# **APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT**

# SHORT FORM

# IF <u>EITHER</u> REVENUES <u>OR</u> EXPENDITURES EXCEED \$100,000, 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 \$750,000 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 <u>EACH YEAR</u> and submit it to the Office of the State Auditor (OSA).

Any preparer of an Application for Exemption from Audit-SHORT FORM must be a person skilled in governmental accounting.

Approval for an exemption from audit is granted only upon the review by the OSA.

#### 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 <u>MUST BE RECEIVED</u> 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 BUDGETARY BASIS

#### POSTMARK DATES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION ON OR BEFORE THE STATUATORY DEADLINE

PRIOR YEAR FORMS ARE OBSOLETE AND WILL <u>NOT</u> BE ACCEPTED.

APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED ON FORMS OTHER THAN THOSE PRESCRIBED BY THE OSA WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

FOR YOUR REFERENCE, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CAN BE FOUND AT:

http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/Colorado/

APPLICATIONS MUST BE FULLY AND ACCURATELY COMPLETED.

#### CHECKLIST

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	Has the preparer signed the application?	Checkout our web portal. Register your account and submit electronic Applications for Exemption
Has the entity corrected all Prior Year Deficiencies as communicated by the OSA?		From Audit, Extension of Time to File requests, Audited Financial Statements, and more! See the
Has th	ne application been PERSONALLY reviewed and approved by the governing body?	link below.
Did yo	ou include any relevant explanations for unusual items in the appropriate spaces at the end of each section?	
	Will this application be submitted electronically?	Click here to go to the portal
	If yes, have you read and understand the new Electronic Signature Policy? See <u>Click Here</u> new policy ->	check not be go to the pertu.
or-	-	
	If yes, have you included a resolution?	
	Does the resolution state that the governing body <u>PERSONALLY</u> reviewed and approved the resolution in an open public meeting?	
	Has the resolution been signed by a <u>MAJORITY</u> of the governing body? (See sample resolution.)	
Will t	this application be submitted via a mail service? (e.g. US Post Office, FedEx, UPS, courier.)	
	If yes, does the application include <u>ORIGINAL INK SIGNATURES</u> from the <u>MAJORITY</u> of the governing body?	

#### FILING METHODS

Register and submit your Applications at our web portal! For faster processing the web portal is the preferred method for submission

WEB PORTAL: https://apps.leg.co.gov/osa/lg

**MAIL: Office of the State Auditor** 

Local Government Audit Division 1525 Sherman St., 7th Floor

Denver, CO 80203

Please Note: The OSA's email addresses have changed as of December 1, 2023. Please ensure you are using the email address

noted below.

QUESTIONS? Email: osa.lg@coleg.gov OR Phone: 303-869-3000

# **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 the Cash or 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.

# **APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT**

#### SHORT FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT
ADDRESS

C/O Pinnacle Consulting Group, Inc.
550 W Eisenhower Blvd
Loveland, CO 80537

CONTACT PERSON
PHONE
PHONE
970-669-3611
EMAIL

EMAIL

For the Year Ended
12/31/23
or fiscal year ended:
12/31/2

# **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: Amanda Castle

TITLE District Accountant

FIRM NAME (if applicable) Pinnacle Consulting Group, Inc.

ADDRESS 550 W Eisenhower Blvd, Loveland, CO 80537

PHONE 970.669.3611

PHONE 970-669-3611				
PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)			D	ATE PREPARED
Mmanda Kae Caster				03/08/2024
Please indicate whether the following financial information			MENTAL RUAL BASIS)	PROPRIETARY (CASH OR BUDGETARY BASIS)
using Governmental or Proprietary fund types	vernmental or Proprietary fund types	V		

# **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 D	ollar	Please use this
2-1	Taxes: Prope	rty (report mills lev	ied in Question 10-6)	\$	-	space to provide
2-2	Speci	fic ownership		\$	-	any necessary
2-3	Sales	and use		\$	-	explanations
2-4	Other	(specify):		\$	-	
2-5	Licenses and permits			\$	-	
2-6	Intergovernmental:	Grants		\$	-	
2-7		Conservation	n Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$	-	
2-8		Highway Us	ers Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$	-	
2-9		Other (spec	ify):	\$	-	
2-10	Charges for services			\$	-	
2-11	Fines and forfeits			\$	-	
2-12	Special assessments			\$	-	
2-13	Investment income			\$	-	
2-14	Charges for utility services	3		\$	-	
2-15	Debt proceeds		should agree with line 4-4, column 2)	\$	-	
2-16	Lease proceeds			\$	-	
2-17	Developer Advances recei		(should agree with line 4-4)	\$	31,745	
2-18	Proceeds from sale of cap	ital assets		\$	-	_
2-19	Fire and police pension			\$	-	
2-20	Donations			\$	-	
2-21	Other (specify):			\$	-	
2-22				\$	-	]
2-23				\$	-	
2-24		(add lines 2-1 throug	n 2-23) TOTAL REVENUE	\$	31,745	

