

Application for Exemption From Audit

Short Form

Instructions

If either revenues or expenditures exceed \$200,000, use the Long Form

Under the Local Government Audit Law (Section 29-1-601, et seq., C.R.S.) any local government may apply for an exemption from audit if neither revenues nor expenditures exceed \$1,000,000 in the year.

Exemptions from audit are NOT automatic

To qualify for exemption from audit, a local government must complete an Application for Exemption from Audit **each year** and submit it to the Office of the State Auditor (OSA). Approval for an exemption from audit is granted only upon the review by the OSA.

Any preparer of an Application for Exemption from Audit — Short Form must be a person skilled in governmental accounting.

Read ALL instructions before completing and submitting this form

All applications must be filed with the OSA **within 3 months** after the accounting year-end.

For example, applications must be received by the OSA on or before March 31 for governments with a December 31 year-end. Applications for exemption from audit are not eligible for an extension of time.

Governmental activity should be reported on the modified accrual basis. Proprietary activity should be reported on a cash or budgetary basis.

Important!

All Applications for Exemption from Audit are subject to review and approval by the Office of the State Auditor.

Governmental Activity should be reported on the **Modified Accrual Basis**.

Proprietary Activity should be reported on a **Budgetary Basis**.

Failure to file an application or denial of the request could cause the local government to lose its exemption from audit for that year and the ensuing year. In that event, an audit shall be required.

Postmark dates will not be accepted as proof of submission on or before the statutory deadline

Prior year forms are obsolete and will not be accepted.

Applications must be fully and accurately completed. Applications submitted on forms other than those prescribed by the OSA will not be accepted.

For your reference, the Colorado Revised Statutes are available through the [LexisNexis Colorado portal](#).

Checklist

- ☒ Has the preparer signed the application prior to board approval?
- ☒ Has the entity corrected all prior year deficiencies as communicated by the OSA?
- ☒ Has the application been **personally** reviewed and approved by the governing body?
- ☒ Are all sections on the form complete, including responses to all of the questions?
- ☒ Did you include any relevant explanations for unusual items in the appropriate spaces at the end of each section?

Will this application be submitted electronically? ☒ Yes ☐ No

☐ If yes, have you read and understood the Electronic Signature Policy? See policy in Part 10.

Part 1: Revenues

Part 1A: Revenues Table

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	Total (round to nearest dollar)
1-1	Taxes: Property (report mills levied in line 9-12)	\$ 3,045
1-2	Specific ownership	\$ 525
1-3	Sales and use	
	Other (specify in line 1-4):	
1-4	Personal Property Loss	\$ 9
1-5	Licenses and permits	\$ 0
1-6	Intergovernmental: Grants	\$ 0
1-7	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ 0
1-8	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ 0
	Other (specify in line 1-9):	
1-9	Government Backfill	\$ 8
1-10	Charges for services	
1-11	Fines and forfeits	
1-12	Special assessments	
1-13	Investment income	
1-14	Charges for utility services	
1-15	Debt proceeds (should agree to Part 3, Debt Schedule Table, column 'issued during year')	
1-16	Lease proceeds (should agree to Part 3, Debt Schedule Table, column 'issued during year')	
1-17	Developer Advances received (should agree to Part 3, Debt Schedule Table, column 'issued during year')	
1-18	Proceeds from sale of capital assets	
1-19	Fire and police pension	
1-20	Donations	\$ 74
	Other (specify in lines 1-21 through 1-24)	
1-21	East End Senior Citizens Rent	\$ 1,800
1-22		
1-23		
1-24		
1-25	TOTAL REVENUES (add lines 1-1 through 1-24)	\$ 5,461

IF TOTAL REVENUES OR TOTAL EXPENDITURES ARE GREATER THAN \$200,000 — STOP.

You may not use this form. Please use the Application for Exemption from Audit - Long Form.

Part 2: Expenditures/Expenses

Part 2A: Expenditures/Expenses Table

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	Total (round to nearest dollar)
2-1	Administrative	\$ 0
2-2	Salaries	\$ 0
2-3	Payroll taxes	\$ 0
2-4	Contract services	\$ 0
2-5	Employee benefits	\$ 0
2-6	Insurance	\$ 0
2-7	Accounting and legal fees	\$ 163
2-8	Repair and maintenance	\$ 1,406
2-9	Supplies	\$ 74
2-10	Utilities and telephone	\$ 2,320
2-11	Fire/Police	\$ 0
2-12	Streets and highways	\$ 0
2-13	Public health	\$ 0
2-14	Capital outlay	\$ 0
2-15	Utility operations	\$ 0
2-16	Culture and recreation	\$ 0
2-17	Debt service principal (should agree to Part 3, Debt Schedule Table 'Retired during year')	\$ 0
2-18	Debt service interest	\$ 0
2-19	Repayment of Developer Advances Principal (should agree to Part 3, Debt Schedule Table, column 'Retired during year')	\$ 0
2-20	Repayment of Developer Advances Interest	\$ 0
2-21	Contribution to pension plan	\$ 0
2-22	Contribution to Fire & Police Pension Association	\$ 0
2-23	Other (specify in lines 2-24 through 2-27)	
2-24	New Picnic Tables for the Park, Built by the Eads FFA	\$ 900
2-25	Mowing and Watering Trees	\$ 550
2-26	Scholarship	\$ 500
2-27	Cleaning store rooms and closets, Plainview Senior Class	\$ 500
2-28	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES (Add lines 2-1 through 2-27)	\$ 6,413

