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Speaker Bios

Christina Coyle:

Christina became the Director of Finance at the City of Elmhurst in February 2022. She oversees the City's \$200 million annual budget, accounting, financial reporting, and financial planning. Prior to joining the City, Christina was the Assistant Finance Director and subsequently the Finance Director at the Village of Glen Ellyn, where she worked for 10 years. Previously, Ms. Coyle was also a government Audit Manager at Baker Tilly, LLP.

Christina is also the Chair of the Technical Accounting Review Committee (TARC) of the Illinois Government Finance Officers Association (IGFOA). Christina is a Certified Public Accountant and a graduate of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she double-majored in Finance and French.

Tim Gavin:

Tim Gavin is a Principal with Lauterbach & Amen, LLP and has two decades serving the public sector as an auditor, consultant, and payroll expert. He currently oversees Lauterbach & Amen's payroll services team which provides outsourced payroll and consulting to a wide variety of clients. Tim has extensive experience with public sector auditing, payroll systems, compliance, internal controls, and fraud prevention, and is a regular speaker on public sector industry topics. He is a Certified Public Accountant, a graduate of North Central College with a degree in accounting and holds an MBA from Northern Illinois University.

Bill Hannah:

Bill Hannah, the finance director of the City of St. Charles, joined the City in 2022, coming from the Village of North Aurora, where he served as the Finance Director/Treasurer since 2005. He started his career as Assistant to The Director of Administrative Services for the Village of Barrington in 1997 and became the Budget/Finance Manager for the City of Wheaton in 2001. Bill holds a Bachelor of Art degree in business and economics from Illinois Benedictine College and a Master of Public Administration from NIU. He was awarded the Certified Public Finance Officer (CPFO) certificate in 2013. His professional memberships include Government Finance Officer Association (GFOA), Illinois Government Finance Officers Association (IGFOA) (past executive board member, president, and Technical Accounting Review Committee chair), and former member of ILCMA, IAMMA and IPELRA.



Elizabeth Holleb

Elizabeth Holleb is the Finance Director and Treasurer for the City of Lake Forest, Illinois, having joined the City staff in June of 2012. She is a Certified Public Accountant with more than 30 years of work experience in municipal finance. Previous employers include the Government Finance Officers Association, the Village of Northbrook, the Village of Oak Park and the City of Highland Park. Elizabeth has a BS in Accounting from Ball State University, where she was a Cum Laude graduate of the Honors College.

In January 2020, Elizabeth was appointed by Governor Pritzker to the Illinois Police Officers Pension Investment Fund Transition Board as a Municipal Representative and was subsequently elected to the Permanent Board effective January 2021. Elizabeth is the Immediate Past President of the IGFOA Executive Board, a member of the GFOA Education Advisory Council, and a member of the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency's Board of Directors. She has previously served on the IGFOA Chicago Metro Chapter Board and the Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund Board of Trustees.

Michael Malatt:

Michael is a Principal with Baker Tilly and has been a member of the firm's Public Sector Practice Group since 2007. Michael has extensive experience providing financial and compliance audits, accounting services, and consulting services to state and local government organizations. Michael is also responsible for assisting in the implementation of GASB standards, including the development of practical implementation tools to providing in-depth training to firm staff and clients. Michael is a member of the Illinois CPA Society, AICPA, GFOA Special Review Committee, and IGFOA Professional Education Committee. Michael obtained a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accountancy and Mathematics and a Master of Science in Accountancy from the University of Notre Dame. Michael received the 2008 Excel Award from the Illinois CPA Society for outstanding achievement on the Uniform CPA Examination in Illinois.

Jennifer McMahan, SPHR and CLRP®

Jennifer McMahan became the Director of Human Resources for the City of St. Charles in 2016. She earned a BA in Urban Studies from DePaul University and a Master's in Urban Planning & Policy from UIC. Her career includes positions as Human Resources Assistant in Elmhurst and Assistant City Administrator in Warrenville. Jennifer is a member of ICMA, ILCMA, NPELRA, IPELRA and The Legacy Project, having held committee or board positions in many of them. She also acts as a career mentor for DePaul University's Alumni Sharing Knowledge program and is Chair of the Geneva Board of Fire & Police Commissioners.



Molly Talkington:

Molly Talkington is currently the Finance Director for the City of Rolling Meadows, serving in that role since May 2022 and bringing 20 years of experience to the City. Prior to joining the City, she was the Finance Principal/Comptroller for the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, an agency that focuses on regional transportation planning. She has held positions throughout the State, such as the Finance Director for the Village of East Dundee and the City of DeKalb, the Budget Officer for the City of Champaign, and the Budget Analyst in the City of Naperville.

Molly has a Master of Public Administration from Northern Illinois University and a Bachelor of Science in History from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. She served as the Downstate Chapter President for the Illinois Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA). As a member of IGFOA and the Government Finance Officers' Association, she leads and moderates training sessions for other government professionals and continues to volunteer in other capacities for both organizations. She is the current President- Elect for the Government Finance Officers' Association's Women's Public Finance Network.