### **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	monado rana oquity imon	TIGET	Round to nearest Dollar	Please use this
3-1	Administrative		\$	14,148	space to provide
3-2	Salaries		\$	-	any necessary
3-3	Payroll taxes		\$	-	explanations
3-4	Contract services		\$	-	
3-5	Employee benefits		\$	-	
3-6	Insurance		\$	-	
3-7	Accounting and legal fees		\$	16,528	
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	Capital outlay		\$	-	
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		(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	Election		\$	1,069	
3-25			\$	-	
3-26	(add lines 3-1 through 3-24) TOTAL EXPENI	DITURES/EXPENSES	\$	31,745	

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

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	PART 4 - DEBT OUTSTANDING	ة, K	SSUEL	) <b>,</b> ₽	AND RE	: I IK	ED		
	Please answer the following questions by marking the	approp	oriate boxes.				Yes		No
4-1	Does the entity have outstanding debt?			J					
4.0	If Yes, please attach a copy of the entity's Debt Repayment Schedule.						7		7
4-2	Is the debt repayment schedule attached? If no, MUST explain No set repayment schedule. Repayment will occur if and who			ilah	la .				<u> </u>
	No set repayment schedule. Repayment will occur il and will	en iui	nus are ava	шар	ie.				
4-3	Is the entity current in its debt service payments? If no, MUS	Техр	lain below:			_			
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4-4	Please complete the following debt schedule, if applicable:								
	(please only include principal amounts)(enter all amount as positive		standing at of prior year*	Iss	ued during year		ed during year		tstanding at year-end
	numbers)								
	General obligation bonds	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Revenue bonds	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Notes/Loans	\$	70,289	\$	-	\$	-	\$	70,289
	Lease & SBITA** Liabilities [GASB 87 & 96]	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Developer Advances	\$	109,195	\$	31,745	\$	-	\$	140,940
	Other (specify):	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	TOTAL	\$	179,484	\$	31,745	\$	-	\$	211,229
**Subscrip	tion Based Information Technology Arrangements	*Mus	t agree to prio	r yea	r-end balance			-	
	Please answer the following questions by marking the appropriate boxes						Yes		No
4-5	Does the entity have any authorized, but unissued, debt?	_				ı	<b>√</b>		
If yes:	How much?	\$			00,000.00				
	Date the debt was authorized:		11/6/2	2018					
4-6	Does the entity intend to issue debt within the next calendar		•						<b>✓</b>
If yes:	How much?	\$			-				
4-7	Does the entity have debt that has been refinanced that it is s	still re	esponsible	for?					1
If yes:	What is the amount outstanding?	\$ -							
4-8	Does the entity have any lease agreements?								7
If yes:	What is being leased? What is the original date of the lease?								
	Number of years of lease?								
	Is the lease subject to annual appropriation?					I			
	What are the annual lease payments?	\$			_		_		_
	Part 4 - Please use this space to provide any explanations/cor	T	ts or attacl	h sei	parate doc	umenta	ation. if n	eede	ed
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	PART 5 - CASH AND INVESTME	NTS				
	Please provide the entity's cash deposit and investment balances.		Aı	nount		Total
5-1	YEAR-END Total of ALL Checking and Savings Accounts		\$	4,102		
5-2	Certificates of deposit		\$	-		
	Total Cash Deposits				\$	4,102
	Investments (if investment is a mutual fund, please list underlying investments):			•		
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			\$	-		
5-3			\$	-		
			\$	-		
	T-4-1 hourstoned		\$	-	Φ.	
	Total Investments				\$	- 4 400
	Total Cash and Investments				\$	4,102
	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.		Г			7
	seq., C.R.S.?	_	_	<del></del>		_
5-5	Are the entity's deposits in an eligible (Public Deposit Protection Act) public	<b>4</b>	Г	$\neg$		
	depository (Section 11-10.5-101, et seq. C.R.S.)?		L	_		_
If no, MU	JST use this space to provide any explanations:					