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Part 3: Debt Outstanding, Issued, and Retired

3-1	Does the entity have outstanding debt?	☐ Yes	☒ No
3-2	If no, skip to line 3-13. If yes, please attach a copy of the entity's debt repayment schedule.		
3-3	Is the debt repayment schedule attached?	☒ N/A	☐ Yes ☐ No
	If no, MUST explain below.		
3-4	Is the entity current in its debt service payments?	☐ Yes	☒ No
	If no, MUST explain below.		
3-5	If no, also indicate if the government is in default with its bond agreements.	☐ Yes	☒ No

Debt Schedule Table

Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable.

Please only include principal amounts. Enter all amounts as positive numbers.

Line	Debt Type	Outstanding at End of Prior Year*	Issued During Year	Retired During Year	Outstanding at Year-End
3-6	General Obligation Bonds				\$ 0
3-7	Revenue Bonds				\$ 0
3-8	Notes/Loans				\$ 0
3-9	Lease & SBITA** Liabilities (GASB 87 & 96)				\$ 0
3-10	Developer Advances				\$ 0
	Other (specify in line 3-11)				
3-11					\$ 0
3-12	TOTAL (Add lines 3-6 through 3-11)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

*Must agree to prior year-end balance

**Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements

Comments (optional)

Part 4: Cash and Investments

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

Line	Description	Amount
4-1	Year-end Total of all Checking and Savings Accounts	\$ 12,173
4-2	Certificates of deposit	
4-3	TOTAL CASH DEPOSITS (Add lines 4-1 and 4-2)	\$ 12,173
Investments (specify in lines 4-4 through 4-8. If investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investment.)		
4-4		
4-5		
4-6		
4-7		
4-8		
4-9	Total Investments (Add lines 4-4 through 4-8)	\$ 0
4-10	TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Add lines 4-3 and 4-9)	\$ 12,173

4-11	Are the entity's investments legal in accordance with Section 24-75-601, et. seq., C.R.S.?	☐ N/A	☒ Yes	☐ No
4-12	Are the entity's deposits in an eligible (Public Deposit Protection Act) public depository (Section 11-10.5-101, et seq. C.R.S.)?		☒ Yes	☐ No
4-13	If no, MUST explain below.			

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

Part 6: Pension Information

6-1	Does the entity have an "old hire" firefighters' pension plan?	☐ Yes	☒ No
6-2	Does the entity have a volunteer firefighters' pension plan?	☐ Yes	☒ No
6-3	If yes, who administers the plan?		
	Indicate the contributions from the following in lines 6-4 through 6-6.		
6-4	Tax (property, specific ownership, sales, etc.)		\$ 0
6-5	State contribution amount		\$ 0
6-6	Other (gifts, donations, etc.)		\$ 0
6-7	TOTAL (Add lines 6-4 through 6-6)		\$ 0
6-8	What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per retiree as of Jan 1?		

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

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Part 8: Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR)

8-1	Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR (State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5))?	☒ Yes	☐ No
8-2	If no, MUST explain below.		

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

Please use the space below to provide any additional information (optional).

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Part 10: Governing Body Approval

10-1	If you plan to submit this form electronically, have you read the Electronic Signature Policy?	☒ Yes	☐ No
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Office of the State Auditor — Local Government Division Exemption Form Electronic Signature Policy and Procedure

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 must note their approval and submit the application using one of the following two methods:

- 1) Submit the application in hard copy via U.S. 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.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 FOR THE TOWNER RECREATION DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Towner Hall Board of the Towner Recreation District wishes to claim exemption for the audit requirements of section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., states that any local government where neither revenues nor expenditures exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars may, with the approval of the State Auditor, be exempt from provisions of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for the Towner Recreation District exceeded \$100,000 for the fiscal year 2023, has been prepared by Susan Greenfield, a person skilled in governmental accounting.

WHEREAS, said application for exemption has been completed in accordance with regulations, issued by the State Auditor.

Now THEREFORE, be it resolved/ordained by the Towner Hall Board of the Towner Recreation District that the application for exemption from audit for the Towner Recreation District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2025, has been personally reviewed and approved by a majority of the Towner Hall Board of the Towner Recreation District; that those members of the Towner Hall Board have signified their approval by signing below; and that this resolution shall be attached to, and shall be part of, the application for exemption from audit of the Towner Recreation District for the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2025.

Adopted this 24 day of March, A.D. 2026.