#### CITY OF SIGNAL HILL ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE

PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT
ARTICLE 3 FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 AND 2015

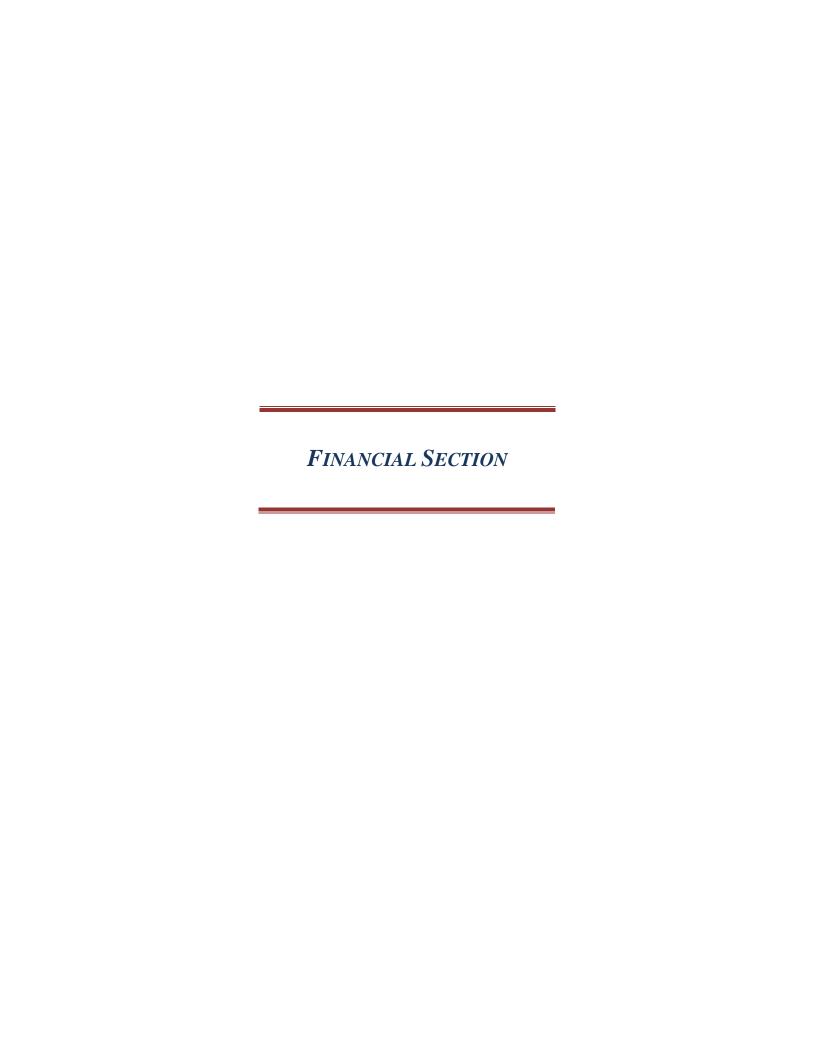




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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF), Proposition C Local Return Fund (PCLRF), Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) of the City of Signal Hill, California (City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements 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 financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 financial statements.

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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F of the City of Signal Hill, California, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in their financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matter

The financial statements of the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, were audited by other auditors, whose report, dated December 22, 2015, expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements present only the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Signal Hill, California, as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Signal Hill, California's PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F Fund financial statements as a whole. The accompanying supplementary information as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

The supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Governmental Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have issued our report dated October 28, 2016, on our consideration of the City of Signal Hill' 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. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, not to provide an opinion on 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 the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Los Angeles, California October 28, 2016

Simpson & Simpson

#### PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND

#### BALANCE SHEETS JUNE 30

		2016		2015
ASSETS				_
Cash and investments	\$	655,189	\$	577,498
Total assets	\$	655,189	\$ _	577,498
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	33,279	\$	35,635
Wages payable		240		118
Total liabilities	_	33,519	_	35,753
Fund Balance				
Restricted		621,670	_	541,745
Total fund balance	_	621,670	_	541,745
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	655,189	\$ _	577,498

#### PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

#### For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2016	2015
REVENUES		
Proposition A	\$ 205,971	\$ 198,394
Interest income	3,671	1,279
Project generated revenues	1,854	1,612
Total revenues	211,496	201,285
EXPENDITURES		
Various projects	131,571	181,285
Total expenditures	131,571	181,285
Excess of revenues over expenditures	79,925	20,000
Fund balance at beginning of year	541,745	521,745
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 621,670	\$ 541,745

#### PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016 (With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015)

