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Board of Directors
Aspen Springs Metro District
Pagosa Springs, Colorado

Attached is the Application for Exemption-Long Form, for the Aspen Springs Metro District for your year ended December 31, 2023. The Board needs to approve this report and members need to sign the resolution at the back of the report. On the front of the application are instructions including filing methods. The state would prefer you file it electronically.

Michael C. Branch, CPA

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT LONG FORM

FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH EITHER REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES MORE THAN \$100,000 BUT NOT MORE THAN \$750,000

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 for 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) for approval. Any preparer of an Application for Exemption from Audit must be an independent accountant with knowledge of 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 MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE OSA ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31 FOR GOVERNMENTS WITH A DECEMBER 31 YEAR-END. APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT SUBMISSIONS 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.

PRIOR YEAR FORMS ARE OBSOLETE AND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. POSTMARK DATES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION ON OR BEFORE THE STATUTORY DEADLINE.

APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED ON FORMS OTHER THAN THOSE PRESCRIBED BY THE OSA WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. APPLICATIONS MUST BE FULLY AND ACCURATELY COMPLETED. FOR YOUR REFERENCE, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CAN BE FOUND AT THIS ADDRESS: <http://www.legisnetns.com/nidropics/Colorado/>

CHECKLIST

- Has the preparer signed the application?
- Has the entry 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 of 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?
 - If yes, have you read and understand the new Electronic Signature Policy? See new [here](#) policy
- or--
 - Have you included a resolution?
 - Does the resolution state that the governing body PERSONALLY reviewed and approved the resolution in an open public meeting?
 - Has the resolution been signed by a MAJORITY of the governing body? (See sample resolution.)
- Will this application be submitted via a mail service? (e.g. US Post Office, FedEx, UPS, courier.)
 - If yes, does the application include ORIGINAL INK SIGNATURES from the MAJORITY of the governing body?

FILING METHODS

WEB PORTAL: Register and submit your Applications at our web portal: <https://apps.leg.co.gov/osalg> For faster processing the web portal is the preferred method for submission.
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.
Email: osalg@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 -- A Budget to GAAP reconciliation is provided in Part 3. 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.

Checkout our web portal. Register your account and submit electronic Applications for Exemption From Audit, Extension of Time to File requests, Audited Financial Statements, and more! See the link below.

[Click here to go to the portal](#)

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT

LONG FORM

NAME OF GOVERNMENT ADDRESS

Aspen Springs Metro District
PO Box 4195
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

For the Year Ended
12/31/2023
or fiscal year ended:

CONTACT PERSON PHONE EMAIL

Michael Brecker

CERTIFICATION OF PREPARER

I certify that I am an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting and that the information in the Application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the Audit Law requires that a person independent of the entity complete the application if revenues or expenditure are at least \$100,000 but not more than \$750,000 and that independent means someone who is separate from the entity.

NAME: TITLE FIRM NAME (if applicable) ADDRESS PHONE RELATIONSHIP TO ENTITY

Michael C Branch CPA
CPA
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PO Box 1333, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
970-264-2135
Independent

PREPARER (SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

DATE PREPARED

Has the entity filed for, or has the district filed, a Title 32, Article 1 Special District Notice of Inactive Status 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.]

YES	NO	If Yes, date filed:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1/23/24

