METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 NORTH Capitol Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002-4239

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FY-2024 AUDIT, AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDIT FIRM'S CONTRACT TO PERFORM THE FY-2025 AUDIT AND AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FROM INDEPENDENT AUDIT FIRMS TO PERFORM THE FY-2026 AUDIT

WHEREAS, in accordance with COG's procedures and in compliance with requirements established by the Federal Government for recipients of grants and other financial assistance programs, COG engages an independent certified public accounting firm to conduct an annual fiscal year-end audit; and

WHEREAS, the Audit Committee recommends acceptance of the FY-2024 audit report and unqualified opinion prepared by the independent audit firm CLA, LLP; and

WHEREAS, based on the annual performance assessment, the Audit Committee recommends extension of the audit firm's contract for the FY-2025 audit,

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2015, the Board of Directors approved Resolution R20-2015, requiring the Audit Committee to solicit informal quotes or formal proposals from at least three (3) qualified audit firms at least every five (5) years to assess competitive pricing of audit services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

- 1. The Board hereby accepts the FY-2024 Audit prepared by CLA, LLP, as presented by the Audit Committee.
- 2. The Executive Director, or his designee, at the direction of the Audit Committee, is hereby authorized to engage CLA, LLP to conduct the annual fiscal year-end audit for FY-2025 and prepare the annual Form 990 not-for-profit tax return, at a cost not to exceed \$85,000.
- 3. The Executive Director, or his designee, at the direction of the Audit Committee, is hereby authorized to solicit formal proposals from at least three (3) independent certified public accounting firms to conduct the annual fiscal year-end audit for FY-2026.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT Resolution R4-2025 was approved by the COG Board of Directors on January 15, 2025.

Monica Beyrouti Nunez Government Relations Manager