					Variance			
Project			Metro			Favorable	2015	
Code	Project Name		Budget	Actual	J)	<u>Jnfavorable</u> )	Actual	
110-02	Fixed Route Subsidy	\$	38,808 \$	21,720	\$	17,088 \$	38,808	
120-02	Dial-A-Lift		17,500	20,900		(3,400)	34,330	
120-05	Dial-A-Taxi		15,000	7,185		7,815	9,030	
140-03	Recreation Transit		21,000	22,142		(1,142)	23,878	
170-07	Bus Shelter Maintenance		32,500	33,283		(783)	29,522	
250-04	Bus Fare Subsidy		4,800	1,608		3,192	3,600	
270-10	Oversight Committee for I-710 EIR/EIS							
	alternative route improvements		10,000	10,000		-	10,000	
480-06	Staff Administration	_	32,730	14,733	_	17,997	32,117	
	Total expenditures	\$_	172,338 \$	131,571	\$	40,767 \$	181,285	

#### PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

June 30, 2016

Date					Balance						Balance
Acquired		Description			7/1/2015		Additions		Deletions		6/30/2016
	None			\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_
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			Total	\$_	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

#### PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND

#### BALANCE SHEETS JUNE 30

		2016		2015
ASSETS				
Cash and investments	\$	454,520	\$	356,456
Total assets	\$ _	454,520	\$ =	356,456
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	-
Total liabilities	_		_	
Fund Balance				
Restricted	_	454,520		356,456
Total fund balance		454,520	_	356,456
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ _	454,520	\$ _	356,456

#### PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

#### For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2016	2015
REVENUES		
Proposition C	\$ 169,714	\$ 163,693
Interest income	1,982	1,233
Total revenues	171,696	164,926
EXPENDITURES		
Street Overlay	73,632	77,658
Total expenditures	73,632	77,658
Excess of revenues over expenditures	98,064	87,268
Fund balance at beginning of year	356,456	269,188
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 454,520	\$ 356,456

#### PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016 (With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015)

							Variance	
Project			Metro				Favorable	2015
Code	Project Name		Budget		Actual	J)	Jnfavorable)	Actual
270-07	Transportation Planning	\$	2,000	\$	-	\$	2,000 \$	-
400-02	Traffic Signal Synchronization		50,000		45,974		4,026	50,000
440-03	Traffic Corridor Street Improvements		25,200		25,200		-	25,200
440-04	Willow Street Overlay		275,000		-		275,000	-
500-05	Membership Dues - Gateway Cities	_	4,000		2,458		1,542	2,458
	Total expenditures	\$_	356,200	\$_	73,632	\$_	282,568 \$	77,658

#### PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

June 30, 2016

Date				Balance	2				Balance
Acquired		Description		7/1/2013	5	Additions	Deletions	_	6/30/2016
	None			\$ _	<del></del> \$	_	\$ _	\$	
			Total	\$ -	<u> </u>	-	\$ -	\$	-

#### MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND

#### BALANCE SHEETS JUNE 30

		2016	2015		
ASSETS					
Cash and investments	\$_	277,383	\$ 197,046		
Total assets	\$ _	277,383	\$ 197,046		
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$_		\$ 		
Total liabilities	_				
Fund Balance					
Restricted	_	277,383	197,046		
Total fund balance	_	277,383	197,046		
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	277,383	\$ 197,046		

#### MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

#### For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2016	2015		
REVENUES				
Measure R	\$ 128,213	\$	123,450	
Interest income	1,546		498	
Total revenues	129,759		123,948	
EXPENDITURES				
2014-15 Pavement Management	49,422			
Total expenditures	49,422			
Excess of revenues over expenditures	80,337		123,948	
Fund balance at beginning of year	197,046		73,098	
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 277,383	\$	197,046	

#### MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016 (With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015)

			2016		
Duning		Matus		Variance	2015
Project Code	Project Name	Metro Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)	2015 Actual
1.05	2014-15 Pavement Management	\$ 150,503 \$	49,422	\$ 101,081 \$	-
	Total expenditures	\$ 150,503 \$	49,422	\$ 101,081 \$	-

#### MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

June 30, 2016

Date					Balance	e			Balance
Acquired		Description			7/1/201	5	Additions	Deletions	6/30/2016
	None			\$_	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
			Total	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -

## TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND (PURSUANT TO PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 99234)

#### BALANCE SHEETS JUNE 30

	_	2016		2015
ASSETS	_			_
Due from LACMTA	\$	7,500	\$	
Total assets	\$ _	7,500	\$	-
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Due to general fund	\$ _	7,500	\$	
Total liabilities	_	7,500		
Fund Balance				
Reserved	<del>-</del>	_	i	
Total fund balance	_			
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	7,500	\$	

#### TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

#### For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

		2016		2015
REVENUES	•			
Payment from prior year reserve	\$	7,500	\$	
Total revenues		7,500		
EXPENDITURES				
Construction/Maintenance		7,500		18,440
Total expenditures	-	7,500	•	18,440
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		-		(18,440)
Fund balance at beginning of year	-		•	18,440
Fund balance at end of year	\$		\$	

## TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ALLOCATION FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Program						Unexpended	Project
Project Description	Year		Allocations		Expenditures	_	Allocations	Status
Local allocations								
General Sidewalk Repair	2016	\$_	7,500	\$	7,500	\$_		Complete
Total		\$_	7,500	\$	7,500		-	
Unexpended interest accumulated to date							-	
Fund balance at beginning of year						_	-	
Fund balance at end of year						\$_	-	

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Fund Accounting

The operations of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF) and Proposition C Local Return Funds (PCLRF), Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) are accounted for in separate sets of self-balancing accounts that comprise their assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures.

PALRF and PCLRF represent 25% and 20% respectively, of the ½ cent Proposition A and ½ cent Proposition C sales taxes which are distributed to the jurisdictions within Los Angeles County based on population and must be used exclusively for transportation related programs and projects.

MRLRF represents 15% of the ½ cent sales tax which is distributed to the jurisdictions within Los Angeles County based on a per capita basis and must be used exclusively for transportation purposes.

Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) is a Special Revenue Fund that accounts for the City's share of the Transportation Development Act Article 3 allocations which are legally restricted for specific purposes.

Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting whereby revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period and expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liabilities are incurred.

Special Revenue funds are reported on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that generally only current assets, current liabilities and deferred inflows and outflows of resources are included on their balance sheets. Statements of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for Special Revenue Funds generally present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** 

The budgeted amounts presented in this report for comparison to the actual amounts are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 (Continued)

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Fair Value Measurement

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, which became effective for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the City categorizes its fair value measurement within the fair value hierarchy that is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the investment. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical investments; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. Accordingly, the City reports its investments at fair value and recognizes unrealized gain (loss) on investments.

Refer to the City's 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for detailed disclosures regarding the City's investments policy and fair value measurements.

#### Fund Balance Reporting

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, establishes the fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds.

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F report the following fund balance classification as of June 30, 2016:

Restricted – Amounts that are constrained for specific purposes, which are externally imposed by
providers, such as creditors, or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling
legislation. The use of the Funds' remaining fund balances are restricted for projects approved by
LACMTA.

Information regarding the fund balance reporting policy adopted by the City is described in Note 1 to the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### NOTE 2 – ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements reflect only the financial position and results of operations of the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F and their compliance with the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Program Guidelines, Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Funding and Allocation Guidelines for Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 (Continued)

### NOTE 3 – PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Program Guidelines, funds received pursuant to these guidelines may only be used for Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return approved programs.

#### NOTE 4 – MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines, funds received pursuant to these guidelines may only be used for Measure R Local Return approved programs.

#### NOTE 5 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Public Utilities Code Section 99234, funds received pursuant to this Code's section may only be used for activities relating to pedestrians and bicycle facilities.

#### **NOTE 6 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F cash balances were pooled with various other City funds for deposit and investment purposes. The share of each fund in the pooled cash account was separately maintained and interest income was apportioned to the participating funds based on the relationship of their average quarterly balances to the total of the pooled cash and investments.

#### NOTE 7 – PROJECT GENERATED REVENUES UNDER PALRF

Project generated revenues for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 consisted of the following:

	2016			2015
Senior Bus Pass	\$	242	\$	377
Dial-A-Taxi Fares		1,612		1,235
Total payment requested	\$	1,854	\$	1,612

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 (Continued)

#### NOTE 8 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUND REVENUE ALLOCATION

The revenue allocation for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 consisted of the following:

	2016	2015
FY 2012-13 reserve	\$ 3,715	\$ 
FY 2013-14 reserve	3,785	-
Total payment requested	\$ 7,500	\$ -

#### NOTE 9 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS RESERVED

In accordance with TDA Article 3 (SB821) Guidelines, funds not spent during the fiscal year have been placed on reserve in the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) account with the County Auditor-Controller to be drawn down whenever the funds become eligible for a specific project and an approved drawdown request is received by Metro. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, the City has funds on reserve as follows:

	2016		2015	
FY 2012-13 reserve	\$		\$ 3,715	
FY 2013-14 reserve		5,316	9,101	
FY 2014-15 reserve		7,418	7,418	
FY 2015-16 allocation		7,286	-	
Available reserve balance	\$	20,020	\$ 20,234	

#### **NOTE 10 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The City has evaluated events or transactions that occurred subsequent to June 30, 2016 through October 28, 2016, the date the accompanying financial statements were available to be issued, for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements and determined no subsequent matters require disclosure or adjustment to the accompanying financial statements.



## Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF), Proposition C Local Return Fund (PCLRF), Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), and Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDAA3F) Fund of the City of Signal Hill, California (City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 28, 2016.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City'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 financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City'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 City's local return funds and TDAA3F financial statements 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 any 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 the City's financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF), Proposition C Local Return Fund (PCLRF), Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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.

Los Angeles, California

Simpson & Simpson

October 28, 2016





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#### **Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance**

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority

#### **Report on Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of the City of Signal Hill, California (City) with the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Guidelines, Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Transportation Development Act Article 3, and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Funding and Allocation Guidelines for the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds (Guidelines) for the year ended June 30, 2016.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the City's compliance with those guidelines.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Guidelines referred to in the preceding paragraph. Those standards and the Guidelines require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a local return program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance with those requirements.

#### Opinion on Each Local Return Program and Transportation Development Act Article 3

In our opinion, the City of Signal Hill complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that apply to Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDAA3F) Fund for the year ended June 30, 2016.





#### Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Guidelines and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Recommendations as Finding No. 2016-001. Our opinion on each local return program is not modified with respect to this matter.

The City's responses to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Recommendations. The City's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of the City of Signal Hill is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the Requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with the Requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the Local Return programs and the TDAA3F to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Requirements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirement of the Guidelines. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Los Angeles, California October 28, 2016

Simpson & Simpson

#### COMPLIANCE MATRIX

Year Ended June 30, 2016

Compliance Requirement			n liance	Questioned	If no, provide details and					
		Yes No		Costs	management response.					
<b>A. P</b> i	A. Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Funds									
1.	Timely use of funds.		X	None	See Finding 2016-001 on the Summary of Findings and Recommendations					
2.	Expenditures were approved before being incurred.	X		None						
3.	Funds were used on approved projects only and expenditures were supported and allowable per Guidelines.	X		None						
4.	Expenditures did not exceed 25% of Metro's approved budget.	X		None						
5.	Administrative expenses were within the 20% cap.	X		None						
6.	All on-going and carryover projects were reported in Form B.	X		None						
7.	Annual Project Summary Report (Form B) was submitted on time.	X		None						
8.	Annual Expenditure Report (Form C) was submitted on time.	X		None						
9.	Recreational Tranist Form submitted on time.	X		None						
10.	Cash or cash equivalents were maintained.	X		None						
11.	Accounting procedures, record keeping and documentation were adequate.	X		None						

#### **COMPLIANCE MATRIX**

Year Ended June 30, 2016 (Continued)

	Compliance Requirement		n liance	Questioned	If no, provide details and	
			No	Costs	management response.	
12.	Revenues received including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to the PALRF and PCLRF accounts.	X		None		
B. M	easure R Local Return Fund					
1.	Timely use of funds.	X		None		
2.	Expenditures were approved before being incurred.	X		None		
3.	Funds were used on approved projects only and expenditures were supported and allowable per Guidelines.	X		None		
4.	Fund were not substituted for property tax.	X		None		
5.	Administrative expenses were within the 20% cap.	N/A		None		
6.	Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	X		None		
7.	Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	X		None		
8.	Cash or cash equivalents were maintained.	X		None		
9.	Accounting procedures, record keeping and documentation were adequate.	X		None		
10.	Revenues received including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to the Measure R account.	X		None		

 $\ensuremath{N/A}$  - Not applicable as the City did not expend funds.