PART 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - BALANCE SHEET

* Indicate Name of Fund

NOTE: Attach additional sheets as necessary

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*	
Assets							
1-1	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 384,008	\$ -	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	
1-2	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	Investments	\$ -	\$ -	
1-3	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -	Receivables	\$ -	\$ -	
1-4	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ 16,139	\$ -	Due from Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
1-5	Property Tax Receivable	\$ 452,117	\$ -	Other Current Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
	All Other Assets [specify...]						
1-6	Lease Receivable (as Lessor)	\$ -	\$ -				
1-7		\$ -	\$ -				
1-8		\$ -	\$ -	Total Current Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-9		\$ -	\$ -	Capital & Right to Use Assets, net (from Part 6-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -	Other Long Term Assets [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-10		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-11	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 852,264	\$ -	(add lines 1-1 through 1-10) TOTAL ASSETS	\$ -	\$ -	
Deferred Outflows of Resources:							
1-12	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-13	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	[specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-14	(add lines 1-12 through 1-13) TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	(add lines 1-12 through 1-13) TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	
1-15	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ 852,264	\$ -	TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	
Liabilities							
1-16	Accounts Payable	\$ 29,949	\$ -	Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-17	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ 3,348	\$ -	Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	
1-18	Unearned Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	Accrued Interest Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
1-19	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	Due to Other Entities or Funds	\$ -	\$ -	
1-20	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	All Other Current Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	
1-21	(add lines 1-16 through 1-20) TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 33,297	\$ -	(add lines 1-16 through 1-20) TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
1-22	All Other Liabilities [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Proprietary Debt Outstanding (from Part 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
1-23		\$ -	\$ -	Other Liabilities [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
1-24		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-25		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-26		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
1-27	(add lines 1-21 through 1-26) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 33,297	\$ -	(add lines 1-21 through 1-26) TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -	\$ -	
Deferred Inflows of Resources:							
1-28	Deferred Property Taxes	\$ 452,117	\$ -	Pension/OPEB Related	\$ -	\$ -	
1-29	Lease related (as lessor)	\$ -	\$ -	Other [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
1-30	(add lines 1-28 through 1-29) TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS	\$ 452,117	\$ -	(add lines 1-28 through 1-29) TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS	\$ -	\$ -	
Fund Balance							
1-31	Nonspendable Prepaid	\$ -	\$ -	Net Investment in Capital and Right-to Use Assets	\$ -	\$ -	
1-32	Nonspendable Inventory	\$ -	\$ -				
1-33	Restricted Tabor	\$ 15,866	\$ -	Emergency Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-34	Committed [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Other Designations/Reserves	\$ -	\$ -	
1-35	Assigned [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	Restricted	\$ -	\$ -	
1-36	Unassigned:	\$ 350,984	\$ -	Undesignated/Unreserved/Unrestricted	\$ -	\$ -	
1-37	Add lines 1-31 through 1-36 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 366,850	\$ -	Add lines 1-31 through 1-36 This total should be the same as line 3-33 TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ -	\$ -	
1-38	Add lines 1-27, 1-30 and 1-37 This total should be the same as line 1-15 TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 852,264	\$ -	Add lines 1-27, 1-30 and 1-37 This total should be the same as line 1-15 TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION	\$ -	\$ -	

PART 2 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - REVENUES

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*	
Tax Revenue				Tax Revenue			
2-1	Property (include mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ 280,780	\$ -	Property (include mills levied in Question 10-6)	\$ -	\$ -	
2-2	Specific Ownership	\$ 30,602	\$ -	Specific Ownership	\$ -	\$ -	
2-3	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	Sales and Use Tax	\$ -	\$ -	
2-4	Other Tax Revenue [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Other Tax Revenue [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
2-5		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-6		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-7		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-8	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ 311,382	\$ -	Add lines 2-1 through 2-7 TOTAL TAX REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -	
2-9	Licenses and Permits	\$ -	\$ -	Licenses and Permits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-10	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ 168,872	\$ -	Highway Users Tax Funds (HUTF)	\$ -	\$ -	
2-11	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	\$ -	Conservation Trust Funds (Lottery)	\$ -	\$ -	
2-12	Community Development Block Grant	\$ -	\$ -	Community Development Block Grant	\$ -	\$ -	
2-13	Fire & Police Pension	\$ -	\$ -	Fire & Police Pension	\$ -	\$ -	
2-14	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	Grants	\$ -	\$ -	
2-15	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	Donations	\$ -	\$ -	
2-16	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ 23,338	\$ -	Charges for Sales and Services	\$ -	\$ -	
2-17	Rental Income	\$ 2,500	\$ -	Rental Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-18	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	
2-19	Interest/Investment Income	\$ 10,443	\$ -	Interest/Investment Income	\$ -	\$ -	
2-20	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	Tap Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
2-21	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$ 7,500	\$ -	Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets			
2-22	All Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	All Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
2-23		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
2-24	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 524,035	\$ -	Add lines 2-8 through 2-23 TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	\$ -	
Other Financing Sources				Other Financing Sources			
2-25	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Debt Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-26	Lease Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	Lease Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	
2-27	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Advances	\$ -	\$ -	
2-28	Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	Other [specify...]:	\$ -	\$ -	
2-29	Add lines 2-25 through 2-28 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	Add lines 2-25 through 2-28 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	
2-30	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 524,035	\$ -	Add lines 2-24 and 2-29 TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$ -	GRAND TOTALS
							\$ 524,035

IF GRAND TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES for all funds (Line 2-29) are GREATER than \$750,000 - STOP. You may not use this form. An audit may be required. See Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., or contact the OSA Local Government Division at (303) 869-3000 for assistance.

