

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY
PARTNERSHIP, INC.**

**(A Component Unit of the County of
Saratoga, New York)**

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Chairperson and Board of the
Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.
Malta, New York

Report on the Schedule of Investments

We have audited the accompanying schedule of investments of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc., a public benefit corporation, as of December 31, 2019, and the related notes.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Schedule

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule of investments in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule of investments that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the schedule of investments based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedule of investments are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the schedule of investments. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the schedule of investments, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s preparation and fair presentation of the schedule of investments in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the schedule of investments.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the schedule of investments referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the investments of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. as of December 31, 2019, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and our report thereon dated March 3, 2020, expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 3, 2020, on our consideration of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters with respect to the schedule of investments. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance with respect to the schedule of investments.

WEST & COMPANY CPAs PC

Gloversville, New York
March 3, 2020

SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.

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INVESTMENTS	
Unrestricted	\$ <u>0</u>
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ <u><u>0</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2019

NOTE 1 – BACKGROUND AND ORGANIZATION

Organization and Purpose

The Organization

The Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the Partnership), is a special purpose local development corporation organized under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York. The Partnership is an instrumentality of, but separate and apart from, the County of Saratoga, New York (the County). Although legally separate from the County, the Partnership is a component unit of the County and, accordingly, is included in the County's financial statements as a discretely presented component unit.

The Partnership's mission is to publicize and promote the advantages of the County and the Region as a place where employers and entrepreneurs can successfully locate new and expanded operations. The Partnership, through its promotional program, shall attract and encourage prospective employers in a wide range of economic activity, including but not limited to manufacturing, agri-business, education, clean and renewable energy production and technology, business services, international trade, high-tech and broadband services and infrastructure, information technology, research, and tourism to locate to or expand within the County.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investments

In accordance with FASB ASC, *Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-for-Profit Organizations*, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values in the statements of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets.

NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS

As of December 31, 2019, the Partnership had \$-0- investments.

Permitted Investments

Pursuant to the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law ("N-PCL"), the Corporation is authorized to invest moneys not required for immediate expenditure for terms not to exceed its projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

- a. Special time deposit accounts;*
- b. Certificates of deposit;*
- c. Obligations of the United States of America;**
- d. Obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America where payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America;**

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NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

Permitted Investments – (Continued)

e. Obligations of the State of New York;*

* Special time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit are permitted investments provided that (1) they shall be payable within such time as the proceeds shall be needed to meet expenditures for which the moneys were obtained and (2) they are collateralized in the same manner as set forth in Deposit Policy for deposits of public funds.

** All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided and, in the case of obligations purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within two years of the date of purchase.



**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON
AN AUDIT OF THE SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Chairperson and Board of the
Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.
Malta, New York

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the schedule of investments of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc., a public benefit corporation, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the schedule of investments, and have issued our report thereon dated March 3, 2020.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the schedule of investments, we considered Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the schedule of investments, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Partnership's schedule of investments will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s schedule of investments are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and investment policies established by Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. and the New York State Comptroller investment guideline requirements as presented in Section 201.3(c) of the *Accounting, Reporting and Supervision Requirements for Public Authorities*, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of schedule of investment amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is intended solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Partnership's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Gloversville, New York
March 3, 2020