO:

That the Sedgwick Fire Protection District meets the requirements of the local Government Audit Law under Section 29-1-603 C.R.S.

ADOPTED, this 30 day of March, 2023.

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Secretary

SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
SEDGWICK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A Special meeting was called to consider the resolution to adopt the Application for exemption from Audit.

RESOLVED: that the Resolution to Adopt the Application for exemption from Audit, a copy of which is hereby attached, was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

Signed this 30 day of March, 2023.

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Sedgwick fire Protection District Board of Directors held on March \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

  
Chairman

**LIITTJOHANN, KAUFFMAN and PEDERSON**  
Certified Public Accountants

David A. Kauffman, C.P.A., P.C.

Daniel M. Pederson, C.P.A.'s P.C.

Sedgwick Fire Protection District  
Sedgwick, CO 80749

We have compiled the accompanying Application for Exemption from Audit as of  
December 31, 2022.

A compilation is limited to presenting information that is the representation of management.  
We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying Application for Exemption from Audit  
and accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the  
application.

We are not independent in relation to this engagement.



Liittjohann, Kauffman and Pederson  
Certified Public Accountants

March 16, 2023

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