PART 3 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - OPERATING STATEMENT - EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

Line #	Description	Governmental Funds		Description	Proprietary/Fiduciary Funds		Please use this space to provide explanation of any items on this page
		General	Fund*		Fund*	Fund*	
	Expenditures			Expenses			
3-1	General Government	\$ 40,393	\$ -	General Operating & Administrative	\$ -	\$ -	
3-2	Judicial	\$ -	\$ -	Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	
3-3	Law Enforcement	\$ -	\$ -	Payroll Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	
3-4	Fire	\$ -	\$ -	Contract Services	\$ -	\$ -	
3-5	Highways & Streets	\$ 432,623	\$ -	Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ -	
3-6	Solid Waste	\$ -	\$ -	Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-7	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	Accounting and Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	
3-8	Health	\$ -	\$ -	Repair and Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	
3-9	Culture and Recreation	\$ -	\$ -	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	
3-10	Transfers to other districts	\$ -	\$ -	Utilities	\$ -	\$ -	
3-11	Other: Treasurer's Fees	\$ 8,416	\$ -	Contributions to Fire & Police Pension Assoc.	\$ -	\$ -	
3-12	Water	\$ 25,839	\$ -	Other [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
3-13		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-14	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	
	Debt Service			Debt Service			
3-15	Principal (should match amount in 4-4)	\$ 18,408	\$ -	Principal (should match amount in 4-4)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-16	Interest	\$ 3,199	\$ -	Interest	\$ -	\$ -	
3-17	Bond Issuance Costs	\$ -	\$ -	Bond Issuance Costs	\$ -	\$ -	
3-18	Developer Principal Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Principal Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-19	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	Developer Interest Repayments	\$ -	\$ -	
3-20	All Other [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	All Other [specify...]	\$ -	\$ -	
3-21		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
3-22	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21	\$ 528,878	\$ -	Add lines 3-1 through 3-21	\$ -	\$ -	GRAND TOTAL
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES			TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 528,878
3-23	Interfund Transfers (In)	\$ -	\$ -	Net Interfund Transfers (In) Out	\$ -	\$ -	
3-24	Interfund Transfers Out	\$ -	\$ -	Other [specify...][enter negative for expense]	\$ -	\$ -	
3-25	Other Expenditures (Revenues):	\$ -	\$ -	Depreciation/Amortization	\$ -	\$ -	
3-26		\$ -	\$ -	Other Financing Sources (Uses) (from line 2-28)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-27		\$ -	\$ -	Capital Outlay (from line 3-14)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-28		\$ -	\$ -	Debt Principal (from line 3-15, 3-18)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-29	(Add lines 3-23 through 3-28)			(Line 3-27, plus line 3-28, less line 3-26, less line 3-25, plus line 3-24) TOTAL GAAP RECONCILING ITEMS	\$ -	\$ -	
	TOTAL TRANSFERS AND OTHER EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -				
3-30	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures Line 2-29, less line 3-22, less line 3-29	\$ (4,843)	\$ -	Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position Line 2-29, less line 3-22, plus line 3-29, less line 3-23	\$ -	\$ -	
3-31	Fund Balance, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ 371,693	\$ -	Net Position, January 1 from December 31 prior year report	\$ -	\$ -	
3-32	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain)	\$ -	\$ -	Prior Period Adjustment (MUST explain)	\$ -	\$ -	
3-33	Fund Balance, December 31 Sum of Lines 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32 This total should be the same as line 1-37.	\$ 366,850	\$ -	Net Position, December 31 Sum of Lines 3-30, 3-31, and 3-32 This total should be the same as line 1-37.	\$ -	\$ -	

IF GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES for all funds (Line 3-22) are GREATER than \$750,000 - STOP. You may not use this form. An audit may be required. See Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., or contact the OSA Local Government Division at (303) 869-3000 for assistance.

PART 8 - BUDGET INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

8-1 Did the entity file a current year budget with the Department of Local Affairs, in accordance with Section 29-1-113 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain. YES NO N/A

8-2 Did the entity pass an appropriations resolution in accordance with Section 29-1-108 C.R.S.? If no, MUST explain. YES NO N/A

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

Governmental/Proprietary Fund Name	Total Appropriations By Fund
General Fund	\$ 433,075
	\$ -
	\$ -

PART 9 - TAX PAYERS BILL OF RIGHTS (TABOR)

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

9-1 Is the entity in compliance with all the provisions of TABOR (State Constitution, Article X, Section 20(5))? YES NO

Note: An election to exempt the government from the application, some types of TABOR does not exempt the government from the 3 percent energy cost increase requirement. All governments should determine if they found this requirement of TABOR.