	PART 6 - CAPITAL AND RI	GHT.	TO-U	SE ASSI	FTS	
	Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate box				Yes	No
6-1	Does the entity have capital assets?					7
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:	Balar beginnin yea	g of the	Additions (Must be included in Part 3)	Deletions	Year-End Balance
	Land	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Buildings Machinery and assignment	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Machinery and equipment Furniture and fixtures	\$	-	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -
	Infrastructure	\$	-	\$ - \$ -	\$ -	1
	Construction In Progress (CIP)	\$		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Leased & SBITA Right-to-Use Assets	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other (explain):	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization	•		¢		
	(Please enter a negative, or credit, balance)	\$	_	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL	\$	-	\$ -	-	-
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	Part 6 - Please use this space to provide any explanations	s/comme	nts or a	ttach docume	ntation, if need	ea:
	PART 7 - PENSION	INFO	RMA	IION		
	Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate box				Yes	No
7-1	Does the entity have an "old hire" firefighters' pension plan?					<u> </u>
7-2	Does the entity have a volunteer firefighters' pension plan?				n 🗆	7
If yes:	Who administers the plan?					
	Indicate the contributions from:		ı		7	
	Tax (property, SO, sales, etc.):			\$ -	_	
	State contribution amount:			\$ - \$ -	-	
	Other (gifts, donations, etc.): TOTAL			\$ - \$ -	-	
	What is the monthly benefit paid for 20 years of service per re	otiroo as	of Jan	Ψ -	-	
	1?	otil oo do	or our	\$ -		
	Part 7 - Please use this space to provide	any expla	anations	s or comments	S:	
	PART 8 - BUDGET I	INFO	RMA'	TION		
	Please answer the following questions by marking in the appropriate box	es.		Yes	No	N/A
8-1	Did the entity file a budget with the Department of Local Affairs for		ent year	7		
	in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:					
8-2	Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution, in accordan	co with S	Section		_	_
	29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain:	CG WILLI	Jection	<b>√</b>		
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If yes:	Please indicate the amount budgeted for each fund for the year	ar report	ted:	ı		
•	Covernmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total-A	nnransie	tions By Fund		
	Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name General Fund	\$	<del>rbbrobria</del>	42,690	1	
	Conorai i unu	<b>"</b>		72,090	1	
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	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.	3	Ц			

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?		Ø
If yes: 10-2	Date of formation:  Has the entity changed its name in the past or current year?		V
If yes:	Please list the NEW name & PRIOR name:		
		] 	П
10-3	Is the entity a metropolitan district? Please indicate what services the entity provides:	. <u> </u>	Ц
<b>10-4</b> If yes:	Streets, Utilities, Public Parking Facilities, Parks and Recreation  Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services?  List the name of the other governmental entity and the services provided:		<b>V</b>
<b>10-5</b> If yes:	Has the district filed a <i>Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status</i> during Date Filed:	]	<b></b> ✓
10-6	Does the entity have a certified Mill Levy?		<b>7</b>
If yes:	Please provide the following mills levied for the year reported (do not report \$ amounts):		
	Bond Redemption mills General/Other mills Total mills		- - -
	Yes	No	N/A
10-7	NEW 2023! If the entity is a Title 32 Special District formed on or after 7/1/2000, has the entity filed its preceding year annual report with the State Auditor as required under SB 21-262 [Section 32-1-207 C.R.S.]? If NO, please explain.		
	Please use this space to provide any additional explanations or comments not previous	nusly included:	

	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?	7				

# 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.		A <u>MAJORITY</u> of the members of the governing body must sign below.		
Board Member 1	Print Board Member's Name  Brett E. Weiss	IBrett E. Weiss		
Board Member 2	Print Board Member's Name Bryon T. Weiss	IBryon T. Weiss, 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		
Board Member 3	Print Board Member's Name  Jennifer Jeung	IJennifer Jeung		
Board Member 4	Print Board Member's Name Louis Davis	ILouis Davis		
Board Member 5	Print Board Member's Name Andrew Weiss	IAndrew Weiss		
Board Member 6	Print Board Member's Name	I		
Board Member 7	Print Board Member's Name	I		

# **EXAMPLE - DO NOT FILL OUT THIS PAGE**

This sample resolution/ordinance for exemption from audit is provided as an example of the documentation that is required. The wording may be used as a basis for your own local government document, if needed; however you <a href="MUST">MUST</a> draft your own ordinance or resolution making any changes where applicable. Legal counsel should be consulted regarding any questions.

#### RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

(Pursuant to Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 20XX FOR THE (name of government), STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the (governing body) of (name of government) wishes to claim exemption from the cudy 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 the provision of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

#### [Choose 1 or 2 below, whichever is applicable]

(1)WHEREAS, neither revenue nor expenditures for (name of government) exceeded \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 20XX; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from a voit in (name of government) has been prepared by (name of individual), a person skilled in governmental accounts and

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(2)WHEREAS, neither revenues nor expenditures for (name of government) exceeded \$750,000 for Fiscal Year 20XX; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption from such that for (name of government) has been prepared by (name of individual or firm), an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved/ordained by the (governing body) of the (name of government) that the application for exemption from audit for (name of government) for the Fiscal Year ended \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20XX, has been personally reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the (governing body) of the (name of government); that those members of the (governing body) have signified their approval by signing below; and that this resolution shall be attached to, and shall become a part of, the application for exemption from audit of the (name of government) for the fiscal year ended \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20XX.

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, A.D. 20XX.

# EXAMPLE - DO <u>NOT</u> FILL OUT THIS PAGE

Mayor/President/Chairman, etc.		
ATTEST:		
ATTEST.		
Town Clerk, Secretary, etc.		
	Date	
Type or Print Names of	Term	Significant
Members of Governing Body	Expires	Signature
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