

## **Advanced Governmental Accounting Seminar Speaker Instructor Bios | July 20, 2023**

### **Christina Coyle, Director of Finance, City of Elmhurst**

Christina Coyle became the Director of Finance for 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, Christina was a government Audit Manager at Baker Tilly, LLP. Christina serves as Chair of IGFOA's Technical Accounting Review Committee (TARC) and is a Certified Public Accountant. She graduated from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, with a double-major in Finance and French.

### **Frederick G. Lantz, CPA, Director, Government Services, Sikich LLP**

Frederick G. Lantz, a Certified Public Accountant, is partner and the Director of Government Services at Sikich, LLP. He is responsible for providing technical services to Sikich's clients in all areas of governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, budget development, revenue and expenditure forecasting, and cash and debt management. Prior to joining Sikich, Fred was an assistant director for the Technical Services Center of the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA), where he was a nationally recognized expert in the state and local government industry. At GFOA, he was responsible for managing the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program, providing accounting, auditing and financial reporting assistance to state and local government officials and their auditors, and serving as a liaison to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Fred is a member of the Illinois CPA Society, serving on the Governmental Report Review; the Illinois Government Finance Officers Association, serving on the Technical Accounting Review Committee; the Association of School Business Officers, serving as a panel review chair for the Certificate of Excellence Program; the Government Finance Officers Association serving on the Special Review Committee for the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program; the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Illinois Municipal Treasurers Association and the Illinois Municipal League.

### **Christina Torres, CPA, Partner, Crowe LLP**

Ms. Christine Torres, CPA is a Partner with Crowe LLP that specializes in external audits for governmental and not-for-profit entities. Ms. Torres, has over 20 years' experience with government, higher education, transportation, school district, state agency and not-for-profit audits. In addition to the financial audits, she has experience with compliance audits that have followed Government Auditing Standards and the Uniform Grant Guidance, other attestation engagements and consulting projects.

Ms. Torres is active with the Illinois Government Finance Officers Association (IGFOA) and participates in the Technical Accounting Review Committee which is a committee of the IGFOA. The committee monitors and comments on activities and rulings of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and provides testimony on GASB standards and educates the IGFOA membership on those standards. In addition, she is a member of the Association of School Business Officials Report Review Committee. As a member of this committee she reviews Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports and determines if all criteria have been met for the Districts to be awarded the Certificate. Additionally, she participates on the Illinois CPA Governmental Executive Committee and the Illinois Office of the Comptroller's Local Government Advisory Board.