PART 10 - GENERAL INFORMATION

Please answer the following question by marking in the appropriate box

10-1 Is this application for a newly formed governmental entity? YES NO

If yes: Date of formation:

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

If Yes: NEW name

PRIOR name

10-3 Is the entity a metropolitan district? YES NO

10-4 Please indicate what services the entity provides:

ROADS & PARKS

10-5 Does the entity have an agreement with another government to provide services? YES NO

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

10-6 Does the entity have a certified mill levy? YES NO

If yes: Please provide the number of mills levied for the year reported (do not enter \$ amounts):

Bond Redemption mills	14.753
General/Other mills	0.000
Total mills	14.753

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. YES NO N/A

Please use this space to provide any additional explanations or comments not previously included.

OSA USE ONLY

Entity Wide:		General Fund		Governmental Funds		Notes	
Unrestricted Cash & Investments	\$	384,008	Unrestricted Fund Balan	\$	350,984	Total Tax Revenue	\$ 311,382
Current Liabilities	\$	33,297	Total Fund Balance	\$	366,850	Revenue Paying Debt Service	\$ 524,035
Deferred Inflow	\$	452,117	PY Fund Balance	\$	371,693	Total Revenue	\$ 524,035
			Total Revenue	\$	524,035	Total Debt Service Principal	\$ 18,408
			Total Expenditures	\$	528,878	Total Debt Service Interest	\$ 3,199
						Total Assets	\$ 852,264
						Total Liabilities	\$ 33,297
Governmental			Interfund In	\$	-	Enterprise Funds	
Total Cash & Investments	\$	384,008	Interfund Out	\$	-	Net Position	\$ -
Transfers In	\$	-	Proprietary			PY Net Position	\$ -
Transfers Out	\$	-	- Current Assets	\$		Government-Wide	
Property Tax	\$	280,780	Deferred Outflow	\$		- Total Outstanding Debt	\$ 63,184
Debt Service Principal	\$	18,408	Current Liabilities	\$		- Authorized but Unissued	\$ -
Total Expenditures	\$	528,878	Deferred Inflow	\$		- Year Authorized	\$ 1/0/1900
Total Developer Advances	\$	7,500	Cash & Investments	\$			
Total Developer Repayments	\$	-	- Principal Expense	\$			

PART 12 - 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?

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

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.

Below is the certification and approval of the governing body. By signing, each individual member is certifying they are a duly elected or appointed officer of the local government. Governing members may be verified. Also by signing, the individual member certifies that this Application for Exemption from Audit has been prepared consistent with Section 29-1-604, C.R.S., which states that a governmental agency with revenue and expenditures of \$750,000 or less must have an application prepared by an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting, completed to the best of their knowledge and is accurate and true. Use additional pages if needed.

MUST Print the names of ALL members of the governing body below.

A MAJORITY of the members of the governing body must sign below.

1	Full Name Kelly Evans	I, _____, attest that 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: _____
2	Full Name Pam Wallis	I, _____, attest that 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: _____
3	Full Name Kenneth Barber	I, _____, attest that 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: _____
4	Full Name Eric Davidson	I, _____, attest that 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: _____
5	Full Name Chris DeVries	I, _____, attest that 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: _____
6	Full Name	I, _____, attest that 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: _____
7	Full Name	I, _____, attest that 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: _____

**-RESOLUTION FOR EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT-
(Pursuant to Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.)**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 FOR ASPEN SPRINGS METRO DISTRICT STATE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Aspen Springs Metro District wishes to claim exemption from the audit requirements of Section 29-1-603, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-1-603, C.R.S. states that any local government where neither revenues or 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 revenues or expenditures for Aspen Springs Metro District exceeded \$750,000 for Fiscal Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, an application for exemption for Aspen Springs Metro District has been prepared by Michael C. Branch, CPA, an independent accountant with knowledge of governmental accounting, and;

WHEREAS, said application for exemption from audit has been completed in accordance with regulations issued by the state auditor.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of the Aspen Springs Metro District that the application for exemption from audit for 2023 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 has been reviewed and is hereby approved by a majority of the Board of Aspen Springs Metro District; that those members of the Board 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 Aspen Springs Metro District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2024

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary

Members of Governing Body

Term Expires

Signature

Kelly Evans

Pam Wallis

Chris DeVries

Kenneth Barber

Eric Davidson