#### COMPLIANCE MATRIX

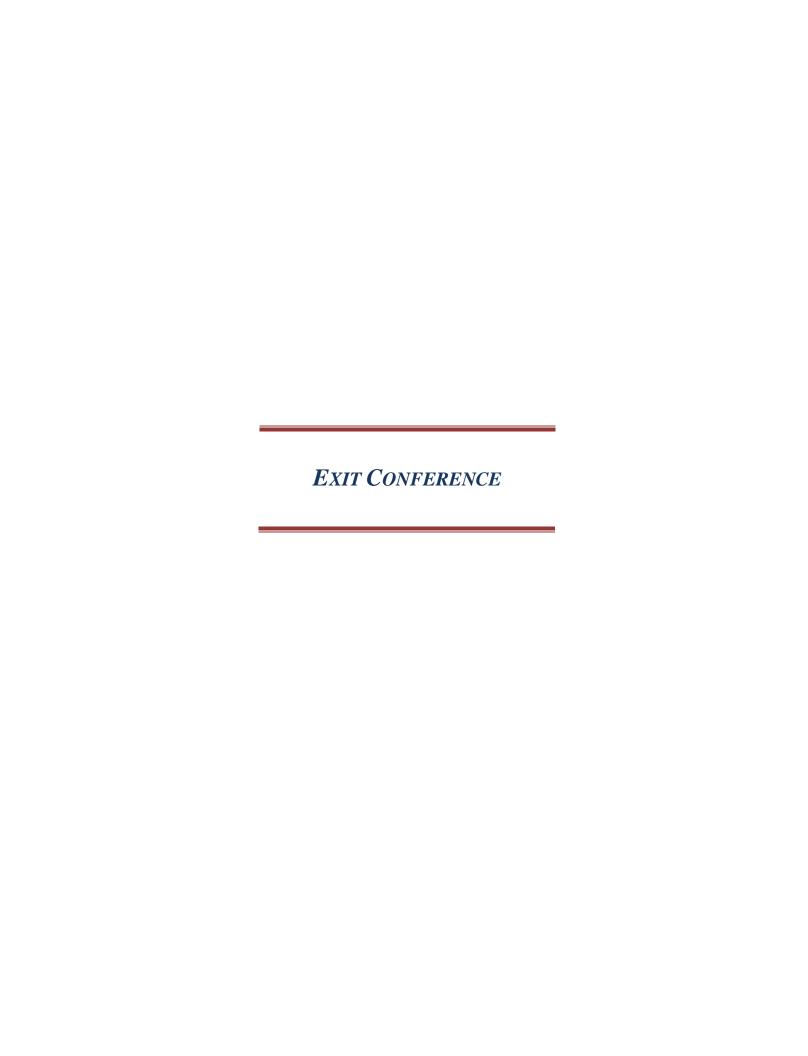
Year Ended June 30, 2016 (Continued)

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance		Questioned	If no, provide details and
			No	Costs	management response.
11.	Funds were not used to supplant existing local revenues being used for transportation purpose.	X	2 Fund	None	
C. 1	ansportation Development Act	Aiuci	3 Full		
1.	Timely use of funds.	X		None	
2.	Expenditures were incurred for activities relating to pedestrian and bicycle facilities and amenities.	X		None	

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS June 30, 2016

#### PALRF Finding No. 2016-001

Finding	Entity
Compliance Reference	According to Proposition A & C Guidelines, Section B paragraph (1), "Under the Proposition A and Proposition C Ordinances, Jurisdictions have three years to expend LR funds. Funds must be expended within three years of the last day of the fiscal year in which funds were originally allocated. Therefore, by method of calculation, each Jurisdiction has the Fiscal Year of allocation plus three years to expend Proposition A and/or Proposition C funds."
Condition	At June 30, 2016, the City had unspent PALRF fund balance from FY 2013 in the amount of \$11,724.
	The City received subsequent approval from LACMTA on December 15, 2016 to transfer expenditures to Proposition A to cover the lapsed fund amount.
Cause	The City was not aware of the importance of monitoring lapsing Proposition A funds and spending funds within three years to meet the compliance requirements.
Effect	The City is obligated to expend the funds within three years and the City did not expend the Proposition A fund balance from FY 2013 as of June 30, 2016. Therefore, the City was not incompliance with the Guidelines.
Recommendation	We recommend that the City establish controls to ensure that the funds will be spent in a timely manner as required by the Guidelines.
Management's Response	Please be aware that the City of Signal Hill did expend all Prop A funds, including the \$11,724 fund balance "Condition" mentioned in your attached finding. Because of the challenges involved in the City's recent conversion to new Accounting Software and an accounting oversight, FY 15-16 Prop A fund expenditures we're paid and erroneously posted to the subsequent 16-17 FY. These expenditures, in the amount of \$21,719.92 for your invoice 10006231 for "Prop A- 1st half FY Fixed Route", were incurred in FY 15-16. Additionally, this correction will reflect in our FY 15-16 CAFR and Single Audit Reports.



# PROPOSITION A, PROPOSITION C, MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUNDS, AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND EXIT CONFERENCE June 30, 2016

An exit conference was held on December 14, 2016 with the City of Signal Hill. Those in attendance were:

Simpson & Simpson Representative:

Caprice McGuire, Senior Auditor

City's Representative:

Pearl Yu, Accountant

Matters Discussed:

Results of the audit, one finding was noted

A copy of this report was forwarded to the following City representative(s) for their comments prior to the issuance of the final report: